

State of California - The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
PRIMARY RECORD

Primary #
HRI #
Trinomial
NRHP Status Code

Other Listings
Review Code

Reviewer

Date

Page 1 of 4 *Resource Name or # (Assigned by recorder): Van Arsdale House

P1. Other identifier: HP-88-01

*P2. Location: Not for Publication Unrestricted

*a. County Santa Clara County

and (P2b and P2c or P2d. Attach a location map as necessary.)

*b. USGS 7.5' Quad Cupertino Date 1980 Photorevised T .8 S. ; R .2 W. ; Mount Diablo B.M.

c. Address: 14690 Oak St.

City Saratoga

Zip 95070

d. UTM:(give more than one for large and/or linear resources)

Zone 10S ;

mE/

mN

e. Other Locational Data: (e.g., parcel #, directions to resource, elevation, etc., as appropriate)

east corner of Oak Street and Lomita Avenue.

APN# 517-08-043

*P3a. Description: (Describe resource and its major elements, include design, material, condition, alterations, size, setting, and boundaries)

This one-story cottage represents a vernacular Queen Anne design from the late-nineteenth century. The raised floor, steeply pitched cross-gable roof, and inset porch typify the era. The roof is topped by a decorative three-bracket based finial at the uppermost peak. The shallow boxed eaves feature eave returns at the gables. The gable ends are clad with horizontal rows of alternating square and scallop shingles; in the apex of each gable ends is a radiating spindlework truss. The walls are clad in horizontal v-groove wood siding. The original fenestration consists of 1/1 wood double-hung windows placed in pairs at the main elevations. Trim includes stylized bulls-eye corner blocks and applied half-round linear trim. The front porch originally spanned the entire front of the structure. The north wing was enlarged and the front porch altered since the original historical listing.

*P3b. Resource Attributes: (List attributes and codes) HP2. Single family property

*P4. Resources Present: Building Structure Object Site District Element of District Other (Isolates, etc.)



P5b. Description of Photo:

(View, date, accession #)

View facing east, July 2009.

*P6. Date Constructed/Age and Source:

Historic Prehistoric Both

c1895, 114 years old.

*P7. Owner and Address:

Kathryn Ann Holt, decd.

14690 Oak St.

Saratoga CA 95070

*P8. Recorded By: (Name, affiliation, and address)

F. Maggi, L. Dill, & J. Kusz

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*P9. Date Recorded: 10/26/09

*P10. Survey Type: (Describe)

Reconnaissance

*P11. Report Citation: (Cite survey report and other sources, or enter "none".)

Archives & Architecture: City of Saratoga Statement of Historic Context, 2009.

*Attachments:

None

Continuation Sheet

District Record

Rock Art Record

Other (List):

Location Map

Building, Structure, and Object Record

Linear Feature Record

Artifact Record

Sketch Map

Archaeological Record

Milling Station Record

Photograph Record

DPR 523A (1/95)

* Required Information

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*NRHP/CRHR Status Code 5S3

Resource Name (Assigned by recorder) Van Arsdale House

B1. Historic Name: Van Arsdale House

B2. Common Name: 14690 Oak St.

B3. Original Use: Single family residential

B4. Present Use: Single family residential

*B5. Architectural Style: Queen Anne

*B6. Construction History: (Construction date, alterations, and date of alterations)

Constructed circa 1895. Portion of porch removed, gable enlarged.

*B7. Moved? No Yes Unknown Date: n/a

Original Location: n/a

*B8. Related Features:

None known.

B9a. Architect: Unknown

b. Builder: Unknown

*B10. Significance: Theme Architecture

Area: Saratoga Village

Period of Significance: c1895

Property Type: Residential

Applicable Criteria: None

(Discuss importance in terms of historical or architectural context as defined by theme, period and geographic scope. Also address integrity.)

The Van Arsdale House is listed on the Saratoga Heritage Resources Inventory, included as a part of HP-88-01. It qualified under Criteria a and c:

- a) the property exemplifies and reflects special elements of the cultural, social, economic, aesthetic, and architectural history of Saratoga; and
- c) the property embodies distinctive characteristics of the Queen Anne style, type and period;

The Van Arsdale House does not appear to be eligible for the California Register of Historical Resources, as the house was ancillary to the original house on the property, and does not appear to embody the distinctive characteristics of houses from Saratoga's period of Horticultural Development.

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B11. Additional Resource Attributes: (list attributes and codes) None

*B12. References:

Saratoga Heritage Preservation Commission, Historic Resources Inventory form, 1988.

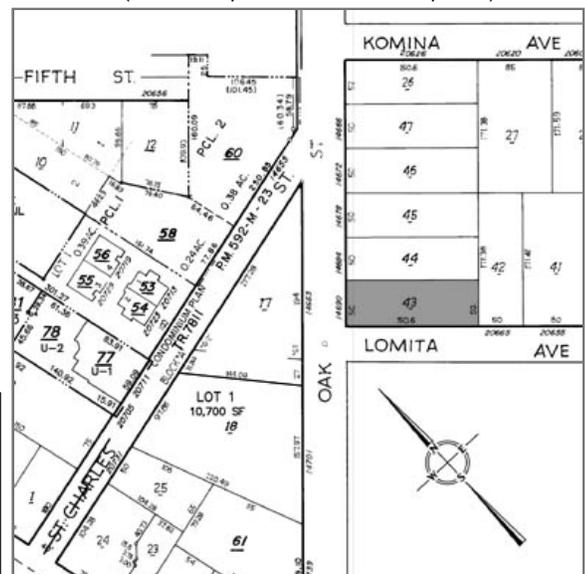
(Sketch Map with north arrow required.)

