

1926 Willingham Carriage House at Richardson Golf Course (image date unknown)

In the 1920s Willingham and Mickel era the ground floor would likely have been a barn and the second floor housing for workers. In the Richardson golf course era the ground floor remained a barn/maintenance area. The small structure on the right was added as a lunch counter for golfers. In front was another addition--variously described as a "caddy shack" or a laundry room. Upstairs was a one-bedroom apartment; with living room, kitchen and bathroom. Over the years it was occupied either by snow-bird guests or various Richardson family members. It is the oldest remaining structure in Wilton Manors.



Beginning in late 2013 the Wilton Manors Historical Society and the City of Wilton Manors collaborated on an adaptive-reuse restoration plan for the Carriage House. With various funding valued at over \$300,000 (including community donations and labor), the ground floor was completed in 2017. It now serves as a popular event venue; complete with service bar, catering preparation area and outdoor pavilion. The second floor awaits restoration funding.