**IDENTIFICATION**

1. Common name: 

2. Historic name: Charles Sherriffs House

3. Street or rural address: 439 Matheson Street
   City Healdsburg, CA Zip 95448 County Sonoma

4. Parcel number: 002-201-40-8

5. Present Owner: Gondola, Ernest & Rose
   Address: 439 Matheson Street
   City Healdsburg, CA Zip 95448 Ownership is: Public Private X

6. Present Use: Residential Original use: Residential

**DESCRIPTION**

7a. Architectural style: Craftsman

7b. Briefly describe the present physical description of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

   The large two story stucco house has a low pitched multi-gabled roof. The eaves are closed with decorative sawn simulated purlin ends. The second story consists of a square central tower with the open gable facing the street facade. There is a large porch recessed under the main roof with a gabled entry supported by heavy stucco pillars. It has a heavy arched entry door with leveled glass,
This large structure shows the craftsman influence yet with its decorative sawn simulated purlins and fine leveled entry way, it almost exceeds the aesthetic concept of craftsman simplicity. A very pleasing house and basically unpretentious for a house of this large scale.

Charles Sherriffs, born in Ontario, Canada, came to California in 1893. After managing the Porter Brothers Packing Company in San Jose, he moved to Healdsburg in 1900 and continued with the firm for two years until beginning Sherriffs Brothers Company which sold to the Prune and Apple Growers Association in 1922, featuring the Elk brand. Miss Lulu Parker, born in Sonoma County, married Charles in 1906. For nineteen years, he was a member of the City board and served as mayor in the 1920's. By 1926, Sherriffs retired from the fruit business and lived off the considerable income from his San Francisco apartment houses.