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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

Northfield *Historic District*

AND/OR COMMON

Northfield Historic District

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

*roughly bounded by Water, Pioneer,
3rd and 5th Sts.*

CITY, TOWN

Northfield

— VICINITY OF

— NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Minnesota

CODE
22

First

COUNTY

Rice

CODE

131

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input checked="" 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 - Continuation sheets

STREET & NUMBER

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— VICINITY OF

STATE

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Registry of Deeds, Rice County

STREET & NUMBER

218 N.W. 3rd Street

CITY, TOWN

Faribault

STATE

Minnesota

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Northfield Historic Sites Survey

DATE

February-May 1978

— FEDERAL — STATE — COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Northfield Public Library

CITY, TOWN

Northfield

STATE

Minnesota

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 Northfield Historic District is an integrated town center composed of a variety of architecture and planned open space in a close relationship to the geography and natural features of the area.

The Cannon River flows diagonally through Northfield, south to north, entering the district in the west edge at the point of the Mill Falls, and is a strong element in the district. Bridge Square, the original town commons, bears a direct relationship to the river and falls with a small wooded area, Riverside Park, overlooking the falls on the west edge of the Square.

The Northfield Historic District is comprised of a four block expanse within the downtown business area of Northfield. Architecturally, the district contains sixty buildings, the majority of which were constructed during the last quarter of the nineteenth century. The majority of the buildings are two stories in height and are constructed of local brick and quarried stone. Among the styles represented are the Victorian modes: French Second Empire, Queen Anne, Gothic, Italianate, and Romanesque, in addition to a variety of commercial, vernacular forms and details. Contemporary design is present, as are various instances of sympathetic remodeling, restoration, and adaptive re-use.

Buildings in the district are classified into three categories: Pivotal, Complementary, Non-contributive.

PIVOTAL BUILDINGS: Defined as those buildings which form an integral part of the architectural, spatial, and visual quality of the district.

THE ARCHER HOUSE - (Stuart Hotel): 212 Division Street

The Archer House is a four-story, buff brick structure with two three-story brick wings. The original hotel, built in 1877 in the French Second Empire style with mansard roofs, has a heavily bracketed cornice and arched dormer windows. Paired windows with hoods appear over the main entrance. In 1895 a flat-roofed, three-story wing was erected on the north side of the original hotel. It has no mansard roof, although the cornice is bracketed and the window openings are treated in the same manner. The buff brick on the front and two sides has been painted in recent years and wooden fire escapes have been added at both ends.

THE NUTTING BLOCK - (Dittman Travel): 220 Division Street

This three-story, Romanesque style structure was built in 1873 of buff brick with a red hard-finished brick facade. It was constructed to house an industrial knitting operation which explains its reinforced structure and large interior spaces. The upper facade and fenestration are delineated by a prominent framed name plaque with ball end posts, corbeled cornice, and repeated two-story, columned arches with foliated capitals and keystones. The first story, distinguished by a corbeled cornice with foliated end carvings, has been largely preserved. New shop windows have been well integrated.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1856 to present

BUILDER/ARCHITECT -- Multiple

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Northfield Historic District is significant as a generally well-preserved and vital historic commercial center which has continued to meet the needs of residents and visitors since the early 1870s. Industrial, commercial and civic functions continue to co-exist in a balanced setting, the result of gradual development over time. Also, Northfield's two prominent liberal arts colleges, Carleton and St. Olaf, were founded on sites within the district.

One of the most important aspects of the historic composition and development of downtown Northfield is the Cannon River. As a source of power for the early sawmills and grist mills built along its banks (including two in Northfield), the Cannon River has had a great influence on the settlement of the entire region since the 1840s. The founding fathers of Northfield, recognizing the beauty and utility of the Cannon River, made it a prominent feature in the orientation and layout of the downtown area. The historic role of the Cannon River as a prime influence on community development continues to have considerable symbolic value.

Many early Northfield settlers, including John Wesley North, (founder of Northfield), were New Englanders. These settlers brought with them from New England the idea of the Village Commons, a planned open space in the heart of a town which would serve as a communal focus for all shared recreational and civic events.

The 1856 record of the platting of Northfield entered under the names of John W. and Anne L. North, states that Caleb W. Iddings, surveyor, "caused to be planted and fixed a good and sufficient stone to mark each corner of the Public Square from which to make future surveys". This historic gesture, using the Public Square as the initial concept guiding the layout of the original town, resulted in what today is called Bridge Square.

The planning characteristics of Bridge Square extend to the streetscapes of the Northfield Historic District where original architectural fabric is, despite a loss of some surface detail, very much in evidence. The physical composition of the streetscapes along Division Street, Fourth Street and South Water Street constitute an historically and environmentally coherent assemblage of buildings. The streets, the building forms, sitings, styles and workmanship all reflect to a concentrated, consistent mode of community life that has been of great meaning to citizens and visitors from the time of original platting to the present.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY approx. 21

UTM REFERENCES

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C	1,5	4,8,7,0,8,0	4,9,2,2,3,4,0	D	1,5	4,8,7,0,8,0	4,9,2,2,4,6,0
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING		ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

Brian Oschwald, Planning Assistant

15 July 1978

ORGANIZATION

DATE

City Hall, 304 Division Street

507-645-5924/645-7846

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

Northfield

Minnesota

CITY OR TOWN

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

11/9/78

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

DIRECTOR, SERVICE OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST

DATE

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Charles Adams
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ORIGINAL CITY HALL - (Three Acres Antiques): 320 Division Street

Constructed in 1876 of yellow brick, this two-story structure has a bracketed cornice, corbels and textured brick reliefs beneath its windows. At street level arched doorways have been replaced with a multi-paned shop window of complementary character. The use of authentic paint colors contributes to the retention of historic appearance.

Y.M.C.A. - (City Hall): 304 Division Street

Built in 1885 of limestone block with a red brick facade as the first out-of-state Y.M.C.A. facility, this Queen Anne-style building has a striking two-story bay window, sculpted terra cotta reliefs, and an arched doorway. The front has been minimally altered to allow increased access.

THE ALDSWORTH BUILDING (Northfield Insurance Agency): 19 Bridge Square

Built in 1872 of yellow brick, this Italianate two-story, commercial structure has a 22-foot frontage, bracketed cornice, and four evenly spaced second-story windows with geometric reliefs along the upper edges. The store front has been remodeled with redwood siding, an aluminum awning, large plate windows and door with copper framing set into the building.

BERG'S SHOES: 17 Bridge Square

This Italianate two-story, buff brick building has a bracketed cornice line with spherical end posts. Second-story windows have crested arches and decorative relief modules forming a broken horizontal band. The ground floor entry and double display windows are historically intact.

