

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 103-05-0005
QUAD _____
SERIES _____
NEG. NO. _____

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YOUR NAME: Town of Islip DATE: August 8, 1975

YOUR ADDRESS: Town Hall
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ORGANIZATION (if any): Department of Planning, Housing & Development

IDENTIFICATION

- ~~Mrs. H.D. Brewster House in 1945~~
- 1. BUILDING NAME(S): 31 Ocean Ave. (east side, bet. Gibson St. & Linden Pl.)
- 2. COUNTY: Suffolk TOWN/CITY: Islip VILLAGE: Bay Shore
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 31 Ocean Ave.
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: _____ ADDRESS: _____
- 6. USE: Original: Residence Present: Residence
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
Interior accessible: Explain BY appointment only

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):
Porch & portcochere are later than the house.

12. PHOTO:

13. MAP:



HP-1 Bay Shore Roll #Q3; Neg. #13

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)

This house is in a residential area between Main Street and the Great South Bay. There are many houses of architectural significance in this area, particularly those from the Victorian Era in the Italianate and Queen Anne Styles.

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

This Italianate style house has decorative brackets at the eaves, hood molds above the windows, and a pointed window in the gable. The original entrance is retained with side-lights and dentils. The porch has classical columns on shingled piers alternating with with a balustrade with turned spindles.

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: unknown
- ARCHITECT: unknown
- BUILDER: unknown

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

This Italianate house retains much of its original detailing - brackets and drops at the eaves, hood molds, and dentil molding. The center window of the front gable is pedimented. The style of the porch is somewhat in contrast to the main structure, as it has classical columns; it may date from a later period. The columns of the porch are paired. There is a portecochere as well. The house has cross gables and two symmetrically placed corbelled chimneys. The roof line is emphasized by the boxed cornice, frieze, and brackets with terminal drops.

21. SOURCES:

Atlas of the Ocean Shore of Suffolk County, L.I. (Westerly Section). Volume I. Amityville to Eastport Inclusive. Brooklyn & Manhattan: E. Belcher Hyde, 1915.

22. THEME: