HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION
1. Common name: Chesbrough House
2. Historic name: 
3. Street or rural address: 665 Fifth Street
   City: Gilroy Zip: 95020 County: Santa Clara
4. Parcel number: 79901910
5. Present Owner: Unknown Address: 
   City: Zip: Ownership is: Public Private X
6. Present Use: Residence Original use: Residence

DESCRIPTION
7a. Architectural style: Tudor Revival
7b. Briefly describe the present physical appearance of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:
   Two stories in height, the plan is a cross gable design with projecting front end gable. The sheathing is primarily stucco with half timbering effect. The entry is a modified tudor arch with a molded surround set in uneven brick. The first floor windows are projecting slant three part bays. Glazing is small panes. Heavy brackets and wave carved barge board are typical Tudor details. A fenial rises from the gable peak. In an area of handsome homes, this house is notable for the quality of craftsman and design.

8. Construction date:
   Estimated: Factual: 1929
9. Architect: Unknown
10. Builder: Unknown
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
   Frontage: Depth: or approx. acreage
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
   Mar. 1936
13. Condition: Excellent X Good ___ Fair ___ Deteriorated ___ No longer in existence ___

14. Alterations: ____________________________

15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land ___ Scattered buildings ___ Densely built-up X
Residential X Industrial ___ Commercial ___ Other: ____________________________

16. Threats to site: None known X Private development ___ Zoning ___ Vandalism ___
Public Works project ___ Other: ____________________________

17. Is the structure: On its original site? X Moved? ___ Unknown? ___

18. Related features: Large trees, mature landscaping, brick corner posts, hedge fence

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

Constructed for the noted local physician, Arthur Chesboro and his wife in 1929, the house is across the street from the (old) Wheeler Hospital where Dr. Chesboro practiced. The house is significant for its craftsmanship and architectural design and for the association with a notable physician in the era when being close to the hospital was desirable. The significance is enhanced by the large cedar trees and formal gardens.

Locational sketch map (draw and label site and surrounding streets, roads, and prominent landmarks):

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).

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