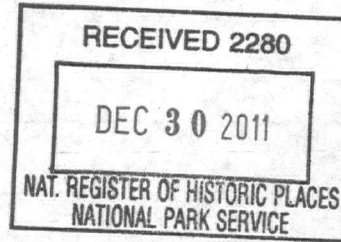


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National Park Service



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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Slingerlands Historic District

other name/site number _____

2. Location

street & number New Scotland and Mullens Roads, Bridge Street not for publication

city or town Slingerlands vicinity _____

state New York code NY county Albany code 001 zip code 12159

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Kurt J. Purpant DSHPO 12/23/11
Signature of certifying official/Title Date

New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the property is:

- entered in the National Register. See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the National Register See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the National Register.
- removed from the National Register.
- other, (explain): _____

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

Chris Albright 2-14-12

5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(check as many boxes as apply)

- public-local
- private
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property

(check only one box)

- district
- building(s)
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
102	24	buildings
		sites
1		structures
		objects
103	24	Total

Name of related multiple property listing

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

N/A

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

Albert I. Slingerland House

6. Function or Use

Historic Function

(Enter categories from instructions)

- DOMESTIC/Single Dwelling
- DOMESTIC/Multiple dwelling
- COMMERCE/Specialty store
- INDUSTRY/Manufacturing facility
- EDUCATION/School
- TRANSPORTATION/Rail related

Current Function

(Enter categories from instructions)

- DOMESTIC/Single dwelling
- DOMESTIC/Multiple dwelling
- COMMERCE/Specialty store

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions)

- Italianate; Commercial Style; Colonial Revival;
- Federal; Greek Revival; Queen Anne; Stick; Bungalow

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

- Foundation** -N/A
- walls** Brick; wood;
- Roof** asphalt; slate;
- Other**

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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The Slingerlands Historic District is located in the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York. The nomination encompasses a linear hamlet spread out primarily along New Scotland Road between its intersection with Couse Lane/Maple Avenue (on the east) and Helderberg Parkway (on the west). The one-mile long district also includes small portions of two side roads, Bridge Street and Mullens Road, which intersect New Scotland near the center of the district. Bridge Street, which extends southeast from the main road, is an old road and its development was closely linked with that of New Scotland Road. Mullens Road, which extends northwest, was created in the early twentieth century when New Scotland Road was depressed to create a railroad overpass where a grade crossing had previously existed. The c.1900 railroad overpass now marks the approximate center of the district. Buildings on Mullens Road originally had been built along New Scotland but received new addresses when New Scotland was slightly rerouted. Other roads branching off either side of New Scotland Road are characterized by typical post-World War II suburban development that has not yet been surveyed or evaluated for its significance.

The eastern boundary of the district nearly abuts a large-scale contemporary shopping center and traffic roundabout, and the district begins on the east with buildings along New Scotland that retain their historic character. On the western end, contemporary residences clearly mark the end of development of the historic hamlet, less than one-half mile from the town line. There are 102 contributing buildings within the historic district, including carriage barns, outbuildings, and garages, and the vast majority of non-contributing buildings are contemporary garages or other types of outbuildings that are placed at the backs of the lots and, for the most part, not visible from the road. There are several contemporary non-contributing residences and a contemporary firehouse scattered throughout. The total number of non-contributing resources is 24.

The district is characterized primarily by residences on large lots with mature plantings and trees, and, for the most part, a generous setback from the road. There is also a large industrial building that was converted to residential use after 1946, a few small-scale historic commercial buildings, a church, the former railroad freight house built near the train station (since demolished), and a

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historic school, also converted to residential use. Bridge Street includes a mix of nineteenth and early-twentieth-century buildings more closely spaced than those in other parts of the district. Non-residential buildings are mostly concentrated near the intersection of Kenwood Avenue and include a non-contributing contemporary fire station.

New Scotland Road, the main thoroughfare, follows the rolling contours of the land. This road dates from no later than the beginning of the nineteenth century and ran from the city of Albany through several crossroads hamlets and the vast rural lands of southern Albany County. At its earliest period of settlement, following the American Revolution, it was characterized by scattered farmhouses and their accompanying acreage.

Several of these widely spaced buildings remain, including the oldest known building in the district, at 1575 New Scotland Road, along with Greek Revival farmhouses at 1458, 1545, and 1620 New Scotland, as well as 36 Bridge Street (individually listed in the National Register as the Albert I. Slingerland House, 1997). The earliest building (1575) was built in three stages beginning around 1790, with the block facing New Scotland being its newest, a five-bay center entrance frame building dating from about 1845. The others dating from the first period of development include the Conning house at 1458 New Scotland, a two-story five-bay brick house with an elliptically-arched recessed doorway and stone quoins and trim; 1471 New Scotland, a one and one-half-story frame Greek Revival house with a side wing; 1545 New Scotland, a two-story brick Greek Revival house with a front-facing gable-roofed main block and side wing, prominent cornice returns and eyebrow windows on the side wing; and 1620 New Scotland, dating from c. 1837 and featuring brick pilasters, eyebrow windows beneath the pediment, and a recessed doorway with Doric columns *in antis*.

During the Civil War, the influential Slingerland family, whose roots date back to Dutch Albany, were able to convince the owners of the Albany and Susquehanna Railroad to route its line from Albany to Binghamton through their lands along New Scotland Road, and the second major period

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of development in the historic district began. The rail line was completed in this area by 1869, included a stop near the New Scotland Road crossing, and the vast majority of the houses in the historic district were constructed, giving the district its present-day character.

The large Victorian-era villas, constructed in the popular styles of the day in the 1870s and following, particularly Italianate, Queen Anne, and Stick Style, compose nearly one-half of the buildings in the district. One of the most prevalent features of the historic district is a three-sided bay window capped by a large projecting gable on the front elevation. In many cases, the overhanging gables are treated with hanging decorative boards above the diagonal bays of this part of the façade. Additional treatments include wraparound porches, towers, and exterior boards simulating framing members, a feature common to the Stick Style.

There are several individual buildings that exhibit these components, such as 1469, 1482, 1509, 1511, 1583, 1599 New Scotland Road and 29 Mullens Road, as well as a particularly notable cluster of adjacent Queen Anne and Stick Style residences that have been decorated with multi-color paint schemes within the last several years at 1568, 1574, 1578, 1580, 1584, and 1588 New Scotland, near the intersection of Kenwood Avenue. Several of these buildings were constructed under the auspices of the Slingerland family.

