



WELCOME!

to the
**Lakeside Historic District
Self-Guided Walking Tour**

Presented by the
LAKESIDE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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Please enjoy the self-guided tour, but please DO NOT bother the residents or businesses on the tour. These homes and businesses are actively in use by private citizens. They are all private property. Thank you –enjoy the tour!

Please take care as you walk around the town of Lakeside.
Obey all traffic signals and rules of the road.
Be alert and stay aware of your surroundings.

Begin your tour in front of the Olde Community Church, on the northwest corner of Maine Avenue and Parkside Street.

Your tour will end here as well.

Now, heading south, cross Parkside Street carefully and begin your tour.

Enjoy yourself!

A Very Brief History of Lakeside

While the natives of this land have lived in the area for thousands of years, modern Lakeside dates back to only 1886. The El Cajon Valley Company – a landowners group – had the town surveyed and plotted while the modern population was still scarce. The ECVC had a plan to bring folks to this new community. The Lakeside Hotel (more commonly known as the Lakeside Inn – the name was changed in 1905) was built almost immediately after the survey. The great structure opened in the summer of 1887. Lakeside became a resort town for a time. Visitors arrived to stay at the Inn, eat good food, hunt, fish, and boat on the small natural lake nearby. When the railroad arrived in 1889, the town exploded (though it was a small explosion). People arrived to buy land and build homes, to open businesses and make a living. Agriculture, dairies, and farms popped up throughout the area. Soon, Lakeside had everything a town needed to prosper.

One of the unique aspects of Lakeside today is that you can still see how towns of the past were laid out. The business district/downtown (Maine Avenue) is immediately surrounded by a residential zone. In the old days, folks often established their businesses within walking distance of their homes – or vice versa. The Downtown Lakeside of old included not only restaurants and bars, but department stores, cleaners, medical supplies, entertainment, household needs – everything one might need to live their lives. There was no need or desire to go elsewhere – Lakeside had it all.

We are fortunate to have this historic remnant left to respect and enjoy.

If you're interested in more history, consider buying the *Legends of Lakeside*, a book that covers everything that is Lakeside, from the very beginning to the present day. It is available in the gift store of the Lakeside Historical Society.

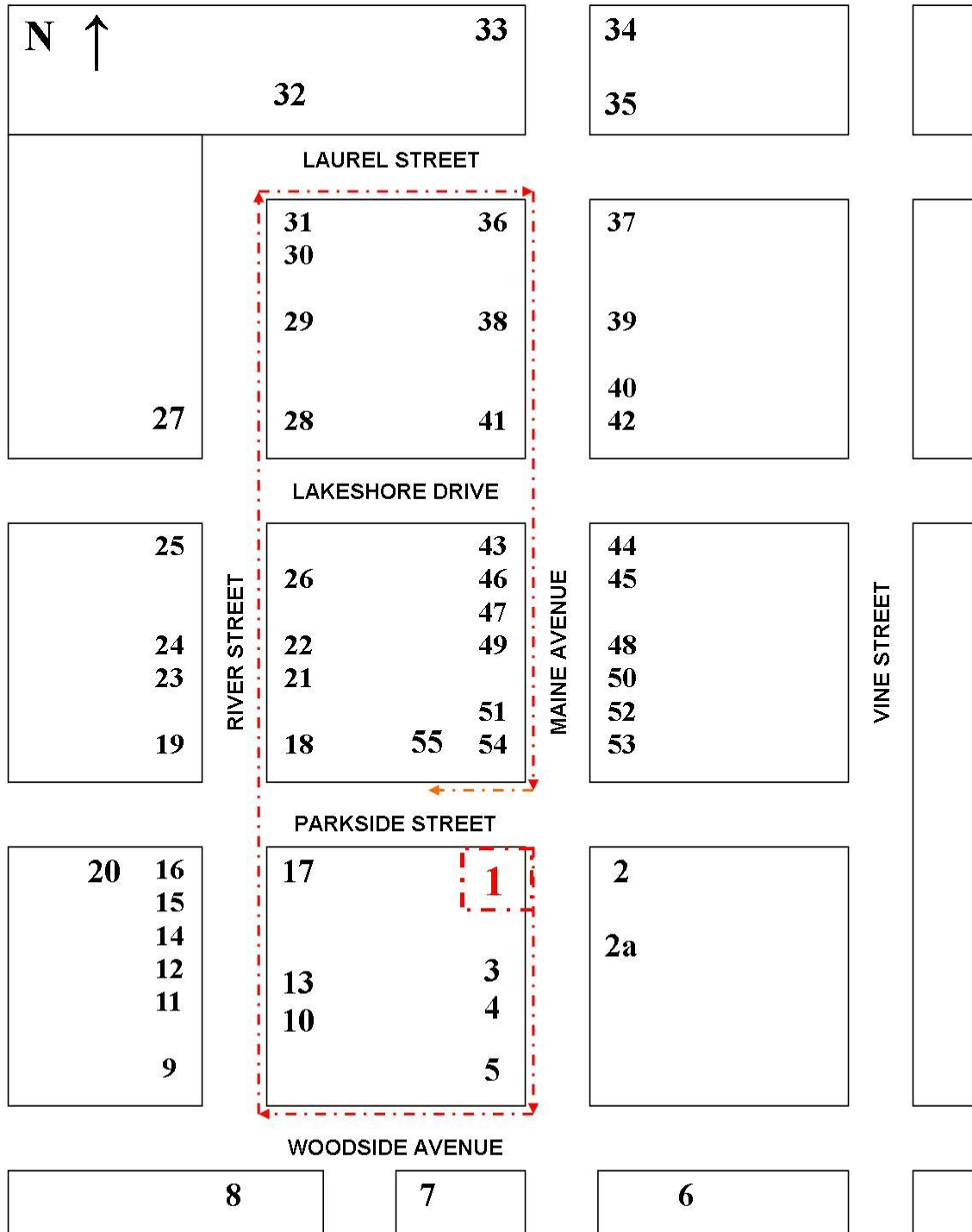
The Lakeside Historical Society was founded in 1972.

