

**Historic Resources Survey
City of McMinnville
Yamhill County, Oregon**

Site Information

Site Address

1004 NE 5th St.

Owner at Time of Survey

Gary & Beth Westford

Map/Tax Lot

R4421BD01100

Current Zoning

R-2

Special Tax Assessment

No

Downtown Historic District

No

Subdivision Name

Rowlands Addition

Block

24

Lot

4

Lot Size

5,975

Quadrant

NE

Site Number

18.28

Aerial Number

K-10

Resource Classification

A

Resource Number

809

Historic Significance

Primary Resource #386

Historic Information

Date of Construction

1889

Early Additions/ Remodels

Builder/Architect

Unknown

Historic Name

Grissen House

Original Use

Residence

Common Name

Lindsay House

Present Use

Residence

Condition of Structure

Good/Fair

Comments (at time of Survey)

Poor or no foundation, needs work;
Sagging walls or roof, needs roof repair.

Building Type

Residential

Outbuildings

Detached Garage

Building Style

Queen Ann

Stories

2

Porch

Basement

Roof Style

Med/High Cross Gable

Roof Type

Moved

Demolished

Year/Date

Permit Number(s)

Additions/ Alterations

Resource Information

Recorded By

Gary & Beth Westford

Date

7-31-1980

Sources

Gertrude Lindsay;
Oregon Mutual Insurance Company Records

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Statement of historical significance and description of property:

A809

A two-story Queen Anne built in 1889 by Charles Grissen, one of the founders of Oregon Mutual Insurance Company. It was the first house insured by that company.

The house is an irregular L and has an irregular, asymmetrical roof line which has a medium high cross gable on the north and south, hipped roof on the east with a small projecting gable dormer with imbrications on the west, above a two-story gable projecting bay with verges, fish scale imbrications and exposed beam work at the base. The cross gables (north and south) have projecting verges and assorted imbrication patterns, including fish scale. The east end of the house has a separate low gable roof which wraps around the southeast corner of the house. On the south roof is an asymmetrically placed gable roofed dormer with overhang and single sash window with entablature. There is a projecting hip roofed bay on the east end of the house with two elongated double hung sash windows. There are two interior brick chimneys with simple corbelled caps. All windows on the second story have simple molding and Queen Anne style upper sashes with blue border lights. The northeast corner second story windows are hooded. The first story windows are elongated double hung sash with plain molding. There are asymmetrically placed diamond shaped windows on the west and east. There is a recessed second story porch off the master bedroom with Queen Anne style multi-light upper glass pane door.

The main entrance (north) to the house has a hip roof which runs the length of the house and covers an extended, formal porch supported by eight Tuscan columns. The northeast end of the hip roof has a small pediment with verges and imbrications; the northwest end of the hip roof has a bell shaped polygonal portico with metal finial, which rests upon a hexagonal entablature supported by four (of the eight) Tuscan columns. There is a built-in bench seat on the front porch with original doors at both entrances. The original siding is shiplap over which is placed cedar shakes. The foundation is brick.

All landscaping is original with a low hedge surrounding the house on three sides. A birch and walnut tree are original to the house. The interior of the house has many original accessories including a large multi-paneled sliding parlor door, bell shaped chandeliers in the parlor and living room, built-in tongue and groove pine cabinets, and china closet in the kitchen, original porcelain door handles and ornate cast iron hinges.

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Photo July 2001



Original 1983 Survey Photo