

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 001-06-0003
QUAD _____
SERIES _____
NEG. NO. _____

YOUR NAME: Town of Guilderland DATE: June 1, 1979

YOUR ADDRESS: Town Hall, Guilderland TELEPHONE: 518-356-1980

ORGANIZATION (if any): _____

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME(S): Gifford Grange Hall (Building #36)
2. COUNTY: Albany TOWN/CITY: Guilderland VILLAGE: DUNNSVILLE
3. STREET LOCATION: Western Tpk.; North Side; At Dunnsville Rd; West Side
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public ☐ b. private ☒
5. PRESENT OWNER: Gifford Grange ADDRESS: Grange Hall, Western Tpke., R.D.2, Altamont, N.Y.
6. USE: Original: Store Present: Grange Hall
7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road. Yes ☒ No ☐
Interior accessible Explain by appointment

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): _____

12. PHOTO:

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 building is located on Western Turnpike in the center of the hamlet known as Dunnsville.

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

This plain vernacular commercial structure has a simple channeled cornice with a wide unadorned frieze and a one-story porch across front with shed roof; enclosed outside stair from the second floor is on the eastern end of the building.

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: ca. 1866

ARCHITECT: Unknown

BUILDER: Unknown

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

Originally built as a store and post office, the structure has always been a center of activity in this area of town. It follows the common plan of having the shopkeeper living above the store and post office. The building was converted to a range hall when the store closed and is still used for range functions. Although the building is plain and unadorned, it is an excellent example of commercial architecture of that period.

It has survived amidst modern suburban development and is particularly significant relative to such surroundings.

