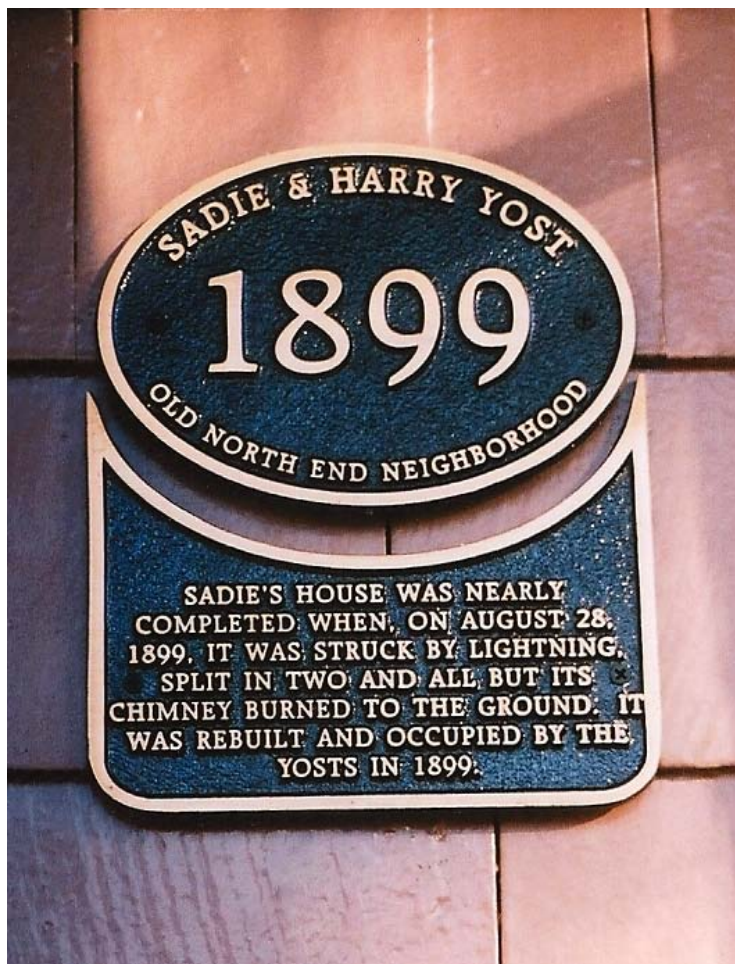


Discovering the History of Your House: ONEN's House Plaque Program



Old North End Neighborhood

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Welcome to the house plaque program of the Old North End Neighborhood (ONEN).

You are embarking on an adventure that will lead you into the lives of your home's past owners. Who built your home? Was it someone's dream house or an early developer's spec house or rental property? Who lived in it? Were they upstanding citizens or notorious characters? You're about to make some fascinating discoveries.

Our house plaque program began in 1986 through the efforts of the then-North End Homeowners Association to promote pride in our homes and knowledge about our historic neighborhood. It is modeled after programs on the East Coast, such as those in Bristol and Providence, Rhode Island.

ONEN administers this plaque program to increase personal pride in our homes and to heighten the city's awareness of the historical and architectural value of houses in the Old North End. We hope that our civic leaders will appreciate as we do the unique features of our neighborhood and will continue to actively support the Old North End's preservation.

Your research will add to the community history of Colorado Springs. We hope to share some of your stories by way of the ONEN newsletter and website as well as to make the plaque applications available to the Pikes Peak Library District so that these house histories can be accessed by the general public. To enable us to take these steps, please review the House History Release document included with this package and submit the executed original with your plaque application.

President
Old North End Neighborhood Association

Plaques: What's Involved

Two plaques are available to you:

- Basic research leads to an oval brass plaque (Plaque 1) with the date of your home's construction and the name of the original owners, the longest owners, or the most prominent occupants. If an exact date cannot be determined using deeds, city directories, building permits, and/or blueprints, a circa date will be used on the plaque.
- Further research leads to an added brass plaque (Plaque 2) that fits under the oval plaque. It describes something special about your house. You may apply for this plaque at the same time you apply for the oval one.

Plaque 1 costs approximately \$135 (including shipping); Plaque 2 is generally somewhat higher in cost due to the amount of text. Once the house-plaque committee has approved your application, the most current price of a plaque will be confirmed and you will be asked to write a check to cover this cost.

Please send your completed application with supporting documents and photos to ONEN, P.O. Box 8185, Colorado Springs, CO 80933-8185 or contact Pat Doyle at 473-8108 or patdoyle@mac.com .

Be sure to keep a copy of all application materials for yourself.

Old North End House Plaque 1 Application/Checklist

Property Address: _____

Current Property Owner(s): _____

Contact information for submitting party: _____

Date of submission: _____

Phone: _____ Email address: _____

Application requirements: *All topics below must be addressed in your application in order to obtain Plaque 1 approval. **Please keep a copy of the entire application for your records.***

Your application may include articles from a variety of sources such as Facts Magazine, Mountain Sunshine, local or regional newspapers, websites, etc. When copying published material, please also copy the name and date of the publication or legibly notate this information in a blank section of the copied page. When photocopies of historical records are difficult to read, you may handwrite over the copy to make critical application information (e.g., dates, legal descriptions, etc.) more legible.

Research tip: A death notice is often a significant source of information about past owners or residents of your home. These notices may be found on microfiche and/or online.

Please provide application information in the order listed.

___ This completed Checklist as cover to the Plaque 1 application.

___ Attach the original of the document(s) from Assessor's Office showing all real estate transfers for the legal description associated with your home.

___ Attach a list of occupants of the home since its construction. The list should include the date range of occupancy. Provide copies of substantiating documents to support the dates of occupancy. *We suggest that occupancy information be provided using the packet's included Occupancy Record form (page 14). Cover pages and street address listings from annual City Directories are the preferred substantiating documentation (required only for the first year of occupancy for each party). If Directory info is not available, please attach dated copies of other sources which support residency.*

___ Enter here the name of your home's first owner. _____

___ Attach a copy of the deed reflecting this owner's name.

___ Indicate in the following space the year the house was built. _____

___ Note here the type of substantiating document (contract, building permit, other public document reference) that reflects your home's year of construction, and attach a copy of it to this application. _____

It is not unusual to be unable to find the actual plans, contracts, or permits for ONEN homes. Please include on an attached sheet as much detail as possible regarding your information sources when addressing this section. In cases where the exact year cannot be determined, your house plaque may reflect a circa date.

___ Include here the name of the home’s architect or builder. _____

___ Attach a copy of the document which substantiates the architect or builder name.

___ Enter here the name of first owner who lived in the house. _____

___ State the type of document that substantiates the first owner occupant and attach a copy. _____

___ Attach a narrative (at least one paragraph) about your home’s first or most significant owner. Attach copies of dated newspaper articles, etc., used to support your narrative.

___ Attach a narrative of the home’s significant architectural features. *Please provide as much detail as possible as many ONEN homes include characteristics of multiple design styles.*

___ Attach current color photos (not photocopies) of the front, back, and sides of the home.

___ Photos should include close-ups of distinctive architectural features.

___ Attach the Plaque 1 template reflecting occupant/resident name and documented date of construction. See pages 9 and 10 of this packet for the instructions and template.

___ Attach the Photograph and House History Release document with your original signature.

Missing requirements: *the application review committee understands that it can be difficult to find certain information and/or documentation on some ONEN properties. List any requirements that you cannot fulfill and include an explanation. Use additional pages if needed.*

Application submission date: _____

If you need help with or have questions regarding the plaque requirements, contact a member of the Historic Preservation Committee at historicpreservation@oldnorthend.org.