This Walking Tour through Historic Downtown Lakeside should take you about an hour, depending on how fast you walk and how much time to spend looking around.

When you see an asterisk (**) next to a site in this guide, it denotes a historical structure that no longer exists.

When you're done walking around Historic Downtown Lakeside, take our Driving Tour around the community and learn even more about the town of Lakeside.

MAP





#1

9840 Maine

DOCTOR OFFICE & RESIDENCE

Lakeside/Santee Funeral Chapel

TODAY: MONTESSORI PRESCHOOL

Original House Built in 1907

Remodeled in 1930 & in the late 1950's

Dr. Junius Taylor Ireys was Lakeside's first medical doctor. He purchased this

property from Hattie Ballou in 1906. Dr. Ireys built a single story home and medical office in 1907 and sold it in 1920. In 1928, physician and surgeon Morton Carlile and his wife, Marty, arrived in Lakeside and bought the house. Dr. Carlile established a branch office in Ramona. He also treated local Indians at the Barona, Viejas, and Sycuan reservations. Around 1930, the Carlile's expanded the house to a two story stucco structure and built a separate office on the south side (9836 Maine). In 1958, Virgil and Mary Sherrill bought the house and converted it into the first funeral parlor in the Lakeside/Santee area. In 2006, the property was sold to the Montessori Preschool.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #15 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*



#2

9841 Maine

SITE OF PARK MARKET**

TODAY: PAYTON'S HARDWARE STORE

Originally Built in 1923

Destroyed By Fire In 1997

Rebuilt in 1999

In 1923, this was the site of Ferguson's Park Store, complete with a soda fountain. In 1926, it was Irwin Blucher's Store. In 1931, it became Gus and Vera Huffman's Park Market. In 1933, it was Ben Reid's Market. Ben employed a bookkeeper and clerk named Eva from 1935 to 1950. Ben and Eva married in 1945. Ben retired in 1950, having purchased the entire block by that time, which he then sold for \$10,000. In 1949, the Park Market was purchased by Brown and Koppel. In 1960, it became Payton's Hardware store. The original building burned to the ground in 1997. The business was rebuilt in a different style and reopened in 1999.



#2a

9825 Maine

TUMBLEWEED CAFÉ & BAR

TODAY: CURRENTLY VACANT

Built in ????

Payton's Lawnmower Shop, to the south of the hardware store and now closed, was formerly the Tumbleweed Café in the 1950's and then a bar. An arcade was later added next to the bar.

#3 9828 Maine - MANISCALCO HOME

TODAY: PRIVATE RESIDENCE

Built in 1938

This house was built for the Maniscalco family, developers and owners of the Cactus Ranch and the first pizza parlor in town. Katie and Sam (siblings) owned the Lakeside Liquor Store (see #46).

#4 9820 Maine - DANE & EILEEN CARENDER HOUSE

TODAY: CALIFORNIA PLUMBING

Built between 1920 & 1928

A Mr. Bickle had this house built using some of the redwood lumber from the dismantled Lakeside Inn. In 1933, Otto Einer purchased the house (he later built and operated the gas station at Maine and Woodside – see #5). In 1944, the home was purchased by Dane Carender. In 1957, Dr. Sam Sloan bought the place. A number of businesses have occupied this building, including Valeria Hatch's Art Gallery, Dave Lepire Insurance, the Candy Cottage, and attorney's C. Logan McKecknie and Klosterman.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #14 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*



#5

9806 Maine

OTTO EINER'S SERVICE STATION

TODAY: USED CAR LOT

Built in 1933

This gas station was built by Otto Einer. The cement blocks were made with a hand machine at the Einer Brothers

Cement Plant on North Maine Avenue. Otto operated the station until 1947, when he leased it to the Texaco Oil Company. Other operators included Erman Kouns, Hank Long, Bob Hanson, and Woody Woodson. In the 1980's, Mr. Webb of Webb's RV (see #38) operated it. Since then it has been a motorcycle shop, a fruit stand, and now a used car lot.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #13 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*
- *Received Lakeside Historical Plaque in 2000*



#6

Maine & Woodside

SITE OF LAKESIDE INN**

LAKESIDE HOTEL 1887-1905

LAKESIDE INN 1905-1920

Built in 1887

Dismantled in 1920

TODAY: POST OFFICE

1960c-Present

The site of the Lakeside Inn, built in 1887 by the El Cajon Valley Company. Originally called the Lakeside Hotel, the name was changed and the building remodeled when wealthy San Diegan John H. Gay bought the property in 1905. Gay built a dirt race track around the lake and fenced off the entire property (including the lake) for the exclusive use of his Inn patrons. A court battle ensued, by the people of Lakeside, who claimed the lake had originally been set aside as a public park. Gay died in 1914 and the Inn closed for many years, though it was occasionally opened by his widow, Jeanette Gay, for the benefit of the community. Mrs. Gay sold the property in 1919. The Inn was dismantled in 1920, about the same the people won the lawsuit and regained their park. Much of the lumber was reused throughout the town. Contrary to popular belief, the Inn was not demolished by John Gay or his wife, nor did it burn down. After the Inn was dismantled, the property remained vacant for decades until the post office was built there and opened in 1963.