The district contains only one religious building, the Gothic Revival Slingerlands United Methodist Church, constructed in 1871 and funded by Albert I. Slingerland. It is a brick building with bays marked by heavy brick buttresses. The multi-story brick tower projects from the front elevation and there is a tall wood steeple capping the tower.

The third and final phase of the historic district's development followed the widespread use of automobiles for commuting to city jobs as well as for recreation, and the buildings in the district illustrating this period include bungalows, early twentieth-century Colonial Revival houses, and Cape Cods and "colonials" that were constructed in the years after World War II. In many cases,

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they were built on subdivided lots that once belonged to the larger buildings of the Victorian period. A fine example of a bungalow is located at 1571 New Scotland, constructed c. 1926 and including a shallow-pitched gabled roof with a matching porch roof, brackets in the eaves, and multi-light windows and door. The most outstanding examples of Colonial Revival are five-bay, center-entrance examples at 1625, 1630 and 1661 New Scotland, all of which feature gabled ends with the roof ridge parallel to the road. The buildings at 1630 and 1661 New Scotland also have one-story side wings.

The buildings along Bridge Street are all frame buildings and include more simplified versions of the larger houses along New Scotland. The styles represented include Colonial Revival at 18 Bridge, bungalows at 30 and 34 Bridge, vernacular nineteenth-century houses at 19, 23, 26, 27, and 31 Bridge, as well as the 1840 Albert I. Slingerland House.

In addition to a few non-contributing new residences, there is one non-contributing commercial building at Kenwood and New Scotland, and opposite that, the one-story commercial building constructed in 1949 to house the Tollgate Ice Cream shop. The latter, a mid-twentieth century commercial building, is strongly identified with the historic Slingerlands hamlet.

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BUILDING LIST

All resources are contributing unless otherwise noted

New Scotland Road, North Side

1457: residence, c. 1860-1870

This house appears to be a mid- to late-nineteenth-century house with a full-width Colonial Revival era front porch probably constructed around 1915 or 1920. The house sits on a rise above New Scotland Road with a large lawn and mature vegetation. It has original wooden windows and contemporary siding.

1463: residence, c. 1850

This is large mid-nineteenth-century farmhouse that shows some features of the early Italianate style. It is a two-story gable-with-side-wing house with contemporary siding, original wood windows, and a recessed double front door. The house is set far back from New Scotland Road behind a sweeping lawn. Behind the house are several contemporary additions and a contemporary 3-car garage. The driveway is located off of Couse Lane. According to contemporary maps, this property has no frontage on New Scotland Road, yet it retains its New Scotland address.

1465: residence, c. 1900

Set up on a grassy rise from the road, this house is a frame, two-story four square house with a hipped roof. The façade retains different siding materials, vinyl and wood, and underlying wood sheathing. There is evidence that a porch that has been removed and the front entry appears to be no longer in use. The house is approached by a paved drive off of Couse Lane that leads to a single story contemporary addition on the rear.

1469: residence, c. 1890

A two-story frame, Queen Anne style residence, 1469 has a multi-color slate roof that includes striping and other slate patterns. The front porch has a painted starburst over the entry that leads to the front door. The driveway on the west side of the house leads to an attached two-story garage and apartment added to the rear. As with several other houses in the historic district, this features a three-sided two-story bay window with a prominent gabled roof above. There is also a three-story tower in the ell of the building. Although the house has been covered with vinyl siding, it retains its historic form and character.

1471: residence, c. 1850

1471 is a Greek Revival house set on a level lot with mature landscaping and trees. It is a two-story frame house with clapboard siding and six-over-six windows, some of which have original wavy glass. The front porch spans the front of the house, which presents its gable end to the street. The ell to the west side has eyebrow windows on the second story and there is a contemporary addition in the rear and a gravel driveway on the west side that leads to a contemporary non-contributing

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two-car garage. The home is associated with the prominent early Slingerlands Conning family and the *Conning burial ground is located on the parcel.*

1475: residence, c. 1890

This two-story frame house has a gable end facing the road with an ell on the east side. The front gable has decorative shingles and a contrasting paint color at the peak. The ell has a porch across the front and adjacent to that is a small projecting bay with paired windows. On the west façade, the two second story dormer windows pierce the eave line of the roof. The entrance from New Scotland leads directly to a gravel parking area on the west, separated from the house by mature shrubs. A small contemporary shed (non-contributing) sits at the rear of the property.

1489: residence, c. 1890

A large two and one-half -story Queen Anne style house, this building sits close to the road behind mature plantings. The three-sided bay window on the west side is topped with a prominent gable, a feature common to the style and common to many of the buildings in the historic district. To the right a one-story porch covers the front door, above which, on the second story, is centered a single window. Above that is a prominent dormer window projects from the roof, echoing the gable to the left. Set on the rear of the property is a contemporary one and one-half-story garage that has been converted to a studio space (non-contributing).

1497: residence, c. 1873

Sitting back on a grassy lawn, 1497 is a 2-story brick residence built as the parsonage for the Methodist Church located next door (1499). It was built under the sponsorship of Albert I Slingerland, who also sponsored construction of the church. All of the windows have stone lintels and matching stone quoins marking the corners. There are stone squares in a row (like a belt course) above the second story windows. This unusual feature occurs in at least two other buildings in the district and may be the work of a local mason. The projecting two-story center block is flanked on the west by one bay, on the east by two. The front porch spans the center and west side bay and has arched openings under the roof line. In the center block, the front door is offset to the right with a side light on the left. The second story window above, under the gable, is offset to the left. Facing New Scotland Road, on the right side, is an attached, contemporary two-car garage.

1499: church, c. 1871

The Slingerlands Community United Methodist Church sits on a lot that rises sharply from New Scotland Road and is framed by mature trees. A large brick building, it was built on land donated by Albert I. Slingerland, who was a leader in its construction. It is built in the Gothic Revival style, featuring a pointed-arched, double front door in the square tower that rises three stories. Behind the arched louvered opening hangs a Meneely bell, manufactured by one of the most prolific bell makers of the nineteenth century, and located in northern Albany County. Rising above the tower is the slate shingled steeple topped with an arrow-shaped weather vane. The pointed arch windows along the sides of the main building are separated by brick buttresses. The rear Fellowship Hall was added in 1933 and the Education wing on the east side was added in 1960. The driveway on the

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west side of the property leads to a paved parking area at the rear, west side of the building. A historic iron fence separates the church from 1507 New Scotland Road.

