

## BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

DIVISION FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION  
NEW YORK STATE PARKS AND RECREATION  
ALBANY, NEW YORK (518) 474-0479

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 001-06-0138  
QUAD \_\_\_\_\_  
SERIES \_\_\_\_\_  
NEG. NO. \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR NAME: Town of GuilderlandDATE: June 1, 1979

YOUR ADDRESS: Town Hall, Guilderland TELEPHONE: 518-356-0138  
N.Y.

ORGANIZATION (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME(S): Gardner Residence (Building #30) *House (Guilderland NRA)*  
2. COUNTY: Albany TOWN/CITY: Guilderland VILLAGE: \_\_\_\_\_  
3. STREET LOCATION: 5661 Gardner Rd.  
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public  b. private   
5. PRESENT OWNER: Ralph Plauth ADDRESS: 5661 Gardner Road, R.D.2 Altamont,  
6. USE: Original: residence Present: residence N.Y.12009  
7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes  No   
Interior accessible: Explain by appointment

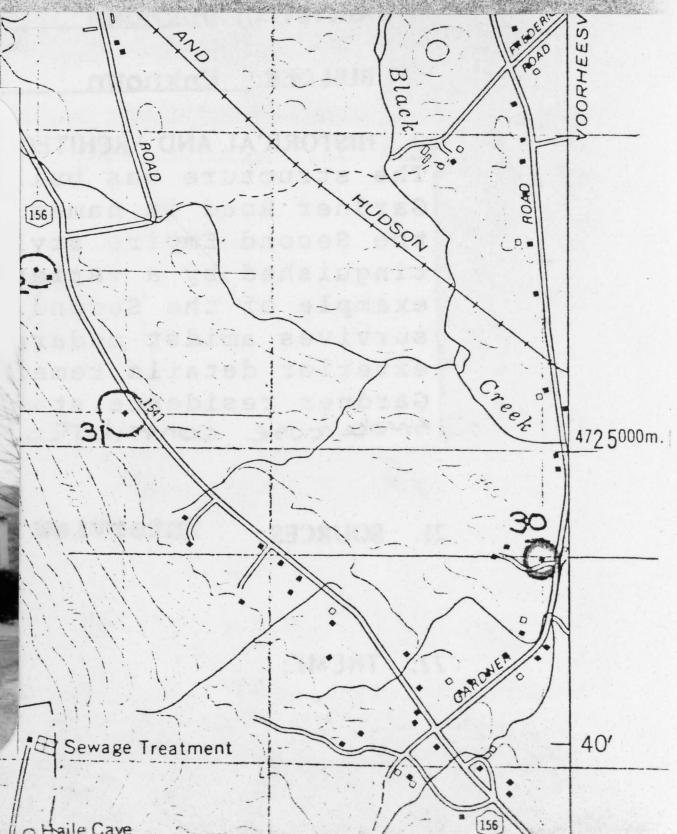
DESCRIPTION

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. MA



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: Smokehouse (contributing)

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 house is set back from Gardner Road on a grassy knoll retaining its original setting. The arbitrary boundary forms an area of approximately five acres, which preserves the setting and includes the smokehouse.

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

Second Empire Style farmhouse; mansard roof with dormer windows; bracketed cornice; one-story porch on front embellished with carved and sawn brackets; interior retains the original woodwork and highly decorated mantels of marblized slate.

