

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name House at 1141 North Chester Avenue

other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number 1141 North Chester Avenue NA not for publication

city or town Pasadena NA vicinity

state California code CA county Los Angeles code 037 zip code 91104

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

I, as the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Stephen D. Min Signature of certifying official/Title DNPO 7-8-04 Date

California Office of Historic Preservation State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

- I hereby certify that this property is:
- entered in the National Register See continuation sheet.
 - determined eligible for the National Register See continuation sheet.
 - determined not eligible for the National Register
 - removed from the National Register
 - other (explain): _____

Signature of the Keeper [Signature] Date of Action 8/20/04

5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property
(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1	1	buildings
		sites
	1	structures
		objects
1	2	Total

Name of related multiple property listing

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

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**Number of contributing resources previously listed in
the National Register**

0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions)

LATE 19TH AND EARLY 20TH AMERICAN
MOVEMENTS/Bungalow/Craftsman

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Stone
roof Composition Shingle
walls Wood Shingle; Stucco

other Stone (porch supports)

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

Please see continuation sheet.

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "X" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance

1914

Significant Dates

1914 (original construction)

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Jergenson, John A.

Primary Location of Additional Data

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository:

City of Pasadena Design and Historic Preservation/Planning Department

House at 1141 North Chester Avenue
Name of Property

Los Angeles, California
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property

Less than 1 acre.

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
1	11	397390	3780940	3	—	—	—
2	—	—	—	4	—	—	—

See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Jennifer Mermilliod, M.A. & Janet Hansen, M.A., revised from nomination by Christy McAvoy, Historic Resources Group

organization _____ date August 4, 2003

street & number 802 Kilmarnock Way telephone (909) 789-8564

city or town Riverside state CA zip code 92508

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name: Michael and Susan Lange

street & number 1411 North Chester Avenue telephone (626) 794-2978

city or town Pasadena state CA zip code 91104

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Narrative Description

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Section 7 Narrative Description

This one-and-one-half-story airplane bungalow is located approximately mid-block on the west side of North Chester Avenue, between Bell Street to the south and Washington Boulevard to the north. The single-family residence faces east in the subdivision identified as Tract No. 1945 within Bungalow Heaven, a local landmark district on Pasadena's north side. The dwelling is moderately set back on a flat 54' x 145' lot that is landscaped with turf, flowerbeds, and mature shrubs and trees. A public, concrete walkway separates a wide parkway that is planted with a manicured lawn. A concrete-and-brick driveway (date unknown), which replaced a partial Hollywood, or ribbon, driveway (two 2-foot strips of concrete with grass in between), intersects with the walkway near the southeast corner of the lot and leads west to a rear, detached non-contributing 2-car garage (1914). Although the garage is original to the property, a large hobby room added circa 1940s has compromised its integrity. North of the garage, a square, brick patio is also a non-contributor. Laid in the 1940s, the current owners added a U-shaped wood pergola around the patio circa 1990. The residence has undergone few exterior alterations since its construction, including the enclosure (1940s) and expansion (circa 1987) of a rear sleeping porch, which is now used as a bathroom, and the additions (dates unknown) of a window box to the kitchen and double French doors accessing the side of the porch, both on the side (south) elevation. In 2001, the roof was reclad in composition shingles, its original material, and the original California rain gutters were retained. The residence is painted a medium green color and trimmed in dark brown and orange. It is in excellent condition and retains a high degree of architectural integrity.

