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2700 University Avenue American Judicature Society

The tour begins at the recently restored headquarters of the American Judicature Society. This imposing Arts and Crafts-style home was built in 1898 for the Drake University Chancellor and his family. University students jokingly referred to the house, with its massive stone-encrusted porch pillars, as the "chancellor's new fort." Later, the 3,800-square-foot home was converted into a women's dormitory, then used as a sorority house, before becoming office space for various university departments. In 2003, a major renovation was completed, and AJS moved its operations from Chicago to Drake University. Please note many original features such as the stained-glass windows, built-ins in the hallway, and river rock used around the fireplace.

1134 31st Street Mirell Flats

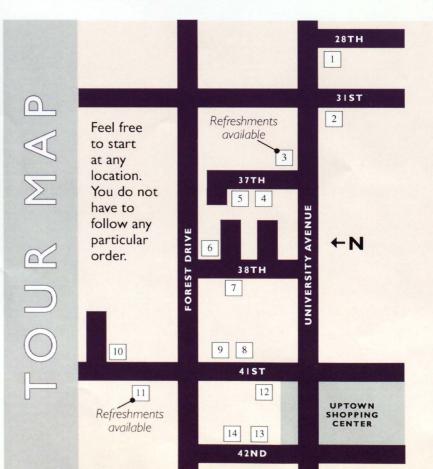
Restoration of The Mirell, built circa 1912 as a fashionable apartment building, returns the building to its original configuration of eight spacious residences. The Mirell Flats meld period architectural features—from original hardwood floors to handsome Craftsman-style woodwork—with desirable modern amenities such as state-of-the-art kitchens with stainless-steel appliances. Each home includes a dining room, living room, built-in laundry, and private deck or patio—plus garage space.

3615 University Avenue Redeemer Lutheran Church

The Redeemer Lutheran congregation is celebrating its 65th anniversary this year! The original structure on this property was a private home built around the turn of the century. In 1945 the living room of the large three-story house was converted into a chapel in which two services were conducted each Sunday. Within five years the congregation had grown to 496 members. The East Wing sanctuary was designed and completed in 1955. The congregation worshiped in the East wing for 13 years. Plans in the same Georgian Colonial style were approved and resulted in construction of the West Sanctuary, completed in 1968. Features of the Georgian Colonial style include the white curved Palladian windows, red brick with marble quoins on the corners, Wedgwood blue walls and white wainscoting. Church members are available to show you around and answer questions.

1242 37th Street Connie and Andy Hansen

This couple has assisted on past tours and is excited to have their home on the tour this year. They own a 1912 Craftsman-style home, featuring extensive oak flooring, trim, ceiling beams and doors. The home features four built-in window seats, built-in bookcase and built-in buffet. The house has the original



rolled glass windows and beveled glass in two front doors and French doors that lead to two solariums on the main floor. The house features large closets and storage areas not usually found in homes of the period.

A vintage Lyon and Healy baby grand piano occupies the front solarium. There are three redecorated bedrooms on the second floor and a finished attic. Andy and Connie love their friendly neighborhood where they have been active during their 19 years of residence. The quiet, dead-end street features several homes recently converted back to single family.

1248 37th Street Sierra Real Estate Group

5 This home has undergone major renovation in recent weeks and is now for sale. Rented for many years as a duplex, the home had fallen into disrepair, and had actually stood vacant in recent years. The current owner has taken care to restore wood floors, and to salvage the wood trim that remains. The kitchen has been completely redone, as have the two baths. Walls and ceilings have been resurfaced. The result is a wonderfully remodeled home located on a quiet street with neighbors that are thrilled with the transformation this home has undergone.

3829 Hunter Avenue Kathy and Josh Winter

Arts and Crafts bungalows are sprinkled throughout the Drake neighborhood. The current owner of this 1917 bungalow has enjoyed the advantages of the efficient, easy-flow floor plan provided in this handsome stucco home. You'll appreciate the original woodwork, featuring beamed ceilings, hardwood floors and built-in bookcases separating the living and dining area. A recent kitchen remodel provides a pleasant workspace with added cabinets and extra counter space.

