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File address 312 West Main

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PARCEL MAP INFORMATION

Parcel # 510-44-012 Lot size: 50 front ft. x 89 ft. deep
Lot shape: Rectangle L Rectangle with small rear jog Other
Location: N S E W side of W Main St Ave Other
distance to cross st: _____ ft. N S E W from _____
at NE NW SE SW corner of Bay View

HISTORIC INFORMATION ON PARCEL MAP

Old tract or subdivision name JW Lyndon's Sub Old Block # 2 Old lot # ptn 8

FIELD SURVEY INFORMATION (handwritten in red)

Preliminary rating Estimated age 1891-95 Style Queen Anne # stories _____
Alterations shingled (no paint) 1941 Survey: Rustic RW Painted
Other tower CREEK CROSSED LOT: 1891 MAP

COUNTY ASSESSOR--PROPERTY CHARACTERISTICS (paste on copy) Page 899 Effective date 12-87

APN 510-44-012	ADDRESS 312 MAIN	ST LG 95030	TOT ROOMS 11	DINING ROOM	POOL
SINGLE FAMILY	TRA 3-001	50 SQ. FEET 3,406	BEDROOMS 4	FAMILY ROOM	GARAGE 3/4
USE CODE	01 DEPTH	88 ADDN 3/4	2 BATHS	UTILITY RM	FIN BSMT
YR BUILT	70 ACRES	.10 NO. FLOORS			525

OWNERSHIP SHOWN ON MAPS

Age 48

Source Name	Source Date	Source Page	Location of property, or Old tract/block/lot	Lot Size	Owner Name
	1891		Lyndon Subd. Block 2, Lot 8	50x (unk)	F.... (illegible)
Blk Book	1908				
Survey	1941	Block 2 Lot 8	312 W. Main	50x90	Wm. A. Ryan
	1941				(Kitty Rice crossed out)

MISCELLANEOUS

National Register listed date _____
County Inventory 1979 _____
Town of Los Gatos: Designation _____ Recognition _____
District Name _____
Previous Survey AEG 1880

PHOTOS: Roll/frame # 029/6 Date 5 Feb 90



Gebhard: page # _____ illustration page # _____
312 W Main

EVALUATION. Date 1891-94 (San. D.) Contributor
Lyndon Sub'n District Non-contrib
Earliest known Owner Resident : John & Kitty Rice
Context(s): dentist

Alterations: Moved Raised Porch encl Addition Siding Windows Condition _____
Designer: a _ b _ d _

18. Macabee Gopher Trap Building, 110 LOMA ALTA-- Built in 1894, this was the home of Zephyr Macabee and his family. Zephyr was a clerk at the El Monte Hotel who in 1900 invented the Macabee Gopher Trap--hailed as a godsend by Santa Clara Valley orchardists! By the mid-1920s, some 1,000 traps were being produced per day.

19. Market Street School, 179 LOMA ALTA--This house was built in 1891. Starting in 1894, one room of the house was used as a primary school for over 20 years. It became a private residence once again in 1917.

20. Johnson house, 49 LOS GATOS BLVD--This house was built prior to 1876 (perhaps as early as 1866) by Peter Johnson, a teamster whose barn and blacksmith shop were across the road. Johnson was mayor of Los Gatos from 1892-94 and was one of the town's first subdividers. The house has undergone very little structural change in the past 100 years.

21. Simon house, 207 LOS GATOS BLVD--This Italianate style house was built in the late 1880s or early 1890s by D.P. Simon. Simon introduced an ordinance regulating saloons in Los Gatos in 1905 and was elected to the newly formed Chamber of Commerce in 1910.

22. Old Vineland School, 269 LOS GATOS BLVD-- This building was moved from Farley Road in 1906 and is presently a private residence.

23. Sunshine Market, 308 E. MAIN--This building dates back to 1905 and is a classic example of a neighborhood store. It is now The Store Antiques.

24. Fretwell Building, W. MAIN & University-- Built by a jeweler in 1906, this was the First National Bank of Los Gatos from 1912-1918. It is now an antique shop.

25. Beckwith Block-Rex Hotel, 31 E. MAIN--Known as the Beckwith Block, this building was erected in 1891. It housed the post office in 1894 and later became the Rex Hotel.

26. Rankin Block, W. MAIN & Montebello--Built on the site of the Wilcox Block, which was destroyed by fire in 1901, this building housed the post office from 1917 to 1948.

27. Ford's Opera House, 140 W. MAIN--Built in 1904, Eugene Ford's Opera House was a social center in town for many years. As Opera House Antiques, the building retains its unique stamped-tin panels on the ceiling and upper walls.

28. Rice house, 312 W. MAIN--This early 1880s home was purchased about 1896 by Dr. Rice, one of Los Gatos' first dentists. Substantial interior and exterior renovation was done in 1970.

29. First National Bank Building, 198 W. MAIN-- This was the First National Bank of Los Gatos (replacing an earlier structure) from 1920 until



BECKWITH BLOCK-Rex Hotel, 31 E. Main, as it appeared shortly after its completion in 1891. (Courtesy of Los Gatos Museum)

1955. It housed several different businesses until 1973, when it was completely restored for savings & loan purposes by Homestead Savings.

30. Old Parker Ranch, 16000 MARCHMONT DRIVE-- The original tank house, guest house, and remodelled barn remain from Col. James Parker's ranch. The ranch became Children's Country School in 1936 and has been Hillbrook School since 1960.

