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National Register of Historic Places
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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic Lansdowne Park Historic District

and or common n/a

2. Location

West Baltimore, West Greenwood, West LaCrosse, West Stewart, West
street & number Stratford, Owen, Runnemedede & Windermere Aves. n/a not for publication

city, town Lansdowne Borough n/a vicinity of

state Pennsylvania code 042 county Delaware code 045

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input 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 checked="" 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"/> n/a in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a being considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Multiple Ownership

street & number n/a

city, town n/a n/a vicinity of state

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Delaware County Court House

street & number West Front Street

city, town Media state Pennsylvania

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Delaware County Historic
title Resources Survey

has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date 1984, 1985 federal state county local

depository for survey records Delaware County Court House

city, town Media state Pennsylvania

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	date <u>N/A</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

Lansdowne Park Historic District was constructed primarily in the late nineteenth and early twentieth century in the Borough of Lansdowne. Lansdowne is a 1.2 square mile, middle-class suburb on the Media-West Chester commuter rail line, just two miles southwest of Philadelphia's boundary with Delaware County. The southeastern edge of the district is one block from the Lansdowne railroad station, a thirteen minute commuter ride into center city Philadelphia. The district is compact, encompassing thirty three acres and 106 buildings, of which 103 are contributing and 3 are non-contributing. The non-contributing buildings are residential buildings added after the period of significance.

The topography of the district is essentially level, rising slightly in elevation from Baltimore Pike at the southern boundary, to the first block north of that point, West Stratford Avenue, where it plateaus. Baltimore Pike, formerly the Delaware County Turnpike and U.S. Route 1, is a two lane road which provides another major transportation corridor from the district to Philadelphia. One block east of the district, and intersecting with Baltimore Pike, is Lansdowne Avenue, also a two lane road. This intersection is Lansdowne's primary business area. Thus the Lansdowne Park district is a quiet residential area out of the traffic patterns but convenient to the businesses, churches and other services provided for the community and within a very short commuting distance of center city Philadelphia. The streets of the district have curbsings, grass strips, shade trees and sidewalks throughout. The lots range in size from approximately one-fifth to four acres, with most of them closer to the lower figure. The homes are on uniform set-backs on each street, with most of the twins having a 25 foot set-back compared to set-backs of 50 to 75 feet for larger twins and singles, providing a park like setting.

Eighty one of the dwellings were built between 1889-1898 with Queen Anne as the dominant architectural style. The balance and Saint John's Episcopal Church were built between 1899 and 1912 and includes a cross-section of other styles popular in the late nineteenth and early twentieth century, with examples of Dutch Colonial, Second Empire, Four-Square, Shingle, and Romanesque, Tudor and Georgian Revival. The most notable exception to these two periods of construction is the Dickinson farmhouse, Lansdowne's oldest extant building, at 12 Owen Avenue. This 2½ story vernacular building was constructed in two sections; the eastern half was built in 1732, and the western half in 1790.

The 1889-1912 homes, which retain their turn of the century ambiance and spatial relationship between buildings, were built for middle income and upper middle income purchasers; none are on the huge institutional scale of the Main Line estates. Common denominators of the homes are large reception/entry halls with grand staircases, fine woodwork, free-flowing space, room for large families and servants, and porches to enjoy the outdoors. Almost all have stone

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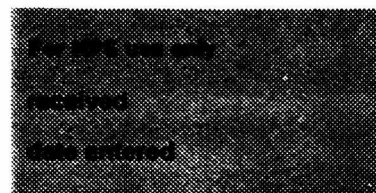
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foundations and first stories, with shingles or brick second stories and shingles under the eaves. The ratio of housing types was originally approximately one-third singles to two-thirds twins. Many have been converted to two or more living units, usually with the owner in residence. This has been accomplished within the existing structures without visual detracting from the neighborhood.

