

Friends of Huddart & Wunderlich Parks



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SLICE OF
HISTORY



The Friends of Huddart & Wunderlich Parks have a proven track record of historic preservation—turning historic assets into valuable visitor experiences.

More than 10 years ago, the Friends restored the 1905 Folger Estate Stable from a nearly demolished state. Today, the restored stable is a thriving equestrian facility in the heart of Silicon Valley, and it features the popular Carriage Room Museum and hosts thousands of visitors annually, including school children for living history field trips.

Help us do it again!

The stone Dairy House in Wunderlich Park, built in 1874 by farmer Simon Jones, is a remarkable and charming structure that adds to the Historic Folger Estate District, nationally recognized on the Registry of Historic Places. Constructed near cooling spring waters and made of thick masonry walls, gabled roof, and a ventilating cupola, the Dairy House kept goods fresh in an era before refrigeration. We envision a future when a restored Dairy House welcomes history buffs and students to peek into the past, seeing hanging ham hocks, milk jugs, and bushels of vegetables.

Help us bring history alive! The Friends welcome keystone gifts to complete the \$250,000 historic preservation project that will preserve and rehabilitate this nearly 150 year old structure.

Contact us for your role in this effort: Kym at info@huddartwunderlichfriends.org

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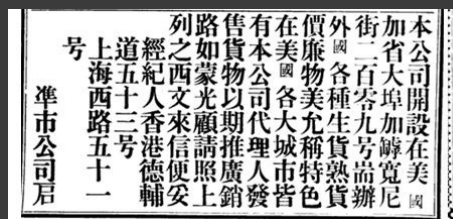
History of the Dairy House

Simon Jones, an ex-Senator from Texas, bought this parcel of land in 1872 and called it Hazelwood Farm. He came to California to form an export business to be headquartered in San Francisco.

He developed the land agriculturally by planting many vineyards, crops, and orchard trees and by raising livestock. He was very inventive in developing his property's resources and discovered water springs, oil, natural gas, and sulfur springs.



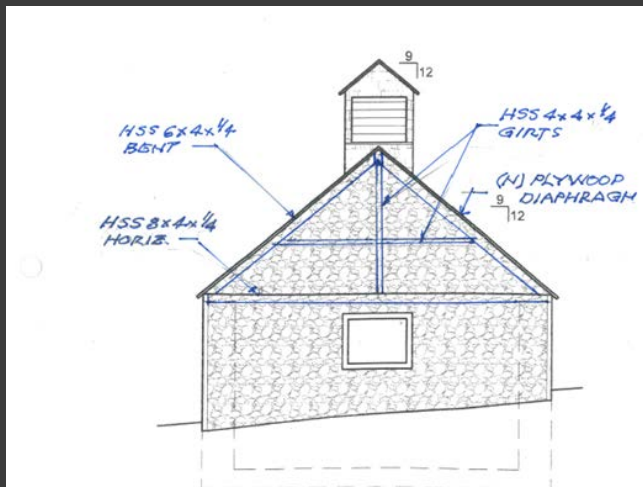
Dairy House at Wunderlich Park



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S.L. Jones & Co became a leading exporter of goods to China with an annual trade value of over \$1 million dollars. Because of his working relationship with the Chinese exporter Fung Tang, he was able to bring over Chinese laborers and craftsmen who built the network of roads, trails, and "dry stack walls" throughout the property. These walls were built from rocks fitted together without mortar and they have withstood earthquakes and many years without deterioration. Jones testified before Congress against the Chinese Exclusion Act despite the risk to his business for this unpopular position.

Jones needed to find a way to store and preserve his food supply, so he built a "dairy house" at the bottom of a hill near the creek. Because it was in a cool location and was constructed of thick walls insulated with straw and sawdust, it maintained a cool temperature inside and perishable items of produce, dairy products, and meat were well-preserved for long periods of time. This method of food preservation was commonly used until the invention of electricity and refrigeration. Of all the buildings built by Jones the "dairy house" is the last one standing.



Rendering Structural Engineering report of repairs

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