

Using This Photo Map

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I have devised this photo map for people interested in the Old North neighborhood of Davis, California—the twelve block district bounded by Fifth and Seventh streets on the south and north and B Street and the railroad on the west and east.

It is designed to be used with and as a supplement to my book on that neighborhood, *Old North Davis* (Yolo County Historical Society, 1999).

To this end, at each location on the map discussed in the book, I give the book's pages on which one can read more about that place. These pages are signaled with an asterisk [*].

Map Information on Locations

- ◆ By my count, the Old North has about 150 "signature" or historic buildings, here defined as developed structures built by or before the late 1940s.
- ◆ I have tried to provide a picture of each signature structure. Photographs not otherwise credited on the *Old North Davis* pages referenced were taken by me. If no other year is given, a picture was taken in 1997.
- ◆ Below the street address for each signature place, I report an estimated year or period of construction. That estimate is sometimes followed by an asterisk [*] page reference to the *Old North Davis* book.
- ◆ If records suggest that a house was built for and lived in by a specific family, the family name is given below the year of construction. A fair number were built as rentals and these are also indicated.
- ◆ These year-of-construction and family name data have come to light after publication of *Old North Davis*. They are from 1933 and 1946-60 City property tax and construction records now archived in the UC Davis Shields Library Department of Special Collections.
- ◆ The label "cowboy" is used here in its meaning of "one who undertakes a . . . sensitive task heedlessly" (*The Random House Dictionary of the English Language*, Second Edition, Unabridged, p. 467).
- ◆ While I have striven for accuracy, this document may well contain errors of both content and style. It should therefore not be taken as the final source on any matter.
- ◆ I would greatly appreciate knowing of errors, receiving suggestions for improving this map, and learning more about each property. I can be reached at 758-5258, 219-2935, 752-0783 (fax), or jflofland@ucdavis.edu.

Some Basic Facts About the Old North

(Sources and explanations are given in *Old North Davis*)

Acres: ~65 (.125 square mile).

Residents: ~600.

Total Residential Units: ~280.

Percent of the ~280 Residential Units Owner-Occupied: ~25.

Percent of the ~150 "Signature Residences" Owner-Occupied: ~50.

Population Density: Moderate Urban (~ 7,000 per square mile compared to some 15,000 for Chicago, 4,500 for U. S. metropolitan areas).

Rate and Decades of "Build Out:" about 40 homes a decade over the 1910s, '20s, '30s and '40s.

Neighborhood Form: Pre-World War II traditional, as contrasted with Post-War "suburban," which is the form seen most commonly in Davis (and in the U. S. in general).

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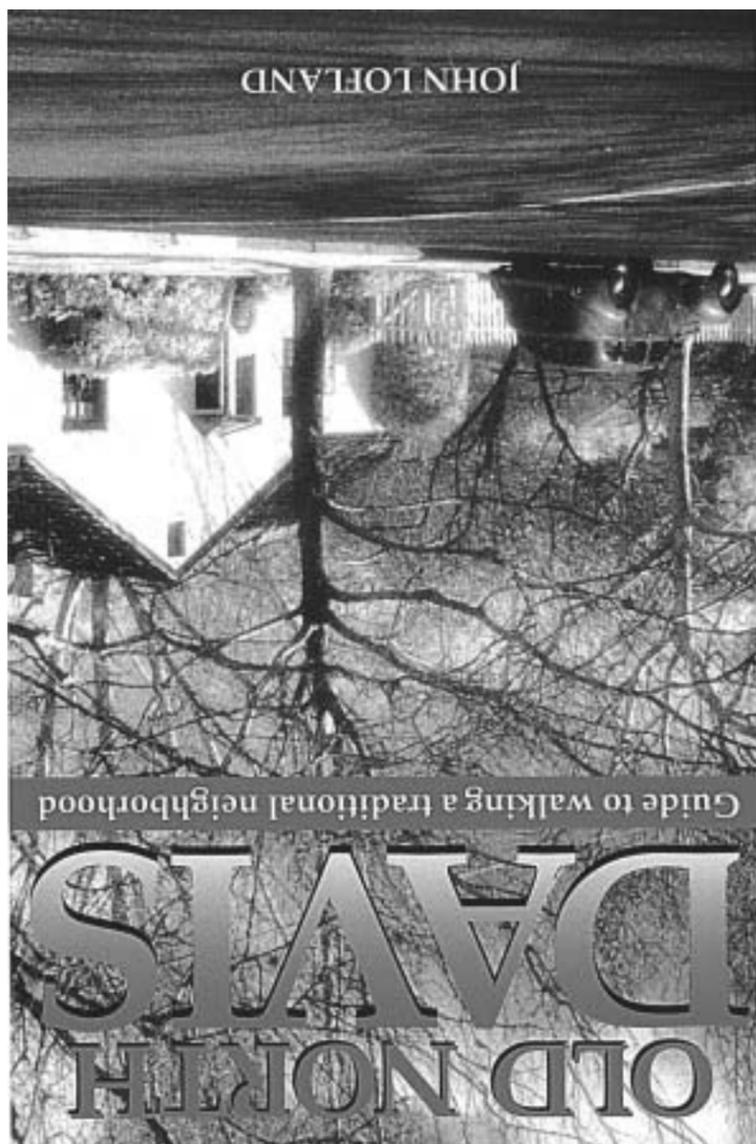
Credits for photographs are given in *Old North Davis*, on the pages indicated at a picture's location on this map.

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PICTURE MAP SUPPLEMENT
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The Old North district of Davis, California is a rare, surviving pre-suburban neighborhood—a frozen in time example of what American cities and towns were like before World War II. This photo map (and John Lofland's *Old North Davis*) in hand, immerse yourself in an unusually intact fragment of a vanished America.

