

Jennifer

I think the language is fine,

However, I want to make a friendly amendment and explain why:

[2418 Otis St SE](#)

[1940](#)

*[This Tudor Cottage](#) was built for the working-class citizen. Reminiscent of a Hansel and Gretel story-book setting, the minimal traditional architecture includes key original elements of an arched covered stoop and prominent brick chimney with an inset decorative brick arch.*

Why the Hansel and Gretel reference? On the surface “ storybook setting “ should be sufficient, but ,I had a hidden agenda, so to speak..

Let me explain.

We have lived here 33 years next summer, not quite half the life of the house but close. With our new addition we plan to live here another 20 years, God willing.

When our kids were very young, a puppy showed up at our house. She was wearing a brand-new red collar. We did not encourage her, but after a few nights of her sleeping on our porch, we gave in. She became our dog. She figured out that Marianne was the alpha being in our house and attached herself to her. Marianne named her Gretel.

Marianne is not a dog person, but after a few months, she relented and accepted Gretel’s love. Now mind you, I did all of the grooming etc., but it was Marianne whom she loved most.

Gretel also became the mascot of Otis St. She would make the rounds. Treats were usually found at different neighborhood homes.

Towards the end of her life, Gretel threw a party for all the dogs on the street. The menu included hot dogs and tofu dogs, and for music a mix tape that started with “who let the dogs out”?

Gretel was our trusted dog who watched after our kids. She died the year we became empty nesters.

So that is our story. And I will most likely frame the picture below with the above story and hide it in our attic for some future owner of [2418 Otis St SE](#) to discover- So what do you think?



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