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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS  
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC  
\*\* Pipestone

AND/OR COMMON  
Pipestone Architectural District *use this*

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER  
*Main St.*

CITY, TOWN  
Pipestone

STATE  
Minnesota

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
6th

VICINITY OF

COUNTY  
Pipestone

CODE  
27

CODE  
117

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME  
*Multiple - See attached list - continuous sheets 1, 2 & 3*

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

VICINITY OF

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.  
Pipestone County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER  
Third Street Southwest & Hiawatha Avenue

CITY, TOWN  
Pipestone

STATE  
Minnesota

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE  
Statewide Historic Sites Survey

DATE  
1972 & 1976

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS  
Minnesota State Historic Preservation Office; Building 25 Ft. Snelling

CITY, TOWN  
St. Paul, Minnesota

STATE

FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

# 7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED    DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Pipestone Architectural District is comprised of approximately 30 commercial buildings located in a two-block area of downtown Pipestone. The character of the district is derived from the extensive use of Sioux quartzite as a building material in eighteen of the buildings considered to be pivotal buildings in the district. The Sioux quartzite is an exceedingly hard stone which varies in color from dark red to light pink depending upon where it is quarried. The darker stone came from Pipestone quarries while the light pink variety came from the nearby town of Jasper and is referred to locally as jasper.\*

Most of the pivotal buildings were built in the 1890's by local tradesmen in the vernacular style with some Italianate and Romanesque architectural details. Contrasting colors of the Sioux quartzite were often used to decorate the facades of the buildings. Several buildings have checkerboard friezes in alternating colors of the dark red and light pink stone. Jasper was frequently used in beltcourses, lintels and window arches as a contrast to the darker red facade. Metal cornices can be found on some of the buildings.

Three of the buildings, the most outstanding example being the Shoe Box, are embellished with relief sculpture carved by a local craftsman. These sculptures were executed with skill and humor, and are a unique contribution to the character of the district.

Although most of the pivotal buildings are vernacular, there are examples of the Richardsonian Romanesque, Neoclassic and Italianate styles in the district. The Calumet Hotel and Pipestone County Museum illustrate the Richardsonian Romanesque. The Neoclassic style is represented in the A & S Drugstore and Wes' Stepeze. Geyerman's is an example of the Italianate style.

The visual continuity of the district is also derived from the common height and scale of the buildings. The pivotal Sioux quartzite buildings are generally 2-3 stories in height. Complementary buildings built around the 1930's generally are of similar height and scale.

The most important block of the district with strong visual continuity is the block which includes the Pipestone County Museum, Shoe Box, Masonic Temple and Julian's Pastry Shop.

The most visually prominent building is the Calumet Hotel, a four-story Richardsonian Romanesque structure which occupies the main intersection in the downtown. Other visually important buildings include the Pipestone County Museum, Geyerman's, Bunkers Hardware and the group of three buildings Ben Franklin, Wes' Stepeze and Madsen Drug.

Of the ten buildings classified as intrusions, approximately five of these have original buildings underneath the contemporary facades which if removed would make them potentially complementary buildings.

See Continuation Sheets 4-10

\*The term jasper used in this nomination form refers to the light pink variety of Sioux quartzite and should not be confused with the mineral, jasper.

# 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	
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<input checked="" 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      1876 - Present      BUILDER/ARCHITECT      Multiple

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The significance of the Pipestone Architectural District is derived from the extensive use of indigenous stone, Sioux quartzite, as a building material in a group of buildings located in downtown Pipestone. This is the largest concentration of Sioux quartzite buildings in the state to our knowledge. The majority of the Sioux quartzite buildings in the district were built in the 1890's and visually relate to each other in height, scale and vernacular style, sharing a common texture and color of building materials. In recognition of the importance of the district, the State Legislature designated part of the downtown as a State Historic District in 1971.

Sioux quartzite is a hard stone varying in color from dark red to light pink depending upon where it was quarried. It was found in abundance in the Pipestone area. Due to the scarcity of lumber and the need for fire resistant building material, the stone was ideally suited for construction purposes.

The stone is used throughout the district as the basic building material. It is also used in contrasting colors to embellish the facades of the buildings. Many of the buildings have window arches, lintels and beltcourses of the light pink shade which contrasts with the dark red hue of the facade. A common architectural detail is the checkerboard frieze with alternating stones of dark red and pink.

A unique feature of the district is the use of handcrafted relief sculpture as ornamentation on the facades of buildings such as the Shoe Box.

The city of Pipestone derived its name from the sacred Pipestone quarries located north of the city where Indians have quarried the soft stone, called pipestone, to make ceremonial peace pipes. In 1937 these quarries were designated a National Monument by the Congress.

The city was platted in 1876. During 1883 and 1884 the town experienced a building boom due to the opening of the railroad and the successful land promotional efforts of the South Minnesota Land Company. Many of the early business establishments constructed during the 1880's and 1890's were built of Sioux quartzite. These are the buildings which comprise the district today and continue to serve commercial purposes.

## 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

George Melvin Schwartz and George Thiel, Minnesota's Rocks and Waters - A Geological Story, University of Minnesota Press, 1963.

Arthur P. Rose, An Illustrated History of the Counties of Rock and Pipestone, North History Publishing Company, 1911

## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 4.97 acres

UTM REFERENCES

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

## 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Donna Lee Walther, Historic Preservation Planner

October 26, 1976

ORGANIZATION

Minnesota State Historic Preservation Office

DATE

612/726-1171

STREET & NUMBER

Bldg. 25, Ft. Snelling

TELEPHONE

Minnesota 55111

CITY OR TOWN

St. Paul

STATE

## 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*

TITLE Russell W. Fridley

State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE

12/22/76

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

5/2/77

ATTEST

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

DATE

4.29.77

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Building Address

Owner and Address

112 East Main Street  
Pipestone Building

✓ W. G. Benjamin  
808 Third Avenue, S.W.  
Pipestone 56164

110 East Main Street  
Julian's Bakery

✓ Pipestone National Bank  
Pipestone 56164

106 East Main Street  
Masonic Temple

✓ Quarry Lodge No. 148 A.F. & A.M.  
✓ Triune Chapter No. 51, Royal Arch Masons  
✓ Calumet Chapter No. 51, Order of the  
Eastern Star  
(The above three organizations jointly  
own the 106 building).

106 East Main Street  
S & L Addition

102 East Main Street  
Shoe Box

✓ Clyde Fuson  
823 S.W. 5th Street  
Pipestone

113 South Hiawatha  
Pipestone County Museum

✓ Pipestone County Historical Society  
113 South Hiawatha  
Pipestone

104 South Hiawatha  
Calumet Hotel

✓ Dale & Pauly Laffenzen  
423 Third Street SW  
Pipestone

108 W Main Street  
Walker Block Bldg.  
Luksik-Rexall Drug Store

✓ Irene Luksik  
826 4th Avenue SW  
Pipestone

110 West Main  
Wilson's Clothing

✓ Wilson's Clothing, Inc.  
110 West Main  
Pipestone

112A West Main  
Blom Jewelry

✓ Philip Keyes  
110 N Hiawatha  
Pipestone

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Building Address

Owner and Address

114 West Main  
Eagle Cafe

William H Rohweder  
✓ 114½ West Main Street  
Pipestone

116 West Main  
The Old Saloon

Tom Carsetensen  
✓ 725 8th Avenue SW  
Pipestone

118 West Main  
Silhouette Salon of Beauty

Thomas L Carsetensen  
✓ 725 8th Avenue SW  
Pipestone

122 West Main Street  
Bunkers Hardware

H. C. Demary  
✓ 5100 Thurman Drive  
Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57106

124 West Main Street  
Thoughtfulness Shop

Lloyd J. & Carol M. Dressen  
✓ 907 Fourth Avenue S.W.  
Pipestone 56164

116 2nd Avenue SW  
Dr. Keyes, M.D. Office

Mary Belle Brown  
✓ 304 2nd Avenue SW  
Pipestone

101 West Main Street  
N. Hiawatha Annex  
A & S Drug

Laurence C Sendelbach  
✓ 304 Third Avenue S.W.  
Pipestone 56164

110 North Hiawatha  
Bert's Bar

Phil Keyes  
✓ 110 North Hiawatha  
Pipestone

103 West Main Street  
Shirlee's Fabric Boutique

William J. Cook & Mary  
✓ P.O. Box 66  
Pipestone

109 West Main Street  
Mr. John's Clothing

Nina Spark  
✓ 216 2nd Street SE  
Pipestone

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111 West Main Street  
Madsen Drug

