## ZONING CHANGE REVIEW SHEET

CASE NUMBER: C14H-2012-0001

HLC DATE: ZAP DATE:

January 23, 2012 February 21, 2012

APPLICANTS: David and Kimberly Hood, owners

HISTORIC NAME: McCrummen-Wroe House

WATERSHED: Shoal Creek

ADDRESS OF PROPOSED ZONING CHANGE: 2300 Windsor Road

ZONING FROM: SF-3 to SF-3-H

SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the proposed zoning change from family residence (SF-3) district to family residence - historic landmark (SF-3-H) combining district zoning.

## **QUALIFICATIONS FOR LANDMARK DESIGNATION:**

The ca. 1935 McCrummen-Wroe House meets the criteria of architectural and historical significance. It is an excellent example of Adamesque Colonial Revival architecture designed by prominent local architect Roy L. Thomas, and is associated with Dr. Thomas D. McCrummen, Austin's first pediatric specialist, and with two prominent leaders of Austin's banking community, both at American National Bank: Thomas D. McCrummen, Jr., and Ed R.L. Wroe, Jr., who both served as presidents of the bank during periods of great expansion in the 1960s and 1970s.

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION ACTION: January 23, 2012: Recommended the proposed zoning change from SF-3 to SF-3-H. Vote: 6-0 (Arriaga ill).

ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION ACTION: February 21, 2012: No recommendation, but with the stated concern that the house is not endangered and that the tax exemption for this and other houses of its valuation will have a detrimental impact on City finances. Vote: 4-2 (Rojas and Seeger opposed; Bourgeois absent).

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS: The house is listed as a Priority 2 for research in the Comprehensive Cultural Resources Survey (1984).

CITY COUNCIL DATE: March 8, 2012 **ACTION**: **ORDINANCE READINGS: 1ST 2ND 3RD ORDINANCE NUMBER:** PHONE: 974-6454

**CASE MANAGER**: Steve Sadowsky

NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION: Old Enfield Homeowners' Association

## BASIS FOR RECOMMENDATION:

## Architecture:

Two-story rectangular-plan Adamesque-style Colonial Revival side-gabled brick house with a symmetrical façade consisting of a central entry with two window bays on each side. The house has a prominent semi-circular portico on Corinthian columns and a leaded-glass fanlight above the door. Paired glazed doors open onto the balcony above the portico. The

house consists of a two-story 5-bay central block with a two-story section on each side; the section to the left of the central block contains an attached garage with double doors opening to the side of the house. The house is ornamented with quoins at the corners of the central block and corners of the house, along with dentil work at the cornice and ornamental keystones above the first-floor windows. Fenestration consists of 9:9 Colonial Revival styled windows on the first floor and 6:6 Colonial Revival-styled windows on the second floor and in the secondary bays on each side of the central block. Roy L. Thomas, a prominent Austin architect, designed the house for Dr. Thomas D. and Elizabeth Wroe McCrummen in 1935.

The Adamesque form of the Colonial Revival style refers to more elaborate detailing and ornamentation than that found on many Colonial Revival houses of the 1930s, which were noted for their almost severe style. Adamesque houses also featured many more rounded surfaces, inside and out, including details such as the semi-circular portico so prominently featured on the McCrummen-Wroe House. The style takes its name from Robert Adam, a Scottish builder and designer in the late 1700s, who combined softer elements of the Baroque and Rococo styles of the early 1700s with the rectangular lines of the Georgian styles of his own time. Adam was also noted for integrating the design of the interior with that of the exterior, and for using classical motifs such as garlands, urns, and medallions on buildings. The Adamesque form of Colonial Revival resulted in more ornate and varied detailing on otherwise symmetrical Colonial Revival houses and was popular in the design of high-end buildings from the 1890s through the mid-1930s.

## Historical Associations:

The house was built in 1935 for Dr. Thomas D. and Elizabeth Wroe McCrummen and designed by prominent local architect Roy L. Thomas. Dr. McCrummen was a native of Paris, Texas, but grew up in Austin and graduated from the University of Texas and the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston. He returned to Austin in 1927 and established his practice in the Norwood Building. Dr. McCrummen was Austin's first pediatric specialist, and practiced until his death in 1954. His wife Elizabeth was the daughter of H.A. Wroe, a prominent wagon and buggy dealer, and one of Austin's first automobile dealers. She was active in many civic and charitable organizations, including the Settlement House and Junior League. After her husband's death, she remained in the house until 1963, when she and her son Thomas D. McCrummen, Jr. sold the house to Ed R.L. Wroe, Jr., and his wife, Frances. Thomas D. McCrummen, Jr., born in Austin in 1934, grew up in this house. He attended the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee and graduated from the University of Texas in 1955 with a business finance degree. He graduated from the Southwestern Graduate School of Banking in 1960. He had worked part-time and during the summers while he was in school at the American National Bank, which had been founded by George Littlefield, and run by his grandfather, H.A. Wroe in its early years. After graduation, he rose through the ranks of the bank, becoming cashier, vice-president, president, and vice-chairman of the board. He also served on the State Securities Board in the late 1960s.

Ed R.L. Wroe, Jr., and his wife Ammon, purchased the house in 1963 from Elizabeth Wroe McCrummen. Wroe was born in Austin, graduated from the University of Texas with a degree in business administration, and began work at the American National Bank. He became president of the bank in 1961 upon his father's death (his father was Elizabeth Wroe McCrummen's brother). They sold the house to corporate attorney J. Gaylor Armstrong and his wife Kathy in 1981. The Armstrongs lived here for 17 years, then sold the house in 1997 to the current owners, David and Kimberly Hood.

