

**United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

**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 Shawano House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number Pequot Blvd. not for publication

city, town Pequot Lakes vicinity of congressional district 7th

state Minnesota code 22 county Crow Wing code 035

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Mrs. Margaret Haertzen

street & number 6400 Interlachen Blvd.

city, town Edina vicinity of state Minnesota 55436

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Crow Wing County Courthouse

street & number

city, town Brainerd state Minnesota

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Statewide Survey of Historic Resources has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date 1979 federal state county local

depository for survey records Minnesota Historical Society -- 240 Summit Avenue-Hill House

city, town St. Paul state Minnesota 55102

7. Description

Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

original site
 moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Shawano House is located in a residential area south of the city of Pequot Lakes on a wooded plot of land which projects prominently from the east shore of Sibley Lake. The one and one-half story structure is constructed of peeled round logs shipped from the West Coast. Its large gable roof of low pitch and overhanging eaves presents a low, dark silhouette. The property slopes toward the lake at the rear of the house, revealing a full basement foundation constructed entirely of uncoursed round stones of local origin. The impressive stone masonry continues in a stairway extending from the rear entrance at the first floor level in a flowing sequence of long steps to tennis courts located near the point of the property at the lake. The same stone work is also utilized in a fence completely surrounding the property on the three land sides, including two stone arch driveway entrances. The south entrance contains a stone mosaic of the word "SHAWANO". The driveway circles from entrance to entrance by completing a "U" curve through the basement beneath the house. Fenestration consists of leaded casement windows in groups of twos and fours.

The interior consists entirely of heavily varnished peeled log construction with wrought iron fixtures. Of particular note is the two-story living room with a balcony on three sides and a massive stone masonry fireplace on the fourth side. An equally massive stone chimney dominates the east (front) roof slope. The fireplace stonework includes decorative patterns derived from the placement of larger stones of unusual shapes and colors.

Also on the property are a small building of log and stone design with red siding, which once served as an office and is now a "bunkhouse", and an elaborately decorated swimming pool with considerable stone masonry work of a less rustic and more sharply defined design. A cast iron fountain ornaments the front yard. All structures are in excellent repair and retain total integrity, inside and out.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<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 mid-1920s

Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Shawano House is significant as a rather spectacular and completely original example of domestic rustic log architecture and stone masonry. Constructed in the mid-1920s as a summer residence for H.H. Broach, a wealthy electrical union official from Chicago, and his wife, the house exhibits exquisite craftsmanship of both the log builder and the stone mason. With its use of natural materials, heavy, dark log construction, vast amounts of intricate stonework, wide overhanging eaves, and window rows, the Shawano House appears to snugly hug the earth with a profile reminiscent of prairie school design. Massive log buildings were an extremely popular style for seasonal residences in the region during the 1920's. Even though they were often constructed of logs which had been cut from west coast forests, the utilization of rough materials and rustic design relates strongly to the forested and lake-studded natural environment of the area. The Shawano House remains as one of the region's most impressive examples of this phase of building in the Brainerd lakes area.

9. Major Bibliographical References

"Abstract of Deed." Original in possession of Mrs. Margaret Haertzen; copy in Shawano House file, SHPO, Minnesota Historical Society.

10. Geographical Data

UTM NOT VERIFIED
ACREAGE NOT VERIFIED

Acreage of nominated property approx. 3.5 acres

Quadrangle name Nisswa

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UMT References

A 1 5 3 9 2 4 6 0 5 1 6 1 1 4 0
Zone Easting Northing

B
Zone Easting Northing

C

D

E

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Verbal boundary description and justification

The nominated property consists of Lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11, Block 1, Pequot Shady Shores.

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

state code county code

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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Robert M. Frame III, Architectural Historian/Research Historian-Survey

organization Minnesota Historical Society date March 19, 1980

street & number 240 Summit Avenue-Hill House telephone 612-296-9074

city or town St. Paul state Minnesota

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

 national state X 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 Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature Russell W. Fridley

Russell W. Fridley

title State Historic Preservation Officer date 3-25-80

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

W. W. Ray Juce date 5/23/80
Keeper of the National Register

Attest: Kristin J. O'Connell date 5/20/80

Chief of Registration

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

for Keeper Melvin Lynn
1/19/89

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**Note: These changes apply to
Shawano House in Crow Wing County,
Minnesota.**

REFERENCE NUMBER: 80002037

STATE: MINNESOTA

COUNTY: Crow Wing

RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Broach, H.H., House (Shawano)

CITY:

VICINITY OF:

ADDRESS:

CERTIFICATION DATE:

REMOVED DATE:

COMMENTS:

Nina M. Archabal

**Nina M. Archabal
State Historic Preservation Officer**

JUN 17 1988

Date