A decorative border with ornate floral and scrollwork designs in each corner, framing the central text.

*This book is dedicated
in loving memory of
my father,*

Roy G. Firestone

1897-1970

*A prominent architect in the
Akron area for 45 years.*

*Special thanks to Jim Pahlau
whose knowledge and
admiration for my father's work
made this project possible.*

MERRIMAN ROAD

305 Merriman Road

This home is a Tudor Revival style with a slate roof.

It was built for
Mr. Martin D. Kuhlke in

1924.

The picture on the top left
was taken in the 1920's and
the one below it was taken in

1999.



RESIDENCE OF MR. M. D. KUHKE, AKRON, OHIO



340 Merriman Road

The three pictures on this page are of the same house. The home is a Tudor Revival style built in 1924 for a Mr. Frank Fenton. The entrance is at the side of the house and has a very dramatic front door as you can see in the one picture. This house was featured on the Stan Hywet Gracious Living Tour in 1995. The present owner is an architect by the name of Mark Oplinger.





RESIDENCE OF MR. J. AUBREY HILDEBRAND, AKRON, OHIO

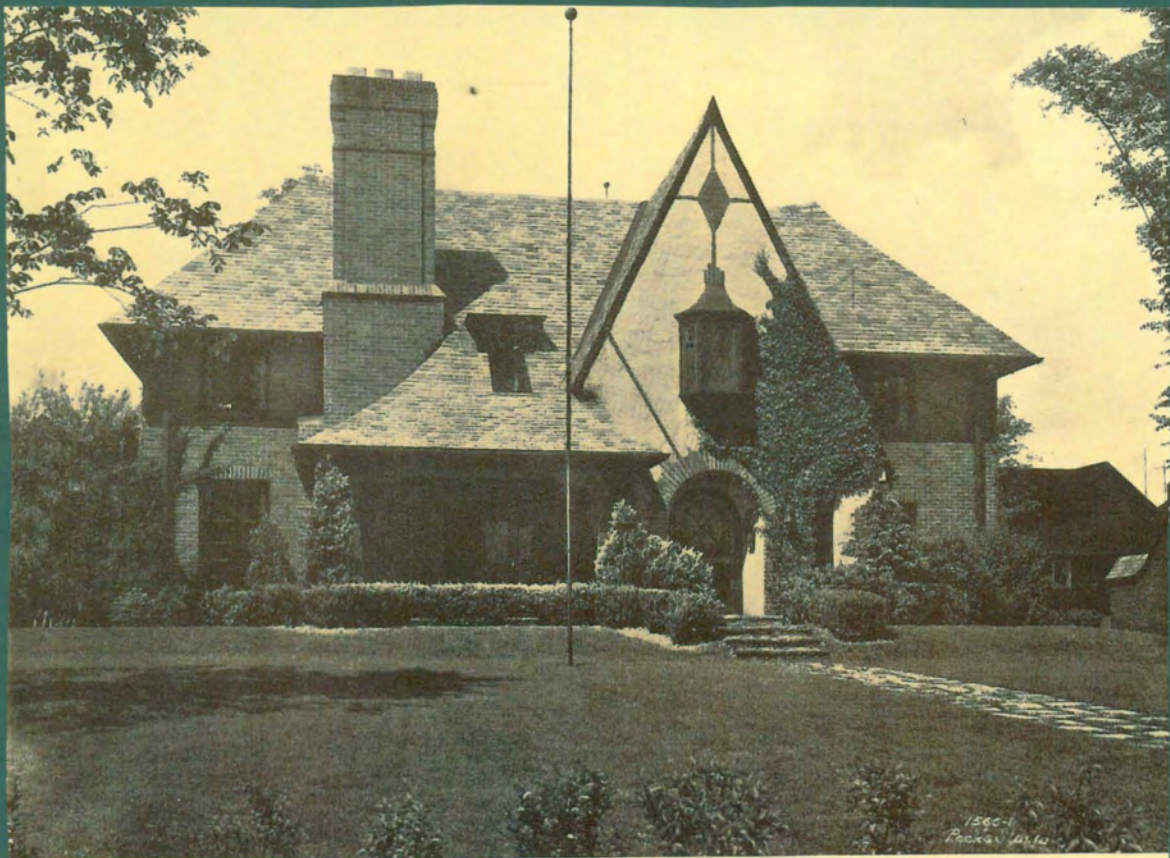
376 Merriman Road
This Tudor Revival home was built in 1924 for a Mr. J. Aubrey Hildebrand. The top picture was taken in the 1920's. The picture below was taken in 1999.



390 Merriman Road

This home is a Tudor Revival style and was built in 1925 for a Mr. David Metzler. The home was featured on the Stan Hywet Gracious Living Tour in 1994.





RESIDENCE OF MR. C. O. NORTH, AKRON, OHIO

384 Merriman Road

This Tudor Revival style home was built in 1924 for a Mr. C. Olin North. The picture on the top was taken in the 1920's and the one below was taken in 1999.



407 Merriman Road

This Tudor Revival style home was built in 1927 for a Mr. Samuel B. Guren.





620 Merriman Road

This lovely home was built for Mr. Harvey H. Hollinger in 1954. It is Georgian Revival Regency Mode architecture. The house was on the Stan Hywet Tour of Gracious Living in 1988. The house was listed for sale at \$498,000 in 1999.

644 Merriman Road

This home is Georgian Revival architecture and was built in 1942 for Mr. J. Gordon Gaines. It was nicknamed "My Old Kentucky Home". The secret stairway was turned into an elevator when Mr. Gaines became elderly. He lived to the age of 94.



895 Merriman Road

This is Tudor Revival architecture. The home was built for Mr. John A. Rishel in 1926.





724 Merriman
Road

This home is
Tudor Revival
architecture. It
was built in 1929
for Mr. Earl R.
Light.

754 Merriman
Road

This home was
built for Mr.
Thomas W. Smith
in 1936.
The architecture is
Georgian Revival.



766 Merriman Road

This home was built
in 1924 for Mr. Earl
R. Shiers.
The wood siding was
originally brown. The
home probably did
not have shutters on
the second floor
window.





RESIDENCE OF MR. R. K. CRAWFORD, AKRON, OHIO

785 Merriman Road

This was the home of Mr. R. K. Crawford. It is Tudor Revival style and was built in 1929. The home was on the Stan Hywet Tour of Gracious Living in 1997.

The photo on the top was taken in the 1920's.