## PARCEL NO.: 01130107020000

## LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot 9, Enfield D

ESTIMATED ANNUAL TAX ABATEMENT: \$20,925 (owner-occupied); city portion: \$3,793 (capped at ½ of city taxes).

APPRAISED VALUE: \$1,800,000

**PRESENT USE**: Residence

**CONDITION**: Excellent

## PRESENT OWNERS:

David and Kimberly Hood 2300 Windsor Road Austin, Texas 78703

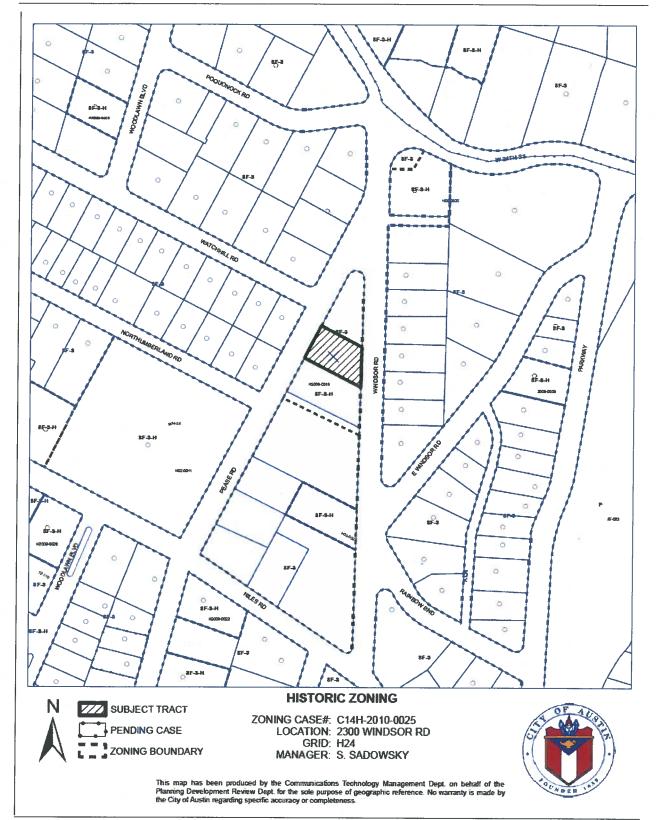
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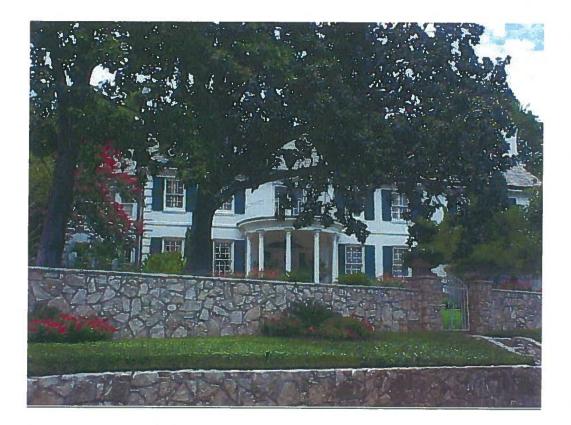
<u>ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS</u>: A 1993 addition added a breakfast room and family room to the first floor and enlarged the master suite on the  $2^{nd}$  floor. The swimming pool was added in 1998.

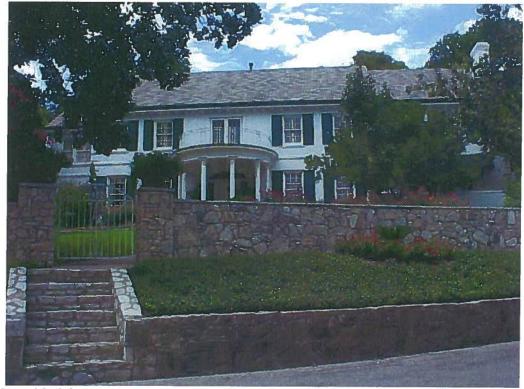
ORIGINAL OWNER(S): Dr. Thomas D. McCrummen (1935)

OTHER HISTORICAL DESIGNATIONS: None.

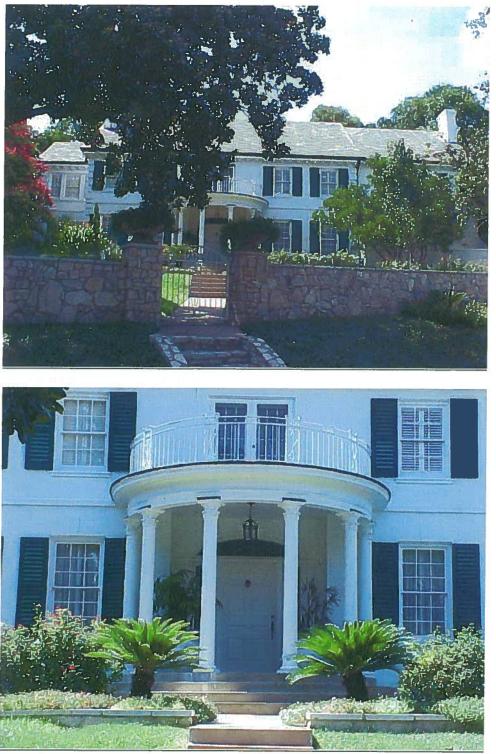
LOCATION MAP







The side-gabled form and symmetrical façade define Colonial Revival styling; the rounded colonnaded portico indicates the Adamesque variation on Colonial Revival, very rare in Austin.



Detail of the Adamesque front portico



Quoins on the corners of the house are characteristic of the Colonial Revival style.



Detail of the leaded glass fanlight and paneled front door – both characteristic of Colonial Revival design.