✓ Ann Kompelein  
L.E. Mildred Froning  
111½ West Main Street  
Pipestone 56164

113 West Main Street  
Wes Stepeze

✓ Laurence C Sendelbach  
304 Third Avenue S.W.  
Pipestone *repeat*

115 West Main Street  
Ben Franklin

✓ C. B. Thomas  
P.O. Box 11  
Nisswa, Mn 56468

121 West Main Street  
Thompson Clothing

✓ Donald W. Thompson  
825 4th Avenue SW  
Pipestone

123 West Main Street  
Gamble's Store

✓ Gamble's Development Company  
P.O. Box 458  
Pipestone

201 West Main Street  
Geyerman's

✓ Richard Geyerman  
Michell, South Dakota 57301

106 2nd Avenue NW  
Boyds Barber Shop

✓ Boyd Cockrane  
507 3rd Avenue SW  
Pipestone

108 2nd Avenue NW  
Marten's TV Service

✓ Wm. Homer and Bonita E. Martens  
716 2nd Avenue SW  
Pipestone

105/107 W Main  
Henry's & Carlson Jewelry

✓ Harriet H Stigaard  
6269 Dartmouth Avenue North  
St. Petersburg, Florida 33170

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Most of the storefronts of the pivotal and complementary buildings in the district have been severely altered and modernized. The City of Pipestone has recently hired a consultant to develop a preservation plan for the district with the objective of bringing about rehabilitation and restoration of the buildings to their late 19th century character.

The following is a list of the buildings included within the boundaries of the Pipestone Architectural District:

Pivotal Buildings - Pivotal buildings, defined as those buildings which form an integral part of the architectural and visual quality of the district, include:

110 East Main Street - Julian's Bakery (Map Code Number 2)

This two-story, vernacular building has a Sioux quartzite facade with rubble bearing wall construction. The facade is embellished with a checkerboard pattern frieze of jasper and Sioux quartzite and a jasper beltcourse. One of the two second story windows has a flat keystone arch. An oriel window has been removed and the opening bricked shut. A date stone gives the construction date of 1898. The original stone facade on the lower level has been covered with a fiberglass panel system. This is the first building that will have its storefront restored as part of the rehabilitation plans for the historic district.

106 East Main Street - Masonic Temple (Map Code Number 3)

The Masonic Temple, built in 1898, formerly was Pipestone's finest opera hall. Today it is owned and operated by the Masons. This three story vernacular structure built of Sioux quartzite has a 50 foot frontage. The facade has a checkerboard patterned frieze in alternating pieces of jasper and Sioux quartzite and a roof comb. The six windows on the third floor have jasper window sills that are corbelled out. The seven window openings on the second level, separated from the first story by a jasper beltcourse, have flat keystone arches. A sculptured head protrudes from the facade. Other sculpture panels appear to have been covered. The first floor has been altered and covered with an intrusive panel system.

The interior of the old opera hall has been well-preserved. Of particular interest are the stencil work, murals depicting landscape scenes and wood beams spanning the ceiling.

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106 East Main Street - S & L Addition (Map Code Number 4)

This two story vernacular building, constructed in 1898 of a light colored Sioux quartzite, stands in a row of Sioux quartzite buildings that form the anchor for this historic district. A polychromatic effect is created by the use of light and dark shades of Sioux quartzite stone. The facade is embellished with a cornice line with stone finials and a relief sculpture. Two second story window openings have been blocked. The first story has been covered with an aluminum panel system and is occupied by a clothing store.

102 East Main Street - Shoe Box (Map Code Number 5)

The Shoe Box, built in 1896 of Sioux quartzite stone, is unique among buildings in the district because of the large number of relief sculptures that adorn the facade. The sculpture was carved by L. H. Moore, a local businessman who operated a Sioux quartzite quarry. Most of the original sculptures survive although the statue of Eve is missing from the niche on the second floor. The flat keystone arches of the two window openings facing main street have sculpture heads as a keystone. Two cast iron bay windows have been removed from the second story facade facing North Hiawatha Street.

Formerly a bank, the building is occupied by a commercial enterprise on the first floor and apartments on the second floor. The first floor facade facing Main Street has been altered with a glass storefront display.

113 South Hiawatha - Pipestone County Museum (Map Code Number 6)

Formerly housing the City Hall, fire department and other municipal offices, the building is today used as the Pipestone County Museum. The three story Sioux quartzite stone structure, one of the most architecturally distinctive buildings in the district, it built in the Richardsonian Romanesque style. Window openings on the second and third stories have heavy rusticated lintels. The central stepped gable has a semicircular arch with radiating voussiors of jasper stone. The building employs a saddle back roof with gables that have stone coping and finials.

104 South Hiawatha - Calumet Hotel (Map Code Number 7)

One of the most architecturally distinctive buildings and a major focal point of the district, the Calumet Hotel is listed individually on the National Register. The Calumet is a Richardsonian Romanesque style building with a crenellated cornice. The major part of the facade is built of jasper, a light pinkish stone. Sioux quartzite, the darker red stone, is used as trim around the windows foundation and entrances. In 1910 an addition was made to the south end of the building and a fourth story added. Originally a bank and hotel the building is used primarily for apartment rentals.

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108 West Main Street - Walker Block (Map Code Number 8)

This two story vernacular building, constructed of Sioux quartzite in 1896, was originally a harness shop. It is currently occupied by Luksik Rexall Drug. The building has a metal cornice and date stone. The second floor window openings have been altered and a bay window removed. The first floor has been modified.

114 West Main - Eagle Cafe (Map Code Number 13)

Constructed in 1890, the Eagle Cafe is a two story vernacular building of Sioux quartzite. The building is distinguished by a corbelled cornice interspersed with jasper, arched windows with Sioux quartzite voussoirs and jasper keystones and jasper imposts. The first floor facade has been modified within an incompatible storefront.

122 West Main - Bunkers Hardware (Map Code Number 16)

Built in 1893, Bunkers Hardware is a three story, random coursed Sioux quartzite structure. Formerly a Masonic temple, it is occupied currently by a hardware store. It is an imposing building with a 50 foot facade fronting on Main Street. Architectural details of interest include a corbelled cornice with corner finials, jasper beltcourses and jasper segmental arches and imposts accenting the third story window openings.

124 West Main Street - Thoughtfulness Shop and Downtown Floral (Map Code Number 17)

This two story Sioux quartzite structure occupies an important corner of the west end of the historic district. It is estimated to have been built around 1898. A 25 foot facade faces Main Street and an 85 foot facade faces Second Street. Architectural details of the facade include a checkerboard frieze, with alternating pieces of jaspers and Sioux quartzite and jasper beltcourses. The street level facade has been covered with an aluminum panel system.

