CITY OF ST. CHARLES ILLINOIS • 1834	**AGENDA ITEM EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**	Agenda Item number: 4d
	Title:	Historic Preservation Commission recommendation to approve Historic Landmark Designation for 17 N. 2nd Ave., "John Glos House"
	Presenter:	Rachel Hitzemann

Meeting: Planning & Development Committee Date: February 13, 2023

Proposed Cost: N/A	Budgeted Amount: N/A	Not Budgeted: ☐

Executive Summary (*if not budgeted please explain*)**:**

Nancy Knapp has nominated her property at 17 N 2nd Ave. for Landmark status.

In accordance with the Zoning Ordinance, the Historic Preservation Commission held a public hearing on the landmark nomination on 2/1/2023. The Commission recommended approval of the nomination by a vote of 6-0, based on the criteria listed in the attached resolution.

The house was built in the Folk Victorian style circa 1867. The home was built for and likely by John Glos for his family. John Glos was a German cabinet maker and early St. Charles resident. In 1843 he established a dry goods store on Main St. Mr. Glos was also a Justice of the Peace, Clerk for the Circuit Court and County Recorder. The structure has a gabled front and wing, wooden clapboard, a one-story porch, classical window heads and circle front gable window. The building helps anchor the Century Corners shopping district, which is a valuable historic part of the City's downtown.

If the Landmark designation is approved by City Council, a Certificate of Appropriateness from the Historic Preservation Commission will be required prior to issuance of a permit for construction, alteration, repair, demolition, relocation, or other material change that affects the exterior architectural appearance of the structure.

Attachments (*please list*)**:**
Historic Commission Resolution, Landmark Nomination

Recommendation/Suggested Action (*briefly explain*)**:**

Historic Preservation Commission recommendation to approve a Historic Landmark Designation for 17 N 2nd Ave., "John Glos House".

City of St. Charles, Illinois

Historic Preservation Commission Resolution No. 1-2023

A Resolution Recommending Approval for Landmark Designation (17 N 2nd Ave. – John Glos House)

WHEREAS, per Section 17.32.060 of the St. Charles Zoning Ordinance, it is the responsibility of the St. Charles Historic Preservation Commission to evaluate applications for Landmark Designation and to make recommendations to the City Council regarding them; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission has reviewed the application for designation of 201 Cedar Ave. and hereby finds that the Landmark nomination meets one or more of the criteria for Landmark Designation listed in Section 17.32.060.C of the St. Charles Zoning Ordinance based on the historical and architectural significance as described in the following findings:

1. **The property has character, interest or value which is part of the development, heritage or cultural character of the community.**
   The structure is an anchor site for Century Corners shopping District which is located within the Central Historic District.

2. **The property is identified with a person who significantly contributed to the development of the community.**
   John Glos was an early settler of St. Charles. He came in 1836. He opened and operated a dry goods store along Main St. and also became a Justice of the Peace, Clerk for the Circuit Court and County Recorder.

3. **Structure embodies distinguishing characteristics of an architectural style valuable for the study of a period, type, method of construction, or use of indigenous materials.**
   The structure is built in the Folk Victorian Style.

4. **Property embodies elements of design, detailing, materials, or craftsmanship that are of architectural significance.**
   The structure has a gabled front and wing, wood clapboard, classical window heads, and a circle window in the front gable. Several elements including the wood trim, clapboard, some windows and foundation appear to original.

5. **Property has unique location or physical characteristics that make it a familiar visual**

feature.
Structure is an anchor of the Century Corners Shopping District, one of the oldest portions of Downtown.

6. **The property is suitable for preservation or restoration.**
   Yes.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the St. Charles Historic Preservation Commission to recommend to the City Council that the property known as 201 Cedar Ave. as legally described in Exhibit "A", be designated as a Landmark, and that it be referred to as the "Thomas H. Collins House", with a construction date of circa 1852.

Roll Call Vote:
Ayes: Malay, Kramer, Pretz, Smunt, Rice, Dickerson
Nays: None
Absent: Kessler.
Abstain: None

Motion Carried.

PASSED, this 1st day of February, 2023.

