

REDLANDS CHRONICLES

May 2019

44TH ANNUAL

HERITAGE AWARDS & ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Monday, June 17, 2019, at 6:30 p.m.

Trinity Episcopal Church

419 S. Fourth Street

PLEASE JOIN US for our annual Heritage Awards and Ice Cream Social next month at Trinity Episcopal Church. The congregation began as a mission church in 1886 with her first service held near Hinckley ranch on Mission Road. A year later, Judson and Brown donated a lot on the corner of what is now Center and Cypress, and a permanent building was erected.



The Old Trinity Church is Shown Here at Cypress and Center Before being Moved to the Lord's Corner in 1895. It's location was the Southeast Corner of Cajon and Olive, where the Cutler Insurance Building is Today.

As the center of Redlands moved from Center and Cypress to Water Street and Olive, Trinity also moved, taking a place on the "Lord's corner" along with the Congregationalists, Baptists and Methodists in 1895. By 1904, having outgrown their original building, Trinity moved for the last time. The present building, on the corner of Fourth and Fern, was made possible by a gift from Mrs. Albert C. Burrage as a memorial to her mother-in-law, Mrs. Aurelia Burrage.

Designed by the renowned local architect, Daniel W. Willard, it was built mostly in the English tradition. Taylor Bros. Brick Company of Redlands received the contract on May 5, 1903 for \$19,680. Willard's original design called for a massive square tower over the main entrance, but it proved too expensive. The cornerstone was laid on July 21, 1903. The church was completed in the Spring of 1904.

The main features of this striking building are the steep-pitched roof, the handsome cut-granite stone, and the interior of hued redwood forming a Gothic-style support system with natural brick accent.



The New Building on 4th and Fern was Completed in 1904.

The building received a Heritage Award in 1980.

Dear Redlands Area Historical Society Members,

A special thank to the 60 + who attended our University Tract neighborhood 'armchair walking tour' on April 6 led by Tom Atchley at the Contemporary Clubhouse. Let me take the time to express our gratitude to the women of the Contemporary Club, A.K. Smiley Public Library, and the others who made this valued resource available to the community for public events and programs.

The team of Tom Atchley, Ron Running, and Ben Parker are continuing to make changes and provide updates to the Redlands Timeline which they premiered at our March meeting. We encourage you to explore the timeline. As well, your thoughts, ideas, etc. are appreciated. On the RAHS website there is a form to send in your comments and questions.

Although we do not have a program in May, we will have the Old House Group meeting on May 29th— beginning at 6:30 pm. Look for the postcard in your mailbox. An EventBrite invitation will also appear in your email. Please let us know you will be attending.

Don't forget the Heritage Awards presentation and ice cream social on Monday, June 17th in the Great Hall at Trinity Episcopal Church beginning at 6:30 pm. We have an extraordinary group of properties selected. Please show your support by attending and thanking the homeowners for their stewardship.

Spring is here and we are looking forward to the many wonderful activities in Redlands. May is Preservation Month in California and throughout the nation. From sea to shinning sea communities seek to raise awareness of the built environment, historic sites and the stories they tell. For several years the Redlands Conservancy and the Redlands Area Historical Society have sponsored the Redlands Preservation Fortnight during the month of May. We invite you to participate in these events and programs. Engage in conversations about history and why buildings and historic sites are important to you. Learn about the landmark cut-stone curbing of Redlands. Take time to admire the craftsmanship of the walls in Prospect Park, the chimneys of Smiley Library and elsewhere with the trademark concrete beading. And ask yourself, where did all the stone come from? Become an advocate for historic preservation if you are not. If you are already, encourage others to join you, to follow your lead.

With warmest regards,

Steve Spiller

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OLD HOUSE GROUP

Wednesday, May 29, 2019, at 6:30 p.m.
1120 Cedar Avenue



MRS. GERTRUDE S. BOWERS bought several lots on Cedar Avenue where she had Davis M. Donald construct five houses - three shingled cottages and two Dutch Colonials. These homes were adjacent to her residential property on Crescent Avenue. More importantly, they were conveniently situated on the popular street-car line bringing tourists to Canyon Crest Park (Smiley Heights) and their rental was intended to provide the wealthy widow with additional income.

In 1902 the *Redlands Daily Facts* published a building edition highlighting new construction finished during 1901. Included is a picture and the following description: "The Bowers House on Cedar Avenue is another pretty house well worthy of mention. It is that built by Mrs. G. W. Bowers. Here

the Dutch Colonial style with gambled [sic] roofs has been closely followed. The shingled roof and sides give rather a dark effect. It is a double house, with large front porch, and a frontage of 40 feet. There are ten rooms with large hallways. The interior is finished in redwood."

This house has a gambrel roof. The end gable attic windows are flanked with scalloped wooden shutters and topped with a carved wooden fan, forming a modified Palladian window. The eastern gable also has a framed round window. The front facade is dominated by three symmetrical dormers, the two outside ones with triangular pediments and the larger, central one with a gambrel roof and semi-circular Palladian fanlight. The full-facade front porch is supported by seven Tuscan columns which are topped by

handsome entablature decorated with dentil brackets. A closer look shows they are wedge-shaped with flared ends showing the Oriental influence the contemporaneous Craftsman style promoted. There are 4500 square feet of living space.

The house was purchased in 1906 by Mrs. C. W. Cartlidge, whose husband had been secretary and treasurer of the San Bernardino Valley Traction Company. Mrs. Cartlidge and her four daughters moved in and lived there until 1953. Annette Cartlidge, a daughter, was a music teacher at the University of Redlands and a founding member of the Spinnet. Subsequent owners include the Brewer, Rosenquist and Jansen families.

Don't miss seeing this lovely home.



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Upcoming Events

May 29, 6:30 p.m.

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SOCIETY MEMBERS ONLY

June 17, 6:30 p.m.

Heritage Awards & Ice Cream Social
Great Hall
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1st Thursday of the Month

Historic & Scenic Preservation Commission Meeting
City Hall Council Chambers
35 Cajon Street

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