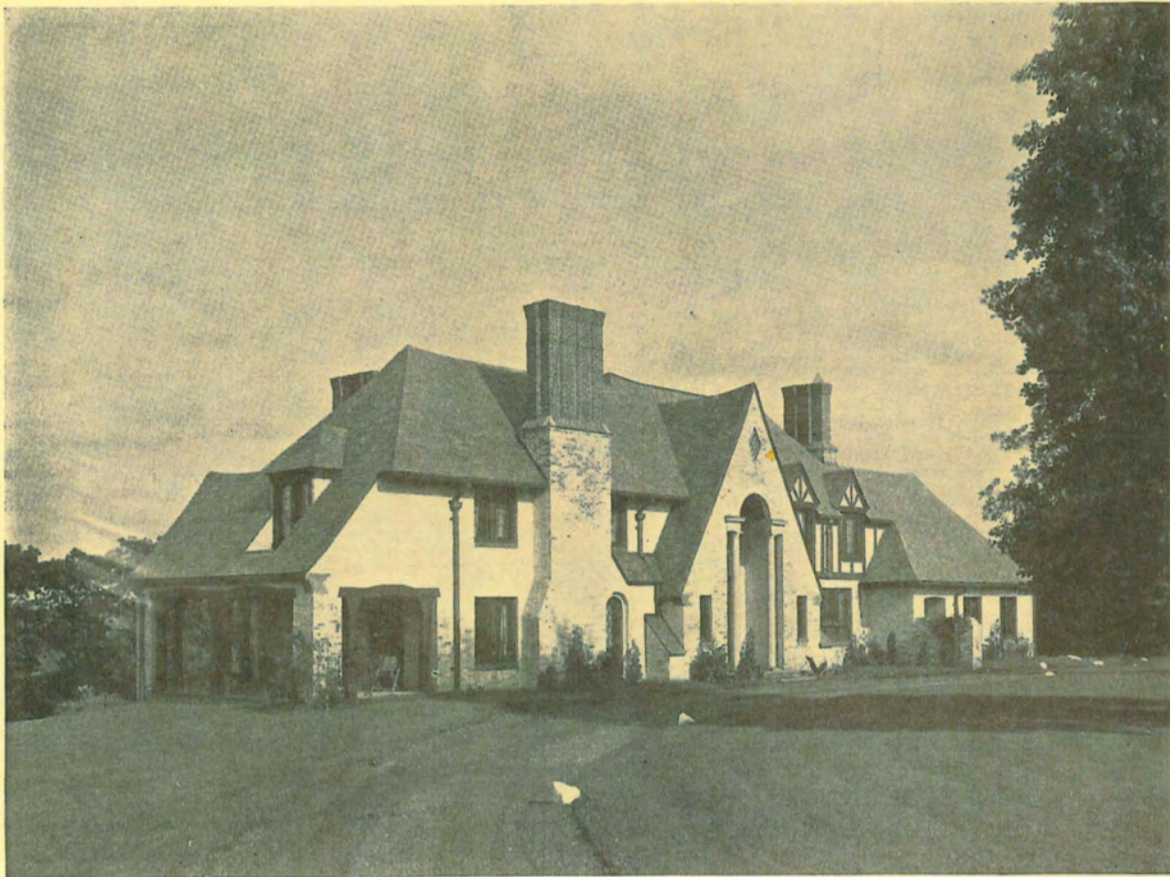
The photo below was taken in 1999.



810 Merriman Road

This Tudor Revival home was built in 1927 for a Dr. John Hassenflue. It has an upstairs Den with a fireplace and all arched doorways.





RESIDENCE OF MR. DONFRED GARDNER, AKRON, OHIO

841 Merriman
Road

To the left is a photo taken in the 1920's of the residence of Mr. Donfred Gardner. It is a Tudor Revival built in 1926-27. Della Wilcox commissioned Roy Firestone to design this one for her daughter and son-in-law, the Gardners.



The photo to the left was taken in 1999 of the Donfred Gardner residence.

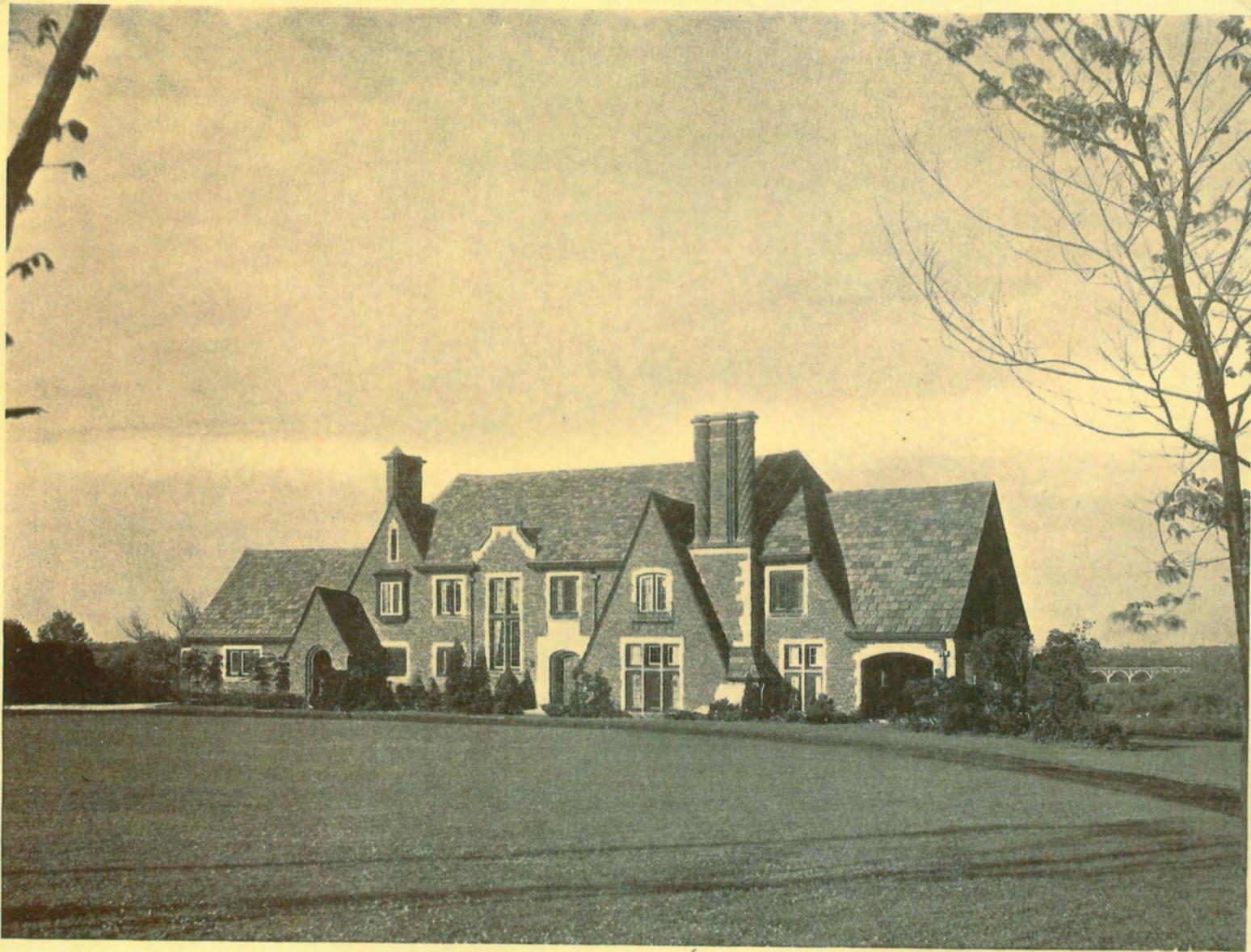
828 Merriman
Road

The home on the right was built for Mr. Herman Groeneveld in 1928. It is a Tudor Revival style of architecture.



871 Merriman Road

Below is the residence of Mrs. Della Wilcox. The architecture is Tudor Revival and was built in 1926-27. The original cost of the home was \$55,000. The photo on the top was taken in 1928 with the High Level Bridge seen in the distance. The bridge no longer exists. The photo below was taken in 1999.

