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Kleppert's family has done a lot of work on the house in the 26 years the family has lived



Commercials have been filmed at this Beverly Hills house, a Victorian farmhouse that was built in 1877 and restored by its current owners. Next month it will be among the residences on the Heart of the Home House Tour.

"We love sharing it," Kleppert said.

Kleppert's children attended Groves. She knew Grinnan from work for the garden club.

Cathy Howe, whose home also is on the tour, has a niece who is a senior at Groves. The Howe children are in elementary school now but will be going to Groves someday.

The house is dressed in fabrics and wall coverings showing country French charm and features a master suite that the

This 10,000-square-foot house was designed in 17th century English Tudor style, built by Tringali and decorated with the help of designer Dan Clancy.

Its features include a two-story library with a spiral staircase, wood and stone floors, a wine cellar and a screened summer porch.

"It's like walking back in time. It's great to live here," said a resident, who asked that the family's name be withheld. Also on the tour:

■ A house built of Scottish stone in 1935. It features four fireplaces, a slate roof, copper gutters and extensive gardens. The house was decorated with the help of Curiosity Shoppe.

■ A 1950s red brick ranch that the owners transformed into a light-filled contemporary home with Frank Lloyd Wright influences.

It contains a master suite with a capa wood floor and inlays, a steam shower and a whirlpool tub; a Wright style library with built-ins; a wine



Organizers of the tour describe it as an event "that will provide enjoyment to the most discerning home buff."



A variety of houses will be featured on the tour, which is taking place in the Groves High School attendance area of Franklin, Bingham Farms and Beverly Hills.

room; Stickley furniture; and a collection of ceremonial African art.

■ A house built in 1981 and decorated in traditional Southern style.

The elegant dining room contains plantation furniture. A brick patio and pool are in the back.

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**What:** A tour of six beautiful houses in Franklin, Bingham Farms and Beverly Hills. Proceeds will benefit the Groves High School Senior Party, which provides students with a safe place to celebrate the night of graduation. Maps will be distributed to ticket holders 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. the day of the tour at Groves' 13 Mile entrance. **When:** Noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 2

**Tickets:** \$20. Tickets are available at the Groves High School main office, 13 Mile and Evergreen; at Apple Tree Room, 32749 Franklin Road in Franklin; or by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope, with a check payable to Groves PTSA Graduation Committee, to Deb Martin, 30021 Fox Run, Beverly Hills 48025.

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