Reviewer notes: (applicant does not complete)

Old North End House Plaque 2 Application/Checklist

Property Address: _____

Current Property Owner(s): _____

Contact information for submitting party: _____ Date of Submission: _____

Phone: _____ Email address: _____

Application Requirements: *All topics below must be addressed in your application in order to obtain Plaque 2 approval. **Please keep a copy of the entire application for your records.***

Your application may include articles from a variety of sources such as Facts Magazine, Mountain Sunshine, local or regional newspapers, websites, etc. When copying published material, please also copy the name and date of the publication or legibly notate this information in a blank section of the copied page. When photocopies of historical records are difficult to read, you may handwrite over the copy to make critical application information more legible (e.g., dates on deeds of trust, legal descriptions, etc.).

Research tip: A death notice is often a significant source of information about past owners or residents of your home. These notices may be found on microfiche and/or online.

Please provide plaque 2 application information in the order listed.

___ This completed Checklist as cover to the Plaque 2 application.

___ Date of approval of Plaque 1 application if separately submitted. (*approximate if uncertain*)

___ Attach a copy of the completed Checklist and the Occupancy Record from your Plaque 1 application. (*Supporting documents from Plaque 1 application are not required. If the Checklist and Occupancy Record from Plaque 1 application are not available, please include an explanation under the Missing Requirements section on the second page of this application.*)

Ownership details:

___ Attach a copy of each Warranty Deed reflecting the transfer of ownership of your home from the time of initial construction to current owner. *These deeds should align with the property transfer information provided to you by the Assessor's Office for your Plaque 1 application.*

Historical details: compose the following -

___ a **synopsis of significant events** in the life of the house obtained from public records, publications, or other documentation which can be copied for verification. Attach copies of the documentation to the synopsis.

___ **historical highlights** of the first owner or of any other significant or long-term owner(s) listed

in the Occupancy Record section of the Plaque 1 application, and reference their significance to Colorado Springs.

___ a **detailed review** of at least one owner, resident, or event involving this ONEN property. *Please organize your narrative and its supporting documentation in chronological order.*

___ Optional: *If you have been successful in finding more references to your property and/or occupants of interest than are required to complete the Historical Details section of the Plaque 2 application, we encourage you to enhance the story of your home by including the information in a chronological Appendix and attaching it to the submission packet. These are often the stories that make our historic homes “come alive.”*

___ Attach a penciled-in Plaque 2 template reflecting an approximately 150 character “story” about your home’s owner/occupant. See pages 11 and 12 of this packet for the instructions and template.

___ Attach the Photograph and House History Release document with your original signature.

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Application submission date: _____

If you need help with or have questions about the house plaque requirements, contact a member of the Historic Preservation Committee at historicpreservation@oldnorthend.org.

Reviewer notes: (applicant does not complete)