Well over half of the buildings in the district were built in the Queen Anne Style, with many of these homes concentrated on West Stratford, Owen, West LaCrosse, Runnemede and Windermere Avenues. These twins and single homes are 2½ story dwellings that combine brick and shingle or fieldstone first stories, brick or stuccoed second stories, and fishscale gables and dormers. The use of a variety of building materials is typical of the Queen Anne styles, as are the steeply pitched gabled roofs, dormers, decorative shingling, and ornamental wood and iron work. The twins share central dormers and porches, and homes on corners feature turrets. Much of the Queen Anne "gingerbread" survives and the integrity of these homes is very good.

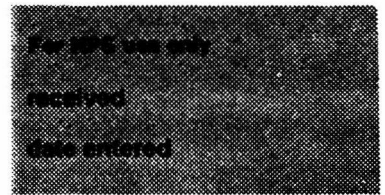
The single homes on the west side of Windermere Avenue, are Queen Anne style dwellings of particular note, distinguished by the scale and large lot size. 72 Windermere Avenue was built about 1895. This large Queen Anne single has a cut-stone first story, fishscale shingles, patterned slate roof, and a copper finial atop its hexagonal turret. Also especially interesting is the Queen Anne with eclectic detail at 42 Windermere Avenue, built between 1889-92. This home features a large central turret marked by porches, dormers and a smaller turret, all united by fieldstone construction on the first story and stucco on the second story.

Eighteen of the homes are designed in the locally popular Dutch Colonial style with gambrel roofs. The facades are either brick with shingles in the upper story, or stucco over stone. The homes in this style were constructed between 1902-1910. Other popular turn of the century styles are represented with more scattered examples. The large unaltered twin at 20/22 Runnemede Avenue is a fine example of Romanesque Revival, with fieldstone construction, battlements, a hipped gable roof, and windows with both flat and stepped arches. 111 Owen Avenue is a 1910 Tudor cottage, fieldstone and half timbered stucco, designed by New York architect, Clarence Brazier. 32 Owen Avenue, circa 1895, is a three-story brick and shingle house with a Mansard roof and wrap-around porch. The Shingle Style is represented by 29 West Stratford Avenue, built around 1905. Like most of the Shingle Style homes built in Lansdowne, its first story is constructed of fieldstone and the remainder is frame with plain cedar shingles. 60 West Stratford is a two-story fieldstone and stucco Georgian Revival, built in 1912. Taken together, the neighborhood provides a good example of middle-class turn of the century suburban architecture.

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The district possesses remarkable integrity and cohesiveness with only three non-contributing dwelling units. Two are single family residences at 20 Windermere and 117 Owen Avenue, both date circa 1920 and are in keeping with the residential character of the neighborhood. However, these dwellings reflect a different architectural era not of the period of significance. The third is a garden type apartment, built in the late 1960's on the site of another earlier home at 22 Windermere Avenue. Only one contributing house, 85 West Baltimore Avenue, has had its facade greatly altered with a first story office addition. A few homes have had porches removed or enclosed, but the primary structures remain unchanged. There are some minor exterior modifications that are the results of covering of exterior wall surfaces with composite shingles or metal/vinyl siding, but as a whole the integrity of individual buildings and the original spatial relationships remain intact.

Thus, the overall character of this turn of the century neighborhood is largely unchanged. The changes in taste during the period of construction can be observed in the houses. While there have been minor changes to the facades of some of the houses, many of the original high style elements remain intact. Lansdowne Park remains a coherent example of late and post Victorian suburban development.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1732–1912 **Builder/Architect** various

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Lansdowne Park Historic District illustrates the transformation of a rural eighteenth century farm into a late nineteenth and early twentieth century middle-class Philadelphia suburb. Lansdowne Park is distinctive for its late nineteenth and early twentieth century architecture no other community in Delaware County has as large and cohesive a collection of Queen Anne style residential architecture. The district also includes the largest collection of buildings designed by a locally prominent architect, William H. Free.

The area that is today Lansdowne Park was first settled by the Bonsall family. In 1682 Richard Bonsall purchased the property encompassed by the historic district. In 1732 Bonsall's son, Jacob, erected the farmhouse that still stands at 12 Queen Avenue. The property within the historic district remained a farm until the late nineteenth century.