- *For more information, buy the book "John H. Gay and the Lakeside Inn" by Barbara Stallings Hogue, available in the gift store of the Lakeside Historical Society*



#7

12473-C Woodside

LAKESIDE INN SRING HOUSE

CECIL'S CORNER RESTAURANT

TODAY: CURRENTLY VACANT

Built in 1887

Remodeled /expanded in 1957

This property was part of the Lakeside Inn and was built about the same time. It was called the Spring House and was used to cool food for the Inn. After the Inn was dismantled, the structure was enclosed and used for various different businesses over the years. Cecil Carender bought this property from Tom Butler and remodeled the building into a landmark restaurant, famous for the fried shrimp and chicken dinners. The building retained the original roof line of the Spring House, but it has since been enlarged. It is unknown if and how much of the original construction remains, but the design and shape of the current structure retain much of the original look.

- *Received Lakeside Historical Plaque in 2001*

#8 12461 Woodside – SITE OF LAKESIDE'S FIRST GAS STATION**

TODAY: LAKESIDE MUFFLER AND WELDING

Originally built in the 1920's

This was the site of the first gas station in town, owned by Leslie Clevenger.

#9 12450 Woodside – LANTZ HOUSE

TODAY: SAN DIEGO WATER DISTRICT BUILDING

Built in the 1930's

The house was originally owned by Adrian and Grace Lantz. It was purchased by the City of San Diego, who built a pumping plant for the San Vicente Reservoir next to the original house. For a time, the residence was used by water district employees, but it has been vacant for decades.



#10

9801–9825 River

MITCHELL COURT

TODAY: PRIVATE RESIDENCES

Built in 1939

These bungalow style apartments were built by Mary Mitchell, who purchased the property in 1936 and filed a Notice of Completion with the county in 1939. They were especially popular for area newlyweds. The court was purchased by James Moran in 1991. He remodeled and updated the interiors, but retained the original cedar shake shingles exterior. The site includes four cottages, three apartments, and a studio.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #32 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*

#11 9822 River – BRYANT HOUSE

TODAY: PRIVATE RESIDENCE

Built in 1908

Frank and Ellen Bryant purchased this property from Michael Kew in 1895. They probably built their single story Craftsman house here in 1908. After the deaths of Frank and Ellen in 1913, Willis and Anna Markland bought the house. E.M. and R.J. Pickering assumed ownership in 1940 (along with Anna Markland). Lula "Frenchy" Parquette purchased the home in 1946, after retiring as a public school teacher. Parquette was a native of Kentucky, born in 1884. She was active in the Wesleyan Methodist Church (#17). In 1972, this was the home of a local newspaper, the *Back Country Trader*.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #33 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*
- *Received a Lakeside Historical Plaque in 2001*



#12

9830 River

SITE OF PETERSON HOME **

Built in 1896

Demolished in 2015

**TODAY: SHERIFF SUBSTATION
DRIVEWAY**

George Peterson moved into the house with his parents in 1945. He

could see daylight through the walls; newspapers were used as insulation.

#13 9827 River – A.K. FRENCH HOUSE

TODAY: ALLSTATE INSURANCE

Built in 1891

Asaph K. French purchased this property from the El Cajon Valley Company and probably built his one story Folk Victorian house here that same year. The small home required almost immediate modifications. The January 27, 1894 edition of the *San Diego Advertiser* wrote, "A.K. French is building an addition to his house." By 1911, according to the Sanborn Fire Map, it appears the dwelling has at least two additions at the rear. Ramon and Josephine Ames assumed ownership of the property in 1924 and conveyed the title to James and Guadalupe Ames in 1925. It is unknown whether the Ames family, long associated with Lakeside area, lived in the dwelling. They deeded the house to Wallace and Etta Mansur also in 1925. After Etta Mansur's death in 1945, the property title passed to Amma Schiller. E.A. and Vera Brenner purchased the residence in 1945, and sold it to John and Helen Bertussi in 1946. In 1950, Fred and Geraldine Hosar bought the home, sold it to Dale and Doris Estep in 1955, who in turn conveyed it to Lowell and Bettie Barnhart that same year. James and Eileen Warn purchased the house in 1959 and retained ownership through the 1960's.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #34 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*
- *Received Lakeside Historical Plaque in 2001*
- *Oldest known residence still standing in Downtown Lakeside Historic District*

#14 9832 River – FLEMING HOUSE

TODAY: PRIVATE RESIDENCE

Built in 1895

George Fleming purchased this property from the El Cajon Valley Company in 1888 and may have erected this house here around 1895. F.D. and Alice Cooper purchased the house in 1936. After their deaths in 1940, the property title passed to Nelson and Gladys Cooper. Richard and Adele Smith bought the dwelling in 1944, sold it that same year to Ernest and Vera Brenner, who transferred it to August and Nora Peterson in 1945. The Petersons retained ownership through the 1960's.

- *Lakeside Historic Survey Site #35 (2001 by San Diego County)*
- *Received a Lakeside Historical Plaque in 2002*

#15 9834 River - FRANK W. BRYANT HOUSE

TODAY: E.C. CONSTRUCTION

Built in 1908

Frank Bryant purchased this property from the El Cajon Valley Company in 1903 and most likely built this single story Craftsman residence (with its distinctive “eyelid” dormer) in 1908. After his death in 1913, Thomas and Eva Bryant assumed ownership. In 1924, Stanley and Paloma Wood bought the dwelling. Stanley was a San Diego native and worked as a U.S. Mail contractor between Mesa Grande, Ramona, Julian, and Lakeside. He also ran a service station in Lakeside and served as a water director. After Stanley took a position in San Diego with the water department, he sold his house in 1930 to Frank and Emma Meske. The property went through a succession of owners during the early 1930’s: Adeline Durr Wonder, Mary Hart, Clarke and Reba Bickels, and John Moore. F.D. and Alice Cooper bought the house in 1936 and conveyed the title to Nelson and Gladys Cooper in 1940. In 1943, Augustus Huffman, who ran the Huffman Department Store on Maine Avenue, bought the residence. His son, Harvey, assumed ownership of the house in 1956.

