The Register of Historic Kansas Places includes all Kansas properties nominated to the National Register as well as lower threshold properties which are listed on the state register only.

Property Name: D.D. Ikenberry Building

Address: 327 Main Street, Quinter, KS 67752

Legal:

County: Gove

Owner: Quinter Historical Society

Address: P.O. Box 118, Quinter, KS 67752

National Register eligible ______

State Register eligible __X__

This property was approved by the Kansas Historic Sites Board of Review for the Register of Historic Kansas Places on August 27, 2005.

I hereby certify that this property is listed on the Register of Historic Kansas Places.

Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer 9/7/05

Date

9/95
Register of Historic Kansas Places
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating individual properties and districts. The format is similar to the National Register of Historic Places form. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets. Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

   Historic name  D.D. Ikenberry Building
   Other name/site number  063-4620-0004

2. Location

   Street & number  327 Main
   City or town  Quinter
   State  Kansas  Code KS  County Gove  Code 063  Zip code 67752
   ☐ not for publication  ☐ vicinity

3., 4. Certification

   I hereby certify that this property is listed in the Register of Historic Kansas Places.

   ________________________________  9/17/05
   Signature of certifying official>Title
   Date

5. Classification

   Ownership of Property
   (Check as many boxes as apply)
   ☑ private
   ☐ public-local
   ☐ public-State
   ☐ public-Federal

   Category of Property
   (Check only one box)
   ☑ building(s)
   ☐ district
   ☐ site
   ☐ structure
   ☐ object

   Number of Resources within Property
   (Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)
   Contributing  Noncontributing
   buildings
   sites
   structures
   objects
   1  total
   Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register
   N/A

6. Function or Use

   Historic Functions
   (Enter Categories from instructions)
   Commerce/Trade: department store

   Current Functions
   (Enter categories from instructions)
   Social: meeting hall
7. Description

Architectural Classification
(Enter categories from instructions)

Commercial Style

Materials
(Enter categories from instructions)

Foundation: concrete
Walls: brick

Roof: asphalt
Other:

Narrative Description
(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable Criteria
(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for the State Register)

☐ A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history

☐ B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.

☐ C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.

☐ D Property has yielded, or likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations
(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

☐ A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.

☐ B removed from its original location.

☐ C a birthplace or grave.

☐ D a cemetery.

☐ E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.

☐ F a commemorative property.

☐ G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years

Areas of Significance
(Enter categories from instructions)

Commerce

Architecture

Period of Significance
1908-1955

Significant Dates
1908

Significant Person
(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)
N/A

Cultural Affiliation
N/A

Architect/Builder
Unknown
9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography
(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):
☐ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 57) has been requested
☐ previously listed in the National Register
☐ previously determined eligible by the National Register
☐ designated a National Historic Landmark
☐ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey
# __________
☐ recorded by Historic American Engineering

Record # __________

Primary location of additional data:
☐ State Historic Preservation Office
☐ Other State agency
☐ Federal agency
☐ Local government
☐ University
☐ Other

Name of repository:
Topeka and Shawnee County Public Library

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property
Less than one acre

UTM References
(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

1 1 4 3 9 2 3 0 0 4 3 2 4 9 0 0
Zone Easting Northing

3 4

☐ See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description
(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification
(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

Name/title
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Organization
Date
October, 2004

Street & number
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City or town
Quinter
State
KS
Zip code
67752-0356

Property Owner

Name
Quinter Historical Society

Street & number
P.O. Box 118

City or town
Quinter
State
KS
Zip code
67752
DESCRIPTION

Summary

Constructed in 1908, the D.D. Ikenberry Building is located at 327 Main Street in Quinter, Kansas (pop. 958). Measuring 25' by 45', the D.D. Ikenberry Building is a two-story brick commercial building resting upon a basement and covered by a sloping flat roof behind a parapet. The brick walls are four bricks in thickness. There are three brick chimneys. In 1973, a 34', corrugated metal-covered, one-story addition was built onto the rear elevation.

Elaboration

The front, or eastern, elevation consists of four first-floor bays with the recessed entrance bay offset from center to the north. The original wood entrance door was replaced during the period, 1967-1972, with an aluminum-frame door with transom and one sidelight (to the south). The entrance bay is outlined by two ornate cast-iron pilasters that support a steel beam lintel dividing the first and second stories. A third pilaster defines the southern end of the façade. The entrance bay is capped by a non-recessed, large single-pane transom. The two bays flanking the entrance feature short wood bulkheads, large single-pane storefront windows, and large single-pane transom windows. The fourth bay consists of a single-leaf entry to the second story with a small transom window in line with the others. The current door is a modern, nine-pane glazed steel door that was installed in 1994.

