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## 62 Chestnut Street, Florence

**Owned by Craig & Kathy Della Penna  
Award Winner 2003**

During the Civil War, the Florence Sewing Machine Factory was booming with Army orders for sewing machines. And of course, the Army was

recruiting soldiers in the area too. The factory told their department heads that if they stayed with the firm and didn't go off to war, the factory would build each of them a house on Chestnut St. Nine houses were built—all 1.5 stories tall farmhouse style houses. This home was built in 1865, and in 1868, the railroad was built 8 feet from this house. That's when things really got interesting for the next 101 years. The Della Pennas bought the house in 2001, renovated it for 21st century sensibilities and operate a small bed & breakfast there. In 2003, in addition to winning the Historic Preservation Award that year, the house and the extensive renovation there was also featured on HGTV.

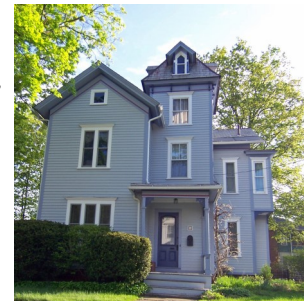


## 30 Munroe Street, Northampton

**Owned by James and Julie Kurose  
Award Winner 1996**

This home, with its eye-catching three-story tower, was built between 1877 and 1884 and is historically called the Sarah Currier House. Italianate in style, as are other homes in this area, it is today the gracious and welcoming home

of Jim and Julie Kurose. Purchased in 1994, this home was transformed by the couple from a two-family residence to a single-family residence with the help of Wright Builders. It is an expansive home with several comfortable sitting areas and a lovely entryway where a three-story staircase is located. In the early 2000s the couple fully renovated their kitchen, with Construct Associates executing the project. Today the home exudes a wonderful "come in and stay-a-while" atmosphere.



## 302 Elm Street, Northampton

**Owned by Jeff Sternal and Jen Adams  
Award Winner 2018**

Historically known as the William K. Staab House, this home was built in 1901 in the Colonial Revival style. Purchased in 2017, the home faced major renovations both on the inside and outside. The owners undertook the extensive work with the assistance of architect Jody Barker and Sackrey Construction. The result is a wonderful combination of the old and the new. The open concept of combining the kitchen with a large sitting area is a modern one, but walk into the dining room and the past is thoroughly present. Most striking on the outside are the extraordinary balustrades on both the upper and lower porches. This home holds its own with the other distinctive homes on Elm St.



## 78 North Elm Street, Northampton

**Owned by David Murphy  
Award Winner 2000**

Purchased in 1997 by David Murphy, this home was most likely built in the early 1900s as a small office to accompany the sprawling Bailey Brickyard, an extremely successful operation which ran behind this home. The renovation

here was a joint venture between the owner and builder, David Clark. Not only was the existing structure, which sits atop several garages, renovated, a new addition was also added. An old porch in the original home was converted into a lovely, spacious dining room which leads into the new addition. The new space includes a year-round sunporch, comfortable, light-filled, and with a full view of the backyard. This house looks deceptively small from the street, but it is now more than 2,300 square feet.



## 123 Meadow Street, Florence

**Owned by Lance Kirley and Jacqueline Leighton  
Award Winner 2002**

Built in 1825, and best known as the Ross Farm, its importance rests in its significance as the site of a utopian community, Northampton Association of Education and

Industry (NAEI) that operated there from 1841 to 1845, and for its use as a site on the Underground Railroad. The property has a well documented history as a major meeting point on the Underground Railroad. The property was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2008. Purchased in 2016 by Lance Kirley and Jacqueline Leighton, the property is now their home and the home of their business, Classic Colonial Homes.



## 41 Lyman Road, Northampton

**Owned by John and Lynne Parsons  
Award Winner 2007**

This house was originally built in 1880 as a small carriage house for the large Italianate homestead of Horace Lamb at 39 Lyman Road.

In the early 1900s it became a residence and in 2004, it was just what the Parsons were looking for to downsize from their former home in Leeds. Architect John Kuhn and Teagno Construction were the winning combination to create the Parsons' vision of a tasteful addition to the carriage house that would respect the 1,100 square foot original structure. Although the home is stylistically unique among the larger residences on Lyman Road, its fencing and landscaping by Bill Canon give it both privacy and appeal.



## FRIENDS OF COOLEY DICKINSON

**FRIENDS OF COOLEY DICKINSON** is a group of volunteers dedicated to supporting the hospital through fundraising, advocacy, and ambassadorship. Our goal is to make a difference in the health of the community we live in and in our community hospital. We raise money through such projects as the CDH gift shop, the CDH coffee shop, Art Gallery exhibitions, Trees of Love and Thanksgiving and other special events like this Historical Home Tour.

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### NORTHAMPTON HISTORICAL COMMISSION

**Mission.** Established by city ordinance in 1973 and updated in 2013 with the merger with the Elm Street Local Historic District Commission, the Northampton Historical Commission (NHC) is charged with the "preservation, promotion and development of the historical assets of the city."

### HISTORIC PRESERVATION AWARDS

The Historical Commission first presented the awards in 1975 to recognize projects and individuals that have helped to contribute to the historic character of the City, and help to raise awareness about the importance of historic preservation. Northampton's built environment is a crucial part of its appeal as a place to live and work, and the Historical Commission seeks to encourage the preservation of the character of the city's buildings and public spaces. In addition to acknowledging work that has carefully retained historic elements and materials, the Commission also recognizes projects that have reinvigorated spaces with creative new uses or made them more welcoming for existing uses.

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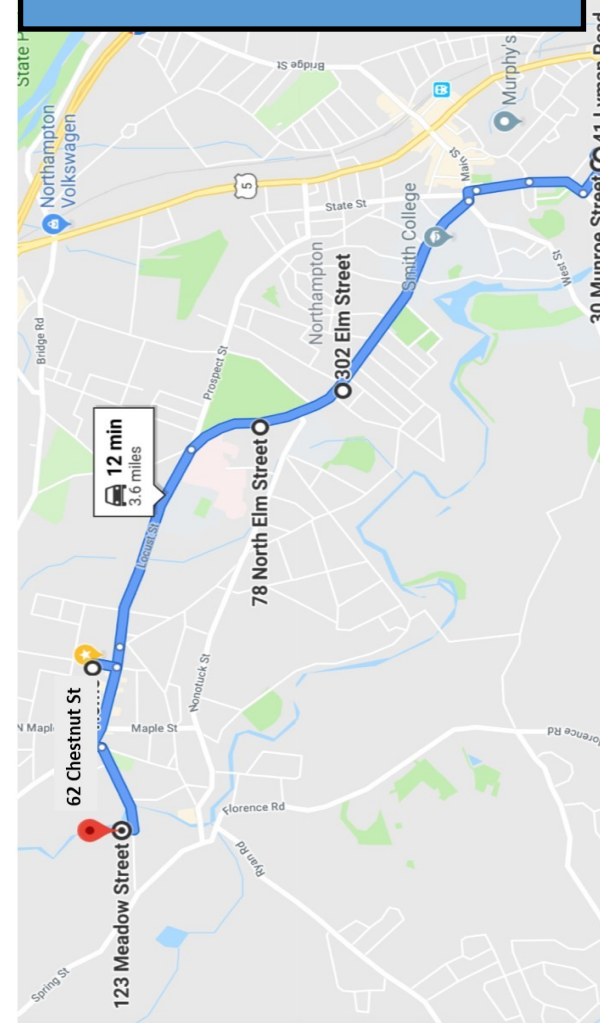
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## A MAP OF THE ROUTE



Here's a Google Map showing the houses on the tour.

41 Lyman Rd.  
30 Munroe St.  
302 Elm St.  
78 North Elm St.  
62 Chestnut St.  
123 Meadow St.

*We suggest you start at either 123 Meadow Street Florence and head into downtown or start at 41 Lyman Road and head west on Rt 9 into Florence.*

## AN INAUGURAL HOME TOUR OF SIX HISTORIC PRESERVATION AWARD-WINNING HOMES IN NORTHAMPTON

**Co-hosted by:**

**FRIENDS OF  
COOLEY DICKINSON**

**and the  
Northampton Historical  
Commission**

**Saturday, June 29, 2019  
from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m.**