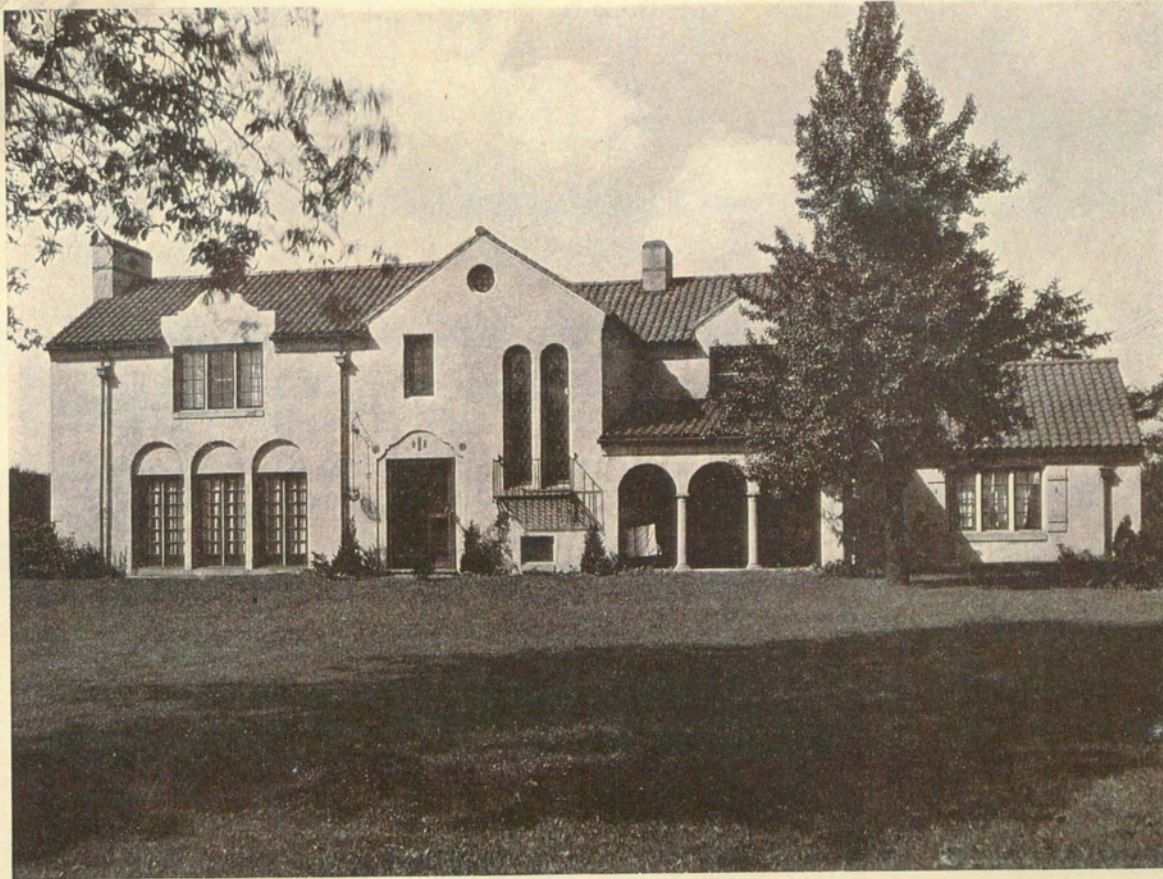


RESIDENCE OF MRS. DELLA WILCOX, AKRON, OHIO



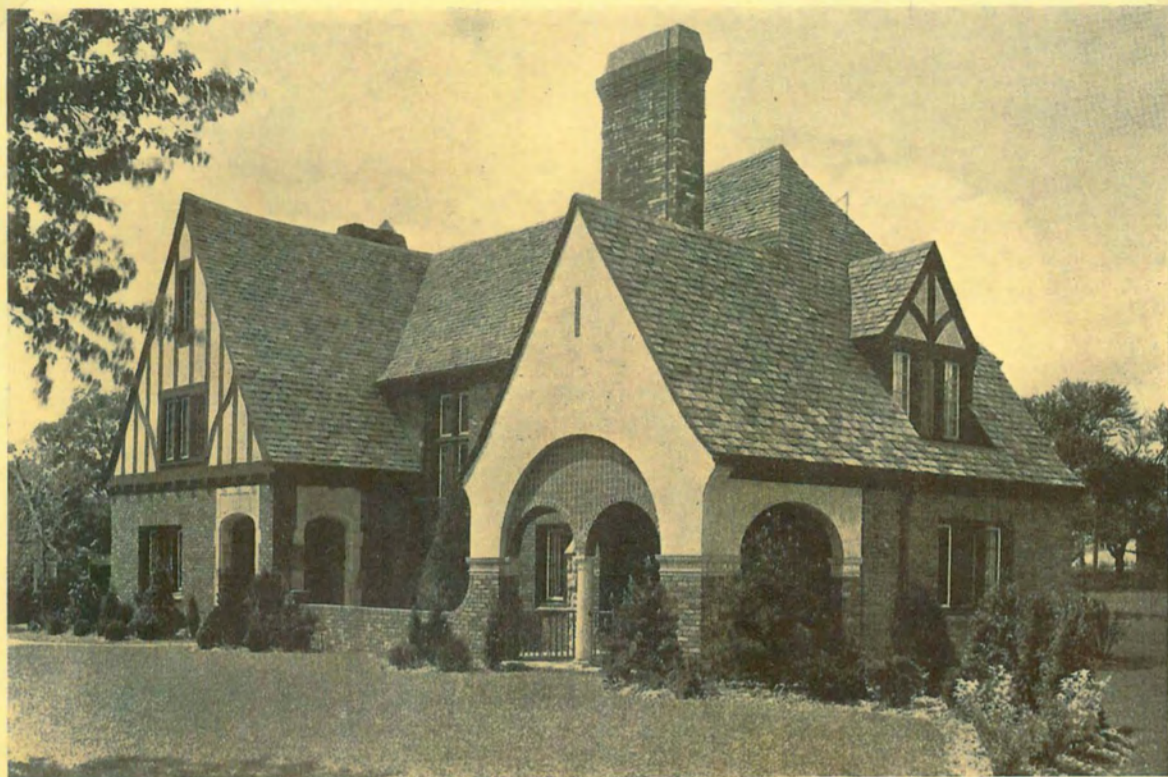
844 Merriman Road

This Spanish Colonial Revival residence was built for Dr. Charles L. Baskin in 1925. The two photos were taken in 1928 and 1999.



RESIDENCE OF DR. C. L. BASKIN, AKRON, OHIO





RESIDENCE OF MR. WILLIAM WILLIAMS, AKRON, OHIO

960 Merriman
Road

This was a beautiful Tudor Revival home built for Mr. William Williams in 1928. It is vacant, poorly maintained and overgrown as you can see in the 1999 photo.

