

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Pennsylvania	
COUNTY: Berks	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME

COMMON:
Hottenstein Mansion

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Huddestystettle *This seems to call for explanation!*

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
Box 370 RD #2

CITY OR TOWN:
Kutztown

STATE: Pennsylvania CODE: 42 COUNTY: Berks CODE: 011

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____ _____
Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No			

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
David and Mary Hottenstein

STREET AND NUMBER:
Box 370 RD # 2

CITY OR TOWN: Kutztown STATE: Pennsylvania CODE: 42

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Berks County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:
5th & Court Streets

CITY OR TOWN: Reading STATE: Pennsylvania CODE: 42

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Pennsylvania Register of Historic Sites and Landmarks

DATE OF SURVEY: March, 1972 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission

STREET AND NUMBER:
Box 1026

CITY OR TOWN: Harrisburg STATE: Pennsylvania CODE: 42

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COUNTY: Berks

ENTRY NUMBER

DATE

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)				
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins
	(Check One)		(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

ORIGINAL

The Hottenstein Mansion was built by David Hottenstein in 1783 over the foundations of an earlier house. The large two and a half story structure was built of local dressed limestone with red sandstone accents. Flat sandstone arches with keystones are found over the windows and a sandstone drip moulding runs across the facade above the cellar windows. The twin datestones at the second story level are also in sandstone. The house is five bays across and two rooms deep. The second story windows have moulded frames supported by carved corbels. The windows on the first floor were protected by heavy double paneled shutters (temporarily removed). A small portico supported by Doric columns and pilasters covers an unusual front door. Not only does it open in half horizontally as a conventional Dutch door, but its upper half also opens in half vertically. The high-pitch gable roof is of slate construction with chimneys at each gable end. A wide cornice with modillions and a Greek-key fret is carried across the gable ends under pent eaves. At the attic level in each gable are two four-pane square windows set in circular mouldings.

PRESENT

The Hottenstein Mansion has undergone little alteration in appearance since its construction. A rear kitchen wing was added in the mid 19th century. A small frame doctor's office was built to the left of the house. Other outbuildings such as out kitchen, bake oven, and two-story root cellar and storage area, are still in a good state of repair.

The interior of the house is especially noteworthy for its fine hand-carved and richly detailed woodwork. Paneling to chair-rail height is found in most rooms. The chair rail itself is intricately carved with a Greek-key fret. Carved porticoes decorated the doorways leading off the main hallway. The consummating beam for the second floor is enclosed in ornate paneling with a carved frieze composed of triglyphs and dentils. Fluted pilasters seemingly support this heavy structure. In all the rooms a wide dentilled cornice covers the angle formed by ceiling and walls. Much of the paneling was painted in the Fraktur type of art, using corncobs and feathers to create roselles and flourishes, instead of the usual comb for graining. Much of the fire-place paneling is also decorated with this type of painting.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1783

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi- | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | losophy | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human- | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | itarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Although the Hottenstein family played a prominent role in local affairs, providing several doctors, a state legislator, and a legal aide to President Wilson, the Hottenstein Mansion is more significant for its architecture than its history. Its importance lies in its excellent architectural features, its Georgian symmetry, and particularly in the quality of its interior woodwork. It possesses fine examples of the Fraktur style of painting. The Great Room (Ballroom) was purchased by Henry DuPont and is now on display in the Winterthur Museum.

The house is in an exceptional state of preservation and has undergone little alteration. It thus represents one of the best preserved examples of Georgian architecture in the area.

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J O H N W W E S T N

N. 78° 52' E 230.70'

AREA = .854 ACRES

(Modern)

Bake Oven

Underground Cool cell or a-storage (2 story)

Out Kitchen

WELL
early 1900's Kitchen Wing

Drs Office

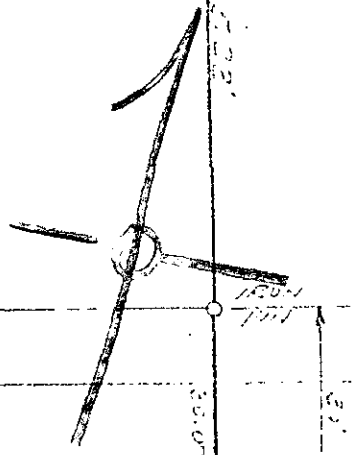
2 1/2 STORY STONE OVERLIND
1783 House

31.05'

S 11° 03' E 160.00'

TOWNSHIP SOUTH T-111
11-9-11-11600'

JOHN WESTON



230.00' N. 78° 52' E

U.S. 222 LEGISLATIVE ROUTE 157

1783 Hottenstein Homestead
Existing Buildings layout

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Centennial History - Kutztown, Pennsylvania, 1815-1915.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES				
CORNER	LATITUDE		LONGITUDE		LATITUDE		LONGITUDE		
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	°	'	"	°	'	"	40°	32'	06"
NE	°	'	"	°	'	"	75°	44'	36"
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"			
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"			

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: Less than one acre

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Pennsylvania Register of Historic Sites and Landmarks

ORGANIZATION: Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission DATE: April 18, 1972

STREET AND NUMBER:
Box 1026

CITY OR TOWN: Harrisburg STATE: Pennsylvania CODE: 42

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name *William J. Howe*
State Liaison Officer

Title Deputy Executive Director
Pa. Historical & Museum Comm.

Date _____

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date _____

ATTEST: _____

Keeper of The National Register

Date _____

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4489
32'30"
READING 18 MI.
KUTZTOWN 1.7 MI.

440 000
FEET

75°44'36"
40°32'06"

