

**United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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1. Name

historic Hugus Hardware

and/or common Shively Hardware

2. Location

street & number 123 E. Bridge St. _____ not for publication

city, town Saratoga _____ vicinity of _____ congressional district _____

state Wyoming code 56 county Carbon code 007

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<u>n/a</u> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<u>n/a</u> being considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Michael Glode

street & number Box 605

city, town Saratoga _____ vicinity of Wyoming state 82331

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Carbon County Courthouse

street & number _____

city, town Rawlins _____ state Wyoming

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title WY Historic Site Survey has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date 1980 _____ federal _____ state _____ county _____ local _____

depository for survey records Wyoming Recreation Commission

city, town Cheyenne _____ state Wyoming

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

Shively Hardware is a business anchor for the downtown commercial area as well as a dominant structure along Bridge Street in Saratoga, Wyoming. Shively Hardware actually consists of two buildings constructed in different years; the original one-story mercantile/hardware was built in 1888 while the two-story portion was constructed in 1889. As attached-row buildings, basically, the structures have retained their architectural integrity although some of the original storefront windows along Bridge Street have been covered recently with masonite siding. The one-story frame 1888 building with false front or wood parapet has one of the few unaltered storefronts that remain in Saratoga. The two-story frame 1899 building covered in metal siding along with the original structure represents typical small-town commercial buildings found frequently in Wyoming during the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Many of the buildings in Saratoga's commercial area are masonry and were built after Shively Hardware. Only the nineteenth century Shively buildings and their attachments are included within the nomination's boundaries.

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8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates 1888–1889 **Builder/Architect** William Hugus

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Shively Hardware building merits recognition because of its historical association with the development of the community of Saratoga and the subsequent settlement of Carbon County. As a pivotal building in downtown Saratoga, the hardware store embodies distinctive characteristics that represent typical commercial architecture for a small Wyoming town in the late nineteenth century. The structure retains both its architectural integrity and its original use. The integrity of the structure is not confined to the outer facade of the building but includes the wood floors, sagging ceiling beams, and the original 1899 bank safe. When pioneer merchant and developer William B. Hugus constructed his building which housed a mercantile, saloon, and bank on the west side of the Platte River, he did so with the intention of developing a major trade center for a burgeoning mining and timber community. Previously, Hugus served as post trader at Fort Steele for a number of years and assessed the needs of the immediate community as well as the potential for growth within the valley. In 1888 Hugus built the structure on the west bank of the river; that building today is known as Shively Hardware. The structure's continued operation as a mercantile or hardware store through the mining and timber boom as well as the establishment of a substantial agricultural community currently conveys an understanding of the rural nature of the valley. As a significant building within downtown Saratoga and because of its association with commerce and settlement, Shively Hardware provides an important link to the past, a strong economic base for the present, and therefore deserves to be enrolled in the National Register.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property less than 1 acre

Quadrangle name Saratoga, WY

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UMT References

A

1	3	3	4	9	1	6	0	4	5	9	0	6	0	0
Zone		Easting				Northing								

B

Zone		Easting				Northing								

C

Zone		Easting				Northing								

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Zone		Easting				Northing								

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Zone		Easting				Northing								

H

Zone		Easting				Northing								

Verbal boundary description and justification

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List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state n/a code n/a county n/a code n/a

state n/a code n/a county n/a code n/a

11. Form Prepared By

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street & number 1920 Thomes telephone (307) 777-6179

city or town Cheyenne state Wyoming

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

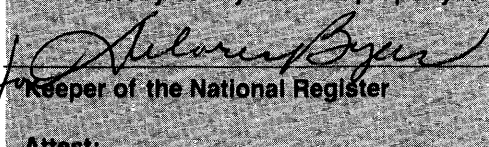
The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature Alvin J. Bastron

title State Historic Preservation Officer date 2/23/84

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register	
	Entered in the National Register
Keeper of the National Register	date <u>4/5/84</u>
Attest:	date
Chief of Registration	

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The original hardware building is a one-story frame structure with a gable roof. Corrugated metal roofing now covers the moderately pitched gable. Painted clapboard siding covers both the original building and its small one-story addition. The structure has a rectangular plan with the small addition to the south. The foundation consists of poured concrete and coursed stone. Through the years modern signs have been nailed to the wood parapet, but the basically simple and unadorned primary facade remains unaltered. The large storefront windows divided into six panes, recessed double doors, and transom render Shively Hardware an unusual structure in Saratoga. Decorative recessed wood panels located below the windows help to accent the storefront. A large overhang constructed of corrugated metal and supported by very large plain wood brackets obscures part of the north side of the building. The overhang was probably added during the twentieth century. Windows and a door on the north face have been covered with matching clapboard siding. Probably constructed for storage purposes in the late nineteenth century, the addition has fixed windows with a large double wood panel door that faces River Street. The roofline of the main store continues over the addition so that the storage area has a sloped roof.

Shively Hardware's 1899 building is a two-story frame structure with a sloped roof. The building has a rectangular plan and poured concrete foundation. The first floor's primary facade which faces Bridger Street consists of iron pilasters with large display windows and accompanying transoms and lower window panels located beside two recessed entries. Recently some of the large storefront windows were covered with masonite siding. Originally the building had two doorways but now only one entry remains on the east side of the facade. Metallic siding manufactured to look like brick covers the second story and all sides. The siding is probably the original covering used when the structure was built; currently, the metal is showing signs of decay. The fenestration on the second floor is paired, the double hung sash has 1 over 1 lights. The windows on the east side of the primary facade are noticeably larger than the other four windows. All the surrounds are plain. Windows on the west facade of the second story are no longer operable and have been covered with siding. A slightly elevated metal cornice with dentil molding, large paired brackets, and wood bull's eye decorate blocks, provide ornamentation to an otherwise plain facade. The west side wall is stepped while the east wall is not.

