

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 10305 000793
QUAD _____
SERIES _____
NEG. NO. _____

YOUR NAME: Town of Islip/SPLIA DATE: March 1990
Town Hall, 655 Main St.

YOUR ADDRESS: Islip, L.I., N.Y. 11751 TELEPHONE: 516.224.5450

ORGANIZATION (if any): Dept. of Planning, Housing, and Development

IDENTIFICATION

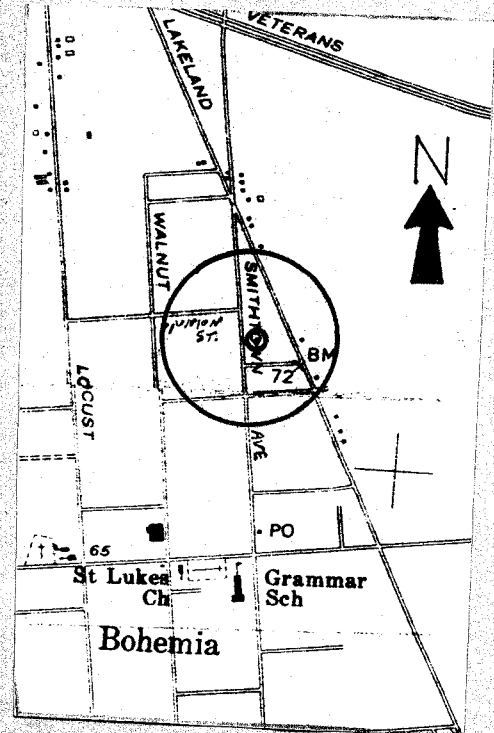
- 1. BUILDING NAME(S): Turn Hall
- 2. COUNTY: Suffolk TOWN/CITY: Islip VILLAGE: Bohemia
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 1339 Smithtown Avenue
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: _____ ADDRESS: _____
- 6. USE: Original: hall Present: hall
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
Interior accessible: Explain by app't.

DESCRIPTION

- 8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other: _____
- 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: a. wood frame with interlocking joints
(if known) b. wood frame with light members
c. masonry load bearing walls
d. metal (explain) _____
e. other _____
- 10. CONDITION: a. excellent b. good c. fair d. deteriorated
- 11. INTEGRITY: a. original site b. moved if so, when? _____
c. list major alterations and dates (if known):

building enlarged after 1912

- 12. PHOTO: Neg. KK XIX-14, fm. W/SW
- 13. MAP: NYS DOT Patchogue Quad



14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known b. zoning c. roads
 d. developers e. deterioration
 f. other: _____
15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:
 a. barn b. carriage house c. garage
 d. privy e. shed f. greenhouse
 g. shop h. gardens
 i. landscape features: 2 pairs of two trees line yard
 j. other: low concrete garden wall to street line
16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING (check more than one if necessary):
 a. open land b. woodland
 c. scattered buildings
 d. densely built-up e. commercial
 f. industrial g. residential
 h. other: _____

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

(Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)

The Blue Turners Hall is located on the east side of the residential street on a long rectangular parcel. The surrounding neighborhood is characterized by detached residences constructed predominantly at the turn of the century with gable ends to the street.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):

The Blue Turners Hall is a large, rectangular, 1½ story, gable roof, shingled building with a single story, pedimented vestibule at the center of the principle (west) facade. Wall face dormers mark the north and south facades.

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1896, enlarged c. 1912.

ARCHITECT: _____

BUILDER: _____

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

The Czechs were well known for gymnastics. The Blue Turners was an organization for gymnastics that flourished in this community from 1896 to 1916. Their building was constructed and they bought the apparatus that was needed for gymnastics. The building was sold in 1912, was enlarged and is now in use as the C.S.A. Hall.

21. SOURCES:

A History of Bohemia, 1985.

22. THEME:

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