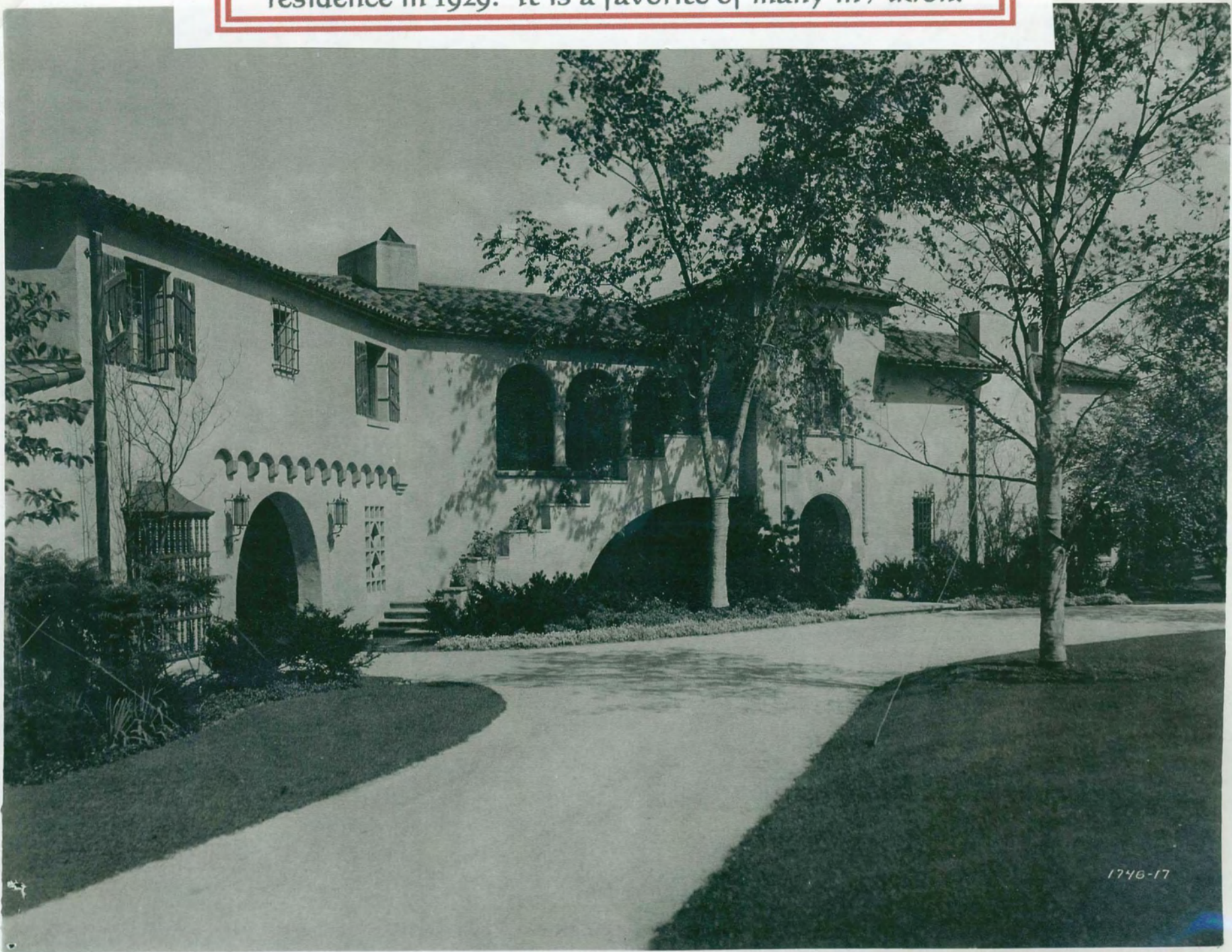


1050 Merriman Road

The home in the photo below was built for Mr. Allen G. Simmons in 1928. It is Tudor Revival style with a slate roof. A magnificent home!



985 Merriman Road
Mr. James Robertson built this Spanish Revival
residence in 1929. It is a favorite of many in Akron.



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JAMES G. ROBERTSON RES.

PECK'S STUDIO AKRON, OHIO
ROY G. FIRESTONE.



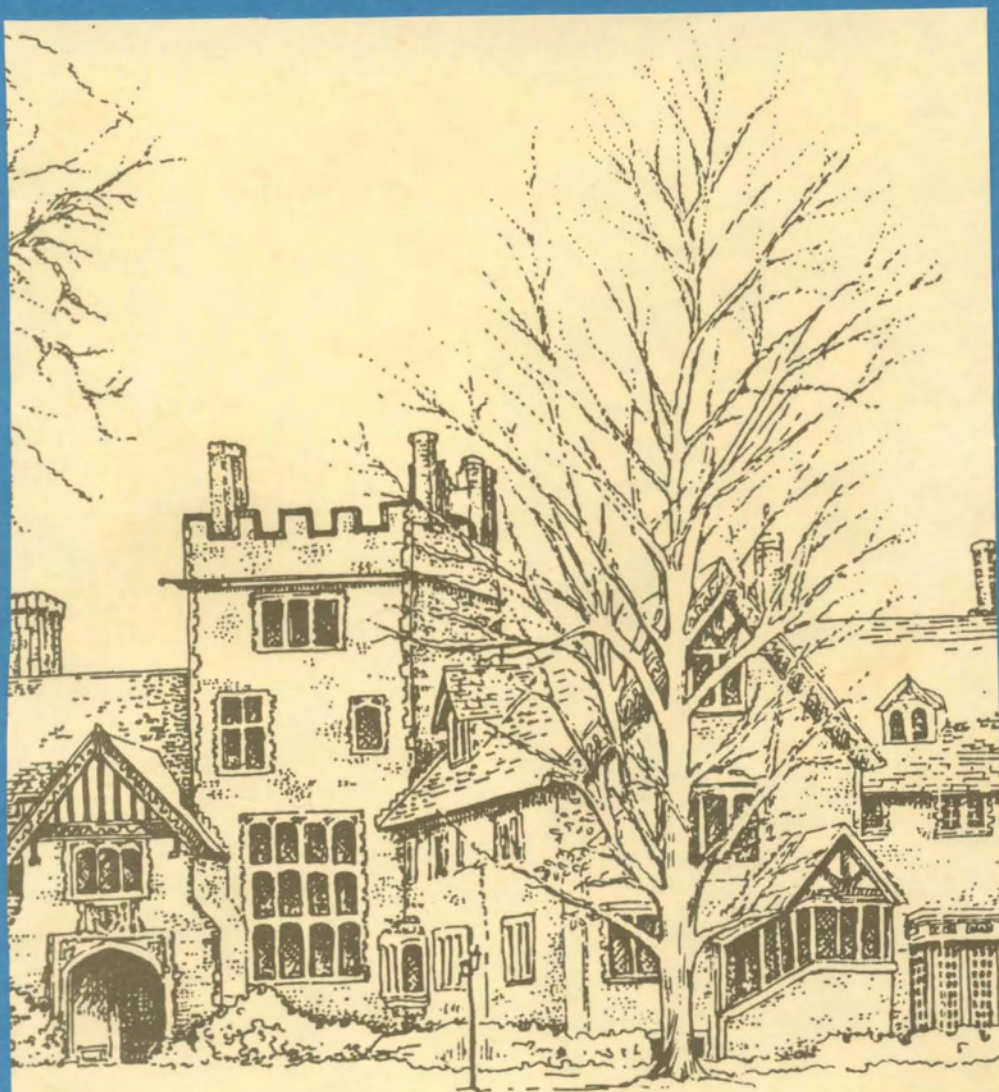


The two large photos of the Robertson home were taken in 1929. There is the outside view and a view of the center hall stairway. The recent photos were taken in 1999 in the spring and summer. The home has the original Spanish tile roof.



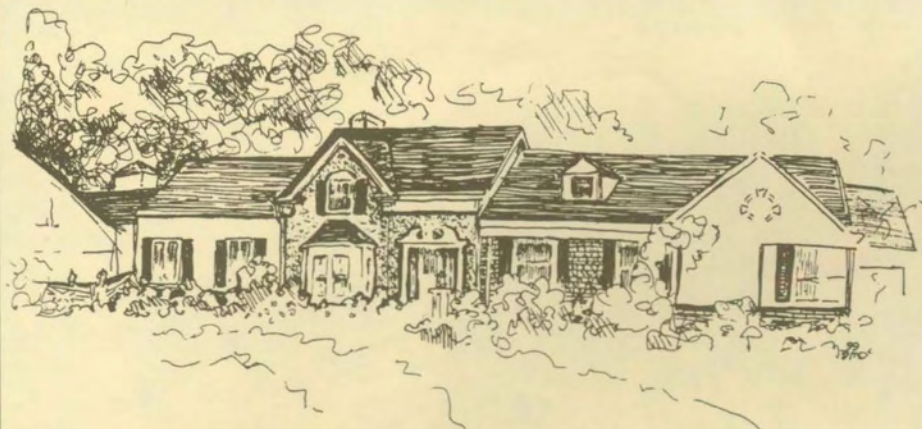


901 Merriman
Road
This Colonial
Revival in
American
Colonial Mode
was built for Mr.
Claire C. Loudon
in 1950. It is a
charming home
and was on the
Stan Hywet Tour
of Gracious Living
in 1999.



1999

Tour of Gracious Living
Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens



2. Colonial Revival

Merriman Road

This architectural style, Colonial Revival (1880-1955), dominated the American residential scene throughout the first half of the 20th century. Common features of the Colonial Revival are accentuated front doors with decorative pediment, windows in adjacent pairs, symmetrical front facades, and windows with double hung sashes. After briefly passing from favor in mid-century, the style has recently reappeared in somewhat different form as a dominant Neoelectic style.

Situated in a quiet, stately neighborhood, this asymmetrical Colonial Revival is complemented by 3 acres of colorful landscape and open greens. Exterior construction materials include raw stone, brick, and painted clapboard. Although a Colonial Revival style residence in essence, the home often breaks from traditional form - lending feelings of uniqueness and character. Examples of this are the asymmetrical front facade with discreet off-centered front doorway located to the right of the front gable. Only about 10 percent of Colonial Revival houses have asymmetrical facades, a feature rarely seen on their colonial prototypes. Also found are gabled roofs with side wings and a large, prominent bay window with sectional panes. The front facade is dominated by a main entrance with broken pediment and the exterior painting scheme includes a white base contrasted by black shutters.

