

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

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P1. Other identifier: HP-88-01 HP-17

*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 Location: Not for Publication Unrestricted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: 20330 Saratoga-Los Gatos Rd. 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)

southwest side of Saratoga-Los Gatos Road southeast of Aloha Avenue. APN# 517-11-003

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

This house is not easily viewed from the public right-of-way. City records indicate that the house typifies a Mediterranean Villa from the early-twentieth century. Its form includes a pair of symmetrical, two-story hipped outer wings connected by a broad one-story wall topped by a classical balustrade. The outer towers have a raised belly band and ribbons of windows at the second floor. Within the central wall is an asymmetrically placed, recessed arched entry. The front door is said to be of Honduran mahogany. The stucco house is reportedly of redwood construction, including the second-story balustrade along the front. The entire garden was redesigned in the 1980s, with the exception of the magnificent Deodar cedar trees for which the house was named. Original landscaping included vineyards in the front and at one time one of Saratoga's first tennis courts. The vineyards have been replaced by a lawn and there is a new white ornate ironwork gate at the entrance. The house was restored in the 1980s.

*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 southwest, July 2009.

*P6. Date Constructed/Age and Source:
 Historic Prehistoric Both
 1912, 97 years old.

*P7. Owner and Address:
 Hong Zhou Trust
 20330 Saratoga-Los Gatos Rd.
 Saratoga CA 95070

*P8. Recorded By: (Name, affiliation, and address)
 F. Maggi, L. Dill, & J. Kusz
 Archives & Architecture, LLC
 PO Box 1332
 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

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*NRHP/CRHR Status Code 3CS

Resource Name (Assigned by recorder) The Deodars

B1. Historic Name: J. D. and Edith Kennedy House

B2. Common Name: 20330 Saratoga-Los Gatos Rd. - Villa Deodara

B3. Original Use: Single family residential

B4. Present Use: Single family residential

*B5. Architectural Style: Mediterranean Villa

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

Constructed 1912. Back porch area enclosed.

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

Original Location: n/a

*B8. Related Features:

The former carriage house at the rear of the property has been converted for use as a garage. A pool has been added to the back.

B9a. Architect: Unknown

b. Builder: Unknown

*B10. Significance: Theme Architecture and Shelter

Area: Glen Una

Period of Significance: 1912

Property Type: Residential

Applicable Criteria: (3)

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

The Deodars 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 Mediterranean Villa style, type and period.

The Deodars is eligible for the California Register of Historical Resources, as it is a Designated Landmark Structure.

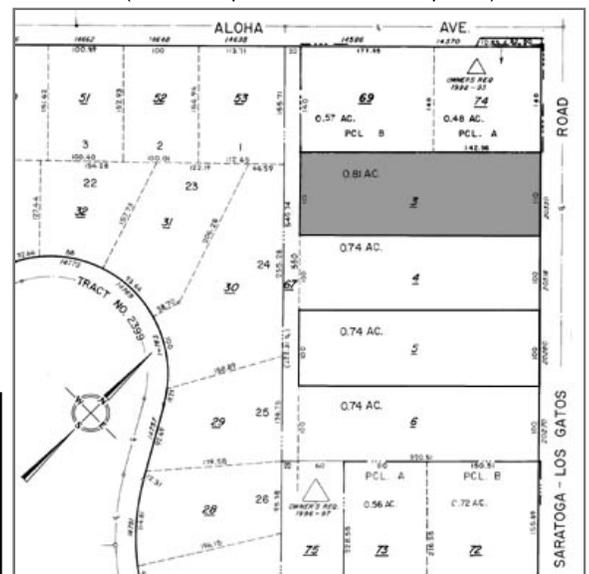
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B11. Additional Resource Attributes: (list attributes and codes) None

*B12. References:

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

(Sketch Map with north arrow required.)



