

NDCRS ARCHITECTURAL SITE FORM

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Field Code Whetstone

SITS# 32 AD 181

SITE IDENTIFICATION

Map Quad Whetstone Buttes

Site Name Whetstone School

Map Quad _____

Site Name _____

LTL	TWP	<u>132</u>	R	<u>98</u>	SEC	<u>22</u>	QQQ	<u>X7</u>	QQ	<u>X7</u>	Q	<u>8</u>
LTL	TWP	_____	R	_____	SEC	_____	QQQ	_____	QQ	_____	Q	_____
LTL	TWP	_____	R	_____	SEC	_____	QQQ	_____	QQ	_____	Q	_____
LTL	TWP	_____	R	_____	SEC	_____	QQQ	_____	QQ	_____	Q	_____

UTM _____ N ZONE _____
 UTM _____ E NAD 1927 _____ NAD 1983 _____

Subsection:
1 = N½
2 = E½
3 = S½
4 = W½
5 = NE¼
6 = SE¼
7 = SW¼
8 = NW¼

City: _____

Street Number: _____

Street Name: 18th Ave NW and 15th St NW

Urban Legal Description: _____

SITE DATA

Total # Architectural Features: 1

Fieldwork Date: 11/21/2009

Reconnaissance Survey Intensive Survey

Project Title & Supervisor:

County Schoolhouse Survey Project
Lorna Meidinger, Architectural Historian, SHSND

Report Title & Author(s):

Bonnie M. Smith, vice-president, Dakota Buttes Historical Society/Museum
Howard Nelson, Adams County Commissioner

Additional Information: _____

SHSND USE				
Area of Significance	<u>2</u>	Ecozone	<u>23</u>	Verified Site <input type="checkbox"/> CR Type <u>2</u>
Area of Significance	_____	Ecozone	_____	Non-Site <input type="checkbox"/>
Area of Significance	_____	Ecozone	_____	

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PAGE 2—Feature Data**

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Complete one Page 2 for each architectural feature at the site.

Architectural Feature # 1

Construction Date _____	Feature Type <u>9</u>	Condition <u>4</u>
Feature Date <u>3</u>	Context <u>7</u>	Plan Shape <u>2</u>
Structural System <u>26/25</u>	Primary Exterior <u>26</u>	Style <u>Hipped Roof Box</u>
Original Owner's Ethnicity <u>27</u>	Secondary Exterior _____	Architect/Builder _____

Other Information:

Foundation Random prairie stone in concrete Stories 2/1
 Window Most original windows and openings intact **+**
 Roof/Cornice Main building: hip roof Teacherage added later: gable roof
 Dating Method(s): County Commissioner's knowledge of area. **+**

Feature Preservation Recommendation(s) (Check all that apply):

- Individual nomination
 - Contributes to a potential district
 - No nomination potential
 - Will not contribute to a district
 - Potential district—feature would be a contributing element if other properties constitute a district
 - Thematic nomination potential
 - Component of a historic site or landscape
- Moved (specify all applicable choices)—a) relocation occurred within a historic period; b) recreates original site, orientation, landscape, & spatial relationships; c) compatible in context with neighboring structures; d) relocation has damaged eligibility
- Historical associations require further investigation

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PAGE 3—Feature DataField Code WhetstoneSITS# 32 AD**1. Feature Description, Integrity, Eligibility:**

Whetstone School is a large (26' x 40 ') two-room facility whose rooms are connected with twelve-foot, hardwood folding doors. When doors were open, a large meeting/gathering place was available. Hardwood flooring covers the two rooms.

Walls in the main room are plaster over lathe. Wainscotting is in the entry, but not in the two school rooms.

All four sides of the building had windows: four 3' x 8' on the east and on the west; six on the north, half that size (one, boarded); four in the entry. The two doors leading into the school rooms each have transom windows. Some of the large interior windows have remnants of black window shades.

An 8' x 40' addition with two, south-facing windows was added later to the southeast corner of the main building. It appears to have been used as a teacherage and could be entered through a door in the south side of the east room.

A set of stairs leads from the right side of the entry into a basement with smooth, concrete floors in excellent condition. The basement also has a set of concrete steps leading to the outside on the southwest corner of the main building. Basement foundation walls are random stone in concrete. A large coal furnace with ducts leading up into the main rooms is evidence of early central heating.

The building is wired for electricity, with modern switches and plates.

A basketball backboard and hoop appears to have been a later installment on the south wall of the southwest room.

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PAGE 4—SITE DESCRIPTION**Field Code WhetstoneSITS# 32 AD**Complete one Page 4 for the entire site.**

2. Owner's Contact Information:

Lyle Donner Trust
804 Hwy 22 So.
Reeder, ND

3. Access (to rural areas):

From Hettinger, ND, travel west on Highway 12 to Reeder, ND. Turn right (north) at Reeder on 15th St NW. Travel a little over 9 1/2 miles north on 15th St. NW almost to 18th Ave NW. The Whetstone school will be on the right.