- *Lakeside Historic Survey Site #36 (2001 by San Diego County)*
- *Received a Lakeside Historical Plaque in 2002*

#16 9842 River – CULBERTSON HOUSE

TODAY: MARROKAL CONSTRUCTION

Built in 1908

Anna Culbertson purchased this property from Joseph Tuitt in 1907. She built her single story Craftsman house in 1908, during a time when Lakeside was enjoying a “building boom,” according to *San Diego Union*. Anna married Charles C. McCormick and, in 1913, the couple sold the house to George and Gertrude Nelson. Bryan and Alma Conrad bought the home in 1927. Bryan worked at the Bank of Italy (now Bank of America) after their marriage in Butte, Montana in 1922. In 1924, he took a position at the Lakeside Commercial and Savings Bank. They bought the service station at the corner of Woodside and Riverview in 1930. Bryan divided his time between pumping gas and driving a school bus for the Lakeside School District. From 1948 until 1959, Mr. Conrad worked as Lakeside’s only postal carrier, assigned to route #1. He retired from the post office in 1962. Alma cared for their three children, served with the local PTA, and was a member of the TNT (Thread, Needle, & Thimble) Club. The Conrad’s owned the house through the 1960’s.

- *Lakeside Historic Survey Site #38 (2001 by San Diego County)*
- *Received a Lakeside Historical Plaque in 2001*

#17 9849 River – WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

LAKESIDE MASONIC TEMPLE (LODGE #760)

TODAY: CALVARY CHAPEL LAKESIDE

Built in 1946

Reverend Wilson was the minister of this church when it was built. Sold to the Masons in 1976 when a new church was built on Los Coches Road. This style of building block is rare in Southern California and is considered to be unique.

- *Lakeside Historic Survey Site #37 (2001 by San Diego County)*

#18 12404 Parkside – JAMES O'DELL HOME

TODAY: PRIVATE RESIDENCE

Built in 1935

#19 12382 Parkside - RESIDENCE

TODAY: PRIVATE RESIDENCE

Built in the 1920's

Owned and occupied by Otto Marcks. The E.H. Carender family lived here in 1931-32. The front later burned and was never rebuilt.

#20 12369 Parkside – SITE OF SCHILLER HOUSE**

Built circa 1917

Demolished in 2015

TODAY: SHERIFF SUBSTATION PARKING LOT

Joseph Schiller came to Lakeside in 1910, from North Dakota. He built a house and planted an orchard on Willow Road, but it all washed away in the Flood of 1916. Schiller bought this property and lived here until his death in 1937. Demolished in 2015(?) to make way for a parking lot adjacent to the Sheriff's Lakeside Substation. Joseph's son and daughter-in-law rented and then purchased the Mason Birchard House on River Street (#30).

- *Received a Lakeside Historical Plaque in 2001*

#21 9919 River – HALL/McDONALD HOUSE

TODAY: PRIVATE RESIDENCE

Built in 1930

Original location unknown / Moved to current site in 1944

John and Lula May Mason purchased this property in 1944 from Charles Johnson and may have then moved this house here. In 1946, Harriet Brock bought the parcel and sold it to Ralph and Mildred Freeman that same year, who in turn conveyed it to Harvey and Mary Overpeck in 1947. Chris and Emma Hanson Hall assumed ownership in 1951. Emma was a Lakeside resident since 1950 who was born in Denmark, Wisconsin in 1883. After her marriage to Chris in 1909, the couple settled on El Cajon Boulevard, where Chris worked as a tailor. In 1923, the Halls bought a 500-acre ranch in Ramona where they raised cattle and layer hens, and maintained peach and apricot orchards. After the Great Depression, they added turkeys to their ranch. They moved to this home when Chris developed high blood pressure and could no longer handle the demands of ranch life. After Chris' death in 1952, Emma continued residency here through the 1980's.

- *Lakeside Historic Survey Site #39 (2001 by San Diego County)*



#22

9925 River

CULBERTSON/KURSAVE HOUSE

TODAY: PRIVATE RESIDENCE

Built in 1894

Originally on Channel (Formerly Benedict)
between Woodside & Julian

Moved to current site between 1912 & 1916

The house was built by Charles Culbertson on Benedict (now Channel Road) in 1894. It was moved to River Street by owners Mary Ann Ross and Josie Ross Miller between 1912 and 1916, possibly to make way for the new Second School. The porch was later enclosed and the chimney on the left was removed. In 1943, O.H. and Sylvia Kursave bought the house and opened the Lakeside Theater (in the old Town Hall building) in 1944. They ran the business for 32 years. O.H. was from South Dakota; he died in 1962. Sylvia Kursave died in 1981.

- *Lakeside Historic Survey Site #40 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*
- *Oldest known residence still being used as such in Downtown Lakeside Historic District*

#23 9926 River – BERTUSSI HOME

TODAY: PRIVATE RESIDENCE

Built in 1896

Herman Hirschler purchased this property from the El Cajon Valley Company in 1896 and sold it the same year to John Icke. Icke may have built this single story L-shaped frame structure that year. Eugene Kornmann bought the parcel in 1907. Kornmann was an extensive Lakeside property owner who may have used this structure for commercial purposes. James and Della Forrester assumed ownership in 1908 and operated a grocery store there. In 1920, William and Ella Keene purchased the property. After William's death in 1943, Caroline Keck assumed ownership. Later that year, Charles Pulley bought the building. In 1947, the title was conveyed to Palmira Bertussi, whose family resided there as of 2001.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #41 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*