McCrummen-Wroe House 2300 Windsor Road

## "The McCrummen-Wroe House"

2300 Windsor Road

Austin, Texas

1936-2010

Submitted by:

**David and Kimberly Hood** 

A. APPLICATION FOR HISTORIC ZONING

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PROJECT INFORMATION:	#10450583
DEPARTMENTAL USE C	DNLY
APPLICATION DATE: 0-9-10	FILE NUMBER(S): 0144-2010-0085
TENTATIVE PC or ZAP DATE:	CITY INITIATED: YES NO ROLLBACK: YES/NO
BASIC PROJECT DATA:	
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4. ACRES 3353 (OR) SQ.FT	
5. ZONING AND LAND USE INFORMATION:	

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**RELATED CURRENT CASES:** 

6. ACTIVE ZONING CASE?	(YES NO	FILE NUMBER:
7. RESTRICTIVE COVENANT	7 (YES 10)	FILE NUMBER:
8. SUBDIVISION?	(YES ()	FILE NUMBER:
9. SITE PLAN?	(YESANO)	FILE NUMBER:

Revised February 15, 2005

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION (SUBDIVI	SION REFERENCE OR METES AND BOUNDS):
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10a. SUBDIVISION REFERENCE: Name:	Cufield D
Block(s)	Lot(s) U9 Outlot(s)
Plat Book:	Page
Number:	
10b. METES AND BOUNDS (Attach two copin	es of certified field notes if subdivision reference is not available or
zoning includes partial lots)	

DEED REFERENCE CONVEYING PROPERTY TO PRESENT OWNER AND TAX PARCEL I.D.:

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11. VOLUME:

TAX PARCEL I.D. NO. 01130107020000

#### OTHER PROVISIONS:

12. IS PROPERTY IN A ZONING COMBINING DISTRICT / OVERLAY ZONE? YES (NO)
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TYPE OF COMBINING DIST/OVERLAY ZONE (NCCD,NP, etc)
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13. LOCATED IN A LOCAL OR NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT? (YES NO
14. IS A TIA REQUIRED? YES (NO') (NOT REQUIRED IF BASE ZONING IS NOT CHANGING)
(NOT REQUIRED IN BASE ZONING IS NOT CHANGING)
TRIPS PER DAY:
TRAFFIC SERIAL ZONE(S)

## OWNERSHIP TYPE:

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16. VSOLE	COMMUNITY PROPERTY	PARTNERSHIP	CORPORATION	TRUST	
If ownership is	other than sole or community prop	erty, list individuals/par	thers/principals below o	r attach separate sheet	

## OWNER INFORMATION:

16. OWNER CONTACT INRO SIGNATURE:	RMATION	NAME: David Ha	
FIRM NAME:			560-8450
ICITY: AALAS	STATE	ZIP CODE: 7870	3

AGENT INFORMATION (IF APPLICABLE):

17. AGENT CONTACT INFORMATION	
SIGNATURE: Sidence	NAME: Duzanne Deckerich
FIRM NAME: Historia Keseauchan A	NAME: Suzanne Deckeriek TELEPHONE NUMBER: 477-2929
STREET ADORESS: 2502 ATANNO BLAND.	
CITY: STATE:	X. ZIP CODE: 78703
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## D. SUBMITTAL VERIFICATION AND INSPECTION AUTHORIZATION

## SUBMITTAL VERICATION

My signature attests to the fact that the attached application package is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that proper City staff review of this application is dependent upon the accuracy of the information provided and that any inaccurate or inadequate information provided by me/my firm/etc., may delay the proper review of this application.

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Name (Typed or Printed)	

Firm (If applicable)

## **INSPECTION AUTHORIZATION**

As owner or authorized agent, my signature authorizes staff to visit and inspect the property for which this application is being submitted.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT NAME BELOW SIGNATURE AND INDICATE FIRM REPRESENTED, IF APPLICABLE.

5 Signature Date Name (Typed or Printed)

Firm (If applicable)

## E. ACKNOWLEDGMENT FORM

concerning Subdivision Plat Notes, Deed Restrictions, **Restrictive Covenants** and / or **Zoning Conditional Overlays** 1, have checked for subdivision plat notes, deed restrictions. (Print name of applicant)

restrictive covenants and/or zoning conditional overlays prohibiting certain uses and/or requiring certain development restrictions i.e. height, access, screening etc. on this property, located at

300 (Address or Legal Description) 78703

If a conflict should result with the request I am submitting to the City of Austin due to subdivision plat notes, deed restrictions, restrictive covenants and/or zoning conditional overlays it will be my responsibility to resolve it. I also acknowledge that I understand the implications of use and/or development restrictions that are a result of a subdivision plat notes, deed restrictions, restrictive covenants and/or zoning conditional overlays.

I understand that if requested, I must provide copies of any and all subdivision plat notes, deed restrictions, restrictive covenants and/or zoning conditional overlay information which may apply to this property.

