

Historic buildings outlast new construction.

Life expectancy for many new buildings is 30-40 years, less than the life of the average restored or rehabbed building.



DAVID & TASHA JONES' home, designed by Sioux Falls architect Harold Spitznagel, was built in 1948 and was featured in 1952 in *Better Homes & Gardens* for its revolutionary design utilizing radiant heating, open floor plan, built-in storage and custom-built furniture.

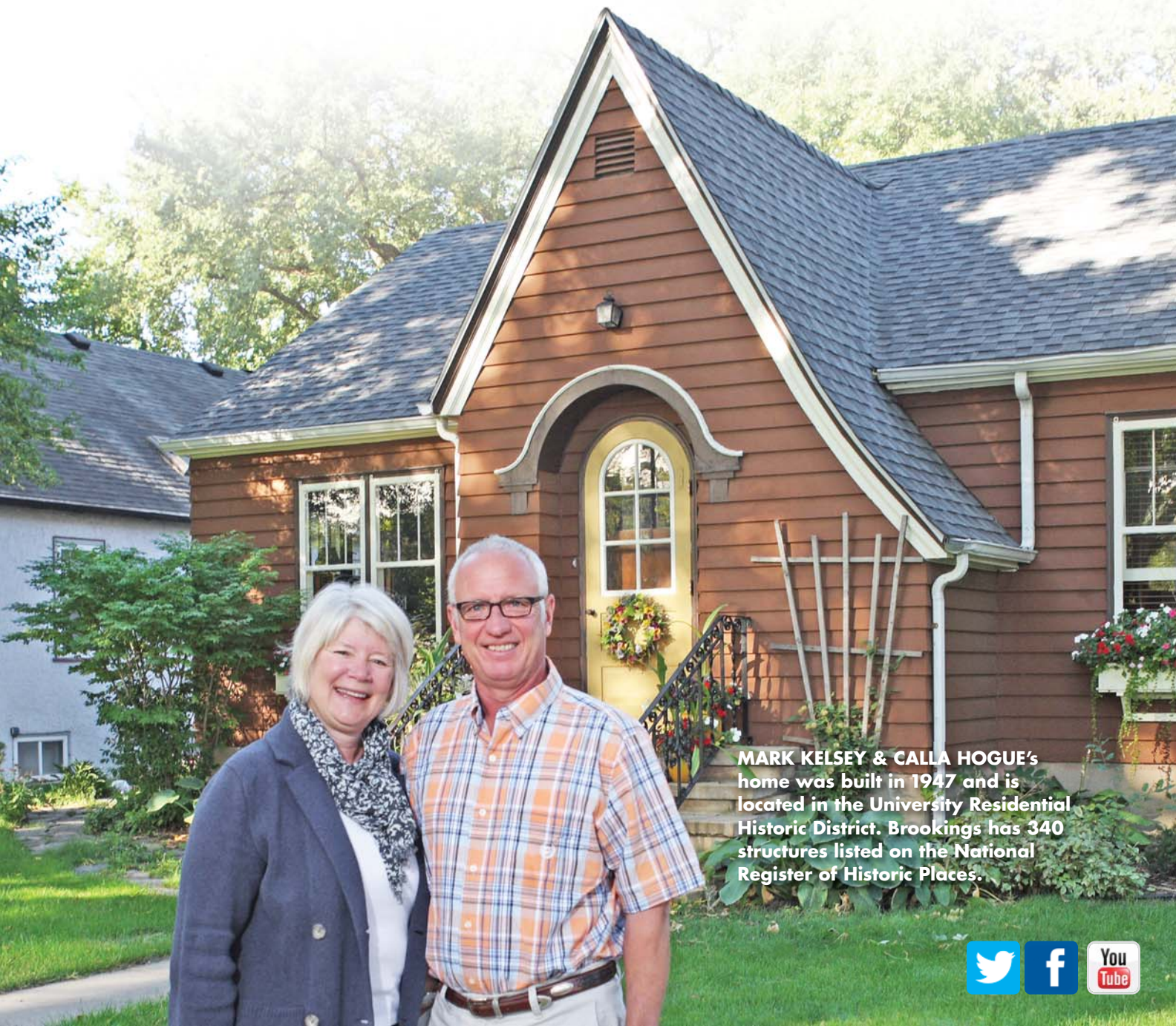


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The greenest building is the one already built!

Tearing down one small home in your neighborhood wipes out the entire environmental benefit of recycling 1,344,000 aluminum cans.



MARK KELSEY & CALLA HOGUE's home was built in 1947 and is located in the University Residential Historic District. Brookings has 340 structures listed on the National Register of Historic Places.



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Single Stream Recycling Started in Brookings in 2008.

72% of Brookings households belong to the “in crowd.” That’s the “toss-it-in-the-recycle-bin” crowd. You can be part, too. It’s easy.

MAYOR TIM REED
has checked it out and
knows that being part
of the “in crowd” can
make a difference.



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Waste not, want not.

Reduce. Reuse. Recycle.



PENNY HAUFFE manages the Habitat for Humanity's ReStore, where you can find the perfect item to help you restore or remodel your home and where you can donate what will be the perfect item for someone else's home, too.



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Paper or Plastic? No thanks, I brought reusable bags!

CURT OSMANSKI,
manager of Brookings
Hy-Vee, which gives
a 5¢ credit for using
reusable bags and also
offers public recycling
of plastic bags.



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Smart companies utilize Smart Energy.

**Bel Brands USA's objective is
to be a Zero Waste Facility.**

How much waste do you produce?

FRANCINE MOUDRY
oversees construction
of Bel Brand USA's
multi-million dollar
cheese making facility
in Brookings.



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Trash becomes treasure.

Who knew a repurposed landfill
could be so much fun?



PETE COLSON,
Brookings Parks and
Recreation director,
cross country skiing
at what had been the
city landfill site.



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A fresh picked, garden-grown carrot. Need we say more?



JACK, the SDSU Jackrabbit mascot, finds his favorite vegetable at the Downtown Brookings Farmers Market.



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Community.

Social sustainability supports current and future generations in creating healthy and livable communities – diverse, connected, and democratic – that provide a good quality of life.



MAYOR'S RIDE & WALK



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Easy peasy.

Saving electricity with energy-efficient appliances and light bulbs extends the lifetime of power plants. Right now nearly 50% of the electricity used to power your home in Brookings comes from renewable sources — more than 4 times higher than the national average for renewable sources.

Source: www.eia.gov and Brookings Municipal Utilities General Manager Steve Meyer.



STEVE MEYER, Executive Vice President and General Manager of Brookings Municipal Utilities, holds energy-efficient fluorescent lightbulbs that are one of the easiest ways to save electricity.



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