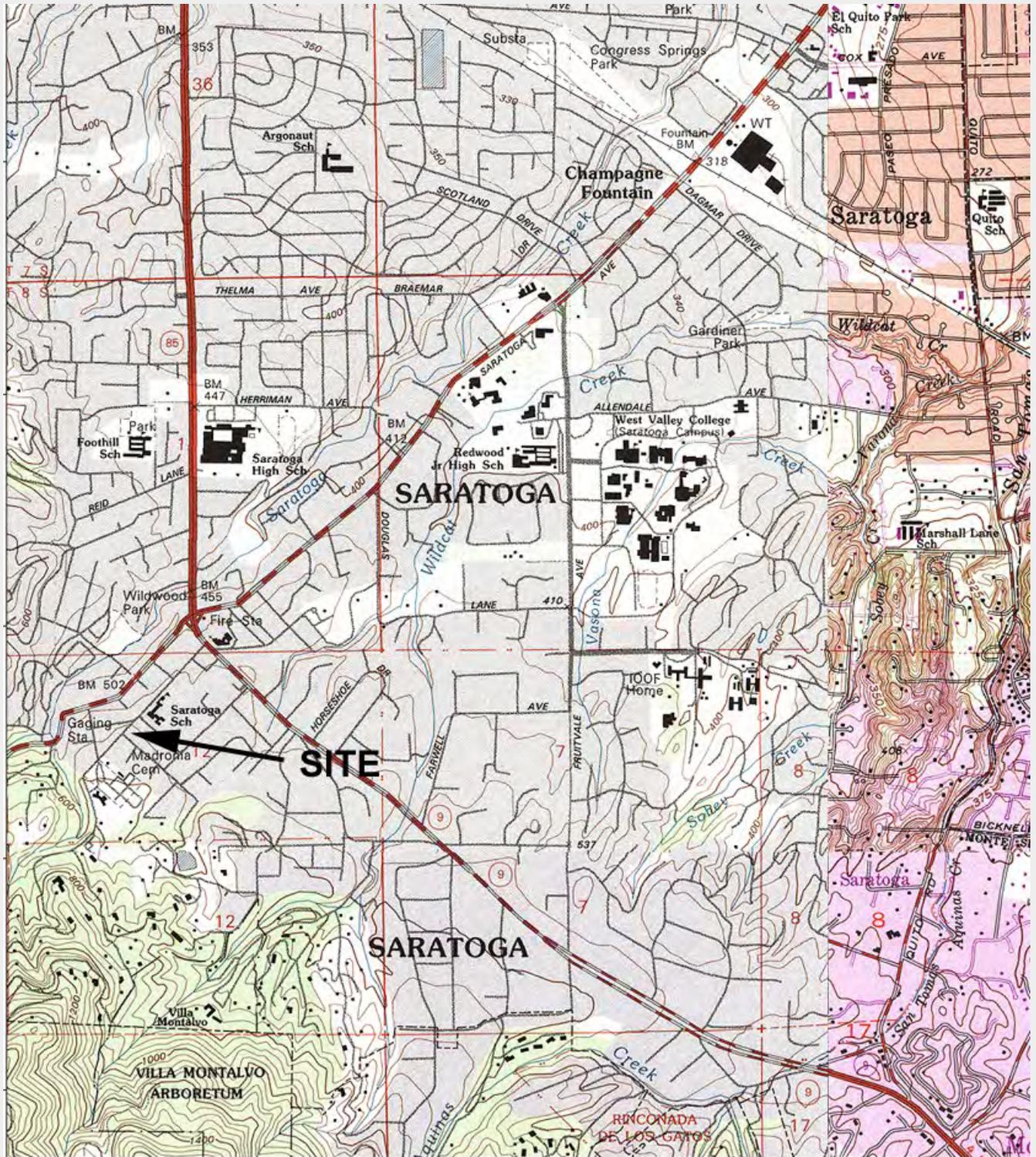
B13. Remarks: Listed Heritage Resource

*B14. Evaluator: Franklin Maggi

*Date of Evaluation: October 26, 2009

(This space reserved for official comments.)





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Historical Background

It is presumed that this small cottage originally belonged to a nearby larger residence owned by Mrs. Sara Dale. The larger residence was destroyed by fire in the 1920s; this cottage and its tank house were saved. Sara Dale died in 1921 and the property passed to her daughter Louisa Dale, of San Francisco. The Van Arsdales acquired the house about 1946; they received it from Mrs. Van Arsdale's aunt, Anna M. Finley.

Integrity

Although slightly altered with a couple of replacement window sash, the house retains adequate character-defining architectural design, workmanship and materials, as well as a historic location and setting within Saratoga Village, and the property continues to represent the historical associations and feelings of this residence.