_____
Chairman

Exhibit "A"
Legal Description

THE NORTH 58 FEET OF THAT PART OF LOTS 1 AND 2 IN BLOCK 1 OF THE ORIGINAL TOWN OF ST. CHARLES DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING 16 FEET EAST OF THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT 2; THENCE SOUTHERLY TO A POINT ON THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOT 2, 25 FEET WEST TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER THEREOF; THENCE EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF LOTS 1 AND 2 TO THE EAST LINE OF LOT 1; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG SAID EAST LINE TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 1; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOTS 1 AND 2, 84 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, IN THE CITY OF ST. CHARLES, KANE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

PIN #09-27-386-011

CITY OF ST. CHARLES

TWO EAST MAIN STREET
ST. CHARLES, ILLINOIS 60174-1984

ST. CHARLES SINCE 1834

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/PLANNING DIVISION PHONE: (630) 377-4443 FAX: (630) 377-4062

HISTORIC LANDMARK NOMINATION

Received Date
RECEIVED
DEC 28 2022
City of St. Charles
Community Development

Instructions:

To nominate a property for Historic Landmark Designation, complete this application and submit all required documentation to the Planning Division. Based on a review of the application by City staff and the Historic Preservation Commission, additional detailed information to support this application may be required.

The information you provide must be complete and accurate. If you have a question please call the Planning Division and we will be happy to assist you.

1. Property Information:	Parcel Number(s): 09-27-386-011	
	Property Name (Historic or common name of the property): GLOS HOUSE	
	Property Site Address 17 N. SECOND AVENUE	
2. Record Owner:	Name NANCY KNAPP	Phone 630-660-8160
	Address SAME	Email NURSEKNAPP@COMCAST.NET
3. Applicant (if different from record owner):	Name	Phone
	Address	Email

4. Legal Description of Property: The legal description should be obtained from the deed, mortgage, title insurance, or other recorded document (attach sheets if necessary).

SEE ATTACHED

I. Classification of Property (Check all that apply):

a) Ownership:
X private
___public-local
___public-state

b) Category:
X building
___district
___site

c) Integrity:
X original site
___moved: date_____
___unaltered

d) Function or Use:

Historic/Current	Historic/Current	Historic/Current
___/___agriculture	___/___industrial	___/___religious
X / X commercial	___/___military	___/___scientific
___/___educational	___/___museum	___/___transportation
___/___government	X / X private residence	___/___other(specify
___/___entertainment	___/___park	

e) Architecture: (Based on "A Field Guide to American Houses")

National Folk Style **Circa 1867**

Romantic Styles: circa 1820-1880

Greek Revival
Gothic Revival
Italianate
Exotic Revival

Victorian Styles: circa 1860-1910

Second Empire
Stick
Queen Anne
Shingle
Richardsonian Romanesque
Folk Victorian

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Eclectic Styles: 1880-1940

Colonial Revival
Neoclassical, Classical Revival
Tudor Revival
Chateauesque
Beaux Arts
French Eclectic
Italian Renaissance
Mission
Spanish Revival
Monterey
Pueblo Revival

Modern Styles: circa 1900- present

Prairie
Craftsman
Modernistic
Minimal Traditional
Ranch
Split-Level
International
Contemporary
Shed
Other 20th Century Modern
21st Century Modern

Styled Houses since 1935:

Mansard
Styled Ranch
Millenium Mansion
New Traditional
American Vernacular

Other Architecture:

II. Building Materials:

Please mark the appropriate boxes listing the materials that exist on the building. Possible options are provided below.

Inventory of Original Architectural Elements

Item:	Original (yes only)	Material	Location if Required
Chimney		BRICK	
Door(s)		WOOD	
Exterior Walls	SOME	CLAP BOARD	VARIOUS
Foundation	SOME	CONCRETE/ STONE	VARIOUS
Roof		ASPHALT	
Trim	SOME	WOOD	VARIOUS
Window (s)	SOME	WOOD	VARIOUS

Materials List

Adobe	Aluminum	Asbestos	Asphalt	Brick	Bronze
Canvas	Cast Iron	Ceramic	Clapboard	Cloth	Concrete
Concrete Board	Copper	Dryvit	EIFS	Engineered	Fiberglass
Glass	Granite	Iron	Lead	Limestone	Log
Marble	Metal	Nickel	Plastic	Plywood	Rubber
Sandstone	Shake	Shingle	Slate	Steel	Stone
Stucco	Synthetics	Terra Cotta	Tin	Vinyl	Weatherboard
Wood	Other:				

III. Significance of Property:

Please indicate source of documentation, if available.

a) Original Owner: JOHN GHOS

b) Architect/ Builder: UNKNOWN

c) Significant Person(s): GHOS FAMILY - 94 YEARS

d) Significant Dates (i.e., construction dates): - BUILT BETWEE

1860 — 1889 **Circa 1867**

e) Criteria for Designation:

Please indicate which of the following criteria apply to the property and attach supporting documentation for each criteria. (check all that apply)

1. **X** Property has character, interest, or value which is part of the development, heritage, or cultural character of the community, county, or nation.
   Notes: ANCHOR SITE FOR CENTURY CORNERS SHOPPI DISTRICT LOCATED WITHIN THE CENTRAL HISTORIC DISTRICT

2. __Property is the site of a significant local, county, state, or national event.
   Notes:

3. **X** Property is identified with a person who significantly contributed to the development of the community, county, state, or nation.
   Notes: JOHN GHOS - EARLY SETTLER TO STC 1836, JUSTICE OF PEACE, CLERK CIRCUIT COURT, COUNTY RECORDER. OPERATED DRY GOODS STORE.

