

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

HIST. NAME: Rosentreter, Gustav, House

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: c. 1925

COMMON NAME:

ORIGINAL USE: Single dwelling

ADDRESS: 469 Seventh Avenue

OWNER: White, K.

PRESENT USE: Single dwelling

ARCH./BLDR.: Unknown

T/R/S: 2S 1E 3DC

TAX LOT: 5500

STYLE: Bungalow

RESOURCE TYPE:

Building

THEME: Architecture

ADDITION: First

Addition

BLOCK: 43

LOT: 14

QUAD: Lake Oswego

LOT SIZE:

ZONE: R-7.5

PLAN TYPE/SHAPE: Rectangular

NO. OF STORIES: 1 1/2

FOUNDATION MATERIAL: Concrete

BASEMENT: Yes

ROOF FORM & MATERIALS: Intersecting, low-pitched gable w/composition shingles

WALL CONSTRUCTION: Wood

STRUCTURAL FRAME: Stud

PRIMARY WINDOW TYPE: Wide, double-hung sash w/ architrave molding

EXTERIOR SURFACING MATERIALS: Narrow, horizontal lap siding; water table

DECORATIVE FEATURES: Polygonal bay window, n. elevation; denticulated frieze and large, combed consoles in groups of threes support pediment w/ denticulated rake boards; Palladian window w/ keystone; lattice glass fixed sash window, n. elevation

OTHER: Recessed front porch w/ scroll balustrade, stout battered posts and lap sided piers

CONDITION: Good

EXTERIOR ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS: Front door replaced (n.d.); porch deck replaced (n.d.); front door replaced (n.d.) and entrance reoriented (n.d.)

NOTEWORTHY LANDSCAPE FEATURES: Ornamental foundation plantings; flowering trees; concrete posts and sidewalk

ASSOCIATED STRUCTURES: None

SETTING: Located on the east side of 7th Avenue, in an area of early to mid 20th century residences; two blocks from A Avenue

NOTES:

RECORDER(S): Koler/Morrison

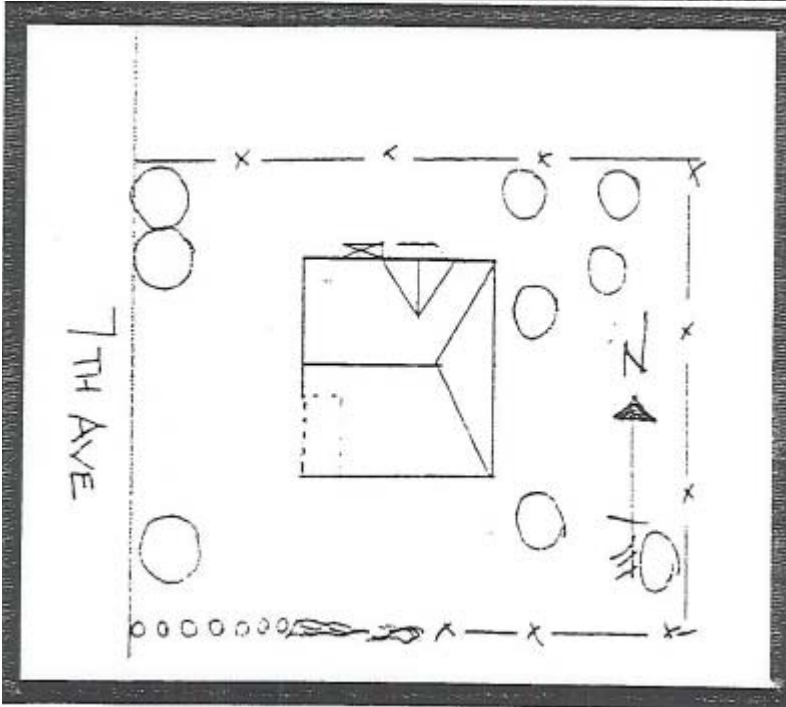
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ADDRESS 469 SEVENTH STREET
TAX MAP/LOT 2S 1E 3DC/5500
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Address: 469 Seventh Street

Historic Name: Rosentreter, Gustav, House

The subject building is believed to have been constructed in the mid-20s on the southeast corner of C Avenue and First. It was moved to its present location in approximately 1965. According to title records Gustav Rosentreter owned the property from 1902 until 1937. Rosentreter came to the U. S. from Germany in 1858, arriving in Oswego in 1892. Cemetery notes indicate Rosentreter took care of the railroad trestle.

Arch R. and Lora Lewis next owned the house from 1937 until 1948, when Charles D. and Kay Needham purchased the property. The Needhams, who owned Needham's Sporting Goods on State Street, are listed in the 1947-48 Clackamas County Directory as residing at "First and C."

The house has the characteristic massing of the Bungalow style including the low-pitched gable roof and deep eaves. The architectural ornamentation, however, is commonly associated with the Colonial Revival style, which overlapped and then eclipsed the more rustic Craftsman style buildings. Of particular note is the pedimented cornice reminiscent of a classical Greek temple. The cornice is embellished by a denticulated frieze and rakeboard. Within the tympanum of the pediment is a Palladian window. Other decorative details include the lattice glass, the scroll porch balustrade, and large, combed consoles which support the cornice.

Although the house is no longer on its original site this does not seriously detract from the building's overall historic interest which is as a good example of historic architectural style.

Both the original and current locations are within the First Addition neighborhood, an area characterized by a mixture of turn-of-the-century and early 20th century residence, as well as many post World War II dwellings.

The Rosentreter House is significant as one of the best examples of the Colonial Revival Bungalows. It contributes to the historic character of the First Addition neighborhood.

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