

Wisconsin Historical Society: The Albert and Ellen Neufeld house listed in National Register of Historic Places

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Allouez, Wis. – The Wisconsin Historical Society has announced the listing of the Albert and Ellen Neufeld House in Allouez, Brown County, in the National Register of Historic Places. National Register designation provides access to certain benefits, including qualification for grants and for rehabilitation income tax credits, while it does not restrict private property owners in the use of their property.

Albert C. Neufeld was a prominent lumber merchant and investor and his wife, Ellen Hogan Neufeld's family was also involved the lumber business in Northern Michigan and paper product manufacturing in Neenah, Wisconsin. The Neufeld House, constructed in 1941, is an exceptional example of the Georgian Revival style in Allouez. The house was designed by Clarence Jahn, with an interior designed by Albert Ebner and grounds designed by Lowell Hansen. Clarence Jahn was a partner in the prominent Green Bay architecture firm of Foeller, Schober, Berners, Safford & Jahn. The Georgian Revival style of the house is characterized by its prominent curved two-story entrance portico, flanking wings, Classically ornamented door surround with a broken pediment, dentils and engaged columns, its graceful, elliptical fanlight over the door, and other classical ornaments at the cornice. The home is also distinguished by its remarkable, designed interior, having sweeping views from one end of the house to the other, an ornate entrance hall, and richly

decorated rooms having elaborate fireplaces, scenic paintings, and wood and plaster finishes. Further, complementing the home is a designed landscape and mature gardens, designed with planting beds close to the house, and naturalistic wooded areas further away. The high level of exterior, interior, and landscape design combine to create a home of distinction.

The register is the official national list of historic properties in America deemed worthy of preservation and is maintained by the National Park Service in the U.S. Department of the Interior. The Wisconsin Historical Society administers the program within Wisconsin. It includes sites, buildings, structures, objects and districts that are significant in national, state or local history, architecture, archaeology, engineering or culture.

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