Changing transportation systems led to the transformation of the farm into a middle-class suburb. In the early 1850's the Philadelphia-West Chester Railroad Company constructed their main line from Philadelphia to within walking distance of the farm. In 1881 the Pennsylvania Railroad bought the line and up-graded the right of way. By the late 1880's with the construction of the Broad Street Station in Philadelphia, the Pennsylvania Railroad had greatly improved access to center city Philadelphia from Lansdowne.

Homer C. Stewart and Edward A. Price quickly took advantage of the improved access to Philadelphia. Stewart, who had moved to Lansdowne in 1884, resigned his position as cashier/treasurer of the Philadelphia-Media branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad in 1887 and bought the farm land on the west side of present-day Windermere Avenue. He divided his tract into large lots of up to four acres for single family houses. He employed William Free to design the houses for specific buyers such as Charles Pilling, a Philadelphia manufacturer of surgical instruments. In 1890 Price, who was a Media, Delaware County developer, bought the rest of the farm. With Stewart as his agent, he divided his parcel into lots and promoted the development as Lansdowne Park. Later in the same year, Charles B. Prettyman, a Philadelphia builder purchased contiguous lots on stratford, Owen, LaCrosse and Windermere Avenue, and commissioned Free to design thirty-four homes that form the core of the Queen Anne dwellings in the district. Other builders erected the remainder of the contributing homes in the district by 1912, utilizing a variety of late nineteenth and early twentieth century styles including Queen Anne.

9. Major Bibliographical References

See attached sheet

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property 33.34

Quadrangle name Lansdowne

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References

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Verbal boundary description and justification

see attached sheets

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	<u>N/A</u>	code	<u>N/A</u>	county	<u>N/A</u>	code	<u>N/A</u>
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11. Form Prepared By

name/title see attached sheet

organization _____ date _____

street & number _____ telephone _____

city or town _____ state _____

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

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 Brent D. Glass

title Brent D. Glass, State Historic Preservation Officer date 9/18/87

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

[Signature]
Keeper of the National Register

date 11-5-87

Attest:

Chief of Registration

date _____

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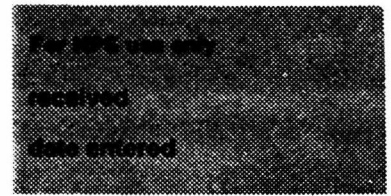
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From its inception in 1887-1890, Lansdowne Park has been a distinctly middle-class community. Business owners, managers, and professionals commuted on the railroad from their homes to their businesses in Philadelphia. In 1896 the male residents of Lansdowne Park organized a strong civic club, known as the Neighbor's Club initially limited only to male residents of the Park. The club became very active in the affairs of Lansdowne Borough giving Lansdowne Park a strong, cohesive voice in local government. The club also hired a night watchman who escorted ladies from evening trains to their homes in Lansdowne Park. Today this group is a social club for civic leaders in Lansdowne Borough. The Park remains a suburban enclave for middle-class residents.

Lansdowne Park is architecturally important for having the largest and most cohesive collection of Queen Anne style middle-class housing in Delaware County. Most of the streets in Lansdowne Park are lined with Queen Anne style twins and single homes, giving the district a stylistic motif that visually unites the community into a cohesive whole. Other middle-class towns in Delaware County, such as Swarthmore and Media were developed piecemeal in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Typically, homes were completed on just one or two streets in this period, with substantial later in-fill. Buyers were generally left to fend for themselves in the design and construction of their homes, leading to hodgepodge collections of various styles in these middle-class towns. The only community that has a similar stylistic motif uniting the enclave is the Wayne Estate. However, it is the Shingle style rather than the Queen Anne style that punctuates streetscapes in the Wayne Estate.

Lansdowne Park gains added architectural significance for having the largest extant collection of William Free's design. Free was an established Delaware County architect when he designed Lansdowne's public hall and school building in 1889. He relocated his offices to Philadelphia but retained a Lansdowne residence from at least 1889 to 1896, designing his own home in Lansdowne Park in 1892. During the 1880's and early 1890's Free designed dozens of houses in the Philadelphia area, including more than thirty-four homes in Lansdowne Park. In the late 1890's he switched to designing for amusement park operations, including a 100-foot elephant, a bandstand and a casino at Willow Grove Park, Pennsylvania. At the turn of the century, however, he returned to his forte of residential commissions. His last documented work was twenty-four residences at 34th and Mantua Streets in Philadelphia, which are no longer extant.

