

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 001-06-0123

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NEG. NO. _____

YOUR NAME Town of Guilderland DATE: June 1, 1979YOUR ADDRESS: Town Hall, Guilderland TELEPHONE: 356-1980
N.Y.

ORGANIZATION (if any) _____

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME(S) Freeman House (Building #7)
 2. COUNTY Albany TOWN/CITY Guilderland VILLAGE Guilderland Center
 3. STREET LOCATION 136 Main St
 4. OWNERSHIP a. public b. private
 5. PRESENT OWNER Robert & Marge Davis ADDRESS 136 Main St. Guilderland Center, N.Y. 12085
 6. USE: Original Residence Present: Residence N.Y. 12085
 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: _____

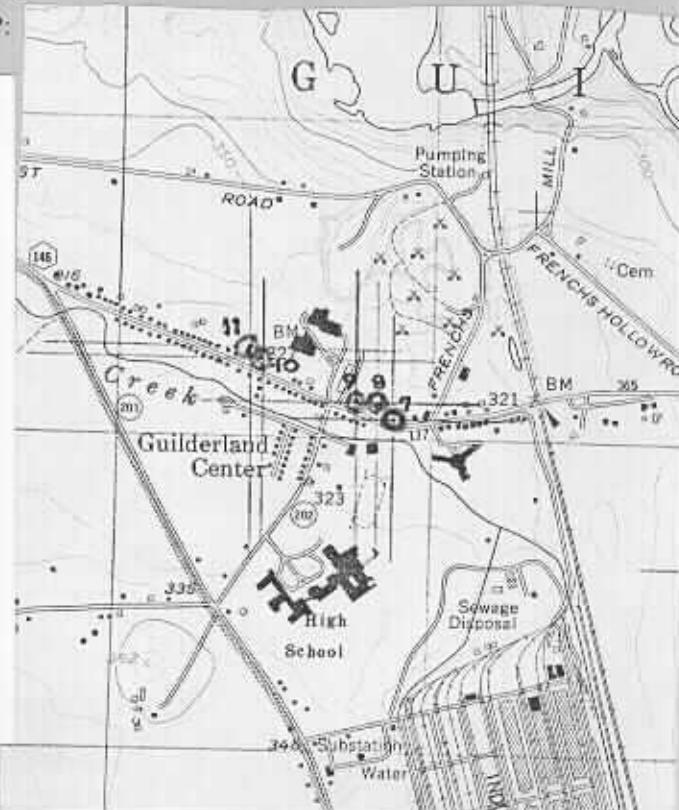
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM (if known): a. wood frame with interlocking joints
 b. wood frame with light members
 c. masonry load bearing walls
 d. metal (explain) _____
 e. other _____

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):
ca. 1750 - western portion added and full second story added
ca. 1800 - ell on rear added

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: thickly planted bushes & shrubs
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 house is located close to the road in the hamlet of Guilderland Center. A church and other homes are located nearby.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):
Two-story, Dutch Colonial house with gable roof and concealed chimneys at gable ends; five bays wide, center entrance with original handcrafted paneled Dutch door; 12/12 windows on first floor; interior retains much of the original hardware, woodwork, and doors; large smooth finished beams typical to "Dutch" SIGNIFICANCE construction; fireplace on western side retains the

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1734 (center and original paneling, fireback, eastern portion) 1750 (western portion) and sheet iron protector.
ARCHITECT: unknown

BUILDER: unknown

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:
This exceptional Dutch Colonial house was built by or for Robert Freeman in the 1730's. It originally was planned as two rooms with loft above. By the middle of the 18th century Barent Mynderse added the room to the west and raised the roof to a full second story. The original integrity of the house has been maintained throughout, and the development of the home is evident in the detailing used at different periods. This is one of the finest and earliest Colonial buildings in the Town.

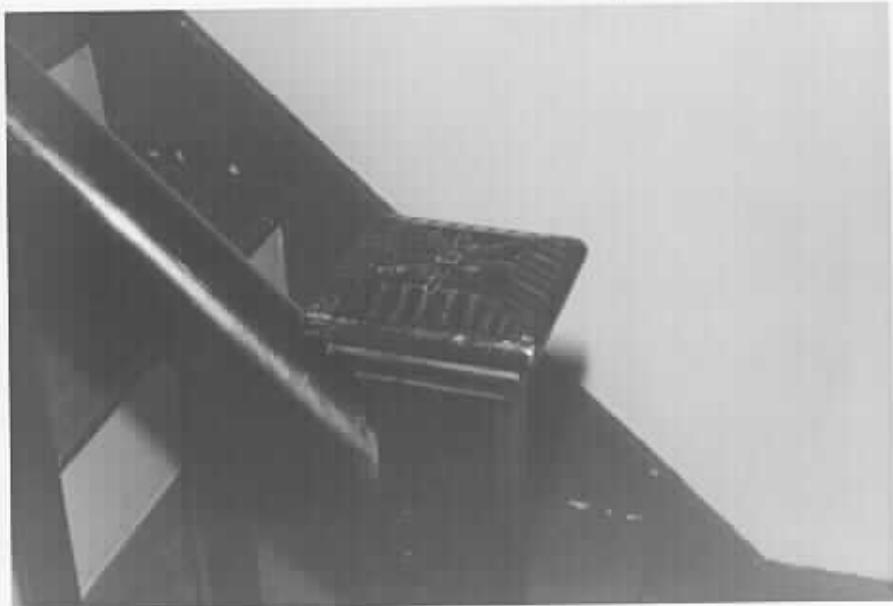
21. SOURCES: Arthur B. Gregg, Guilderland Historian; interview with owner

22. THEME:

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FREEMAN HOUSE

Detail of carved newel crown on
central stairway





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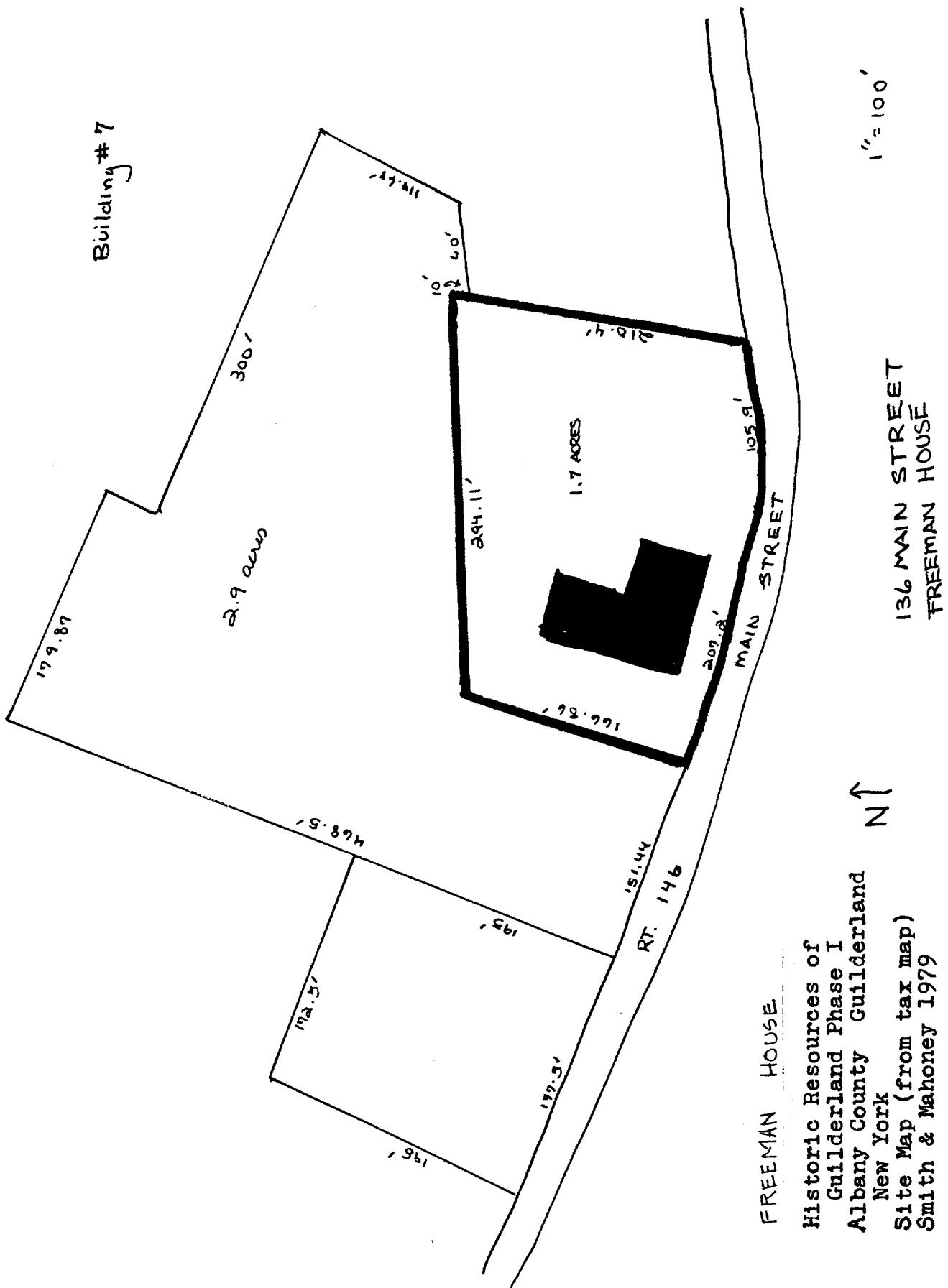
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Detail of first story window

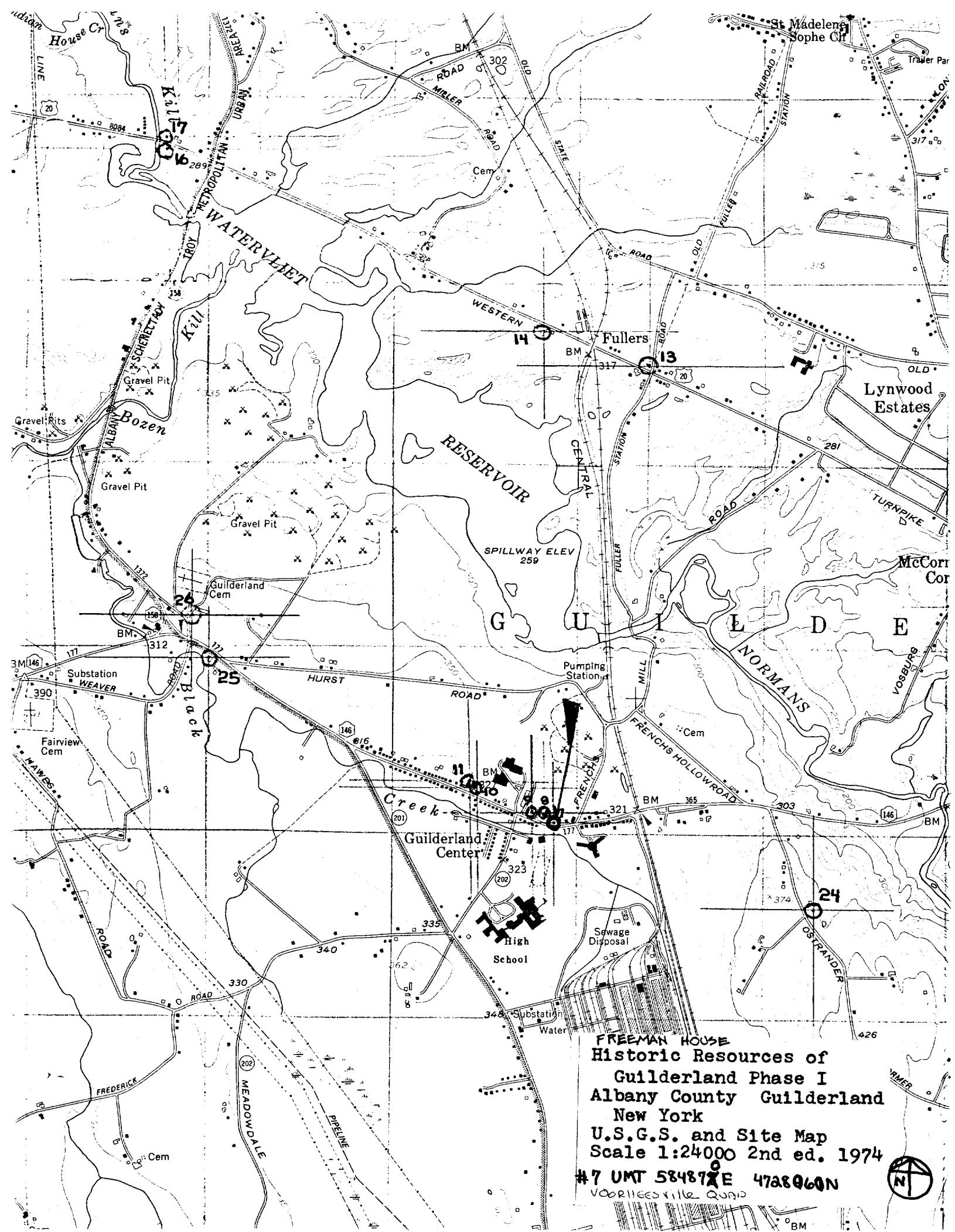


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Detail of front Dutch door

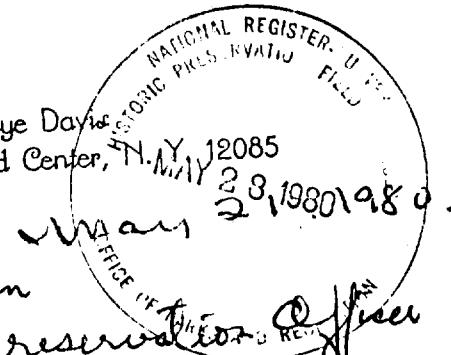


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Site Map (from tax map
Smith & Mahoney 1979



W.J.P
Apprentice

Margaret Rigby Davis
Freeman House, Guilderland Center, N.Y. 12085



Mr. Rein Lehman
State Historic Preservation Officer

Dear Mr. Lehman:

In response to your letter of May 14, 1980, we would like our house listed in the National Register.

We believe it qualifies under sections A, B, C and F of your criteria for evaluation.

I expect to hear from you in the near future. I am

Yours very truly

MARGARET R. DAVIS

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