THE PAPER SHOP: 13 Bridge Square

Built in 1878 this two-story, brick commercial building has a pagoda-like appearance as the result of a second-story porch and mansard-like canopies on both the first and second stories. The ground level has an aluminum canopy, large contemporary show windows and central entrance. Currently, plans are being completed for this building's restoration.

STATE BANK BUILDING - (Tudor Music): 311 Water Street

The State Bank Building was designed in the Egyptian Revival style by well-known Minneapolis architect, Harry W. Jones. Built in 1910, this heavy-set, masonry structure has dominant entrance pylons joined above by two cross members to form a temple-like entrance. A prominent feature of the building's interior and exterior is the domed skylight on the roof. Overall design elements are reminiscent of Egyptian motifs.

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THE EBEL BLOCK - (Hughes Hardware/Home and Hearth): 303-309 North Water Street

Built originally in 1894, (with a continuous addition (309 N. Water) in 1907), this building has a limestone foundation and is constructed primarily of soft, yellow brick. The Ebel Block has a sloped parapet roof, a bracketed cornice line, corbels and columns in relief dividing the building into three balanced sections. Three shop entrances show minor alteration to the original appearance. The building reflects the Italianate design.

THE AMES MILL (Malt-O-Meal Co.): 319 S. Water Street

Built up over the two decades between 1860 and 1880, this large vernacular grouping is the major historic/industrial landmark in the community. Still in use for grain processing after one hundred years, the Mill's function and appearance show exterior alterations, including light gray slate siding and rust-colored window canopies on the east facade. Other remodeled portions include current company offices and service station facing South Water Street.

NORTHFIELD POST OFFICE: Bridge Square

Designed in the Gothic Revival style under the supervision of Louis A. Simon of the Rand Laboratories, Inc., the Northfield Post Office was built in 1936 (as a WPA project) of hard yellow brick and beige granite. This two story-building has a pitched, variegated roof of gray slate. The building is divided into a center entrance with wings. Both wings have a large center bay window with two flanking windows. The central entrance has two large multi-paned windows flanking the entrance door decorated with quoins and an engraved pediment. Contrasting bands of beige granite run horizontally across the building at three levels toward the center of the facade to emphasize the balance composition of the whole.

SCRIVER BUILDING: 22 Bridge Square

Built in 1868 of limestone blocks this is Northfield's first major commercial building. Considerably altered from its original appearance, this site, listed on the National Register, is currently undergoing thorough restoration under the direction of the Northfield Historical Society.

THE QUALITY BAKERY: 410 Division Street

Built ca. 1885, this three-story, brown brick structure has been in use as a bakery for a generation. The second and third stories each have three arched windows with terra cotta reliefs above. At street level the building has an aluminum awning and double contemporary display windows set in white ceramic tile. The historic character of this building is strong despite the presence of modern materials.

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BIERMAN's: 422 Division Street

Constructed ca.1870 of rough field limestone, this is a corner building with a flat roof and parapet wall. It is distinguished from other two-story commercial structures by virtue of a strong rusticated appearance. At street level, the Bierman Building has large, square, white columns separating shop windows and two entrances. There is an iron staircase on the south side. In 1941 the building acquired a one-story limestone addition on the rear.

THE HOLLAND BLOCK - (Big Wheel): 502 Division Street

Built in 1883, this Italianate two-story, brown brick building has a flat roof, multiple corbels, paired second-story windows in arched frames with decorative wood carving beneath the arches, and contrasting beige granite sills. The shop entrance from Division Street has been remodeled in light stucco with large display windows. The overall architectural character of this building is retained despite the application of modern materials.

THE OLSON BUILDING - (Thorpe Realty): 504 Division Street

This Italianate two-story brick building, constructed in 1890, has a 22-foot frontage. Its bracketed cornice has been removed; the corbels remain. It has two paired windows with keystone arches. The building's renovated store front shows sympathy to historic form in the use of half-arches and the unification of the first and second stories with a single paint color.

THE ONSTAD BUILDING - (Hoffman Photo): 506 Division Street

Similar to the Olson Building, (504 Division Street), the Onstad Building was constructed in 1887 with bracketed cornice, corbels, and two paired windows with keystone arches. The street level entrance has been extensively renovated with contemporary arches, suspended globe lights and a recessed, tinted, display window. The entire facade has been painted a single color, light yellow, to bring about a unified appearance.

IRWIN'S FLOWERS: 508 Division Street

Constructed ca.1890, this Italianate two-story, brown brick building has a 22-foot frontage and a flat roof. The building has a bracketed metal cornice, four tall, arched second-story windows with contrasting beige granite sills. The shop front has been inset and resurfaced in a compatible, contemporary, brown brick.

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THE HENDERSON BUILDING - (Johnson Appliance): 505 Division Street

Constructed ca.1890, this two-story, flat roofed, yellow brick building is an integral part of a cluster of similar structures. It has decorative corbels and four arched windows at the second story. The shop entrance has been set into the building and covered with new materials.

THE KELLY BUILDING - (The Rueb-N-Stein): 503 Division Street

This two-story, creme brick building has a 22-foot frontage, decorative corbels, and three second-story semi-circular arched windows. The street entrance retains much of its historic detail. The building was restored in the late 1960s.

THE SCOFIELD BUILDING - (The Corner Bar): 102 E. Fifth Street

Built in 1878, the Scofield Building occupies a significant location on the corner of Fifth and Division Streets. Two stories in height, it is constructed of yellow brick. The north facade is covered with stucco. The Scofield Building has a well-preserved, bracketed cornice and a prominent classical metal "pediment" which bears the building date. Three second-floor windows facing west have hoods in contrasting brown brick. A secondary double-bracketed cornice line establishes the upper line of the lower story. Iron columns with corinthian capitals flank the store entrance (which is historically unaltered).

THE McCLAUGHERY BLOCK - (Jock Shop/Decorating Concepts/Time Shop): 425, 427, 429 Division Street

The McLaughery Block, the second largest commercial structure in the district, was constructed in 1882 of brown brick. Prominent features include beige granite-silled windows with keystone semi-circular arches. The unified bands fenestration are a major visual contribution to the street. The south facade has its bracketed cornice intact and an exterior wooden staircase. The three shop fronts on Division Street are altered in detail, each with its own appearance. The overall Italianate architectural character of the building survives.

THE HAMRE BUILDING - (Groh's Music/The Hub): 411-413 Division Street

An elaborate crested plaque gives the construction date of the Hamre Building as 1886. The building has a 44-foot frontage, It is an Italianate two-story, brown brick, flat-roofed building with a bracketed cornice and corbels. The second-story is enframed above and below the nine windows by beige granite bands. Beneath each window, brick reliefs contribute the unified second-story composition. The two shop fronts have been inset and remodeled with contemporary materials and detailing.

