

Davenport  
Department of Community Development  
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# DAVENPORT

## SURVEY 1982

SITE #82-10-13-W1403      MAP NUMBER 7  
HISTORIC DISTRICT  
NAME Elizabeth Pohlmann House  
ADDRESS 1403 W. 13th Street



LEGAL DESCRIPTION Sturdevant's 2nd, Blk. 13,  
Lot 1

ACREAGE <1      ZONE R4D      UTM 15/700715 4600440  
OWNER Howard K. Stahl      TITLE H  
2118 N. Elsie Ave.  
Davenport, IA

### DESCRIPTION

ARCHITECTURAL STYLE Late Queen Anne      DATE 1896  
FORM 2-1/2 stories, irregular plan; hipped main roof w/front gable  
in pinwheel style  
MATERIALS cream-colored brick on masonry foundation  
FENESTRATION segmental arches 1st story, rectangular 2nd story; round arch  
used in north and west gable ends  
FEATURES entrance framed with sidelights, below small hipped roof on  
oversized brackets; art glass transom above plate-glass parlor window  
ALTERATIONS porches removed  
SITE large, flat corner lot, slightly elevated

**ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE** This house is an example of the transition in popular domestic architectural styles that occurred in Davenport at the turn of the century. The "pinwheel" form -- a hipped-roof mass with gabled projections -- is retained from the 19th century Queen Anne style, but the full cornice returns of these gables (which create "pediments") and use of light-colored brick suggest the later turn toward light colors and neoclassical detail of the Colonial Revival. Loss of prominent porches on front and rear gives it a feeling of austerity which was likely not characteristic of the house when first built. By virtue of its size, corner location and brick exterior, this house is a prominent feature in a late 19th century neighborhood of smaller, frame dwellings.

**HISTORICAL DATA**

Elizabeth Pohlmann, widow of Herman B. Pohlman, had this house built in 1896. The Pohlmann family was part of the German community that populated northwest Davenport in the post-1870 period.

**HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE**

**SOURCES** Davenport City Directories, 1894-5, 1896-7

**ARCHITECTURAL EVALUATION**

DESIGN good STATURE focus  
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE local

CONTEXT good FABRIC fair/good  
DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION

**HISTORICAL EVALUATION**

PRIMARY THEME  
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE

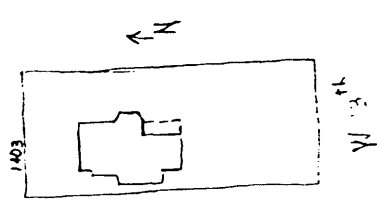
SECONDARY THEME

**NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBLE YES**

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2 DATE OF STAFF EVALUATION \_\_\_\_\_

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3 NRHP ACTION

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