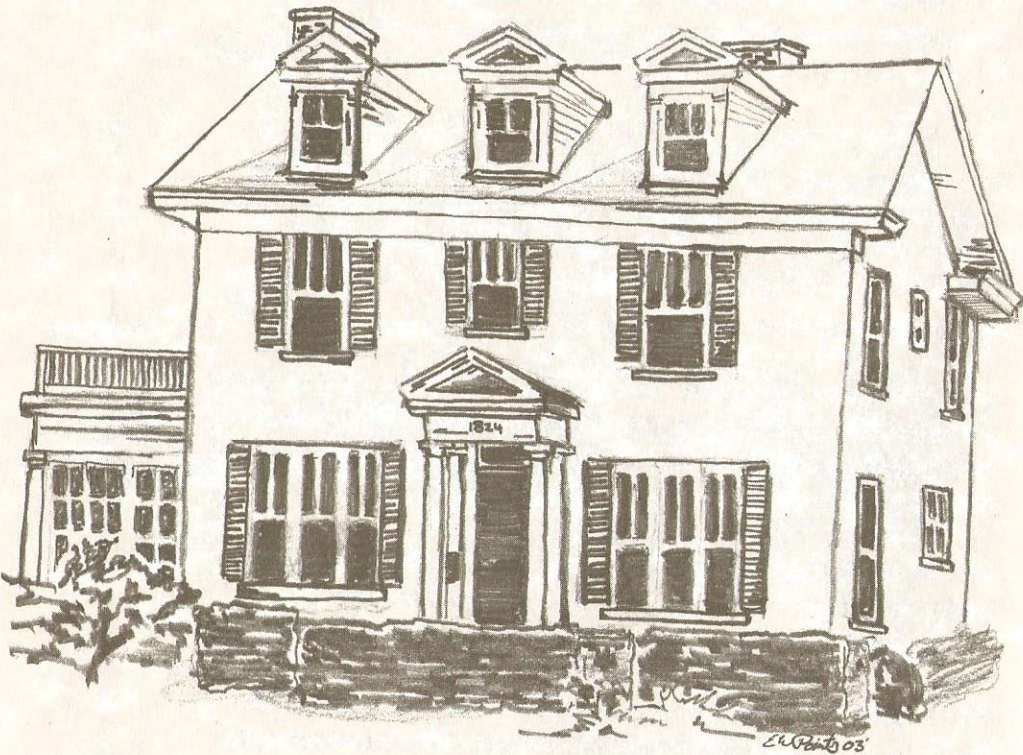


1824 Grove Avenue



Year Built:

1925

Name of Building:

**Dr. Charles and Louise
Center Home**

Style:

Colonial Revival

Dr. Charles and Louise Center had their Colonial Revival home at 1824 Grove built in 1925. Dr. Center had several homes built in Quincy, this being his last. Grove was not a public boulevard when it was originally designed. Small limestone markers at 18th and 20th Streets remain with the inscription, "Private Drive". This exclusivity made the new neighborhood very appealing, much like the gated neighborhoods in larger cities.

The home is currently occupied by the third owners, Lincoln and Barb Lieber. The beautiful front door is original to the home. The gas fireplace in the living room was enclosed by the present owners in keeping with the Colonial Revival Style of the house. The portrait on the west living room wall was painted by locally known artist, Jane Lieber Mays, aunt of the subject. A sun porch, commonly known as a three-season-room, is on the east side of the house.

The dining room floor is the original quarter sawn oak. From the dining room one enters the kitchen, passing the new half bath that was originally the butler's pantry. The current owners remodeled the kitchen to accommodate their family. Their current pantry was originally the half bath.

Upstairs there are three bedrooms and an office that could also serve as a fourth bedroom. It has a central hall area and a full bath.

Mrs. Lieber tells us that one of the children of the Centers wrote a book entitled "The Center Line" about growing up in Quincy and some of the antics that took place in this very house. One of the Center children, Allen H. (Pete) Center, went on to become Vice President of Motorola Corporation near Chicago.