4. **X** Structure embodies distinguishing characteristics of an architectural style valuable for the study of a period, type, method of construction, or use of indigenous materials.
   Notes: FOLK VICTORIAN

5. __Property is identified with the work of a master builder, designer, architect, or landscape architect whose work has influenced the development of the area, the county, the state, or the nation.
   Notes:

6. X Structure embodies elements of design, detailing, materials, or craftsmanship that are of architectural significance.
   Notes: GABLE FRONT AND WING, WOOD CLAPBOARD, CLASSICAL WINDOW HEADS, CIRCLE WINDOW IN FRONT GABLE.
7. __Structure embodies design elements that make it structurally or architecturally innovative.
   Notes:

8. X Property has a unique location or physical characteristics that make it a familiar visual feature.
   Notes: ANCHOR LOCATION FOR CENTURY CORNERS SHOPPING DISTRICT.
9. __Structure is a particularly fine or unique example of a utilitarian structure with a high level of historical or architectural significance.
   Notes:

10. X Property is suitable for preservation or restoration.
    Notes: YES - REQUESTING COMMERCIAL PRESERVATION GRANT
11. __Property is included on the___Illinois and/or ___National Register of Historic Places.
    Notes:

12. __Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important to prehistory, history, or other areas of archaeological significance.
    Notes:

IV. Attachments

1. Descriptive Statement: Attach a narrative statement describing the property and its historical architectural significance as indicated in Sections I, II, and III above. Describe structural changes, additions, and decorative modifications or material changes and dates of such work if known. State the reasons it should be designated as a Historic property. SEE ATTACHED

2. Plat of Survey: Attach a plat of survey showing the boundaries and location of the property. This may be obtained from the County Recorder (630-232-5935) at the Government Center. You may also have one from your house closing. SEE LEGAL DESCRIPTION

3. Photographs: Attach photographs showing the important structures or features of the property and a photograph as viewed from the public way. Black and white or color prints. A minimum of one photograph of the structure as viewed from the public way is required. SEE ATTACHED

4. Chronological list of historical owners. SEE ATTACHED.

I (we) certify that this application and the documents submitted with it are true and correct to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief.

Applicant Date

If Owner authorizes application to be filed for their property:

Owner Date 11/7/22

17 N. Second Avenue – Description

The Glos House, a Folk Victorian architectural style, was built circa 1870 for John Glos and his family. Glos arrived in St. Charles in 1836 as a fine German cabinet maker quickly establishing himself within the community. In 1843 he established a dry goods store on Main Street, ultimately building this house on his vacant land. Glos owned lots 7, 8, and 1 in block 1 of the original town of St. Charles. Mr. Glos was a Justice of the Peace, Clerk for the Circuit Court, County Recorder but really known for his furniture making and dry goods store. This specific structure has a gabled front and a wing, wooden clapboard, a one-story porch, classical window heads, and a circle front gable window. Several elements such as wood trim, clapboard, windows, and foundation which are scattered areas appear to be original. Establishing the exact date of construction is hard as it appears Mr. Glos had the resources to build his home without the aid of any outside money. Additionally, the 1860 city map does not record a structure on lot 1 however it seems likely construction did take place between 1860 -1870.

The existing shutters are not original or contributing due to improper location and are missing original or reproduction hardware and not properly mounted to the sides of the casings.

Chicago Title Insurance Company

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SANDY WEGMAN
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Warranty Deed
ILLINOIS STATUTORY

JOINT TENANTS WITH RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP

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THE GRANTORS, EMANUEL J. KUNTZELMAN and LAURA K. ROSE, husband and wife, of the City of Chicago, Cook County, State of Illinois, for and in consideration of TEN & 00/100 DOLLARS, and other good and valuable consideration in hand paid, CONVEY(S) and Warrant(s) to NANCY KNAPP and David R. Knapp as Joint Tenants with Rights of Survivorship of 26W034 Goldfinch Court, Carol Stream, IL

all interest in the following described Real Estate situated in the County of Kane in the State of Illinois, to wit:

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

THE NORTH 58 FEET OF THAT PART OF LOTS 1 AND 2 IN BLOCK 1 OF THE ORIGINAL TOWN OF ST. CHARLES DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING 16 FEET EAST OF THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT 2; THENCE SOUTHERLY TO A POINT ON THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOT 2, 25 FEET WEST TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER THEREOF; THENCE EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF LOTS 1 AND 2 TO THE EAST LINE OF LOT 1; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG SAID EAST LINE TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 1; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOTS 1 AND 2, 84 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, IN THE CITY OF ST. CHARLES, KANE COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

