

National Register of Historic Places

# PAUL SHOUP HOUSE LOS ALTOS



# Paul Shoup House NRHP Process

- Application prepared and submitted Jan 2011 by Garavaglia Architecture of San Francisco
- House approved by State Historic Preservation Office in August 2011 at quarterly meeting in Auburn, California
- Keeper of NRHP approved Paul Shoup House Sep 2011
- ***House nominated and approved based on significance of Paul Shoup: his residence during his Executive Leadership of Southern Pacific***
- Architectural foundation for application not as strong
  - House modified outside period of significance multiple times
  - Limited original documentation on home's original design
  - Lot significantly reduced in size: from 3 acres to .6 acres
  - Architect never confirmed with written documentation



# Paul Shoup

Born 1874, Died 1946 : California

1900: Married Rose Wilson Shoup in San Fran

Buried nearby : Alta Mesa Cementary, Palo Alto

Kids: Carl Sumner, Jack Wilson, Louisa

President & Vice-Chair SP Railroad

Founder: Los Altos

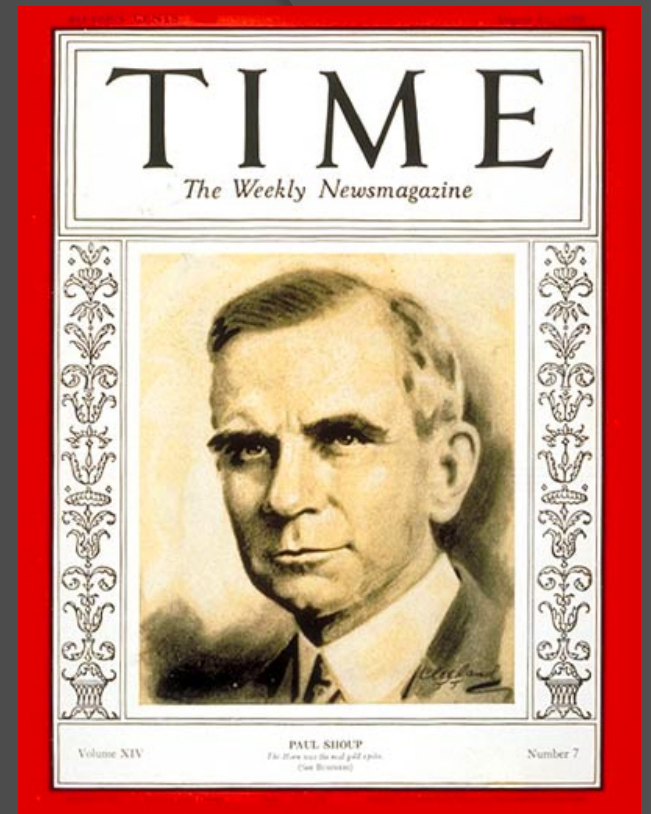
Stanford: Trustee, Founder Business School

Effective Local, State, and National Business Executive

Los Altan of the Century in 2000 by *Los Altos Town Crier*

His son, Carl Sumner Shoup, also a Los Altan as a teen

- Was Intellectual Father of Value Added Tax (VAT)
- Led Shoup Mission to Japan post WW II : creating their tax plan
- Columbia University Professor Emeritus



# House



*Home of Mr. Paul Shoup - Los Altos  
California.*

Circa 1912



Circa  
1920



Circa 1920

# Timeline: Paul Shoup House

- Sep 2011 House listed in National Register of Historic Places
- May 2011 Los Altos History Museum hosts Kagawa Garden Dedication
- Nov 2010 Los Altos History Museum hosts Centennial Celebration
- Nov 2010 Jennings's rehabilitation complete
- Oct 2003 Jennings's purchase house on approximately 0.6 acre lot
  
- Circa 2003 Paul Shoup House enters into Mills Act contract
- Circa 2000 Lot subdivided again to form PUD (4 more houses & pool)
- Circa 1995 Los Altos Landmark status
- 1991 Day's repair earthquake damage, expand house & tear down Kagawa family home
- 1989 Loma Prieta Earthquake severely damages house
- 1980 Day's remodel kitchen, add detached garage
- Circa 1980 Day's subdivide lot : new lot used to build home at 516 University Ave
- 1971 Day's purchase house on approximately three acre lot
  
- Circa 1950 Hauck's enclose sleeping porch
- 1945 Hauck's purchase house
  
- Circa 1925 Shoup expands living room, adds bath upstairs
- Nov 1910 (possibly architects McKenzie/Wolfe) complete Shoup house
- 1907 Shoup purchases 140 acres from Winchester

# Garden



Circa 1925



2011



2011



*Shoichi Kagawa & son in the garden*

Circa 1925



2011

# Garden

## KAGAWA GARDEN DEDICATION

Please join us for a plaque dedication  
by members of the Los Altos History Museum  
and the Los Altos Historical Commission on

**Saturday, May 7, 2011 at 2:00 p.m.**

at the historic home built in 1910 by Paul & Rose Shoup, 500  
University Avenue, to dedicate the Kagawa Garden.

Shoichi Kagawa carefully created and groomed the  
original, serene creekside garden, and his family lived  
side by side with the Shoups until 1941.

Casual; garden or vintage hats and  
practical shoes encouraged.

No RSVP required.



Information: 650.948.9427 x14 (Aja Sorensen)

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## Rose Wilson Shoup Garden

Founding Mother of Los Altos

Dedicated to Rose for her love  
of home and garden

November 14, 2010



## Kagawa Garden

Dedicated to Shoichi Kagawa

Maker of the Shoup family garden,  
still remembered for its beauty

May 7, 2011

# Opportunities

- A rarer recognition than NRHP would be California Historic Landmark : Paul Shoup House should be nominated (by others)
- City efforts to nominate other properties for NRHP
  - Steve Jobs House on Crist Drive, Los Altos (Person)
  - Marini Mansion on University Ave (Architecture)
  - Winchester-Merriman Home (Person)
  - Careful review of other city properties for potential applications
- City sponsor archival information regarding Paul Shoup House and Gardens: professional photos, written descriptions, etc.
- City sponsor NRHP plaque, Los Altos Landmark Plaque
- (urgent) Oral history with aging Shoup grandchildren
- SHPO Governor's Award nomination re:Shoup Centennial
- Walking tour map update
- City 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary tie-in





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Established in 1986, the **Governor's Historic Preservation Awards** are presented annually under the sponsorship of the State Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) and California State Parks to individuals, organizations, companies, and public agencies whose contributions demonstrate notable achievements in preserving the heritage of California. The purpose of the awards is to recognize meaningful achievements in historic preservation through increased public awareness, appreciation, and support for historic preservation throughout the state.

California's history is embodied in buildings, structures, sites, and objects that provide a tangible link to the people, events, and patterns of history that have shaped California's growth and development. Since 1986, more than two hundred organizations, groups, and agencies have been recognized for their outstanding commitment to preserving those connections to California's cultural and architectural legacies.

Recipients of this year's awards will be announced at the State Historical Resources Commission meeting on October 28, 2011 to be held in Redlands. Presentation of the awards will take place in Sacramento in mid-November.

Questions concerning the awards program may be directed to Diane Thompson, Awards Program Coordinator, at (916) 445-7026 or [dthompson@parks.ca.gov](mailto:dthompson@parks.ca.gov).