(Applicant's signature)

6-1-10 (Date)

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GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE ON THIS DATE OF 05/25/2010

Fee Paid: \$10.00

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## SCANNED

## Deed Chronology 2300 Windsor Road

Transaction	Volume/Page	Date
Westenfield Company to W.C. and Stella B. Schulle	417/298	6-15-1928
W.C. and Stella B. Schulle to Libbie White, Elizabeth Wroe McCrummen & Thomas D. McCrummen	511/621	12-3-1934
Elizabeth Wroe McCrummen (a widow) and Thomas D. McCrummen, Jr. to Frances A. & Ed R.L. Wroe, Jr.	2628/65	7-10-1963
Frances A. & Ed R.L. Wroe, Jr. to Kathy & J. Gaylord Armstrong	6954/1950	4-29-1980
Kathy & J. Gaylord Armstrong to David D. & Kimberly A. Hood		11-4-1997

## Chronological Listing of Owners/Occupants 2300 Windsor Road

City Directory Research May 2010

1932	No listing for 2300 Windsor Road
	Note: Dr. T.D. McCrummen-residence @ 503 W. 23rd
1935	No listing for 2300 Windsor Road
	Note: Dr. T.D. McCrummen-residence @ 2306 Windsor Road-owner
1937	Dr. T. D. McCrummen (Elizabeth R.)-owners
	Physician-304-5 Norwood Bldg.
	Cecil McCummen-assistant to Dr. McCummen
	Residence-808 W. 23rd Street
1942	Dr. T. D. McCrummen (Elizabeth R.)-owners
	Physician-304-5 Norwood Bldg.
	Cecil McCummen-assistant to Dr. McCummen
	Residence-808 W. 23rd Street
1 <b>947</b>	Dr. T. D. McCrummen (Elizabeth R.)-owners
	Physician-304-5 Capital National Bank Bldg.
	Cecil McCummen-assistant to Dr. McCummen
	Residence-808 W. 23rd Street
1949	Dr. T. D. McCrummen (Elizabeth R.)-owners
	Physician-304-5 Capital National Bank Bldg.
	Cecil McCummen-assistant to Dr. McCummen
	Residence-808 W. 23rd Street
1952	Dr. T. D. McCrummen (Elizabeth R.)-owners
	Physician-304-5 Capital National Bank Bldg.
	Note: Tom D. McCrummen JrClerk @ American Nat'l Bank
	Residence-2300 Windsor Road
	Note: Ed R.L. Wroe, Jr. (wife-Ammon)
	Auditor Assist. Cashier-American National Bank
	Residence-3213 Clearview Dr.

1954 ,	Dr. T. D. McCrummen (Elizabeth R.)-owners Physician-304-5 Capital National Bank Bldg. Note: Tom D. McCrummen Jr.(Marian)-Clerk @ American Nat'l Bank Residence-2300 Windsor Road Note: Ed R.L.Wroe, Jr. (wife-Ammon) Assistant VP-American National Bank Residence-3213 Clearview Dr.
1955 ,	Elizabeth (widow of Dr. T. D. McCummen)-owner Note: Tom D. McCrummen Jr.(Marian)-Teller @ American Nat'l Bank Residence-4619 Madrona Note: Ed R.L.Wroe, Jr. (wife-Ammon) Assistant VP-American National Bank Residence-3213 Clearview Dr.
1957	Elizabeth (widow of Dr. T. D. McCummen)-owner Note: Tom D. McCrummen Jr. (Marian)-American Nat'l Bank Residence-4619 Madrona Note: Ed R.L.Wroe, Jr. (wife-Ammon) VP-American National Bank Residence-3213 Clearview Dr.
1958-9	Ed R.L. Wroe Jr. (Ammon)-VP American Nat'l. Bank Note: Elizabeth McCummen-3918 Balcones Note: Tom D. McCrummen Jr. (Marian) Assistant Cashier-American National Bank Residence-4619 Madrona
1961	Ed R.L. Wroe Jr. (Ammon)-VP American Nat'l. Bank Note: Elizabeth McCummen-3918 Balcones Note: Tom D. McCrummen Jr. (Marian) Assistant VP-American National Bank Residence-4619 Madrona
1962-64	Ed R.L. Wroe Jr. (Ammon)-President of American Nat'l. Bank Note: Elizabeth McCummen-3918 Balcones Note: Tom D. McCrummen Jr. (Marian) VP-American National Bank Residence-3404 Monte Vista Dr.
1967	Ed R.L. Wroe Jr. (Ammon)-President of American Nat'l. Bank Note: Elizabeth McCummen-3918 Balcones Note: Tom D. McCrummen Jr. (Marian) VP-American National Bank Residence-3404 Monte Vista Dr.

1970	Ed R.L. Wroe Jr. (Ammon)-President of American Nat'l. Bank Note: Elizabeth McCummen-3918 Balcones Note: Tom D. McCrummen Jr. (Marian) VP-American National Bank
	Residence-3404 Monte Vista Dr.
	Note: Gaylord Armstrong-McGinnis Lockridge & Kilgore
	Residence-1801 S. Lakeshore Drive
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1973	Ed R.L. Wroe Jr. (Ammon)-President of American Nat'l. Bank Note: Elizabeth McCummen-2501 Jarratt
	Note: Tom D. McCrummen Jr. (Marian)
	VP-American National Bank
	Residence-2304 Woodlawn
1976	Ed R.L. Wroe Jr. (Ammon)-President of American Nat'l. Bank
	Note: Elizabeth McCummen-38 Woodstone
	Note: Tom D. McCrummen Jr. (Marian)
	Vice-Chairman-American National Bank
	Residence-2304 Woodlawn
	Note: Gaylord Armstrong (Kathy)-Associate @ McGinnis Lockridge
	Residence-1002A Beaver Trail
1979-80	Ed R.L. Wroe Jr. (Ammon)-Investment Banker @ Austin Municipal Securities
	Note: Tom D. McCrummen Jr. (Marian)
	American International Traveler
	Residence-2304 Woodlawn
	Note: J. Gaylord Armstrong-lawyer
	Residence-2604 Jarratt
1981-83	J. Gaylord Armstrong (Kathy)
	Lawyer @ McGinnis, Lockridge and Kilgore
	Note: Ed R.L. Wroe Jr. (Ammon) residence 2600 W. 35th
	Note: Tom D. McCrummen Jr. (Marian)
	American International Traveler
	Residence-2304 Woodlawn
1985-86	J. Gaylord Armstrong (Kathy)
	Lawyer @ McGinnis, Lockridge and Kilgore
	Note: Ed R.L. Wroe Jr. (Ammon) residence 2600 W. 35th
	CEO of United Bank Trust Dept.
	Note: Tom D. McCrummen Jr. (Marian)
	American International Traveler
	Residence 6505 Robbio Creek Cours