This irregular-shaped, wood-framed dwelling is supported by a river stone wall foundation that encloses a partial basement. The low-pitched roof is capped with brown composition shingles. The first floor is cross gabled with the front facing gable on the primary façade, and a smaller, side gabled second floor projects above. A small, separately gabled first floor extension in the rear is topped with an enclosed, rear-gabled sleeping porch. Gable ends are supported by 4x4 wood beams, and peaks are decorated with uneven vertical slat vents. Wide, open eaves have exposed rafter tails over walls sheathed in coursed cedar shingles and stuccoed wainscot to below the first story windowsills. First floor fenestration consists mainly of wood-framed casement windows with a single main pane and a two-paned toplight. Matching casement windows flank the main, fixed window with a five-paned toplight, on the first floor front façade; this assemblage is repeated on the side (south) elevation. Fenestration on the north, east, and south elevations of the upper story is a nearly continuous band of counterweighted pocket windows with a three-paned toplight. These pocket windows are also found on the first story rear elevation, but are sealed shut. The enclosed rear sleeping porch has a wood-framed sliding window on the south elevation. Continuous horizontal board trims windows at the sill level, and most windows have original wood-framed screens. The wide wood door is original with vertical pattern lights and is similarly screened.

The entrance porch is sheltered under a large side gable that extends from beneath the front gable on the primary façade. From its off-centered placement on the front (east) façade, the porch wraps around the south elevation, where a set of recessed double, multi-paned French doors has been added (date unknown). The porch is raised by three steps and supported by four massive, tapered stone piers. A short pier left of the entry and a low stone wall that spans the porch between the piers has a concrete cap. An exterior chimney of matching stone is placed at the north elevation. A second, rear entry to a laundry room that is located in the southwest corner of the residence is accessed by a short corner landing at right angles.

On the interior, the first floor offers a living room, dining room, kitchen, laundry, and office; the second floor serves as a sleeping area with two bedrooms, and a bathroom was added to the rear of the second floor when the former sleeping porch was expanded (circa 1987). The interior boasts many original features, including a fireplace with an arched opening trimmed with brick and a matching brick hearth. Built-in bookshelves flank the fireplace, and the whole is topped with a solid mantel of Douglas fir. Trim pieces of Douglas fir are found throughout the interior, including the wood wainscoting in the dining room, and the floors are oak

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hardwood. Double French doors that match those leading to the southern portion of the front porch allow access between the living room and office.

The extended beams of the front porch side gable form a pergola over the adjacent driveway, which leads to a low-pitched, front-gabled, detached 2-car garage. Resting on a concrete foundation, the garage is clad in wood shingle and capped with composition shingle to match the residence. The south wall, which appears to be constructed on the property line, is of firewall construction, and the building has no eave overhang. The original vehicle door on the east elevation has been replaced with a modern, segmented metal door (date unknown), and a hobby room was added to the north elevation in the 1940s. The addition, which is accessed by a sliding glass door on the east elevation, is clad in horizontal boards with brick wainscoting and topped with a low-pitched shed roof. A square, non-contributing brick patio to the north of the garage/hobby building was added at the same time, and a U-shaped wood pergola was added around the north, west, and south boundaries of the patio in the 1990s.

This Arts and Crafts period airplane bungalow makes use of natural materials, such as wood shingle, which help articulate the style and boasts many character defining features, including low-pitched gables with exposed rafters, extended roof beams that support each gable end, windows grouped in bands, and the prominent front façade porch supported by massive, tapered stone piers that extend to ground level.

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Statement of Significance

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Section 8 Statement of Significance

Built in 1914 in the subdivision identified as Tract No. 1945, the house at 1141 North Chester Avenue was designed and built by John A. Jergenson, who lived in the residence with his wife Jennie. The dwelling represents the property type "Arts and Crafts Single-Family Residences in Pasadena" and is an excellent example of an airplane bungalow within the subtype "one-and-one-half-story bungalow." It meets the registration requirements under Criterion C, as it exemplifies the values of design, craftsmanship and materials, which embody the philosophy and practice of Arts and Crafts period residential architecture in Pasadena, and the property retains integrity. Distinguishing features associated with the Craftsman style include the low-pitched horizontal massing, prominent porch, wide eaves, and the use bands of windows, exposed rafters and natural materials. The one-story corner porch and porte cochere particularly illustrate the integration of interior and exterior spaces, a characteristic theme in California Arts and Crafts period architecture.