B13. Remarks: Designated Landmark Structure

*B14. Evaluator: Franklin Maggi

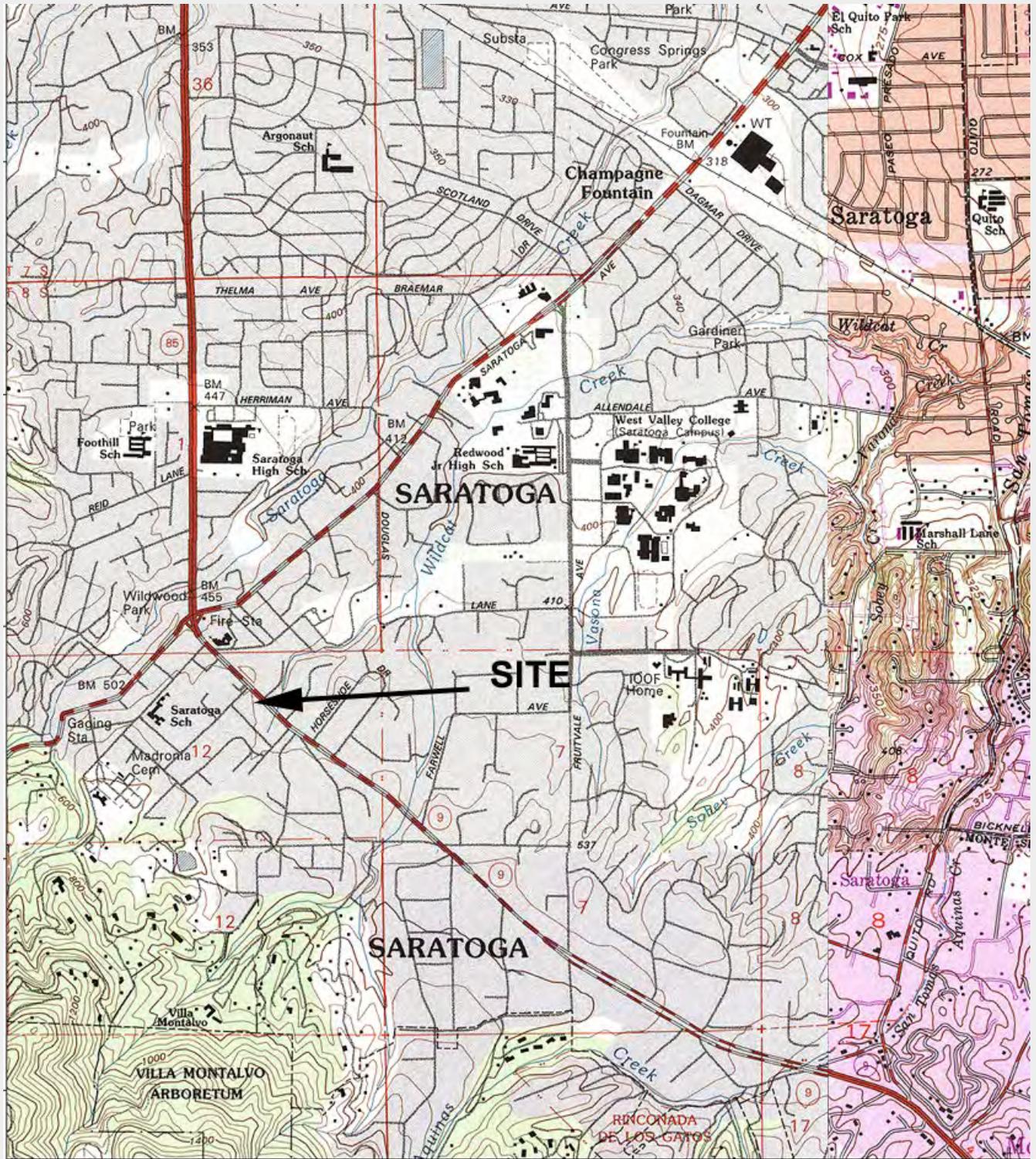
*Date of Evaluation: October 26, 2009

(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 home was said to have been built by the John G. and Edith Kennedy in 1912. They lived on the property with their children Marion and John, Jr. John, Sr. was born in 1887 in Pennsylvania, and Edith in 1894 in California. They were said to have moved from Palo Alto to this property, and as of 1920 John was Vice President of a lumber company. The land was purchased from T. S. Montgomery, whose home was nearby.

In 1921 it was sold to the Richard Hams, another prominent Saratoga family. The Ham and Kennedy children attended Oak Street School (Saratoga School) and daughter Charlotte taught Joan Fontaine and Olivia DeHavilland at Sunday School. They installed one of Saratoga's first tennis courts which has since been removed. It was restored by owners who purchased it in 1980.

Integrity

Difficult to see from the public right-of-way, the house appears to retain its architectural design, workmanship and materials, as well as a compatible setting and original location, and the property appears to continue to embody the historical associations and feelings of this residence.