4. Site Area (ft²): _____

5. Site Description:

The Whetstone School faces south with expansive prairie views in all directions. To the southwest on the other side of the section line, farmstead shelterbelts are visible.

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PAGE 5—SITE DESCRIPTION**Field Code WhetstoneSITS# 32 AD**6. Summary of All Site Features & Evaluation of Site Significance:**

The Whetstone School was a jewel of the prairie in the far northwest corner of Adams County. Most active in the early part of the Twentieth Century, the school was a testament to the hopes and dreams of the early settlers of this area. It was a cadillac school for its time.

7. References/Comments:

Howard Nelson, County Commissioner

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MAP 1

T 132 & 131 N

R 98 W

JOINS HETTINGER COUNTY, ND

ADAMS CO. LAND OWNER & RURAL RESIDENT MAPS

Resident Locations

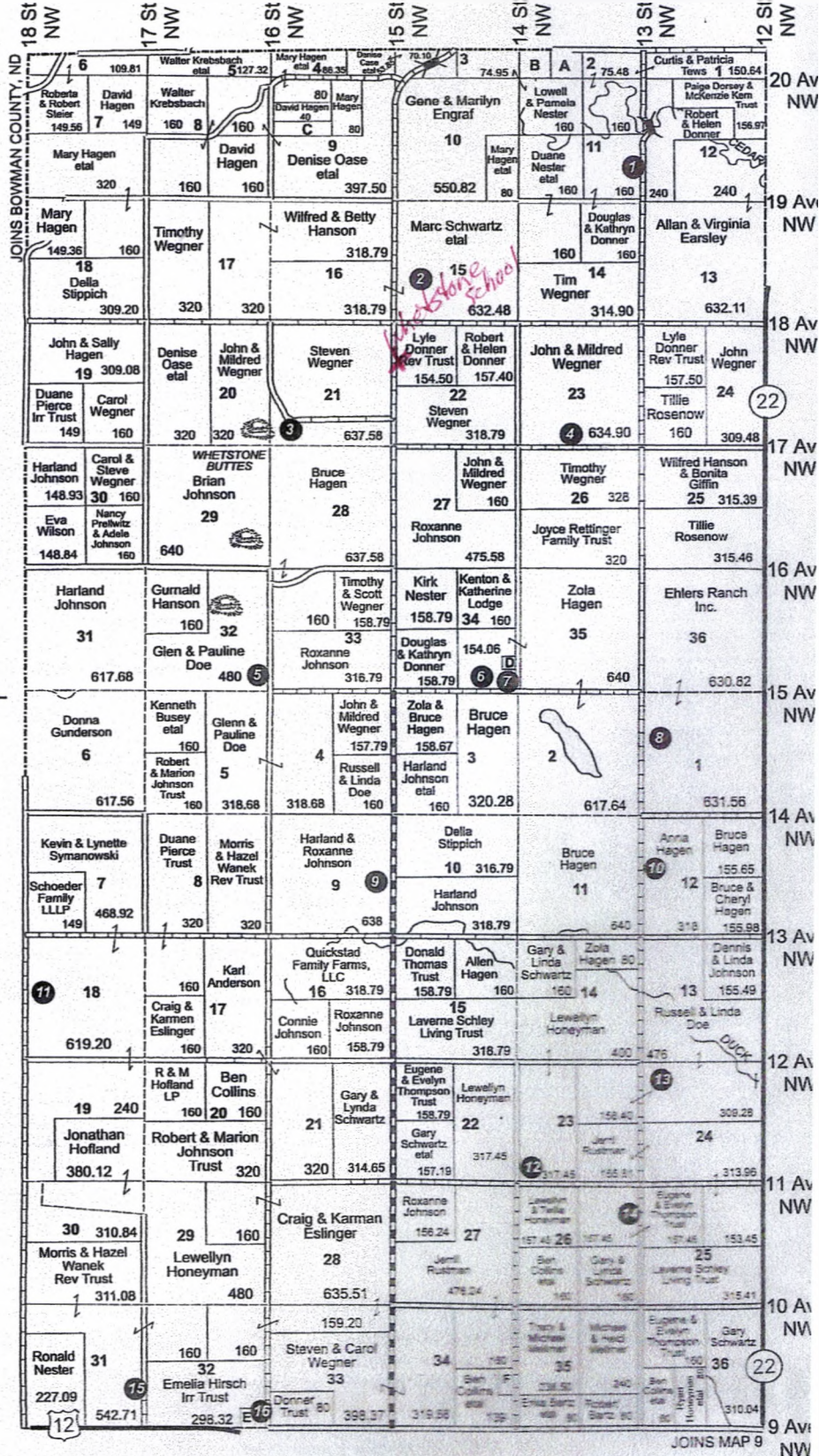
- 1 Douglas Donner
- 2 Richard Schwartz
- 3 Steven Wegner
- 4 John Wegner
- 5 Glen Doe
- 6 Bruce Hagen
- 7 Zola Hagen
- 8 Harry Ehlers
- 9 Harland Johnson
- 10 Barton Honeyman
- 11 Kevin Symanowski
- 12 Lewellyn Honeyman
- 13 Russell Doe
- 14 Eugene Thompson
- 15 Morris Wanek
- 16 Ray Hoffland