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: ca. 1875

ARCHITECT: Unknown

BUILDER: Unknown

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

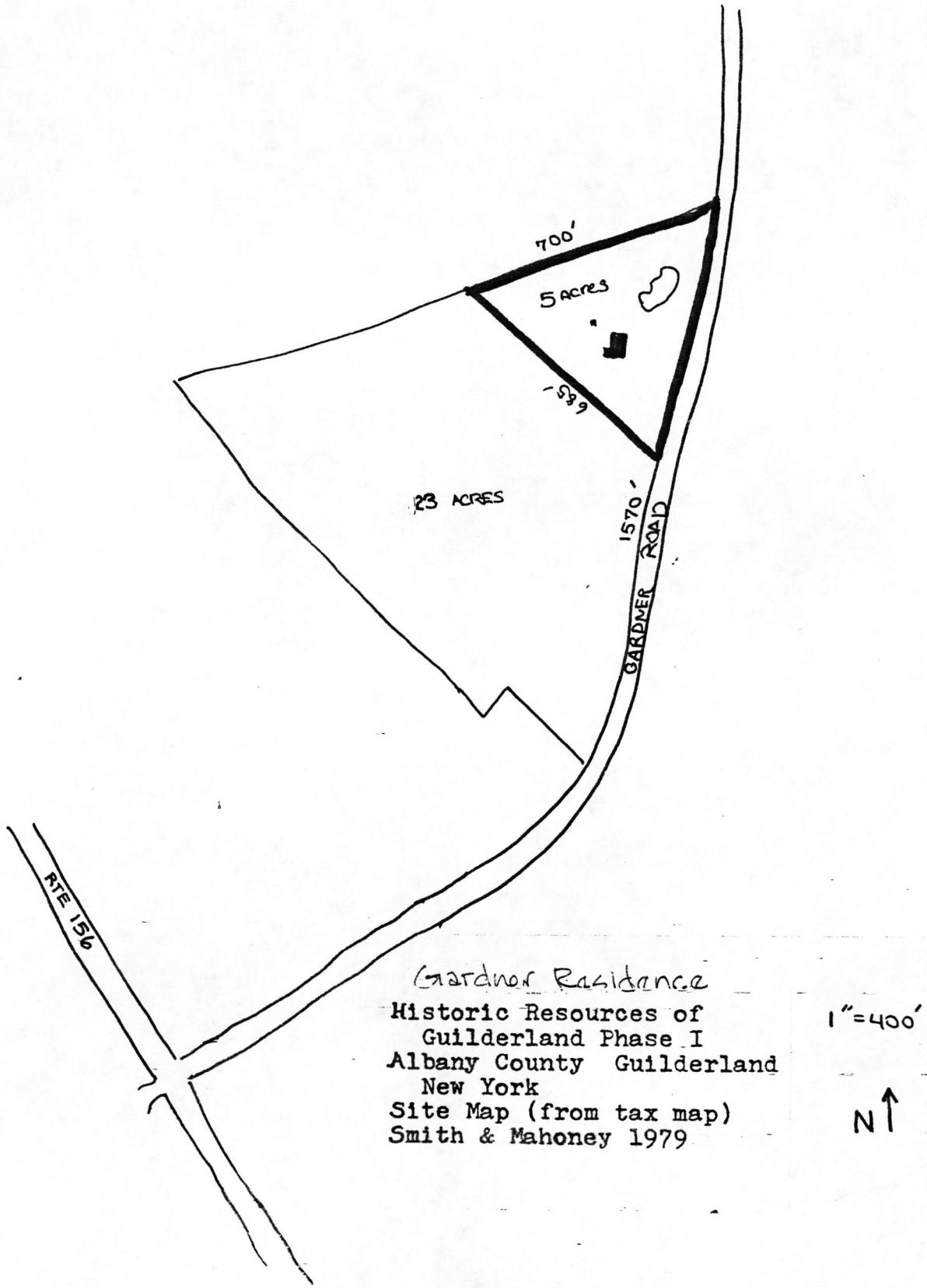
The structure was built for Judge Gardner and his family for whom Gardner Road is named. The building is an exceptional example of the Second Empire style. It is in excellent condition and is distinguished by a variety of rich details. The sole unaltered example of the Second Empire style in Guilderland, the building survives amidst modern suburban development. Both interior and exterior details remain intact. Relative to its surroundings, the Gardner residence stands out as an extraordinary structure. The modest smokehouse contributes to the character of the building.

21. SOURCES: Interview with owner; see bibliography

22. THEME:

5661 Gardner Road

Building #30



EXP. 10/31/84

**United States Department of the Interior**  
**National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Inventory—Nomination Form**

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Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

dnr-11

Name Guilderland Multiple Resource Area  
State New York

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

1. Altamont Historic District	<u>Entered in the National Register</u>	keeper	<u>Delores Byers 11/10/82</u>
2. Apple Tavern	<u>Entered in the National Register</u>	keeper	<u>Delores Byers 11/10/82</u>
3. Guilderland Cemetery Vault	<u>Entered in the National Register</u>	keeper	<u>Delores Byers 11/10/82</u>
4. McNiven Farm Complex	<u>Entered in the National Register</u>	keeper	<u>Delores Byers 11/10/82</u>
5. Crounse, Jacob, Inn	<u>Substantive Review</u>	keeper	<u>Franklin Dwyer 11/10/82</u>
6. Knower House	<u>Entered in the National Register</u>	keeper	<u>Delores Byers 11/10/82</u>
7. Gardner House	<u>Entered in the National Register</u>	keeper	<u>Delores Byers 11/10/82</u>
8. Crounse, John and Henry, Farm Complex	<u>Entered in the National Register</u>	keeper	<u>Delores Byers 11/10/82</u>
9. Crounse, Frederick, House	<u>Entered in the National Register</u>	keeper	<u>Delores Byers 11/10/82</u>
10. Vanderpool Farm Complex	<u>Substantive Review</u>	keeper	<u>Franklin Dwyer 11/10/82</u>

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES****EVALUATION / RETURN SHEET**

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

Gardner House (Guilderland MRA)  
Albany County  
NEW YORK

Working No. 9/29/82-2682

Fed. Reg. Date: 1/1/83

Date Due: 10/29/82 - 11/13/82

Action:  ACCEPT 4/10/82

Entered in the  RETURN  
National Register  REJECT

Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

resubmission

nomination by person or local government

owner objection

appeal

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom. / Criteria \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_