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THE WHEELER BUILDING - (Stevenson's): 409 Division Street

The Wheeler Building, dated conservatively ca.1887, is possibly of an earlier date (ca.1875-80). This Italianate two-story, light brown brick building, (with a 22-foot frontage), has a well-preserved bracketed cornice line and engraved terra cotta window arches. The shop front is quite recent and has a shingled mock-mansard roof above the display windows.

THE GRESS BUILDING - (Mitchell's): 407 Division Street

Built in 1893 in the Gothic Revival mode for a cost of \$6,250.00, this red brick building has a definite "pitched roof" facade. This facade exhibits a visual relationship with the turret and finial of the Central Block, next door to the north. (A related influence is possible as the Gress Building and the Central Block were constructed in the same year.) The second story has three arched windows; the ground level has an oversized sign and contemporary display window with side entrance.

THE CENTRAL BLOCK: 401, 403, 405 Division Street

Designed in the Romanesque mode by P.W. Delancy, and constructed in 1893 of hard-finish red brick, the Central Block is Northfield's most impressive commercial building. Occupying a corner of the block, it has a corner turret with a finial and a prominent name plaque. Delicate terra cotta designs are to be found on columns, capitals and bases along the west and north sides of the building. At street level, shop entrances have been altered with contemporary windows. Signage is well designed in scale and character.

THE WARE AUDITORIUM - (Grand Theater): 316 Washington Street

Originally designed in the Federal Revival style by Minneapolis architect, Harry Carter (and built in 1899 by Faribault contractor, A.F. Kuehl), this yellow brick civic facility has been extensively altered over time. Its original facade facing east, (which included six third-story windows, six-second story windows, a large central Palladian window, pilasters, balconies and a dramatic entrance at ground level), was abandoned in 1927. The interior of the auditorium was remodeled on the original plan after a fire in 1900 and again in 1919 and 1927. The interior retains its originally conceived proscenium arch, boxes, and seating layout. The Ware Auditorium, despite the four alterations, remains a major contributor to the composition of the district in its siting, dimensions and function.

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THE LYCEUM BUILDING: 109 East Fourth Street

This small, frame structure, built in 1857, is the oldest extant building in the district. It has distinction as the home of the Lyceum Debate Society library and reading room, founded by John W. North to guide the cultural growth of early Northfield. Originally built to face the Cannon River, it was rotated 90° in 1884 to its present position facing Fourth Street. The Lyceum is representative of a simple Greek Revival style. It has decorative saw work on its rafters. Site improvements have enhanced its location. The Lyceum Building was restored in 1973.

THE CARPENTER BUILDING - (Gharabally's Restaurant): 107 East Fourth Street

This two-story, brick building, constructed in 1899, has corbeling and a second-story bay window. Built originally to house the presses of the "Northfield Independent," the Carpenter Building was thoroughly renovated in 1977 to serve as a continental restaurant. Exterior work includes a large multi-paned window at street level, salmon tone colors, sidewalk paving and street trees.

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THE NATIONAL BANK/THE NUTTING BUILDING: 329 Division Street

Built in 1887 of red brick and granite, the First National Bank is a three-story, Romanesque Revival commercial/residential building which occupies a major corner of Bridge Square. Details of its Division and Fourth Street facades include a heavy bracketed cornice with pedimented date plaque, corbels, decorative columns and reliefs in contrasting stone which set off the fenestration on each story. The building's Division Street facade at ground level was remodeled in the late 1950s by local historian/architect, Robert Warn. This remodelling was the result of a careful design which preserved historic facade, composition and detail while introducing better building access. An addition to the bank (constructed on the north side in 1976) has attempted to use sympathetic materials and design but fails to achieve compatibility with the earlier building. The attached Nutting Building (which extends from the First National Bank up Fourth Street) was constructed in 1900. While this is a simpler building, its scale, detail and materials are complementary to its neighbor.

THE FRENCH BUILDING - (Ideal Cafe): 317 Division Street

A twin to its neighbor, the Lockrem-Sumner Building, this 1873 brick structure was once half of the U.S. Post Office. Its facade, minus a heavy bracketed cornice, is historically intact.

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THE LOCKREM/SUMNER BUILDING - (Willie's Shoe Repair): 315 Division Street

This two-story brick building was constructed in 1873. It has arched second-story windows. The building's heavy bracketed cornice was removed in the mid 1960s. The remaining elements of the facade are historically intact.

THE CARNEGIE PUBLIC LIBRARY: 105 East Third Street

Designed in 1910 by Bell, Tyrie, and Chapman of Minneapolis, the Carnegie Public Library is an example of the Georgian Revival style. Constructed of brown brick with white classical details, it has a pedimented entry, modillioned cornice, and square columns. This two-story building is characterized by a formal arrangement of parts employing a symmetrical composition, form and detail. Prominently sited on a small hill overlooking Third and Division Streets, this building has grounds which are finely landscaped. This site is also important as the location of the first building to house Carleton College.

COMPLEMENTARY BUILDINGS: Defined as those buildings whose massing or siting or general historic character contribute to pivotal buildings and streetscapes continuity of the Historic District.

THE SITZE BUILDING - (Harmon Photography): 300 Division Street

Built in 1886 this two-story brick building has a 22-foot frontage, flat roof, decorative corbels, and three second-story arched windows. The shop front has been considerably altered with glass blocks, "thin" brick, and aluminum framed display windows. The Sitze Building is a member of a group of buildings with similar details and surface color.

THE ALEX MARSHALL BUILDING - (Dahl House): 306 Division Street

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Built in 1933, this two-story, light brown brick building has a variegated roof line and paired second-story windows. The shop front (remodeled in 1975 in darker brick) has two broad entrance arches with flanking arched doorways.

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THE BUSHNELL, TOSNEY AND MCKAY BUILDINGS - (Perman's): 308-314 Division Street

These three brick buildings, (built in 1882, 1897 and 1925), are currently combined to form the Perman Clothing Store. These buildings, each with differing scale, surface detail and fenestration are joined on the second stories by a coat of ochre paint and on the street by a continuous shop front of bay-type windows.

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THE THIRD MERGEN BUILDING - (Fine Print Books): 320 Division Street

Erected in 1901, this one-story, shed-roof structure is built primarily of limestone blocks covered with stucco. The original appearance of this building consisted of a large display window on the north side, a side entrance on the south side. The north side was remodeled in 1954 into two bays and a central entrance. The design incorporated building materials of the art deco style: black glass panels, glass blocks and chrome trimming.

BRIDGE SQUARE BARBERS: 15 Bridge Square

Built ca.1900, this small, one-story structure with an 18-foot frontage has served continuously as a barber shop. It has a simple redwood facade with a single window and door.

