

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): Luther Cunningham Stone 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 Location: Not for Publication Unrestricted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: 14280 Saratoga Ave. 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)

 southeast side of Saratoga Avenue northeast of La Paloma Avenue. APN# 397-23-027

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

The facade of this two-story house is comprised Of a variety of different stones collected by the original owner from around California, the United States and the world. The stones combine with the half-timbered accent walls, complex Tudor-Revival rooflines, and rolled faux-thatch eaves to impart a Hansel-and-Gretel look to the house. Wood casement windows with multiple lites are consistent with the style, as are the arched multi-lite French doors. Compatible additions have been made to the house over the years, including a second story. To the rear is the original garage. The sandstone terraces surround the house.

*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 northeast, July 2009.

*P6. Date Constructed/Age and Source:

Historic Prehistoric Both
1924-1926, 85 years old.

*P7. Owner and Address:

Vladmiro Cheplyansky &
Marina Ovchinnikov
14280 Saratoga Ave.
Saratoga CA 95070

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

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San Jose, CA 95109

*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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Resource Name (Assigned by recorder) Luther Cunningham Stone House

B1. Historic Name: Luther Cunningham House

B2. Common Name: 14280 Saratoga Ave. - The Stone House

B3. Original Use: Single family residential

B4. Present Use: Single family residential

*B5. Architectural Style: Tudor Revival

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

Constructed 1924-1926). Original garage converted into living space, second story added.

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

Original Location: n/a

*B8. Related Features:

Dresser House to west was original a part of this property.

B9a. Architect: Unknown

b. Builder: Unknown

*B10. Significance: Theme Architecture

Area: Heritage Lane

Period of Significance: c1924-1926

Property Type: Residential

Applicable Criteria: (2), (3)

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

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

- a) the property exemplifies and reflects special elements of the cultural, social, economic, aesthetic, and architectural history of Saratoga;
- b) the property is identified with persons significant in local history;
- c) the property embodies distinctive characteristics of the Tudor Revival style, type and period; and
- e) the property embodies unique physical characteristics that represent an established and familiar visual feature of a neighborhood.

The Luther Cunningham Stone House also appears eligible for the California Register of Historical Resources under Criterion (3), as the house embodies the distinctive characteristics of the Tudor Revival house-type from Saratoga's period of *Horticultural Development*, as is associated with persons important to Saratoga's past.

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

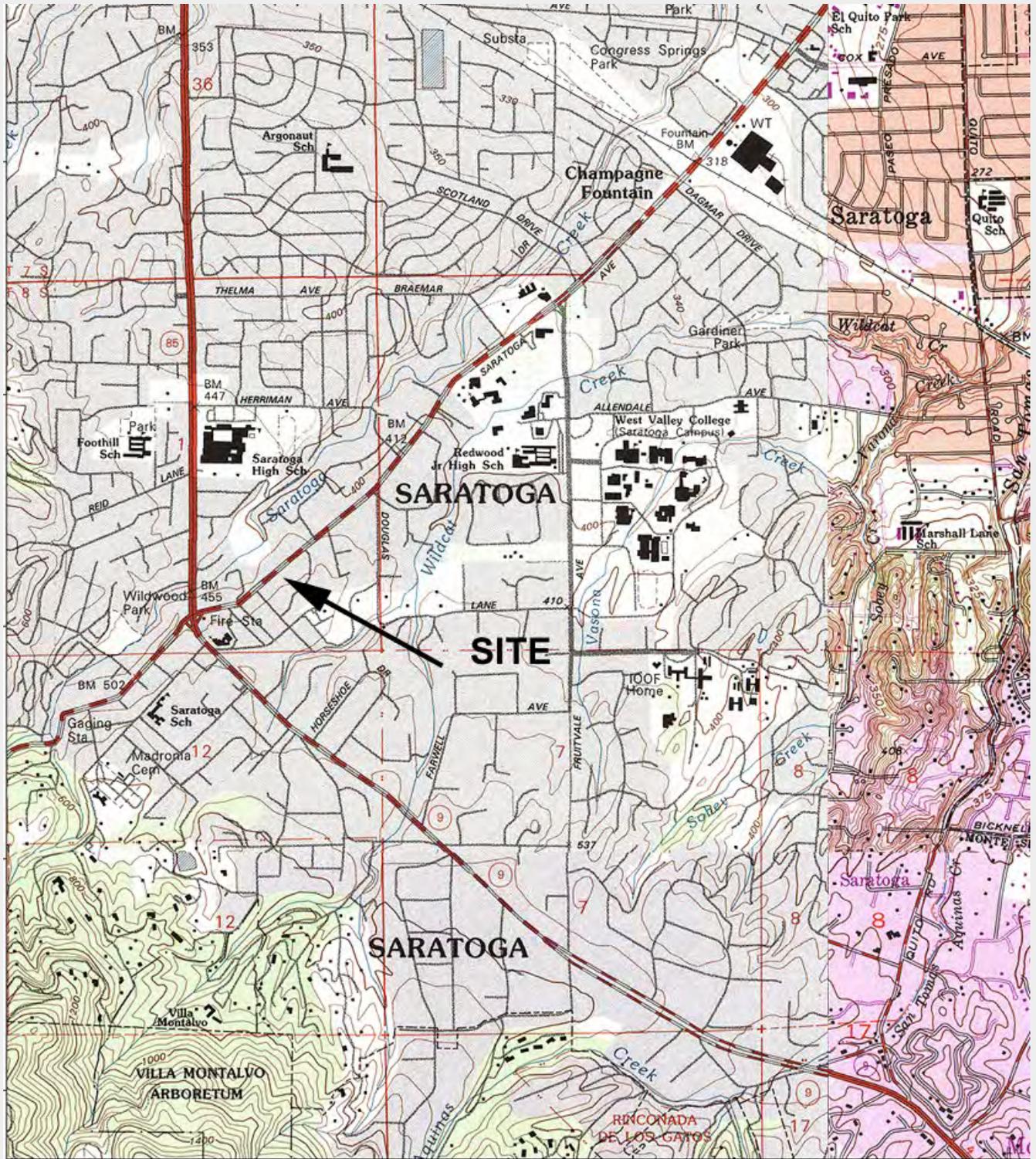
*Date of Evaluation: October 26, 2009

(This space reserved for official comments.)

* Map Name: Multiple

* Scale: n.t.s.

* Date of Map: Varies



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CONTINUATION SHEET

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* Recorded By F. Maggi, L. Dill, & J. Kusz * Date 10/26/2009 Continuation Update

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Historical Background

This unique stone house was built in 1924-26 by Luther Cunningham, a rancher and inventor of farm machinery. He invented the Cunningham Prune Dipper in 1889 which was a forerunner invention of the Food Machinery Corporation. His other inventions include a grinder/processor, pulverizer and land roller. He developed his father's farm acreage into a subdivision called "Cunningham Acres." Lutheria Street is named for his daughter. Luther and his family lived in the home next door; he built this house as a toolshed. It consists of stones from 15 countries, every county in California, and 43 of the United States. There are cobblestones from San Francisco streets and fragments from the ruins of Stanford University after the 1906 earthquake. Luther eventually rented this "tool shed" out because it was costing him so much to build. An interior door made of solid black walnut was originally in the 1860s Arguello family home that had been located near Quito Road.

Integrity

The house retains its architectural design, workmanship and materials, as well as a compatible setting and original location, and the property continues to embody the historical associations and feelings of this residence.