Discipline \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for:  technical corrections cited below  
 substantive reasons discussed below

**1. Name****2. Location****3. Classification**

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
Public Acquisition		Accessible	

**4. Owner of Property****5. Location of Legal Description****6. Representation in Existing Surveys**

Has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

**7. Description**

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>excellent</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>deteriorated</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>unaltered</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>original site</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>good</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>ruins</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>altered</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>moved</u> date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>fair</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>unexposed</u>		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

## **8. Significance**

Period      Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates      Builder Architect

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

## **9. Major Bibliographical References**

## **10. Geographical Data**

Address of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UNIT References

Verbal boundary description and justification

## **11. Form Prepared By**

## **12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification**

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national       state       local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

Title      date

## **13. Other**

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: 202 272-3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet

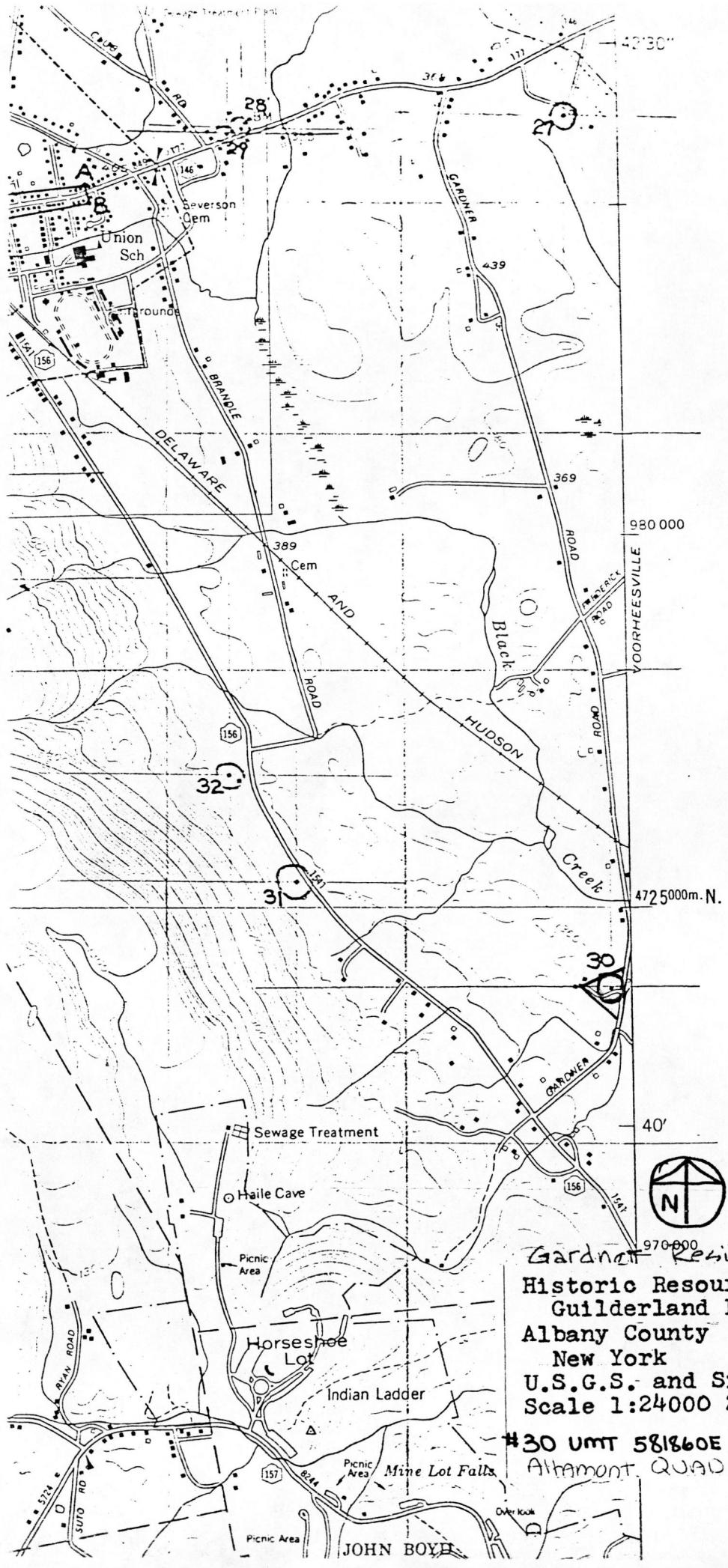


Historic Resources of  
Guilderland (Phase I)  
Building #30  
← Northwest elevation  
Gardner Residence  
Guilderland, NY  
Albany Co.

Building #30



Detail of smokehouse



970-000  
Gardner Residence  
Historic Resources of  
Guilderland Phase I  
Albany County Guilderland  
New York  
U.S.G.S. and Site Map  
Scale 1:24000 2nd ed. 1974

#30 UMT 581860E 4724660 N  
Altamont, QUAD