116 Second Avenue Southwest - Dr. Keyes Medical Office (Map Code Number 18)

Once a doctor's office and residence, this vernacular building is used as a medical clinic and office. Built around 1900, the first floor facade is of Sioux quartzite. The principal gable which has scalloped shingles with windows recessed within an arch overhangs the front porch. This building is very well maintained.

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110 North Hiawatha - Bert's Bar (Map Code Number 19)

This vernacular building of Sioux quartzite was built in 1891. The facade of the two story building has a dentilated cornice with a projecting date stone. There are eight segmental arched windows on the second story. The wall facing the alley is rubble masonry. The first floor has been covered with redwood siding and brick.

101 West Main (North Hiawatha Annex) - A & S Drugs (Map Code Number 20)

Constructed in 1900, this vernacular building was formerly an attorney's office and today is part of the A & S Drug Store which occupies the adjacent Neo-Classic building. Built of Sioux quartzite, it is very similar in style to the adjoining Sioux quartzite building. It has a dentilated cornice and segmental arch windows on the second floor. The first floor storefront has been filled in with brick.

101 West Main Street - A & S Drugs (Map Code Number 21)

This Neo-Classic style building, constructed around 1917 as a bank, is used today as a drugstore. The symmetrical facade of the building is coursed ashlar. Prominent features of the facade are fluted Doric columns, massive corner pilasters and a dentilated cornice supporting a parapet. Below the second story windows is a frieze decoration.

111 West Main - Madsen Drug (Map Code Number 25)

This two story vernacular building was constructed of Sioux quartzite in 1899. It is one of three adjoining Sioux quartzite buildings on Main Street which are important visual elements in the district. The facade is decorated with a frieze with a stylized blind arcade bordered on the top and bottom with jasper stone. The semicircular arched windows have jasper keystones and impost blocks. The roof line has a partial pediment. The first floor has been substantially altered by the installation of an aluminum storefront.

113 West Main Street - Wes' Stepeze (Map Code Number 26)

The First National Bank Building (1898) is operated as a shoe store today. Built in the Neo-Classical style of Sioux quartzite, it was distinguished by a large arch spanning the width of the entrance which was destroyed when the storefront was modernized. The original architectural features above the first story still survive. These consist of fluted pilasters with Corinthian capitals which support an entablature and pediment. Both the entablature and pediment are non-structural elements attached to the facade. The frieze contains the words "First National Bank" in relief. The flat arches have keystones of stylized acanthus leaves. Both the cornice and pediment are dentilated. The first floor has been severely altered with the addition of the modern storefront.

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115 West Main - Ben Franklin (Map Code Number 27)

This two story Sioux quartzite building has a 50 foot wide facade on Main Street. Built in the 1890's, it originally housed an opera house on the second floor and commercial use on the first level. This vernacular building has a corbelled cornice of jasper and a roof comb. The second story windows illustrate two varieties of segmental arches.

The second floor interior retains much of the original fabric of the old opera hall. Nearly all of the oak trim is intact. An outstanding example of a pressed tin ceiling still remains.

The first floor level has been radically altered and has a wood shingle canopy projecting from the facade.

201 West Main - Geyerman's (Map Code Number 30)

Built in 1884, this is one of the earliest commercial buildings in town. It is also one of the largest Sioux quartzite buildings in the historic district. It occupies a very visible corner on Main Street and is an anchor of the west end of the district.

Italianate in style, the building is distinguished by a pressed metal cornice. A pediment projecting from the cornice is embellished with a relief consisting of an Indian ceremonial pipe crossed with a bow and arrow. This detail is of particular importance because of the town's association with the pipestone quarries and Indian heritage. A band of masonry block wraps around the building formed in part by the segmental arches of the windows. The first story has been altered and an aluminum canopy projects from it.

Complementary Buildings - Complementary buildings do not make a major contribution to the architectural and visual character of the historic district. However, their design and appearance complement the pivotal buildings.

112 East Main Street - Pipestone Building (Map Code Number 1)

The Pipestone Building, built in the 1930's, is a three story brick building with a flat roof. The scale, texture and materials of the building are compatible with the adjacent Sioux quartzite buildings.

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103 West Main Street - Shirlee's Fabric Boutique (Map Code Number 22)

Shirlee's Fabric Boutique is a one story brick structure believed to have been built around 1917.

108 West Main Street - Luksik-Rexall Drug Store (Map Code Number 9)

This one story brick building, built in the 1930's, has a parapet and corbelled freize. The first floor has been altered to accommodate large display windows.

Intrusions - Buildings that are intrusions detract from the architectural and visual qualities of the historic district.

110 West Main Street - Wilson's Clothing (Map Code Number 10-11)

Wilson's occupies two buildings believed to have been built in the 1930's. Old photographs reveal that the two original buildings are of brick. However, the facade (on the second level) has been covered with aluminum and decorative arches added at the first level. If the building were returned to its original appearance it would be complementary to the historic district.

112A West Main Street - Blom Jewelry (Map Code Number 12)

This one story block and brick building, constructed in the 1950's, is not compatible in scale with the pivotal buildings of the historic district.

116 West Main - The Old Saloon (Map Code Number 14)

This one story building constructed after 1914 of Sioux quartzite has been severely altered. If restored it potentially could contribute to the character of the district.

118 West Main Street - Silhouette Salon of Beauty (Map Code Number 15)

Built between 1930 and 1950 of block construction, this one story building has a brick facade. It is out of scale with the pivotal buildings of the district.

105/107 West Main - Henry's & Carlson Jewelry (Map Code Number 23)

Believed to have been built in the 1940's or 50's this building is occupied by two shops. Constructed of masonry, a metallic surface covers the upper half of the building and an aluminum canopy extends over the sidewalk.

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109 West Main - Mr. John's Clothing (Map Code Number 24)

It appears that this building could have been built in the early 1900's. However, it has been extensively remodeled with a fiberglass panel system. It may be a potential complementary building.

121 West Main - Thompson Clothing (Map Code Number 28)

It appears that this is the original building constructed before 1908. However, sometime after 1940 the facade was radically altered. The entire facade was bricked over and most windows were sealed. It is not known how much of the fabric of the original building is intact.

123 West Main - Gamble's Store (Map Code No. 29)

The original brick building constructed probably in the 1930's appears to be hidden behind the boarded front. Windows that once existed on the west side have been bricked in. A wood canopy has been added which projects from the facade.

106 Second Avenue Northwest - Boyd's Barber Shops (Map Code Number 31)

This is a one story contemporary building constructed of clay tile block.

108 Second Avenue Northwest - Martin's TV Service (Map Code Number 32)

This is also a one story contemporary building constructed of clay tile block.

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The city of Pipestone has recently initiated historic preservation activities by hiring a consultant to develop a historic preservation plan for the downtown. A survey of the buildings in the downtown has been completed. Efforts are being made to restore the downtown to its 19th century appearance, with the view toward attracting to the downtown the large number of tourists who visit the National Monument.

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Boundaries

Begin at the center of the intersection of Main Street East and Second Avenue East and extend west along the center line of Main Street East to its intersection with the center line of Hiawatha Avenue; continue north along the center line of Hiawatha Avenue until it intersects the alley between Main Street and Second Street North; continue west along the alley across Second Avenue West until the western property line of Geyerman's (201 West Main Street); continue south along the western property line of Geyerman's until it intersects the center line of West Main Street; continue east along the center line of West Main Street until it intersects the center line of Second Avenue West; continue south along the center line of Second Avenue West until it intersects the alley between West Main Street and Second Street Southwest; continue west along the alley until it meets the western and southern property lines and north along the eastern property line; continue east along the alley between Main Street West and Second Street Southwest across Hiawatha Avenue until it intersects the center line of Second Avenue East; continue north along the center line of Second Avenue East until it intersects the center line of Main Street East.