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Saratoga, flanked by the Medicine Bow and Sierra Madre mountain ranges, is the principle town in the upper North Platte and Encampment river valley. The hot springs sites at Saratoga, where Indian tribes gathered to bathe in the therapeutic waters, were known in the early days as the "Old Indian Bath Tubs." William Caldwell constructed the first settlement, a log cabin trading post and two tub bath houses, on the east side of the river in 1876. According to Fort Steele post trader Fenimore Chatterton, (acting governor of Wyoming from 1903-1905), by 1879 cowboys from Cheyenne and settlers along the Union Pacific Railway from as far east as Omaha, Nebraska, as well as officers from Fort Steele, were coming to Caldwell's Warm Springs to boil out their winter afflictions. The first post office, with Walter French as postmaster, opened in Caldwell's store in 1878 and the settlement became a gathering point for valley residents. When Fenimore Chatterton and William B. Hugus relocated the major portion of the town on the west side of the river in 1884, they christened the new settlement Saratoga. When the community was finally incorporated in 1900, the designation Saratoga, after the New York spa city, referred to the entire town.

Located in the primarily rural Carbon County, Saratoga's economy depends on agriculture, tourism, mining and timber related activities. Early settlement was based upon these same occupations. Emigrants on the Overland Trail, about twelve miles north of Saratoga, frequently ended their westward journey in the rich bottomlands along the Platte. When the Union Pacific passed through the area, surrounding timber provided rails and a population of workers known as "tie hacks." Fort Steele, about twenty-five miles to the northwest, furnished supplies as well as the first groups of tourists, hunters and fishermen. Saratoga became an important supply point during the Grand Encampment mining boom of the 1890's due to its half-way position between the Union Pacific railhead at Fort Steele and the Encampment mining district. When the Fort was abandoned, Saratoga gained importance as a trading center for the growing cattle and mineral industries.

Wilbur B. Hugus, who operated the Fort Steele trading post in partnership with Chatterton, established a second general store on the east bank of the Platte in 1882. After Caldwell put up his new two-story white frame hotel in 1884, several differences of opinion between the storekeeper and the hotel owner caused Hugus to relocate on the west bank. The first iron bridge united the two settlements in 1885 and the eastern section of town was platted in 1886, the western in 1888. Schools, churches, banks and post offices were all a part of the newer west side development after 1890. After 1892 Saratoga quickly grew from a cluster of log cabins on the river bank to a brick and frame town complete with boardwalks.

Hugus put up the building presently known as Shively Hardware in 1889. A general merchandise store, post office, saloon and the Saratoga State Bank were housed in the building. Cosgriff Brothers, who owned various banks and mercantiles in Wyoming, Idaho, Colorado and Utah, purchased the operation in 1899.

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They added the extreme west portion of the building, using frame construction because no bricks were immediately available. The bank was located in this section of the building and the original safe is still used in the currently expanded hardware store.

When Saratoga was incorporated in 1900, the town was accessible primarily by the Scribner Stage. In 1905 the Union Pacific entered the area providing an economic boost to the community. When the Grand Encampment mining boom ended in 1910, agricultural products and cattle became the chief freight and the economic basis of the community. A spur line still carries timber products from Saratoga to Walcott Junction.

Edward Shively, his wife Pearle and their son Jack moved from the peach orchards of Grand Junction and Palisades, Colorado to Saratoga in 1919. Shively was employed by William Tilton of Tilton and Sons Hardware and the X-H Ranch at a rate of eight dollars per month. Tilton owned the store for about ten years, but in 1925 he sold the business to Shively. His son became overextended through gambling and Tilton lacked the cash or credit to pay for incoming merchandise. The Shivelys managed the store as a family business until 1935 when they hired their first employee.

In 1946, Shively's daughter Jane and her husband Jack Glode went into business with her parents, taking up residence on the upper floor of the store with their four children. When Ed Shively died in a floating accident on the Platte in 1971, the youngest of those children, Michael Glode took over the management of the family hardware store. The business has grown to fit the needs of the community and now includes all three sections of the original Hugus building as well as a mechanics shop and two warehouses.

Unlike many of the small communities in the North Platte Valley, Saratoga has never really stopped growing. Tourists and summer dwellers have given the town "where the trout leap in main street" a resort status in the area and continued energy related resource development has kept the population stable. Saratoga is currently the second largest of the eleven Carbon County municipalities and serves as a major economic center. Numerous well stocked streams, the Snowy Range Recreation area, several dude ranches and a small airport, Shively Field, have enabled Saratoga to survive and grow while changing little since those early boom town days.

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Shively Hardware is located on the southwest corner of the intersection of Bridge and River Streets in Saratoga, Wyoming. This nomination includes both the 1888 one-story portion and the 1899 two-story addition of the hardware store as described within the nomination. The land included in the nomination is best described by the Carbon County clerk's legal description for the property defining it specifically as: Lots 1 through 4 and the east 16 feet of Lot 5, Block 27 and Lots 5,6, and 7, Block 29, Saratoga Real Estate and Improvement Company.

The site is bounded by Bridge Street on the north and River Street on the east, and for purposes of this nomination the curb serves as the boundary on these two sides. The exterior walls of the building serve as boundaries on the south and west because of the building's proximity to other structures which are not eligible and the absence of alleys and/or sidewalks on these two sides. This boundary includes the eligible buildings and the land surface on which it is located while excluding ineligible structures and unnecessary land surface.