

Building Plaque Application

Name _____

Building Address 705 DOUGLAS AVE

Building Name _____
(for public/commercial structures)

Current Owner Beth Brock

Street 705 Douglas Ave. Daytime Phone _____

City Elgin State _____ Zip _____

If applicant's name is different from above:

Name _____ Daytime Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Original Owner William M. Krueger

Date of Construction 1904

Architect (if known) _____

Builder (if known) _____

Check if attached:

Statement Of Value

Please review the criteria on page 5. The Elgin Heritage Commission uses these criteria to review your application and award a plaque. Attach an explanation of the historical **and** architectural value of the building. Attach photocopies of relevant materials such as copies of Sanborn maps, original property deeds and City Directory listings. Applications without these requirements will not be considered by the Elgin Heritage Commission.

Building Alterations

Describe any alterations to the **exterior** of the building and include dates. Attach description to the application.

Photograph

Include a recent photograph in which the building is clearly visible. Additional photographs depicting a close up and details of decorative features are helpful.

Stipulations

If the building is not awarded a plaque, the **application fee of \$15.00** will be refunded.

This application and submitted materials shall be retained by the City of Elgin as a part of the permanent record of the building.

The Elgin Heritage Commission has the authority to edit and publish the information submitted in the application. This does not prohibit others from using the information.

When awarded, the plaque will remain the property of the City and cannot be altered or removed from the building. It is the City's responsibility to replace the plaque if and when the situation warrants it.

In addition to agreeing to the above stipulations, the undersigned attests that the information provided is, to the best of his/her knowledge, accurate.

Owner's Signature Beth Brock Norman

Date 10-26-98

Signed Mary M. Hill

Date October 19, 1998

Historical/Architectural

Lovell's Woods was a forested area at what is now the far north end of Douglas Ave., Brook St., and Grove Ave., part of Lovell's Farm. Lovell St. was the south edge of the Woods and in 1872, Lucy Lovell sold all of block 5 to Hubbard Burdick. Block 5 is bounded by Douglas Ave. and Spring St. on the west and east; Lincoln Ave. and Lovell St. on the north and south. The block was divided into 4 lots and as time passed, the lots were further divided into parcels. By the mid-1880's, houses started to appear.

In 1903, following a series of legal transactions, a part of lot 3 located at the northeast corner of the intersection of Douglas Ave. and Lovell St. ended up in the possession William M. Krueger, an employee of the August Scheele Co., Elgin's largest grocery store. Relative to its time, it was comparable to today's Jewel or Dominick's. In 1904, Krueger built a house for \$3400, at 705 Douglas Ave. William and Anna Krueger stayed in the house until 1915, then selling it to John and Myrtle Collins. It was next owned by William and James Higgins who had a cigar manufacturing company in downtown Elgin. At one time, nurses who worked at St. Joseph Hospital lived in the house. It eventually ended up empty and abandoned, a HUD foreclosure.

The house was bought by the Hanovers who breathed life back into it and they finally sold it to its present owner, who declared she will never leave! The house was featured on the 1995 Historic Elgin House Tour.

Architectural

The roof is hipped with a front facing gable--in the gable is a half-round detail which is repeated in the attic window; there are smaller side gables.

Shingles differ from the upper floor to the lower floor. The front porch has rounded support columns and a peaked roof over the steps. There is a small rectangular window to the side of the front door-a common "classic style" detail at the stair landing is a projecting window with detail offering dramatic contrast to the rather simple lines of the house. A tower with a pointed roof and block detail complements the corner of the house in relation to the street corner. A 3 sided bay is on the same street side of the house. Painted in a variety of colors, the house is a good example of a Queen Anne Free Classic.

ELGIN CITY DIRECTORY

ELGIN STREET DIRECTORY

1900 413

ntinued	273 Frank Schaller
h	277 W H Bridges
to Hinsdell pl	N Geneva intersects
ner	313 Mrs S P Beaty
ams	321 John Newman
Crosses	N Chapel intersects
Pusk	336 Charles Michael
terments	369 J A Hanna
little	373 B Lynn
gel	379 Edgar Martin
ses	383 Henry Poy
ite Brahn	389 Thomas O'Fleerty
oskes	N Gifford crosses
humacker	403 Rev J H Selden
h Side	409 Fred Allen
House stables	411 Albert Hatch
n Laundry	416 I N Buck
Method Laundry	421 Frank Preston
on	429 C L Lay
Crosses	433 C H Wayne
rosses	439 William B Long
re & Son	445 J H Alliger
Bros	N Channing crosses
center	459 A M West
7 J W Rayner	461 George W Reed
13 S J Noble	465 Henry Shales
15 George C Schramm	467 A T Ashbrook
17 R Mendelson	Walker pl intersects
19 Fehrman & Strubling	Vacant lots to Porter ave
21 Boettcher & Fricke	573 W H Doe
23 William Witte	385 (Old number) J Knowles

