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When it comes to buying or selling your historic home you need a realtor with a passion for the charm and quirks that historic homes offer. I first fell in love with old homes in childhood, and have owned and remodeled several – turning relics into charmers once again, and in the process learning lessons and gaining even more appreciation for homes from bygone eras. If you have questions or need a professional, look me up.

And while you're looking, check out the endangered Victorian home I'm currently restoring at 220 3rd Street North in Waite Park. She has a "Painted Lady" color theme with a Tuscan touch, and she soon will be the home of *Flourish Nurturing Body Therapy*.



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Check out Wendy's website for more details.



12th Annual St. Cloud Historic Home & Garden Tour and Wine Tasting

June 26, 2010



10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Presented by St. Cloud Historic & Neighborhood Preservation Association and
St. Cloud Granite City Days

**Welcome to the Great South Side University Neighborhood –
a neighborhood that is truly...Better With Age.**

Thanks for joining us for the 12th Annual Historic Home Tour – this year with the added feature of home and public gardens, and our 2nd annual wine tasting event at the Alden / Kelly home at the conclusion of the tour.

Our thanks to the neighbors who offer to open their homes, to St. Cloud State University and the First Presbyterian Church for welcoming us to their special properties, to St. Cloud State University printing services for printing the home tour and Presbyterian Church booklets, to the RSVP volunteers who help host the homes, to our generous advertisers, and to you, our discriminating, history-minded tour-guests!

The committee acknowledges the in-kind support of Sunray Digital Solutions and West Side Liquor, and the ongoing dedication and support of our neighborhood preservation efforts by the Stearns History Museum, the Historic Preservation Commission of St. Cloud, and fellow neighborhood organizations: Neighborhood, University Community Council (NUCC) and the South Side University Neighborhood Association (SSUNA), an affiliate of St. Cloud Neighborhood Coalition (www.scnc.us).

The South Side welcomes you to our other special events, including:

National Night Out annual neighborhood gathering / potluck in Barden Park on Aug 3, from 5:30 onward

Historic South Side Christmas Boutique: Friday & Saturday November 19th & 20th. (Site TBA)

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The Alden House opens for tour at 11:00 and will be the site of the wine tasting beginning at 1:00 p.m.