Filling in the Template for Plaque 1

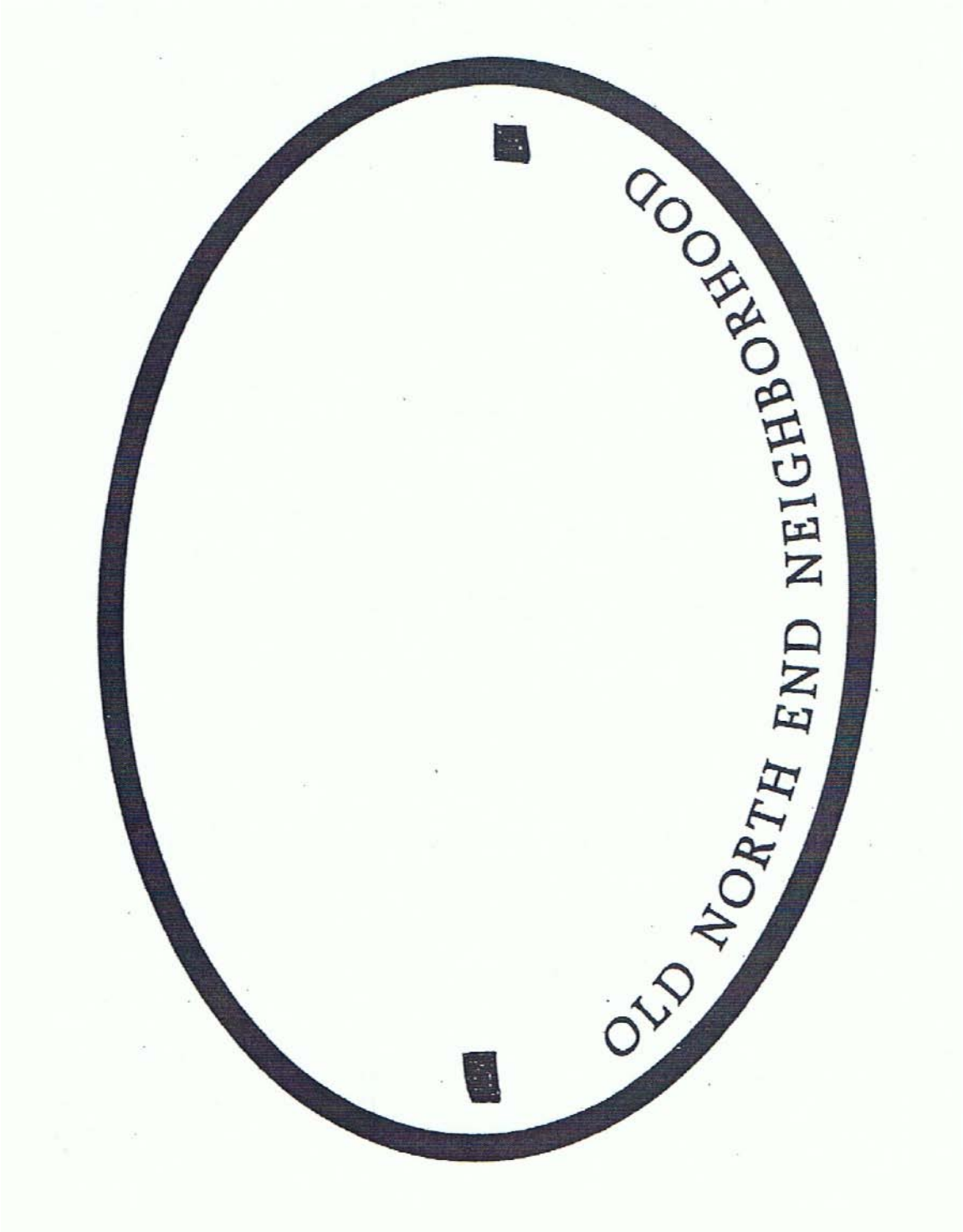
Now that you've done your research, you should have sufficient information on the date of construction of your house and on the homeowners or residents to show us what you'd like to put on your bronze plaque. Fill in the actual-size template on the next page:

- In the middle of the template, write the year your house was built. If you had difficulty finding documentation that clearly indicates a specific year, the review committee may recommend that a circa date be reflected on your plaque.
- At the top of the template, identify by name the first occupant or occupants of the house or significant people in the community who lived in the house. Be specific, as these eight examples illustrate:

James J. Waring Family
Wilson-Graham House
Sadie's House
Roger W. & Frances B. Scofield
The Sprague Home
Artus & Anne Van Briggie
Eugene P. Shove
Adeline de Beelen Roberts

- For wood siding or shingles, specify front-mount. For stucco, specify rear-mount. (Black squares shown in the template are reserved for the screws.)

Before your bronze plaque is made, you'll receive a mock-up of the plaque for your approval. Once we have your approval of the mock-up and a check for the amount of the plaque, allow 4-6 weeks for delivery. When your plaque arrives, a committee member will contact you.