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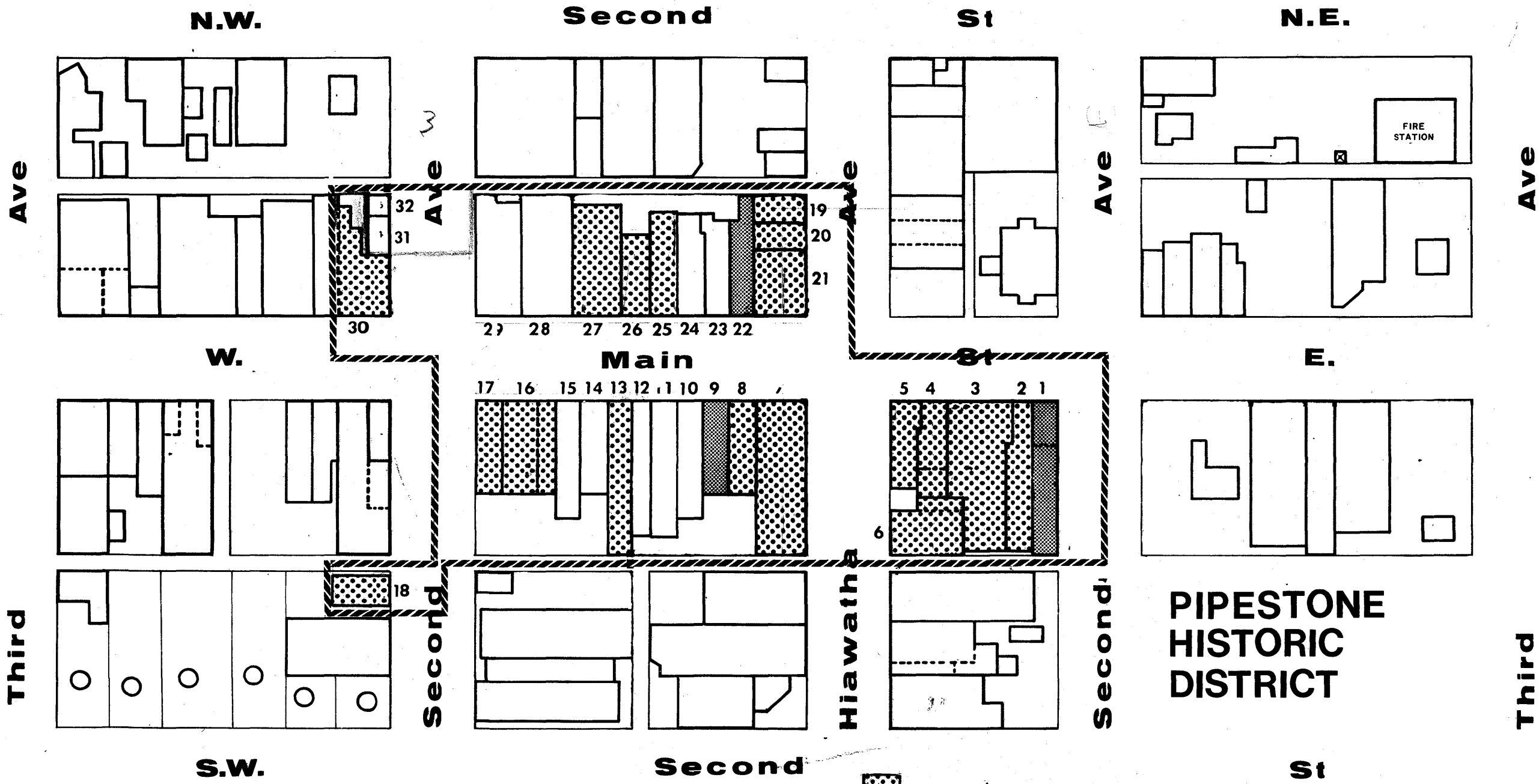
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Note: The following properties were eliminated from the architectural district because they do not contribute to the character of the district.

106 Second Avenue Northwest - Boyd's Barber Shops (Map Code No. 31)

108 Second Avenue Northwest - Martin's TV Service (Map Code No. 32)



-  PIVOTAL BUILDINGS
-  COMPLEMENTARY BUILDINGS
-  INTRUSIONS

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**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Pipestone

AND/OR COMMON

Pipestone Architectural District

**2 LOCATION**

CITY, TOWN

Pipestone

\_\_\_\_VICINITY OF

COUNTY

Pipestone

STATE

Minnesota

**3 MAP REFERENCE**

SOURCE City of Pipestone

SCALE  $\frac{1}{2}$ " = 50'

DATE 1974

**4 REQUIREMENTS**

TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

1. PROPERTY BOUNDARIES
2. NORTH ARROW
3. UTM REFERENCES

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EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

PROPERTY Pipestone Commercial Historic District  
NAME:

MULTIPLE Pipestone County MRA (AD)  
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MINNESOTA, Pipestone

DATE RECEIVED: 8/18/04 DATE OF PENDING LIST:  
DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 10/01/04  
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N  
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N  
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

     ACCEPT      RETURN      REJECT                      DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

**Additional Documentation Accepted**

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept

REVIEWER Edson Beall

DISCIPLINE Historic

TELEPHONE                     

DATE 10/1/04

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

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NUMBER OF RESOURCES WITHIN PROPERTY

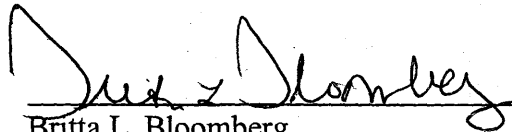
REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

COMMENTS:

Contributing buildings....22  
Non-contributing buildings...9  
Non-contributing sites...2



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Mackay Block (Contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 110 East Main Street

CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1898

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Moore, Leon H. (builder)

COMMENTS: The correct historic name of the building located at 110 E. Main St. is the Mackay Block, not Julian's Bakery. The builder is Leon H. Moore. The owner was Fraser Mackay. The first tenants operated a dry goods store. The Gem Theatre opened here in 1909 and remained in operation until 1929. In 1913 the first floor was remodeled with an additional 55 feet being added to the rear and the original iron balcony removed from the front façade. The S&L Store took over the building in 1929 and cut an opening into the wall that connected the Mackay Block to the Ferris Grand Block. In 1934 the opening was closed. From 1934 to 1949 the building housed a furniture store and then a bakery/café. A. Julian bought the building in 1964 and immediately remodeled the facade by removing the oriel (bay) window and placing colored tiles over the front face. In 1977 the storefront was restored including the restoration of the oriel window, front door and window.



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Ferris Grand Block/ Masonic Temple (Contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 106 East Main Street

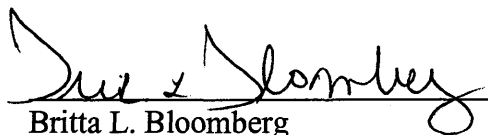
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1898

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Moore, Leon H. (builder)

COMMENTS: The correct historic name of the building is the Ferris Grand Block/ Masonic Temple. The builder, Leon Moore, designed it for A.D. Ferris. Originally the building housed two stores on the first floor and the Ferris Grand Opera House on the second and third floors. The opera house opened in 1899 with a seating capacity of 800. In 1909, an opening connected the two stores on the main floor. The S & L Store occupied this space for 62 years. The Masons purchased the Ferris Grand Block in 1916. At this time the "Ferris Grand" tablet was removed and replaced with a tablet reading "AF and AM." The second floor was remodeled into clubrooms which featured Biblical themed, 45'x55' murals by Leo Henke. In 1958 the front façade was remodeled and maroon tiles added to match the annex to the west. At some point in time, the relief sculpture of A.D. Ferris by L.H. Moore has been removed from the second story. In 1993, the Pipestone Performing Arts Center opened in this building after extensive remodeling.



