

**BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM**

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 103-05-0553  
QUAD \_\_\_\_\_  
SERIES \_\_\_\_\_  
NEG. NO. \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR NAME: Town of Islip Town Hall DATE: 8/23/79

655 Main Street

YOUR ADDRESS: Islip, N.Y. TELEPHONE: (516)224-5450

ORGANIZATION (if any): Department of Planning and Development

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**IDENTIFICATION**

- 1. BUILDING NAME(S): Holburn Hall Ice House
- 2. COUNTY: Suffolk TOWN/CITY: Islip VILLAGE: Sayville
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 84 Edwards Avenue
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public  b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Dougherty ADDRESS: see #3 above
- 6. USE: Original: ice house Present: residence
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes  No   
Interior accessible: Explain \_\_\_\_\_

**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? before 1919  
c. list major alterations and dates (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

Moved from bay front estate near Handsome Avenue.

12. PHOTO: **ELW VIII, #9**  
from NE, E. facade & N. side

13. MAP: **Bowe-Anderson Q-15**



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: \_\_\_\_\_
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)

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

1½ story clapboard building with gable roof that was transformed from an ice house into a home. It still retains some of the original icehouse features.

Formerly part of complex of Holburn Hall, a summer hotel that once stood at 241 Candee Avenue.

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: last half 19th century (c. 1885)

ARCHITECT: \_\_\_\_\_

BUILDER: \_\_\_\_\_

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

It originally was the ice house for an estate that bordered on the Bay near Handsome Avenue when ice was cut from the ponds and stored with sawdust until the Summer. Like many buildings of earlier times, it was moved and utilized rather than destroyed. Although it has been modernized and built onto, it still contains some of the original ice house features, such as heavy 4 and 5 inch-thick doors with huge brass hinges, and some zinc-lined walls. The small building to the rear contained dressing rooms for hotel guests using the tennis court that existed then.

21. SOURCES:

Ruth Dougherty, "Reflections of the Past," Suffolk County News, May 30, 1974.

22. THEME:

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Holburn Hall Ice House  
84 Edwards Avenue

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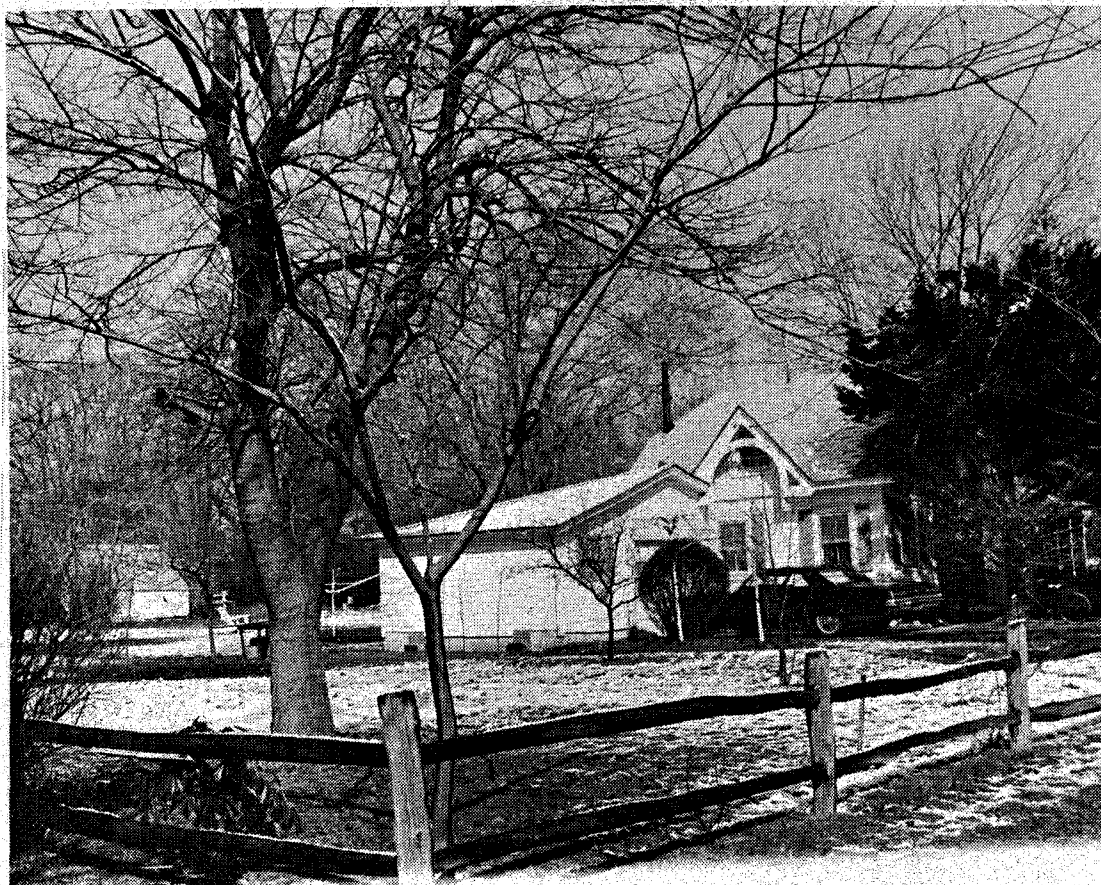
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file: Sayville Sa 35e

Thursday, May 30, 1974

SUFFOLK COUNTY NEWS

## Reflections of the Past Ruth Dougherty



Referring to last week's photo of Holburn Hall that once stood as a Summer hotel at 241 Candee Avenue, Sayville, this was the cottage where Mrs. Holborn lived. It originally was the ice-house for an estate that bordered on the Bay near Handsome Avenue when ice was cut from the ponds and stored with sawdust to help keep it for Summer use. Like many buildings of earlier times, it was moved and utilized rather than destroyed. Although it has been modernized and built onto, it still contains some of its original ice-house features, such as heavy 4 and 5 inch-thick doors with huge brass hinges, and some zinc-lined walls. The small building in the back contained dressing rooms for hotel guests using the tennis court that existed then. The cottage was purchased in 1919 by my parents, Mary and Charles Diuguid. It stands facing Edwards Avenue, number 84, and remains the home of my father, son and I.

R. H. Dougherty Photo  
Sayville Historical Society

→ 84 Edwards Ave