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**Major Bibliographical References
Geographical Data**

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Section 9 Major Bibliographical References

“Many Houses Sold in Last Six Weeks, Big Demand in Pasadena.” Pasadena Star-News, July 22, 1920.

No title. Pasadena-Star News, July 30, 1914.

Pasadena, City of.:

Address files

Architectural and Historical Inventory

Assessor's Records

Building permits on microfiche

Pasadena City Directories.

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps. *Pasadena, California*. 1910-1928; 1931 corrected to 1958.

Section 10 Geographical Data

Verbal Boundary Description:

The property is defined by the current lot lines, which delineates Lot 126 of Tract No. 1945 located mid-block on the west side of North Chester Avenue.

Boundary Justification:

The boundary is Lot 126 of Tract No. 1945, which has been historically associated with the property and includes the house at 1141 North Chester Avenue, detached garage, and patio with pergola.

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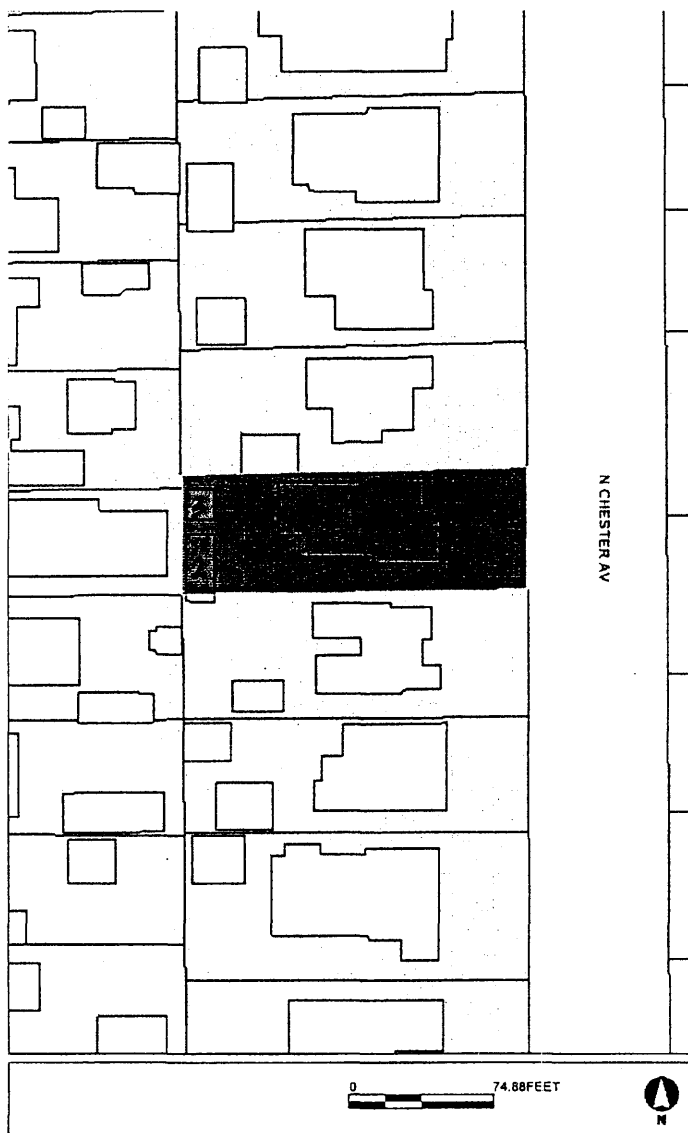
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Sketch Map



- 1 - House at 1411 N. Chester Avenue
- 2 - Non-contributing Garage
- 3 - Non-contributing Patio with pergola

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Photograph

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Photographs:

Name of Property:	House at 1141 North Chester Avenue
City, County, and State:	Pasadena, Los Angeles County, California
Photographer:	Jennifer Minasian, Historic Resources Group
Date of Photograph:	July, 2000
Location of Negatives:	City of Pasadena, Design and Historic Preservation Section 175 North Garfield Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91109
View of Photograph:	Primary facade, view northwest
Photograph Number:	1