

## 227 Goddard Avenue



This home is an example of the Bungalow style homes of the period. It is a one and one-half story frame, 3 bay rectangular Bungalow built circa 1925 by Robert Pflanze. The interior boasts original oak woodwork and built-in "Mission Style" cabinetry. The house has a brick foundation, gable roof, exterior brick chimney and weatherboard siding. On the main façade is a one-story porch with tapered frame post and original screened panels. On the east bay of the façade is an exterior frame staircase that leads from the porch to the half story. The main entrance has a multi-glass and frame door. Windows are 4/1 vertical light sashes. At the roofline is a gable dormer with knee brace brackets, wood shingle surface and Palladian motif window with 4/1 and 3/1 vertical sashes.

The land was originally part of the Goddard farm. Robert Pflanze purchased the land from Goddard and tore down the old barn when he built the house in 1918-1919. In October 1919, the home was completed and he and his family moved in when his daughter Cecelia was four months old. Cecelia and her sister Marian grew up in the home. In 1947 Cecelia's father died and after several years Mrs. Pflanze decided to make the upstairs into apartments to rent out. However, before doing this, Cecelia and her husband Bill Felknor, a lawyer, stayed with Mrs. Pflanze four years until she decided what to do after her husband's death. In 1951, Cecelia and Bill moved out and then the apartments were added.

Cecelia's grandfather was Charles Pflanze who came from Germany to the US to teach German. When his wife became ill and needed mountain air he moved to Tennessee and pursued his second love and hobby, cabinet making. In 1870 he started a cabinet-working shop and kept a good stock of furniture. Gradually the furniture shop evolved into the manufacture of dining

tables and oak duo-style tables which were shipped North, South, and mid-West. A company in Marietta, Georgia made chairs to match the tables and these were sold as sets. In 1912, Pflanze had begun to sell lumber under the name of **Cherokee Lumber Company**. After he died his sons sold lumber for houses and built house.