SUBJECT TO: (a) General real estate taxes for the year 2011 and subsequent years; (b) covenants, conditions and restrictions of record; and (c) building lines and easements, if any, so long as they do not interfere with the current use and enjoyment of the property

hereby releasing and waiving all rights under and by virtue of the Homestead Exemption Laws of the State of Illinois. Not as Tenants as Common but as JOINT TENANTS W/ RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP

Permanent Real Estate Index Number: 09-27-386-011
Address(es) of Real Estate: 17 North Second Avenue, St. Charles, IL 60174

Dated this 28TH day of November, 2011

Emanuel J. Kuntzelman

Laura K. Rose

CAB

CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY
1795 W. STATE STREET
GENEVA, ILLINOIS 60134

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17 N. Second Avenue – Ownership History

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All support documents are located at the Kane County Recorder Office

1843	WD	Ira & Sarah Minard to John Glos
1860		No record of structure on city map
1870		Circa 1870 structure built
1889	QCD	Glos family to Charles A. Glos
1937	DEED	Glos family to George Rauch
		End of Glos ownership after 94 years
1985	DEED	Administrative Burton Bowgren for Estate of Mildred Rauch to John P. Wrasse
		End of Rauch ownership after 48 years
1985	TD	John P. Wrasse to State Bank of St Charles
1986	DEED	State Bank of St Charles to Louise Stuhlsatz and Susan Neri
1996	WD	Susan L. Neri to Emanuel J. Kuntzelman
2011	WD	Emanuel L. Kuntzelman to David R. Knapp

Sea Minard
to
John Glos

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This Indenture made this third day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and forty three Between Sea Minard and Sarah his wife of St Charles Illinois County and State of Illinois of the first part and John Glos of St Charles County and State aforesaid of the second part Witnesseth that the said parties of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred dollars $102.00 in hand paid by the said party of the second part (the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged) have granted bargained sold remised released aliened and confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell remise release alien and confirm unto the said party of the second part and to his heirs and assigns forever all the following described lot piece or parcel of land to wit, situate lying and being in the County of Kane and State of Illinois and described on the recorded Town Plat of St Charles County and State aforesaid as Lot number one (1) and part of Lot number two (2) seven (7) and Eight (8) in Block number one (1) and bounded as follows to wit Commencing at the north East Corner of said Lot number one (1) running thence westerly on Cedar Street Eighty four feet (84 ft) thence Southerly to a point twenty four feet west of the south East Corner of said lot number two (2) and one hundred feet north of second Street, thence southerly and parallel with second Street one hundred feet (100 ft) thence Easterly on main forty seven feet (47 ft) thence northerly and parallel with second Street one hundred feet (100 ft) thence Easterly and parallel with main Street twenty Eight feet (28 ft) thence northerly on second one hundred feet (100 ft) to the beginning said land being on the East side of Fox River in said Town of St Charles together with all and singular the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining and the reversion and reversions remainder and remainders rents issues and profits thereof, and all the estate right title interest claim or demand whatsoever of the said parties of the first part either in law or equity of in and to the above bargained premises with the hereditaments and appurtenances. To have and to hold the said premises above bargained and described with the appurtenances unto the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns forever. And the said parties of the first part for themselves their heirs executors and administrators do covenant grant bargain and agree to and with the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns that at the time of the ensealing and delivery of these presents they are well seized of the premises above conveyed as a good sure perfect absolute and indefeasible estate of inheritance in the law in fee simple and have good right full power and lawful authority to grant bargain sell and convey the same in manner and form aforesaid and that the same are free and clear of all former and other grants bargains sales liens judgments taxes assessments and encumbrances of what kind or nature soever and the above bargained premises in the quiet and peaceable possession of the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns against all and every person or persons lawfully claiming or to claim the whole or any part thereof the said parties of the first part shall and will warrant and forever defend.

