

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 103-05-0162-004  
QUAD \_\_\_\_\_  
SERIES \_\_\_\_\_  
NEG. NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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YOUR NAME: Town of Islip DATE: 8/1/75  
Town Hall 655 Main St.  
YOUR ADDRESS: Islip, L.I., N.Y. 11715 TELEPHONE: 516-581-2000  
ORGANIZATION (if any): Dept. of Planning, Housing, & Development

IDENTIFICATION

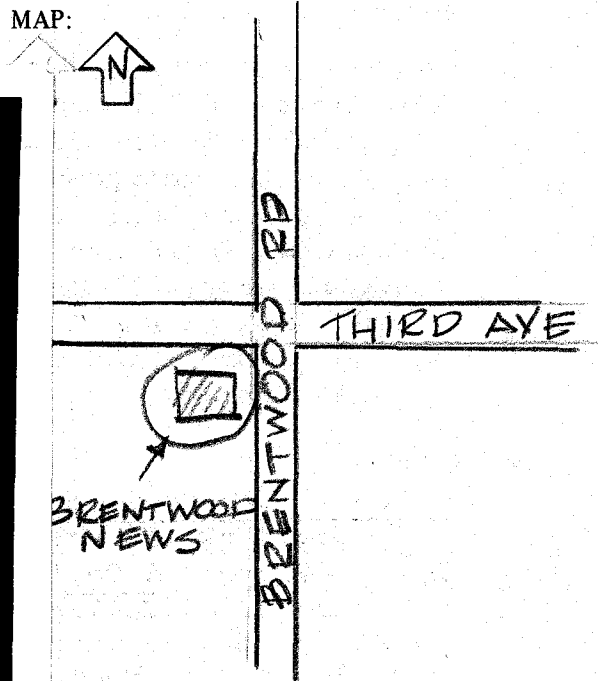
- 1. BUILDING NAME(S): ~~Brentwood News (Brentwood's First Schoolhouse)~~
- 2. COUNTY: Suffolk TOWN/CITY: Islip VILLAGE: Brentwood
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 1768 Brentwood Rd.
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public  b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Brentwood News ADDRESS: Same
- 6. USE: Original: First Schoolhouse Present: Newspaper
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes  No   
Interior accessible: Explain \_\_\_\_\_

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):  
Addition to East facade.

12. PHOTO: Negative No. B-10A

13. MAP:



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)

The Brentwood News building is set back from the Corner facing Third Avenue in a residential neighborhood. It is an important part of the Old Fifth Avenue (Brentwood Rd.) Streetscape.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):  
 Tall, narrow center cross gable with gingerbread verge boards. Flanking dormers of a flatter proportion with matching gingerbread verge boards. Porch extending across full front. Original windows. Gables on east and west facades with matching verge boards to front gable. Drops at center of all gables and dormers.

**SIGNIFICANCE**

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ARCHITECT: \_\_\_\_\_  
 BUILDER: \_\_\_\_\_

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:  
 The Brentwood News building served as Brentwood's First School. It was also the residence of Mrs. Thompson. The school was later held in the Octagonal building at Second Avenue between Fourth and Fifth Avenues. On the 1915 Atlas of Brentwood the school was located at Third Avenue and Fourth Street, and the Brentwood News property belonged to D.E. Kelmo. The Carpenter Gothic - Andrew Jackson Downing Style cottage, has handsome details. It is one of Brentwood's significant buildings both architecturally and historically.

21. SOURCES:  
Atlas of the Ocean Shore of Suffolk County (Westerly Section)  
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22. THEME:  
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 Beers, F.W. Atlas of Long Island, N.Y.: Beers, Comstock & EFW Cline, 1873.