

Lake Mansion

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Built in 1877, five prominent Reno families lived here through 1971. The mansion was originally built on the corner of California Ave. and 469 South Virginia St., about six blocks southeast of here. Washoe Landmark Preservation in 1971 moved the mansion to the Reno-Sparks Convention Center on the corner of Virginia St. and Kietzke Lane, about three miles south. The second move, by Arts for All Nevada, was in 2004 to its present location, three miles north!

Arts for All Nevada, a non-profit organization, owns and operates the Mansion. Your donation is tax deductible and very much appreciated to help preserve and maintain the Lake Mansion.

YOU can rent this mansion for your special event or meeting!

Feel free to tour the main level only. The upstairs houses Arts for All Nevada offices, originally bedrooms. The lower level houses our "Art Happens Here" art studio, where we conduct art workshops and camps for children and adults, art birthday parties, meetings, etc. Adjacent to the mansion is Arts for All Nevada's enclosed Garden Pavilion built in 2008 and used for events, meetings, workshops, camps, etc.

SELF-GUIDED TOUR:

Back Parlor – The door you entered through off Flint St., opens into the back parlor/family parlor. It houses the only original fireplace in the mansion. The painting above the fireplace depicts the mansion at its original location. One of the first phones in Reno was installed by Jane Lake when she lived here with her family between 1888-1902. This is not the original phone, but one similar would have been used. Between the front and back parlor are the original pocket doors.

Front Parlor – The double-door front entrance (on Court Street) is located off the front parlor. Some of the furniture is from the Lake family and is indicated. Jane Lake bought a piano for this parlor, although this is not the original. Margaret Turrillas, one of the last owners to live here, taught piano lessons here.

Staircase – This staircase led to four upstairs bedrooms, which were at one time two separate apartments and now house Arts for All Nevada offices. The staircase's newel post and handrail are hand carved and original.

Library & Master Bedroom – The entry hall leads to the library, which is also adjacent to the original master bedroom. The glass transoms over these rooms were used for air circulation in the summer. These two rooms are now used for Arts for All Nevada's Arts Access Gallery. Artwork created by Nevada artists who have a disability is on display and *for sale*.

Dining Room – Enter through the back parlor. There are photographs of Maria and Jerome Marsh who built the mansion and a painting of what Reno looked like in 1862 of Lake's Crossing painted in 1882. There are photos of the Lake Mansion at the three different sites and the 1971 and 2004 moves of the Mansion.

Kitchen – The kitchen was added when Jane Lake lived here from 1888-1902. This addition included indoor plumbing! Before this addition, water was pumped from a well on the back porch. The kitchen was modernized to accommodate caterers when the Mansion was moved in 2004.

A timeline is provided on the reverse side.

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For more information, Nevada books authored by Patty Cafferata. There is no sales tax on these books.

THE LAKE MANSION – Home to Reno's Founding Families \$15

MAPES HOTEL AND CASINO – The History of Reno's Landmark Hotel \$15 THE GOLDFIELD HOTEL - \$10.00

Christmas in Nevada \$26.95 Piper's Opera House \$15.95 Three Volumes Reno stories

The Lake Mansion – A Brief Family History – by date Reno, Nevada

FAMILY NAME/OWNER	TIME-LINE	WHAT HAPPENED...
Lake	1861	Myron Lake founded Lake's Crossing on Truckee River
LAKE	1868	Myron sold land north of Truckee River to Central Pacific Railroad for \$200 and founded RENO
LAKE	June 03, 1876	Myron Lake sells land for the mansion to Washington Jerome Marsh
MARSH	1876-1877	Construction of mansion at 469 South Virginia Street
MARSH	November 29, 1879	Sells mansion to Myron & Jane Conkey Bryant Lake
LAKE OR NO LAKE?	1879-1884	Myron Lake never lives in the Lake Mansion – he divorces Jane & marries Mary Ann McFarland (1883)
LAKE	June 20, 1884	Myron Lake dies and his estate owns the property
LAKE TO LAKE	December 02, 1885	Wife #3 Mary Ann sells the mansion to ex-wife Jane who occupies it in 1888
LAKE	March 03, 1902	Jane Lake sells to Carl Otto Herz
HERZ	September 05, 1906	Tina and Carl Otto Herz sell to Olin Ward
WARD	November 24, 1914	Olin Ward dies
WARD	November 10, 1915	Widow, Viola Ward is awarded property
WARD	March 20, 1924	Viola Ward gifts property to daughter Myrtle McCormick
WARD	June 03, 1924	Viola Ward dies
MCCORMICK	August 16, 1928	Myrtle & George McCormick deed the property to Agueda and Felix Turrillas
TURRILLAS	August 07, 1956	Felix Turrillas dies
TURRILLAS	February 24, 1963	Agueda Turrillas dies and the children inherit the property
TURRILLAS	1971	Turrillas children lease the land to Home Savings & Loan
TURRILLAS & HOME SAVINGS & LOAN	June 1971	Agree to donate the mansion to the Washoe Landmark Preservation, Inc.
WASHOE LANDMARK PRESERVATION, INC.	July 29, 1971	Lake Mansion is moved to Centennial Coliseum at 4598 S. Virginia Street (current location of the Reno-Sparks Convention Center)
	1996 – 2001	VSA arts (now Arts for All) office/programs in the Mansion
WASHOE LANDMARK PRESERVATION, INC. / VSA arts (now Arts for All)	July 11, 2004	Lake Mansion is moved (5 AM – 12:20 PM) to current location at 250 Court Street
	2006	The Mansion is donated to VSA arts (now Arts for All) Nevada
ARTS FOR ALL NEVADA	TODAY	You Are Here!



Interested in the rest of the story with more history and facts? The book: LAKE MANSION – HOME TO RENO'S FOUNDING FAMILIES is available for sale here! \$14.95 (no sales tax). Thank you for visiting the Lake Mansion.