#24 9932 River – DUNCAN HOUSE

TODAY: PRIVATE RESIDENCE

Built in early 1900

The Duncan Family rented this house for \$15 a month, and then purchased it for \$1500 cash in 1923. Mrs. Duncan was an employee at Edgemore Farms in Santee for many years.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #42 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*



#25

9940 River

LAKESIDE HOTEL

Original Name: Lindo Hotel

TODAY: TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

Built 1887 – Moved 1893

Originally built on Lakeshore Drive

This hotel was built in 1887 by Martha Swycaffer on Sycamore (now

Lakeshore) between Maine and River streets. Named the Lindo Hotel, it was a rooming house for workers on the railroad. The original structure was the two story gabled end. It was moved to its present site in 1893. In 1900, it was a grocery store, post office, and stage stop. In 1905, one of Mrs. Swycaffer's daughters opened the hotel. In 1908, another daughter – Beatrice Price (aka, Aunt Beaty to local residents) – took over and remodeled. She added six rooms upstairs, three bedrooms downstairs, a parlor, an office, and a porch across the front. A white picket fence with climbing roses enhanced the appearance. Aunt Beaty died in 1934 and another sister, Frances Corona, ran the hotel for awhile. In 1941, it was sold to Clark Thompson and Eldon Petzoldt. They hired a proprietor to run the hotel, Howard Shaff, who removed the porch and stucco'ed the building. It was sold to P.J York in 1950, to Clarence Boxby in 1963, and then to Jake and Katherine Applehans in 1968. In 1980, the new owner started selling liquor and had plans to demolish the old hotel and build apartments on the site. The site became a notorious bar and dance hall. In 1992, the place was sold to Tony Rios, who planned to open a Mexican Café downstairs, with a rooming house for single men upstairs. In 1995, Jerry May bought the building. He opened a clean and sober house for rehabilitated persons. May had planned to restore the exterior to its original appearance. In 2017, current owners are operating sober living housing. They are working with the Lakeside Historical Society to restore the Lakeside Hotel to its 1920's look.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #45 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*
- *Received a Lakeside Historical Plaque in 2000*
- *Oldest known building in the Downtown Lakeside Historic District*

#26 9937 River – CLEVENGER HOUSE

TODAY: PRIVATE RESIDENCE

Built in 1920

This house was built by Leslie and Fay Clevenger. He ran a service station on Woodside; she was an employee for the Post Office. The house is now owned by their grandson, Max. He operates Mad Max Engines at the corner of Lakeshore and River.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #47 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*

#27 9942 River – SITE OF BLACKSMITH SHOP**

TODAY: APARTMENTS

This was the site of a blacksmith shop operated by Jim Donahue.



#28

12424 Lakeshore

WESTERN STATES FLYING SERVICES

Rumsey General Merchandise

Allied Engineering

Quality Control Mfg

TODAY: AFFORDABLE RAINGUTTERS

Built in 1908

Ottile Moschcau, a native of Germany, originally bought this site from George Peak in about 1908.

Ottile married Hugo Otto Marcks in 1910. Ottile sold the property to John B. Rumsey in 1911, who built this stucco structure in 1912. After Rumsey passed away, his wife sold the place to John Gibson, who leased it to Cuyamaca Markets. In 1946, the Thomas Smiley family bought the building and opened the Western States Flying Service. The name changed to Allied Engineering in 1950.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #12 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*



#29

10027 River

SITE OF MALLORY HOUSE**

Built in 1894

Destroyed by fire between 2011 & 2012

TODAY: VACANT LOT

The family of Bessie Key and her husband Ed Mallory lived with her parents on the Key Ranch in Lakeside Farms. When the Keys subdivided and sold their acreage, the Mallory's built the

house here. Ed was a barber by trade. Bessie was very influential in the Woman's Club of Lakeside and community affairs. She died in this home at age 84. The house was destroyed by fire.

- *Lakeside Historic Site 46 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*



#30

10041 River

SITE OF MASON BIRCHARD
HOUSE**

Built in 1912

Demolished after 2001

TODAY: STORAGE LOT

Mason Birchard was an agent for the San Diego and Southeastern Railway

at Lakeside since 1905. In 1908, he and his wife, Etta, purchased this property from the El Cajon Valley Company and built this single story Craftsman style house that year. The Birchard's owned the parcel through 1952 when it was bought by Herman and Ruth Schiller.

Herman was a native of North Dakota. In 1930 he was the one man Lakeside Irrigation District. He rose to the position of manager and secretary of the district. In 1961, a new two million gallon reservoir at Lakeshore and Julian was dedicated in his name. Ruth found employment in the grocery business, first with Otto Marcks and the later with Safeway stores in Lakeside. During World War II, Convair hired her for the war effort. Afterward, she became a local postal worker, a position she held until her retirement in 1960. Their son, James, served in the military police during World War II in Scotland, England, Belgium, France, and Germany, and later worked for Convair for 35 years. The house was bought and demolished by that owner.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #44 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*



#31

10041 River

BIRCHARD'S CANDY STORE

TODAY: STORAGE LOT

Built in 1912

This one floor with false front commercial store was built by Mason and Etta Birchard as a confectionary on their property next to their residence and across Laurel Street from the train depot where Mason

Birchard worked as a station agent. The structure found later use as a Pentecostal church and then as the office and storage area for the one-man Lakeside Irrigation District, headed by Herman Schiller, occupant since 1935 of the adjacent house and property owner from 1952. The building fell into ruin for many years. In 2013, Lakeside resident and artist David Ybarra led a group that restored the exterior of the building to its present state.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #43 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*
- *Qualifies for the California Register of Historical Resources*