No. 11
The Alden Home
524 7th Avenue South

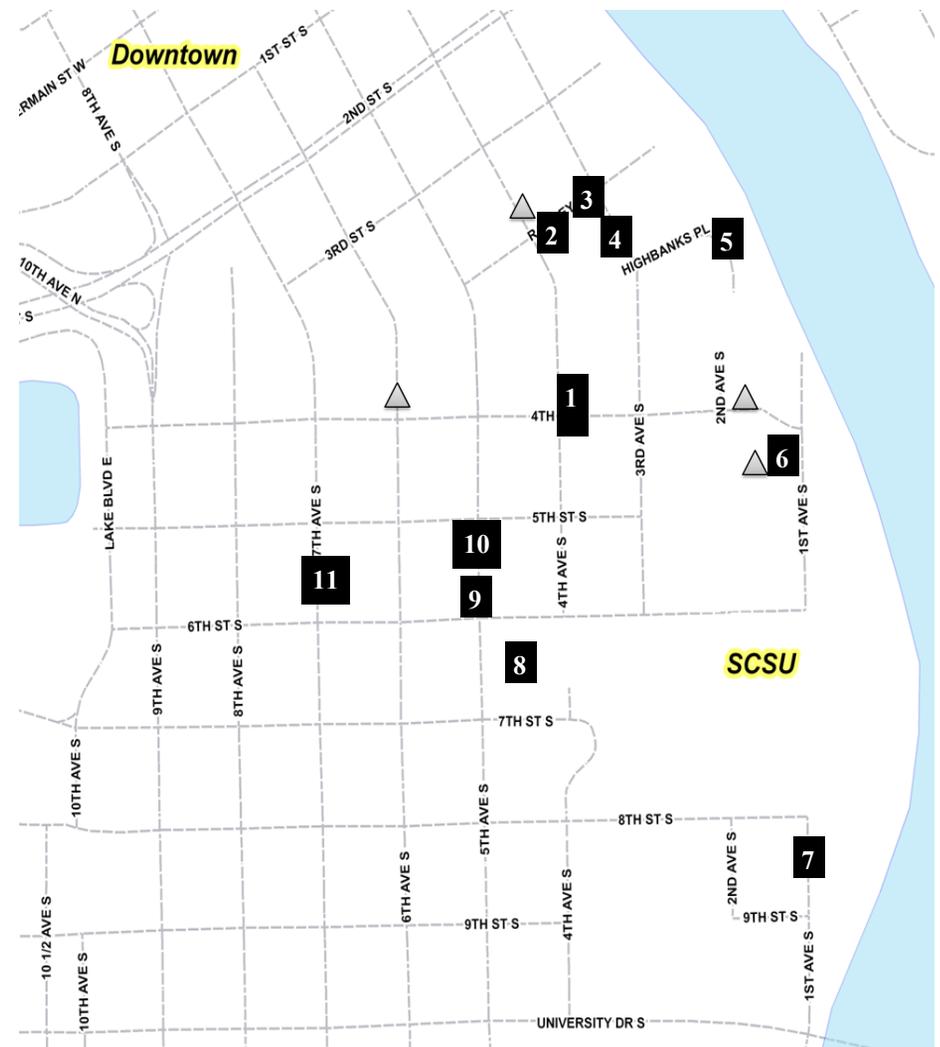


This home is a beautiful example of the Queen Anne Victorian style especially popular from 1880 – 1910. St. Cloud has several grand homes in the style, in both imported red and the locally produced yellow, “Minnesota Brick.” Original owners Thomas Childs and Amelia Alden sought the services of prominent architect A.E. Hussey to design the home and barn in 1890. Mr. Hussey favored German woodcarvers, whose work is evident in the 9 ft pocket doors and other unique carvings throughout the home, including gargoyle faces on the newel posts at the foot of the stairs, strategically placed to ward off bad dreams that might otherwise travel upstairs to disturb the family.

Mr. Alden was a farmer, banker and Stearns County Sheriff. Amelia Alden was one of three pioneer teachers in the area, coming to St. Cloud with her husband in 1856. One of their four sons continued to live in the home following Amelia’s death in 1930. The current owner purchased the home in 1998, reclaiming and restoring it after its years of heavy use as lodging for as many as 36 students at a time.

The side garden had been a gravel parking lot and occasional volleyball court for the student renters, extending nearly from alley to avenue. Where cars once sat, antiques, collectables and primitives are now interspersed among bright annuals and lush clumps of perennials from the family farm and the kind offerings of friends and strangers along the way. If the roots and tubers could only talk!!

Map of Tour Sites



Sites open for home tour indicated with **squares** in order of appearance in guide book

Still standing homes once owned by First Presbyterian Church stained glass window honorees indicated with **triangles** (also, see map in *Portraits of the Past* booklet)

Please remove shoes at home owner’s request; exception for those with orthotics or needing special consideration. No children under age 10. Tour sites are not accessible for those with ambulatory disabilities.

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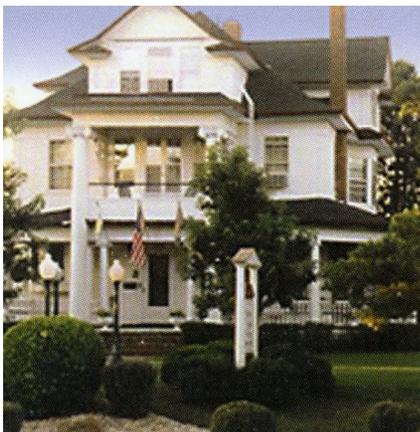
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No. 10 St. Cloud Community Gardens 6th Street



Once an empty lot north of the St. Cloud State Women's Center, the Community Garden has become a lively summer place for campus and community people to grow food and friendships. The brainchild of St. Cloud State Sociology Professor Tracy Ore, the garden began with a few volunteers six years ago and each year has attracted greater numbers of neighbors of all ages to join in a collaboration that yields surprising results for participants.

Gardeners volunteer in a variety of ways and in varying degrees. They work hard and enjoy the fruits of their labor as the plants yield fruits and vegetables, herbs and flowers. Frequent Sunday potlucks bring them together to share their experiences and deepen their friendships.

