

Davenport  
Department of Community Development  
Iowa Office of Historic Preservation  
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# DAVENPORT

## SURVEY 1982

SITE #82-10-GD-1825                      MAP NUMBER 6  
HISTORIC DISTRICT  
NAME Oscar C. Woods House  
ADDRESS 1825 Grand Ave.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION Kent's 1st Add., Blk.2, Pt.  
Lot 2 com at NW cor Let 2-S 50'-E 120'-N 50'-W  
to beginning

ACREAGE <1      ZONE R-4D UTM 15/703160 4601120  
OWNER Gene D. Wall    TITLE H  
2622 W. 43rd St.  
Davenport IA

### DESCRIPTION

ARCHITECTURAL STYLE McClelland front gable    DATE c.1880  
FORM                      2 stories, front gable, three-bay facade with entrance to one  
side; projecting polygonal window bay south side  
MATERIALS                      frame on stone foundation; clapboarded  
FENESTRATION                      2/2 d.h.s. surrounds have small bracketted cornices and heads  
with incised decoration  
FEATURES                      variety of shingling in gable end, and in gable above  
south-side window bay  
ALTERATIONS                      "Adam" porch, c. 1900 or later, with swags and ribbon motif in  
pediment, and Tuscan columns  
SITE                                      medium-sized, flat lot

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE      This house is one of several good examples of the  
adaptation of this distinctive Davenport house type to frame construction.  
Although simple in form, the house displays the typical Victorian fondness for  
surface embellishment, as seen in the ornamental shingling of the gable ends, a  
feature impossible in masonry construction. As such, the house illustrates the  
importance of materials in expressing basic house forms with an individual flair.

**HISTORICAL DATA**

Oscar C. Woods was probably the original occupant of this house, beginning in 1878. Woods was a horse buyer and in the feed and stable business at the time. By the 1890's, Woods was secretary-treasurer of Martin Woods Co., a fruits and grocery wholesale company.

**HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE**

**SOURCES** Davenport City Directories, 1876, 1878, 1890-91

**ARCHITECTURAL EVALUATION**

DESIGN good STATURE tissue  
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE local

CONTEXT good FABRIC fair/good  
DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION

**HISTORICAL EVALUATION**

PRIMARY THEME  
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE

SECONDARY THEME

**NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBLE YES**

**PHOTO ID 1737-15A**

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1 DATE RECEIVED \_\_\_\_\_

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

	A ARCHITECTURAL	B HISTORICAL
ELIGIBLE FOR NRHP	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NOT ELIGIBLE FOR NRHP	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

3 NRHP ACTION

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4 DHP SOURCES

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