Thus the Lansdowne Park Historic District is important for its large collection of Queen Anne style dwellings and designs by William H. Free.

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* Locations of maps key: HSP - Historical Society of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pa.
DCHS - Delaware County Historical Society
Chester, Pa.

ALSO CONSULTED:

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LANSDOWNE HISTORIC DISTRICT VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The southeast boundary of the Lansdowne Park Historic District starts at a point approximately 97.2 feet west of the junction of Lansdowne and Baltimore Avenues, which is the southeast corner of Saint John the Evangelist Episcopal Church property. From this point, northwardly, approximately 301.85 feet, to a point, thence westwardly, approximately 50 feet to a point, thence northwardly, approximately 125 feet, thence westwardly, approximately 56.96 feet, to the northwest corner of said church property, thence northwardly, approximately 560 feet, along the rear property lines of the properties on Owen Avenue, to a point which is the northeast corner of 20 West Stratford Avenue, thence northwardly, approximately 379.5 feet, crossing West Stratford Avenue and along the east property lines of 19 West Stratford and 16 West Stewart Avenues, to the northeast corner of 16 West Stewart Avenue, thence continuing northwardly, crossing West Stewart Avenue, approximately 303.7 feet, along the rear property lines of 101, 107 and 111 Owen Avenue, to the northeast corner of 111 Owen Avenue, thence westwardly, approximately 79.7 feet, to a point, thence north-northwestwardly, approximately 371.7 feet, to the northeast corner of 24 West Greenwood Avenue, thence westwardly, approximately 184.6 feet, along the south side of West Greenwood Avenue, to the northwest corner of 30 West Greenwood Avenue, thence south-southeastwardly, approximately 623.85 feet, along the east side of Owen Avenue, to the southwest corner of 101 Owen Avenue, thence continuing southwardly, recrossing West Stewart and West Stratford Avenues, along the east side of Owen Avenue, approximately 379.5 feet, to the northwest corner of 69 Owen Avenue, thence westwardly, crossing Owen Avenue, approximately 423.9 feet, along the south side of West Stratford Avenue, to the northwest corner of 62 West Stratford Avenue, thence southwardly, approximately 145 feet, to the southwest corner of said property, thence westwardly, crossing Runnemedede Avenue, approximately 408.46 feet, along the rear property lines of 73 - 101 West Lacrosse Avenue, to the northwest corner of 101 West Lacrosse Avenue, thence continuing westwardly, approximately 50 feet, crossing Windermere Avenue, to the west curb of said street, thence northwardly, approximately 15 feet along the west side of Windermere Avenue, to the northeast corner of 72 Windermere Avenue, thence westwardly, approximately 150 feet, to the northwest corner of said property, thence southwardly, approximately 146.27 feet, to the southwest corner of said property, thence westwardly, approximately 330.77 feet, to the northwest corner of 60 Windermere

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Avenue, thence southwardly, approximately 486.98 feet, along the rear property lines of 60, 50 and 42 Windermere Avenue, to the southwest corner of 42 Windermere Avenue, thence eastwardly, approximately 423.96 feet, crossing Windermere Avenue, to the east curb, thence southwardly, approximately 304.6 feet, along the east side of Windermere Avenue, to the southwest corner of 89 West Baltimore Avenue, thence eastwardly, approximately 470.62 feet, along Baltimore Avenue to the southeast corner of 8 Runnemedede Avenue, thence northwardly, along the west side of Runnemedede Avenue, approximately 242.88 feet, to the northeast corner of 16 Runnemedede Avenue, thence eastwardly, approximately 305 feet, crossing Runnemedede Avenue, to the southeast corner of 23 Runnemedede Avenue, thence southwardly, approximately 20 feet, to the southwest corner of 12 Owen Avenue, thence westwardly, approximately 28 feet, to the northwest corner of 8 Owen Avenue, thence southwardly, along the west property lines of 4 and 8 Owen Avenue, approximately 177.5 feet, to the southwest corner of 4 Owen Avenue, thence eastwardly, along Baltimore Avenue, approximately 474.18 feet, crossing Owen Avenue, to the point of beginning. The boundary contains only those buildings that were built on land in the Lansdowne Park suburban development. The boundary excludes those buildings in Lansdowne Borough that were not built as part of the development. Excluded buildings include houses erected after 1912, the end of the development.