The home that once stood on what is now the Community Garden site belonged to St. Cloud State mathematics teacher Andy Anderson and his family. The white house to the north was the longtime home of former St. Cloud State President Robert Wick, his wife, Alice, and their three children.

No. 9

St. Cloud State University Women's Center 520 5th Avenue South



Built for Greek immigrants Harry Gaples and his wife Kaliopé in 1938, the current home of the St. Cloud State Women's Center was built in the popular Tudor revival architectural style, with masonry and decorative half timbers. The designer/builder was local contractor Herman Boethin. The home includes the practical air lock space at the front door and a simple entrance hall with multiple doors leading to the main floor living areas. Most of the original woodwork, French doors and fireplace are intact and have helped retain the home's original charm.

Born in Turkey in 1884, Harry Gaples came to St. Cloud in 1914 and established the downtown Imperial Candy Company, advertised as a *Confectionary and Lunch Room* in 1920. He later opened a Greek restaurant, the *Palace Café*, which he operated at 715 St. Germain Street until he sold it in 1944. After the deaths of Harry and Kaliopé in 1957 and 1958 the property changed hands several times. According to the appraisal when St. Cloud State acquired the property in 1991, Art Maether had been its owner since 1972.

St. Cloud State built an addition to the south end of the home to accommodate offices for the University's Center for International Studies. After the Center moved its offices to the renovated Lawrence Hall in 2003, the "Gaples House" became the home of the St. Cloud State Women's Center.

No. 1

First Presbyterian Church and Gardens 373 4th Avenue South



Elgy and Mary Charlotte Campbell arrived in St. Cloud in 1864, and immediately began their mission work of establishing a vibrant Presbyterian congregation. For more than 50 years they labored, building two churches, teaching school, developing other congregations in the state, even joining forces with the Catholic Bishop Otto Zardetti in an unusual ecumenical effort to fight corruption in city government. Rev. Campbell was instrumental in establishing the first public school in St. Cloud, the Union School, which now houses City Hall.

The original First Presbyterian Church building, a simple structure, dubbed the "Presbyterian warehouse," was replaced in 1917 by a new building, dedicated in part as memorial to the much beloved Campbells, who were still active in ministry at the time.

In contrast to the pioneer structure, the present building features Minnesota granite construction, complementing a dramatic Gothic Revival architectural style that is reminiscent of Western European medieval churches and castles, with a granite retaining wall along the beautiful Fourth Avenue bell tower entrance. The stained glass windows were added in 1941, and the educational wing to the north in 1957. Furniture from the original church includes a communion table and two altar chairs. In keeping with the prominence of the church architecture, The First Presbyterian Church has been influential in the life of St. Cloud. Long time local citizens will remember the elaborate Christmas and Easter pageants held at the church in the 1960's and 70's. The congregation has recently dedicated itself to continue to call the city's South Side home, well into the future.

No. 2 The Neide (2) Home 205 Ramsey Place



Harold Neide, owner of the home immediately to the east, built this Craftsman style home in 1925 for his children's temporary use, and presumably for rental as well. The architectural design is cousin to the Prairie style of the first home, with open floor plan, centered around the hearth, and simple ornamentation. Unique features of this home include the gabled roof and delightful front porch with square pillars.

After decades of multiple occupancies, the home was purchased 2 years ago for total restoration. The owners have restored the hearth by painstakingly stripping enamel paint from the brick and replacing the missing mantel with a period reproduction. Period windows in the east-facing sunroom, refinished floors, wainscoting, salvaged items, and the kitchen nook (captured from what had been a storage area) all return warmth and authenticity to the home, while the updated kitchen and upstairs bath add modern comfort and convenience. Less obvious changes include new wiring, heating, plumbing and insulation. A finished basement, Craftsman color scheme inside and out, new garage and landscaping complete the restoration.

Those who toured this home "in process" during last year's home tour can now admire the project, lovingly completed.

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As you walk next door to the Neide 1 home, you will discover elaborate gardens befitting the "manor house." Cobblestone patios, terraced gardens, ponds, new decks and outdoor accent lighting have been added to what was once the Neide family garden on the riverbank, now blooming again with both original perennials and an abundance of new plantings.

