



# 315 East Main Street

**1925** The Waunakee construction company, M. Simon and Son, built this lovely home for Charles McWatty and his wife, Agnes Bacon McWatty. The Bacons owned this entire block at the time. Charles farmed the land north of this house.

**1936** The McWattys sold the home because it was too expensive to maintain during the Great Depression. They built a second, smaller house at the eastern corner of this block (currently, the site of Red & White Wine Bar).

**August 1977** Marv and Jane Ripp purchased the home.

**Summer 1980** The Ripps sold the house to John Spencer. John owned a furniture restoration business on North Madison Street. During the period when John owned the house, the child of a tenant was playing with matches in a second-floor closet and the home was damaged by the fire. Craig and Janice Faga purchased the home and lived here with their family.

**December 1991** Larry Larson and Barbara Newell purchased the property from the Fagas. Larry remodeled the interior and exterior of the home.

**1992** Barbara opened Newell Gallery & Fine Wine and operated it for 25 years, along with rental units on the second floor.

**August 2017** Anna and Kirit Lezotte purchased the property and currently rent space on the first floor to several small businesses, including Right at Home (senior home care); Brent Harris Insurance; and *Waunakee Neighbors* magazine. They also rent two apartments on the second floor.