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The Grandview Heights Marble Cliff Historical Society

Tour of Homes

Sunday

May 14, 1995

1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

\$4.00 per person

*David and Joan Johnson
1800 Goodale Boulevard*

This large square limestone house was built in 1901 by C.H. and Jeannette Walcutt. The stone came from their own quarry. The home was finished in 1901 and allowed to settle for a time before they moved in. The walls are 36 inches thick at the base tapering to 18 inches at the top. The original building had four rooms downstairs and four bedrooms and a bath (unusual for those days) on the second floor. The third floor had three rooms.

The inside of the house was completely remodeled by a previous owner. The Johnsons have furnished it beautifully with many interesting antiques and collectibles, especially the fireplaces. They also added a room and porch at the rear of the house. It looks onto a large stone patio and landscaped backyard. When outside, look for the large stone pieces over the windows and side doors.

*Chet and Shirley Britt
1696 Merrick Road*

This beige shingle three story house was built c.1890. Its first owner was John A. Pfiefer who we presume built it as an investment property. The first resident-owners were Harry and Bessie Merrick Seman who bought the home in 1910.

Merrick Road was originally called Glenwood, but the name was changed to Merrick Road in 1911 in honor of Grannie Merrick who lived with the Semans, who were both Merrick descendants.

The Britts have maintained the Victorian atmosphere with their very colorful decor, and have also created a very comfortable feeling in the rooms. The large kitchen and family rooms were added to the rear of the house before they purchased it. The addition is a light and pleasant area with many windows.

The magnificent screened-in porch which surrounds the front and side of the house is also characteristic of the Victorian style.

*Steven and Kelly Delaveris
1149 Ashland Avenue*

This unusual red sandstone house was built c.1910 by James L. Carmen who was the second mayor of Grandview and owner of a spaghetti factory on Goodale Boulevard. The original structure had four rooms, a sunporch and kitchen on the first floor, and four bedrooms and two bathrooms on the second floor. The third floor had one small room, one very large room and a bathroom.

The Delaverises have completely remodeled the house, and have created a fashionable, contemporary style home. The updated kitchen is open and light. It leads to a spectacular great room which was added as an entire wing to the rear of the house.

The second floor has four bedrooms and two baths. The master bedroom with spacious closet and bath is on the third floor. The entire home has been exquisitely appointed with attention paid to every detail. Be sure to notice the star-shaped stone on the front of the house.

*Susan Lowmiller
1355 Arlington Avenue*

This Cape Cod style house was built in 1941 by Barnhart Builders. Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Blauser were the owners. He was principal of Grandview High School at that time.

This home has been attractively renovated by Susan Lowmiller who has lived there since 1964. The dining room and kitchen were totally changed into a large open airy state-of-the-art cooking and dining area with a green house window over the sink. It also has a very unusual cupboard.

Upstairs the master bedroom suite is not to be missed. There is a small balcony overlooking the backyard, a skylight over the bed and a full bath and jacuzzi.

A large outdoor living area with a spacious tile patio and attractive garden lead down to a wooded ravine. Just south of the backyard is where the club house of the Aladdin Country Club used to be.

The Grandview Heights - Marble Cliff Historical Society wishes to express its gratitude to the four families who have graciously opened their homes to our community.

Please use 'on street parking' at all of the homes on the tour.