

# Welcome to The Social House

By Helen Vogt Greene

Established in 2015, the Social House is located at 512 Lucerne Avenue. This new concept is owned and managed by Eric and Laura McGlynn. They have created an ‘office space’ environment for those wishing to build and explore small business opportunities. The upscale office space allows members a positive,

independent work space. Laura McGlynn was the designer of the flexible floor plan and the well-appointed work spaces that meet the individual need of the member. The design and mission of Social House is to foster relationships, a co-working opportunity, a positive, safe and quiet place for new small businesses to develop in professional

surroundings. Julissa Rosado is new to the Lake Worth business community. She is a highly motivated market consultant for Facilitating Uniqueness. Her background and educational expertise are seen on her resume. She has a magnificent smile. Rosado was excited when she first found the Social House. “I was im-

pressed and inspired by the friendly greeting, openness of the space, the decor and the attention to details.” All the basic needs such as desk, lighting, storage are available For Rosado, it was just what she needed, plus a cup of her favorite flavored tea.

Jessica Gormann is the official greeter for the Social House. Gorman is there, with a warm smile, to make members welcome and answer the million and one questions. Most importantly, she is the event planner. The events include all the members.

The Laura McGlynn’s design is the perfect venue for events, The lighting of the open space, its quality movable furnishings, flexible floor plan and the long list of amenities makes an elegant place for gallery shows, photo exhibits, meet and greet, classes and workshops.

The fully stocked kitchenette, gracious patio and detailed bathrooms help inspire conversations and making the necessary business contacts. There is a boardroom for those large business meetings that require privacy.

The Social House is far more than ‘office space.’ It



**Julissa Rosado, (L) was welcomed to the Social House by Jessica Gormann, event planner. The elegant, well-appointed detailed office space was just what Julissa needed to start her first small business as a Market Consultant.**



**Building a business relationship are six of the members of the Social House at 512 Lucerne Avenue. Since 2015, Social House has provided the carefully planned, up-scaled office space, an opportunity to have a dedicated work space and a place for events.**

encourages creative thinking, promotes the sharing of ideas and helps bring ideas and people together. On Monday, July 2, Social House will hold an open house from 10 a.m.- 5 p.m.

You are invited! Say hello to Jessica, Julissa and the other members. They have learned their smiling lesson very well. Social House is an ‘office space’ with a vision - yours.

# Velocipede Mystery Solved

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*The Lake Worth Herald* heard from Carol Childs Webster. Currently Webster is the President of the Alumni Association of Lake Worth High School. After we share her e-mail, we will tell you why Carol and the Childs’ Family is important to to Lake Worth.

Carol’s e-mail:  
I was reading your interesting article, “From Meat Grinders to a Velocipede” in the June 7, 2018 issues of *The Lake Worth Herald*. You mentioned that the Lake Worth Historical Museum was checking for the donor of the fist bicycle - the velocipede.

I am happy to solve your mystery.  
My father, Irvin Childs, was doing some work at the home in Palm Beach decades ago. While he was there the caretaker was cleaning out either a garage or a shed and offered the wooden bicycle to him. He took it and kept it for a number of years and then decided to donate it to the Lake Worth Historical Museum. As you know my father was from a Lake Worth pioneer family. He was so impressed with the museum that he wanted to share the velocipede so others could view another part of our local history.

We want to thank Carol for helping us solve the mystery.  
There is much more to Carol’s story. As she indicated, the Childs Family are pioneers of the City of Lake Worth. A pioneer is person and their descendants that were here on or before May 18,1914. This is when the electric lights were officially turned on.

All the pioneers have a wonderful story and the Historical Museum was established to preserve and protect their contributions, The Childs Family has several firsts and are just one of the dedicated pioneers to leave their footprints on the beginnings of Lake Worth.

G. Sherman Childs and Amelia Ethel Sinclair Childs are the original pioneers.

But, they were not alone. In Hibbing, Minnesota, there were three families that were very close. They were Leon McGill, James Love (who later became the first elected Mayor), and G. Sherman Childs.

In 1911, agents from Bryant and Greenwood were spreading the story of a new community without snow. It was called Lucerne. These friends knew that this would be one way to escape the winters of Minnesota.

The three families decided to check the reports. G. Sherman was to be the ‘scout’. He arrived July, 1912. A message was sent and plans were made to move to Lucerne.

It was decided that the men would come down first

and build a house. A box car was used to move the furniture of the three families - thanks to the ladies.

Four, 25 foot lots were purchased on what is now 1st Avenue South and South “M” Street. The McGill house was first to be completed. This house was ddvided by rugs to provide sleeping quarters. The cooking was done outside.

G. Sherman used his skills as a draftsman in the booming Palm Beach construction. It also allowed work for McGill and Love until they were established.

The work in Palm Beach brought contacts with the rich and famous. One of the most famous was the Palm Beach architect Addison Mizner.

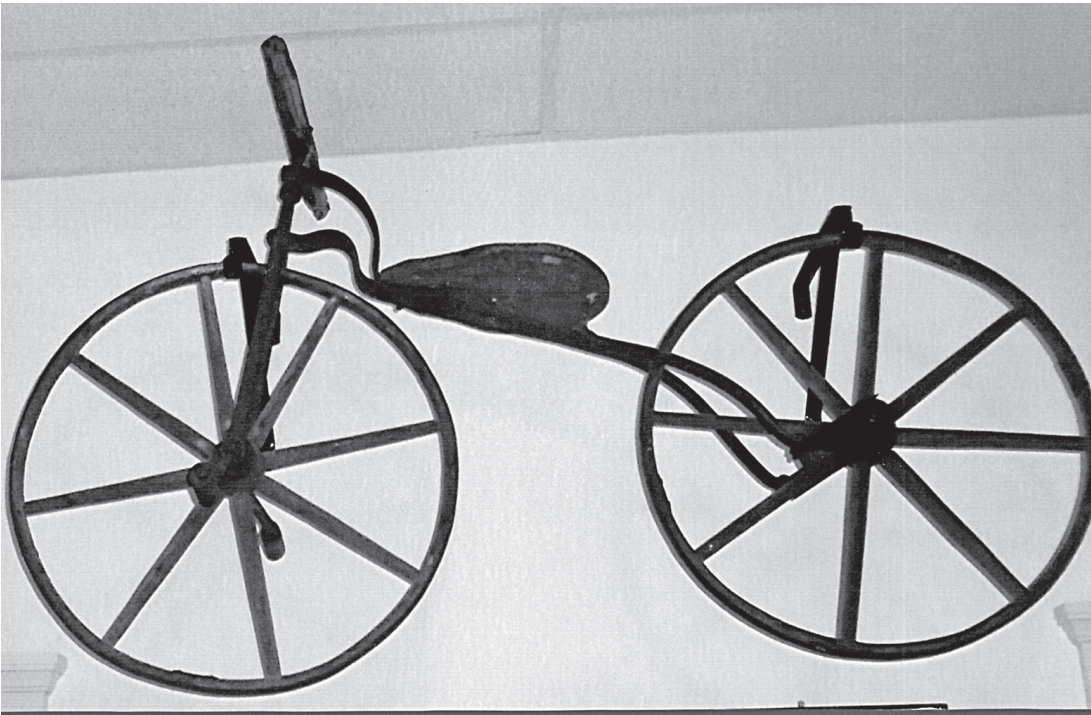
Mizner was a frequent visitor at the Childs’ home. It is said that the 300 pound Mizner enjoyed the cooking of Amelia Ethel, G. Sherman’s wife.

G. Sherman became an architect in his own right. In fact he was an architect for the City of Lake Worth. Several of the buildings designed by G. Sherman remain as historical landmarks.

Of note are: Although no longer standing, G. Sherman designed the first municipal building. It contained the City offices, library, fire department and two jail cells. This building was built just south of today’s City Hall.

G. Sherman also deigned the Moorish style City Hall. It was built as an auditorium as a WPA Project.

Another was the CRA building located on “H” Street and Lake Avenue. It was built c. 1924 as the Masonic Temple. G. Sherman designed a four story building. The 1928 hurricane removed much of the fourth floor.



**One of the treasures of the Lake Worth Historical Museum is the late 1800’s early bicycle called the Velocipede. It was donated to the Museum by the father of Carol Childs Webster, Irvin Childs, one of the first twins born in Lake Worth and a Pioneer of the City of Lake Worth.**

Two of the loveliest homes on 6th Avenue South were designed in c.1925 by G. Sherman. Earl Reed, a successful banker, built for his wife, Florence, a new home on the shores of Lake Worth. When it was completed, they called it La Florentia. Today, it is called the Birthday Cake House.

Elvin E. Greene, Sr. was the owner of the first lumberyard. G. Sherman designed the Mediterranean style home in the same year, c.1925. When it was built it was built with only two bedrooms. Armenia Greene had the first baby, a boy, Percy Worth Harold Greene.

As an architect, the business flourished for G. Sherman. His family was growing as well. He had the first girl born in Lake Worth, Jean Childs Addison and the first twins Irvin and Irvin Rae and Irvine Mae. Carol Childs Webster is the daughter of Irvin.

It would be hard to comprehend a City of Lake Worth without the pioneers of the City of Lake Worth. Thank you, Carol, for solving the mystery and the reminder of the past.