

HISTORIC PROPERTIES INVENTORY FORM

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION UNIT  
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File No: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Theme(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Neg No(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 USCS Quad: \_\_\_\_\_  
 UTM Ref: \_\_\_\_\_  
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DISTRICT..SITE..BUILDING..STRUCTURE..OBJECT

1. NAME(S), historic/common: Windmill Quaker State

2. LOCATION, street/road: 800 Murdoch Ave.

TAX MAP- LOT # (NE corner of 8th, Ann & Murdoch sts.)  
75-76 city/town: Parkersburg, WV 26101  
(Incorporated/unincorporated)

3. USE/FUNCTION, present: vacant

(public/private, restricted)

original: service station

4. OWNER/ADDRESS, present: Quaker State Oil Refining Corp.  
P.O. Box 989 Oil City, PA 16301

(public/private)

original:

5. PHOTO/SKETCH OF: 8112-R3-F17  
8201-R2-F15

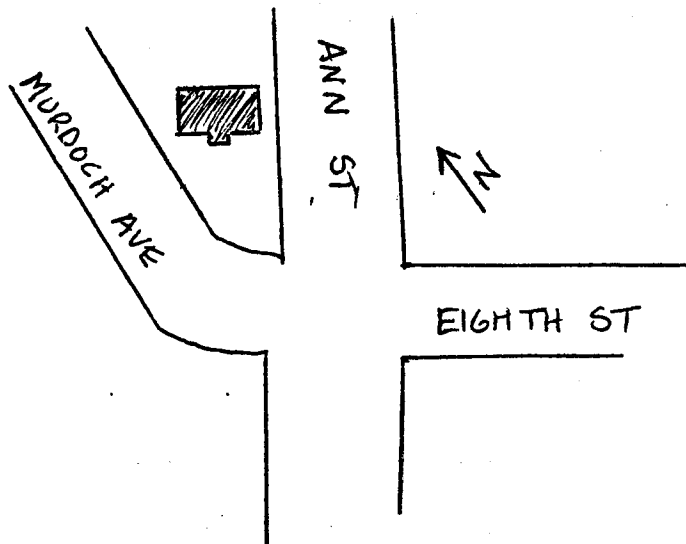
7. PLAN (include approx. dimensions):



42520

6. LOCALE/ENVIRONMENT (map):

8. ACREAGE (approx):



COUNTY: Wood  
 Survey Region: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Planning District: \_\_\_\_\_

Windmill  
800  
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9. DESCRIPTION (clarify as appropriate): See attached

a. Exterior Fabric

stone \_\_\_\_\_  
brick \_\_\_\_\_  
concrete \_\_\_\_\_  
stucco roughcast \_\_\_\_\_  
weatherboard \_\_\_\_\_  
clapboard \_\_\_\_\_  
board & batten \_\_\_\_\_  
shingle \_\_\_\_\_  
other \_\_\_\_\_

b. Structural System

masonry \_\_\_\_\_  
frame \_\_\_\_\_  
log \_\_\_\_\_  
metal \_\_\_\_\_  
other \_\_\_\_\_  
  
foundation \_\_\_\_\_

c. Roofing Material

wood \_\_\_\_\_  
metal \_\_\_\_\_  
slate \_\_\_\_\_  
tile \_\_\_\_\_  
asphalt X \_\_\_\_\_  
composition \_\_\_\_\_  
other \_\_\_\_\_

d. Associated Structures (use/type):

outbuildings \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_   
dependencies \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_   
other \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_   
\_\_\_\_\_

e. Integrity (include dates):

original site relocated \_\_\_\_\_  
alterations see description \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_   
additions \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_   
\_\_\_\_\_

f. Condition:

excellent \_\_\_\_\_  
good X \_\_\_\_\_  
fair \_\_\_\_\_  
deteriorated \_\_\_\_\_  
abandoned \_\_\_\_\_

g. Threats:

The building is currently vacant.

10. SIGNIFICANCE (use additional sheet if necessary):

a. Architect/Builder/Engineer:

Glen Reynolds (Vienna, WV)  
worked on construction; George Nichols

b. Style/Period:

(Newport, OH)

c. Date(s): 1928

built the  
windmill.

This is a unique design for a building type which signalled the introduction of the Motor Age.

The windmill is a significant example of W.Va. commercial archaeology and is an architectural folly which has achieved landmark status in the opinion of Parkersburg citizenry. The Quaker State Oil Company maintains two oil refineries in W.Va., though no <sup>other</sup> example of the early windmill-styled stations of this company are known to remain in the state. (R.Collins)

11. BIBLIOGRAPHY:

Newspaper article dated Sunday, July 17, 1977.

12. FORM PREPARED BY Eliza Smith, Christina Mann ; DATE 12/81

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