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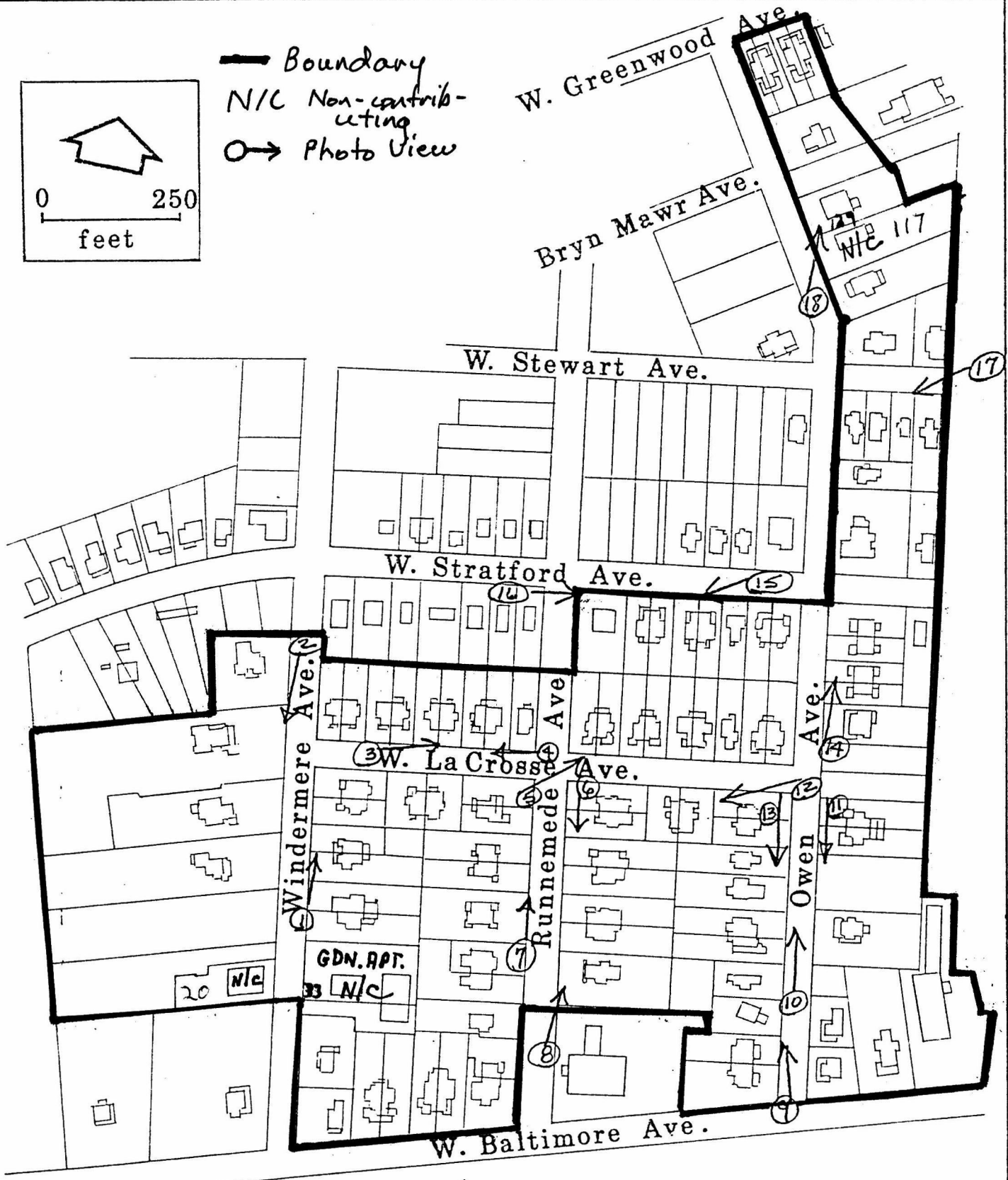
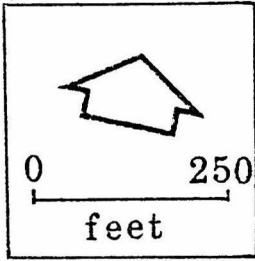
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STREETSCAPE MAP

