

MINNESOTA HISTORIC PROPERTIES INVENTORY FORM

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HISTORIC NAME: Dunn, Andrew C., House COUNTY: Faribault
 CURRENT NAME: Richard Stauffer Residence CITY/TWP.: Winnebago
 LEGAL DESC.: Original Plat, Block 15, Lot 12 & ADDRESS: 133 South Main Street
 vacated alley. Winnebago, MN 56098

CLASSIFICATION:	CONDITION:	SIGNIFICANCE:	THEME/S:
Building <u>X</u>	Excellent _____	Local <u>X</u>	Primary Exploration/Settle-
Structure _____	Good <u>X</u>	State _____	Secondary Architecture ment
Object _____	Fair _____	National _____	Others _____
District _____	Deteriorated _____		

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Yes ___ No X Restricted _____ PRESENT USE:
 VISIBLE FROM THE ROAD: Yes X No _____ residential and commercial
 OCCUPIED: Yes X No _____

DATE CONSTRUCTED: 1901 ORIGINAL USE: residence
 ORIGINAL OWNER: Andrew C. Dunn ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Andrew C. Dunn

OWNER'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Richard Stauffer 133 South Main Street Winnebago, MN 56098	ACREAGE: Less than one acre <u>X</u>
LOCAL CONTACT/ORG.: Faribault County Historical Society 405 E. 6th Street, Blue Earth, MN 56098	UTM REFERENCE: Winnebago Quad. 7.5
FORM PREPARED BY: Susan Roth DATE: November 1979	UTM References 15 / 406150 / 4846310

DESCRIPTION:

The Andrew C. Dunn House, built 1901, is located on a large wooded lot at the corner of S.W. 2nd Street at Main Street in Winnebago. The 2½ story building of irregular plan has a complex hip and gable roofline and displays elements of the Queen Anne and Classical styles. It is constructed of clapboard on a limestone foundation. Decorative elements of its wrap-around porch include classic Corinthian columns, swags and bows, and spindle-work portiers. Other features include a palladian window in the principle gable and an eyebrow window in the east gable. In 1948 a greenhouse and sales area was added on the north (rear) side of the house to adapt the building to its present use of floral shop and residence. However, the principle entrance to the sales office is from Main Street and the addition is not intrusive to the original design integrity of the house.

SIGNIFICANCE:

The Andrew C. Dunn House is significant both for its association with Andrew Dunn, one of Winnebago's original proprietors, and as one of the most prominent residential structures in the city. Andrew Clarkson Dunn was born in New York City in 1834. He arrived in Minnesota in 1854, and practiced law in Sauk Rapids and St. Paul. In 1856 Dunn moved to Faribault County, and with four other St. Paul men, platted Winnebago City in 1857. Winnebago City and Blue Earth were the only Faribault County towns to survive from the 1850s wave of townsite speculation. In addition to carrying on an extensive law practice, Dunn was secretary of the First State Senate, Chief Clerk of the State House of Representatives for three years, and Faribault County Representative in the House of Representatives for one term. Locally he was active in numerous civic organizations, county and city offices and farming. Although his home at Second and Main Streets was constructed near the end of his life, it remains as the most visible link with Winnebago's founding and is significant as a locally distinctive residence.