In witness whereof the said parties of the first part hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Sealed and delivered in presence of Ralph V McCrea

Sea Minard (SS)
Sarah Minard (SS)

State of Illinois Kane County ss I Ralph V McCrea Notary Public in and for the said County in the State aforesaid do hereby certify that Sea

Lt 1 & Pt Ls 2, 7 & 8 Bl, St Charles & Wells
~~Ls 3, 4, 5, 6, Bl 2, Mineral Springs~~

Lot	Sec.	R. O.
Tp.		Bk. 519
Block	Rg.	Pg. 627

Quit Claim Deed dated Mar 11, 1889 and recorded in Book page

Aug 23, 10

Consideration $ 10,000.00

Remise, release, [redacted], cvy., and q-c all r t i c & d in & to t f d lots, pieces or parcels of land, sitd in the Tn of St. Charles, KC, I, tw:

(wop) Lot 1 and pt of Lots 2, 7 & 8 in Blk 1, and b a f, t w: comg at the NE cor of sd Lot 1, rung th Wly on Cedar St 84 ft, th Sly to a pt 25 ft W of the SE cor of sd Lot 2 & 100 ft N of Main St, th Sly & // with Second St 100 ft, th Ely on Main St 47 ft, th Nly & // with Second St 100 ft, th Ely & // with Main St 28 ft, th Nly on [redacted] Second St

(OVER)

Henrietta A. Glos, Louis Glos, Frederick Glos, Henry A. Glos & Anna B. his wf, of the City of St. Chas, KC, I,

Adam M. Glos, & Anna M. his wf, of the Tp of Wayne, DuPage Co, Ill, Amelia M. Berning, & Wm. Berning, h h, of Altenheim, Cgi, all being of lawful age & only hrs of John Glos, & Gabriella Glos, both decd,

to

Charles A. Glos, of the Cy of St. Charles, KCI,

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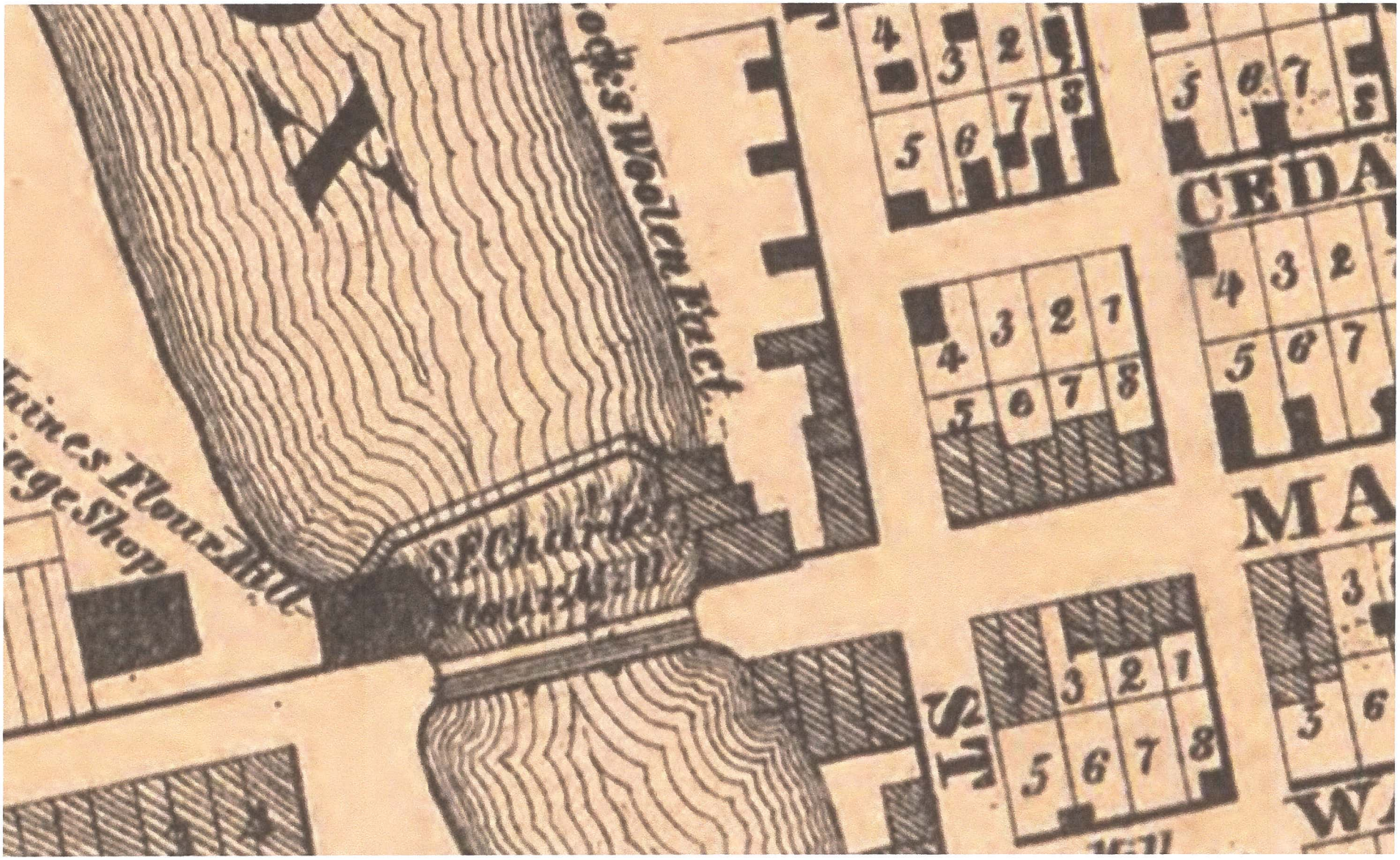
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Folk Victorian