#32

12414 Laurel

SAN DIEGO & SOUTHEASTERN RAILWAY

DEPOT

TODAY: G. NEFFA DRYWALL

Built in 1913

The railroad came to Lakeside in 1889. This building was the second railroad station built in town and the first cement depot in the county. It

was the pride of the town. It replaced the first station, which was a wooden depot that was located closer to Maine Avenue. The faces on the corners were donated by wealthy San Diego entrepreneur John Spreckels (developer of the railway). Eugene Hoffman, architect of the numerous buildings at the Hotel del Coronado for Spreckels, as well as substantial San Diego Gas & Electric Co. structures, prepared plans for the Lakeside Depot under the direction of Andrew Ervast, chief engineer for the Spreckels companies. Completed on May 1, 1913, the single story Mission style depot had a light brown plastered exterior, tile roof, and antique white stained redwood interior which contained spacious toilets, waiting rooms, a ticket office, and a baggage room. From 1889 to 1916, eight trains a day came through Lakeside. When the line was discontinued in 1939, the depot was converted into a residence and then to commercial uses. It was moved about 45 degrees to face Laurel. Owners in the past have claimed a desire to restore the exterior to its original form, but none have yet to follow through with this plan.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #9 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*
- *Received a Lakeside Historical Plaque in 2000*



#33

10116 Maine

SHELL OIL COMPANY SERVICE STATION

Mobiloil

TODAY: LAKESIDE SERVICE & TOW

Built in 1930

Shell Company of California purchased this property from James and Anna Brockway in 1928 and probably built this service station here about

1930. Shell Oil Company deeded the structure to the State of California in 1963. Mobil Oil operated the service station for a time as well. It is one of the oldest service stations still standing in San Diego County. A lemon packing house stood on this property. The house was later owned by Ed Harrison. He was instrumental in forming Lakeside's first volunteer fire department. In 1954, the town's first fire engine was housed at this station. Ed was appointed Fire Chief in 1959, a position he held until his retirement in 1974.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #30 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*
- *Received a Lakeside Historical Plaque in 2000*



#34

10109 Maine

LAKESIDE LUMBER YARD

Built in 1910

W.D. Hall Lumber Yard

H.S. Kibbey Lakeside Hardware & Lumber

TODAY: CURRENTLY VACANT

There are two businesses are on the site of Lakeside's first lumber yard, opened in 1910

by W.D. Hall. In 1914, Hall sold the business to H.S. Kibbey and moved to El Cajon to establish the W.D. Hall Lumber Company. In 1934, George Miller became proprietor, and then sold to Floyd Lake. It became the Lakeside Hardware and Lumber Yard and the town's first gas pump was located here. The site has hosted restaurants and a produce market. The building at 10109 became the Gypsy Cellar, the Rodeo Bar and Grill, Deloren's Pizza, and Better Days Pizza.



#35

10101 Maine

LAKESIDE BUILDERS STORE

Built in 1938

Lakeside Hardware & Lumber

Sunlight Press

TODAY: MARY'S DONUTS

In 1912, the W.D. Hall Company purchased this property from the El Cajon Valley Company and built a large frame lumber and hardware store adjacent to this site (see above entry). In 1938, Floyd Lake purchased this property and built this single story stucco commercial structure on the corner that year as the title indicates the parcel became the Lakeside Builders Store in May 1938. It adjoined the earlier frame Hall/Kibbey building. The 1938 structure, a much fancier edifice, featured a crenellated parapet, which was later removed. In 1959, Morris Sankary bought the building. It is the former home of Sunlight Press and is now Mary's Donut's.

#36 10050 Maine – GANDYRA HOUSE

Lakeside Harness & Shoe Shop

TODAY: BUDGET LANDSCAPING & MAINTENANCE

Built in 1913

Lorenz and Kate Gandyra purchased this property from the El Cajon Valley Company in 1911. They operated the Lakeside Harness and Shoe Shop in the front. Lorenz was a member of the German Army from 1887 to 1890. Hi family arrived by train at Foster in 1911. They lived at Shady Dell on Mussey Grade until Lorenz built this house. Elvira Wickham bought the home in 1939, and then sold it in 1942 to J.E. and Allie Cullen. Rudolph and Helen Shellum assumed ownership in 1944, Paul and Irene Baker in 1947, and J. Arthur and Claire Weaver in 1954. The Weavers retained ownership through the 1960's.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #27 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*
- *Received a Lakeside Historical Plaque in 2000*



#37

10053 Maine

TOM LAMADRID BLACKSMITH SITE**

Lakeside Inn Restaurant

TODAY: EASTBOUND BAR & GRILL

Built in 1950

Blacksmith Tom La Madrid built this single story brick commercial structure in 1950 for a restaurant which he called the Lakeside Inn (the town's third "Lakeside Inn"). Erected on the site of his blacksmith shop which he had owned and operated since 1920, the building has undergone extensive remodeling. LaMadrid was a native of Mexico. He came to California in 1901 and worked at the Tiffany Blacksmith Shop in Downtown San Diego and in El Cajon before he came to Lakeside in 1917. LaMadrid was instrumental in starting the first real rodeo in Lakeside in 1931. After his death in 1962, wife Helen assumed ownership. In 1965, Paul and Charlet Antonacci bought the building. The site has housed a bar with live entertainment, a rental hall for weddings and private parties, and an antique and crafts shop. The Eastbound Bar and Grill has been open since 2010 and is the site's most successful endeavor to date.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #28 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*
- *Received a Lakeside Historical Plaque in 2000*

#38 10030 Maine – LAKESIDE MOTORS

TODAY: WEBBS R.V. SUPPLY

Built in 1947

Arthur Edwards came to San Diego from New York in 1902. He attended San Diego High School and then worked in a Model T plant. During World War II, he found employment at Solar Aircraft as the superintendent of rolling stock. He and his wife Reva bought this property from Thomas R. Pearce in 1946, then built this single story brick commercial building with an interesting keystone above the entrance. In 1951, Arthur sold the building to Clifford and Genevieve Pool, who sold it to Lorraine Doyle a year later. She owned it through 1966.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #26 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*

