

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 099-40-0002  
QUAD \_\_\_\_\_  
SERIES \_\_\_\_\_  
NEG. NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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YOUR NAME: Anne Ackerson DATE: August, 1978  
55 Cayuga Street  
YOUR ADDRESS: Seneca Falls, NY TELEPHONE: 315-568-8412  
ORGANIZATION (if any): Seneca Falls Historical Society

IDENTIFICATION

- 1. BUILDING NAME(S): Amelia Bloomer House
- 2. COUNTY: Seneca TOWN/CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ VILLAGE: Seneca Falls
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 53 East Bayard Street
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public  b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Ms. Paula Brooks ADDRESS: 53 E. Bayard St., Seneca Falls
- 6. USE: Original: residence Present: multiple residence NY.
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes  No   
Interior accessible: Explain private apartments

Seneca Falls Quad  
UTM: 18/353810/475212  
Lot size: 65 acres

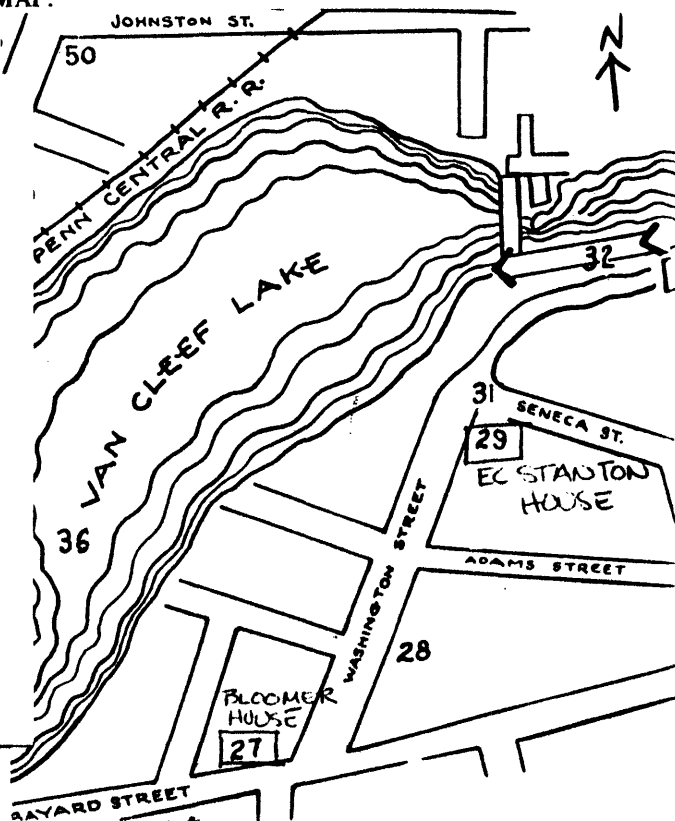
DESCRIPTION

- 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  also based on interior examination
- 11. INTEGRITY: a. original site  b. moved  if so, when? \_\_\_\_\_  
c. list major alterations and dates (if known): large 2-story Italianate addition built ca 1850; interior broken up for apartments ca 1945

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: wooded lot  
 j. other: large front lawn, slate sidewalks
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)  
 Building is part of the proposed Women's Historic District  
 Within 2 blocks of Elizabeth Cady Stanton house  
 Within 2 blocks of Seneca Canal  
 In residential neighborhood with homes of similar substance  
 and architectural styling

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):  
 Original 6 over 6 windows; one pane has 'Anna Stewart, August 1840' scratched on it. Bracketting under eaves and around the cupola is light and delicate. Wide board floors. Nicely shaped cupola. Site nicely wooded. Expansive front porch

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: ca 1835 for right side; ca 1850 for left

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

BUILDER: for 1350 section- Latham Brother Builders & Contractors

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

This house was the home of Amelia Bloomer, temperance advocate, newspaper editor, women's rights leader and exponent of women's dress reform. Bloomers lived in the house for 6 months immediately following their marriage and then purchased a home of their own (no longer standing). It is also reputed to have been a stop on the underground railway. Seneca Falls was the terminus of the Tear Underground Railway. The original structure appears to be a 1 1/2 story Greek Revival residence on a cut limestone foundation. The 2-story Italianate structure (ca 1850) was built by the Latham Brothers, a well-known local family of builders, architects and contractors (see National Register Nomination Form for the SACKETT HISTORIC DISTRICT, Seneca Falls, NY).

21. SOURCES: 1820-1872, an architect of the Capitol at Albany, NY

1856 Map of Seneca Falls, New York  
 Latham research done for the Sackett Historic District, 3/1978.

22. THEME: residential/ Women's Rights

Women's Rights Historic Sites, Seneca Falls and Waterloo, Seneca Co., NY  
 Seneca Falls Tax Map, 1979  
 Scale 1" = 100'  
 Site: Bloomer House.

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SEE SECTION MAP

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map 13 S.F.  
 1" = 100'