ca. 1870–1910

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NTIFYING FEATURES

Porches with spindlework detailing (turned spindles and lace-like spandrels) or flat, jigsaw cut trim appended to National Folk (post-railroad) house forms (see page 89); symmetrical facade (except gable-front-and-wing subtype); cornice-line brackets are common.

NCIPAL SUBTYPES

Five principal subtypes occur. These are closely related to the subtypes of National Folk (post-railroad) houses.

FRONT-GABLED ROOF—Like their pure folk counterparts, two-story, front-gabled forms with Victorian detailing are most common in the northeastern states, while one-story, narrow shotgun forms are generally found in the urban South.

GABLE FRONT AND WING—Both one- and two-story Victorian versions of this popular folk form are found throughout the country but are particularly common in the southern states.

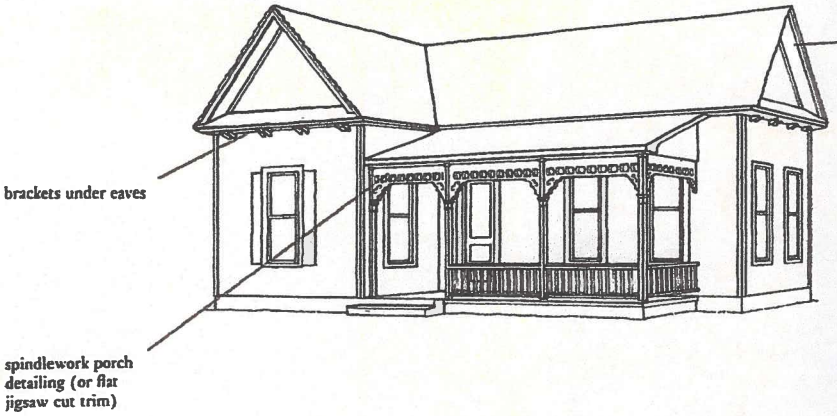
SIDE-GABLED ROOF, ONE-STORY—This common subtype includes Victorian versions of both the hall-and-parlor (one room deep) and massed, side-gabled (two or more rooms deep) folk forms. It is widely distributed through the country.

SIDE-GABLED-ROOF, TWO-STORY—Most examples of this subtype are I-houses (one room deep) to which Victorian detailing in varying degrees of exuberance was added. They are common in all parts of the country.

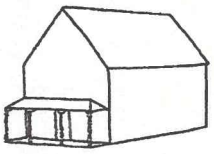
PYRAMIDAL—Both one- and two-story versions of this folk form were often given Victorian detailing in the southern states but are relatively rare elsewhere.

ANTS AND DETAILS

The style is defined by the presence of Victorian decorative detailing on simple folk house forms, which are generally much less elaborated than the Victorian styles that they attempt to mimic. The details are usually of either Italianate or Queen Anne inspiration; occasionally the Gothic Revival provides a source. The primary areas for the application of this detailing are the porch and cornice line. Porch supports are commonly either Queen Anne–type turned spindles, or square posts with the corners beveled (chamfered) as in many Italianate porches. In addition, lace-like spandrels are frequent and turned



FRONT-GABLED ROOF



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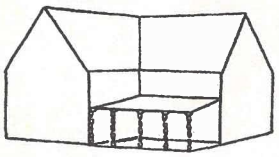
GABLE FRONT AND WING



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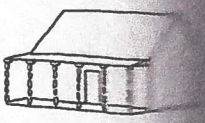
SIDE-GABLED ROOF



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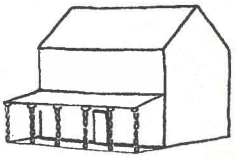
SIDE-GABLED ROOF, TWO-STORY



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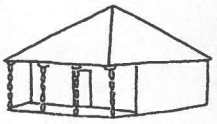
PYRAMIDAL



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PRINCIPAL SUBTYPES

John Glos, Kane County, Illinois 1842

By **kay** March 27, 2013 at 09:28:41

The Saint Charles (Kane County, Illinois) Review, July 13, 1878. Excerpts from a April 30, 1842 issue of "The St. Charles Patriot": John Glos advertised a cabinet shop. He did a good business, and made money at it When the Patriot started, he built its furniture, and charged Thomas nothing for it, proposing to do his share toward launching the enterprise successfully. Mr. Glos is to-day very vigorous, -- mind and body alike being unimpaired. In his old age he is making his property valuable, and will leave his sons the legacy of a good name, and ample means, when death shall come to him. Mr. Glos is a German, and very well educated. His sons are grand good men, and one of them - Adam - is a member of the DuPage county board of supervisors. Another - Carl - ran as an independent candidate for the county clerkship of DuPage county, last November, and came very near defeating the regular nominee (Posted as a courtesy, not related.)

