

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: _____
2. Historic name: Lorenzini Home
3. Street or rural address: 816 Healdsburg Avenue
City Healdsburg Zip 95448 County Sonoma
4. Parcel number: 002-032-06
5. Present Owner: Langhart, Chyrstal Address: P.O. Box 905
City Healdsburg Zip 95448 Ownership is: Public _____ Private X
6. Present Use: Residential Original use: Residential

DESCRIPTION

- 7a. Architectural style: Queen Anne Cottage
- 7b. Briefly describe the present *physical description* of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

This one story cottage has an angled bay under a gable containing a window with stained glass. The gable is covered with cut shingles and has a decorative barge board. A veranda covers part of the front and side of the house. The veranda has turned columns, decorative brackets, turned fretwork and a molded balustrade system. The entrance door contains a semi-burst pattern.



8. Construction date: Estimated _____ Factual 1901
9. Architect _____
10. Builder A. F. Rath
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
Frontage 100 Depth 200
or approx. acreage _____
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
Oct. 15, 1982 28/24

13. Condition: Excellent _____ Good _____ Fair Deteriorated _____ No longer in existence _____
14. Alterations: _____
15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land _____ Scattered buildings _____ Densely built-up _____
Residential Industrial _____ Commercial Other: _____
16. Threats to site: None known Private development _____ Zoning _____ Vandalism _____
Public Works project _____ Other: _____
17. Is the structure: On its original site? Moved? _____ Unknown? _____
18. Related features: Stone retaining wall extends in front of this.

SIGNIFICANCE

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)
This house is an elaborately decorated example of cottage architecture and exhibits the extreme to which builders or architects could go in applying purely decorative elements to the building.

This house was built in 1901 by A.F. Rath at a cost of \$2,500 to \$3,000 for D. Lorenzini. Lorenzini, born in Italy in 1858, was reared in Switzerland where he learned the art of wine and brandy making. He and his wife came to the United States in 1883 and lived in the Napa Valley before settling in Healdsburg in 1887. He engaged in the wine-making business for several years with a Mr. Gaddini, then in 1895 formed the Francischini & Lorenzini Company. The plant was called the Olivetto Wine Company. The winery crushed 2,000 tons of grapes per year and their fine quality wines and brandies were shipped all over the country.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)
Architecture 1 Arts & Leisure _____
Economic/Industrial _____ Exploration/Settlement _____
Government _____ Military _____
Religion _____ Social/Education 2

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).
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