

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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YOUR NAME: Elissa Winzeberg/Barbara Van Liew DATE: 7/22/75
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IDENTIFICATION

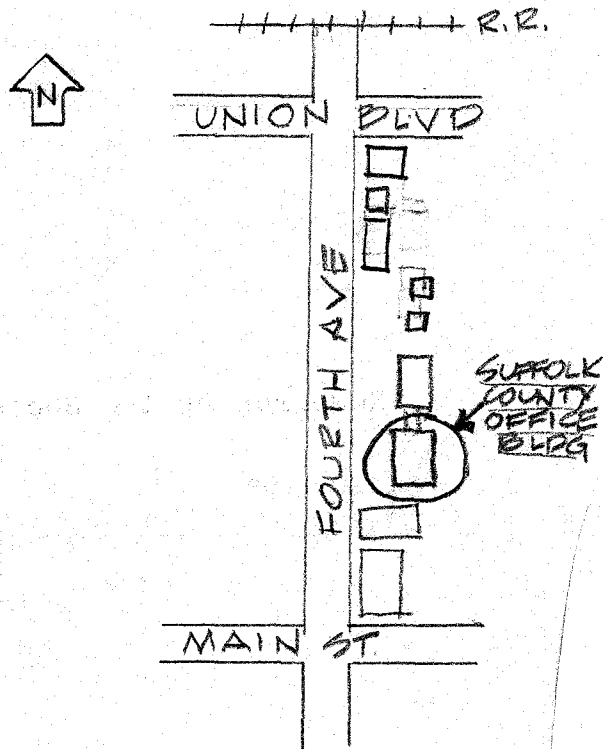
- 1. BUILDING NAME(S): Suffolk County Office Building (Bay Shore N.S.)
- 2. COUNTY: Suffolk TOWN/CITY: Islip VILLAGE: Bay Shore
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 75 Fourth Ave. (E. side between Union Blvd. & Main St.)
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private Main St.
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Suffolk County ADDRESS: _____
- 6. USE: Original: GRADE School Present: Dept. of Welfare
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
Interior accessible: Explain Yes

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):
Top of tower removed.

12. PHOTO: Negative # A-2A

13. MAP:



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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: Attached to building of later period.
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 Suffolk County Office Building on Fourth Avenue contributes much to the streetscape on Fourth Avenue. Both the Department of Welfare Buildings on the site make a handsome grouping.

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

Two types of fine brickwork. Original first floor windows with keyed segmental arched heads and contrasting brick surrounds. Original second floor windows with keyed semi-circular heads and contrasting brick surrounds over semi-circular transoms. Two handsome panelled chimneys. Quoined building ends. Hipped SIGNIFICANCE roof with gabled bays and dormers.

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: circa 1893

ARCHITECT: _____

BUILDER: _____

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

The Suffolk County Office Building once served as the Bay Shore High School Building. A 1902 photograph that is part of the Jerome Gleason Photograph Collection shows what was then the High School to be significantly unchanged except for the removal of the tower. The old High School incorporated many handsome details of its period attractively.