THE SHATTO BUILDING - (Northwest Mutual Life Insurance): 11 Bridge Square

This two-story, frame structure was erected on a limestone foundation in 1878. Extensively remodeled on the exterior in 1960, there are few remaining original details. The building's current appearance consists of a stucco sheathing with chevron wood patterning beneath the west side second and third story windows.

THE LAW BUILDING - (Pantorium/Eagles Club): 304-308 North Water Street

Built of light brown brick in 1899, this two-story, residential/commercial building has a flat roof, corbels, and six second-story windows with contrasting beige granite sills. The two identical shop fronts, separated by a recessed partition containing three doors, consist of aluminum-framed, plate glass windows with a glass block and brick base.

THE PLUMMER CORNER - (Eagles Club/Northfield Travel): 304-302 North Water Street

Built of light brown brick in 1905, this two-story commercial/residential structure has a flat roof, wood cornice, corbels and second-story windows with contrasting beige granite sills. There are two shop fronts. The entrance to the Eagles Club is executed in light brick and has two small windows. The second shop front has recently been restored and is integrated with the character and materials of the building.

BOB'S SHOES: 16 Bridge Square

This two-story, brick building, constructed ca.1880, has a flat roof, three second-story windows infilled with glass block and a shop entrance flanked by two display windows. Though this building's historic appearance has been altered, the consistent use of quality materials is evident.

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THE FERSTLER BUILDING - (Winter Wheat Designs): 412 Division Street

This two-story, brown brick building, built in 1921, has a 22-foot frontage, flat roof, corbels, and four second-story windows with contrasting beige granite sills. While lacking the ornate details of earlier, nineteenth century buildings, its scale and design are compatible with neighboring structures. The shop front display windows and door contribute to the complementary appearance of this building.

THE KINGMAN BUILDING - (W.T. Nelson Agency): 414 Division Street

Built in 1873 this two-story, light tan brick building has a 22-foot frontage, flat roof, heavy bracketed cornice, corbels and four second-story windows framed in beige granite. The shop front has been inset and remodeled with aluminum siding, doors and window frames.

BLOMLEY UPHOLSTERY: 510 Division Street

Built ca.1900, this small, two-story, brown brick building, has a flat roof, a bracketed cornice, and paired windows in arched frames. The lower level is distinguished by a secondary bracketed cornice above the shop front. The shop front has been remodeled with redwood and white doors. This building contributes to an assembly of structures with similar details and surface color.

GARLIE VETERINARY: 512 Division Street

Constructed ca.1900, this two-story, brown brick building, has a flat roof, bracketed cornice, and triple, second-story window. The shop front, without noticeable separation from the upper level, has a broad tinted window and a paneled door. There is a small exterior wooden staircase on the south side which remains from the period when the building was used as a hotel.

NELSON BUILDING (Village Pump): 507-509 Division Street

Built in 1922, this two-story, brown brick building (507 Division Street), has a 22-foot frontage, flat roof, corbels, and four arched second-story windows with contrasting beige granite sills. Moderately remodeled, this building's historic character is discernible beneath surface attachments. With the modest one-story neighboring structure (509 Division Street) attached to it, the Nelson Building complements the adjacent cluster of two-story, commercial buildings that are of similar size and design.

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LAMPE, FOSSUM, JACOBSON, AND BORENE: 105 East Fifth Street

Built in 1898 as a tenement house, this large, two-story brick building has a pitched roof. The front facade consists of a two-story bay window which is flanked by arched windows. The front facade has received a sheathing of beige stucco.

THE LOCKWOOD OPERA HOUSE/MELWIN BUILDING - (Jacobsen's): 419-423 Division Street

These two-story, brick buildings, built on 1872 and 1890, are currently joined at street level as Jacobsen's Clothing Store. The north building (419-421 Division Street) with a 32-foot frontage is the former Lockwood Opera House. The entire second story including bracketed cornice, corbels and fenestration is historically intact. The south building (423 Division Street) was constructed in 1890 with decorative metal cornice, corbels, and second-story windows framed in contrasting beige granite. The wooden shop front is of recent construction and is painted brown.

COAST-TO-COAST: 415 Division Street

This three-story building, originally built ca.1880 as a wood-frame structure, has received a recent (ca.1950) facade-cover of brick in two shades: medium brown and ochre. Ochre brick bands emphasize the longitudinal characteristics of the building, while brown brick "pilaster" emphasize the vertical. The store front bears large franchise graphics and typical aluminum-framed display windows. It is noted that the major historic dimensions of this building's facade are apparent, though materials and precise window details have been altered.

SCHMITZ AND OPHAUG: 111 East Fourth Street

This two-story, brick building appears to have been originally constructed ca.1890. Its current appearance consists of a contemporary brick front, two rectilinear second-floor windows, and a plate glass display window on the ground floor.

THE FIRST MERGEN BUILDING - (Tiny's Smoke Shop): 321 Division Street

This two-story, brick building, erected in 1882, has a 22-foot frontage and a flat roof. Most of its historical detail has been removed in the process of a recent remodeling. The building is now covered with two-tone stucco. The building's basic dimensions and position on the street continue to contribute to the streetscape.

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THE NORTHFIELD NEWS BUILDING - (Mulberry Bush/Homstad Goldsmith): 311-313 Division St.

Built in 1884, this two-story, brick building was the home of The Northfield News for 80 years until a fire destroyed the interior in 1964. The building has a flat roof and rectilinear second-story windows with beige granite lintels, and sills. The two shop fronts have been entirely remodeled with contemporary designs and materials. The second-story frontage of this building remains intact and is a contribution to the character of the District.

THE ARCADE BUILDING - (V.I/P. Travel): 309 Division Street

This two-story, brick structure, built in 1895, has three second story arched windows with distinct foliated masonry reliefs above. The shop front was remodeled in the late 1960s and has three tall arches: a central door and two flanking recessed windows. The building has been painted light beige and presents a unified facade.

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NORTHFIELD NATIONAL BANK: 25 Bridge Square

This single-story, modern bank, constructed in 1966 of reinforced concrete, has a heavy pediment-roof supported by many columns. Its large tinted, plate windows are recessed from the sidewalk. This building replaces a complex of two nineteenth century brick building which were architecturally ornate.

THE LAWLER BUILDING - (Town and Country Office Supply): 416 Division Street;
SCHULTZIES BIKE SHOP: 418 Division Street; THE MORRIS BUILDING - (Minneapolis
Rag Stock): 420 Division Street

The Lawler Building is a two-story, brick building with a flat roof. Schultzie's Bike Shop is a single-story, brick building. The Morris Building is a two-story, brick building with a flat roof. These structures are joined in appearance by light stucco covering on the second stories and by an aluminum awning on the first stories. Historic photographs reveal arched windows on the second story beneath the current surface, which if removed would allow these buildings to contribute to the street.

