

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

UNIQUE SITE NO. 001-06-0132
QUAD _____
SERIES _____
NEG. NO. _____

YOUR NAME: Town of Guilderland DATE: 5/22/80

YOUR ADDRESS: Town Hall, Guilderland TELEPHONE: _____

ORGANIZATION (if any): _____

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME(S): Houck Farmhouse (Building # 24)
 2. COUNTY: Albany TOWN/CITY: Guilderland VILLAGE: _____
 3. STREET LOCATION: 6156 Ostrander Rd.
 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
 5. PRESENT OWNER: Donald Dean ADDRESS: 6156 Ostrander Rd. RD 2,
 6. USE: Original: Residence Present: Same Altamont, 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: 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 (Not historic)
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)

Although the building is still situated in a rural farm setting, the land has reverted to woodland. The nominated area includes an arbitrary plot of five acres on which the house is situated.

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

Two-story wood frame farmhouse, one and one-half story ell on north side with eye-brow windows; recessed doorway with transom and side lights; enclosed pedimented portico on ell; gable roofs and clapboard siding; shuttered, 6/6 windows; interior is original.

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: ca. 1850

ARCHITECT: unknown

BUILDER: unknown

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

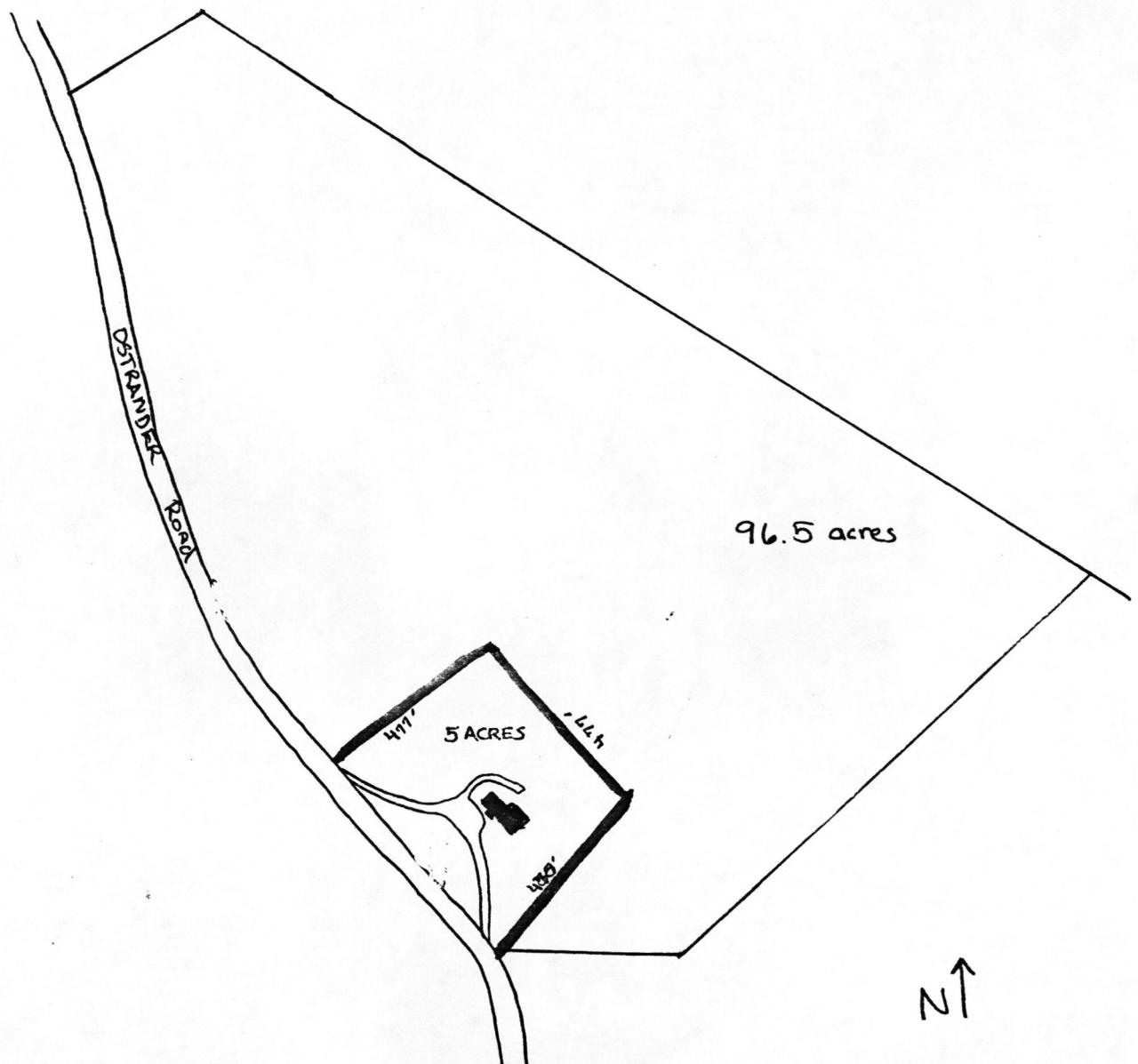
The farmhouse was built in the 1850's for J.G. Houck. It is an excellent example of a Greek Revival mansion. Corner pilasters, wide entablature, attic story windows, and sidelights, transom, and pilasters surrounding the front doors are characteristic of the style. The building has survived amidst modern tract development and exhibits distinctive architectural significance relative to such surroundings. It remains in excellent condition.

21. SOURCES: Town Historical Committee, interview with owner.

22. THEME:

6:54 Ostrander Road

Building #24



Houck Farmhouse (Bldg. #24)

Historic Resources of
Guilderland Phase I
Albany County Guilderland
New York

Site Map (from tax map)
Smith & Mahoney 1979

1" = 400'

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

OMB NO. 1024-0018

EXP. 12/31/84

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Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Guilderland Multiple Resource Area
State New York

Nomination/Type of Review

31. Pangburn, Stepphen, House

National Register

32. Houck Farmhouse

Entered in the
National Register

33. Hilton, Adam, House

Entered in the
National Register

34. Gifford Grange Hall

Entered in the
National Register

35. Freeman House

Substantive Review

36. Strassburg House

Substantive Review

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

37.

38.

39.

40.

Date/Signature

for Keeper Albion Byar 11/10/82

Attest

for Keeper Albion Byar 11/10/82

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

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

Houck Farmhouse (Guilderland MRA)
Albany County
NEW YORK

Working No. 9/29/82-2682

Fed. Reg. Date: 2/1/83

Date Due: 4/29/82 - 11/13/82

Action: ACCEPT 11/10/82

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

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 _____

UMT 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

HOJCK FARMHOUSE
Historic Resources of
Guilderland (Phase I)

BUILDING #24



Detail of front door.



Detail of portico on
northern entrance.

