

CITY OF LAKE OSWEGO
CULTURAL RESOURCES INVENTORY
FIELD FORM 1988-1989

HIST. NAME: Klose, Gorhard J., House
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: c. 1940
COMMON NAME:
ORIGINAL USE: Residence
ADDRESS: 411 Kenwood Road
OWNER: Coe, Keith
PRESENT USE: Residence
ARCH./BLDR.: Clay Properties. (bldr.)
T/R/S: 2S 1E 10AC
TAX LOT: 4700

STYLE: Half-Modern
RESOURCE TYPE:
Building
THEME: Architecture
ADDITION: Lakewood
Plat 1
BLOCK:
LOT: 163, 164
QUAD: Lake Oswego
LOT SIZE: .23
ZONE: R-10

PLAN TYPE/SHAPE: Square w/ attached garage
NO. OF STORIES: 1
FOUNDATION MATERIAL: Concrete
BASEMENT: No
ROOF FORM & MATERIALS: Low pitched hip w/ close eaves and
composition shingles

WALL CONSTRUCTION: Masonry
STRUCTURAL FRAME: Stud
PRIMARY WINDOW TYPE: Metal casement at corners
EXTERIOR SURFACING MATERIALS: Roman brick, frieze
DECORATIVE FEATURES: Radiating voisoirs and massive quoins at
recessed entrance w/ plaque

OTHER: Massive brick interior chimney; attached garage w/ hip
roof and paneled and glazed, hinged doors; recessed cavity w/
central, polygonal bay and quarry tile deck
CONDITION: Good except dormers
EXTERIOR ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS: Greenhouse window added, (n.d.),
dormers added, (1951)
NOTEWORTHY LANDSCAPE FEATURES: Brick half-walls line short drive
way
ASSOCIATED STRUCTURES: None

SETTING: Located southeast corner of Kenwood and Middlecrest in
area of early to mid 20th century residence
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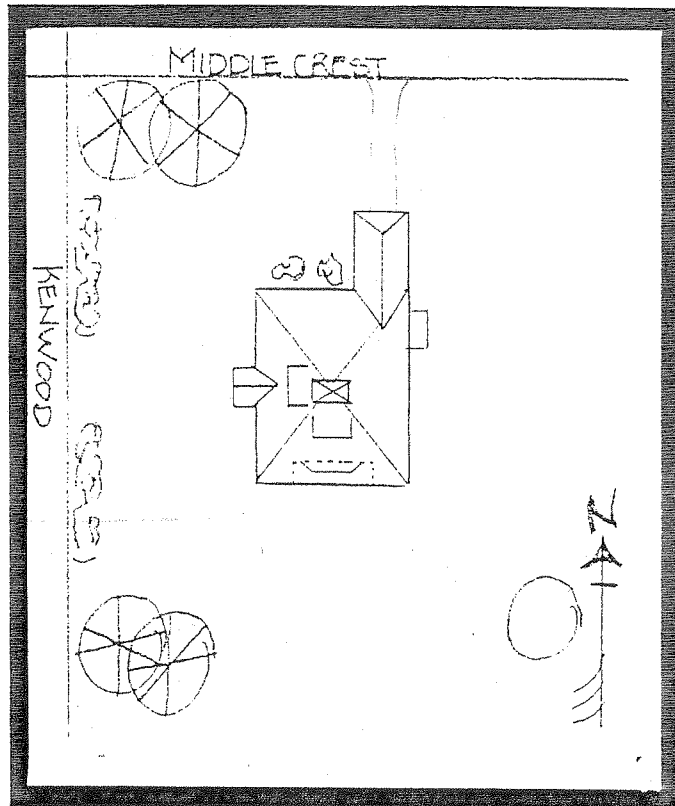
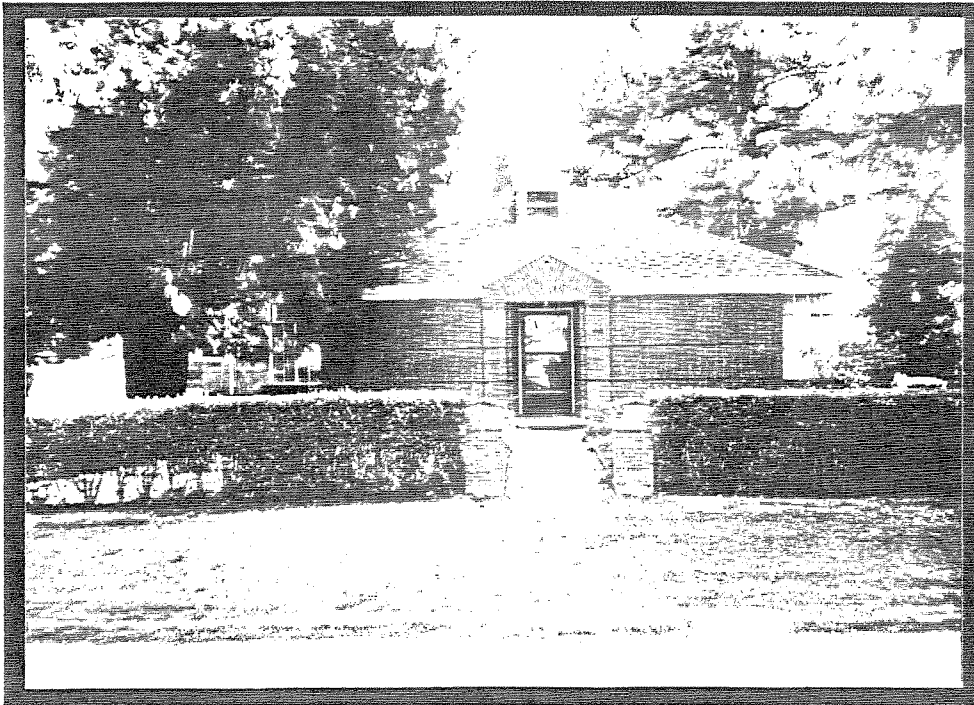
RECORDER(S): Koler/Morrison, MacDonald DATE:
January 1989
SHPO #: _____ FIELD #:

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Address: 411 Kenwood Road
Historic Name: Klose, Gorhard, House (attrib.)

Gorhard J. and Mary P. Klose purchased this property in 1936 from the Ladd Estate Company and sold it in 1943 to Everett McKinzie. Local informants indicate that the McKinzies were the original owners and built the house circa 1943; however, tax assessor records indicate that the house was constructed in 1937. The current owner indicates the house was built by Clay Properties as a model home for a bricklayers convention to demonstrate the use of Roman brick.

The Klose-McKinzie House is an excellent and rare example of the Half-Modern style of architecture in the study area. This Modernistic style, employed geometric forms as ornament in a bold rejection of the forms of many historic decorative schemes. Here, simplified quoins and voisoirs take the place of more traditional ornament. The house is particularly interesting for the use of Roman brick construction. A small plaque bears the message that the dwelling is a "Certified" masonry house by the building association.

The placement of the metal casement windows also illustrates a departure from traditional architecture. Earlier buildings required window placement mid-wall so that the frame could evenly distribute the building's weight. With the evolution of construction techniques came the ability to place window and door openings at any location or to create whole walls of windows. Dormers were added in 1951 as part of an attic conversion. The garage repeats the same architectural vocabulary. The hinged doors appear to be original.

The Klose House is located in the Lakewood neighborhood, which was initially developed in the 30s along the bay. Subsequent development occurred primarily in the 40s and 50s.

The subject dwelling is significant as a fine and rare example of its style.

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