

HISTORIC RESOURCE:

The Jacob D. Funk House

LOCATION: 1480 Melwood Dr.

OWNERSHIP: Private

USE: Residence

LAND AREA: 3758 square feet

ZONE: R1R-II

DESIGNATION: Glendale Registry

YEAR BUILT: 1929

STYLE: Spanish Colonial Revival

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

The Jacob D. Funk House is located in the Rossmoyne district and contains many features that keep it consistent with Spanish colonial and Monterey Revival style homes. Common features of the two styles are an asymmetrical façade, walls clad with smooth stucco, and wood true-divided light casement windows with recessed sills, as well as single-pane wood windows. At the front there is tile ornamentation and a dual arched porch entry. A low stucco wall surrounds the front Patio and there are circular tile vents below the eaves on the front facing gable. There is also a stucco finial on the square hip-roof integrated tower, a stucco chimney and wrought iron gates to the entry and side patios. Square stucco columns support a second balcony, which is covered by a shed clay tile roof with exposed wood rafter tails. An open courtyard area fronts Melwood Drive that contains decorative tile paving and a round ornamental fountain in the center. This property's historical significance lies with its contribution and to the architectural and historical context of the Melwood Drive neighborhood. Its significance also lies with its association with talented architect, Earl C Rahn of Los Angeles, and the locally significant original owner, Jacob D. Funk, who was the general manager of the *Glendale News-Press*.

