

67-022-24 Kleiner-Davidson-White House

8529 58th Avenue Berwyn Heights

This one-story Craftsman-style bungalow was built in 1927 with plans and materials purchased from Sears, Roebuck and Company for their "Argyle" model. It is the only positively-identified Sears mail-order kit house in Berwyn Heights. The Argyle was a popular design for Sears in the years between 1915 and 1927, selling in 1918 for \$1,479. John J. Kleiner Jr., a real estate entrepreneur, oversaw construction of the house using plans and materials provided by Sears and shipped by rail to the nearby B&O Railroad Berwyn train station. The deed for the property remained in Kleiner's name until 1946. The Davidson-Whites purchased the dwelling in 1989 and restored some of its features.