

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

THE STROUD MANSION

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Main and Ninth Streets

-- NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Stroudsburg

-- VICINITY OF

10

STATE

CODE

COUNTY

CODE

Pennsylvania

42

Monroe

089

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 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	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

Community Building

NAME

Stroud Community House Corporation

STREET & NUMBER

602 Scott Street

CITY, TOWN

STATE

Stroudsburg

-- VICINITY OF

Pennsylvania

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Monroe County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Courthouse Square

CITY, TOWN

STATE

Stroudsburg

Pennsylvania

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Pennsylvania Inventory of Historic Places

DATE

5-3-76

 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission

CITY, TOWN

STATE

Harrisburg

Pennsylvania

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

- EXCELLENT
- GOOD
- FAIR
- DETERIORATED
- RUINS
- UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

- UNALTERED
- ALTERED

CHECK ONE

- ORIGINAL SITE
- MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Stroud Mansion was built circa 1795 in the then emerging town of Stroudsburg. Built by the town's founder, Jacob Stroud, for his son, John, the mansion is an enormous structure for this period. However careful examination of the early tax records show the construction of a large house in the year 1795. The Stroud Mansion is basically rectangular in shape measuring 50 feet by 40 feet with a 28' by 24' 4" rear wing. The main section of the mansion is three and one-half stories with a pedimented gable roof. Its boxed cornice is decorated with dentils. An interior stone chimney is located in the west gable end and a brick chimney over the fourth and fifth bay. The structure is five bays by three bays with double hung sash windows, one over one on the first story, two over two on the second and third stories. All the windows have louvered shutters. Second and third story windows have cut stone lintels with keystones.

The main entrance is located in the central bay. Its classical entablature has a pediment and pilasters. An elegant fanlight tops the panelled doorway. Stone stairs approach the doorway from two directions.

The rear wing is two and one-half stories with a gable roof. This section is covered with horizontal clapboard. Windows are double hung sash, one over one.

The basement and first floor are currently housing the Monroe County Historical Society Museum. The second floor is used as a community meeting rooms and the third floor is a rental apartment.

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

PERIOD	__ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	__COMMUNITY PLANNING	__LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	__RELIGION
__PREHISTORIC	__ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	__CONSERVATION	__LAW	__SCIENCE
__1400-1499	__AGRICULTURE	__ECONOMICS	__LITERATURE	__SCULPTURE
__1500-1599	__ARCHITECTURE	__EDUCATION	__MILITARY	__SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
__1600-1699	__ART	__ENGINEERING	__MUSIC	__THEATER
X__1700-1799	__COMMERCE	X__EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	__PHILOSOPHY	__TRANSPORTATION
__1800-1899	__COMMUNICATIONS	__INDUSTRY	__POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	__OTHER (SPECIFY)
__1900-		__INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Jacob Stroud, son of Barnet and Kesiah Harker Stroud, was born in Amwell, Hunterdon County, New Jersey on January 15, 1735. He came to this region with his parents about 1745. At an early age he served as an apprentice to Nicholas Depui of Shawnee, the earliest settler in Monroe County.

When he became 21 he and his three brothers enlisted in the English army and served in the French and Indian War. He was a member of the garrison at Fort William Henry at Lake George and fought under General Wolfe at the Battle of Quebec, September 13, 1759. Tradition includes him among the three soldiers who carried the mortally wounded General from the field.

Following the war, Stroud returned to Pennsylvania and on April 6, 1761, married Elizabeth McDowell, granddaughter of Nicholas Depui. Jacob and Elizabeth Stroud raised their twelve children (9 girls and 3 boys) on the Pennsylvania frontier. Stroud's estate grew slowly but he evidently prospered. At the outbreak of the American Revolution he was both prosperous and prominent.

Jacob Stroud fought in the American Revolution on both the military and political fronts. In the early part of the war he served as Captain of Militia in Lower Smithfield and later as Colonel of the 4th and 6th Battalions of Northampton County Militia. It was while Colonel Stroud was in command that refugees fleeing from the Wyoming Massacre of 1778 sought shelter in his home, Fort Penn, the present site of Stroudsburg, Pa.

Colonel Stroud was elected a member of the convention to form the first Constitution of Pennsylvania and attended the first meeting held in Carpenters' Hall in Philadelphia on July 15, 1776. Following the war he again served his state as a member of the House of Representatives in 1781, 1782 and 1783. After the Revolution Colonel Stroud spent his remaining years developing his landholdings. In October 1799 he laid out a number of town lots and formed the nucleus of what is now Stroudsburg, Pa.

During the year 1795, Col. Jacob Stroud built the imposing, twelve room stone house at 9th and Main Streets. This was to be a home for his son John - who shortly tired of life in the growing town and moved to a home in the country. At this time Daniel Stroud, a promising young lawyer in Easton, was called upon to aid in the many business enterprises of his father and moved to the Stroud Mansion about 1800.

