

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

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IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Historic name: Alexander-Streining House
3. Street or rural address: 8239 Highway 128  
City Healdsburg, CA Zip 95448 County Sonoma
4. Parcel number: 132-010-02
5. Present Owner: Belle Terre Ranch, Henry & Dick Address: 4630 East Soda Rock Lane  
City Healdsburg Zip 95448 Ownership is: Public \_\_\_\_\_ Private X
6. Present Use: Residential Original use: Residential

DESCRIPTION

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

This square one-story home has a hip-roof with a boxed cornice. Windows are double hung on sliding aluminum. The porch's hip-roof is supported by plain square posts. The porch posts and balustrade appear to be new. In the rear is a shed-roof addition.



8. Construction date:  
Estimated \_\_\_\_\_ Factual 1889
9. Architect \_\_\_\_\_
10. Builder \_\_\_\_\_
11. Approx. property size (in feet)  
Frontage \_\_\_\_\_ Depth \_\_\_\_\_  
or approx. acreage 147.750
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)  
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13. Condition: Excellent  Good  Fair  Deteriorated  No longer in existence
14. Alterations: Windows - almost all aluminum
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: Vineyard and more modern outbuildings

**SIGNIFICANCE**

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)  
This house, located in the northeast section of the survey area in lower Alexander Valley, was built as Caroline Alexander and M.G. Streining's wedding house in 1889. Caroline Alexander, daughter of Cyrus and Rufena Alexander, the first Euro-American settlers in northern Sonoma County, was born in 1860 on the Alexander family homestead in Alexander Valley. She received a 110 acre parcel of land from her father when he gave property to his children (pre-1877). She inherited equal ownership in the 350 acre Alexander homestead on Cyrus' death in 1872. She married M.G. Streining of Santa Rosa in 1889. Reflecting the hard times that farmers faced in the turn of the century, on her husband's death in 1902, Caroline was forced to defend her property rights against foreclosure due to debts incurred by her late husband. The courts ruled in her favor as the bank had failed to obtain proper collateral as security for the loans.

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

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

Hist. So. Co. 1911  
So. Co. Atlas 1877, 1898  
Ent.: 8/21/1879  
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