

MINNESOTA HISTORIC PROPERTIES INVENTORY FORM

Historic Name: Weldele House Common Name: Charles Motzko Residence Owner's Name and Address: Delano Granite Works c/o Charles A. and Linda M. Motzko 311 River Street, Delano, Mn. 55328		County: Wright Community: Delano, Mn. Address/Legal Desc.: 309 River Street North												
Classification: Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Structure _____ Object _____ District _____		Acreage: Less than one acre												
Condition: Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good _____ Fair _____ Deteriorated _____		Verbal Boundary Desc.: Litchfield's Addition Lots 6 and 7 Mill Block												
Open to the Public: Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Visible from the road: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____													
Occupied: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	Present Use: Residence													
History: Date Constructed: 1893 Architect/Builder: unknown		UTM Reference: 15 Weldele House 437825 Buffalo Quad. 4787875												
Description: The Weldele House is a two-and-one-half story frame residence executed in the Queen Anne style. It is irregular in plan, a characteristic which is emphasized by the attenuated multi-gable/hipped roof and polygonal corner tower. Decorative features inherent to the style found on this building include a wrap-around porch with turned posts and ball-and-stick portiers, fretwork gable ornament panels, stained glass, patterned shingles in the upper portion of the tower and gables, and a polychromatic exterior color. The Weldele House is presently used as a duplex; access to the upper unit is provided through the original stairway landing bay. Roofing is asphalt shingle. The original clapboard siding has been sheathed with a simulated narrow-lap aluminum siding.		Level of Significance: Local <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State _____ Nation _____												
Significance: The Weldele House is significant architectural element in Delano's streetscape. The House is a well preserved two and half story, wood frame residence, executed in a restrained Queen Anne style. The building was constructed in 1893 and was the first residence in Delano to have a hot water heating plant. Simon Weldele was born in Buffalo township, Wright county in 1860 and moved to Delano to establish a saloon in the railroad village in 1884. Weldele was noted as an active person in both community and church affairs. The Weldele House is one of the few architecturally significant houses remaining in the Delano streetscape and is a well preserved example of the simple Queen Anne style houses built in this county's communities.		Status: <table style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width:70%;">Survey</td> <td style="width:30%;">Date</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Local</td> <td>_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td>State</td> <td>_____ 3/78</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nat'l. Reg.</td> <td>_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nat'l. Land.</td> <td>_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HABS/HAER</td> <td>_____</td> </tr> </table>	Survey	Date	Local	_____	State	_____ 3/78	Nat'l. Reg.	_____	Nat'l. Land.	_____	HABS/HAER	_____
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Description:

A wood frame barn built for Simon Weldele about 1909 has been removed from the property

The Weldele House is located on the southern edge of the residential section and the northern edge of the commercial and industrial section of River Street. River Street was the commercial business street of Delano in the late 1860's.

Significance:

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

for Keeper Helene Lynn
1/19/89

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**Note: These changes apply to
Weldele House in Wright County,
Minnesota.**

REFERENCE NUMBER: 79001266

STATE: MINNESOTA

COUNTY: Wright

RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Weldele, Simon, House

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ADDRESS:

CERTIFICATION DATE:

REMOVED DATE:

COMMENTS:

Nina M. Archabal

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State Historic Preservation Officer

JUN 17 1988

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