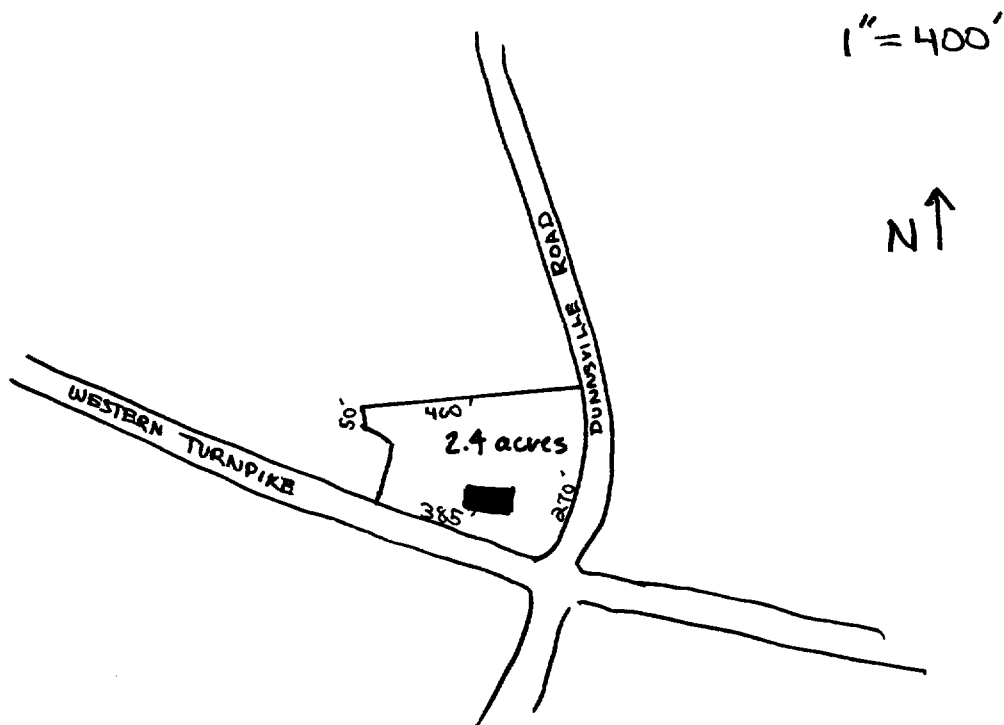
21. SOURCES: **See bibliography**

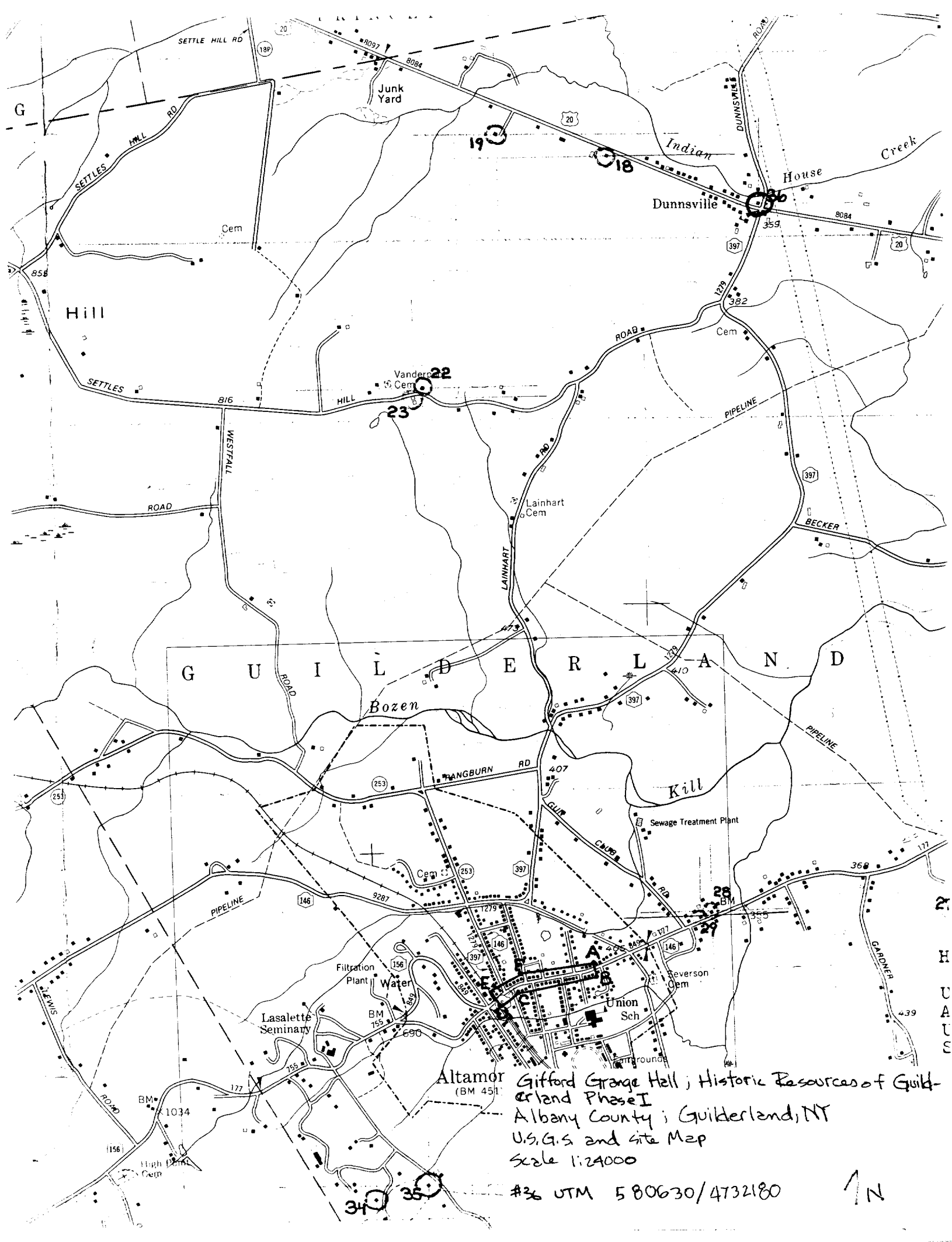
22. THEME:

Gifford Grange Farm

Building # 36

Historic Resources of
Guilderland Phase I
Albany County Guilderland
New York
Site Map (from tax map)
Smith & Mahoney 1979





Fun Lehman, State Historian
Agency Bldg. #1
Empire State Plaza
Albany

RECEIVED
MAR 25 1982

Re: 2273 Old State Rd
Holland
Albany Co.

Dear Sir:

I would like you to consider
nominating my home for the National
and State Register of Historic Places.

It is located at 2273 Old State
Road Gettysburg.

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DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
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Sincerely,
Mrs Jean Culberti
(Jean Della Rocca)
former name