As one enters the front door, the scene is immediately warm and inviting with interesting attractions in all directions. From open doorways to panoramic windows, one enjoys a feeling of spaciousness. The present owners have done well in blending light colors with appealing furnishings, intermixed with unique antiques. Highlights include the dining room with two exquisite colorful canvas murals of landscape scenes at Stan Hywet Hall and Gardens.

Hidden spaces and concealed niches are found throughout the home, including a secluded "Secret Room." Visitors can be refreshed in the living room with a sip of liquid from the 1860s "gentleman's cabinet" or be "lifted into the sky" in the elaborate study. The many bedrooms all speak of different tastes and are professionally decorated to accent the interests of the owners. The masterbedroom suite features pocket doors, unrestricted space and a serene fireplace. With an absence of a basement, the "gathering room" on the second floor has become a haven for friends and family alike to converge and relax.

While glancing at the open meadow lined with majestic "Out of Africa" trees in the backyard it is easy to imagine why the home is called "Gathering Place." The raised brick patio is situated perfectly to take advantage of the scenic landscape below. A short flight of stairs leads to an elaborate pool surrounded by both white fencing and a colorful arrangement of flowers. The owners have wisely resisted the temptation to make this home pretentious or too grand; for all its beauty and grace, the house is, as it always was, a comfortable living space.



**DELAWARE
AVENUE**

375 Delaware Avenue

This Tudor Revival home was built for Mr. Vladislav Gretchina in 1940. They lived in the house for only 1 1/2 years before selling to the present owner, Mr. Ernest Calvin.

385 Delaware
Avenue

This home is a Georgian Revival style built in 1948 for Mr. James L. Cutler.



395 Delaware
Avenue

This home is a Georgian Revival Cape Cod mode built in 1939 for Dr. Paul R. Adams.





405 Delaware
Avenue

This architectural style, Normandy Farmhouse, was built for Mr. Walter P. Eishner in 1940.

415 Delaware
Avenue

This Tudor Revival influence was built for Mr. A Preston Cabell in 1940. The home was painted to look Colonial.



445 Delaware
Avenue

A Georgian Revival home built in 1940 for Mr. Anthony H. Koehm.





455 Delaware Avenue

This home is Georgian Revival architecture. It was built in 1939 for Mr. Richard M. Polsky. The house had a fire in 1995 and has been remodeled several times. This is a different entrance and the house was originally red brick. The garage on the left was originally only one story. There are buzzers for servants in many of the rooms.

475 Delaware Avenue

Mr. Curtis Harwick had this Georgian Revival built in 1940. The home was built for \$27,000. It has a little door on the floor of the dining room beside the head seat with a buzzer to ring for the servants. The kitchen is quite small for the size of the house but all the other rooms are very large.



480 Delaware Avenue

This home is a Georgian Revival in the American Colonial mode. It was built in 1950 for Mr. Earl B. Hathaway.





485 Delaware
Avenue

This Georgian
Colonial Revival
Pennsylvania
Farmhouse was
built for
Dr. Sidney
Conger in 1936.

516 Delaware
Avenue

This home is a
Georgian Revival.
It was built for
Mr. Walter Keith
in 1939.





574 Delaware
Avenue

This charming home was built in 1928 by Mr. Leslie Bornstein. The architecture is Tudor Revival.

575 Delaware
Avenue

This Tudor Revival home was built in 1927 for Mr. Vaughan R. Dibble.



585 Delaware
Avenue

Another Tudor Revival home built for Mr. Francesco DeLeone in 1927.





589 Delaware Avenue

This home was built for Mr. George B. Nobil in 1929. It is Tudor Revival architecture.

590 Delaware Avenue

This home is Tudor Revival French influence architecture. It was built in 1928 for Mr. Charles Ink. The home was probably mostly red brick but has since been painted white.



629 Delaware Avenue

This Georgian Revival Federal Mode home was built in 1930 for Mr. George Nobil.





630 Delaware
Avenue

This home is Tudor Revival and was built in 1929 for Mr. David Siff. The home was featured on the Stan Hywet Tour of Gracious Living in 1989.

700 Delaware
Avenue

This beautiful home was built in 1937 for Mr. Gus F. Burkhardt. It is a Georgian Revival. There is the original wormy chestnut paneling in the basement. This home was featured in the Stan Hywet Tour of Gracious Living in 1987.



711 Delaware
Avenue

Mr. G. Carl Dietz had this Georgian Revival home built for him in 1930.





817 Delaware
Avenue

This home is French
Neo-Classical
architecture. It was
built in 1933 for Dr.
Carl Arnstein.

742 Delaware
Avenue

This home is a
Georgian Revival
built in 1931 for Mr.
Joseph J. Alexander.



825 Delaware
Avenue

This architecture is
Tudor Revival and
the home was built
in 1930-31 for Mr.
Joseph Swain.





**RIDGECREST
ROAD**

495 Ridgecrest Road

This home was built for Mr. John S. Rutledge in 1938. The style is Georgian Revival Pennsylvania Farmhouse Mode.

505 Ridgecrest Road

A Georgian Revival Pennsylvania farmhouse Mode home was built for Mr. Charles H. Brook in 1934. It is for sale in year 2000 for 495,000.



525 Ridgecrest Road

The architecture for this home is Georgian Revival Farmhouse Mode. It was built in 1934 for Mr. Edmund G. Siess.





625 Ridgecrest Road

This French Neo
Classical
(Normandy
Farmhouse) was
built in 1928-29 for
Mr. Alex Schulman.

530 Ridgecrest Road

This home is also a
Georgian Revival
Pennsylvania
Farmhouse built in
1937 for Mr. Hurl J.
Albrecht.



535 Ridgecrest Road

Mr. Lloyd G. Judd
built this home in
1934. It is Georgian
Revival and the
brick was originally
red brick.





644 Ridgecrest
Road

This home is a
Tudor Revival
built in 1929 for
Mr. Albert
Botzum.

645 Ridgecrest
Road

This Tudor Revival
home was built in
1929 for Mr. Ray B.
Stillwell. Notice
the bay window in
the living room that
is from floor to
ceiling. Very
impressive!



645 RIDGECREST RD - AKRON NORTHWEST
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grounds, in-ground pool, hwd flrs, 3 frpls, ofc, 2 sty
grt rm, bit-ins, gorgeous wd detail, gran kit.
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658 Ridgecrest
Road

A Georgian
Revival home
built for Mr.
Shelby M. Jett in
1928.



671 Ridgecrest
Road

Dr. Theodore A.
Krutky built this
Georgian Revival
home in 1951.

730 Ridgecrest
Road

This home is an
Italian
Renaissance
Revival. It was
built for Mr.
Harold E. Held in
1930.



737 Ridgecrest
Road

Mr. Alex
Schlman had this
French Neo
Classical home
built in 1952.





**SUNNYSIDE
AVENUE**

659 Sunnyside Avenue



667 Sunnyside Avenue



675 Sunnyside
Avenue

Mr. Harry
Hillman built
this Tudor
Revival home in
1937.



676 Sunnyside Avenue



688 Sunnyside Avenue



700 Sunnyside
Avenue

This home is a
Tudor Revival
with a strong
French influence.
It was built in
1927 for Mr. Odie
L. Kaylor.



1106 Bell Ridge

This homestead was nicknamed "Windy Hill". It is a single street off of Sunnyside. This is a Georgian Revival built in 1929-30 for Mr. L. Glenn Alexander, who was a prominent contractor in Akron. The setting is beautiful with the home built on a hill and almost reminds one of Tara in Gone with the Wind.

**PALISADES
DRIVE**

696 Palisades
Drive

This Georgian Revival home was built in 1937 for a Mr. Ralph Miner.



704 Palisades
Drive

Dr. Howard S. Shriber built this Georgian Revival home in 1930.