1304 39th Street Elsie and Arlo Monthei

The current owners of this 1½ story Cape Cod Brick home built in 1930 have personalized this home with many unique furnishings and decor – both inside and out. The woodwork and wallpaper are a Dutch colonial style and several art pieces on the walls were created by Elsie, and by her daughter, Amy. Arlo designed and built the front entryway featuring an attractive curved window above the door. The home's gardens are not to be missed, and have expanded considerably since home was featured in the 1997 tour. Of historical interest -the second

owner of the home, Don Miller, invented and patented the side mount kickstand for the bicycle. He added a game-room addition to the back of the house, now used as a family room.

1305 41st Streeet Lynelle and Jim Duncan

Built in 1922, this Craftsman-style home is surprisingly roomy with 1900+ square feet. You feel welcomed into the home as you enter this two-story bungalow's open front porch. Another inviting outdoor living space is located out back, a unique tri-level deck with beautiful flower gardens and land-scaping. Inside the home, you'll see original oak woodwork and built-ins throughout, as well as a large living room with fireplace and adjacent solarium. The kitchen has been updated and features period style cabinetry.

1345 41st Street Nancy and Jim Tegeler

William and Minnie Cochran built this Dutch Colonial in 1922. Jim grew up in the house. He and Nancy purchased it in 2001 after noticing it up for sale, pleased to return to the neighborhood. Note the oak woodwork downstairs, the formal crown molding in the living room and dining room, as well as the built-in bookcases in the living room. The decor is enhanced with period lighting, antiques, and period art print and photographs.

1535 41st Street Gary Roberts

Don't miss this charming bungalowstyle home located on the north end of the tour route. Dr. Francis Pyle, a composer and music professor at Drake University, purchased the house in 1940. His wife, Eleanor, sold it to Gary in 1985. Gary will have music composed by Pyle playing during the tour. Many updates to this home provide modern comforts while keeping the original character of the home built in 1921. A deck has been added on the upper level and the basement finished in 1999 to provide an office/ family room with French doors leading to an outside patio, and an additional full bath complete with Jacuzzi tub. The kitchen has been updated, with an east wall removed that creates a spacious feel.

Jolene Edgington

This spacious two-story stucco home has an open floor plan that the current owner loves. The kitchen has

been renovated, relocating a refrigerator and sink to make that room as open and inviting as the other rooms in the house. Jolene has enjoyed landscaping the extradeep yard, another reason she decided this house was for her. Take a break from touring for refreshments on the patio by Mars Café.

1230 41st Street John Nielson

This spacious brick and stucco 1917
Craftsman-style home had 1960's décor complete with pink walls, dark paneling, and loud wallpaper when the current owner moved in. John repainted with paint colors used in Craftsman homes in the 1920's that enhance the oak woodwork found throughout the home. The upstairs bath has unusual steel tile original to the house. The home has lots of storage space, a comfortable front porch accessible from the formal dining room through French doors. In the dining room, be sure to notice the heirloom wool rug made by John's grandmother.

1251 42nd Street Barb and Billy Harding

This home was built in 1915 by the owner's grandfather, Sam Diller, for her grandmother, Ada, soon after they were married. It has been in the family ever since! Some of the furniture is original to the house. In 2003, the owners completed a major remodel (which they did themselves), adding a family room and expanding the kitchen. This beautiful addition features a leaded glass window salvaged from the old Central Presbyterian Church that was located downtown Des Moines. The house is obviously a treasure to the Hardings, and one you will thoroughly enjoy visiting.

1311 42nd Street Karen Vroman and Don Hiscox

This handsome classic Foursquare with craftsman influence was built in 1917. The present owners moved into the home eighty years later. The original hardwood floors, trim and built-ins, and original plaster walls, and pocket doors are in keeping with the period of construction. Addition of a half-bath on the living level, a modernized kitchen, and finishing of the attic and part of the basement has added comfort and convenience to this attractive home. Note the door on the landing to the upstairs level; an uncommon feature that has proven useful, reducing noise between sleeping and living quarters.



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