

Architectural Inventory Form

- Date _____ Initials _____
- _____ Determined Eligible - National Register
 - _____ Determined Not Eligible - National Register
 - _____ Determined Eligible - State Register
 - _____ Determined Not Eligible - State Register
 - _____ Need Data
 - _____ Contributes to eligible National Register District
 - _____ Noncontributing to eligible NR District

I. Identification

1. Resource number: 5HN68.156
2. Temporary resource number: 139
3. County: Hinsdale
4. City: Lake City
5. Historic building name: Edmondson-Ryan Cabin
6. Current building name:
7. Building address: 208 Gunnison Avenue, Lake City, CO 81235
8. Owner name and address: James and Margaret Theresa Ryan, P.O. Box 218 , Lake City CO 81235

II. Geographic Information

County Property No.: R1074

9. P.M. 6th Township 44N Range 4W SW4 of SE4 of SW4 of Section 0
10. UTM reference
Zone 13 296760 mE 4211200 mN
11. USGS quad name: Lake City Quad year: 1985 Map scale: X 7.5' ___ 15'
12. Block(s): 59 Lot(s): 20-21 Legal:
Addition: Year of Addition:
13. Boundary description and justification: Perimeter of parcel

III. Architectural Description

14. Building plan: L plan
15. Dimensions: 1082 square feet
16. Number of stories: 1
17. External wall material(s): Log
18. Roof configuration: Front gabled
19. Roof material: Metal
20. Special features: Porch, chimney, fence
21. General architectural description:
One-story, front-gabled log dwelling. Metal roof; prominent stone fireplace chimney in south elevation. Inset porch with broad gable end covered in lattice; has square posts and non-historic, turned balustrade. South elevation has entrance with paneled and glazed door and storm door sheltered by shed-roofed entry porch. Side windows are multi-lite. Gabled section on rear as bay window in south elevation with 8-over-8 windows. Concrete foundation.
22. Architectural style/Building type: Rustic
23. Landscaping or special setting:
Property is fenced in two-rail log fence, has cross-bar gate at southeast corner.

24. Associated building, features or objects:

Garage, circa 1985

One-story, front-gabled frame building. Metal roof; walls clad in manufactured log. Two openings in west elevation.

IV. Architectural History

25. Date of construction Estimate: _____ Actual: 1947 Source of info: Lake City TRIBUNE, Thurs., July 24, 1947, page 12.

26. Architect: None Source of info:

27. Builder/contractor: Joel F. Swank Source of info: Lake City TRIBUNE, Thurs., July 24, 1947, page 12.

28. Original owner: R.L. and Nelma Edmondson Source of info: Lake City TRIBUNE, Thurs., July 24, 1947, page 12.

29. Construction history (major additions, alterations, demolitions):

Rear kitchen addition, circa 1955; window replacement, bay window added to kitchen addition, and extension of roof gable on west elevation to incorporate porch, circa 1987. Source: interview with Theresa Ryan, March 26, 2003.

30. Original location: Moved Date of move(s) _____

V. Historical Associations

31. Original use(s): Single dwelling

32. Intermediate use(s):

33. Current use(s): Single dwelling

34. Site type(s):

35. Historical background:

R.L. and Nelma Edmondson contracted with local building contractor Joel F. Swank to construct this gable-facing log summer home at 208 Gunnison in July, 1947. The Edmondsons acquired considerable Lake City real estate in ensuing years, including 208 Gunnison and 333 Bluff within the Lake City Historic District, and W.O. Baker's Valley View Ranch, on the Lake Fork north of Lake City, which they owned from 1962 to 1994. Mr. Edmondson was instrumental in revitalizing First Baptist Church, 401 Bluff, and is recalled in the Baptist Church's Edmondson Fellowship Hall, 418 Bluff.

R.L. and Nelma Edmondson retained the property as a summer home until 1969 when the cabin was sold to Lt. Col. James H. Ryan, Sr. (1903-1980). Ryan and his wife, Angeline, were the parents of Lake City businessowner Jim Ryan. It was later the residence of the Ryans' daughter and son-in-law, Shirley and Frank Kasky, and in 2003 is a rental occupied by Hinsdale County Sheriff Bill Denison.

36. Sources of information:

Lake City TRIBUNE, Thurs., July 24, 1947, page 12; Lake City SILVER WORLD, Fri., January 18, 1980, page 1, Fri., April 5, 1991, page 3; Pampa, Texas, NEWS, November 7, 1979; telephone conversation with Therese Ryan, March 26, 2003.

VI. Significance

37. Local landmark: Yes No Date of design.: _____ Design. authority: _____

Within Lake City Historic District (local historic district)

38. Applicable National Register Criteria:

- A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad pattern of our history;
- B. Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;
- C. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represents the work of a master, or that possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or
- D. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in history or prehistory
- Qualifies under Criteria Considerations A through G
- Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria

39. Area(s) of significance: Social history, tourism and recreation, architecture

40. Period of significance: 1947 - 1952

41. Level of significance: National State Local

42. Statement of significance:

This residence is associated with the growth of recreation and tourism in Lake City from 1915 through the 1960s, following the local decline of hard rock mining. It is a somewhat altered representative of the Rustic style reflected in its low pitched roof, log materials, stone fireplace chimney, and front porch.

43. Assessment of historic physical integrity to significance:

Although somewhat altered by rear kitchen addition and extension of west roof gable to incorporate porch, the architectural integrity of this dwelling is intact as reflected in its roof form, materials, and stone fireplace chimney.

VII. National Register Eligibility Assessment

44. National Register eligibility field assessment: Eligible Not Eligible Need Data

45. Is there National Register district potential? Yes No

Discuss _____

If there is National Register district potential, is this building Contributing Noncontributing

46. If the building is in an existing National Register district is it? Contributing Noncontributing
(Lake City National Historic District)

VIII. Recording Information

47. Photograph numbers: Roll 26, frames 1, 2 Negatives filed at: Lake City Town Hall

48. Report title: 2003 Architectural Survey of Lake City, Colorado

49. Date(s): September 2002 - June 2003

50. Recorders Cathleen M. Norman and Grant E. Houston

51. Organization: Town of Lake City

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