#39 10023 Maine –COMMERCIAL BUILDING

TODAY: J.C. FEED & SUPPLY

Built in 1929

San Diego builder Hubert Bischof purchased this property from P.M. and Mary Pearce in 1929 and probably built this two story stucco commercial structure that year. In 1948, Harold and Margaret Kuhn bought the building, and then sold it in 1965 to Daniel Thren. Thren was a World War II naval veteran who hailed from Milwaukee. He settled in San Diego after the war, earned a law degree, and commenced his career in real estate law. He owned the building until his death in 1995. The building has been heavily modified from its original design.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #25 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*



#40

10009 Maine

LAKESIDE TOWN HALL

Lakeside Theatre

Montessori Preschool

TODAY: K.R. WOLFE

Built in 1911

The Lakeside Town Hall was built in 1911. The original structure

and front is still evident behind the movie theatre façade. The side windows are also still in place, but have been boarded up. This was Kursave's Lakeside Theatre from 1944 to 1976. It has been numerous other businesses since then. In 2016, the KR Wolfe company gutted the interior and remodeled the exterior.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #23 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*
- *Received a Lakeside Historical Plaque in 1999*

#41



10002 Maine

SITE OF LAKESIDE COMMERCIAL &

SAVINGS BANK**

TODAY: PARKING LOT

Built circa 1922

Demolished about 1965

In 1922, the parking lot was occupied by the Lakeside Commercial and Savings Bank and the local Post Office. The name was changed in 1927 to the Valley Commercial and Savings Bank. It operated until 1944. The name changed several times before it was moved to 10014 Maine Avenue in 1966. The building was torn down around that time. The building next to the lot was built in 1966, originally the Security Trust and Saving Bank. It still contains the vault. Later, it was a Shakey's Pizza, a restaurant ("Ye Olde Feed Bag"), and then Cowboy's Corner which sold western wear and horse equipment. The Hosanna Christian Center currently occupies the building.



#42

10001 Maine

WOMAN'S CLUB OF LAKESIDE

Rocchio Rexal Drug Store

TODAY: K.R. WOLFE

Built in 1912

Built by the Woman's Club of Lakeside (established in 1910) with a donation from John Gay, then-owner of the Lakeside Inn hotel. Sold

to John Rocchio in 1945 and became a longtime drugstore. In 1960, Leo Ward bought out Rocchio and moved the drugstore across the street (to Leo's Pharmacy, see #43). This building was then used for the library rummage sales and then a Napa Auto Parts store. Ray Grayson later purchased it for his piano sales and service business. In 1994, Ray Grayson Jr.'s wife Fran remodeled the interior and opened "Bits of Yesterday," where she sold antiques and pianos and had an old fashioned candy shop. Fran's plans for an ice cream fountain here never materialized because of strict county kitchen and health regulations. She eventually moved her business to Ramona and the piano store returned for a while. The building was also used as a real estate office. It was restored in 2015 by KR Wolfe, who started using it as an office in 2017.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #22 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*
- *Received a Lakeside Historical Plaque in 1999*



#43

S/W Corner Maine & Lakeshore

SITE OF LAKESIDE STORE**

Built in 1890

Remodeled & Expanded in 1912

Demolished in 1970

TODAY: PARKING LOT

The first building on this site was a wooden boarding house constructed around 1890. In 1898, J.H. Neal (builder of #51) and Don Forney turned it into the Lakeside Store. They had a community dance hall on the second floor. In 1903, the Kaluber-Wagenheim Company bought the building and C.W. Ross (builder of #49) became the manager. The local post office was also in this building. In 1912, the smaller two story building next door was torn down and

rebuilt with concrete walls, then connected to the Lakeside Store, which was stuccoed to match, with a flat roof built over both. The second floor has apartments for a time. It was a prominent downtown building and business for many years. The building was torn down in 1970. It is currently a parking lot for the adjacent liquor store.



#44

9943 Maine
LEO'S LAKESIDE
PHARMACY
Built in 1923

This structure was built by the Lakeside Development Company. It was formerly Otto Marcks'

grocery store, Tony Held Appliances, and Cecil's Lakeside Inn (not to be confused with the historic hotel [#7] or Tom La Madrid's restaurant [#37], both of which used the same name).

- Lakeside Historic Site #20 (2001 San Diego County Survey)



#45

9935-9939 Maine
HUFFMAN BROS DEPARTMENT
STORE #1
Built in about 1936

Augustus and Vera Huffman brought their family here South Dakota in 1929, arriving in El Cajon. In 1931, they bought the Park Market (#2), which they operated for two

years. In 1936, the Huffman Bros. Department Store opened here. They sold clothing, shoes, and merchandise for the home. The "Brothers" were Orville and Harbey, who helped their father run the business. A new modern store was built down the street on Maine Avenue in 1946 (#50). In 1959, Jess Shaw bought this store and the name was changed to the Lakeside Department Store. It also sold clothing, boots, and western wear. It closed in the late 1980's.



#46

9936 Maine
LAKESIDE LIQUOR STORE
TODAY: LIQUOR STORE
Built in ????

Sam and Katie Maniscalco (siblings) took over this liquor store in 1938. It was the oldest family owned and operated business in Lakeside for a time. It also housed a dry cleaners.



#47

9926-9934 Maine

BUSINESS STOREFRONTS

Built circa 1947

“9926” was formerly Penny Burns’ Beauty Shop and a locksmith shop. From 1947 to 1962, “9930” was the Watkins Bakery and Fountain, famous for their fruit cakes, which were shipped all over the country. It has since been numerous different restaurants, including the Maine Street Café in 1995. More recently, it has been a series of coffee shops. “9934” was formerly a bicycle shop in 1995. Before that, an X-rated video shop opened here that got the local residents upset and angry. It operated for several years before being run out of town.



