

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
REGISTRATION FORM

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1. Name of Property

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historic name: Scottsdale Armory

other name/site number: N/A

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2. Location

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street & number: 501 North Broadway Street

city/town: Scottsdale

not for publication: N/A  
vicinity: N/A

state: PA county: Westmoreland code: 129 zip code: 15683

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3. Classification

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Ownership of Property: public-state

Category of Property: building(s)

Number of Resources within Property:

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	buildings
<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	sites
<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	structures
<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	objects
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: 0

Name of related multiple property listing: Pennsylvania

National Guard Armories

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this x 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 X meets \_\_\_ does not meet the National Register criteria. \_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

Brent D. Glass  
Signature of certifying official

3/22/91  
Date

Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission  
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property \_\_\_ meets \_\_\_ does not meet the National Register criteria. \_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

5. 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 Keeper

Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic: Defense

Sub: Arms Storage

Current: Defense

Sub: Arms Storage

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7. Description  
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Architectural Classification:

Art Deco  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Materials:

foundation concrete

walls brick

roof unknown/not visible

other \_\_\_\_\_

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Describe present and historic physical appearance.

X See continuation sheet.

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8. Statement of Significance  
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Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties: statewide

Applicable National Register Criteria: A, C

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions): \_\_\_\_\_

Areas of Significance: Military  
Architecture

Period of Significance: 1929-1939

Significant Dates: 1929

Cultural Affiliation: N/A

Significant Person: N/A

Architect/Builder: Kuntz, Joseph F.

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State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

X See continuation sheet.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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See continuation sheet.

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 # \_\_\_\_\_.

Primary Location of Additional Data:

- State historic preservation office.
- Other state agency.
- Federal agency.
- Local government.
- University.
- Other -- Specify Repository: \_\_\_\_\_.

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10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of Property:  .70

UTM References:

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C	<u>     </u>	<u>     </u>	<u>     </u>	D	<u>     </u>	<u>     </u>	<u>     </u>
	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing

Verbal Boundary Description:

See continuation sheet.

Boundary Justification:

The legal boundaries which are historically associated with the property.

See continuation sheet.

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11. Form Prepared By

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7. Description.

Located in the Borough of Scottsdale on an elevated lot fronted by a small grassy hill, the Scottsdale Armory consists of a one story, contributing brick armory building, constructed in 1929, and a c. 1950, one story, noncontributing brick annex. Designed in the Art Deco style, with the drill hall on the first floor level and an administrative area in the basement, the armory has very good integrity. Although the annex is sympathetic to the armory in material and design, it is noncontributing due to its age.

The armory is rectangular in plan. The bays are separated by slightly projected wall surfaces, suggesting wide pilasters. A gable roof covers the armory. Exterior features of the armory include double hung arched windows framed with stepped brick reveals, double hung sash windows at basement window wells, soldier courses, and decorative stonework, including sills, plaques, belt courses, water table and coping.

The main (South) elevation is dominated by a projecting, center entrance bay, featuring a brick chimney set off center, and a stepped parapet that is slightly higher than the parapet on the outer bays of the facade. The center bay contains a recessed brick arch that frames the central double wooden door entrance and three, arched upper casement windows. A plaque inscribed "Pennsylvania National Guard" is sandwiched between the windows and double doors. Concrete stairs lead from the entrance down to a landing, with a second series of steps leading from the landing down the slope to Edwin Avenue. The center bay is enlivened with stonework, consisting of voussoirs, belt courses, and sills. Two arched, double hung windows pierce the facade to either side of the central entrance bay. At basement level, an entrance with iron doors appears immediately to the left of the center bay and a coal chute immediately to the right, with windows located in the outermost bays.

The side elevations are similar in appearance. A segmentally arched entrance with double doors and semicircular transom window is flanked on both sides by two arched, double hung windows.

A double door entrance is also located at the center bay of the rear (North) elevation. This entrance has a stone plaque and three, arched casement windows above the door, like the front facade entrance. One arched, double hung window flanks each side of the entrance.

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The interior of the armory basement has a rifle range, kitchen, supply room, mechanical room, coal bin, toilet rooms, and offices. The drill hall, measuring 60 x 100 feet, occupies the main level. Having brick walls and a wood floor, the drill hall ceiling is supported by four built-up steel, rib arches, with twelve purlins attached between each arch.

Measuring 40 x 82 feet, the armory annex is located about ten feet directly east of the main armory building. The annex has a gable roof, parapet with stone coping, and a large overhead garage door with projecting wall surfaces, suggesting wide pilasters, at the corners of the main (North) elevation, facing Park Street. Other exterior features include a concrete foundation, and a side entrance with stairs leading down to the stoop of the entrance at the East side of the main armory building.

The interior of the annex includes a locker room, toilet room, and storage room in the basement. The first floor consists of storage space.

