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# Downtown Historic Bed and Breakfast

Photos by Steve Grant



**W**hen Steve and Kara Grant bought the 1912 “Spy House” they originally intended on flipping it and reselling it. “We call it the Spy House because this is the house in which David Greenglass, a designer of the atomic bomb at Los Alamos, sold drawings on the atomic bomb to a Soviet spy,” Kara says. “Once we renovated it, we actually lived there for two years. Then, once the Heritage House next door (which was built in 1907) came up for sale we bought that, renovated it, and turned it into a bed and breakfast. Finally, we bought another house right next to the two houses, moved into it and then combined the Heritage House and Spy House into one bed and breakfast.”

The Grants have owned the property for 10 years but didn’t turn the houses into a bed and breakfast until seven years ago.

“We’ve held close to 150 weddings here in the past six years,” Kara says. “We’re kind of a one-stop-shop just because we usually coordinate the caterer, photographer, and everything. Also, Steve is licensed to marry

couples and has probably married more than 50 couples himself.”

The Downtown Historic Bed and Breakfast offers wedding packages for small elopements to weddings with as many as 100 guests. The bed and breakfast itself can accommodate up to 27 overnight guests.

The Heritage House’s Dutch-Colonial style combined with the Spy House’s craftsman style offer the perfect antique backdrop to any style of wedding.

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