

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 103-05-0019  
QUAD \_\_\_\_\_  
SERIES \_\_\_\_\_  
NEG. NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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APR 3 1975  
REC'D WRR/BJ

YOUR NAME: Betty Kuss DATE: 2/24/75  
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ORGANIZATION (if any): WK Vanderkolk Hist. Soc. Oswego College

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IDENTIFICATION

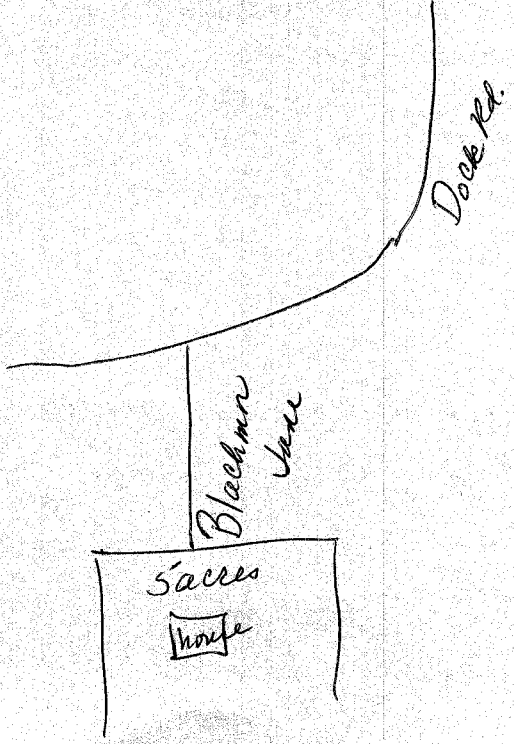
1. BUILDING NAME(S): Silas Whitman home  
2. COUNTY: Suffolk TOWN/CITY: Islip VILLAGE: E. Islip  
3. STREET LOCATION: Blackman Lane  
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public  b. private   
5. PRESENT OWNER: General B. Burton ADDRESS: Blackman Lane, E. Islip  
6. USE: Original: house Present: house  
7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes  No   
Interior accessible: Explain private home

DESCRIPTION

8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard  b. stone  c. brick  d. board and batten   
e. cobblestone  f. shingles  g. stucco  other: \_\_\_\_\_  
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: (if known) a. wood frame with interlocking joints   
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): home has been much added on to.

12. PHOTO:

13. MAP: Mont. Hwy E. Islip



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: \_\_\_\_\_  
 j. other: \_\_\_\_\_
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)

*house is center of fine estate*

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

*house is in beautiful condition with all old features of home treated to proper care. A pleasure to see & appreciate.*

**SIGNIFICANCE**

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: *around 1820-1840*

ARCHITECT: *unknown*

BUILDER: *unknown*

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

*Silas Whitman was uncle of Walt Whitman, one of earliest town presidents.*

21. SOURCES: *Mr & Mrs Ernest Burton  
 Miss Dorothy Jones - deceased*