712 Palisades Drive
Mr. Roland N. Kennedy built this Tudor Revival home in
1930.



728 Palisades Drive
The home above was built for Mr. Manning P. Tucker in 1929.
The architecture is Tudor Revival.



720 Palisades Drive

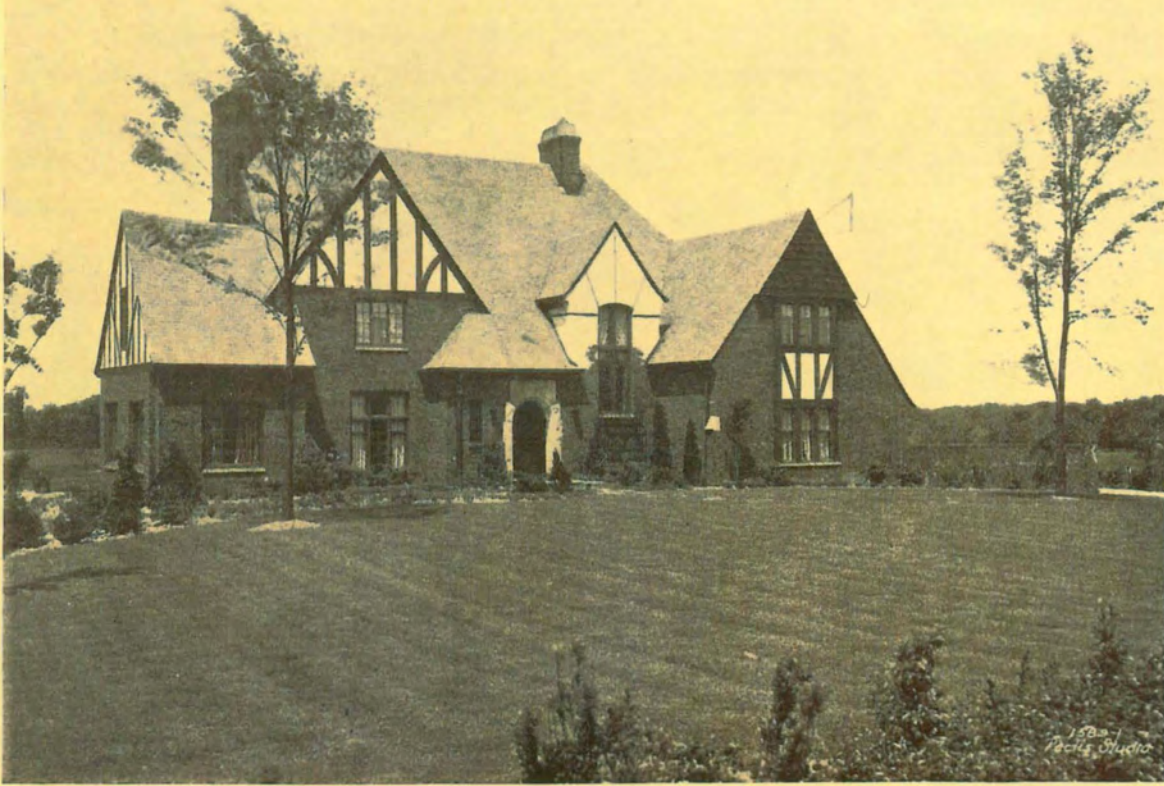
This Tudor Revival was built in 1927 for Dr. Edward S. Underwood. The top photo was taken in the 1920's and the bottom photo taken in 1999.



734 Upper Merriman Road

The architecture on this house is Georgian Revival. It was built in 1936 for Mr. Calvin L. Bower. The top photo was taken in the 1940's and the lower photo taken in 1999.

**NORTH PORTAGE
PATH**



RESIDENCE OF MR. FRANK MADDEN, AKRON, OHIO

This photo was taken in the 1920's. It was a home built in 1928 for Mr. Frank Madden. The residence was razed in 1976 to develop Portage Country Club tennis courts. Such a loss for such a beautiful home.

456 North
Portage Path

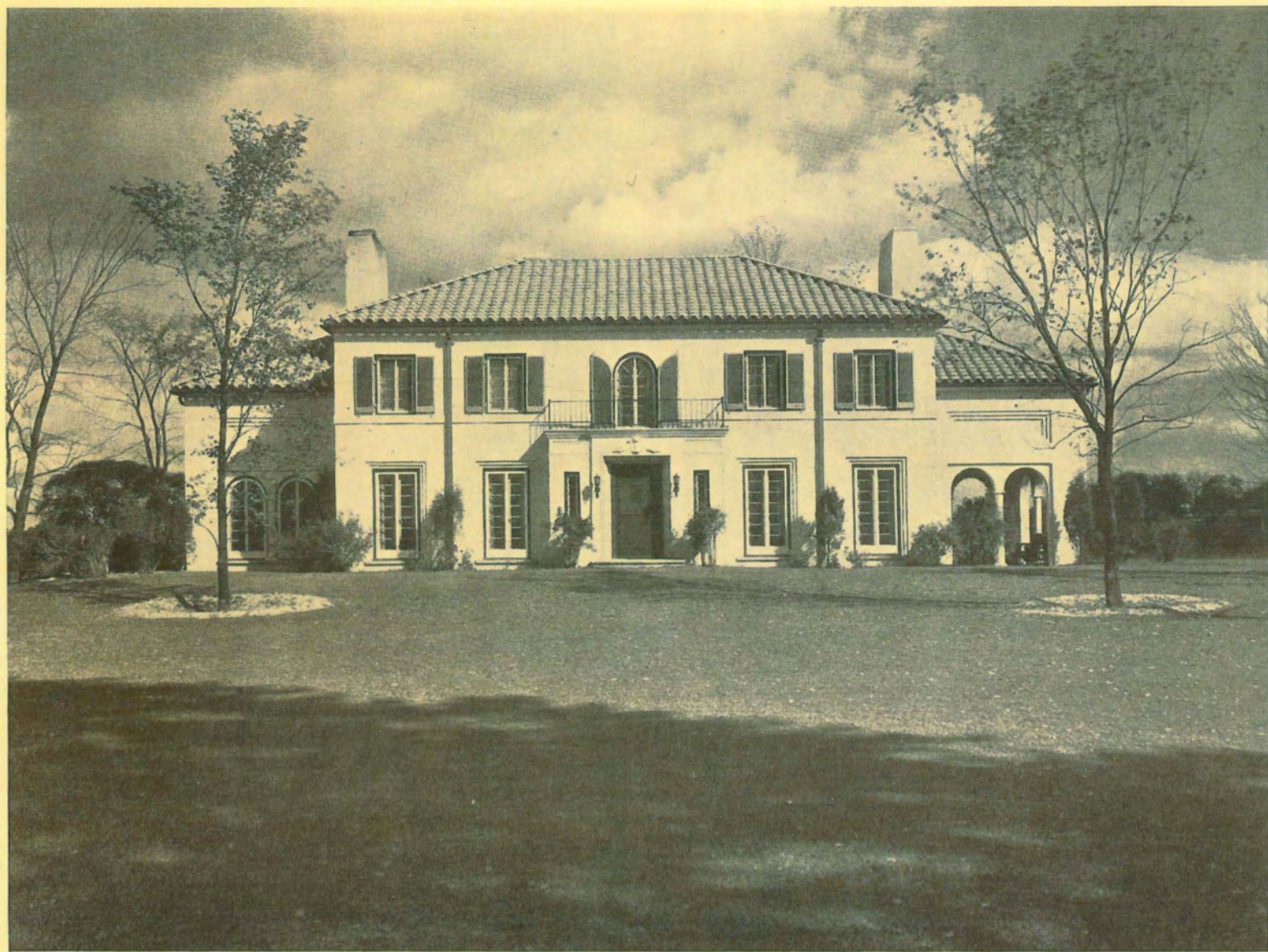
This lovely Georgian Revival was built in 1923 for Mr. John Herron.