Although interior changes occurred, including the installation of new first floor doors and frames, and the addition of new glazed tile partitions in some basement areas, the armory has very good integrity.

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8. Significance.

The Scottdale Armory is significant under criteria A and C. It is a member of the State Armory Building Property type under the multiple property nomination: Pennsylvania National Guard Armories. The armory was built in 1929 for the 10th Infantry Regiment of the Pennsylvania National Guard. It was designed by Joseph F. Kuntz of Pittsburgh. Kuntz is responsible for the design of approximately eighteen armories in the western third of Pennsylvania. He began designing armories with the W. G. Wilkins Company just after the State Armory Board's creation in 1905. The Scottdale Armory is one of seven in Pennsylvania that has the drill hall above the administrative area. The armory contains such typical spaces as a rifle range, drill hall, locker room, kitchen, storage space, and offices.

9. Bibliography.

See section H in Multiple Resource Nomination: Pennsylvania National Guard Armories.

10. Verbal Boundary Description.

See Westmoreland County Deed Book, Volume 865, page 212.

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GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

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(SMITHTON)

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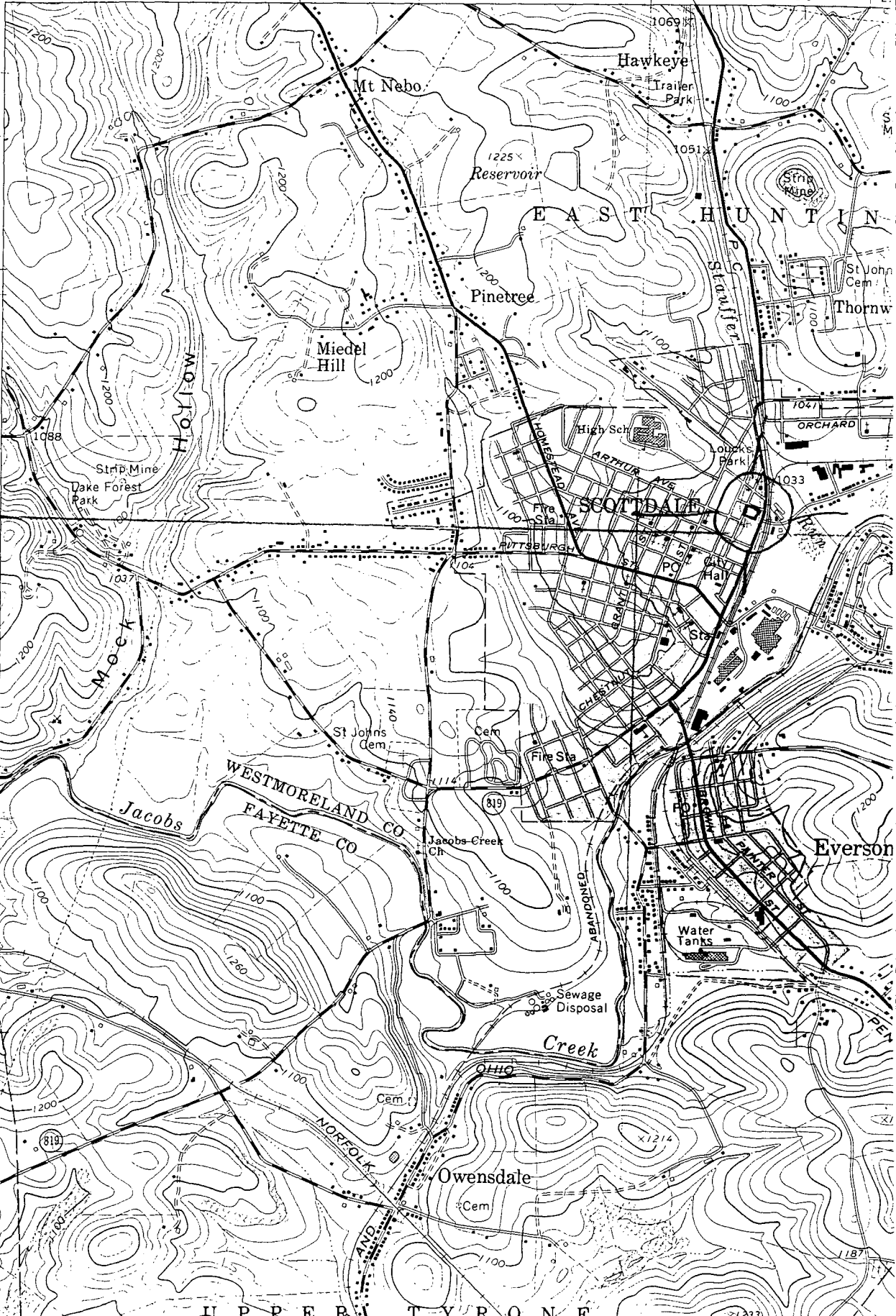
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DAWSON 3.2 MI.

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