The brick second story is outlined by decorative alternating brickwork above the lintel, along the sides and forming a stringcourse above the three windows. The cornice is adorned by sawtooth brick corbelling. The three windows are likewise outlined with the decorative alternating brickwork and are capped by projecting segmental brick arches. The original one-over-one wood windows have been replaced with modern two-over-two (with horizontal muntins) units that are much narrower than the window opening.

The rear elevation consists of the one-story metal-covered addition with a single-leaf entrance, two short one-over-one windows on the mezzanine level, a single-leaf entrance on the mezzanine level, and two short one-over-one windows on the second floor. The entrance, which contains a historic 3-pane glazed wood door, currently allows access to the roof of the one-story addition but originally was accessed by an exterior staircase. A portion of the second story is exposed on the southern elevation and is fenestrated by an identical one-over-one window. All openings have conventional brick segmental-arched lintels.

The first floor interior consists of a large room with the original white pine flooring that has been refinished and a decorative metal ceiling and cornice that has been repaired and painted white. A small room (14’ by 25’) is located to the rear contains access to the unfinished, dirt floor basement. The second floor mezzanine level is directly above and identical is size to the back room. Stairs connected
these rooms at one time, but were removed during the Bogert ownership due to their deteriorated and unsafe condition.

The second floor, which is accessed from the exterior of the front elevation, has a hallway on the south side of the entire length of the building and descends six steps to the level of the mezzanine on the western end. There are six rooms on the second floor and, while in deteriorated condition with much of the original plaster gone, are largely intact. They feature varnished wood baseboards, door and window casings, four-paneled wood doors, and decorative metal ceilings. Historically, the three rooms in the front were rented as an apartment, and the other rooms rented as single rooms. The second-story room above the mezzanine has been modernized into an apartment. Due to deterioration, the metal ceiling could not be saved, and sheetrock was installed. Likewise, the crumbling plaster was removed, and the brick walls re-pointed and sealed.
STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Summary

The D.D. Ikenberry Building is being nominated to the Register of Historic Kansas Places under Criterion A for its association with the early commercial development of Quinter and under Criterion C for its depiction of a two-part commercial building with an intact first-story storefront and distinctive decorative brickwork. The building is not eligible at this time for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places due to the altered second-story windows on the front elevation. If the non-historic windows are replaced with one-over-one, wood sash windows that match the originals, the building would most likely be eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

History

When D.D. Ikenberry moved to Quinter in 1900, he managed a hotel and livery stable. Later he went into partnership with N.C. Lewis, who had a mercantile store, which Ikenberry bought and named “The Big Store.” When the subject property was completed in 1908, Ikenberry moved the merchandise and the name to the new building.

The D.D. Ikenberry Building was completed and open for business on Monday, May 4, 1908. The business was advertised as carrying general merchandise, dry goods, notions, millinery, hats, caps, shoes, and groceries. He also bought produce.

Ikenberry was a member of the Quinter Church of the Bretheren, holding the office of deacon. He was also treasurer of the Board of Education of the Quinter schools. The success of the community and the people in it were of paramount concern to Ikenberry. When construction began on the building at 327 Main, The Grainfield Advocate printed an article in the September 21, 1907 issue titled “Quinter’s New Brick Store.” The following was printed at the bottom of the article: “Mr. Ikenberry states his intention of putting up a building that will be of use to others when he is through with it.”

Because of poor health, Ikenberry sold the inventory in his store and rented the building to the Wurst brothers, Ed and Otto, in March 14, 1911. In 1917, the First National Bank was established and temporarily located in the D.D. Ikenberry Building.

On October 19, 1920, D.D. Ikenberry sold the building to N.C. Lewis. Lewis continued to operate a mercantile store, until he sold the building to Hobart Haney on June 14, 1944. Lewis was the first owner to make changes to the interior of the building. He closed off the mezzanine and the stairs to it. This was referred to in a newspaper item as the balcony, and was done to save heating expense. Haney and his brother, Homer, initially established a John Deere implement business in the building. They later moved the implement business, but retained ownership of the building for twenty-three years. Howard Oches rented the building for use as a beer parlor from 1960–1962. On January 7, 1967, Haney deeded the building to Wayne Rhoades, who utilized the building for his window company.
Several owners later, Maurine Bogert purchased the D.D. Ikenberry Building on January 22, 1993 and began restoring the deteriorated building. Maurine lived in the upper level apartment from 1994 to 2002. The building has recently been acquired by the Quinter Historical Society.
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The Gove County Register of Deeds, Gove, Kansas.
Verbal Boundary Description

Lot 15, Block 18, Tract 2, City of Quinter

Boundary Justification

This boundary includes all of the property historically associated with this resource.