— Boundary
NIC Non-contributing
○→ Photo View



LANSDOWNE HISTORIC DISTRICT Proposed Area. DELAWARE COUNTY

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Landsdowne Park Historic District
Delaware County
PENNSYLVANIA

Working No. OCT - 5 1987
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/7/89
Date Due: 11/5/87 - 11/19/87
Action: ACCEPT 11-5-87
 RETURN
 REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

Entered in the
National Register

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: technical corrections cited below
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership Public Acquisition	Status Accessible	Present Use

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

Condition	Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed	
	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	
	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

8. Significance

Period _____ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates _____ Builder/Architect _____

Statement of Significance *(in one paragraph)*

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

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12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

____ national ____ state ____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title _____ date _____

13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____



GONE!
CARR REAL ESTATE
EST. 1900

Lansdowne Park Historic Dist.
SITE: Streetscape

MUNICIPAL Lansdowne, PA. Del. Co.

VIEW: North along Windermere Ave.,
east side from # 43

DATE: 2/86

PHOTOGRAPHER: R. Webb

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Lansdowne Area Historic Dist.

SITE: Streetscape (2)

MUNICIPAL Lansdowne, PA, Del. Co.

VIEW: South along Windermere Ave., west side from #75

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Lansdowne Park Historic Dist.

SITE: Streetscape ③

MUNICIPAL Lansdowne, PA Del. Co.

VIEW: Looking east on West La Crosse Ave., north side from #77

DATE: 2/86

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Lansdowne Park Historic Dist.

SITE: Streetscape ④

MUNICIPAL Lansdowne PA Del. Co.

VIEW: North side of W. LaCrosse
Ave from 73 to 85

DATE: 2/86

PHOTOGRAPHER: R. Webb

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Lansdowne Park Historic Dist.

SITE: Streetscape ⑤

MUNICIPAL Lansdowne, PA, Del. Co

VIEW: East along W. LaCrosse
Ave., north side from 65.

DATE: 2/86

PHOTOGRAPHER: R. Webb

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Lansdowne ~~Area~~ Historic Dist.

SITE: Streetscape (6)

MUNICIPAL Lansdowne, PA. Del. Co.

VIEW: Looking south along
Runnemede Ave., east side
from # 47

DATE: 2/86

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Landscape Park Historic Dist.

SITE: Streetscape (4)

MUNICIPAL Lansdowne, PA, Del. Co.

VIEW: Looking north along
Runnemede Ave., west side
from #36

DATE: 2/86

PHOTOGRAPHER: R. Webb

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Lansdowne Park Historic Dist.

SITE: Streetscape ⑧

MUNICIPAL Lansdowne, PA. Del. Co.

VIEW: North along Runnemedede
Ave., east side from # 23

DATE: 2/86

PHOTOGRAPHER: R. Webb

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Lansdowne Park Historic Dist.

SITE: Streetscape ⑨

MUNICIPAL Lansdowne, PA Del. Co.

VIEW: West side of Owen Ave.

north from Baltimore Ave.

DATE: 2/86

PHOTOGRAPHER: R. Webb

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Lansdowne Park Historic Dist.

SITE: Streetscape (10)

MUNICIPAL Lansdowne, PA. Del. Co.

