

EDWARD B. AND MARTHA MEYER SCHOENEGER HOUSE, GARAGE  
8047 Floral Avenue  
Skokie  
Cook County  
Illinois

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WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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**Location:** The Edward B. and Martha Meyer Schoeneberger House, Garage is located at 8047 Floral Avenue, Skokie, Niles Township, Cook County, Illinois. The Garage faces west towards the rear of the house at the northeast corner of the property.

The Edward B. and Martha Meyer Schoeneberger House, Garage is located at latitude: 42.027770, longitude: -87.755411. This coordinate at the northwest corner of the garage was taken from Google Earth on October 31, 2021.

**Significance:** The Edward B. and Martha Meyer Schoeneberger House, Garage is an excellent example of a Georgian Revival outbuilding of the 1920s, as influenced by the Arts & Crafts style of the period. Designed and built concurrently with the House, it is an important element of the significance of the Schoeneberger property.

**Description:** Stylistically, the Edward B. and Martha Meyer Schoeneberger Garage replicates the design of the main house. The single-story building is rectangular in form and measures 24' wide x 22' deep. It rests on a poured concrete slab. Walls are 12" thick and composed of common brick, covered with deep red face brick with a vertical wire-scratched surface matching that of the House. The face brick is laid in stretcher bond with ¼" joints filled with white mortar. The stretcher bond is randomly interspersed with partial-width bricks. The masonry walls contain a wood-frame roof structure. The roof is configured as a side gable topped by parapets matching those of the House. The roof is covered in original terra cotta Ludowici Imperial French tiles in their Brookville Green glaze, also matching that of the house.

The Garage is accessed by two single-car width, modern steel overhead garage doors in a three-by-four panel design, divided into four sections. The doors are framed by white-painted aluminum-faced jambs. The south window is a modern three-over-one double-hung vinyl sash. Its opening is topped by a flat brick arch with a limestone keystone. The eastern window of the garage has been bricked over. The window in the center of the north wall is identical to that on the south.

Internally, the Garage is a single open space with a ceiling of wallboard separating the main garage space below from an open storage area above. The

ceiling is ringed by a course of historic crown molding. The storage area above is accessed via an opening in the ceiling.

**History:** The Garage was constructed concurrently with the House in 1926. Refer to HABS IL-1278 for more in-depth history of the property.

**Historian:** Andrew J. Elders, Architectural Historian. Independent contractor.  
The completion date of this report is April 1, 2022.

**Project**

**Information:** Those involved in preparing the documentation for this report include Andrew J. Elders and Susan S. Benjamin, of Benjamin Historic Certifications, LLC.

**Appendix I – Supporting Images**



Garage, looking southeast



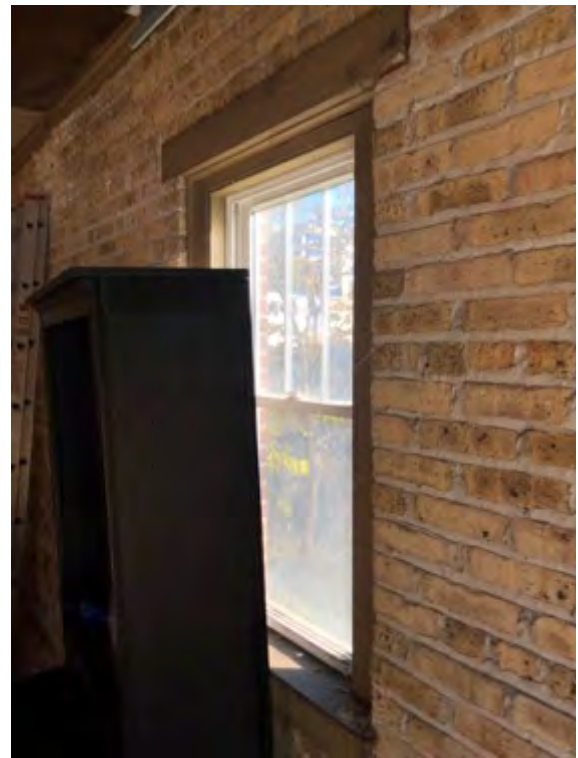
Garage, looking southwest from alley showing bricked-in east window



Garage interior, looking northwest



Garage floor



Garage south wall, showing common brick construction, wood window header, and crown molding

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Leslie Schwartz, Photographer, September 2021

IL-1278-A-1 General view of front (west) façade of garage.