1507: residence, c. 1875

This is similar in shape and form to 1497, a 2-story brick home with stone window caps, quoins and square stone blocks that form a belt course above the second-story windows. In the center block of this home, the front door is located behind a small porch slightly offset to the right. Above, in the center of the second story, is a three-sided projecting oriel window. The block to the left has two bays and the block to the right has one. The single first story window on the bay to the right has been enlarged slightly and has a small arched stained glass window. The drive on the right side of the property passes under a porte cochere.

1509: residence, c. 1890

This is a large Queen Anne style house sitting on a level lot behind a large pine tree. It is a two and one-half -story frame house with a multi-colored slate roof set in a striped pattern. The house has been converted to four apartment units. Similar to many other residences in the district, the house has a two-story three-sided bay window capped by a steep gabled roof with decorative shingles and brackets under the eaves on the gable. A front porch has been enclosed. To the rear of the property is a large, period carriage barn.

1511: residence, 1878

Albert I. Slingerland sold this property to Charles Hammond, superintendent of the D&H Railroad, in 1878. Because of its historic character, this Queen Anne house was used in the filming of the movie *Ironweed House* in 1987. It is a two-story frame building (covered with vinyl siding but retaining its decorative woodwork) with multiple roof gables and a three-story square tower which has a square pyramidal roof. The façade features a two and one-half-story three-sided bay window with a high gable above with a round window and barge-boards within the gable. There are decorative shingles and brackets in the gable. The front door is in the tower block, sheltered by a porch that wraps to the east façade. There is also an entrance on the west side which has a smaller porch. The rear addition was added in 1917 by a later owner. The lot is level with a small grassy lawn and front walk flanked by a shared drive (with 1509) on the right, and another driveway on the left that leads to a contemporary two-car garage (non-contributing).

1519: multi-unit residence, c. 1850

This is a large, complicated brick house. At first glance it appears to be an Italianate style home with a two story, three-bay center block under a shallow hipped roof with heavy brackets under the eaves. The block on the west is slightly set back, also with a hipped roof and brackets. These two blocks share a front porch supported by contemporary metal columns. The west block has an unused porte cochere with no evidence of a drive leading to it or through it. On the east side of the house is another block that might predate the other two. It is one and one-half stories tall with its own porch, also supported by metal columns. There is an entrance door and two eyebrow windows

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above. The home currently has four apartments. A gravel drive leads to a parking area and contemporary shed (non-contributing) on the east side.

1525: substantially altered; non-contributing

1535: residence, c. 1850

The house is set back on a grassy level lot with large trees close to the house. A paved drive from New Scotland Road leads to the two-story, brick Greek Revival house. The projecting gable end center block has a recessed tall wood entrance door with a carved sunburst over it. The gable has dentil molding and there are heavy stone window lintels. The two-story symmetrical side wings each have an entrance door with a patio area. There is a contemporary, two-story addition on the rear that is vinyl sided. The house and property were once owned by Albert I. Slingerland. In the early twentieth century it was known as the old Oliver House, having been in the Oliver family for many years. John Oliver was Bethlehem town supervisor from 1942 to 1959.

1537: residence, c. 1880

This house is set back on a grassy level lot with a mature pine tree close to the building. It is accessed by a paved drive that is near the edge of the lot. It is a Queen Anne two-story frame house that has been vinyl sided. The west side of the façade has a projecting, three-sided two-story bay with a prominent gable end with decorative barge boards, a feature common to the historic district. The first story of the east side has a covered porch with decorative railings and shelters the main entrance door. Behind the home is a contemporary two-car garage (non-contributing). The house was built on property once belonging to Albert I. Slingerland

1545: currently a residence, former Home Lawn Hotel, c. 1800, 1830, with 1870 addition

While this lot has a New Scotland Road address, it is accessed by a paved driveway off Mullens Road, a road probably created when the level of New Scotland was lowered to eliminate the grade crossing of the railroad tracks. Near Mullens Road, the driveway to this house splits, with the right drive proving access to a level paved area adjacent to the rear wing and a freestanding contemporary four-car garage (non-contributing). The left drive curves up the rise of the land past the front façade and exits on Mullens Road. The right (east) wing of the house is thought to be the earliest, a one and one-half-story brick block with a central door flanked by a window on each side and two small eyebrow windows above, built circa 1800. In the center is a two-story, brick, Greek Revival block added in 1830. The gable end faces the circular drive and there are cornice returns at the eaves. A white painted porch projects over the entrance door. Both of the c.1800 and c.1830 blocks feature heavy stone window lintels and stone quoins at the corners. To the west of the main block is a historic enclosed wooden porch with a contemporary deck behind it. The grounds are enhanced with foundation plantings. The large, three-story, brick, rear wing was added in 1870 when the building was known as the Home Lawn Hotel. The entire structure has slate roofing material.

Railroad Overpass over New Scotland Road: structure, c.1900

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1565: industrial building, c. 1879, with later additions

The former Slingerlands Printing Company is a large complex that was converted to apartments after its closure as a printing company in 1946. It underwent extensive renovations in 2008 that maintained its historic character. The lot is mostly level with the entrance drive and parking lot shared with number 1569 New Scotland on the west side. The building is located near to the road with a wooded setting on the rear (north side). The center building is a frame two-story structure with the gable facing New Scotland Road. The gable has a half round window, and there are three windows on each story. It features decorative wood trim that recalls the Stick Style. The east side has an entrance door covered by a porch and a one-story brick wing. Remains of the painted signage of the printing company can be seen along the roof line. The first story of the west addition is brick with an upper half clearstory that appears to be faced with stucco. The west elevation has the entrance door, which is reached by a contemporary manufactured masonry stairway.