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Moore Building (Contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 104 East Main Street (formerly 106 East Main Street)

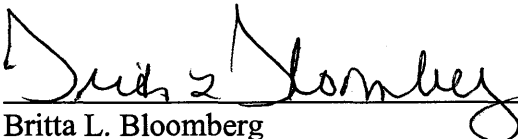
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1896

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Moore, Leon H. (builder)

COMMENTS: The correct historic name of the building is the Moore Building, not the S & L Addition. It was later more commonly called the "L". The correct construction date is 1896. The builder is Leon Moore. It is a one-story vernacular building of light-colored Sioux quartzite built in the shape of an "L" around the Moore Block. It had two facades, one fronting on E. Main (the north store) and one on Hiawatha (the west store). The first business in the building was owned by R. Rosenthal and called The Savings Department Store. Groceries were sold from the Hiawatha front and dry goods from the E. Main front. Rosenthal cut an opening into the adjoining Ferris Grand Block wall in 1899 to expand his business. In 1902 Wilson and Evans bought the property and eventually closed the opening in 1916. From then on, the building became two separate stores. The building housed several grocery stores, a bar and pool hall and a dry cleaner. In 1958, the north store fronting on E. Main was annexed to the S & L Store and the opening connecting it to the Ferris Grand Block was re-installed. The west store, fronting on Hiawatha, no longer exists due to a 1966 fire in the Riteway Cleaners that occupied the space. In 1993 the north façade was rehabilitated and the building was converted into the lobby for the Pipestone Performing Arts Center.

  
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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Moore Block (Contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 102 East Main Street

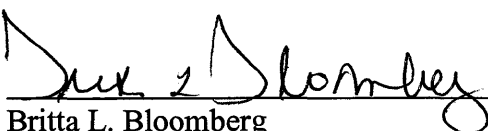
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1896

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Moore, Leon H. (builder)

COMMENTS: The correct historic name of the building is the Moore Block, not the Shoe Box. The builder is Leon H. Moore. Fourteen gargoyle-like sculptures on the exterior of this building are its most significant feature. Local legend claims that a nude statue of Eve stood in a niche on the front façade but no evidence supports this claim. In 1896, R. Rosenthal leased the building and cut openings into the east and south sides adjoining the L-shaped Moore Building, which he had also leased. This gave him 10,000 square feet of space. In September of 1897, The Savings Bank Department Store opened in the building. In December of that same year the corner store was leased to the Farmers and Merchants Bank and the openings were closed. The building has housed a grocery and dry goods store from 1905 to 1916, Harold's Shoe store from 1916 to 1968 and the Shoe Box from 1972 to 1991. In 1938 the storefront was modernized with black glass and aluminum trim. The building suffered some fire damage, which was repaired, from the Riteway Cleaners fire in 1966. The second story held professional offices for attorneys and doctors and is now vacant. In 1991, a local organization, "Friends of the Museum" purchased the building, restored the interior and replaced two oriel windows on the west façade. In 2002 the organization donated the building to the Pipestone County Historical Society.



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Pipestone City Hall (Contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 113 South Hiawatha Avenue

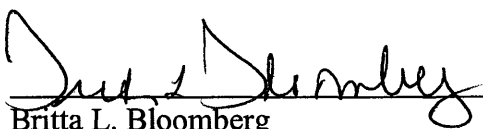
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1896

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Dow, Wallace (architect) – Smith, C.C. and Mr. Leeds (builders)

COMMENTS: The correct historic name for the building at 113 S. Hiawatha Ave. is the Pipestone City Hall, not the Pipestone County Museum. Wallace Dow, of Sioux Falls South Dakota, is the architect. C.C. Smith and a "Mr. Leeds" are the builders. In 1896, it took seven months and cost \$7,822 to build. A bell tower was removed in 1925 due to the structural instability of the third-floor roof. Originally, the building housed the local government and the fire department that used water from a basement well. For a short time it also housed the city jail, the public library, a gymnasium, a meeting hall and a teen center. In 1959 the fire department moved to a new location. In 1960 the city offices vacated the property. In 1966 the building was deeded to the Pipestone County Historical Society. The Pipestone County Museum opened in 1968.



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Calumet Hotel (Contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 104 West Main Street (formerly 104 South Hiawatha)

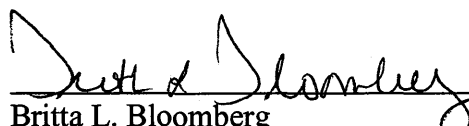
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1888

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

COMMENTS: The correct address is 104 West Main St. (not 104 S. Hiawatha Ave.). It was built in 1887-1888 and housed a bank and a hotel that could accommodate 50 guests. In 1899, an addition was constructed on the south end of the building. An original oriel window and exterior balcony were removed in 1912. In 1913 a fourth floor was added, making the total number of guest rooms, 90. By 1978 the hotel had deteriorated to such a point that it was deemed unsafe and closed by the State Fire Marshall. It was purchased in 1979 by Greg and Mike Hasara. After extensive remodeling and rehabilitation, including the reconstruction of the oriel window, it was re-opened in 1981 as a hotel.

  
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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Walker Block (Contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 106 West Main Street (formerly 108 West Main Street)

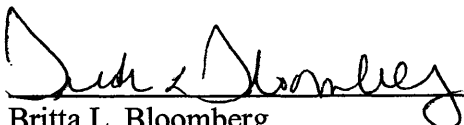
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1896

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: F.A. Walker

COMMENTS: The correct address of the Walker Block is 106 W. Main St. The date stone on the second story storefront is engraved with the words, "Walker Block" as well as the date, "1896." The first tenant was Milt Ware's grocery. The building also housed several saloons for 78 years. Sometime in the 1890s-1900s, the second floor was annexed to the Calumet hotel and an opening cut to connect the buildings. This provided the hotel an additional seven rooms. In 1972, the building was annexed to 108 W. Main by Luksik's Drug store. In the early 1980s, a second story bay window was installed to replicate the original one removed at an earlier time.

  
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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Clymer Block (Contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 114 West Main Street

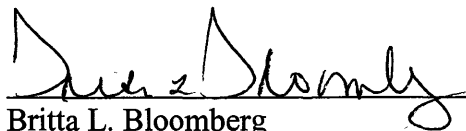
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1890

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Frost, William (contractor) and Poorbaugh, J.M. (builder)

COMMENTS: The correct historic name of the building at 114 W. Main St. is the Clymer Block, not the Eagle Café. The builders are William Frost and J.M. Poorbaugh. It was built for O. Clymer. From 1890 to 1898, the U.S. Post Office occupied the first floor. In 1898, a one-story addition was added to the rear and housed the seed and feed department of a grocery store. The Colonial Sweet Shop occupied the building from 1914-1919. The Eagle Café then occupied this site from 1919 to 1989. In 1920, a second story was added to the rear addition. It housed an ice cream factory and bottling works. From 1893-1955, the second story housed three successive photography studios. Since the 1950s the second story has served as an apartment.



