

# HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

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Top Hat Cafe  
299 East Main Street  
City of Ventura  
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- CA-2863-1      CONTEXT OF CORNER OF EAST MAIN STREET AND NORTH PALM STREET. TOP HAT IN CENTER OBLIQUE. CAMERA AT 6', VIEW FACING NORTHWEST. [9]
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