#48

9927 Maine

HELLER'S SAFEWAY

Barker & Sons Market

**TODAY: HOMESTYLE HAWAIIAN
RESTAURANT**

Built 1930

This building was built as a grocery store by the Heller family. The house behind it was part of the property (and now the home of Lakeside’s Chamber of Commerce). In the 1930’s this became one of San Diego County’s first Safeway grocery stores. Later it became Barker and Sons Market and operated as such until the 1970’s. Darlene and Walt Winn bought the building and opened their Better Buy Auto Supply. (The Winn’s were active with MARA – the Maine Avenue Revitalization Association – which was established in 1993.) After that, a series of restaurant moved in and out of the structure, including Pinnacle Peak, a longtime local restaurant that moved here when they were evicted from Santee in 2013. They lasted only two years before closing for good in 2015.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #21 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*



#49
9924 Maine
ROSS HOUSE
TODAY: LAKESIDE
VETERINARY HOSPITAL
Built 1904

C.W. Ross managed the Lakeside Store down the street (#43) in 1903. He built this home for his family the following year. It was

later occupied by Penny Burns and her family. In 1992, Clifford Crist remodeled the interior for veterinarian Dr. Jeff Robbins and the site has been an animal care center since then.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #19 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*
- *Received a Lakeside Historical Plaque (owner refused to post)*

#50 **9917 Maine – HUFFMAN BROS DEPARTMENT STORE #2**
TODAY: AGPEST

Built in possibly 1946

In 1936, the Huffman brothers opened a department store down the street (#45). Ten years later, they opened a new modern store on this site. The Huffman's were active in many different community affairs. Formerly Village Carpets.

#51 **9918 Maine – NEALE HOUSE**
TODAY: UNKNOWN BUSINESS

Built in 1900

Built by Johnson Neale (who bought and created the Lakeside Store that used to be down the street [#43] in 1898). Purchased by C.W. Ross, who rented to the I.L. Blucher family. Bill and Josie Miller later moved into it. During the 1970's, it was a pottery and plant business, then later a feed store. In 1984 it was purchased by Colonel and Judith Surratt and completely restored. It has since been a used car lot, a church, and an antique store. Currently it is being rented to a private businessman.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #18 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*
- *Received a Lakeside Historical Plaque in 1999*

#52 **9911 Maine – FIRE AND ICE BUILDING**
TODAY: CLAUSS CONSTRUCTION

Built in possibly 1946

Several cafes and restaurants have occupied this property, among them St. Peters Fishery, Great Scott Restaurant, and an appliance store. It then was abandoned and sat empty for many years. Steve and Debbie Clapp bought the building, then gutted and restored it. Their restoration kicked off MARA – the Maine Avenue Revitalization Association project – which is still actively saving and improving old buildings in Lakeside!

#53 9901 Maine – LAKESIDE FEED STORE

TODAY: A GARAGE DOOR & GATE STORE

Built in 1947

The original feed store on this site was destroyed by fire in 1938. The current structure was built by Harold Bacon and was later sold to Earnie Nelson. The corner suite was used as a feed store until the late 1970's. In 1995, owner Mike Brandon operated Lakeside Antiques, restoring cars and furniture here. The adjoining suite (at 9909 Maine) has housed a "five and dime" variety store, as well as the Lakeside Gallery. Currently it is a beauty salon.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #16 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*



#54

9906 Maine

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LAKESIDE

AKA, Olde Community Church

TODAY: HOME OF THE LAKESIDE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Built in 1895-96

The First Presbyterian Church of Lakeside was organized in 1893 with 13 charter members. It was the first church in town. Services were held at the Lakeside Inn (#6) until construction commenced in 1895; the first services were held in the sanctuary on February 9, 1896. The building was designed by Moses Frick, who came to San Diego in the 1880's during the land boom. In 1914, a Sunday school wing was added on the north side. It became a social hall on weekends and later an extension of the sanctuary. In 1945, the church changed its name to the Lakeside Presbyterian Church. In 1946, two surplus Army barracks were added on the west side, off the social hall, to house the Sunday kindergarten department. In 1963, the congregation moved to a new site on Channel Road (still open). The old church was then used as an art gallery, theatre and coffee shop in 1965 and a thrift shop later in the 1960's. In 1986, the Lakeside Historical Society leased the church and undertook to purchase and restore the structure. The LHS bought the church in 1995 and paid it off in three short years through much community fundraising.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #17 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*
- *Received a Lakeside Historical Plaque in 1992*
- *Qualifies for listing in the National Register of Historic Places*
- *Also qualifies for the California Register of Historical Resources*

#55 12418 Parkside - MANSE HOUSE/PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LAKESIDE

Lakeside Chamber of Commerce

TODAY: HOME OF THE LAKESIDE HISTORY MUSEUM

Built in 1911

The First Presbyterian Church of Lakeside started construction on their “manse” or “parsonage” on October 28, 1911. It is a one and a half story Craftsman style house and cost about \$1500, “which has been contributed by residents of Lakeside.” The W.D. Hall Company of El Cajon received the order. In 1949, the manse was remodeled for use by its Sunday school, as well as its administrative offices (during the week). After the Presbyterian Church moved to its “new” location on Channel Road, the manse was used for a variety of different organizations, including the Lakeside Chamber of Commerce in 2001. It is now owned and operated by the Lakeside Historical Society, in which they now operate the Lakeside History Museum.

- *Lakeside Historic Site #31 (2001 San Diego County Survey)*
- *Received a Lakeside Historical Plaque in 2001*

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