

**Historic Property** Schmidt House  
**Inventory Report for** 703 Governor Stevens Ave SE Olympia/Thurston/98501

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**LOCATION SECTION**

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**Historic Name:** Schmidt House **Field Site No.:** 971  
**Common Name:** (#34-954) **OAHP No.:**  
**Property Address:** 703 Governor Stevens Ave SE Olympia/Thurston/98501  
**Comments:** OLYMPIA

**County** **Township/Range/EW** **Section** **1/4 Sec** **1/4 1/4 Sec** **Quadrangle**  
**[REDACTED]** T18R02W 26 TUMWATER

**UTM Reference**

**Zone:** 10 **Spatial Type:** Point **Acquisition Code:** TopoZone.com  
**Sequence:** 10 **Easting:** 508300 **Northing:** 5207406

**Tax No./Parcel No.** **Plat/Block/Lot**  
33400006400 Bates Extension 17A

**Supplemental Map(s)** **Acreage**  
City of Olympia

**IDENTIFICATION SECTION**

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**Field Recorder:** Shanna Stevenson **Date Recorded:** 1/1/1900 **Survey Name:** OLYMPIA

**Owner's Name:** Kenneth & Annette McQueen **Owner Address:** 703 Governor Stevens Ave SE **City/State/Zip:** Olympia, WA 98501

**Classification:** Building **Resource Status** **Comments**  
Local Register Olympia Heritage Register

**Within a District?** No

**Contributing?**

**National Register Nomination:**

**Local District:**

**National Register District/Thematic Nomination Name:**

**DESCRIPTION SECTION**

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**Historic Use:** Domestic - Single Family House  
**Current Use:** Domestic - Single Family House

**Plan:** Rectangle **No. of Stories:** 2

**Structural System:** Balloon Frame

**Changes to plan:** Slight **Changes to interior:** Unknown  
**Changes to original cladding:** Unknown **Changes to other:**  
**Changes to windows:** Slight **Other (specify):**

**Cladding** Wood - Clapboard **Foundation** Concrete - Poured  
**Style** Art Deco - Streamlined Moderne **Form/Type** Single Family - Side Gable  
**Roof Material** Asphalt / Composition **Roof Type** Gable

## NARRATIVE SECTION

<b>Study Unit</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Date Of Construction:</b> <u>1941</u>
<u>Architecture/Landscape Architecture</u>		<b>Architect:</b> <u>TLM</u>
<u>Commerce</u>		<b>Builder:</b>
		<b>Engineer:</b>

**Property appears to meet criteria for the National Register of Historic Places:** Yes  
**Property is located in a historic district (National and/or local):** No  
**Property potentially contributes to a historic district (National and/or local):**

**Statement of Significance** According to available records, the house was built about 1941 by Victor Wickstrom in a Tumwater Lumber Mills Design. It was purchased in 1945 by Robert A. and Jeannette Schmidt. They moved from across the street at 708 Governor Stevens. That home is listed on the Olympia Heritage Register. Schmidt was the chairman and Chief Executive of the Olympia Brewing Company. The Schmidt's made an addition to the house in the mid 1950s. The Schmidt's owned the house until ca. 1959. The house was later owned by the Jack Martin Family. The house represents an "Art Moderne" version of the Tumwater Lumber Mills pre-cut homes. The building has been altered with the installation of a skylight and new windows.

**Description of Physical Appearance** Two story side gabled house with the second story slightly over- hanging the first story on the front façade. There are tear drop ornaments extending from the overhang. Square bay window on the front façade with a scalloped edging. The doorway is offset to the east side of the front of the house. There is an octagonal window adjoining the front door. The front of the house is clad with wide clapboard. Wide clapboard cladding. The garage extends on the east side of the house. There are two wall dormers on the front of the house. Non-historic additions include a skylight on the front facade. Replacement windows.

**Major Bibliographic References** Sources: Information from the owner. Olympian Article, Information from the Schmidt family. Polk City Directories.

## PHOTOS



**View of** Front Façade  
**taken** 10/7/2003  
**Photography Neg. No. (Roll No./Frame No.):**  
**Comments:**