639 Portage Path

This Tudor Revival was built in 1924 for Mr. Gilbert Marsh. The cost was \$64,000 to build by Krumroy Construction Co. Mrs. Poncet Davis, the second owner, willed the home to Stan Hywet so when the house was sold to the present owners, the money was used to develop the English Gardens on the property of Stan Hywet in memory of her. This home was on the Stan Hywet Tour of Gracious Living in 1986.





RESIDENCE OF MR. PENFIELD SEIBERLING, AKRON, OHIO



425 North Portage
Path

This was the home
of Penfield
Seiberling of the
Seiberling Rubber
Company. It is an
Italian Renaissance
Revival built in
1928.



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MAYFAIR ROAD



830 Mayfair Road

This was the residence of Mr. John H. Barry. It is a Tudor Revival built in 1927.

855 Mayfair Road

This is a strong favorite of mine!. It is a Georgian Revival Colonial Farmhouse style built in 1935 for Mr. Wallace Denny.





920 Genessee Road

This is very unusual architecture for my Father. It is Art Deco with Georgian Revival influence. It was built in 1942 for Mr. George R. Block. Originally, the home had a flat roof, two different colors of brick, two kinds of siding and jalousie windows.



942 Genessee Road

In the photo to the left is an Art Moderne residence built in 1952 for Mr. Louis I. Topper.

235 Mineola Avenue

Mr. Milton R. Phelps, a contractor, built his Georgian Revival American Colonial Mode home in 1949.



**ROSE
BOULEVARD**

164 Rose
Boulevard

The architecture
for this home is
Georgian Revival.
It was built for
Mr. Brice
Bowman in 1940.



259 Rose
Boulevard

The photo on the
right was taken in
the 1920's.

Below, the photo
was taken in
1999. It was the
residence of Mr.
Frank Prentice.

The home is
Tudor Revival
and was built in
1924.



RESIDENCE OF MR. FRANK C. PRENTICE, AKRON, OHIO





294 So. Rose
Boulevard

A Georgian
Revival American
Colonial Mode
home was built in
1952 for Mr. Gilbert
R. Kullgren.

345 South Rose
Boulevard

This home was
built for Mr.
Samuel J. Broers in
1940. It is a
Georgian Revival
American Colonial
Mode.



365 South Rose
Boulevard

Mr. Adam J.
Killian was the
original owner of
this Georgian
Revival home. It
was built in 1938.

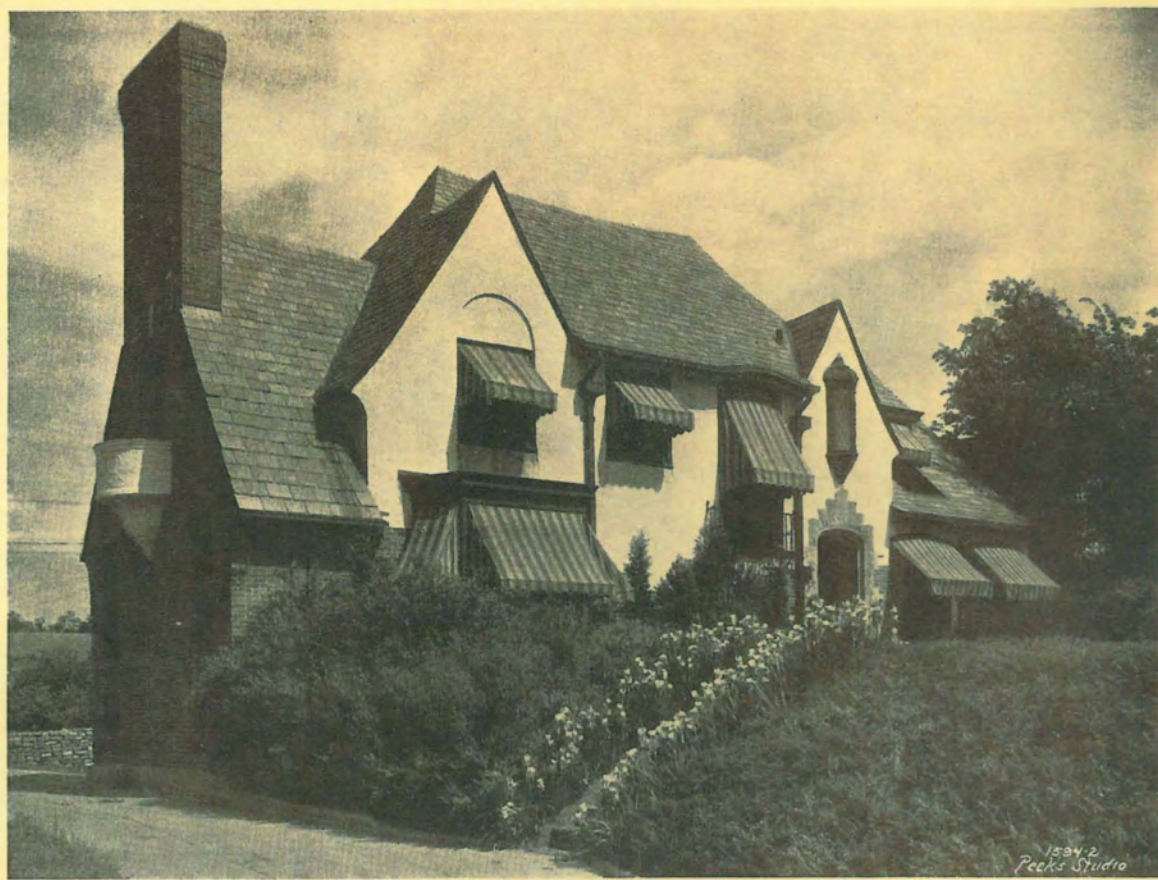




406 South Rose
Boulevard

This Georgian
Revival home
was built in 1927
for Mr. Phillip
Schneider.

**SUNSET VIEW
DRIVE**



RESIDENCE OF MR. THOMAS FAWICK, AKRON, OHIO

1191 Sunset View
Drive

This was the
residence of Mr.
Thomas Fawick.

It is a Tudor
Revival built in
1925. The top
photo was taken
in the 1920's.

Notice the
awnings that are
not present in
the bottom photo
taken in 1999.