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THE SECOND MERGEN BUILDING - (Northfield Variety): 323-325 Division Street

(Photographic records reveal this building as once one of the finest on its block.) Built in 1883, this two-story, brown brick structure formerly had a heavily bracketed cornice and ornate window frames in contrasting beige granite. Two shop fronts with tall display windows and centered entrances are shown in historic photographs. Today the entire second story is covered with a single sheet of flesh tone, corrugated aluminum. The shop fronts have been combined into a continuous expanse of aluminum-framed windows and doors.

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Beginning at the intersection of northern lot line of Lot 11 in the original town and the Cannon River; thence easterly along this line to its point of intersection with the northerly lot line of lot 3, block 16; thence easterly along this line to its point of intersection with the eastern curb line of Washington Street; thence southerly along this line to its point of intersection with the center line of East Third Street; thence westerly along this line to the eastern curb line of Division Street; thence southerly along this line to the point of intersection with the northern lot line of lot 7, block 23; thence easterly along this lot line to the intersection with the western lot line of lot 7, block 23; thence southerly along this line to point of intersection with the north lot line of lot 8, block 23; thence southerly along this line to the point of intersection with the north lot line of lot 1, block 23; thence easterly along this line to the western curb line of Washington Street; thence southerly along this line to the point of intersection with the center line of East Fourth Street; thence westerly along the center line of East Fourth Street to the eastern lot line of lot 6, block 33; thence southerly along this line to the point of intersection with the center line of East Fifth Street; thence westerly along this line a distance of fifty feet to the intersection with the eastern building wall of 503 Division Street; thence southerly along this line to the southerly lot line of lot 7, block 48; thence westerly along this line to its point of intersection with the center line of Division Street; thence southerly along the center line of Division Street to its point of intersection with the extension of the southerly lot line of lot 3, block 47; thence westerly along this line to the point of intersection with the westerly lot line of lot 3, block 47; thence northerly along this line to its point of intersection with the center line of East Fifth Street; thence westerly along center line of East Fifth Street a distance of 62 feet to the point of intersection with the east lot line of lot 1, block 34; thence northerly along this line to the intersection with the north lot line of lot 1, block 34; thence due northwesterly a distance of 500 feet to the point of intersection with the south easterly corner of lot 1, block 22; thence westerly along the southern lot line of lot 1, block 22, to the point of intersection with the westerly lot line of lot 1, block 22; thence northeasterly along this line to the point of intersection with the south curb line of West Second Street; thence easterly to the point of intersection with the western curb line of Water Street; thence southerly to the point of intersection with the southern lot line of lot 5, block 7; thence easterly along the extension of the southern lot line of lot 5, block 7, to its point of intersection with the east bank of the Cannon River; thence northeasterly along the east bank of the Cannon River to the point of beginning.

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The Northfield Historic District, in coordination with the early settlers' concept, maintains Bridge Square as the focal point and extends its boundaries out north, south, east and west, similar to an axial formation. The district begins with the French Second Empire styled Archer House, excluding two intrusive buildings, incompatible to the district. The boundary then extends over the river to include the major industrial landmark, Ames Mill, and the adjacent business district. The boundary excludes a grouping of modern and unharmonious structures from the district.

The boundary line reaches to connect the southern sections of the original town, including the post office which is positioned so as to monumentally bring together the west side with Bridge Square. The line cuts through a logical space, in turn, eliminating extensively altered and non-contributing buildings. The boundary includes the Ware Auditorium and excludes the residential buildings on Washington Street. The line omits a group of buildings inconsistent with the architectural flavor of the District. The Grant Building will be demolished and be replaced with an architecturally complimentary building in a Housing and Redevelopment Authority project. The boundry line then completes its route by capturing the first building to house Carleton College, the Carnegie Public Library, contributing not only architecturally pleasing features but also a significant past.

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Owner's Name and Address

The Archer House - Historic
The Stuart Hotel
212 Division Street

Jim Wadsworth
Suite 227
6700 Excelsior Boulevard
Minneapolis, MN 55426

The Nutting Block - Historic
Dittman Travel
220 Division Street

Ron Hagen/ B. Reese
220 Division Street
Northfield

The Sitze Building - Historic
Harmon Photography
300 Division Street

Harry Harmon
300 Division Street
Northfield

Original City Hall - Historic
Three Acres Antiques
302 Division Street

Don Parker
R. R. 3
Northfield

The Y.M.C.A. Building - Historic
Arts Guild
304 Division Street

City of Northfield
801 South Washington
Northfield

The Alex Marshall Building - Historic
Dahl House
306 Division Street

Allan A. McKay
R. R. 1
Northfield

Bushnell Building
Tosney Building - Historic
McKay Building
Perman's
314 Division Street (308-314)

Orval Perman
19 Lincoln Lane
Northfield

The Third Mergen Building - Historic
Fine Print
320 Division Street

Jan Borene
1002 St. Olaf Avenue
Northfield

Citizens Bank - Historic
Northfield National Bank
25 Bridge Square

Northfield National Bank
25 Bridge Square
Northfield

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Owner's Name and Address

The Aldsworth Building - Historic
Northfield Insurance Agency
19 Bridge Square

Northfield National Bank
25 Bridge Square
Northfield

Berg's Shoes
17 Bridge Square

Al Berg
15 Bunday Court
Northfield

Bridge Square Barbershop
15 Bridge Square

James Herreid
11 Bridge Square
Northfield

The Paper Shop
13 Bridge Square

James Herreid
11 Bridge Square
Northfield

The Shatto Building - Historic
Northwest Mutual Life Insurance
11 Bridge Square

James Herreid
11 Bridge Square
Northfield

State Bank Building - Historic
Tudor Music
311 South Water Street

Linne Jensen
311 South Water Street
Northfield

The Ebel Block - Historic
Hughes Hardware
303 South Water Street

Walter Hughes
303 South Water Street
Northfield

Quality TV & Appliance
307 South Water Street

Edward Miller
Box 99
Northfield

The Plummer Building - Historic
Northfield Travel
300 South Water Street

Kenneth Grism
650 Green Meadows
Northfield

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The Law Building - Historic
Eagles Hall - Pantorium
304 - 308 South Water Street

The Ames Mill - Historic
Malt-o-Meal
319 South Water Street

Post Office
Bridge Square

Bob's Shoes
16 Bridge Square

Scriver Building - Historic
Northfield Historical Society
22 Bridge Square

Quality Bakery
410 Division Street

The Ferstler Building - Historic
The Art Store
412 Division Street

The Kingman Building - Historic
W. T. Nelson
414 Division Street

Owner's Name and Address

Frat. Order of Eagles, 2242
300 South Water Street
Northfield

Malt-o-Meal
319 South Water Street
Northfield

Post Office
Bridge Square and Water Street
Northfield

Robert J. Christenson
16 Bridge Square
Northfield

Northfield Historical Society
22 Bridge Square
Northfield

Ed Klinkhammer
800 W. First Street
Northfield

Marvin Grundhoefer
480 College Street
Northfield

Buying Contract for Deed:
Mr. Ed Klinkhammer
800 W. First Street
Northfield

W. T. Nelson
14 Park Drive
Northfield

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The Lawler Building - Historic
Town and Country
416 Division Street