DOUGLAS AVE

From Fountain square n to Cooper ave, 2 e of the river

East Side

7 J W Rayner
13 S J Noble
15 George C Schramm
17 R Mendelson
19 Fehrman & Strubling
21 Boettcher & Fricke
23 William Witte
Milwaukee crosses

Douglas Ave Continued

51 Hubner, Son & Co
53 J W Bodenschatz
55 M Burton
57 Elgin Trading Assn
59 Charles Timm
61 Fred Traub
Division crosses
C & N W crosses
107 S Rothstein
109-111 Volach Bros
117 C R Bennett
119 Vacant
121 Vacant
123 H Blesse
Dexter ave crosses
161 T Osmansky
163 J Reichert
155 D Goldfarb
157 L Gerlach
159 J Soost
161 F Groesser
173 Vacant
North crosses
209 Aaron Shurman
215 Jacob Sturm
219 Edward Yungest
225 Mrs H Port
231 J H Lighthouse
235 Gottlieb Christen
Klinball crosses
253 Vacant
265 Eugene Rogers
McBride flats
269 Willard H Seeley
279 W E Judson
Franklin intersects
303 W H Truesdell
317 William Knickrehm
321 Frank Weightman
Ann crosses
351 James Christie
361 R F Fitz
373 Mrs W Lang
Cberry crosses

West Side

6 J F Ettner
8 Hunter & Hunter
10-12 Mrs Anna Brenner
14 Thornburg & Seidel
16 Richmann Bros
18-20 Cheap Charley
22 L P Rinn
24 Louis Kreeger
Milwaukee crosses
50-52 August Scheele Co

1905-6

253 D L Norton
 255 A D Martin
 259 Fred A Copeland
 261 I V Montanye
 265 Eugene F Rogers
 269 Willard H Seeley
 269 D W Willson
 269 M Solomon
 271 Charles W Raymond
 271 Jesse M Manley
 271 Mrs James Martin
 279 W E Judson
 Franklin intersects
 303 W H Truesdell
 307 Warren M Andrews
 317 William Kinckrehm
 321 Andrew Sjunnesson
 Ann crosses
 351 William J Turner
 361 Mrs Letitia Hunter
 373 Conrad J Hubner
 Cherry crosses
 403 Gen John S Wilcox
 409 John T Jencks
 413 Henry Schoonhoven
 421 Vacant house
 Seneca crosses
 453 Arthur N Stone, D D S
 457 Frank W Ellis
 465 Allen M Retan
 469 William Henning
 471 Jesse Bennett
 Summit crosses
 501 Vacant house
 505 Mrs Jennie Guy
 511 E N Woodworth
 515 Frank S Lombard, D D S
 521 Thomas W Campbell
 Plum crosses
 555 Walter H Callow
 561 Mrs Esther A Sherwood
 565 Vacant house
 571 Herbert C Anderson
 Jefferson ave crosses
 603 Fred H Rose
 607 William P Lea
 621 Perry B Fuller
 627 John H Williams
 631 Mrs Hattie Daniels
 639 Mrs Jane Ryan
 643 Arthur B Kerr
 653 Phillip Freller
 Lovell crosses
 705 W M Kruegar
 711 U S Jencks

717 Charles A Stone
 733 C E Badger
 737 Chester J Underwood, D D S
 Lincoln ave crosses
 Vacant lots to Slade ave
 903 Frank H Bosworth

West Side.