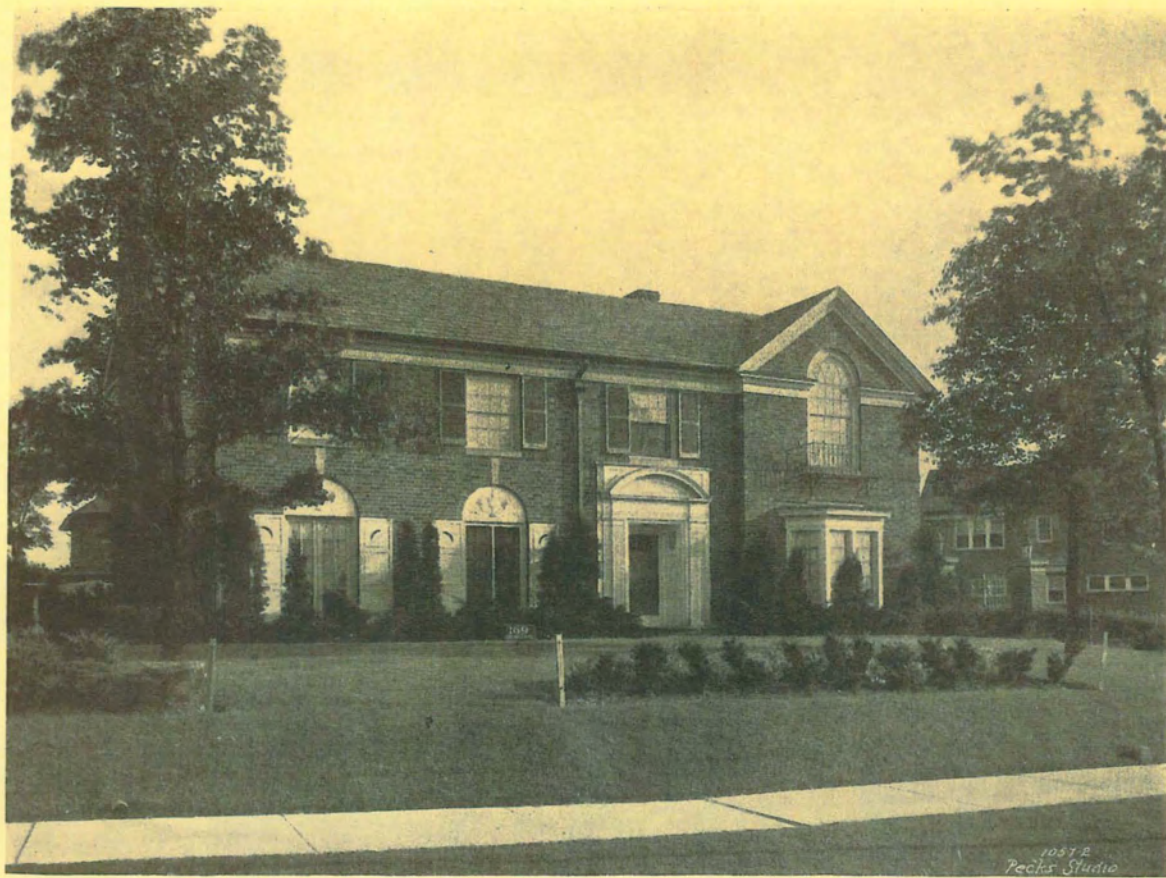
1173 Sunset View Drive

The photo below was the home of Mr. John B. Hummel. It is a Progressive Craftsman influence and built in 1926. Originally, the home was red brick.



410 Dorchester Road

The photo above was originally the home of Mr. George C. Koch. It is a Tudor Revival built in 1926. This is a lovely well kept home.



RESIDENCE OF MR. WILLIAM A. JOHNSON, AKRON, OHIO
R. G. FIRESTONE Architect THE KRUMROY CONSTRUCTION CO. Builders



169 Dorchester Road

A Georgian Revival home built in 1925 for Mr. William Johnson. The top photo was taken in the 1920's and the lower photo taken in 1999.

230 Dorchester Road

This home was built in 1938 for Mr. John J. Starr. It is Georgian Revival architecture. The top photo was taken in the 1930's and the bottom photo taken in 1999.



319 Afton Avenue

This was the residence of Roy S. Burnham. It is a Georgian Revival
American Colonial built in 1934. The top photo was taken in the 1930's.
The bottom photo taken in 1999.



332 Afton Avenue

A Georgian Revival American Colonial home was built for a Mr. Adams. The top photo was taken in the 1930's. The lower photo taken in 1999.



333 Afton Avenue

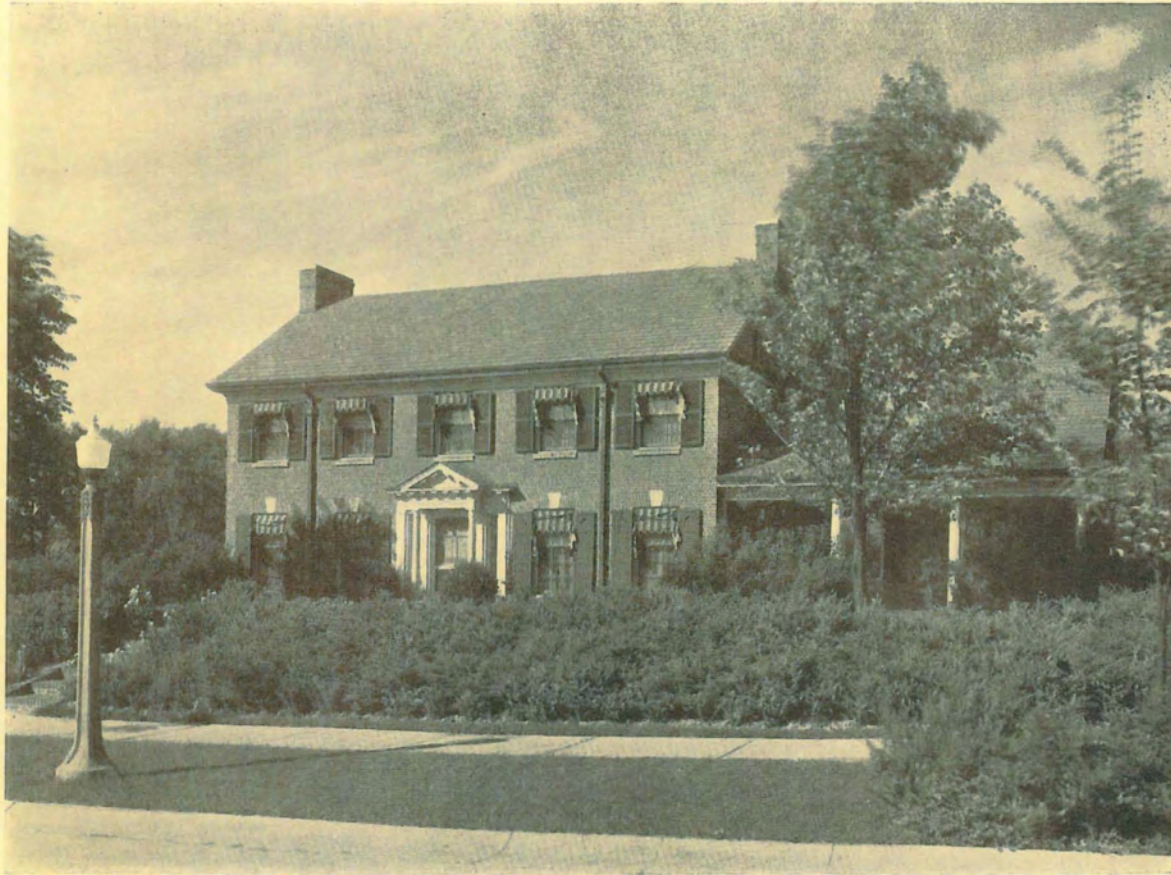
This lovely home was built for Mr. William C. Krisher in 1934. The top photo was taken in the 1930's and the bottom photo taken in 1999.



1273 Jefferson Avenue

This home is a Georgian Revival built for Mr. E. E. Crites in 1925. The top photo was taken in the 1920's and the bottom photo taken in 1999.

THE KRUMROY CONSTRUCTION COMPANY



RESIDENCE OF MR. E. E. CRITES, AKRON, OHIO





1263 Jefferson
Avenue

Mr. Christian
Strobel built this
Tudor Revival in
1927.

1368 Jefferson Avenue

This lovely Georgian
Revival was built in
1942 for Mr. Richard
A. Gregg.



1374 Jefferson
Avenue

This unusual
architecture is an
Art Moderne home
built in 1940 for Mr.
A.J. McGinness.
All the ceilings in
the home are coved.



1384 Jefferson Avenue
This Georgian Revival home below was built in 1941 for
Mr. Hamilton C. McGraw.



1400 Jefferson Avenue
Mr. Louis W. Camp Jr. had this home built in 1941. It is Georgian
Revival architecture. The owners nicknamed their home "our little
cottage". It doesn't look little to me nor does it look like a cottage.

282 Mull Avenue

This is a beautiful Georgian Revival home built in 1933
for Mr. Harold P. Harpham.



287 Mull Avenue

The above photo is of a Georgian Revival home built in
1939 for Mr. Millard C. Petrovich.



270 Mull Avenue

The photo above was taken in the 1930's and the bottom photo taken of the same house in 1999. It is a Tudor Revival built in 1932 for Mr. William F. Voges.





300 Mull Avenue
Harvey H. Hollinger was the original owner of this lovely
Georgian Revival home built in 1933.





279 Mull Avenue

The photo above was taken in the 1930's and the photo below, of the same home, was taken in 1999. It is a Georgian Revival home built in 1939 for Mr. Clair C. Louden.