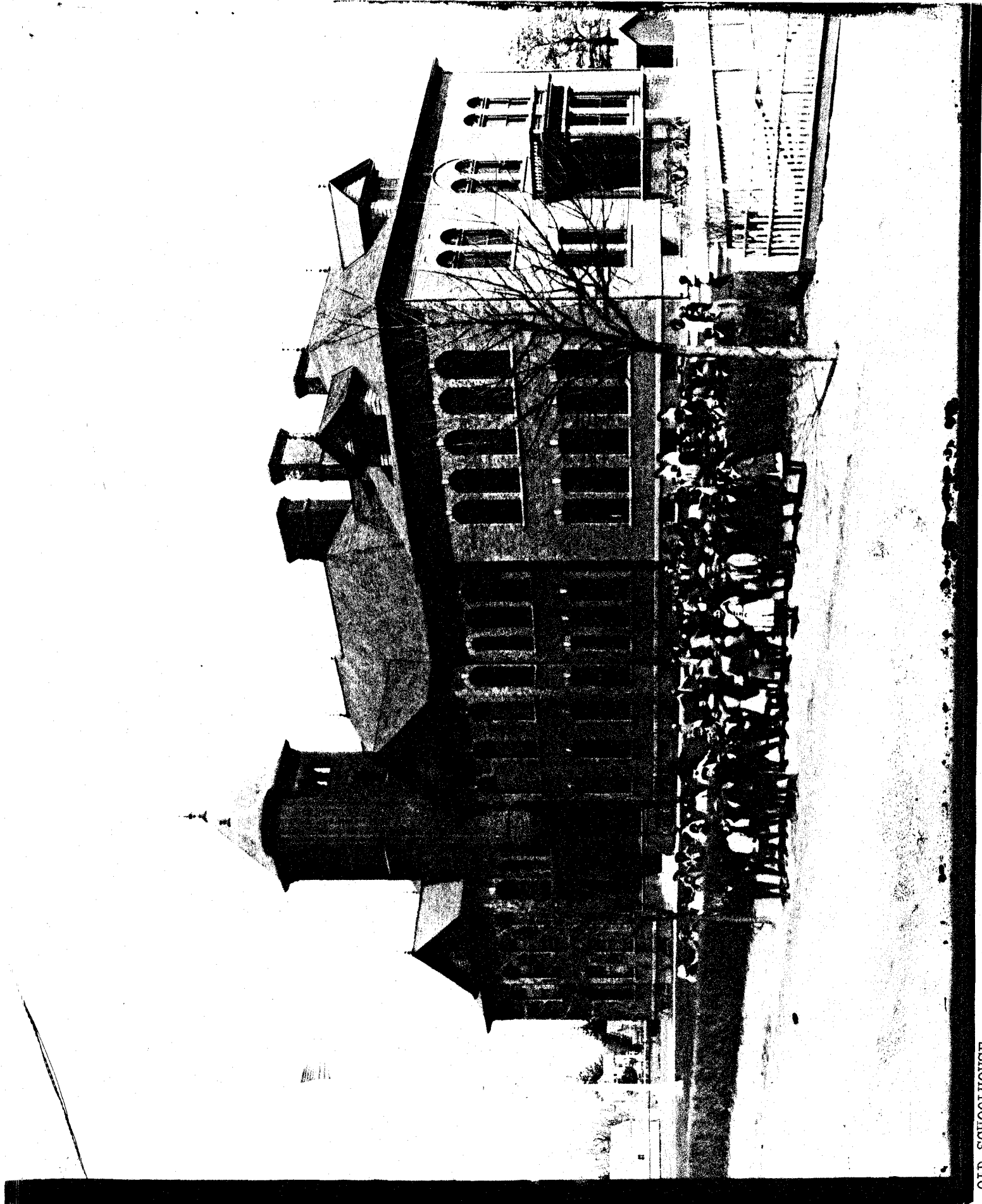
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21. SOURCES:

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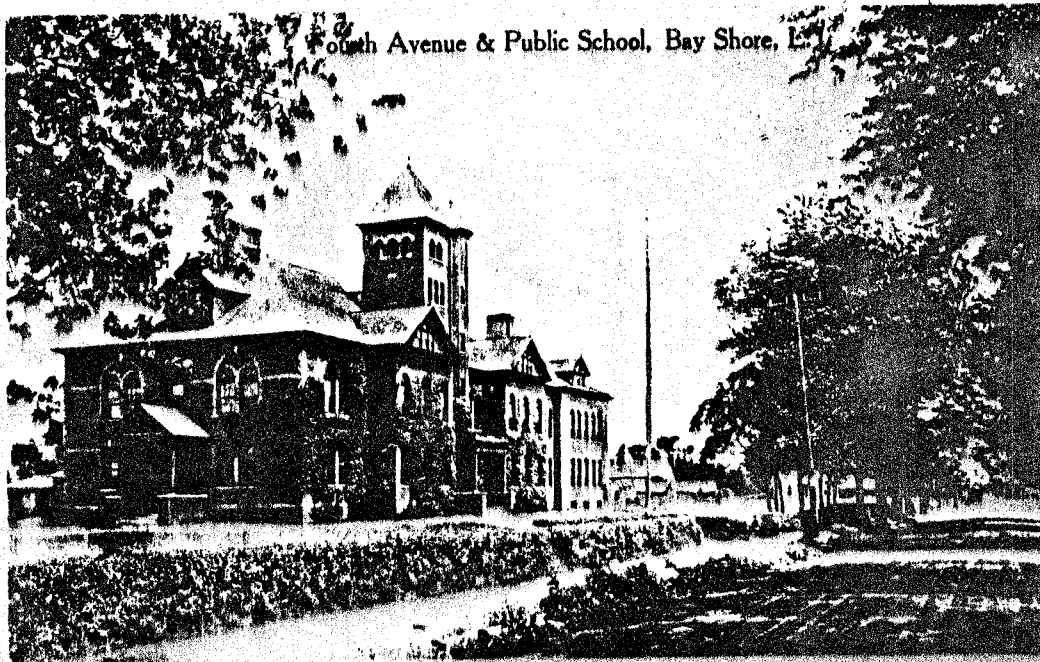
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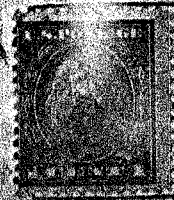
OLD SCHOOLHOUSE

Old photo by Anderson

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is stated that this school district was divided into a west end and an east end. The one-room schoolhouse was located east of the pond near South Country Road on the present East Lake Drive in Brightwaters. A larger, two-story school was built after much opposition was overcome. This was located near Fifth Avenue and Clinton near the present Union Street. Later this building was moved to the north side of Clinton Avenue and was eventually remodeled into St. Patrick's Parochial School.

The people at the east end, in April 1871, had a school on Main Street near First Avenue. A new schoolhouse was needed. Finally, in 1873, after many school meetings were held, the new site was agreed upon. It was the corner of Union Street and Second Avenue (where Sullivan's Funeral Home is now located). There are two maple trees on those premises planted by some of the pupils. The fence that is in good shape, surrounding the property, is the original school-grounds fence. Eventually this old school building was moved to the southeast on Main Street between Homan Avenue and Mowbray Place. (A Chinese laundry and other stores now occupy the lower floor.)

The next school was the one on Fourth Avenue where the Suffolk County Department of Welfare is located. This site consists of the old brick Fourth Avenue Grade School and the former Bay Shore High School buildings.

The west end school was #1, a district formerly

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including all children in the west part of Islip Town to the Babylon line from about Saxon Avenue. The east end comprised the hamlet of Islip as far as the dividing line, Saxon Avenue. This was district #2. Part of the two districts merged in 1836 to form a new district, #8. Districts #1 and #8 voted to build their new Union School right on the boundary line between the two districts. This was at Fourth Avenue. The fact that it was low, swampy ground was not of prime importance, as the residents then were not as farseeing as now. Despite the poor location, as need for a high school became evident, that was built next to the old Fourth Avenue School. The grade school dates from 1893. The high school was built in 1922. 1929 saw the completion of Brook Avenue and Fifth Avenue Grade Schools. In 1939 the high school building on Third Avenue was ready for use. Then the old high school building was used for the Fourth Avenue Grade School, the former site being no longer adequate. The junior high school was ready for occupancy in 1957, as was the South Country School. Gardiner Manor School was ready September 1959.

In addition to the public schools, Bay Shore had a famous private school called Nassau Institute. This school catered not only to socially-prominent local families, but also to boarding pupils from far and near. In those days, right after the Civil War, there were few high schools. Those who wished to progress beyond the eighth grade went

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A BRIEF HISTORY OF BAY SHORE

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