1569: commercial building, c. 1949

The one story brick commercial building has housed the Toll Gate Ice Cream Restaurant in the west storefront since 1949 and there is currently a bank occupying the east side. The level lot is paved for parking on all sides. There are large plate glass windows flanking the two entrance doors. In the rear of the building, beyond the parking lot, is contemporary non-contributing commercial building. This is one of the few commercial buildings in the district and the restaurant is named for the fact that there was a tollgate along the New Scotland Plank Road at this location. The interior of the restaurant has not been changed since its opening and it has been an important commercial establishment in the town since then.

1569 Rear: contemporary commercial building behind the Tollgate Restaurant. (non-contributing)

1571: residence, c. 1926

The house is set back on a level lot with mature trees and shrubs. It is one of the frame bungalows in the district that illustrates the continued desirability of Slingerlands as a residential neighborhood into the automobile era of the 1920s. It has a prominent projecting front porch that covers two-thirds of the main block with a gabled roof that reflects that of the main block. There are battered columns supporting the porch roof and brackets above each column and at the center of the gable. Matching brackets can be found along the rake of the gable of the main block. The symmetrical windows are surrounded by shouldered and battered architraves and the original center door with six square lights above long panels is flanked by sidelights. There is a long wheelchair ramp that is detachable from the house present onto the front porch.

1575: residence, c. 1790, 1800 and 1845

On a level lot with mature trees and shrubs, this is the homestead of the John Albert Slingerland, patriarch of the Slingerland family in the hamlet and the oldest building in the historic district. John A. Slingerland leased the property from the patroon in 1790 and built the original part of the building at the rear soon thereafter. Around 1800 a two-story addition was constructed and in 1845,

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John A.'s son, John I. Slingerland, added the prominent two-story portion that faces New Scotland Road. The entire house is frame with wood siding, painted white with black shutters. The front wing is a center hall block and the door has a rectangular light above. It is flanked by two windows on either side, with six-over-six wood sash, and there are six-over-six wood sash windows across the second story. There is a front porch that spans the entire front side with simple square columns, probably added in the early twentieth century. The driveway on the east side of the house passes through a contemporary car port that is attached to the house.

1579: residence, c. 1920

Set back on a level lot with a circular drive in front and mature plantings, this is a Colonial Revival style residence built c.1920. It is two and one-half stories in height, with wood siding. There is a center front door with a fanlight above and side lights, all covered by a single-bay entrance porch with Doric columns and a semi-elliptical ceiling that matches the curve of the fanlight. To either side are replacement double windows with sloping metal roofs. There are three original windows on the second story and three prominent dormer windows across the gabled roof, the ridge of which runs parallel to the road. There are small one-story wings on each side of the main block. A driveway on the east side leads to a contemporary garage (non-contributing).

1583: residence, c. 1890

On a level lot with mature trees and plantings, this Queen Anne style house has been sensitively renovated by the current owners. The two and one-half -story, frame building features a three-sided two-story bay capped by prominent front gable with decorative shingling in various patterns and historic shutters on most windows. A wide front porch was recreated using others in the hamlet for inspiration. There is a paved parking area in front, and the drive leads to an attached two-car garage, with dormers.

1599: residence, c. 1850, with c. 1914 modifications

This large house enjoys a park-like setting on a large corner lot with lawns, mature trees and plantings. It is a three-story, frame Queen Anne house with a red tiled roof, prominent square tower, many gables and dormers, and wrap-around porches. The driveway off of New Scotland Road leads under the porte cochere and on to a contemporary three-car garage (non-contributing) whose hip roof echoes the roof lines of the main house. Behind it is a large period carriage barn with a cupola that is also accessed from a drive off of Font Grove Road. The original home was built by Charles Bender and the 1914 modification were created by William H.S. Miner.

1605: residence, c. 1924

This is a small bungalow house with wood siding. The home sits on a small level lot and has a large single-hipped roof with a gable-roofed front porch.

1613: residence, c. 1898

This home sits on a large level lot with mature trees and shrubs. It is a two and one-half-story Queen Anne style house with a sweeping veranda across the front of the house that connects to the

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porte cochere on the west side. It has a slate roof, wood clapboard siding, decorative shingles and barge boards along the gables. The driveway on the west leads to a large two-story carriage barn that is wood and has a metal roof and a cupola.

1621: residence, c. 1910

This is a small frame, one and one-half-story modified bungalow home with a double-windowed dormer that appears to have been modified over the years. It sits on a level lot with mature gardens and trees.

1623: residence, c. 1914

This is a two-story house with a large gambrel roof main block with a cross-gable on the front, also with a gambrel roof. The front porch spans the entire width of the house and is supported by Doric columns. The front door and one-over-one windows appear to be original. It is sided with wood clapboards and shingles. The driveway on the west side leads to a one and one-half-story wood frame carriage barn with a metal roof.

1625: contemporary residence; non-contributing

1635: residence, c. 1927

This two-story home sits well back from New Scotland Road beyond an expansive lawn with a tree-lined driveway on the east. It is a Colonial Revival style house with wood clapboard siding, wood shutters and a slate roof. The front door is centered between two bays and has sidelights beneath a simple porch with square columns. Above the front door is a three-part window with a half circle wooden fan detail above the center window. A single-story enclosed porch is on west side of the house.

1643: residence, c. 1915

This is a two-story frame house that shows some features of the Colonial Revival, such as its symmetrical façade and a roof that flares out to create an overhang across the front door and first-story windows. Above, a large dormer with a gable on each end and a window in the middle creates the second story. The windows and siding are wood and there is a cobblestone chimney on the west side of the house. The lot is level with mature trees and gardens and the driveway on the west side of the house leads to a two-car garage.

1645: residence, c. 1930

This is a three-bay brick-front Colonial Revival residence with the front door to the west of the main block and an adjacent attached garage. Sides of the building are clapboard. The front door has pilasters and a pediment and windows are six-over-six double-hung sash.

1647: residence, c. 1930

This is a three-bay Colonial Revival residence with the door in the west bay and a one-and-one-half-story wing adjacent that contains a garage with the driveway accessed from Mayfair Drive. It

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sits on a level corner lot with mature pine trees. The first story has a three-sided bay window that may have been added and there are three double-hung windows on the second story. There is an end chimney on the east.