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For almost a century from 1795 to 1893 - the property remained in the Stroud family, although during much of that time it was leased to other tenants. In 1840 a store was conducted in the Mansion by John and Charles Malvin. This was followed by the family of Daniel Coolbaugh. In 1847 Mrs. Eagles opened a boarding house. The mansion was owned by the Stroud descendents until 1893.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .75

QUADRANGLE NAME Stroudsburg, PA

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24,000

UTM REFERENCES

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ZONE EASTING NORTHING

ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION The nominated property is bordered to the S by W Main St. where it extends for 90 ft. from 9th St. It extends N ward for 124 Ft. at which point it extends E ward for 90ft. back to 9th Street where it is bordered to the E.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE CODE COUNTY CODE

STATE CODE COUNTY CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Mrs. Florence E. Scholla / Susan M. Zacher

ORGANIZATION

PHMC

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

620 Scott Street / Box 1026

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Stroudsburg / Harrisburg Pennsylvania

STATE

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL X

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 National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

TITLE ED WEINTRAUB, Director
Office of Historic Preservation

DATE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

ATTEST: KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

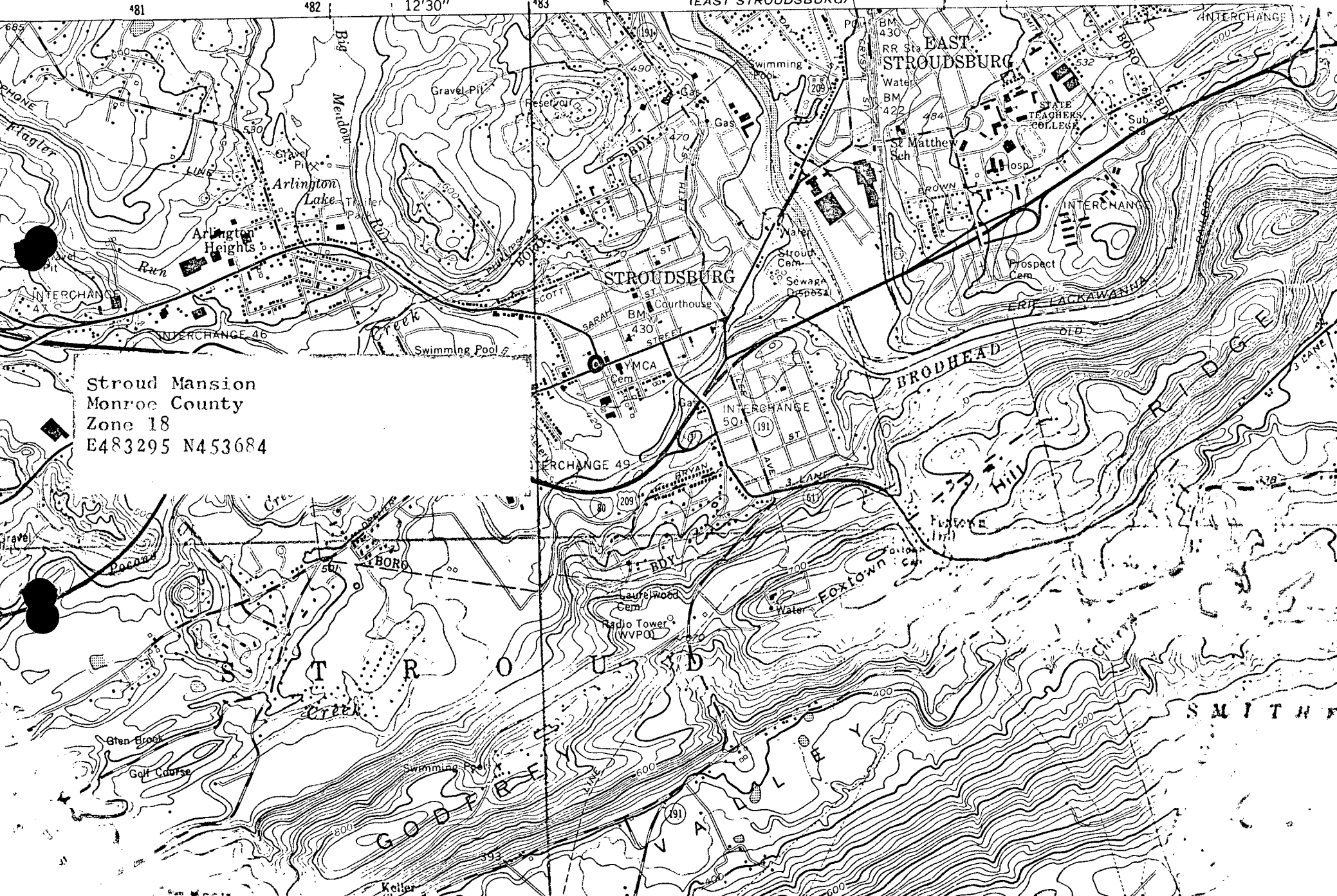
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CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

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INTERIOR
KEY

BU511

2 700 000 FEET (PA. NORTH) 12'30"
HONESDALE 53 MI. ANALOMINK 4 MI.
5966 II SW (EAST STROUDSBURG)
PORT JERVIS, N.Y. 41 MI. MARSHALL CREEK 4.6 MI.



Stroud Mansion
Monroe County
Zone 18
E483295 N453684