No. 8 Barden Park Gardens 5th Avenue at 7th/ 8th Street



Welcome to beautiful nostalgic Barden Park: named for St. Cloud's first parks Director, Charles Barden...the oldest park in St. Cloud, dating to 1855. As you stroll along the recently laid cobblestone walkways, take note of the iconic, restored Band Stand...the wrought-iron replica of an early fountain...the delicate summer flowers amid sturdy old oaks... and wonderful new amenities, including granite benches and obelisks, safety lighting and children's playground – all the work of generous sponsors and workers from the neighborhood, city hall and industry.

This summer's annual series of Thursday evening St. Cloud Municipal Band concerts runs from July 8 til August 12. Extra attractions on concert evenings include a presentation on July 22 by the grandson and great-granddaughter of G. Oliver Riggs, the municipal Band's first director; guest David Seutter from Antiques Gallery, who will conduct an *Antique Glass Identification Clinic* from 6:30 – 8:30 on July 29; and a performance by the cracker-jack high school group, *Jazz.combo*, from 6:15 – 7:15 on August 12. Check out the municipal band's web site for other surprises as they are scheduled. (www.municipalband.com)

Band evenings always include root beer floats, with proceeds to help defray routine park costs. Volunteers are welcome to help serve up the floats (call Nancy at 253-6815), and to attend to the flowers (call Juliana at 253-2210).



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No. 3 The Neide Home 201 Ramsey Place



This magnificent Prairie Style home was built in 1922 for the family of Harold and Clara Neide, while Harold was the Superintendent of the Great Northern Railroad in St. Cloud. The home remained in the family until the early 1940's; it was then used variously for a nursing home, boarding house, fraternity house and owner-occupied rental. Since 1992, it has been restored with exquisite detail by the current owners.

The Prairie home design is the first "modern" American home design. Originating in the Midwest, it features a multipurpose open floor plan with the hearth the center of the home, and horizontal lines mimicking the prairie lands for which the style is named. Natural local materials, simple substantial woodwork, and earthy colors were all reaction to the elaborate decoration of the Victorian period.

Period accuracy is evident everywhere in the restoration effort, from an elaborate cloth effect on the dining room walls, to reproduction cabinetry, restored wood floors, replastering, and a tree-motif repeated in new window design. In keeping with the Prairie style the upstairs woodwork is painted, as it was considered sanitary and healthful. A refitted spiral staircase, re-configured rooms, (some dating to the nursing home uses and others designed by the current owners), and restored period woodwork and doors create elegant yet comfortable bedroom areas. The basement has been completely finished, with a guest apartment, and access to a tunnel into the garage basement. The original garage, replaced in about 1979, also had a basement. It appears nothing was spared in the original design, and now again, in restoration.

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No. 4
Thienes/Christensen Gardens
356 Third Avenue South



Enjoy walking in the yard surrounding the Victorian home which was built in 1892 by Nehemiah P. Clark. Albert & Julia Thienes purchased the home in 1949. Julia loved to garden and could be seen out in the yard in her sun dress and big straw hat. Larry Thienes then purchased the home upon his mother's death. He has kept the home true to its original design.

Char Christensen is an amateur gardener and loves to "dig in the dirt". Last year she began a garden in the back, the Celtic Garden in memory of Larry's daughter Mary and Char's dad, Louie. Together Char and Larry have added a duck pond (home to Mac & Molly Mallard), an arched walking bridge and several trellises. Please stop by and enjoy the serenity of sitting under the big old oak trees. The neighborhood kids will have a lemonade stand. We request you remain on the sidewalks when touring the yard. The home interior will not be open for viewing.

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Restoration of the Georgian Revival involved conducting paint analysis to discover the original red window and cornice color, restoring the brick, granite and stone banded exterior and replicating the original cupola in lightweight and rustproof aluminum. Interior renovation included returning the wood to its original stain, reactivating the hallway transom windows, restoring the wood flooring in the main floor historic classroom and hallway alcoves and bringing in more light by restoring the gable end circle windows and entrances.