1661: residence, c. 1920

This is a large two and one-half-story frame Colonial Revival residence that sits behind a row of mature trees on a wooded corner lot at North Helderberg Parkway. The center front door is flanked by two bays of windows and is sheltered by a front porch with Doric columns and heavy pediment. The roof above the second story is pierced by three evenly spaced dormers. The main block of the house is flanked by one-story enclosed porches or rooms on each side. The driveway is on the east side of the house and passes through an iron fence. This is one of the finest examples of early-twentieth-century Colonial Revival architecture in the historic district.

New Scotland Road, South Side

1458 (also, 10 Maple Avenue): residence, c. 1848

A two-story, brick Federal style residence, 1458 is set well back from New Scotland Road behind large pine trees. It has a recessed front door with arched stone cap, stone window lintels and stone quoins. Distinctive square stone trim elements make a row under the eaves of the slate roof and continue around to the gable end. A historic two-story brick wing has been added to the rear, as well as a contemporary addition to the north side. The house was built for Andrew Conning and was later lived in by Catherine Slingerland Frasier, daughter of Albert I. Slingerland. A circular driveway enters from Maple Avenue along the west side of the house and provides access to the rear door and a contemporary garage.

1462: contemporary house that faces Maple Avenue (replaced an earlier house that burned) non-contributing. The carriage barn associated with the early home survives.

1466: residence, c. 1942

This is a Cape Cod style home with a prominent gabled front porch. A detached two-car garage is reached by a drive on the west side of the house.

1470: residence, c. 1940

This is a small cottage home that has been *extensively modified* over the years. It includes two dormers and a recessed front entry. ?????

1478: residence, c. 1930

This one and one-half-story frame home is a bungalow with shingle siding and large one-over-one windows. It has a cross gable and double and triple windows, along with brackets along the roofline. The front door is located on the east side adjacent to the driveway. There are mature plantings around the grounds and a garden on the east side.

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1480: residence, c. 1900

This residence sits on a lot that slopes to the rear of the property with mature trees and shrubs. The two and one-half-story frame building sits on a stone and concrete foundation. It has wood siding and a slate roof pierced by a side dormer, perhaps added later. There are exposed horizontal courses suggesting the Stick Style as well as a decorative bargeboard in the gable facing New Scotland Road, a feature common to buildings in the Queen Anne style. There is a full-width front porch with decorative posts. The rear addition was added in 1970 and includes an attached garage in the lower level reached by the driveway on the west side of the building.

1482: residence, c.1889

Situated on a level lot with mature trees and shrubs, this is a two and one-half-story frame, vinyl sided residence. It features a prominent front gable above a three-sided bay window, a feature common to both the Queen Anne style in general and a popular feature in the Slingerlands Historic District. There is a small partial wrap-around front porch to the left sheltering the front door.

1486-1488: residence, c. 1905

This is a three-story frame house with painted wood shingle siding and original windows. It sits on a large level lot behind a white picket fence with gardens in the front and on the sides. There is a pond in the back yard. A porch wraps the front of the house and there are a few steps under a small gable in the porch leading to the front door. Centered over the front door on the second story is a small projecting bay with a gabled roof. The main block of the house is surmounted by a gambrel roof. The driveway on the west side of the house leads to period carriage barn which is one and one-half stories in height, covered with wood shingles and a metal roof. There are two large doors and in the upper half-story, a loading door. The home was built as a two family but is now a single family.

1490-1492: 2 family residence, c.1890

This two-story frame building sits close to the road on a level lot and is believed to have been a store at one time. It has a flat roof and bracketed cornice suggesting an Italianate derivation. The center doorway is sheltered under a two-bay front porch. The building has a five-bay façade with simple wood trim surrounding the windows, which may have originally contained two-over-two double-hung sash. The center window of the second floor contains this configuration and others have been replaced. There is a driveway on the east side and another entry door covered by a small porch.

1494: residence, c. 1858

This is a two-story frame house, with a flat roof and an Italianate bracketed cornice. The house sits behind a dense garden. A front porch spans the first floor with the front door in the center with paired windows to either side. There are no windows on the west façade. The driveway leads to the back of the property where there is a contemporary shed. 1494, 1496 and 1498 have a similar setbacks from the road.

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1496: residence, c.1850

This is a Greek Revival farmhouse with a gable end facing New Scotland Road and a side wing off to the east side that includes a small porch. There is a single door in the east bay of the main block and a center door in the porch. The house is covered with aluminum or vinyl siding and the windows have been replaced. The west façade has two eyebrow windows on the second floor. The driveway is on the right and there is a small contemporary shed in the back yard.

1498: residence, c. 1880

A large, two and one-half-story Victorian era house, it has wood siding, original windows and a slate roof. It has many dormers and gables piercing the roof line, including a prominent gable at the front with a circular window within. There is a screened in front porch and the large, three-story addition on the rear was added in 1904. The drive to the west side circles the house to a large one and one-half-story carriage barn at the rear. There is another paved drive/parking spot on the east side near the front door. For a short time the house was owned by Charles Hammond of the D&H Railroad.

1500: originally school building, now apartments, c.1908

Common School District #9 had a school on this site as early as 1850. The current frame building with painted wood siding was built in 1908 as a replacement to that earlier building. It has a cut stone foundation and Colonial Revival details. There is a square cupola situated on a hipped roof, with pediments on all sides, under which are arched, louvered windows. The prominent gable faces New Scotland Road, has dentils and a fanlight in the pediment, a large three-light window on the second story and a painted belt course between the first and second stories. The double front doors are contained within an arched opening with a large semi-circular fanlight and sidelights. To either side are tall narrow, arched windows. The side elevations feature groups of five windows indicative of the placement of the four classrooms that the building housed. It was last used as a school in 1946 and converted to apartments shortly thereafter with little change to the exterior. The building is approached by a circular drive and has large shrubs shrouding the main entry.

1504: residence, c.1890

This is a simple two-story frame single-family building clad in vinyl siding, a step down from New Scotland Road, located close to the road and even with adjacent buildings at 1506-1508 New Scotland. The gable end faces the road with decorative shingles in the peak and denticulated window caps. On the first story, there are two windows adjacent to the front entry door, which is covered with a modest entry porch. The second story contains only two windows. On the west side is another covered entrance door. To the rear is a freestanding two-car garage (non-contributing) reached by a driveway off of McCormack Road at the rear of the lot.