## Biography of Dr. Thomas D. McCrummen

Thomas D. McCrummen was born in 1898 in Paris, Texas. His family moved to Austin where he graduated from Austin High School and the University of Texas. McCrummen went on to medical school at the University of Texas in Galveston, served a year's internship in Philadelphia, and returned to Austin in 1927 to begin practicing medicine. Dr. McCrummen was the first pediatrics specialist in Austin, and practiced for 27 years before his death at the age of 56.

Dr. McCrummen served as President of the Travis County Medical Society in 1929, and was a member of the American Medical Society. He was also a diplomat of the American Board of Pediatrics, a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics, and was President of the Texas Pediatric Society.

McCrummen's wife, Elizabeth Wroe, was born on March 20, 1903 in Austin. Her parents were Hiram Augustus Wroe and Pearl White Wroe. Her older brother was Ed Rhodes Littlefield Wroe. As a child, she attended Pease School before going away to school at Hockaday and Washington Park. When she returned to Austin, she earned a degree from the University of Texas.

Tom and Elizabeth had two sons. Elizabeth spent many years as a volunteer both with the Junior League of Austin and with St. David's Hospital Auxiliary. She was a member of the Colonial Dames.

## Biography of Thomas McCrummen, Jr.

Tom McCrummen, Jr. was born in Austin in 1934. The City Directories show that at that time, Tom's family owned the house at 2306 Windsor Road. That same year, his parents purchased the lot at 2300 Windsor Road to build their new home, the home that Tom Jr. would live in for the next 20 years. Tom graduated from Austin High School in 1951. The banking career that he was to pursue later in life began at the Exchange and Collection window at American Bank, where he started working part time in 1949.

In 1951, Tom enrolled in the University of the South At Swanee, Tennessee. During this time, he was president of Delta Tau Delta fraternity. Tom worked full time in various capacities during the summer months back in Austin at American National Bank. In 1953, he

enrolled in the business school at U.T. while working full time at American National Bank. He received his BBA in banking and finance from U.T. in 1955, and his graduate degree from the Southwest Graduate School of Banking at S.M.U. in 1960.

During these years at graduate school, Tom was elected as an Assistant Cashier at American National Bank, serving as an assistant to the President of the bank. From 1953 to 1961, he served in the 90th Division of the United Stated Army Reserves in the finance section. In 1959, the need for a bank in the northwest part of Austin was apparent, and the application and necessary ground work for the formation of a state bank was done by Mr. McCrummen. The North Austin State Bank opened its doors in 1959, and Tom served as a director and Secretary to the Board.

In 1960, Tom was promoted to Assistant Vice President at American National Bank, in 1962 to Cashier of the bank, and in 1965 to Vice Presidnet and Cashier, where he was in charge of the Business Development activities as well as a Commercial Loan Officer.

In 1970, Mr. McCrummen was elected President of American National Bank, a position he held for five years before being named Vice Chairman of the Board in 1975.

He served in many civic and public service positions, such as: Member of the State Securities Board (1966-70), Austin Chamber of Commerce President (1969), Economic Development Vice President and Treasurer, and the Austin Economic Development Council. He was President of the Austin Y.M.C.A (1961) and Austin Natural Science Association. McCrummen was director or trustee of the United Fund of Austin and Travis County, Austin Symphony Orchestra, Laguna Gloria Art Museum, St. Andrews Episcopal School, University of Texas Development Council for the School of Communications at U.T., Austin Council of the Chamber of Commerce, Austin Advertising Club, Better Business Review Board, and Community Council of Austin. He was Chairman of the Board of Southwest Educational Television Council (KLRN and KLRU), a board member and Treasurer of the Heritage Society of Austin, President of the Admiral's Club, Vice Commodore of Austin Aqua Festival for two years, Chairman of Travis County Savings Bond Committee for six years, Democratic precinct chairman of Travis County, alternate delegate to the 1964 Democratic Convention, a delegate to the 1968 Democratic Convention, and Chairman of the Travis county Delegation to both the 1966 and 1968 State Democratic Conventions, and a member of Good Shepherd Episcopal Church.

Tom married his childhood sweetheart, Marian Marley, in 1954, and they raised three children together. Marian was in the first graduating class from St. Stephen's Episcopal School in 1951. In 1964, Marian was appointed chairman of the privately supported schools section of the United Fund campaign, and her civic involvement included serving on the boards of both St. Andrew's Episcopal School and St. Stephen's Episcopal School, as well as the Natural Science Center and as president of the Junior League in 1970-71.

## **Biography of Ed Rhodes Littlefield Wroe. Jr.**

He came from a long line of Texans who were at the forefront of promoting the growth of their community. Ed R.L. Wroe, Jr. was born in Austin in 1925, the son of Mr. and Mrs. E.R.L. Wroe, Sr. He received his secondary education at Culver Military Academy in Culver, Indiana. During WWII, Ed served with the 83rd Infantry Division (the old Ohio National Guard unit), and after the close of the war, with the 42nd Division, the famed Rainbow Division from Oklahoma.

