

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 103-05-0602
QUAD _____
SERIES _____
NEG. NO. _____

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YOUR NAME: Town of Brookhaven/SPLIA DATE: June 8, 1981

Town Hall, 205 S.Ocean Ave

YOUR ADDRESS: Patchogue, NY TELEPHONE: 516-634-7806

ORGANIZATION (if any): Brookhaven Community Development Agency

IDENTIFICATION

- 1. BUILDING NAME(S): Ronkonkoma L.I.R.R. Depot
- 2. COUNTY: Suffolk TOWN/CITY: Islip VILLAGE: Lake Ronkonkoma
- 3. STREET LOCATION: Railroad Ave.
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: _____ ADDRESS: _____
- 6. USE: Original: depot Present: same
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
Interior accessible: Explain _____

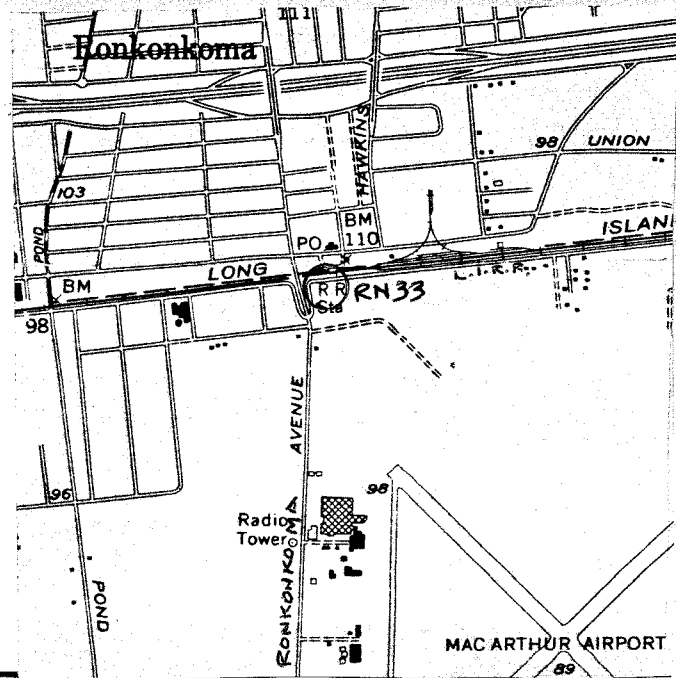
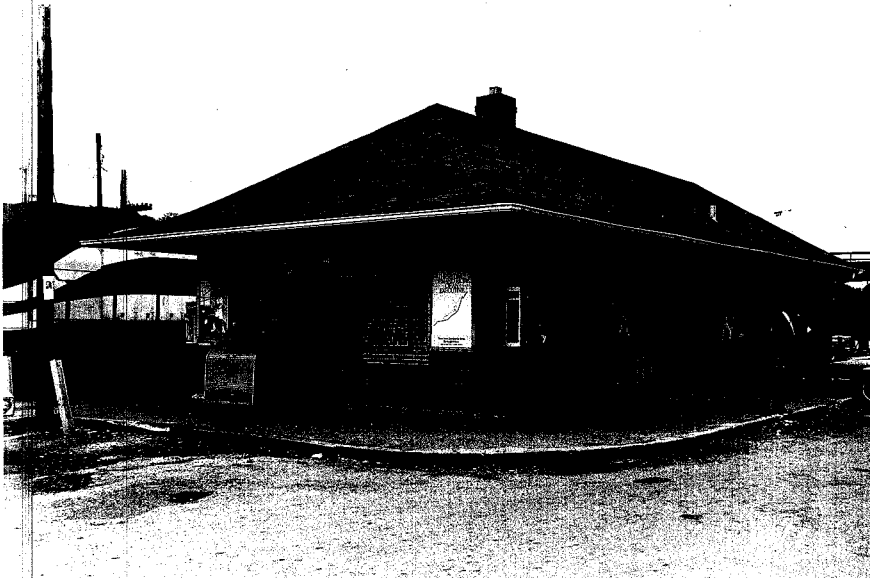
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- 8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other: _____
- 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: a. wood frame with interlocking joints
(if known) b. wood frame with light members
c. masonry load 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):

Demolished c. 1990

12. PHOTO: ALS IV, #6A
from NE, front

13. MAP: N.Y.S. DOT
Patchogue Quad



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: railroad
 j. other: see attachment
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 the LIRR tracks (north side),
 and is still partially landscaped on the north side by
 lawn, trees, and hedge, although most has been replaced
 by parking area.
18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):

SIGNIFICANCE

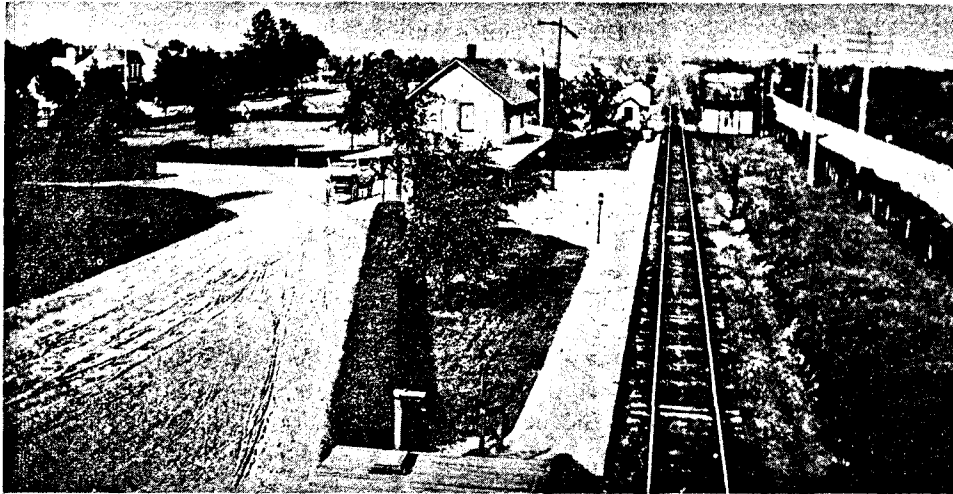
19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1933*

ARCHITECT: _____

BUILDER: _____

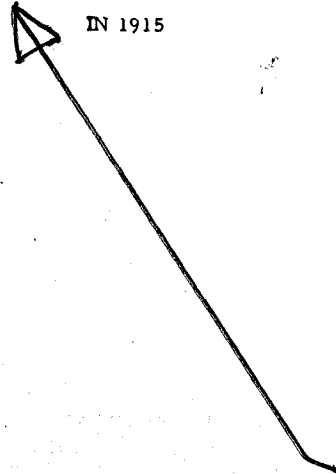
20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:
 This building replaced an earlier depot built in 1883,
 and destroyed by fire in 1933. This is a one and a half
 story, eight bay brick structure with hipped roof and
 flared eaves; soldier course lintels over openings and at
 first course from ground; centered chimney. The wide
 sweeping overhang is typical of early railroad stations,
 to provide shelter from weather. Unlike the earlier, depot,
 however, the second story is absent due to there no longer
 being a need for a full-time station master's quarters.
21. SOURCES:
 Interview: Mrs. Ann Fish, (516)588-8316, June 23, 1981
 *Ann Farnum Curtis, Three Waves, Lake Ronkonkoma Histor.
 Assoc., L.I., NY, 1976, p33.
22. THEME:

Form prepared by A.L. Scinta, Research Assistant



RONKONKOMA RAILROAD STATION

IN 1915



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the old name "West Deer Park" returns to the timetables. The original wooden station was destroyed in February 1958. Some time between 1902 and 1910 the name "Wyandanch" was adopted.

Edgewood: Depot located at Corbin Avenue. The place boomed in September 1891 but there was little settlement. First appears on the timetables of June 1892 as a signal stop and so remains. Station disappeared between 1910 and 1914 and the two-story wooden depot burned down 1920.

Deer Park: Village developed about 1853 by Charles Wilson who purchased a tract of 600 acres at \$5 an acre, cleared land and erected buildings. In 1884 a large engine house and car house were put up at Deer Park and a new depot was built in April and May 1884. In the spring of 1882, the railroad abandoned the station, but the 60 to 80 families living there pressured the railroad into reopening the place in November 1882. The old depot was torn down in 1937.

Brentwood: The railroad station was moved to here from Thompson's Station in December 1869. The inhabitants donated land and money for a depot building which was erected in 1870. This station burned down in April 1903 and the present station was then built west of Brentwood Road and opened November 10, 1903.

Central Islip: Depot built between August and October 1873 and opened November 4, 1873 as a flag stop. In 1888, the State Hospital opened and the station became important. The original wooden building was torn down in August 1958.

Ronkonkoma: Formerly Lakeland Station, located at Ocean Avenue and photographed by Brainerd in 1878. In May 1882, the railroad decided to move the station eastward to just east of Ronkonkoma Avenue. In June 1883, the new building opened, 16 x 30, and burned down 1934. Present station opened September 1937.

Holbrook: The station was abandoned in May 1883, when the Ronkonkoma station was moved eastward from Ocean Avenue to Ronkonkoma Avenue. A newspaper note of November 1883 remarks that the railroad had also torn up the platforms. However, the station stayed on the timetables as a signal stop only till January 1890, when it disappears altogether. The station reappears on the timetable of 1902, and

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