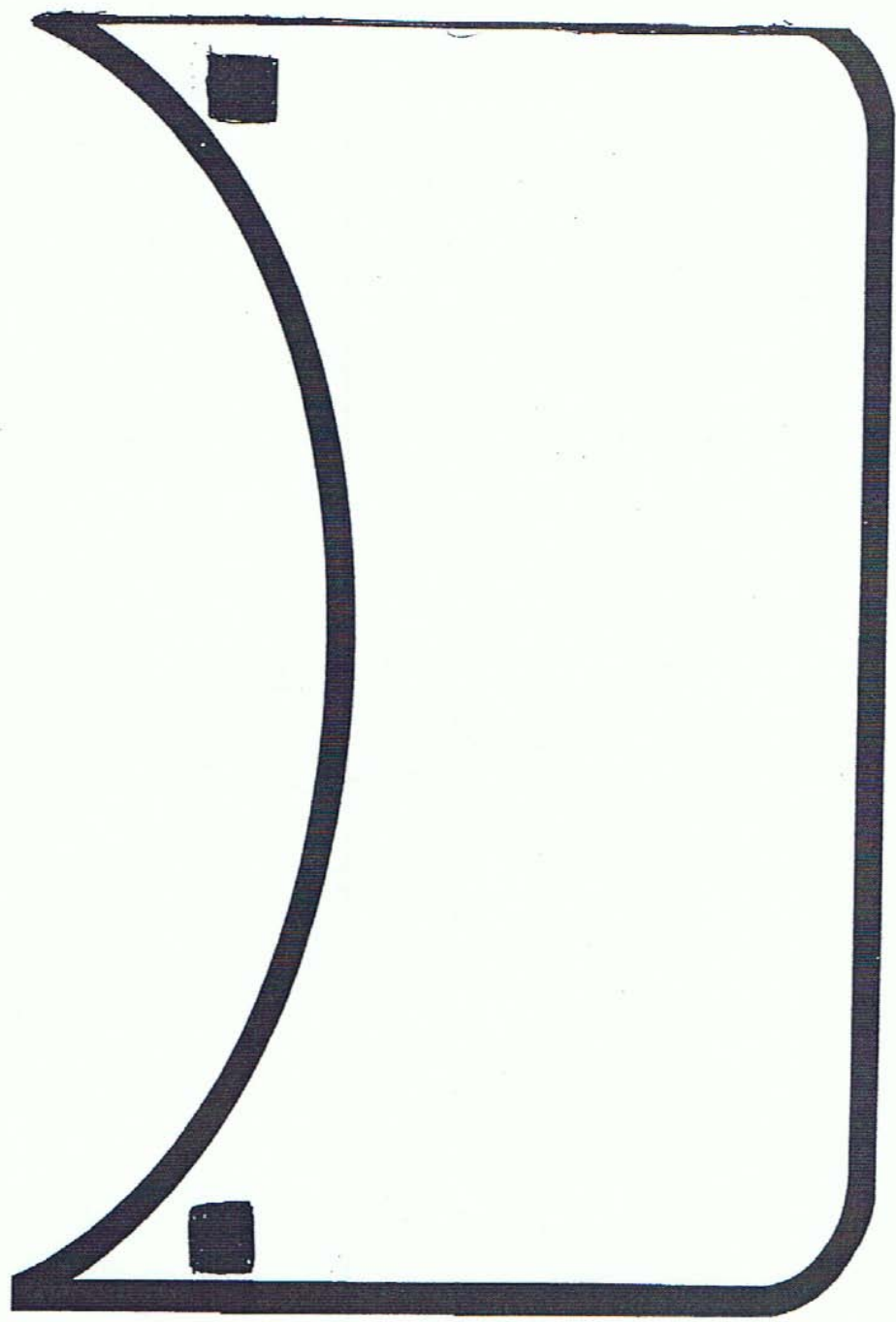


Filling in the Template for Plaque 2

Plaque 2 is displayed directly under Plaque 1. Fill in the actual-size template on the next page with the information that you would like reflected on your plaque.

- Write in the blank space on the template the exact words you want on the finished plaque. The plaque manufacturer's rule of thumb is not to exceed 150 characters (characters include letters, numbers and punctuation but not spaces), but there is some flexibility in the character count, primarily when the homeowner chooses to use lower case letters. If you have concerns about this step and need assistance, contact a member of the Historic Preservation Committee.
- With design in mind, the manufacturer may have to modify what you've written.
- If the location where you plan to place your plaque has wood siding or shingles, specify front-mount. For stucco, specify rear-mount. (Black squares shown in each template are reserved for the screws.)

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7 x 5 INCHES

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