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Masonic Temple (Contributing)

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ADDRESS: 120-122 West Main Street (formerly 122 West Main Street)

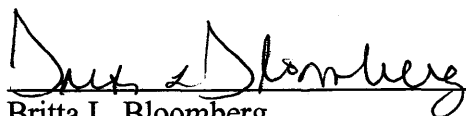
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1893

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Poorbaugh, J.M. (builder)

COMMENTS: The correct historic name of the building located at 120-122 W. Main St. is the Masonic Temple, not Bunkers Hardware. The builder is J.M. Poorbaugh. It was built to house the Masonic meeting rooms and cost \$20,000. Architectural details reflect Masonic symbols including the rounded spheres on the top corners of the building representing terrestrial and celestial globes of the universe. In 1901 an outdoor stairway was installed to allow access to the barber shop and cigar store in the basement. It was later removed. The meeting rooms were located on the third floor and used until 1917. Although the sizes of the first floor stores have changed, there have always been two stores occupying the space. The second and third floors have been vacant for many years.



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): J.H. Austin Block (Contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 124 West Main Street

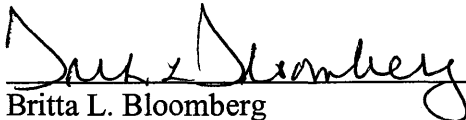
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1902

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Theil, P.H. (builder)

COMMENTS: The correct historic name for the building at 124 W. Main St. is the J.H. Austin Block, not the Thoughtfulness Shop and Downtown Floral. It was constructed by P.H. Theil for J.H. Austin in 1902. Austin's Confectionery operated on the site from 1902 until it went bankrupt in 1914. In the 1920s the building housed a hospital run by a Dr. Richards. A grocery store also occupied the space for 26 years. Red tiles and aluminum siding have altered the original first-floor façade.



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Brown Hospital (Contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 116 Second Avenue Southwest

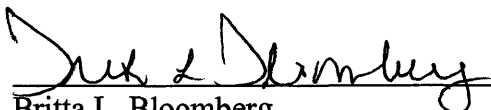
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1912

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

COMMENTS: The correct historic name for the building at 116 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. S.W. is the Brown Hospital, not Dr. Keyes Medical Office. It was constructed in 1912. It is Pipestone's first hospital, built for Dr. Alex Brown, who practiced medicine here until 1945. The first floor contained two doctor offices, a waiting room, a dispensary and surgery. The four rooms on the second floor were used for patients. An elevator moved beds from one floor to the other. A shoe store was housed in the basement in the early years, followed by several other businesses. Dr. Robert Keyes, Dr. Brown's grandson, owned and operated the practice until his retirement in 1993. In 1997 the building was purchased by Historic Pipestone Inc. which has since restored the exterior.



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Simenson Blocks (2 Contributing buildings and 1 non-contributing site)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 106-108 North Hiawatha Avenue (originally in nomination as 110 North Hiawatha Ave.)

CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1900 and 1916

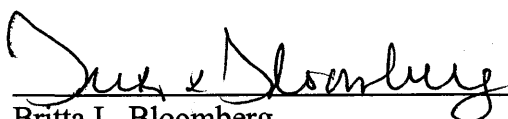
ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

COMMENTS: J.J. Simenson constructed three adjoining but separate buildings, at three separate times. The historic name of the building is the Simenson Blocks, not Bert's Bar.

In 1890 Simenson built a one-story building at 110 N. Hiawatha. He added a second story in 1891, which bore a date stone in the cornice and had four windows in the front facade. It began as the J.J. Simenson Store and later was used for many years as a saloon. Renovation in the 1980s exposed original engaged columns by the front entrance. A Christmas Day fire in 1996 damaged the building to the extent that it was demolished in 1997. The site of the building is considered non-contributing.

In 1900 Simenson constructed the building at 108 N. Hiawatha. It has a date stone in the cornice. The second story has three windows. It was purchased in 1961 by the First National Bank, which altered the storefront at that time. The Christmas Day fire damaged the building in 1996, but was repaired.

In 1916 Simenson constructed the building at 106 N. Hiawatha. The second story contained two windows. The First National Bank bought the building and remodeled the storefront in 1944. This building is referred to in the original nomination as 101 West Main (North Hiawatha Annex).



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): First National Bank (Contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 101 West Main Street

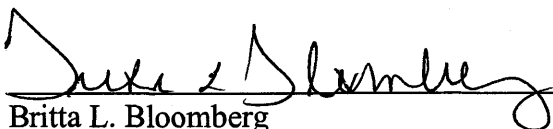
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1916

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Lindhoff, P.J. (architect)

COMMENTS: The correct historic name for the building at 101 W. Main St. is the First National Bank, not A & S Drugs. It was designed by P.J. Lindhoff and constructed in 1916. It is constructed of buff colored sandstone and has the words, "FIRST NATIONAL BANK" carved over the stone columns on its front façade. A & S Drugs purchased the bank in 1973. The second floor was used for professional offices and more recently, as apartments. The basement had always housed a barbershop until Emil Klosterich retired after 50 years barbering at this location in 1980. A major fire on Christmas Day, 1996 (in the adjoining Simenson Block to the north) necessitated the renovation of the interior.

  
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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Ober-Hubbard Block (Contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 111 West Main Street

CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1899

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Dow, Wallace (architect) Moore, Leon H. (builder)

COMMENTS: The correct historic name of the building at 111 W. Main St. is the Ober-Hubbard Block, not Madsen Drug. The architect is Wallace Dow of Sioux Falls South Dakota and the builder is Leon Moore. The building was constructed for L.R. Ober and a Mr. Hubbard. The storefront has been altered by the installation of aluminum doors and windows. Two stores were the original businesses in the building. E.W. Crosby operated a shoe store and D.W. Smith operated a jewelry store. Max Menzel bought the building in 1910, combined the two stores into one, moving his drug store into the building three years later. Menzels Drug remained in the building until 1944. The building was occupied by another drug store from 1944 to 1980. A photograph studio, Expressions By Rachel, has occupied the building since 2001. The second floor, housed professional offices which were later converted to apartments, is now vacant



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): The First National Bank Building (Contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 113 West Main Street

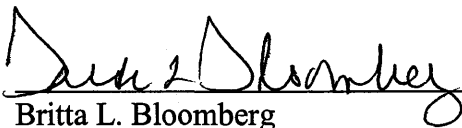
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1898

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Dow, Wallace (architect); Moore, Leon H. and Martin, A.J. (builders)

COMMENTS: The correct historic name of the building is The First National Bank Building, not Wes' Stepeze. The architect is Wallace Dow of Sioux Falls South Dakota and the builders are Leon Moore and A.J. Martin. This building was the second location for the First National Bank. The first location was the Calumet Hotel. The building was sold to clothing storeowner, G.A.Belheim in 1916. The street level storefront was altered at this time. From 1931 to 1956 the building was used for a grocery store. Since 1956 a shoe store has occupied the building. The second floor housed the telephone exchange as well as other professional offices from 1899 until 1952. It has been converted to apartments. In 2002 the glass front and pillars were restored.



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Cheverton - I.O.O.F. Block (Contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 115 West Main Street

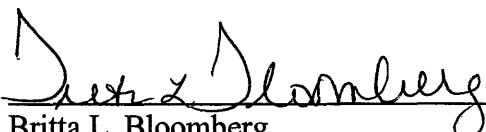
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1889 and 1910

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Frost, William (builder 1889 portion)

COMMENTS: The correct historic name for the building at 115 W. Main St. is the Cheverton – I.O.O.F. Block, not Ben Franklin. The building was constructed in two sections. The eastern portion was built in 1889 by William Frost. The second-story features four windows with sandstone arches. In 1896, Frost sold the building for \$6,000 to the International Order of Odd Fellows which had been renting the second floor since 1892. The I.O.O.F. immediately removed the Cheverton block stone and replaced it with a stone bearing the initials “I.O.O.F.” In 1910, the I.O.O.F. purchased the lot just west of the building and constructed a closely matching building. The contractor for this portion of the building was J.W. Hunt. The three second-story windows of this section have arches of gray pink Sioux quartzite instead of the sandstone found on the original section. The building housed two businesses on the first floor until the Ben Franklin store bought the property in 1944 and combined the spaces. The second floor housed an opera house in the late 1900s. It retains some of its original oak trim and pressed tin ceilings.