Schultzie's Bike Shope
418 Division Street

The Morris Building - Historic
Minneapolis Rag Stock
420 Division Street

Bierman's - Historic
422 Division Street

The Holland Building - Historic
Big Wheel
500 Division Street

The Olson Building - Historic
Thorpe Realty
504 Division Street

The Onstad Building - Historic
Hoffman's Photography
506 Division Street

Irwin's Flowers
508 Division Street

Bromley Upholstry
510 Division Street

Owner's Name and Address

Arthur Vesterby, c/o James Vesterby
825 E. South Street
Owatonna, MN 55060

Arthur Vesterby, c/o James Vesterby
825 E. South Street
Owatonna, MN 55060

Arthur Vesterby, c/o James Vesterby
825 E. South Street
Owatonna, MN 55060

John Bierman
409 Elm Street
Northfield

S. Eugene Bailey
c/o Big Wheel
500 Division Street
Northfield

Al Thorpe
1348 Liberty Court
Northfield

Arthur Hoffman
506 Division Street
Northfield

Monte Irwin
2 Fareway Drive
Northfield

Adolph Garlie
512 Division Street
Northfield

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The Second Mergen Building - Historic
Northfield Variety
325 Division Street

The First Mergen Building - Historic
Tiny's Smoke Shop
321 Division Street

Grundhoefer and Neuville
319 Division Street

The French Building - Historic
Ideal Cafe
317 Division Street

Lockrem-Sumner Building - Historic
Willie's Shoe Repair
315 Division Street

The Arcade Building - Historic
VIP Travel
309 Division Street

The Northfield News Building - Historic
Mulberry Bush/Goldsmith
311 - 313 Division Street

Carnegie Library - Historic
Northfield Public Library
105 E. Third Street

Owner's Name and Address

Sid and Dan Freeman
411 Union Street
Northfield

Steve McKay
321 Division Street
Northfield

Emaline Christenson
304 South Linden Street
Northfield

Buying Contract for Deed:
Marvin Grundhoefer
408 College
Northfield

Fred Fintel
909 E. Fourth
Northfield

Willie Wolf
315 Division Street
Northfield

Les Drentlaw
40 Fareway Drive
Northfield

Keith Homstad
311 Manitou
Northfield

City of Northfield
801 Washington
Northfield

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Owner's Name and Address

Garlie Veterinarian
512 Division Street

Adolph Garlie
512 Division Street
Northfield

The Nelson Building - Historic
Lano's
507 - 509 Division Street

Lane Shieh
c/o Takarajima, Inc.
507 Division Street
Northfield

The Henderson Building - Historic
Johnson Appliance
505 Division Street

Percy Johnson
1016 South Linden
Northfield

The Kelly Building - Historic
Rueb-n-Stein
503 Division Street

Dan Freeman
812 Nevada
Northfield

The Scofield Building - Historic
Corner Bar
102 E. Fifth Street

Edna Gibson
102 E. Fifth Street
Northfield

Lampe, Fossum, Jacobson & Borene
105 E. Fifth Street

Landmark Building Partnership
105 E. Fifth Street
Northfield

The McClaughery Block - Historic
425 - 529 Division Street

Sid and Dan Freeman
411 Union Street
Northfield

The Lockwood Opera House - Historic
Jacobsen's
419 Division Street

Robert Jacobsen
708 E. Fourth Street
Northfield

Coast-to-Coast
415 Division Street

Lewis Appledorn
Pillager, MN 66473

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Owner's Name and Address

The Hamre Building - Historic
Groh's Music/The Hub
411 - 413 Division Street

Sid and Dan Freeman
411 Union Street
Northfield

The Wheeler Building - Historic
Stevenson's
409 Division Street

Dorthea Wheeler
17900 Gulf Boulevard
Redington, Florida 33708

The Gress Building - Historic
Mitchell's
407 Division Street

Dorthea Wheeler
17900 Gulf Boulevard
Redington, Florida 33708

The Central Block - Historic
401 - 405 Division Street

James Herreid
11 Bridge Square
Northfield

Ware Auditorium - Historic
The Grand Theater
316 Washington

Tom Doughty
1006 Maple
Northfield

Schmitz & Ophaug
111 E. Fourth Street

Helen Mears
704 Nevada
Northfield

The Lyceum Building - Historic
Dr. Elvin Heiberg, DDS
109 E. Fourth Street

Elvin Heiberg
410 E. First Street
Northfield

The Carpenter Building - Historic
Les Quatre Amis
107 E. Fourth Street

The Four C's, Inc.
c/o Lawrence Christie
413 Highland
Northfield

The Nutting Building - Historic
First National Bank
329 Division Street

First National Bank
329 Division Street
Northfield, MN 55057

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Owner's Name & Address

✓ Irwin's Flowers
508 Division Street

OK
Monte Irwin
2 Fareway Drive
Northfield

✓ Bromley Upholstry
510 Division Street

M. Garlie
Adolph Garlie
Ponsford, Minnesota 55675

✓ Garlie Veterinarian
512 Division Street

K
Adolph Garlie
Ponsford, Minnesota 55675

✓ Post Office
Bridge Square

OK CITY
Post Office
Bridge Square & Water Street
Northfield

The Shatto Building - Historic
Northwest Mutual Life Insurance
11 Bridge Square

r
James Herreid
613 East Fourth Street
Northfield

The Paper Shop
13 Bridge Square

r
James Herreid
613 East Fourth Street
Northfield

Bridge Square Barbershop
15 Bridge Square

r
James Herreid
613 East Fourth Street
Northfield

✓ Bob's Shoes
16 Bridge Square

r
Robert J. Christenson
208 Union Street
Northfield

Berg's Shoes
17 Bridge Square

OK
Al Berg
15 Bunday Court
Northfield

The Aldsworth Building - Historic
Northfield Insurance Agency
19 Bridge Square

r
Northfield National Bank
25 Bridge Square
Northfield

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✓ Carnegie Library - Historic Northfield Public Library 105 E. Third Street	City of Northfield 304 Division Street Northfield
✓ The Carpenter Building - Historic Charabally's Restaurant 107 East Fourth Street	✓ The Four C's, Inc. c/o Lawrence Christie 11 Bridge Square Northfield
✓ The Lyceum Building - Historic Dr. Elvin Heiberg, DDS 109 East Fourth Street	✓ Elvin Heiberg 410 East First Street Northfield
✓ Schmitz & Ophaug 111 East Fourth Street	✓ James Herreid/Bert Reese 613 East Fourth Street Northfield
✓ The Scofield Building - Historic Corner Bar 102 East Fifth Street	✓ Edna Gibson 102 East Fifth Street Northfield
✓ Lampe, Fossum, Jacobson & Borene 105 East Fifth Street	✓ Landmark Building Partnership 105 East Fifth Street Northfield
✓ Ware Auditorium - Historic The Grand Theatre 316 Washington	✓ Tom Doughty 1006 Maple Northfield
✓ The Plummer Building - Historic Northfield Travel 300 S. Water Street	✓ Kenneth Grism 431 N. Plum Northfield