St. Charles Historic Buildings

Glos House

17 N 2nd Ave. (View on map)

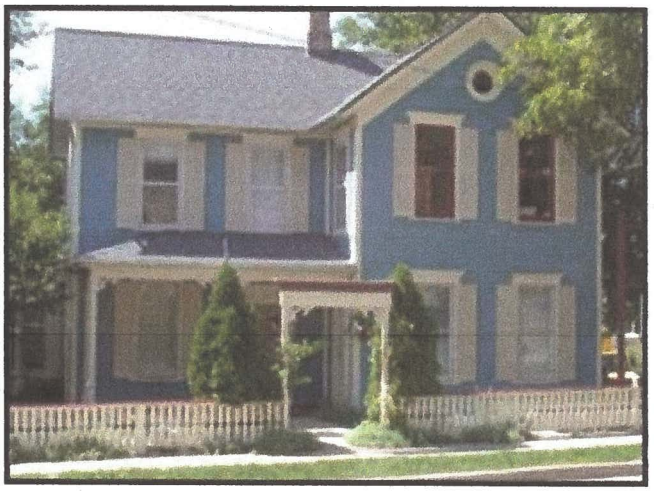

Image Credit: St. Charles Public Library

This house, built about 1845, was the residence of John Glos. Glos, a German cabinetmaker, came to St. Charles in 1836 by way of Boston. Glos served as the first Justice of the Peace in Wayne, as Clerk of the Circuit Court, and as Recorder of DuPage County. The Glos family also operated a dry goods store on Main Street in St. Charles. An advertisement from the 1885 St. Charles Biographical Directory and Census Report claims that the Glos Brothers offered a "full and large, varied, and complete

stock of everything a townsman or farmer wants" and that they offered these items at "prices so low that you can't afford to go elsewhere."

In 1937, Mrs. Mildred Roch purchased the house from the Glos family. Since then, this Folk Victorian house has served as apartments and as a haven for several small businesses. Susan Neri bought the building from Howard and Candace Broecker in 1986. Without altering the structure of the historic residence, Neri transformed the house into office space for four businesses and left the upper level as a residence.

In 1996, Emanuel Kuntzelman purchased the property to house the national headquarters of the Center for Cultural Interchange (CCI). Kuntzelman created CCI in 1985 to facilitate international cultural and educational exchange for high school students and adults.

Mr. Kunzelman redecorated the house, and CCI moved into offices on the lower level of the building. The main floor housed the business, Studio Posh. Later, Ilsa's at Century Corners took over the main floor. An apartment remained on the top floor. CCI was awarded a Community Image Award by the Chamber of Commerce in 1996 for improvements made to the building. CCI offices occupied the entire building from 2001 until the organization moved its headquarters to Chicago in 2007. Today, CCI maintains an office in the Glos House and two small specialty

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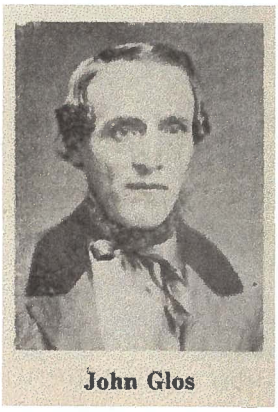
John Glos



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BIRTH 7 Sep 1812
Otterberg, Landkreis Kaiserslautern, Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany

DEATH 15 Aug 1885 (aged 72)
Saint Charles, Kane County, Illinois, USA

BURIAL North Cemetery
Saint Charles, Kane County, Illinois, USA

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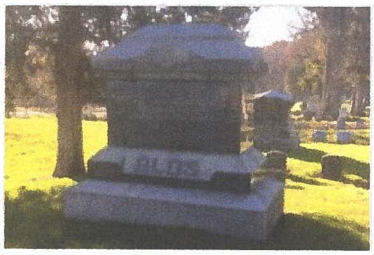
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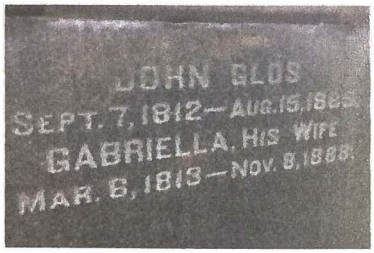

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John Glos, son of Johannes Glos & Eva Margarethe Wenz, was born in the city of Otterberg in a region known at that time as the Rhenish Bayern in the west of Bavaria. (After WWI a new order of regions & boundaries was established & Otterberg now falls in the Rhineland Palatinate).

