

 2 Admire the row of Coast Redwoods that lines the side of the Ukiah Civic Center (Ukiah's City government offices). These Coast Redwoods were planted by Campfire Girls in the 1930s when this building was still the Ukiah Grammar School.


Continue west on Clay Street to McGarvey Park at the corner of Clay and Dora Streets.


 3 Established in 1860 as Ukiah's first cemetery (remains were moved and title to the property went to Judge Robert McGarvey who designated that it be used as a college or park). The landscaping you see here, in Ukiah's oldest public park, dates from the 1950s and 1960s.


Proceed west on Clay across Dora Street. You will pass several heritage homes as well as a nice lineup of flowering dogwoods (look for the white and pink blossoms).


 4 The home on the corner at 388 S. Dora Street is the W. E. Detrick House, a Spanish Colonial Revival style home built in 1931. It's the second house to stand on this lot (the first was lost to fire in the 1920s). For decades this property was noted for the large and distinctive Flowering Dogwood in its front garden. That tree perished a few years ago. In its place is a young Dogwood sapling, propagated with scion wood from the original tree.

 5 610 W. Clay Street is the Hale & Hazel McCowen House. It's a Craftsman home built in 1912. The local newspaper was inspired to call this one of Ukiah's most beautiful homes when it was built.

 6 617 W. Clay Street is the William Holden House. It's an Italianate Colonial Revival home built in 1881 and remodeled around 1900. It's "roomy and snug" wrote the local newspaper. Home to several prominent Ukiah residents through the years.

 7 700 W. Clay Street is the J. R. & Margaret Thomas House a Colonial Revival home built in 1897 and remodeled in 1927. Margaret Thomas is remembered as the beloved children's librarian at Ukiah's old Carnegie City Library (320 S. State Street now a private office).


 8 709 W. Clay Street is the Charles W. Mathews House, a vernacular style home with Craftsman influences. Built in 1883, and remodeled in the 1920s. Mrs. Mathews was the daughter of Moses Carson Briggs (a relative of Kit Carson) and Elizabeth Potter, the first settlers of Potter Valley.

 9 At the corner of Clay and Oak Park you will find a couple of unusual dogwoods with green to yellow flowers (instead of the more common white and pink). These two trees are at the corner of Clay and Oak Park on the south side of the street at two different homes (one on the east side, one on the west side).


Turn left (south) onto Oak Park Avenue.

You're now in the Oak Park Subdivision begun in 1906 by George Wilcox. The original home designs were based on Craftsman styling and Bernard Maybeck's work. Wilcox also did the designs for the Sun House (431 S. Main Street, adjacent to the Grace Hudson Museum) in 1911.


Turn left (east) onto Jones Street when you reach the end of Oak Park Avenue.

 10 You're now in the heart of the Westside's Dogwood zone. In the spring of each year Jones Street might well be renamed "Dogwood Lane."

Continue east on Jones Street. Turn left (north) onto Oak Street. Continue past the Ukiah Civic Center to Church Street. Turn right (west) onto Church Street.

 11 The large mural on the wall of the Conference Center is "The Ukiah Valley – Past, Present, and Future." It was conceived and painted by local artist Lauren Sinnott. She was selected through a competitive process in 2018. More than 200 people are individually pictured on the block-long mural ... if you spend long in Ukiah you'll recognize many of them. Read more about the mural here: historymural.com

Continue west on Church Street to cross State Street.

 12 At the bottom of Church Street, where it meets Main Street you'll find the final dogwood of this tour. On the northwest corner of Church and Main is a very tiny pocket park with bench and tree. There's a brass plate in the sidewalk with the name CENTRAL PARK. The Sandelin family owned the property in the 1980's & 90's and Bob Sandelin designed the park in memory of his mother. The dogwood trees in this tiny park are "Bobwoods."

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