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Minneapolis Rag Stock
420 Division Street

o/l Arthur Vesterby c/o James Vesterby
825 East South Street
Owatonna, Minnesota 55060

✓ Bierman's - Historic
422 Division Street

o/l John Bierman
409 Elm Street
Northfield

✓ The McClaughery Block - Historic
425 - 429 Division Street

o/l Sid and Dan Freeman
411 Union Street
Northfield

✓ The Holland Block - Historic
Big Wheel
502 Division Street

o/l S. Eugene Bailey
719 East Second Street
Northfield

✓ The Kelly Building - Historic
Rueb-n-Stein
503 Division Street

o/l Dan Freeman
812 Nevada
Northfield

✓ The Olson Building - Historic
Thorpe Realty
504 Division Street

o/l Al Thorpe
1348 Liberty Court
Northfield

✓ The Henderson Building - Historic
Johnson Appliance
505 Division Street

o/l Percy Johnson
1016 South Linden
Northfield

✓ The Onstad Building - Historic
Hoffman's Photography
506 Division Street

o/l Arthur Hoffman
Route #2
Northfield

✓ The Nelson Building - Historic
Village Pump
507 - 509 Division Street

o/l Dale Lonqueville
c/o Village Pump
507 Division
Northfield

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Owner's Name & Address

✓ The Wheeler Building - Historic
Stevenson's
409 Division Street

✓ Mrs. James A. Wheeler
500 West Woodley
Northfield

✓ Quality Bakery
410 Division Street

✓ Ed Klinkhammer
800 W. First Street
Northfield

✓ The Hamre Building - Historic
Groh's Music/The Hud
411 - 413 Division Street

✓ Sid and Dan Freeman
411 Union Street
Northfield

✓ The Ferstler Building - Historic
Winter Wheat Designs
412 Division Street

✓ Marvin Grundhoefer
408 College Street
Northfield

✓ The Kingman Building - Historic
W.T. Nelson Insurance
414 Division Street

✓ W.T. Nelson
14 Park Drive
Northfield

✓ Coast-to-Coast
415 Division Street

✓ Lewis Appledoorn
Pillager, Minnesota 56473

✓ The Lawler Building - Historic
Town and Country
416 Division Street

✓ Arthur Vesterby c/o James Vesterby
825 East South Street
Owatonna, Minnesota 55060

✓ Schultzie's Bike Shop
418 Division Street

✓ Arthur Vesterby c/o James Vesterby
825 East South Street
Owatonna, Minnesota 55060

✓ The Lockwood Opera House - Historic
Jacobsen's
419 Division Street

✓ Robert Jacobsen
708 East Fourth Street
Northfield

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Building Name & Address

Owner's Name & Address

✓ The Ebel Block - Historic
Hughes Hardware
303 S. Water Street

marked
Walter Hughes
R.R. 1
Northfield

✓ The Law Building - Historic
Eagles Hall - Pantorium
304 - 308 S. Water Street

marked
Kenneth Grisim
Rep 431 N. Plum
Northfield

? Home & Hearth
309 S. Water Street

✓ Edward Miller
Box 99
Northfield

✓ State Bank Building - Historic
Tudor Music
311 S. Water Street

marked
Linne Jensen
904 St. Olaf Avenue
Northfield

✓ The Ames Mill - Historic
Malt-O-Meal
319 S. Water Street

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Malt-O-Meal
319 S. Water Street
Northfield

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Owner's Name & Address

✓ The Archer House - Historic
The Stuart Hotel
212 Division Street

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Ronald McDaniels
401 Mission Road
Minneapolis, Minnesota

✓ The Nutting Block - Historic
Dittman Travel
220 Division Street

7/10/78
Ron Hagen/B. Reese
R.R. 5
Northfield

✓ The Sitze Building - Historic
Harmon Photography
300 Division Street

4/10/78
Wes Harmon
R.R. 3
Northfield

✓ Original City Hall - Historic
Three Acres Antiques
302 Division Street

4/10/78
Don Parker
R.R. 3
Northfield

✓ The Y.M.C.A. Building - Historic
Northfield City Hall
304 Division Street

4/10/78
City of Northfield
304 Division Street
Northfield

✓ The Alex Marshall Building - Historic
Dahl House
306 Division Street

4/10/78
Allan A. McKay
R.R. 1
Northfield

✓ The Arcade Building - Historic
VIP Travel
309 Division Street

4/10/78
Les Drentlaw
40 Fareway Drive
Northfield

✓ The Northfield News Building - Historic
Mulberry Bush/Goldsmith
311-313 Division Street

4/10/78
Keith Homstad
311 Manitou
Northfield

✓ Bushnell Building - Historic
Tosney Building
McKay Building
Perman's
314 Division Street (308-314)

4/10/78
Orval Perman
19 Lincoln Lane
Northfield

2/10/78
Cherry

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Building Name & Address

Owner's Name & Address

✓ Lockrem-Summer Building - Historic
Willie's Shoe Repair
315 Division Street

Wolfe
Willie Wolf
1200 Division Street
Northfield

✓ The French Building - Historic
Ideal Cafe
317 Division Street

Carlson
Kathy Carlson
612 West Second Street
Northfield

✓ Grundhoefer and Neuville
319 Division Street

Christenson
Emaline Christenson
304 South Linden Street
Northfield

✓ The Third Mergen Building - Historic
Fine Print
320 Division Street

Borene
Jan Borene
1002 St. Olaf Avenue
Northfield

✓ The First Mergen Building - Historic
Tiny's Smoke Shop
321 Division Street

McKay
Steve McKay
36 Jefferson Drive
Northfield

✓ The Second Mergen Building - Historic
Northfield Variety
325 Division Street

Freeman
Sid and Dan Freeman
411 Union Street
Northfield

✓ The Nutting Building - Historic
First National Bank
329 Division Street

Bank
First National Bank
329 Division Street
Northfield

✓ The Central Block - Historic
401 - 405 Division Street

Herreid
James Herreid
613 East Fourth Street
Northfield

The Gress Building - Historic
Mitchell's
407 Division Street

Wheeler
Mrs. James A. Wheeler
500 West Woodley
Northfield

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79003125

Rice County, MINNESOTA

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION APPROVAL

Beth Boland 11/18/93



MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

September 16, 1993

Ms. Carol Shull
Chief of Registration
National Register of Historic Places
Interagency Resources Division
National Park Service
U.S. Department of the Interior
PO BOX 37127
Washington, D.C. 20013-7127

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REGISTER

Dear Ms. Shull:

RE: Mergen Building, Northfield Historic District, Northfield,
Rice County, Minnesota; Reference Number: 79003125;
Listed on the National Register: 06/11/79; See page 7:12 of
National Register form.