Home Natl Bank
 6 J Fred Ettner
 8 Henry A Siems
 10-12 I Brenner
 14 Louis Kern
 16 Richmann Bros
 18 Jencks & Ludewick
 20 Woodruff & King
 22 Louis P Rinn
 24 Miller & Danner
 Milwaukee crosses
 50 William Elfring
 52 J & C Beckman
 54 Hotel Fosgate
 56 Rutledge & Bohl
 58 Charles Range
 60 Kretschmer Bros
 Division crosses
 August Scheele Co
 108 Bernard J Mooswick
 110 W H Seyomur
 112-114 E A Logan
 Creamery Package Mfg Co
 Dexter ave crosses
 C & N W Depot
 162 Elgin Lumber Co
 North crosses
 200 Vacant office
 202 Robert Dunlap
 202 Martin Johnson
 McBride coal yards
 Elgin Lumber Co yards
 230 Fred W Kohn
 232 Mrs Christine Heinman
 236 August Utroska
 236 Theodore Meyer
 Kimball crosses
 252 Daniel R Hartwell
 258 Fred Sauer
 268 A H Sprowls
 270 Clarence E Chappel
 278 Louis N Seaman
 282 Winfield K Hoagland
 300 Vacant house

302 R C Brophy, D D S
 306 Mrs Bertha Strauss
 316 M A Adler
 Ann crosses
 352 Mrs Angeline Sullivan
 370 Eugene E Sherman
 Cherry crosses
 400 William Grote
 420 Vacant house
 Seneca crosses
 456 James V Mink
 464 Rudolph Mendelson
 470 Mrs D J Chamberlain
 Summit crosses
 504 Emil W Gunther
 510 Edwin Morse
 514 Christ Lay
 522 C T Dahlin, D D S
 Plum crosses
 554 Mrs Asintha L Wright
 560 Samuel F Perry
 564 Mrs Elizabeth L Fish
 564 Herman M Krueger
 570 Ira Aldrich
 Jefferson ave crosses
 606 Mrs Sophia Stohr
 612 Henry Mackh
 618 Henry P Rorig
 624 Henry Muntz
 630 George Robinson
 638 William Hart
 644 Marion Hakes
 Lovell crosses
 706 Ithiel C Towner
 714 Dwight A Chamberlin
 716 Vacant house
 722 William McCredie
 730 Emma E Schults
 736 Andrew Fredericks
 Lincoln ave crosses
 802 Fred H Ackemann
 808 A M C Todson

N DU BOIS AVE

From W Chicago n to Highland ave, 3
w of Monroe

East Side
 49 Theodore Blitz
 53 Joseph Lehman
 Larkin ave crosses

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81

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THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH, THAT THE GRANTOR, Wm. Inc. Bredie and Mary J. Inc.
Bredie, his wife

of the City of Elgin in the County of Kane and State of Illinois
for and in consideration of the sum of Fifteen Hundred DOLLARS,
in hand paid, CONVEY and WARRANT to

William M. Krueger

of the City of Elgin County of Kane and State of Illinois
the following described Real Estate, to-wit:

Part of Lot three(3) Block five(5) of Lovell's Addition to Elgin, Kane Co. Illinois, bounded as follows, to-wit, commencing at a point on the East line of Douglas Avenue $2\frac{1}{2}$ rods S. of the Northwest corner of said Block, thence East $9\frac{1}{2}$ rods parallel with Lovell Street, thence South parallel with Douglas Avenue 4 rods more or less to the North line of Lovell Street, thence West along the North line of Lovell Street $9\frac{1}{2}$ rods to the Southwest corner of said Block, thence North along the East line of Douglas Avenue 4 rods more or less to the place of beginning. This deed is made subject to taxes subsequent March 31, 1903.

situated in the City of Elgin in the County of Kane in the State of Illinois, hereby releasing and waiving all rights under and by virtue of the Homestead Exemption Laws of this State.

Date this second day of May A. D. 1903

-Signed Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of

Wm. Inc. Bredie
Mary J. Inc. Bredie

STATE OF ILLINOIS,
County of Kane

I, H. L. Harlow, a Notary Public, in and for said County, in the State aforesaid
DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that Wm. Inc. Bredie and Mary J. Inc. Bredie, his wife

personally known to me to be the same persons whose names are Inc. Bredie, subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person, and acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as Wm. Inc. Bredie and Mary J. Inc. Bredie, his wife, free and voluntary for the uses and purposes therein set forth, including the release and waiver of the right of homestead.

Given under my hand and Notarized, seal, this 2d day of May A. D. 1903.

H. L. Harlow
Notary Public