  
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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Syndicate Block (Contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 201-205 West Main Street (formerly 201 West Main Street)

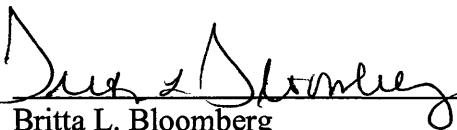
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1884

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

COMMENTS: The correct historic name for the building at 201-205 W. Main St. is the Syndicate Block, not Geyerman's. It is the largest and the oldest Sioux quartzite building in the district, built at a cost of \$25,000. The building originally housed three different stores with three different owners. In 1884, the corner store housed a clothing store. From 1898 to 1906 it housed the Post Office. It was a meat market from 1910 to 1964. The central store housed a women's clothing store, Geyerman's, which opened in 1936. Geyerman's expanded into the corner store in 1964. The western store was always in commercial use. A fire in March of 1920 caused damage to the western and central stores but was repaired. The second floor served as professional offices and later as apartments.



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): The Benjamin Building (Non-contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 112 East Main Street


CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1929

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

COMMENTS: The correct historic name for the building located at 112 E. Main St. is the Benjamin Building, not the Pipestone Building. It was constructed in 1929 for Dr. W.G. Benjamin, who practiced medicine at this location until 1970.

  
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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): The Colonial (Contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 105 West Main Street (formerly 103 West Main Street)

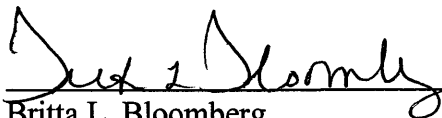
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1919

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Schwartz, Joseph (architect)

COMMENTS: The correct address is 105 W. Main St. The historic name is The Colonial, not Shirlee's Fabric Boutique. The architect is Joseph Schwartz. It was constructed in 1919. It was built for H. Thompson and Gus Bussis. The façade of the building is a combination of Art Deco and Neo Classic styles. It is built of white terra cotta, as opposed to Sioux quartzite. A 24 x15-foot addition was added to the building and was used for an ice cream factory. The Colonial served as an ice cream parlour until 1938. A fire on Christmas Day, 1996 destroyed the addition. The building is currently being used for an office of optometry.



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): J. W. Cook Drugstore (Contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 108 West Main Street

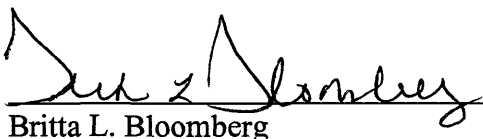
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1914

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

COMMENTS: The historic name of the building is the J. W. Cook Drugstore, not Luksik-Rexall Drug Store. The building was constructed in 1914. The building's storefront contains a window of leaded amber glass containing the inscription, "J.W. Cook." The building was annexed to the Walker Block in 1972.



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Keyes Buildings (Contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 110-112 West Main Street

CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1916

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

COMMENTS: The correct historic name of the two buildings located at 110-112 W. Main St. is the Keyes Buildings, not Wilson's Clothing. Joseph Keyes built two stores in 1916, the east portion was two stories and the west portion was one story. The east two-story housed the Gano Café and Hotel. The café had a seating capacity of 100 and the hotel had 18 rooms. In 1946, Willard Wilson opened a men's clothing store in the east half and expanded into the west half in 1968. At this time the storefront was altered with the addition of an aluminum screen to the second story. The aluminum screen is no longer in place. The buildings are now contributing.



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Blom Jewelry (Non-contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 112A West Main Street

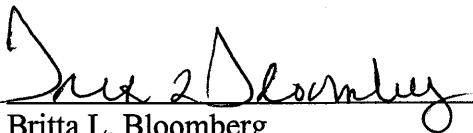
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE:

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

COMMENTS: This one-story building is located between the west portion of the Keyes buildings, located at 110-112 W. Main St. and the Clymer Block, located at 114 W. Main St.



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Commercial Building (Non-contributing site)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 116 West Main Street

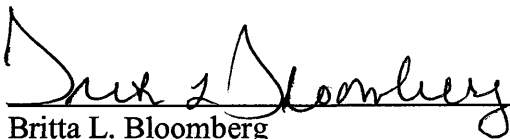
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1882

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

COMMENTS: The correct construction date for the commercial building once located at 116 W. Main St. is 1882. However, the building burned in early 1980s and is now a park. It is considered a non-contributing site.



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Alton Building (Non-contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 118 West Main Street

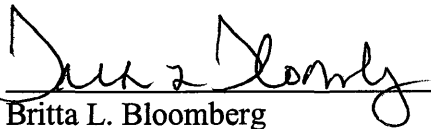
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1937

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

COMMENTS: The correct historic name for the one-story building located at 118 W. Main St. is the Alton Building, not the Silhouette Salon of Beauty. It was constructed in 1937 by Ed Alton for a grocery store. A bowling alley operated in the basement during the first three years. The building was sold to Lambert Juba in 1946. A 1980 renovation uncovered black tiles with the letters, "ALTON'S," inscribed in a panel above the storefront.



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Stigaard Jewelers/Congress Café (Non-contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 107 West Main Street

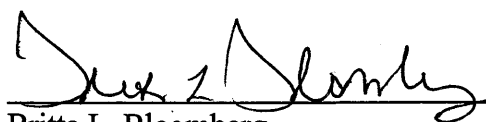
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1939

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

COMMENTS: The building identified in the nomination as Henry's and Carlson Jewelry located at 105/107 W. Main St. was built in 1939 as Stigaard Jewelers/Congress Café. It is a one-story building that housed two stores. In 1977 the two stores were combined to become 107 W. Main St.

  
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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Drew Furniture (Non-contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 109 West Main Street

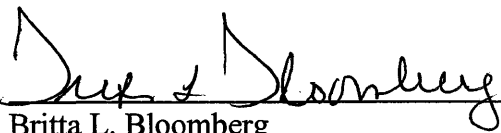
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1883

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

COMMENTS: The building identified in the nomination as Mr. John's Clothing located at 109 W. Main St. was built in 1883 as Drew Furniture. It cost \$8,000 to build and remained a furniture store until 1891. The building housed a meat market from 1898 to 1904. Charles Sparks operated the site as a men's clothing store from 1910 until 1968. In 1970, the building was altered. It was then bought by another men's clothing store and remained as one until 1988.



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Opera Hall Block (Non-contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 121 West Main Street

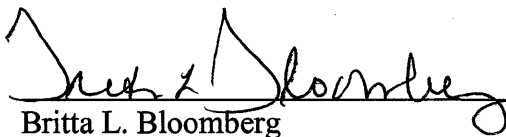
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1883-1884

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

COMMENTS: The correct historic name for the building located at 121 W. Main St. is the Opera Hall Block, not Thompson Clothing. It was constructed between 1883 and 1884. The building is non-contributing. It is a two-story building that originally housed two stores on the first floor and a large meeting hall on the second floor. In 1969 the cream-colored brick façade was refaced with darker brick, the cornice was removed and six double hung sash windows were eliminated from the second story of the storefront.



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): J.A. Phelps Building (Non-contributing)

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ADDRESS: 123 West Main Street

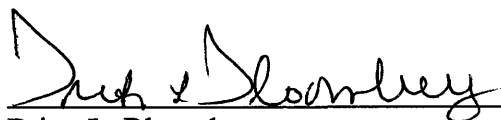
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1879

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

COMMENTS: The historic name of the building at 123 W. Main St. is the J.A. Phelps Building, not the Gamble's Store. It was constructed in 1879 and was substantially remodeled in the 1960s. It is considered non-contributing.