In 1832 John, the first of his family to immigrate, came over to America, arriving in Boston. Though a cabinetmaker by trade, he established a school there where he taught the German language for several years. While in Boston he met fellow German immigrant, Gabriella Mannert, to whom he was married on August 16th, 1835. The couple's first child, Adam Mannert Glos, was born there nine months later.

Not too long after the birth of their son, John headed west to Illinois on a visit to apprise the prospects, arriving in Kane County in 1836. Still in its earliest days of settlement (the very first claims had only been staked in 1834), he purchased a large plot of prairie land southwest of what would later

become St Charles. In 1838, John exchanged it for farmland just east of the fledgling town (which in those days was known as Charleston). The farm, in an area known as Round Grove, straddled the borders of Kane & DuPage Counties: half situated in St Charles Township & half in Wayne Township.

In 1836 John's parents & siblings also immigrated to the US and lived in Boston for a year before striking west. They settled a bit further east of St Charles in Elmhurst, IL.

Biographical information about John. makes little mention about his wife or infant son in those early days- they may have made the journey west with John's parents in 1837. Daughter Amelia was born here in 1840 & the couple were to have five more children over the years: Charles, Henry, Henrietta, Louis & Frederick.

One of the earliest German settlers in the area, John played a role in the naming of the city. Upon discovering that Charleston had been previously claimed as a name elsewhere in Illinois, the city founders debated renaming the city Ithaca. John pointed out that no German settler would ever be able to pronounce the "th" & so Ithaca was scrapped and St Charles was chosen instead.

Though John had a farm (later run by his sons), he pursued his original profession & became a prominent cabinetmaker in the area. He also took an active civic role in the community & was twice elected as the Circuit Clerk & County Recorder for DuPage County, serving from 1856-59 and again from 1868-76.

In 1874 John made a return visit to Germany. Upon his

return, he & his wife retired to St Charles where they spent their final years.

Family Members

Parents

Johannes Glos
1788–1881

Margaretha *Wenz* Glos
1791–1863

Spouse

Gabriella *Mannert* Glos
1813–1888 (m. 1835)

Siblings

Anna Maria *Glos* Fippenger
1815–1890

Madelena *Glos* Langguth
1818–1879

Margaret Eva *Glos* Weber
1821–1875

Adam Glos
1823–1907

Jacob J Glos
1826–1875

George Glos
1830–1903

Charlotte *Glos* Essig
1840–1897

Children

Adam Mannert Glos
1836–1926

Amelia M *Glos* Berning
1840–1916

Charles August Glos
1842–1923

Henry Alfred Glos
1849–1928

Henrietta A Glos
1851–1927

Louis Glos
1854–1934

Frederick Glos
1856–1928

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ARCHITECTURAL SURVEY
ST. CHARLES CENTRAL DISTRICT
ST. CHARLES, ILLINOIS

ST. CHARLES HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

DIXON ASSOCIATES / ARCHITECTS

ARCHITECTURAL INTEGRITY

	1	2	3
☒ Unaltered	☐	☐	☐
☐ Minor Alteration	☐	☐	☐
☐ Major Alteration	☐	☐	☐
☐ Additions	☐	☐	☐
Sensitive to original	☐	☐	☐
Insensitive to original	☐	☐	☐

1: first floor; 2: upper floors; 3: roof/cornice

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

☒ **Significant**

☐ **Contributing**

☐ **Non-Contributing**

BUILDING CONDITION

☒ **Excellent: Well-maintained**

☐ **Good: Minor maintenance needed**

☐ **Fair: Major repairs needed**

☐ **Poor: Deteriorated**

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

Style: Folk Victorian

Date of Construction: 1870

Source: St. Charles Historical Museum

Features:

Gable front and wing on two story wood clapboard sided structure. One story porch, classical heads at windows. Circle window at front gable.

Original wood shutters existed at time of 1994 photo.

ROLL NO. 11 **NEGATIVE NO. 4**

Address:
17 North 2nd Avenue

Representation in Existing Surveys:

☐ **Federal**

☐ **State**

☐ **County**

☒ **Local**

Block No. 41

Building No. 8

SURVEY DATE:
MAY 1994

REF. NO. 261

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CONTINUATION SHEET NO: 1

Address:
17 North 2nd Avenue

Remarks:
North Elevation.

ROLL NO. 11 **NEGATIVE NO. 5**

Block No. 41
Building No. 8

Address:

Remarks:

ROLL NO. **NEGATIVE NO.**

Block No.
Building No.

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