

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

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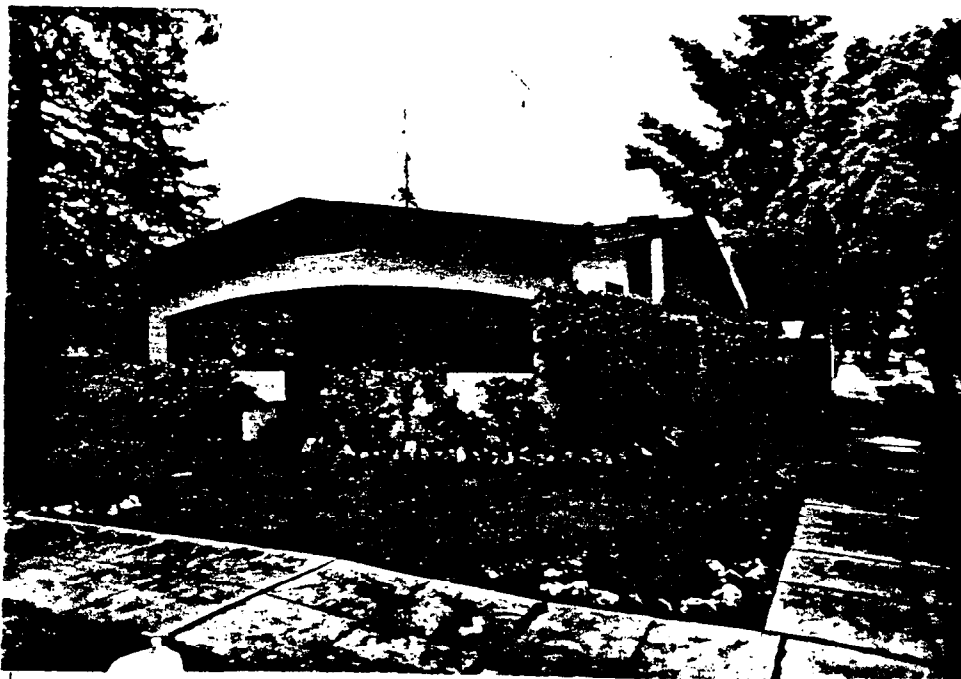
IDENTIFICATION

- 1. Common name: Fumagalli House
- 2. Historic name: Baxter House
- 3. Street or rural address: 494 Fifth Street  
City Gilroy Zip 95020 County Santa Clara
- 4. Parcel number: 79901842
- 5. Present Owner: Anthony Fumagalli Address: 494 Fifth Street  
City Gilroy Zip 95020 Ownership is: Public \_\_\_\_\_ Private X
- 6. Present Use: Residence Original use: Residence

DESCRIPTION

- 7a. Architectural style: California Bungalow
- 7b. Briefly describe the present *physical appearance* of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

494 Fifth Street is a one story structure, rectangular in form, with a low pitch end gable roof. The full front porch is recessed with the opening width unbroken by supports.



- 8. Construction date:  
Estimated \_\_\_\_\_ Factual 1922
- 9. Architect Unknown
- 10. Builder Radtke
- 11. Approx. property size (in feet)  
Frontage 71 Depth 125  
or approx. acreage \_\_\_\_\_
- 12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)  
Mar. 1986

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: \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNIFICANCE**

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)

Oliver Kendall Baxter was a longtime Gilroy businessman. He owned and operated Baxter's Tire Shop for more than 44 years. He died in 1963. Florence Schilling Baxter was his first wife. They had two daughters, May and June Baxter. After Florence Baxter's death, he married Mrs. Louise Johnson. The present owners are Mr. and Mrs. Fumagalli. Mr. Fumagalli works for a glass company in the Sunnyvale area and commutes to work. Mrs. Fumagalli is a clerk at Bill's Drugs store in Gilroy.

In the diverse collection of residential architecture on Fifth Street, this is a comparable and interesting component.

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 \_\_\_\_\_

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).  
Gilroy Museum Files - Baxter  
A Field Guide to American Houses,  
McAlister

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