The main floor of Riverview Lab School, ca. 1920s (Courtesy SCSU Archives)

The University and surrounding community have shown unprecedented support for the project, and Riverview continues its legacy for future generations. On June 7 the renovation project received a 2010 City of St. Cloud Historic Preservation Award - Building Rehabilitation/Restoration Award.



A classroom full of Riverview Lab School students in the 1950s (Courtesy St. Cloud State University Archives)

No. 7
Riverview Hall
826 First Avenue South



Riverview is the only St. Cloud State campus building on the National Register of Historic Places, chosen for its status as the earliest example in Minnesota and west of the Mississippi of a laboratory teacher facility operating a “model” school. From 1913-1958, Riverview served as the neighborhood elementary school for many south side children. The \$6.2 million renovation project that recently restored rundown Riverview to its original beauty has two “historic” classrooms with antiques and reproduction desks as reminders of Riverview’s heritage as a school where children and future teachers learned together. The renovation was focused on modernizing the facilities while protecting Riverview’s historic characteristics.

Designed by Clarence H. Johnston, Sr., Riverview was constructed from 1911-1913. It is the University’s second oldest building, with a signature cupola that is the campus symbol. In 1958 the laboratory school moved into a new building, and Riverview housed English Department classes and offices until renovation began in 2008. Today’s Riverview “smart” classrooms use the latest teaching tools in a setting that has retained the graceful dignity of the original school building.

No. 5
The Schilplin Home
25 Highbanks Place



This unique, “modern” south side home was built in 1958 for Fred Schilplin, Jr., who was the second generation owner/publisher of *The St. Cloud Daily Times* and KFAM radio. The radio station – St. Cloud’s first – had been started by Fred’s father in 1937.

The home is a premier example of the Mid-Century Modern architectural design – low-profile, inconspicuous from the curb, with clean, straight lines and angles and meticulous attention to the style features. Open, free-flowing living spaces with cathedral ceiling, a shed roof, floor-to-ceiling cherry paneling all emphasize informal, family-friendly living. The deck off the “back” of the home stretches across a wide expanse of reinforced glass panels and doors, extending the footprint of the house into the great outdoors (in this case, the beautiful Mississippi River). The inspiration for this architectural style is the late 19th-early 20th Century California ranch house, which reflected the southwest’s legendary welcoming culture and sensitivity to the contours of the land.

The current owners have lived in the home for 34 years, over time remodeling the kitchen, replacing carpet with wood floors, mixing antique fixtures with the originals, but otherwise leaving the stylized features intact. The elaborate guest bathroom is a prime example of the emphasis on the latest building materials and amenities, while generous storage spaces, multiple entrances and livable basement speak to a well-thought out design. However, acoustic tile ceilings were everywhere – a trendy but unattractive 1950’s construction idea designed to reduce the noise level. Most have been replaced.

No. 6
Carol Hall/ The Ervin Home
405 First Avenue South



An imposing structure inside and out, the granite Dutch Colonial built in 1917 for Mary Sappington Ervin is one of the south side's most stately homes. Mary had lost her husband, Philadelphia native and successful local miller Harry Clay Ervin, three years before she commissioned the three-story residence.

The exterior is distinguished by its gambrel roof, dormers and columned porch; and the interior has amenities rarely seen in early 20th century Midwestern homes: a wine cellar, ballroom, three staircases, sprawling master suite and large Palladian window.

St. Cloud State acquired the property in 1936, when the house went into receivership. With student activity money then-President George Selke purchased it and named it after his wife, Carol. Between 1936 and 1940 the Wheelock Whitney family lived in the home, across the street from public utilities magnate A.G. Whitney and his wife, Alice Wheelock Whitney. During World War II it was housing for military glider pilots in training.

While the house has been remodeled to accommodate offices, its lovely bones remain.

Entrance into the Ervin House will end at 2:00 p.m.

St. Cloud State
is pleased to invite you to visit four campus sites on the
12th Annual Historic Home Tour:

- CAROL HALL
(the Ervin House)
405 1st Ave. S.
- RIVERVIEW
800 1st St. S.
- THE COMMUNITY
GARDEN
(north of the Women's Center)
- THE WOMEN'S CENTER
(the Gables House)
520 5th Ave. S.

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