VIEW: North on Owen Ave.,
west side from 32

DATE: 2/86

PHOTOGRAPHER: R. Webb

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Lansdowne Park Historic Dist.
Street scene (11)

SITE: _____

MUNICIPAL Lansdowne, PA. Del. Co.

VIEW: Looking south along
Owen Ave, east side from
41

DATE: 2/86

PHOTOGRAPHER: R. Webb

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Lansdowne North Historic Dist.

SITE: Streetscape (12)

MUNICIPAL Lansdowne, PA, Del Co

VIEW: Looking south along
Owen Ave., west side
from #42

DATE: 2/86

PHOTOGRAPHER: R. Webb

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Lansdowne Area Historic Dist.

SITE: Streetscape (13)

MUNICIPAL Lansdowne, PA. Del. Co

VIEW: East along W. La Crosse
Ave., south side from
42' Owen Ave.

DATE: 2/86

PHOTOGRAPHER: R. Webb

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Lansdowne Beach Historic Dist.
SITE: Streetscape (14)

MUNICIPAL Lansdowne, PA, Del. Co.

VIEW: East side of Owen Ave.
north from Owen Ave
including W. Stratford Ave.

DATE: 2/86

PHOTOGRAPHER: R. Webb

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Lansdowne Park Historic Dist.

SITE: Streetscape (15)

MUNICIPAL Lansdowne, PA Del. Co.

VIEW: East along W. Stratford
Ave, south side from
52 W. Stratford

DATE: 2/86

PHOTOGRAPHER: R. Webb

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Lansdowne Park Historic Dist.

SITE: Streetscape (16)

MUNICIPAL Lansdowne, PA, Del. Co.

VIEW: Looking east along
Stratford Ave., south side
from #65

DATE: 3/86

PHOTOGRAPHER: R. Webb

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Lansdowne Park Historic Dist.

SITE: Street scene (15)

MUNICIPAL Lansdowne, PA. Del. Co.

VIEW: West on West Stewart Ave.
South side from 16 to
26

DATE: 2/86

PHOTOGRAPHER: R. Webb

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Lansdowne Park Historic Dist.

SITE: Streetscape (18)

MUNICIPAL Lansdowne, PA, Del. Co.