When the above district was listed on the National Register, the above building was classified as non-contributing because of the 1950s application of metal siding (see photo). During a rehabilitation of the property, the siding was removed to reveal that the building retained a sufficient amount of its historic material to be reclassified as a contributing building in the district (see historic and current photos).

I might add that it was discovered that this building was constructed in two phases, one section in 1883 and the other in 1886. The nomination form makes reference to only the 1886 construction date.

Enclosed are photographs of the building and a statement from the architect who is in charge of the project. I am including a copy of a letter from Christopher Jones of the NPS Rocky Mountain Regional Office who states that they consider the Mergen Building to be a contributing building in the district.

If your staff have question regarding the documentation, please have them contact me. The name and address of the architect in charge of the project is noted below.

Sincerely,



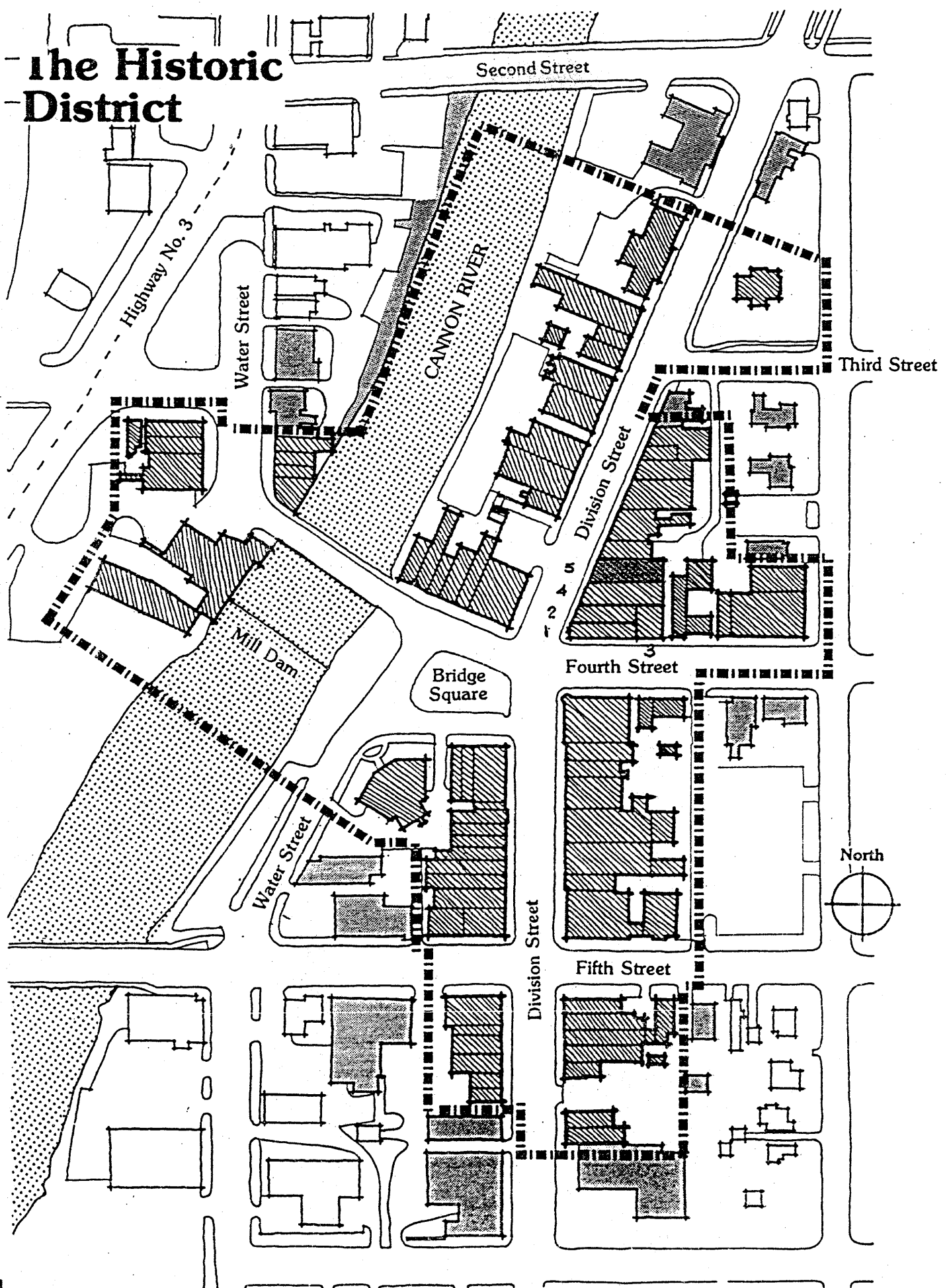
Susan Roth
National Register Historian
State Historic Preservation Office

encl: photographs
project description
NPS (Denver) letter
district map

cc: Sewell J. Mathre, Sovik Mathre Sathrum Quanbeck Schlink
Edwins Architects, 205 South Water Street, Box 390
Northfield, Minnesota 55057

Mr. David Shumway, President
First National Bank
329 Division Street
Northfield, Minnesota 55057

The Historic District



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EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

PROPERTY NAME: Northfield Commercial Historic District

MULTIPLE NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MINNESOTA, Rice

DATE RECEIVED: 10/05/04 DATE OF PENDING LIST:
DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 11/18/04
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 79003125

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:

RECOM./CRITERIA accept
REVIEWER Edson Beall DISCIPLINE History
TELEPHONE _____ DATE 11/2/04

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

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.

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Reference Number: 79003125

State: MN

County: Rice

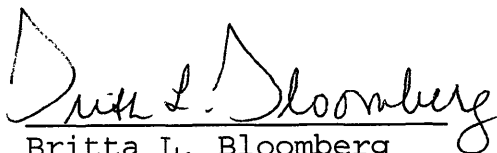
Resource Name (Historic): Northfield Historic District

Location, Street & Number:

Comments: Please change district name to:

Historic name: Northfield Commercial Historic District

Other names/site number: Northfield Downtown Historic District



Britta L. Bloomberg
Deputy State Historic
Preservation Officer

9/30/04
Date