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Boyd's Barber Shop (Non-contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 106 Second Avenue North West

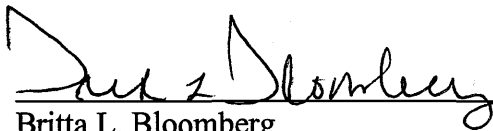
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1950

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

COMMENTS: This one-story clay brick building is non-contributing. Although it is near the edge of the district, it cannot be "eliminated from the district" because it does not "contribute" as noted on 10:13.



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RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Marten's TV Service (Non-contributing)

REFERENCE NUMBER: 77000761

ADDRESS: 108 Second Avenue North West

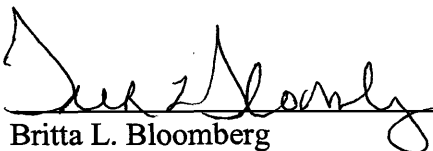
CITY/TOWNSHIP: Pipestone

STATE: Minnesota

SIGNIFICANT DATE: 1949

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

COMMENTS: This one-story clay brick building is non-contributing. It was built in 1949 for Art Sather as a shoe repair shop. Although it is near the edge of the district, it cannot be "eliminated from the district" because it does not "contribute" as noted on 10:13.



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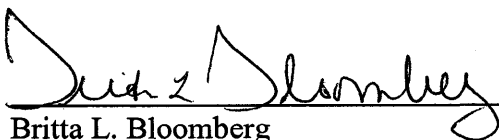
Following the receipt of new documentation on properties in the Pipestone Commercial Historic District, the relatively early date of the nomination's completion (1976) and the brevity of the documentation, staff re-examined Section 5 (Number of Resources within Property, Section 7 (Resource Descriptions), and Section 8 (Period of Significance).

This district was originally called the Pipestone *Architectural* District. Of course, Architecture was marked in the Areas of Significance Section along with Commerce and Sculpture. And for reasons that were not justified, the period of significance for the district was 1876 – Present. The office assumes *Present* to be 1976, the year the nomination was written.

There is no doubt that a primary focus of the nomination is the significance of the district's architecture that is represented by the number of buildings constructed with locally quarried Sioux Quartzite. However, several of the buildings are not built of Sioux Quartzite but are considered contributing in the 1976 nomination form obviously for their contributions to the city's commercial development. The First National Bank located at 101 West Main Street was constructed in 1916 in a Neo Classic Style, and the Colonial located at 105 West Main Street and constructed in 1919 also in a Neo Classic Style are two such buildings.

There are several buildings constructed in the first two decades of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century that are contributing. Some examples are Brown Hospital built in 1912 of Sioux Quartzite, and the 1916 Simenson Building located at 106 N. Hiawatha, both of constructed of Sioux Quartzite.

Therefore, recognizing the architectural qualities of the buildings constructed with Sioux Quartzite, the commercial contributions of buildings executed in other architectural styles and applying National Register [Additional] Guidelines ("How to Complete the National Register Registration Form," page 42) regarding the span of time that these properties actively contributed to the commercial development of Pipestone, the district's **Period of Significance** can be established to be **1876 to 1926--1926** representing the ending date based on the nomination's 1976 date of preparation.



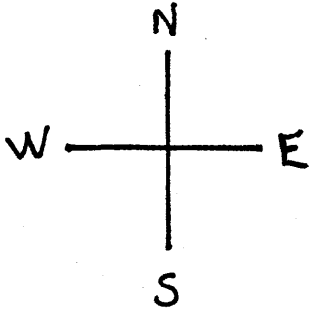
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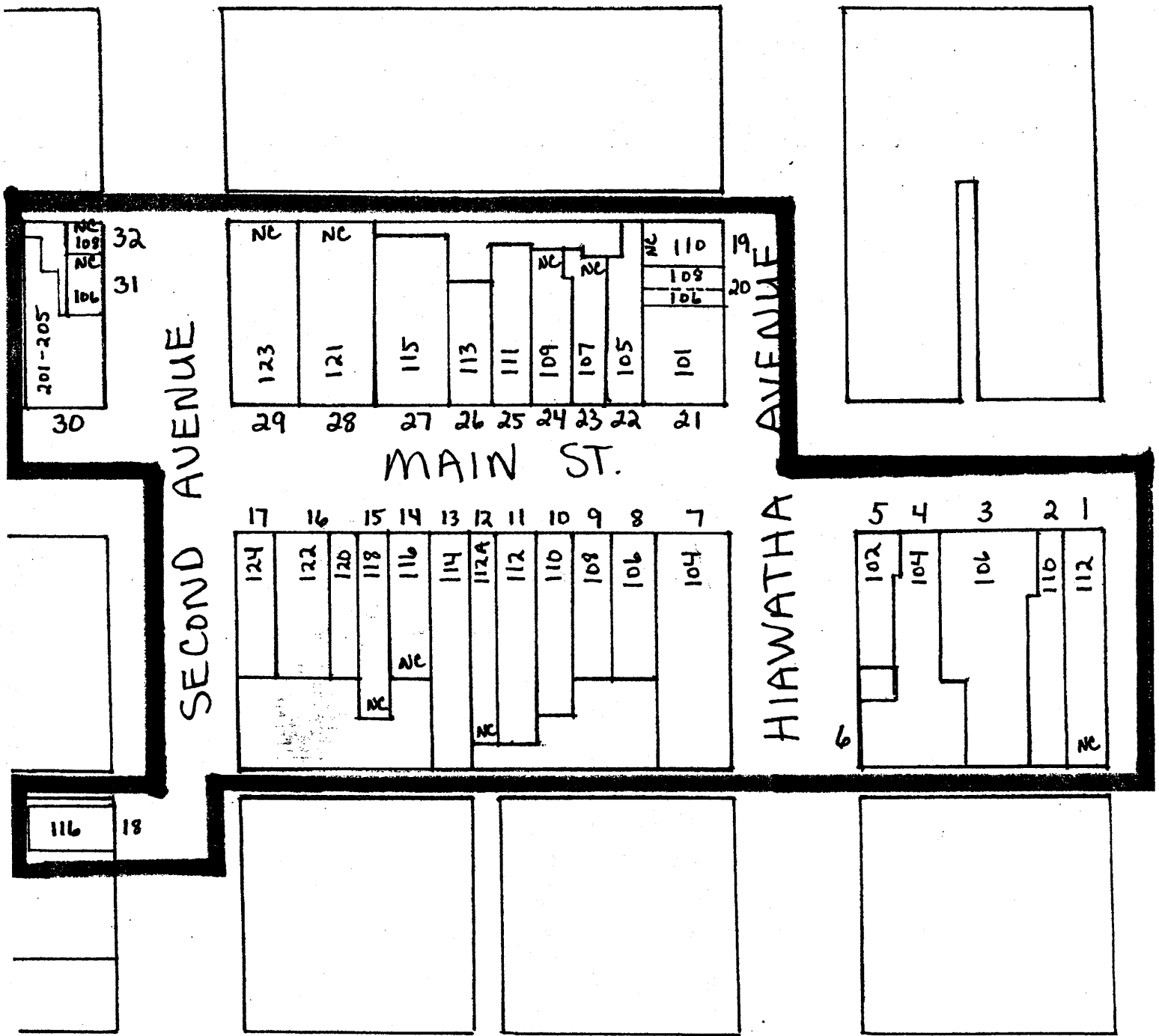
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S.W. SECOND ST.