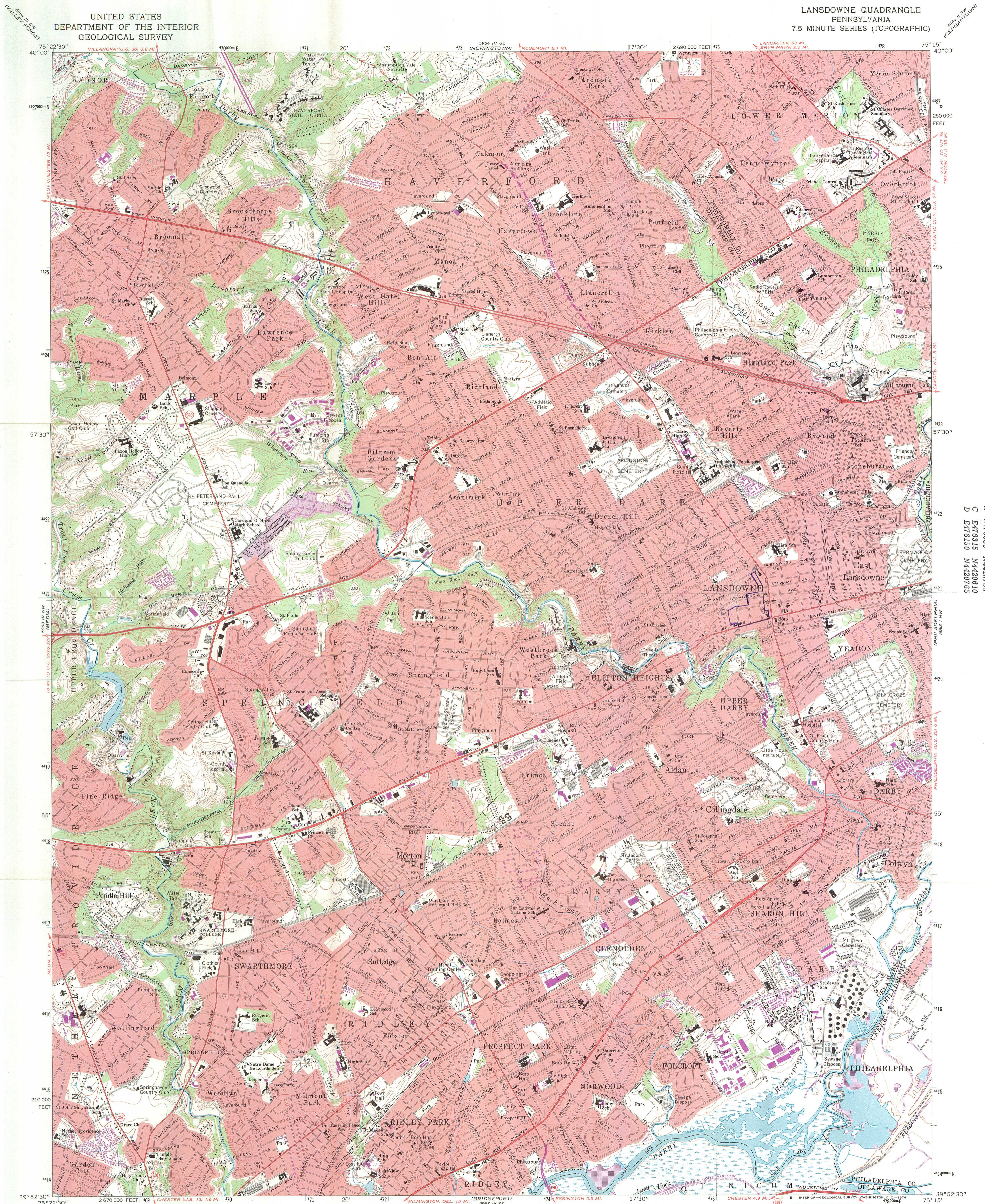
VIEW: Looking north along
Owen Ave., east side from
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DATE: 2/86

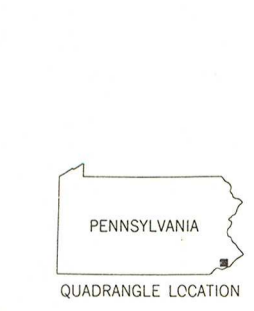
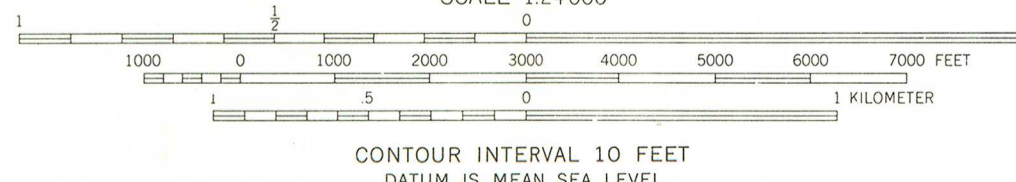
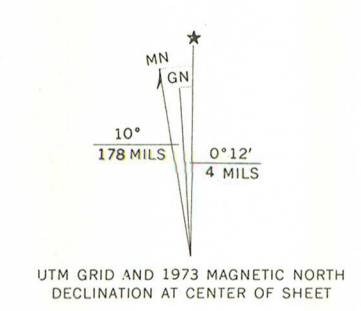
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ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Heavy-duty ——— Light-duty ———
Medium-duty ——— Unimproved dirt ———
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National Register of Historic Places
US Dept. of Interior
Carol Shull, Chief of Registration
P.O. Box 37127
Washington, D.C. 20013-7127

Re: NR Nomination Forms

Dear Ms. Shull:

The following National Register nomination forms are being
submitted/resubmitted for your review and response:

See attached list

The proposed action is:

XX listing in the National Register

 determination of eligibility (owner objection)

If you have any questions regarding the nominations please
call us at (717) 783-8947.

Sincerely,

Greg Ramsey, Chief
Division of Preservation Services

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