When Wroe got out of the service in 1946, he returned home to enter the University of Texas. Three years later, he received his BBA, majoring in public accounting. He began his long banking career at the American National Bank as Auditor and Assistant Cashier. By 1954 he was Assistant Vice President of the bank, and around 1957 was promoted to Vice President. In 1957, Wroe was elected Director of the Volunteer Service Bureau of Austin, the clearinghouse for people in Austin who wanted to volunteer for work in various social and welfare agencies.

Wroe was elected president of the American National Bank in 1961, succeeding his father in that position. American National Bank was founded in 1890 by Major George W. Littlefield. Wroe's grandfather, H.A. Wroe, had succeeded Littlefield as bank president, followed by Major Roger Roberdeau, Ed Wroe Sr., and then Ed Wroe, Jr. at the age of 36.

In 1965, Wroe was elected President of the Chamber of Commerce. The previous two years, he had served as CC vice president in charge of Public Affairs. He also was a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants, member of the board of directors of the Texas Capital Corporation and the Texas Bankers Association. In 1967, Wroe was installed as a director of the Southwestern Graduate School of Banking at S.M.U. in Dallas. The University of Texas cited him as one of five distinguished alumni in 1972.

Wroe was married to Ammon Neyland Wroe.

## **Biography of Ammon Neyland Wroe**

Ammon Neyland was born in 1928 to Mayo and Ammon Neyland in Greenville, Texas. She moved to Austin in 1934 and graduated from Austin High School. From there she attended Stephens College in Columbia, Missouri and the University of Texas. Ammon and Ed married in 1949 and raised four children in the house at 2300 Windsor Road from 1963 to 1980.

Ammon was a founding member of the Seton Hospital Development Board, St. Andrew's Episcopal School Board, Junior League of Austin, the Settlement Club, Human Relations Commission, and many other civic organizations.

## Biography of J.Gaylord Armstong

Gaylord Armstrong graduated from the University of Texas School of Law in 1968. He was associated with the law firm of McGinnis Lockridge and Kilgore. Armstrong has extensive experience representing corporations, trade associations, and coalitions before the Legislature, state regulatory and administrative agencies, and other departments in the executive branch of Texas state government.

## Biography of David & Kimberly Hood

David and Kimberly Hood and family have resided in Austin, TX since 1997. Kimberly and David are natives of the Midwest and met at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. Due to David's career, they have moved multiple times making homes and friends in Toledo, Columbus, Indianapolis, Chicago, Detroit, Tulsa, Dallas and Chatham, New Jersey. Austin is now home.

Kimberly curtailed her teaching career early on to focus her energies on raising their children, but has stayed active in supporting causes she and David fully support. In Austin, Kimberly has been active with the Performing Arts Center at the University of Texas - Austin, St. David's Foundation and Helping Hand.

David's career spans a variety of experiences, all in the technology sector including executive roles at AT&T, Dell and Cisco. Over the last ten years, David has been the CEO of three small technology companies. David served on the Board at the Austin Symphony Orchestra and currently is on the Board at Entrepreneur's Foundation and Boundless Network.

They are the proud parents of four grown children -- Katie, Megan, David and Connor.

# **McCrummen** Rites To Be Held Today

Funeral services for Dr. Thomas Medicine, University of Texas, in D. McCrimmen, 56, prominent Galveston and serving a year's Austin pediatrician, who died internship in Philadelphia Gen-Thursday morning in Selon Hos- weal Hospital in Philadelphia. A

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> The Rev. William M. Logan, pastor of University Presbyterian Church, and the Rev. Charles A-Sumners, rector of St. David's Episcopal Church, will officiate at the last rites to be held at the family residence, 2300 Windsor Road. Burial will be in Oakwood ('emetery.

He had been engaged in the practice of medicine bera since 1927. He came to Austin after graduating from the College of

the University of Texas,

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Dr. McCrummen was the first podiatrics appealist in Austin, according to the Travis County Medical Society.

He served as president of the Travia County Medical Society in 1929 and was a member of the American Medical Society. He also was a diplomate of the American Board of Pediatrics, a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics, and of the Texas Pediatric Society.

Dr.-McCrummen is survived by his widow, Mrs. Elizabeth Wroe McCrummen; two ions, Thomas D. McCrummen Jr. and Robert Wroe McCrummen; two sisters, Mrs. Norman J. Morrison of Washington, D.C. and Miss Cecil Me-Crummen of Austin, and a brother, Bichard McCrummen of Seminole.

Pallbeavers will be Dr. Charles Hardwick, Dr. Harris Williams, Dr. A. A. Terry, F. M. Covert Jr., Edward Robinson, Dr. C. Aubrey Smith, Dr. S. N. Key Sr., A. P. Walaza, A. C. Bull, W. A. Swear-ingen, J. M. Odom, Dr. W. E. Williams of Temple, A. W. Walker Jr. of Dallas, Lawrence Rogers of Longview and Jack T. Life of Athens.

Honorary pallbearers will be members of the Travis County Medical Society and members ad the Texas Mate Perfistrics Associa tien.

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# Portrait of a Leader

ED WROE, JR.

## NEW PRESIDENT WROE SETS "OPPORTUNITY KEYNOTE" FOR '65

Ed Wroe, Jr. wastes no time swinging into action. A few days after he had been elected to the Chamber of Commerce presidency for '65, he was showing up at numerous working meetings of CC committees. And he decisively set the tone for the ensuing year with his comment to his fellow directors, "opportunity comes to those who work for it."

At the last board meeting in '64 banker Wroe said that he foresaw even "greater opportunity" in the approaching year.

Native Austinite Ed Wroe, Jr. is a natural for his hometown's key civic

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job, the Chamber of Commerce presidency. As the youthful president of one of Austin's leading banks, the American National he is an experienced administrator. He comes from a long line of Texans who have been at the forefront in promoting the growth of their community. His education is well rounded, and his comfortable reserve exudes the type of sincerity which draws loyal support.

