

The "Captain Lovell House" was built in 1936 as a 3 bedroom residence for captain Lovell (first name unknown). The captain piloted one of the Dupont powder boats that carried gunpowder in the time before and during WWII. Lovell avenue which runs from Parfitt to High School road was presumably named after Captain Lovell.

The home is well preserved example of a shingle style home that was common in New England at the turn of the century and translated on the west coast far less often. The Hip roof details are characteristic of the shingle style as is the asymmetry of the house. This style of home was popular as a vacation house on the Massachusetts and Maine coasts from 1880 to 1920 and was in some ways a reaction to the popular Victorian styles. This style has been adapted in at least three other modern (>1990) homes on the island. The Captain Lovell house may be the earliest example of the style on the island. There are remains of an old pier in the backyard that are presumed to be part of the original dock built by captain Lovell.

James Tripp is believed to be the second owner and seller to Ronald and Patricia Sandilands at some point in the 1970's

In around 1978, an extension was built on to the house which somewhat distorts the original shape. This extension is on the north end of the house. The kitchen and master bathroom also date from that period. A garage was added at some point.

Around 1990, the home recorded and listed by the State of Washington, Department of Community Development / Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation under the listing "field site 18-179 Captain Lovell House". At or around the same time the home was listed by the Bainbridge Island Historic Preservation Commission and has a plaque on the front noting the designation. The home is along the walking tour posted in pamphlets by the Downtown business association. Tourist frequently walk by and ask about the home especially on weekends during the warmer months.

The Sandilands sold the home in 1990 to A.E. Jeffcoat and his wife Janice Jeffcoat.

A.E Jeffcoat was a noted author and foreign correspondent. A brief summary of one of his books is listed below.

His first book, Spirited Americans (2000) traces America's heritage of optimism, its origins and its role in shaping our history and future. Jeffcoat gives an upbeat view of the country's ability to pull out of national crises. The Wall Street Journal sums up the book as follows: "Spirited Americans succeeds admirably in demonstrating that U.S. history is not merely a tale of porcine interests jostling for a spot near the feeding trough, or of victimized groups, but also a sweeping narrative that has to do with great moral purposes, grandly pursued....we can be grateful to Mr. Jeffcoat for reminding us of what America used to be like before the cultural rot set in, and of what it can still be again, when the spirit moves it."

Mr. Jeffcoat is amongst the local authors highlighted by the Bainbridge Public Library:

<http://www.bainbridgepubliclibrary.org/A-E-Jeffcoat.aspx>

The current owners, Evan Sturtevant and Crystina Cupp purchased the home in 2011 and intend on preserving both history and character of the home.