1506-1508: 2 family residence, c.1890

Set below a few steps from New Scotland Road with a small lawn in front, this simple two-story frame house is vinyl sided but retains several wood one-over-one windows. The front entry has two

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doors set close together beneath a small covered porch supported by Doric columns. To the rear is a contemporary addition with a deck. In the rear is a freestanding two-car garage (non-contributing) accessed by a drive off of Bridge Street.

1520: Slingerlands Fire Station, non-contributing.

1526: commercial building, c. 1850

One of the few commercial buildings in the district, this brick building is situated on a lot that slopes gently up from New Scotland Road and is paved with parking spaces at front and east side. It is two and one-half-stories in height and its gable end faces New Scotland Road. The main store is accessed by an inset center door between large plate glass windows fronting New Scotland. The east side rear has another, smaller commercial space with an entrance door on the east façade. The upper story is painted red, lower painted white. There is a two-story, two-bay addition on west side with its entrance door at the far right side that appears to be used for storage. The former railroad track right of way is behind the property and its commercial use may be related to its proximity to the former railroad.

1538: a parcel with two buildings: one residence, c.1880; former freight house, c.1864 (also addressed as 839 Kenwood Avenue);

These buildings share a lot located between New Scotland Road and Kenwood Avenue. The lot rises steeply from New Scotland Road and levels off at the rear. The buildings are separated by a level gravel area used for parking and the grassy railroad track right of way. Both are accessed by a gravel drive from Kenwood Avenue.

Residence: a two-story vernacular, frame building clad in vinyl siding with a flat roof, close to New Scotland Road. The north side facing New Scotland has an unused entrance door with a poured concrete staircase and contemporary iron railing. It has a projecting oriel window supported by carved brackets in the center of the second story. The main entrance to the home is on the south side under a wood porch covering the main entrance door in the center.

Freight house: a one-story frame building with vertical board and batten siding and a wide, low, over hanging roof that shelters a large platform along the entire south side. Both gable ends have open cut work bargeboards that were recreated by the owner from a c.1900 photograph of the building. The east side has a projecting bay window. The building was originally a combination station (passenger and freight) for the D&H Railroad located nearby. When the new passenger station was built in 1888 (no longer in existence), this was moved to its present location and converted to a freight house. Adjacent to the building is the now-abandoned railroad right-of-way.

1568: residence, c. 1890

Set well back on a level lot with mature trees and plants, the two and one-half-story house has features of the Stick Style with decorative trim boards that suggest the location of framing members. It also features a tower with a pyramidal roof and cornice brackets characteristic of the Queen Anne style, also popular at same time. Painted green and tan with red trim, there are

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decorative shingles in the gables and a gabled porch over the front door. There is a small, modern addition on the west side that does not detract from the house. A period one and one-half story carriage barn is reached by a driveway on the east side of the house.

1572: residence, c. 1915

Set back on a level lot, this simple four-square two-story frame house is one of the few in the district of that type. The house is surrounded by mature trees and shrubs with extensive gardens in the rear. There is a front porch that spans the whole first floor. The front door with sidelights is to the right with a large, period window to the left. The driveway on the west side leads to a contemporary garage (non-contributing) beside the house. The wood siding is painted yellow, with white trim and black shutters.

1574: residence, c. 1895

This Queen Anne style house is set back from New Scotland Road on a level lot with mature trees and shrubs. It has two stories with a conical tower on the west side. The porch wraps the entire front of the house and is accessed by a staircase in the center leading to the front door, which is located to the left side of the porch. The historic wood siding is painting buff and blue with decorative shingles and bargeboards in the gables. The roof of the front porch and tower is metal, and the remaining roofs are covered with asphalt. The straight drive on the east side leads to a one and one-half story period carriage barn.

1578: residence, c. 1895

Set back on a level lot with mature trees and shrubs, this house is a Queen Anne style house that was modernized in the early twentieth century. It is two and one-half stories in height with a prominent front gable and a tower that may have been shortened. The former front porch has been turned into interior living space and there is a stone patio with brick and metal trim spanning the front of the house. The house retains painted wood siding with decorative shingles in the gables and the majority of the roof is slate.

1580: residence, c. 1895

Set back on a level lot with mature trees and shrubs, this is a two and one-half-story frame Queen Anne style house with a square tower, painted wood siding and decorative shingles and bargeboard in the gable. The colors are shades of sage with off white trim and dark red accents. The entrance to the wrap-around porch features a small gable with a decorative element present and turned porch posts.

1584: residence, c. 1895

This a large two and one-half -story Queen Anne style home with wood siding painted white. The façade and east sides are covered with a large porch with decorative spindles under the roofline and turned posts supporting the roof. On the second story is a shallow three-arched decorative false porch in front of the second story windows. The prominent front gable above that has three small windows and decorative brackets under the eaves. It appears that there was a multi-sided tower roof

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on the east side that has been removed and covered with a flat roof. The lot is level with mature trees and shrubs and a circular drive in the front with a driveway on the west side leading to a period carriage barn near the rear of the house.

1588: residence, c. 1895

This is a large Queen Anne style residence set on a level lot with mature trees and landscaping. The two and one-half-story home is frame with a slate roof over all areas except for the front porch, which has a metal roof. There is a one-story wraparound porch on the front and east sides that features a small gable over the steps with decorative starburst design. The siding is painted wood clapboard with decorative shingles in the gables. There is a second story porch above the front door and an octagonal shaped tower on the left. The driveway on the east side leads to a three-bay period carriage barn to the rear.

1592: residence, c. 1920

This Colonial Revival house has the gambrel roof end facing New Scotland Road with the front door to the left and a three-part window with multi-light sash to the right. It is covered with wood shingles and located on a level lot with mature shrubs. The east façade has three dormer windows. The driveway on the east side leads to a large carriage barn, which appears to be older than the house itself. The home was built by Harold Bullock Slingerland.

1594: residence, c. 1940

This is a one and one-half-story brick Cape Cod style home with a slate roof pierced by two double window dormers and inset front entry.

1598: residence, c. 1940

A Cape Cod style home, 1598 is has wood clapboards and a slate roof. The gables of the two dormers are matched by the small gable that shelters the centered front door. A driveway from Slingerland Street leads to a detached single car garage.

1602: residence, c. 1940

This is a brick Cape Cod style house with a slate roof. The roof above the front façade is broken by three clapboard sided dormer windows. There is a center door with a heavy enframing flanked by a single window. All windows have multi-light sash. The attached garage is accessed by a short driveway off of Slingerland Street.