Small Tracts

- Section 2N A Allan & Virginia Earsley - 37.77
- B Tim & Charlene Milliren - 37.79
- Section 9N C John & Sally Hagen Family Trust - 40
- Section 34N D Bruce Hagen - 5.94
- Section 32S E Ray & Shirley Hoffland - 17.57
- Section 34S F Paul & Barbara Palczewski - 20

WHEATSTONE TWP

LEMMON TWP



SECTION	OWNER	ACRES	SECTION	OWNER	ACRES	SECTION	OWNER	ACRES
MAP 1	WOLF BUTTE	ADAMS	MAP 2	WOLF BUTTE	ADAMS	MAP 3	WOLF BUTTE	ADAMS
MAP 4	WOLF BUTTE	ADAMS	MAP 5	WOLF BUTTE	ADAMS	MAP 6	WOLF BUTTE	ADAMS
MAP 7	WOLF BUTTE	ADAMS	MAP 8	WOLF BUTTE	ADAMS	MAP 9	WOLF BUTTE	ADAMS
MAP 10	WOLF BUTTE	ADAMS	MAP 11	WOLF BUTTE	ADAMS	MAP 12	WOLF BUTTE	ADAMS
MAP 13	WOLF BUTTE	ADAMS	MAP 14	WOLF BUTTE	ADAMS	MAP 15	WOLF BUTTE	ADAMS
MAP 16	WOLF BUTTE	ADAMS	MAP 17	WOLF BUTTE	ADAMS	MAP 18	WOLF BUTTE	ADAMS

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South view

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West view

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North view

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East view

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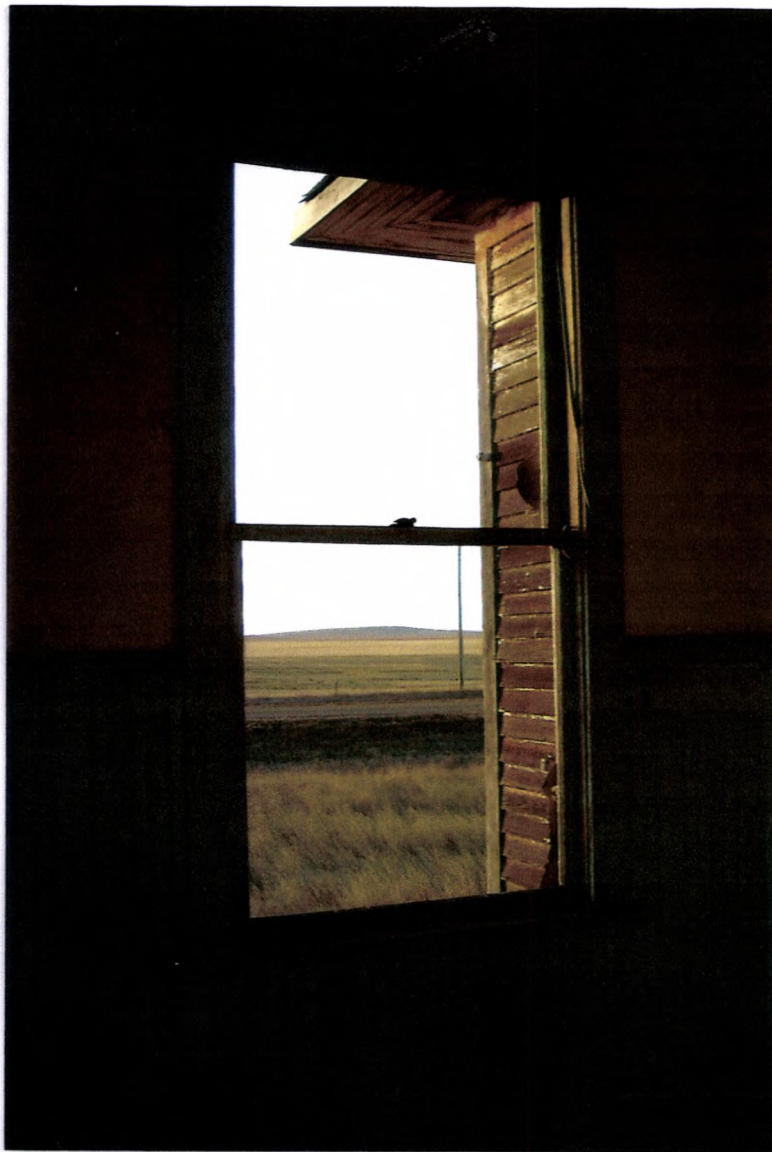
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View from west entry window

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Inside east room, looking west

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Construction of interior walls.

Evidence of electrical wiring.

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Basketball backboard (home-made) and basketball hoop added to southwest interior wall. Plaster/lathe construction.

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Donna M. Smith

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