



# HISTORIC PROPERTY INFORMATION SHEET

## Rene L.A. Baillif House

Prepared by the Planning Division

Address: 10624 Humboldt Avenue South (PIN 2102724310003)

Year Built: Initial one room home moved to site in 1877 – large addition in 1889

Lot Size: 80,644 Square feet

Zoning/Guide Plan: R-1 -- Single Family Residential / Low Density Residential

Historic Designation: Class I Local

### HISTORY

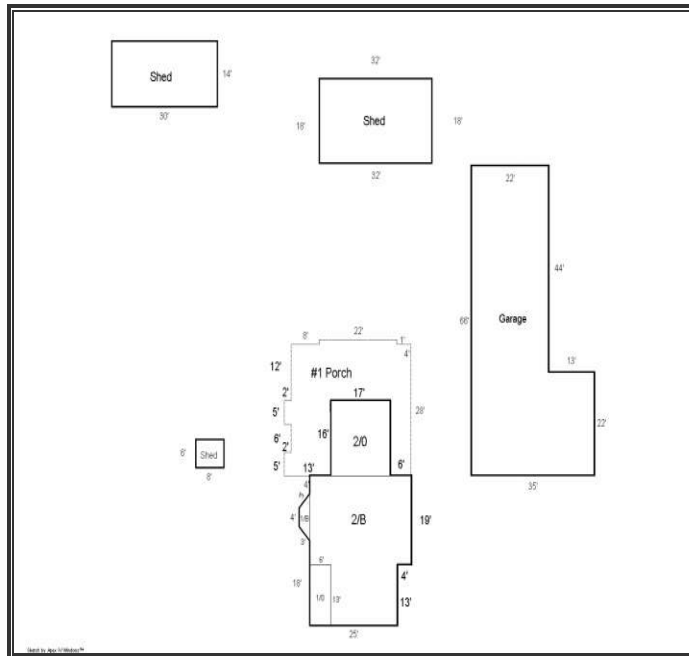
In 1869, Rene L.A. Baillif entered into a partnership with J.P. Bachelor to purchase approximately 280 acres in Section 28. In 1877, he bought out J.P. Bachelor's interest, acquired a one room dwelling and moved it to the existing site. At an unknown time, a second story room was added to the one room dwelling. In 1889, he added four rooms and a summer kitchen to the first floor, three rooms on the second floor and faced the entire structure in Shakopee Brick. The resulting two story T-shaped structure is an early example of the Queen Anne style made popular by plan books such as those published by Palliser and Palliser in 1887. Much of the wooden detailing and trim has disappeared, however, the massing and decorative brickwork remain.

NOTE: (The above information is extracted from the Miller Dunwiddie Community Survey of Historic sites completed in 1977.)

The current homeowners are Gregory and Katherine Fontaine. They purchased the home in 1996 and invested over \$100,000 on maintenance to preserve what was and continues to be aging structure. In the year 2000, the home was featured on the HGTV's "If walls could talk". The Fontaine's have continued to upgrade the home by recreating the original detailing and trim on the home.

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Snapshot from City of Bloomington GIS



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