For two years he has served as CC vice president in charge of Public Affairs . . . known as the "business viewpoint" department. The Public Affairs Department keeps informed on happenings affecting business in the legislative field and this pertinent information includes the national, state and local levels. Emphasis of course is placed on the national scene and how citizen action can build impact through a better understanding of our economic system.

#### **Rounded Education**

Born 40 years ago, Wroe is a trim, modern executive type with a fondness for sports coats. He attended Austin Public Schools and graduated from Culver Military Academy in '42 with honors in English.

He graduated from The University of Texas with a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree majoring in Public Accounting with highest honors. He graduated in 1961 from (See LEADER page 10)

#### (LEADER Continued)

The Stonier Graduate School of Banking, Rutgers University.

During World War II, Wroe served three years with the Army in three campaigns in the European Theater and maintains retired reserve status with rank of major.

The bank president is married to the former Frances Ammon Neyland. They have four children, Nancy, 14; Betsy, 12; Callie, 8; and Ed III,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ years.



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Wröe is president of the Austin Clearing House, a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants; Beta Alpha Psi, honorary accounting fraternity; Beta Gamma Sigma, honorary business fraternity; and Phi Delta Theta Fraternity; member of the board of directors of the Texas Capital Corporation and the Texas Bankers Association.

#### **Historic Family**

Wroe's banking background began when George Washington Littlefield of Panola County, Miss., came to Gonzales County with his parents in 1850.

Littlefield attended Baylor University at Independence, fought with the Eighth Texas Cavalry, Terry's



Texas Rangers and somehow lived through the biggest battles of the Civil War, reaching the rank of major in 1863.

The war over, Littlefield returned to Gonzales and began driving cattle to Kansas. He gained extensive landholdings and his LFD and LIT ranches in the Texas Panhandle and on the Pecos River in New Mexico spread the fame of his brand.

Littlefield moved to Austin in 1883 to be nearer the center of business activity. It was a fantastic change from his ranch life on the plains and Littlefield liked this green hill country so well he organized the American National Bank in April, 1890, with a capital stock of \$100,000 subscribed by the directors.

#### Bank Growth

The bank opened its doors in a cool corner of the Driskill Hotel where it prospered for 21 years . . . then it moved to Littlefield's building on Congress Avenue and by 1913 the capital was raised to \$300,000.

Littlefield shifted much of the detail to assistants in later years, particularly to a nephew by marriage, H. A. Wroe, who came into the bank in 1903 and became a substantial stockholder and president when Littlefield was chairman of the board. The Major, married to the former Alice P. Tiller of Houston, had two children who died in infancy.

Wroe has been a banking name ever since. The late E. R. L. Wroe, Sr. succeeded Major Roger Roberdeau as president and Ed Wroe, Jr. has succeeded his father.



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Sooner or later everyone does business with a bank, and in this jet age where the pare is constantly accelerating, the emphasis is on "sooner". Chances are the frequency of individual banking contacts is on the upswing. For the average American a visit to the bank has become a regular event.

Like so many of the institutions which have been inwoven into the texture of everyday life, the strong, stable financial institution has been taken for granted and customers have little time to look behind the scene of the teller's counter or the loan officer's comfortable living room-like setting.

"What's the mysterious course of the checks I write?" is a likely question to cross the bank customer's mind. Or maybe he'll ask such questions as: Why do I have to use the personalized check with the funny number? Are the IBM machines going to replace people? If my checkbook is stolen, can the thief get my savings?"

#### Modern Day View

He'll find that the answer to these and many other banking questions revolves around *service*. It is the modern banking viewpoint, and the emphasis gets heavier as the competition grows stronger. The customer's strong interest in service first became apparent after World War 11.

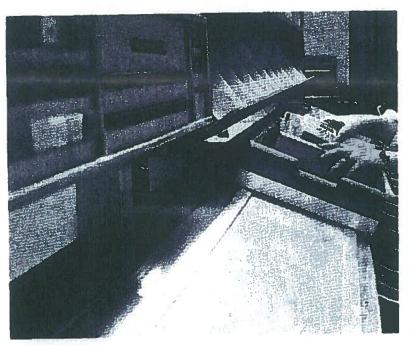
"Banks underwent a complete change of personality as people had more money and demanded more service," explained one banker.

They are no longer the dark bookkeeping centers where the customer was received with less than open arms. The shades have gone up on banking, and the results are just short of spectacular. Walking into a local bank is something like crossing the threshold of a large and elaborate private home. There is must hospitality ... restrained and dignified. Bright light predominates. Floor to ceiling windows front busy Austin streets. Inset lights leave the impression of additional windows in what might have been dark corners.

Tasteful decor, highlighted by imaginative throw rugs, paintings by local artists and interesting planters, well-dressed attractive women employees, and soft music . . . all make the customer feel at home.

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# A Look over the Marble Counter



NEW ERA For Banking

#### (NEW ERA Continued)

Bank executives do business in the living room. They are busy behind large and impressive desks, and they are highly available extending a warm welcome. "Old time bankers would be wide-eyed", one bank executive stated ... ever so aptly.

#### Take Your Check

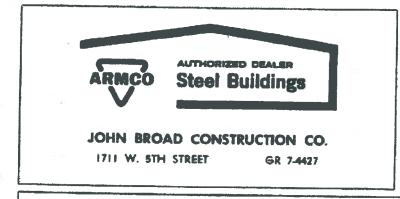
The best example of the efficiency of modern banking is to follow a check from the second a signature dries until it comes back in a statement... or it comes back hot to the "Pay to the order of" ... (this presents a problem to the man who took

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the check .... if he is a good tracker, all will be well.) High on the bankers' totem pole is the honest check writer, and there are more of those than any other breed.

