

# Walter Joseph Cadman House

**865 N. Richman Avenue**

**1929**

**Spanish Colonial Revival**

**Status: Local Landmark**



This graceful 1½-story, with a full basement, Spanish Colonial Revival home was designed and built by notable local building contractor Evan J. Herbert for Walter J. Cadman in 1929. Asymmetrical, the dwelling reflects the simple but finely detailed exteriors Herbert favored in the 1920s and 1930s. Prominently located with its frontage along Richman Avenue, the house has not been altered and retains a high degree of integrity. A detached two-car garage was added to the property in 1987.

In the 1920s Walter Joseph Cadman along with his father-in-law, Robert Emmett Corcoran, subdivided and developed the expansive Golden Hill area – an area roughly bounded by Malvern Avenue on the south, Valley View Drive on the north, Richman Avenue on the east and Woods Avenue on the west. Corcoran oversaw the laying out of streets and homes while Cadman served as real estate agent and manager/secretary of the building firm organized to provide mortgage loans, the Fullerton Building and Loan Association. The venture was very successful, with a number of houses in the five residential tracts making up Golden Hill being constructed by Herbert on “spec”. Cadman commissioned Herbert to build his own residence, where he resided with his family for 10 years before moving to a larger property on West Orangethorpe Avenue in 1941.