**31. McCullagh-Jones house, 18000 OVERLOOK ROAD-- After a period in Pennsylvania, Frank McCullagh returned to Los Gatos in 1901, re-purchased his former property, and hired architect Willis Polk to redesign and enlarge his farmhouse. Polk was assisted in the design, a prototype of the Mission Revival style, by architect George Washington Percy. The house was cut in two and pulled apart by teams of horses. The present arcaded loggia was built to join the two halves. Dr & Mrs Horace Jones owned the home from 1939 until 1961.

32. Simond adobe, 14610 QUITO ROAD--Claude Simond, a native of France, acquired several thousand acres of rancho lands in 1852 for his El Rancho de las Uvas. When Simond defaulted on his payments, Edward Auzerais of San Jose acquired the rancho in 1857 and subdivided it. By 1884, Simond's unique two story, arch-windowed adobe had changed hands 11 times, one of its owners being the tenth child of Jose Maria Hernandez, co-grantee of Rancho Rinconada de los Gatos.

33. La Canada Building, 1 N. SANTA CRUZ AVENUE-- This 1894 landmark, housing a corner drugstore (Watkins-Skinkle), offices and other firms was

(see similar 1975)
J.P. 1899-1900

Santa Clara County
Heritage Resource Inventory
San Jose 1979, S.C.C. Historic
Heritage Commission

[PLEASE PRINT]

Los Gatos Museum Association
Historic Home Survey

Street:

Informant:

MAIN ST (WEST)

M. GUALTIERI

M. DAHL

House number:

Phone:

4-1943

354 5352

312

Present owners: M + M REKA BRUNNER

Phone:

4-2900

Estimated construction date: ^{P.11} P. 1900 C.A.C., 1880 A.E.G.

Builder:

Ownership:

Original:

Occupation:

19__:

" "

^{APPROX}
(year of ? 1904: JOHN A + KITTY RICE
purchase) ^{T.D. 25}
^{CO 1934} 1935: KITTY RICE

" "

DENTIST

1940:

WILLIAM T. RYAN

" "

RETIRED SO. PACIFIC
RAILROAD EMPLOYEE

(Present owner)

1957:

REX + JUANITA BRUNNER

" "

FUNERAL DIRECTOR

Occupants:

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c.o. 1935: NELLIE PETTENGILL & SON LOUIS L. PETTENGILL

Occupation:

19__:

SISTER & NEPHEW OF KITTY RICE.

" "

19__:

" "

19__:

" "

History: (Please identify information source.)

I.S. REX BRUNNER; DR JOHN RICE WAS ONE OF FIRST DENTISTS IN L.G. (I.S. 1904 CITY DIR.) OFFICES IN TANKIN BLOCK. I.S. W.H.T. RYAN. AFTER DR RICE'S DEATH, WIFE KITTY LIVED HERE WITH HER SISTER NELLIE + SON LOUIS PETTENGILL. THIS HOME HAD ONE OF FIRST BATH TUBS IN TOWN. HOUSE AT 12 BAYVIEW WAS ORIGINALLY STABLE FOR HOME AT 312 W. MAIN + HAS SINCE BEEN REMODELED INTO HOME.

Return to:

38 Alpine Ave.
Los Gatos, Ca.

Remodeling: (Please identify information source and year of change.)

I.S. REX BRUNNER; 1970 HOME EXTENSIVELY REMODELED. TWO BEDROOMS, BATH & PLAYROOM ADDED IN FULL BASEMENT. THE FRONT PORCH BALLUSTRADES ARE FROM FORMER PORCH AT LYNDON HOTEL WHICH WAS RAZED IN 1961. ARCHITECT: FRANK LAULAINEN.

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PUBLISHED ANNOUNCEMENTS

Source: A&E Bulletin CA&BN Call Chron DPB Ed AB EX News PCA Other
 Volume Date Page

Nature of announcement: Contract notice Notice of completion BP issued Photo Elev/sketch/rend'g Floor plan Arch't/cont'r pub Real est
 Copy exactly: Owner

Builder/Contractor	Architect/Engineer	Location	Nature of work	Cost

Initials _____ Date _____

BUILDING PERMITS

Address requested _____

Source: Permit Register, Press-Dem., or . . .

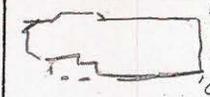
Application Number	Date	Location	Cost	Use/No. of Units	Owner & address	Builder/contr. & address	Arch't/engin'r & address	Description of work	Bldg's width/depth/height	Exterior Materials

Initials _____ date _____

OTHER SOURCE (specify thoroughly)

Initials _____ Date _____

SANBORN MAPS

Date	Vol/page	Vac. or dif. bldg	Address	Color: yel, pnk, orange, blu, gry, green	Use	Patches Yes/No	No. of stories	Height (ft.)	No. of bay windows	PORT	Misc.	Date of constr.	Describe or sketch plan
1888	7	Vac											
1891	6	"											
1895	8	This	12 Hotel		D	N	1		2	SE cor	+ barn at 12 Bay View		
1904	n	"	n Main [noted]		"	n	"		"	"	"		
1908	n	"	n n		"	n	"		"	"	"		
1928	16	"	312 Wn		"	n	"		"	"	"		

Initials _____ Date _____

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