1606: residence, c. 1900

This home sits on a level lot behind a wall of shrubs along New Scotland Road. Despite modern siding and windows, the house may be a simple Colonial Revival house with its prominent gable end and side front door. It has a half round window in the gable end and sits on a brick foundation. A wing on the east side leads to a contemporary attached garage.

1612: contemporary residence; non-contributing

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1620: residence, c.1837

This brick Greek Revival house is one of the oldest in the historic district. The center block has an recessed front door flanked by Doric columns. Pilasters separate the window and door bays rising to a projecting brick belt course with eyebrow windows above. The gable is highlighted with a half-round shuttered opening. There is a single story flanking wing on each side. Each has a door and a window with the door on the east side bricked up. A single story frame addition is present on the (rear) west side and there is a driveway leading to a contemporary two-car garage. The home was owned by William Henry Slingerland.

1630: residence, c. 1927

This is a one of the outstanding Colonial Revival residences constructed during the development of Slingerlands as an automobile suburb. It is a five-bay house with a center door flanked with a fanlight and pedimented doorway based on the pattern books of the early nineteenth century. On either side of the door and above the front door are double-hung windows with six-over-one sash. The house sided in wood shingles. There is a single-story enclosed porch on the east side and an open sun porch on the west. It is located on a landscaped corner lot with a period two-car garage accessed from a driveway off of Southwood Drive, a modern side street with a tree-lined median down the center. It was originally built for the Mather family.

1640: contemporary residence; non-contributing

1648: contemporary residence; non-contributing

1658: residence, c. 1937

This is a two-story three-bay Colonial Revival residence with a center entrance. The front door is sheltered by a small porch supported by Doric columns. The east side of the house has an open porch and the west an enclosed porch. There is a gable roof with the ridge running parallel to the road and an outside chimney on the west side. At the attic level, there are lunette windows flanking the chimney. The yard is landscaped with mature plantings and there is a circular driveway in front of the house. On the east side the drive leads to a detached contemporary two-car garage (non-contributing).

1662: residence, c. 1937

This is a two-story Colonial Revival house sided in wood shingles. The front door is flanked by a single window on each side and the second story row of three windows has dormers that pierce the roof line. The home has an attached two-car garage on the west side accessed by the driveway from New Scotland. The front yard is heavily wooded and screens the house from the road.

1664: residence, c. 1940

This is a two-story three-bay Colonial Revival residence with a stone first story and wood-shingled second story. The overhanging second story is accented with wooden "drops," a feature based on

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New England buildings of the seventeenth and early eighteenth centuries. The roof is slate with a metal snow slide and the windows are wood and probably date from the construction period. The brick two-car garage behind the house on the west side is accessed by a driveway from South Helderberg Parkway. The lot is level with mature trees and plantings.

1672: residence, c. 1940

This is a two-story three-bay Colonial Revival, the last in the row of four. 1672 sits on a landscaped level lot. The front door has a transom light above and a heavy pediment. It is flanked by a wide single window on either side. On the second story is centered a circular window with dormered windows on either side. The siding is wood shingles, except for the second floor on the front façade, which is smooth planks. The roof is slate, and a circular drive enters from New Scotland Road and exits to the east of the house on South Helderberg Parkway. The drive from New Scotland Road also enters an attached two-car garage; beyond that garage is a small attached shed with a small garage. All buildings on the property have slate roofs.

Mullens Road

17: residence, c. 1895

This level lot with mature landscaping features a two-story frame Italianate house. It has a shallow hipped roof, brick foundation and vinyl siding. It retains decorative wooden brackets under the eaves of the roof. The façade has a porch across the first story. The center entrance door has a fan light over the door and sidelights. The two windows to either side of the front door are modern replacement bow windows. The second story windows are three pairs of narrow one-over-one windows. On the east side second story is a modern wooden deck with stairs leading to the ground.

19: c residence, 1945

This is a Cape Cod style house set well back from Mullens Road behind mature trees.

29: residence, c. 1892

This house is approached by a long, wooded, private drive at the end of Mullens Road. The main house is set well back behind a grassy lawn with mature trees close to the house. The house is a large, complex Queen Anne style two and one-half-story frame building with many projecting two-story gable bays and a large wrap-around porch centered on the front door. The wood siding and windows are original. The porch roof and small sections of the other roof surfaces are red metal and the majority of the remaining roof surfaces are slate. There are decorative shingles in the many gables. Near the house are two small outbuildings, painted white and featuring red roofs. One appears to be a chicken coop. Beyond the house is a c.1900 carriage barn, a large two-story frame building painted white with a red metal roof. The siding and windows appear to be original. It is situated behind large trees. The house was the home of Cornelius Slingerland, owner of the Slingerland Printing Company, which is directly south of the house across the railroad tracks.

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Bridge Street – north side

14: residence, c. 1880

This home sits on a triangular shaped lot bounded by Bridge Street and McCormack Road. The two-story frame house faces Bridge Street with a small porch with a brick stair and landing covering the front door. The house *appears to have been much modified* over the years including replacement siding and windows. A contemporary one-car garage is accessed from a drive off McCormack Road.

18: residence, c. 1929, with 1939 addition

This house is a stucco-sided, red tile roofed Colonial Revival style house with a Spanish detail present in the tiled roof. A concrete walkway steps up from Bridge Street to the front door with its prominent gabled entry way with Doric pilasters and a semi-elliptical arch within the doorway pediment. The 1939, two-story addition on the west side was built by the home owner, Charles Maxwell, a local builder. There is a detached matching garage, also stucco with a red tile roof, behind the home, accessed from driveway from McCormack Road.

20: residence, c. 1910

A two-story frame house, 20 Bridge has wide clapboards on the first story and blue stained shingles on the second. There is a small, one-story addition on the left side. There is a gravel drive and parking area on the west side.

24: residence, c.1900

24 is a two-story frame farmhouse with a slate roof, wood one-over-one windows and wood clapboard siding. The front porch has an asphalt roof that is supported by simple Doric style columns and probably dates from the early twentieth century. The house sits on a level lot behind mature shrubs. The gravel driveway passes along the left side of the house past a two-story newer addition to the rear and another two-story flat roofed addition beyond that.

