



The Roth Building

HOMER AVENUE

Palo Alto's Corridor of History

<p>1916 - The Palo Alto Woman's Club builds its own meeting hall. Woman's Club members advocate for women's rights, and they energetically promote libraries and other civic improvements</p>		<p>1997-2004 - A six-year neighborhood campaign succeeds. Palo Alto Heritage Park is dedicated to serve today's residents as the newest jewel in Palo Alto's Corridor of History</p>
<p>1901 - Palo Alto's Irish community erects the magnificent St Thomas Aquinas church. A superb example of carpenter Gothic design, it is a defining feature of Homer Avenue. 1971 - Harold meets Maude in the classic flick</p>		<p>1938 - William Hewlett and David Packard pioneer Silicon Valley in the legendary garage</p>
<p>1907 - Williams House. Built by a pioneering Palo Alto physician, it now hosts the Museum of American Heritage</p>		<p>1925 - AME Zion church (its building survives) and Japanese-American neighborhood center anchor early Palo Alto's cultural diversity. 1931 - The Cardinal French Laundry (its building also exists today) joins Palo Alto's historic laundry district</p>
<p>1932 - Visionary Palo Alto physicians engage architect Birge Clark to design the elegant mission revival Roth Building, nucleus of the Palo Alto Medical Clinic complex that follows. Now owned by the city, it will soon become the Palo Alto History Museum</p>		<p>1912 - Genesis of our global village. Radio pioneer Lee de Forest invents the vacuum tube amplifier and oscillator at 913 Emerson Street, and electronics is born. The communications revolution enabled here radically influenced culture and history; its effects are rivaled only by the invention of writing and the printing press</p>
<p>1905-1928 - Palo Alto's little downtown springs up. Surviving in good condition, it is a living museum of its time, and it actively serves the Palo Alto of today</p>		<p>1930 - Site of former Family Service Laundry building, a notable remnant of Palo Alto's historic laundry district, and eligible for listing on the California Register of Historic Places, demolished in 2004</p>
<p>1890 - Early Palo Alto pioneer Anna Zschokke builds the first house in the new town of University Park (Palo Alto's original name) at 170 Homer Avenue. She mortgages her next house to open Palo Alto's first high school, earning her title: The Mother of Palo Alto Schools</p>		<p>1930 - Site of former Family Service Laundry building, a notable remnant of Palo Alto's historic laundry district, and eligible for listing on the California Register of Historic Places, demolished in 2004</p>
<p>1929 - Buy Violet Ray Gasoline at the stylish Pringle Service Station - sole survivor of Palo Alto's original gas stations</p>		