

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic Charles W. Schneider House

and/or common N/A

2. Location

street & number 1750 E. Ames Place N/A not for publication

city, town St. Paul N/A vicinity of

state Minnesota code 22 county Ramsey code 123

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name John Schneider

street & number 1750 Ames Place

city, town St. Paul N/A vicinity of state Minnesota 55106

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Ramsey County Courthouse

street & number 15 W. Kellogg Boulevard

city, town St. Paul state Minnesota 55102

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Historic Sites Survey of St. Paul & Ramsey County has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date 1979-1982 federal state county local

depository for survey records Ramsey County Historical Society
75 W. 5th St., Room 323

city, town St. Paul state Minnesota 55102

7. Description

Condition excellent good fair deteriorated ruins unexposed**Check one** unaltered altered**Check one** original site moved

date

N/A

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Charles W. Scheider House is located at 1750 E. Ames Place, by the Ames School, in St. Paul's East Side neighborhood. The house features an asymmetrical and picturesque Shingle style design dominated by an all encompassing, complex roofline combining gambrels and hips, and a large, polygonal corner tower. The house sits on a random rubble, boulder base which extends to the 1st floor window sills. There is a boulder walled open terrace on the main facade which leads to a one story polygonal screened entrance porch which also has a stone base. The first floor of the house is clad in clapboard while the upper floor is sheathed in stained wood shingles. Parts of the second story project over the first floor. Decorative shingled edging encircles an oval attic window in the end of the gambrel roof on the main facade, borders the edges of the gambrel and tops a three sided second story window within the gambrel. At the base of the gambrel is a row of large dentils, a thin oval window and a group of three rectangular windows, each with a square transom. The polygonal tower adjacent to the gambrel roof has a slightly tapered profile, and a polygonal cap with a pointed ball finial while at the peak of the gambrel there is a ball finial which extends down to form a wood keystone over the oval window. Behind the entrance porch on the west side wall is a three story rectangular wing which juts out from the gambrel roof and which has a hipped roof with overhanging eaves. Though the house has a few casement windows, the majority of the windows are double hung rectangular windows with one over one and two over two sash. The house has undergone remarkably few alterations. The entrance porch has been screened in, yet it retains its original simple Tuscan columns and stone base.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates 1890

Builder/Architect architect unknown; builder: Deeks and Witbeck

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Charles W. Schneider House, built in 1890 at 1750 E. Ames Place*, is architecturally and historically significant as one of St. Paul's most sophisticated and intact examples of a style which never achieved tremendous popularity here--the Shingle Style--and as the most architecturally significant house remaining from the Hazel Park development (1887) of St. Paul's Greater East Side neighborhood ----- an area which was not settled extensively until after World War II. The original owner of the house was Charles W. Schneider, a bookkeeper for the Pioneer Press Company, publishers of the major St. Paul newspaper by the same name. The firm which constructed the house was Deeks and Witbeck. The recently completed Historic Sites Survey of St. Paul and Ramsey County identified only a handful of houses constructed by this firm. Of them, all were built in 1890, and each was designed by a fairly prominent local architect. Unfortunately, the architect of the Schneider House is unknown, though it seems likely that the house was designed by a local architect who was somewhat familiar with East Coast architectural trends since the Shingle Style was fairly unusual in St. Paul, and particularly on the East Side. It should be noted that the house is not one of the earliest examples of the Shingle Style in St. Paul--several such examples date from the early to mid-1880's, but it is, nevertheless, one of the city's finest versions of the style.

*Ames Place was then known as Stillwater Avenue.

9. Major Bibliographical References

City of St. Paul Building Permits Division, Permit #22865.
 Polk's St. Paul City Directory. St. Paul: R.L. Polk and Company, 1891-92.
 Historic Sites Survey Architect and Contractor File, Survey form.

10. Geographical Data

Acreege of nominated property Less than 1 acre

Quadrangle name St. Paul East Quad.

Quadrangle scale 7.5

UTM References

A

1	5	4	9	17	9	10	10	4	9	7	9	5	4	0
Zone		Easting				Northing								

B

Zone		Easting				Northing			

C

Zone		Easting				Northing			

D

Zone		Easting				Northing			

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Zone		Easting				Northing			

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Zone		Easting				Northing			

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Zone		Easting				Northing			

H

Zone		Easting				Northing			

Verbal boundary description and justification Lots 9-10, Block 3, Hazel Park Addition

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state N/A code N/A county N/A code N/A

state N/A code N/A county N/A code N/A

11. Form Prepared By

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state MN 55102

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

Russell W. Fridley

Russell W. Fridley

title State Historic Preservation Officer

date

1/11/84

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register
 Entered in the
 National Register

date

2/16/84

Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration