



George Howards Burrows was born in Cleveland on August 25, 1893 and died in 1970. He graduated from the University of Michigan in 1920 with a degree in architecture. He was a high school teacher in Cleveland from 1920 - 1921 and went into private practice as an architect in 1922. He was married twice. His second wife, Phoebe Brooke Burrows was the daughter of his partner, Philo R. Brooke. She was active in the Shaker League of Women Voters and served as president of both the Shaker and state leagues. His stepdaughter, Phoebe Burrows Tritton, became an architectural draftsman with his firm in the 1940s. Burrows and his family originally lived in Bedford in a remodeled farmhouse on North Richmond Road. Later, they moved into a larger home, designed by Bloodgood Tuttle, at 3113 Van Aken Boulevard. After his daughter Phoebe was married, he and his wife moved to 3290 Warrensville Center Road.

Burrows' career as an architect spanned fifty years and he had a tremendous impact in Shaker Heights. He was a member of the University Club of the American Institute of Architects and the Ohio Society of Architects. His partners included Chester N. Lowe (in 1923) and Philo R. Brooke (from 1923 to 1929). Brooke and Burrows designed many of

the homes in the early Van Sweringen development of Shaker Heights. Burrows also worked with architect Urban Schwerzler from 1928 to 1942. From 1950 to 1958, he was the senior partner in the firm of Burrows, Hinman, and Gabriel, along with Charles H. Hinman and William J. Gabriel. In the late 1950s the firm became George Howard Burrows and Charles Hinman Associates, with Burrows as the principal designer and Hinman responsible for structural and mechanical work. Burrows was also an avid photographer and was president of the Cleveland Society of Artists in the 1960s.

In the early years of his career, Burrows' office was at the corner of Lee Road and Van Aken Boulevard. In the early 1930s, his office was at 105th and Euclid Avenue. In 1936, his office moved to 13110 Shaker Square (on the second floor above the theater lobby). From the late 1950s until his death in 1970, his office was at 16104 Chagrin Boulevard.

Burrows was an extremely prolific architect, designing nearly one thousand homes in Shaker Heights in a variety of sizes and styles. He designed numerous finely detailed two-family homes which according to Van Sweringen tradition were designed to look like single family residences. He also designed commercial

structures, including many of the buildings on the south side of Chagrin Boulevard between Lee and Avalon Roads. He designed bowling alleys, shopping centers, and several theaters including the (now demolished) Kinsman-Lee Theater and the Barberton Theater in Akron. He received a patent on a split-level apartment design, examples of which can be seen on Van Aken Boulevard between South Woodland and Drexmore Roads.

Burrows also designed several large houses in Cleveland Heights, Daisy Hill, and other eastern suburbs and remodeled many older homes, primarily in Wade Hill and in the outskirts of Chagrin Falls. At the peak of his career, Burrows and his associates were responsible for as many as one hundred projects per year. Many of Burrows' homes combine elements from several architectural styles. They include:

Tudor Revival: Burrows' Tudor Revival designs are usually masonry or a combination of brick and stucco with decorative half-timbering. Houses in this style are characterized by steeply pitched roofs, leaded glass casement windows, and elaborate masonry chimneys. Many feature raised brick diamond patterning.

English/Arts and Crafts Cottage:

Cottage homes are a smaller, more rustic variant of the Tudor Revival style. These homes often have picturesque rooflines and massing, decorative half-timbering, massive doors with heavy wrought iron hardware, and many interior built-ins such as niches and corner cupboards.

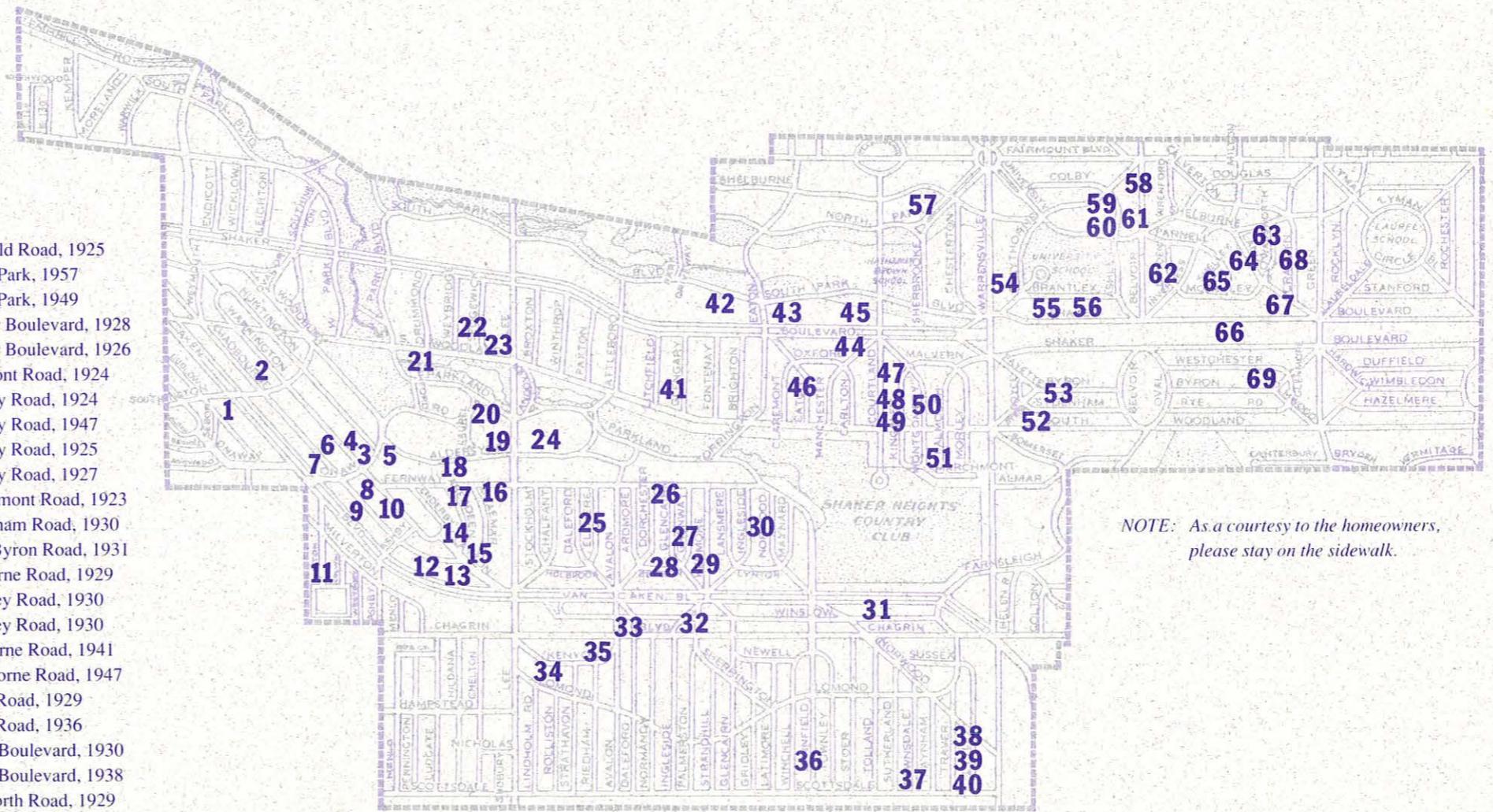
Colonial Revival/Georgian: Colonial Revival and Georgian homes are usually rather large and are often, but not always, brick. These homes typically have formal, symmetrical facades, prominent front entries, and classical detailing. Some Colonial homes combine stone and frame construction.

Modern/Split Level: Many of Burrows' post-World War II homes feature fairly traditional Colonial Revival exteriors with modern split-level floor plans and conveniences such as attached garages.

The map on the reverse side shows a representative sampling of Burrows' residential designs. A comprehensive list of Burrows' approximately one thousand Shaker Heights projects is available in the Planning Department at City Hall, 3400 Lee Road. Telephone: 491-1430.

Architectural Walking Tour of Shaker Heights

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| 1. 3113 Ludlow Road, 1928 | 41. 3003 Litchfield Road, 1925 |
| 2. 3065 Chadbourne Road, 1924 | 42. 17900 South Park, 1957 |
| 3. 3174 Onaway Road, 1924 | 43. 18600 South Park, 1949 |
| 4. 3166 Huntington Road, 1947 | 44. 19010 Shaker Boulevard, 1928 |
| 5. 15520 Aldersyde Drive, 1931 | 45. 19201 Shaker Boulevard, 1926 |
| 6. 3183 Chadbourne Road, 1924 | 46. 2963 Claremont Road, 1924 |
| 7. 3215 Van Aken Boulevard, 1947 | 47. 2906 Kingsley Road, 1924 |
| 8. 3237 Chadbourne Road, 1924 | 48. 2918 Kingsley Road, 1947 |
| 9. 3305 Van Aken Boulevard, 1936 | 49. 2986 Kingsley Road, 1925 |
| 10. 3256 Warrington Road, 1939 | 50. 3005 Kingsley Road, 1927 |
| 11. 3382 Sutton Road, 1944 | 51. 19909 Marchmont Road, 1923 |
| 12. 15908 Chadbourne Road, 1925 | 52. 27032 Sydenham Road, 1930 |
| 13. 15914 Chadbourne Road, 1925 | 53. 20862 West Byron Road, 1931 |
| 14. 3329 Clayton Boulevard, 1929 | 54. 2746 Claythorne Road, 1929 |
| 15. 3320 Aberdeen Road, 1929 | 55. 20776 Brantley Road, 1930 |
| 16. 3261 Braemar Road, 1928 | 56. 20976 Brantley Road, 1930 |
| 17. 16100 Fernway Road, 1930 | 57. 19816 Shelburne Road, 1941 |
| 18. 16120 Aldersyde Drive, 1947 | 58. 21439 Claythorne Road, 1947 |
| 19. 16225 Aldersyde Drive, 1939 | 59. 2682 Ashley Road, 1929 |
| 20. 3117 Laurel Drive, 1950 | 60. 2686 Ashley Road, 1936 |
| 21. 16000 South Woodland, 1956 | 61. 2682 Belvoir Boulevard, 1930 |
| 22. 2939 Weybridge Road, 1926 | 62. 2717 Belvoir Boulevard, 1938 |
| 23. 16401 South Woodland, 1940 | 63. 2686 Wadsworth Road, 1929 |
| 24. 16620 Aldersyde Drive, 1949 | 64. 2700 Landon Road, 1936 |
| 25. 3310 Elsmere Road, 1928 | 65. 22199 McCauley Road, 1937 |
| 26. 3255 Dorchester Road, 1928 | 66. 22239 Shaker Boulevard, 1936 |
| 27. 3350 Glencairn Road, 1927 | 67. 22649 Shaker Boulevard, 1936 |
| 28. 17615 Berwyn Road, 1931 | 68. 2704 Cranlyn Road, 1930 |
| 29. 3369 Grenway Road, 1930 | 69. 22599 East Byron Road, 1930 |
| 30. 3317 Ingleside Road, 1927 | |
| 31. 19229 Winslow Road, 1929 | |
| 32. 17717 Chagrin Boulevard, 1930 | |
| 33. 3466-68 Daleford Road, 1928 | |
| 34. 16718 Kenyon Road, 1927 | |
| 35. 17027 Kenyon Road, 1928 | |
| 36. 3697 Winchell Road, 1930 | |
| 37. 19601 Scottsdale Boulevard, 1931 | |
| 38. 3661 Traver Road, 1928 | |
| 39. 3667 Traver Road, 1928 | |
| 40. 3673 Traver Road, 1928 | |



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