"Except, I might point out, that he will not always write legibly. Many people attack a check and their signature seems to have gone through the Indian wars. There are certain characteristics, of course, but it is easier to forge a scribbly signature," one banker pointed out.

Banks are insured against forgery. Should your checkbook and credentials be lost or stolen the bank wants to be



notified so they can keep a close watch on your signature.

#### Travis County Banks

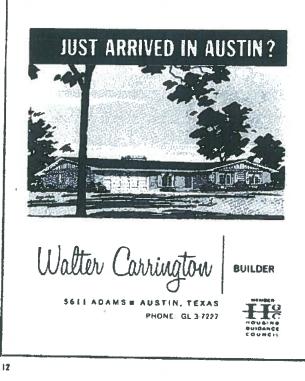
Threre are nine banks in Travis County, all of different complexion but their inner workings are just about the same.

The huge volume of business now being done by banks has resulted in the computer system. Personalized checks are issued customers free of charge. The numbers at the bottom are in magnetic ink, the key of the computer system. This means speed, accuracy and security, for the benefit of all.

The bank and insurance drafts are the real villians to the new banking age, and all bankers name them as the number one headache.

"I'll tell you one thing, if people don't stop using drafts all these new fangled machines might as well be player planos," was the candid comment of one vice president.

"Sure, we try to educate the customer to the importance of using his own checkbook, but you only push a customer so far before he adopts (See NEW ERA page 13)



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AUSTIN IN ACTION



#### Ammon Neyland Wroe

Ammon Neyland Wroe died May S, 1995. She was born September 28, 1928, to Mayo and Ammon Neyland in Greenville, Texas.

She moved to Austin in 1934. She graduated from Austin High School and attended Stephens College in Columbia, Missouri, and the University of Texas, where she was a member of Alpha Delta Pi Sorority.

Ammon was a life long member of St. David's Episcopal Church where she met her beloved husband while teaching Sunday school. She married Ed Rhodes Littlefield Wroe Jr. on June 11, 1949. She was a member of the Junior League of Austin, St. Andrew's Episcopal School Board, a founding member of the Seton Hospital Development Board, the Settlement Chub, Human Relations Commission and many other civic organizations.

Ammon was a sportsman who loved the outdoors as well as an avid hunter. She once shot a record book kudu anticiope on an African safari. She had an insatiable quest for knowledge studying archeology at the University of Texas in the 1980's. She was a member of the Biblical Archeology Society and attended Bible Study Fellowship as well as Community Bible Study, Ammon had a deep, loving relationship with her Lord Jesus.

She was preceded in death by her perents, her step-father, R.M. Deliale and her brother, Mayo Neyland III.

She is survived by her loving motherin-law, Nancy Wynne Wroe; her husband, Ed Rhodes Littlefleld Wroe Jr.; her daughters, Nancy Wroe McMahon and husband, Hagen, Betsy Wroe Powell and husband, Chuck, Calile Wroe Holland and husband, David; and her son, Ed Rhodes Littlefield Wroe II and his wife, Gina; nine grandchildren, Beau, Hagen III and Wynne McMahon. Gus and Ashley Powell, and Amy, Callie Anne, Sarah and David Holland Jr, her brother. Robert R. Neytand and wife, Ann of Ft. Worth; and sisters-iniaw, Elizabeth F. Neyland and Mary Joe Wroe of Austin; and numerous nieces and nephes.

A memorial service will be held at St. David's Episcopal Church on Monday, May 8, 1995, at 2:00 PM with the Reverend Jim Bethell officiating.

Contributions may be made in her memory to Seton Development Fund, Seton Hospital, Austin, Texas. She is the apple of God's eye, hidden in the shadow of His wings. We will miss our Hamby.

Arrangements by Weed-Corley-Fish Funeral Home, 3125 N. Lamar, 452-8811.

Gaylord Armstrong was named the Outstanding Young Lawyer of 1977 by the Texes Young Lawyers' Association on Sept. 16. He practices law in Austin with the firm of McGinnis, Lochridge & Kilgore, S.



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# Austin lawyer given award

The Texas Young Lawyers Association named Gaylord Artify strong of Austin as the Outstanding Young Latify yer of Texas at the or-ganization's recent meeting in Galveston.

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standing Young Lawyer followed a roylew of nominations by a Com-mittee of the Texas Young Lawyers Associa-tion headed by Jim Ag Armstrong was named earlief this year as Outstanding Young Lawyer of Austin by the A-tin Junior Ber Association. He was licensed to practice law in Texas in 19 He is a member of the firm of McGinnist Lo ridge and Kilgore, the is married to Kathy Tu Armstrong and resides in Allstin. He received a B.A. in political science and his ry from Baylor University and graduated in 1 top 10 percent of his class. While at Baylor, he w student body president, was named a President Scholar and was listed in the collegiate Wh Who He altended Haryard University and Geor Washington School of International Allatir a was a Rholes Scholar nominee in 1961. In 1968, he graduated from the University

In 1968, he graduated from the University Texas School of Law, where he was a member the Order of Barristers finiorary society, chos Phi Alpha Delfa's most outstanding senior, p sented the Consul Award for service to the 1 school and participated in Moot Court compt tion.

Armstrong served as staff assistant to Rep. R. Poague, D-Waco, from 1963 to 1963 and as a ministrative assistant to Rep. Ray Roberts, McKinney, from 1964 to 1965. Since 1968, the t been an active riember of the Texas Young La yers Association, the State Bar of Texas, the Tra is County Junior Bar and the Austin Junior B Association.