

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

DIVISION FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION
NEW YORK STATE PARKS AND RECREATION
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UNIQUE SITE NO. 001-06-0016
QUAD _____
SERIES _____
NEG. NO. _____

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

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

ORGANIZATION (if any): _____

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME(S): Sharp Farmhouse (Building 17)
2. COUNTY: Albany TOWN/CITY: Guilderland VILLAGE: _____
3. STREET LOCATION: 4379 Western Tpk (Sharp's Corps.)
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public ☐ b. private ☒
5. PRESENT OWNER: Silven R. Hunt ADDRESS: 4379 Western Tpke., R.D.1, Altamont, N.Y. 12009
6. USE: Original: Farmhouse Present: Residence
7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes ☒ No ☐
Interior accessible Explain by appointment

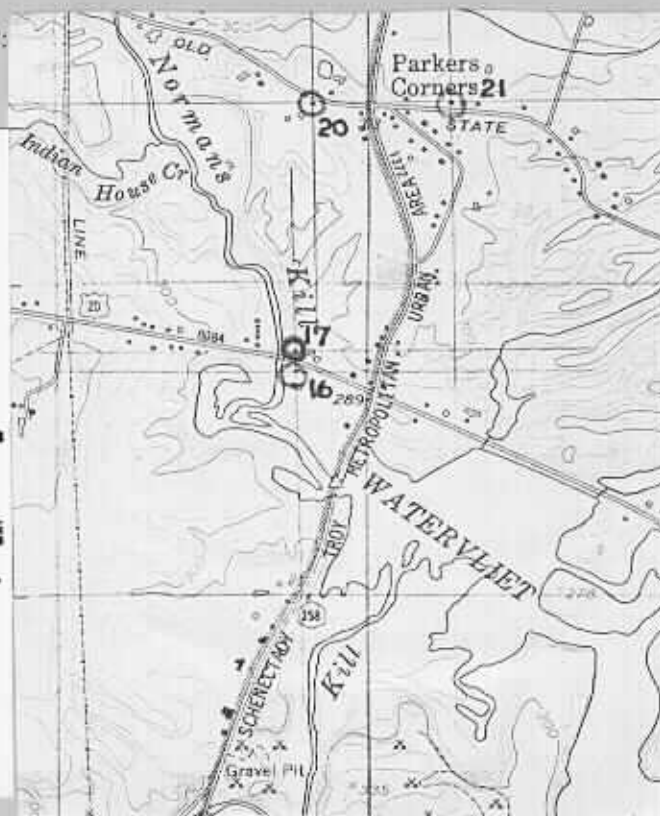
DESCRIPTION

8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard ☒ b. stone ☐ c. brick ☐ d. board and batten ☐
e. cobblestone ☐ f. shingles ☐ g. stucco ☐ other: _____
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: 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): _____

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: **Located beside a creek**
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)
Located on Western Turnpike at Sharp's Corners along the Normans Kill.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):
The L-shaped house with gable roof has unusual detailing of carved exposed framing and a small ocular window in the gable ends. The one-story porch on the front (south side) also has cut-out brackets and carved base; some of the original interior woodwork and detailing is intact.

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: **ca. 1875**

ARCHITECT: **Unknown**

BUILDER: **Unknown**

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: **This house is believed to have been built for a member of the Sharp family for which the crossroads are named. Although the land is no longer farmed, the house and large barn to the east retain the integrity of the original farm complex. The main building features Stick style exterior studs and sills, an exterior chimney, verge-boards, and intricate fan brackets. The details are intact and distinguish the building from modern suburban development infringing upon the community. The farm complex is representative of the agrarian community of Guilderland in the nineteenth century.**
21. SOURCES: **Interview with owner; see bibliography**
22. THEME:



Detail of front
porch bracketing

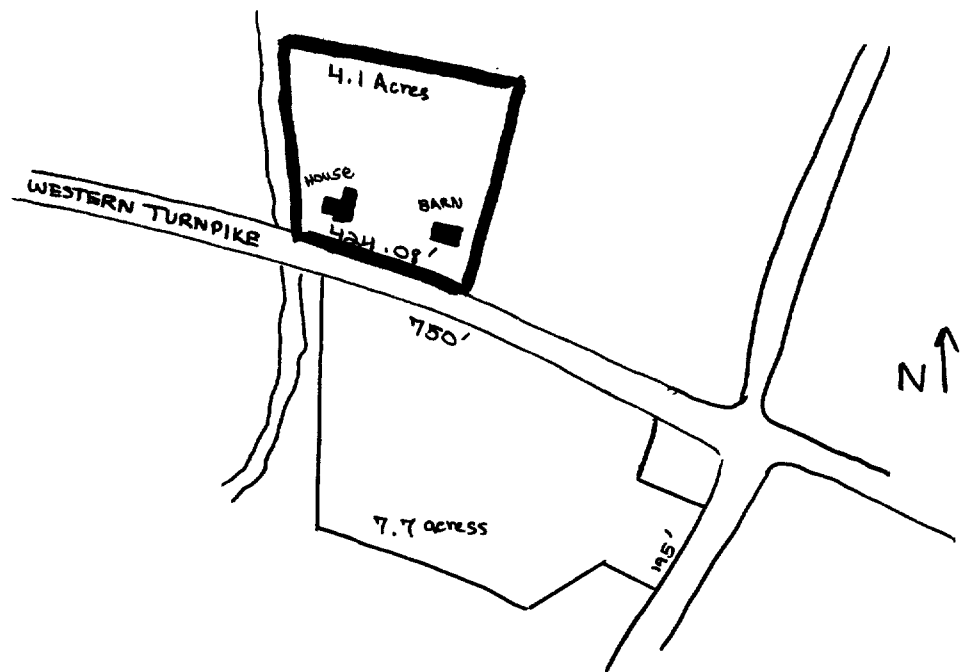


Barn located
northeast of house

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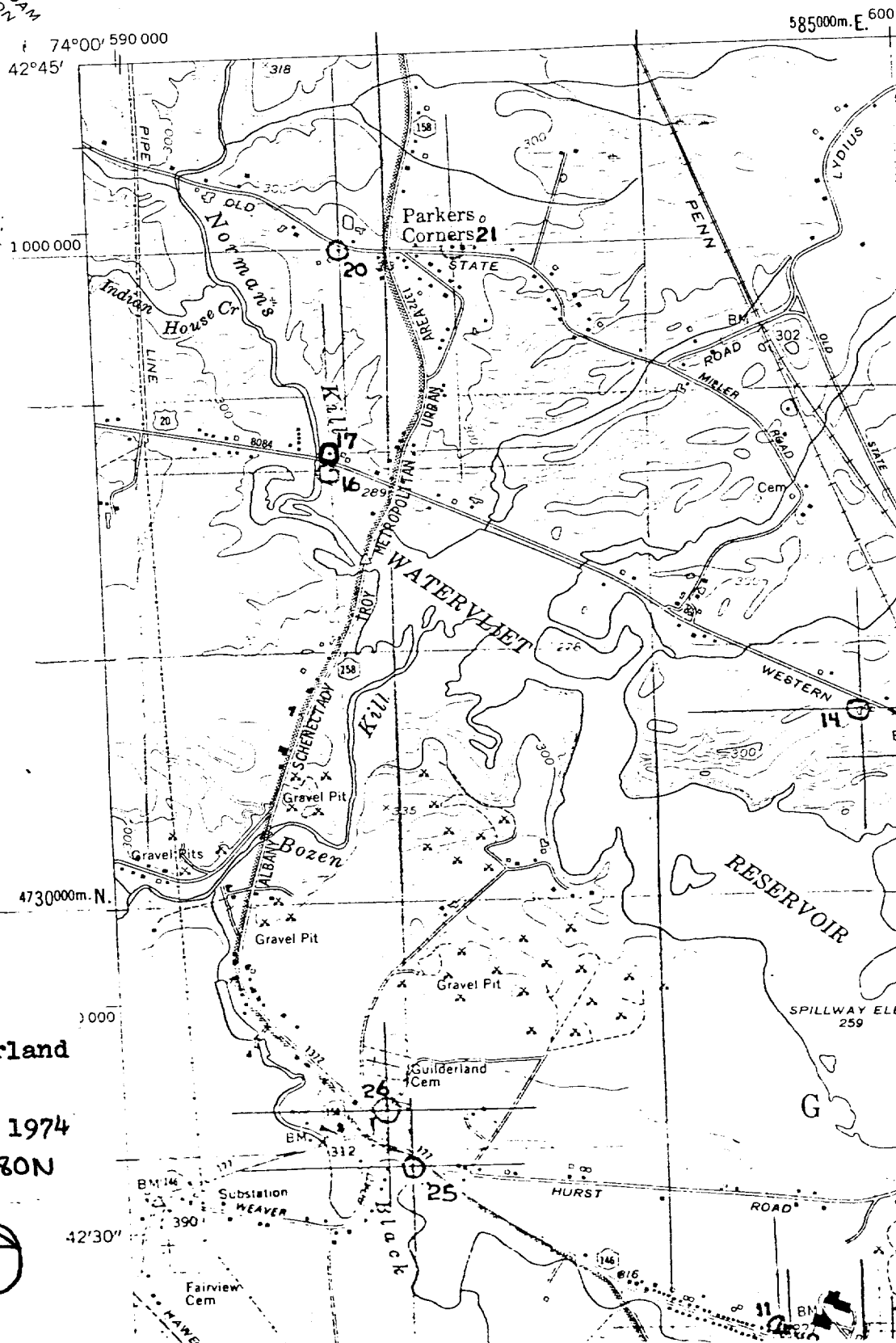


1" = 400'

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New York
Site Map (from tax map)
Smith & Mahoney 1979

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U.S.G.S. and Site Map
Scale 1:24000 2nd ed. 1974

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