

## ***The Kleinheinz Home - 301 South Cedar Avenue***

*In 1988, the Don and Vickie Schnitzler family moved into the house at 301 South Cedar Avenue. It had been the home of the Kleinheinz family for over 60 years, and while they were not the original owners or builders, we feel it is a fitting tribute to the three generations of that family who lived here to refer it as the Kleinheinz house.*

*The first house at this site was probably built by Eli Winch and Dr. H. A Lathrop. They purchased the lot during January 1884 and sold it later that year to E. M. Deming and his wife, Ella, for considerably more than they had paid for it. In a story about the 1887 Marshfield fire, Mrs. Deming wrote, "our home which was then where Mr. Kleinheinz now lives, on Third and Cedar." In March 1916, at her request a collection of articles written by four pioneer businessmen and four women, preserved some of the first hand accounts of the 1887 Marshfield fire. The Demings*

*sold their home at 301 South Cedar Avenue in February 1892 to the Peter "P. J." Kraus family.*

*They made this their home until the fall of 1899. On August 4, 1899, the Marshfield Times, reported that P. J. Kraus sold his residence at the corner of Third and Cedar Streets to Arza Sheriff, and that Sheriff moved the house to his lots on Vine Street in the Omaha addition. After selling the original house P. J. Kraus had a "fine modern dwelling" erected on the site vacated. Completed in January 1900, the*

*Kraus family moved into their new home on February 1st. P. J. and Anna Kraus sold their home at 301 South Cedar Avenue in February 1902 to George Reynolds. The Reynolds family sold their Cedar Avenue home to Everett Upham in 1910. After residing at this home three years, the Uphams sold the property to Anton and Anna Kleinheinz.*



*Anton and Anna Kleinheinz were the parents of seven children: Florence, Erhard, Adolph, Frank, Anthony, Hildegard and Norma. Anton died at age 60 on February 6, 1918 and his wife Anna died May 9, 1923.*

*Following the death of Mrs. Kleinheinz, a portion of the property was inherited by the six surviving children. Frank had died in 1920. Adolph then purchased his brothers and sisters interests in the house and he raised his family here. The outside appearance of the house most likely was changed while Adolph owned the home. The exterior clapboard was covered with Cedar shingle siding and the front porch was removed. Major changes were also made to the interior of the house by Mr. Kleinheinz. Sometime before 1944, the home was converted from a single to two-family dwelling. Dr. G. Stanley and Vi Custers were one of the early tenants of the upper unit.*

*Adolph Kleinheinz was born in Marshfield October 9, 1893 and spent his entire life in this city. He attended local schools and when he was 12, entered the employ of the First National Bank. He worked there for 26 years, attaining the position as cashier. Between 1932 and 1946, Adolph was associated with his brother, Erhard F. Kleinheinz in the Equitable Life Assurance Society, serving as field assistant.*

*On August 25, 1925, Adolph married Anna B. Roecklein at Hewitt. She was the daughter of John and Kunigunda (Loehr) Roecklein. Anna graduated with the first class of registered nurses from St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing. After her husband died, she returned to nursing and was employed by the Marshfield Clinic until her retirement. In April 1976, she married Walter J. "Prince" Koenig.*



*Adolph and Anna were the parents of six children, Mary Ann, Helen, Jane, John, Paul and Frank.*

*In August 1976, Anna Kleinheinz-Koenig sold the house to Ben and Donna Cooksey, who later sold it to the Schnitzlers. The home has been converted back to single-family dwelling and as time permits, the interior of the house is being renovated.*

*Submitted by Don & Vickie Schnitzler  
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***Historic Name:***

***Other Name:*** Donald H. and Vickie A. Schnitzler House

## **PROPERTY FEATURES**

***Year Built:*** 1891

***Additions:*** 1904

***Survey Date:*** 1993

***Historic Use:*** house

***Architectural Style:*** Queen Anne

***Property Type:*** Building

***Structural System:***

***Wall Material:*** Wood Shingle

***Architect:***

***Other Buildings On Site:*** 0

***Demolished?:*** No

***Demolished Date:***



## **DESIGNATIONS**

***National/State Register Listing Name:*** Pleasant Hill Residential Historic District

***National Register Listing Date:*** 2000-07-05

***State Register Listing Date:*** 2000-01-21

***National Register Multiple Property Name:***

See additional Historic District Information at <http://preview.wisconsinhistory.org/Content.aspx?dsNav=Nrc:id-4294966367%7cid-5,N:4294963828-4294963814&dsNavOnly=N:4294966362&dsRecordDetails=R:HI28271>

*Also see The Kleinheinz Store story & photos*

*Also see Mrs. Ella Deming's Fire Story and photo of Marshfield after fire*

*Also see the story on P.J. Krause Home on 5th Street (coming soon)*

*Also see the story on P.J. Krause' Store (coming soon)*



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