26: residence, c. 1895

A large, two and one-half-story frame house sheathed in wood clapboards, 26 was built as a two-family home with a veranda wrapping the front of the house. The steeply pitched hipped roof has several cross gables, which have decorative shingles and contrasting paint. The driveway on the right leads to a two-story carriage barn at the rear of the property. An early deed indicates this parcel was once owned by Albert I. Slingerland.

30: residence, c. 1930

The house sits on a lot that rises steeply from the street and levels out. The house is a one and one-half -story bungalow with a side gable and low dormer in the roof. The roof is slate with a dark snow-slide metal edge. The front door is in the center flanked by three grouped multi-light sash original wood windows on either side. Wood window-box supports project under these windows. The house has wood siding. A cobblestone chimney climbs the northwest side of the house and a

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single story sun porch is off the south east side. A period garage in the rear is accessed by a driveway to the left of the house. The home was built by William Degenaar.

34: residence, c. 1928

This residence is located on a rise above the street and is a small bungalow with the gable end facing the street. It has battered porch posts that rise from the ground to support the roof. It appears that there had been an open front porch that has since been enclosed, typical of bungalows. The drive on the left leads to a contemporary one and one-half-story two-car garage (non-contributing).

36: residence, c. 1840

Albert I. Slingerland House.- National Register-listed

Bridge Street – south side

19: residence, c. 1880

This is a two and one-half story frame house with wood clapboards and wood six-over-six windows (some with wavy glass) that sits on a level, treed lot with mature shrubs. The house has a cross gable configuration. The center, front gable has two bays and a small rectangular window and decorative shingles in the gable. These shingles appear to be slate, as is the roof. The front door is in the wing to the left with a small porch covering it. A driveway on the right leads to a one and one-half story frame carriage house.

23: residence, c. 1880

This is strikingly similar to 19 with the same main cross gable configuration and window and door placement. The porch of 23 extends from the front door and wraps around the left side of the house. The gable ends on the east and west sides have slate shingles and are angled back almost like a hipped roof. The west side has a dormered window while the east is crossed by the chimney. The driveway leads to a two-story carriage barn that has been modified with a modern garage door. The level lot has mature trees and shrubs. 23 was once owned by Albert I. Slingerland, and the house was occupied by E.W. Muzzy, a conductor on the D&H railroad in the early twentieth century.

27: residence, c. 1880

This residence sits on a level lot close to the road surrounded by mature vegetation. It is a two and one-half story frame house that has been modified. The house probably was similar to its neighbors at 19 and 23 Bridge Street. There is a partially enclosed front porch that appears to serve as a vestibule to the main entrance. Above the second floor window is a large hipped roof with a dormered window. The east block appears to have once been a gable end but an addition with a roof that slopes down to the first floor has been added. The home has replacement siding and windows and the drive leads to a contemporary two-car garage. The property was once owned by Albert I. Slingerland.

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31: residence, c. 1863

This residence sits on a level, grassy lot close to the road. The two-story frame building has modern siding and replacement windows. The prominent gable end at the front has three window bays on each story. Although windows have been replaced, the ornate window lintels are wood and may be original to the house. The west side has no openings except for a projecting three-sided bay window. The ell on the east side is a single story with the front door under a porch. The driveway on the east side of the house leads to a contemporary two-car garage and a small shed.

8. Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A** owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B** removed from its original location.
- C** a birthplace or grave.
- D** a cemetery.
- E** a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F** a commemorative property.
- G** less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

Areas of Significance

(enter categories from instructions)

COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance

1790-1961

Significant Dates

1790; 1863;

Significant Persons

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Various

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other Name of repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property 97.96

UTM References

(Place additional boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

1 18
Zone Easting Northing

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See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

- A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
- A **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

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The Slingerlands Historic District is historically significant under National Register Criterion A as a intact linear hamlet that developed along a road built in the late eighteenth century between the city of Albany and the rural "hilltowns" in southern Albany County. The district illustrates three major stages of development in the hamlet, which is immediately adjacent to the southern boundary of Albany. The earliest houses in Slingerlands were scattered farmhouses on large acreage built between c. 1790 and the Civil War in the Federal and Greek Revival styles, concentrated either on New Scotland Road or on old roads adjacent to New Scotland. The second stage of development came after 1863, when the Albany & Susquehanna Railroad, later part of the Delaware & Hudson system, was built between Albany and Binghamton and allowed for convenient commuting into Albany from Victorian-era villas set on large suburban lots. Finally, in the second quarter of the twentieth century, widespread commuting by automobile became possible, and Slingerlands continued to develop as an automobile accessed suburban locale. The railroad ceased passenger operations in 1933 and the station was demolished in the 1950s. The district contains widely scattered residences from the earliest period of development, infill of Victorian era houses as large farms were subdivided, and finally, twentieth-century residences built as lots were further subdivided into the middle of the twentieth century. The district also includes several commercial buildings, a church, a former school, and a railroad overpass, all relating to its growth and development over the period of significance.

The district is also significant under National Register Criterion C as it illustrates the development of American architecture from the late Federal and early Greek Revival period, to the various styles of the post-Civil War nineteenth century, to twentieth-century styles such as Bungalow and Colonial Revival. Because the post-World War II houses of the hamlet were designed with a high level of architectural distinction, the period of significance of the district ends in 1960.

HISTORY

The hamlet of Slingerlands is one of the many small historic settlements in the town of Bethlehem, immediately adjacent to the city of Albany on its south flank. Bethlehem was originally

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incorporated as a town in Albany County in 1793, and in 1832 the town was divided nearly in half to form the town of New Scotland to its southwest. Northern parts of Bethlehem were gradually annexed to the city of Albany between 1870 and 1967, by which time most of the dividing line between the two municipalities was along the stream known as the Normanskill, "kill" being the Dutch word for stream.

Through the first half of the nineteenth century, Bethlehem remained a rural town, with large cultivated land holdings and scattered farmhouses, some dating from late seventeenth century, situated along streams and roads that travelled southward out of Albany. It is from this time period that the earliest buildings in the Slingerlands Historic District were constructed, late Federal and early Greek Revival farmhouses set on large plots of land along New Scotland Road and Bridge Street, the two oldest roads in the hamlet. Among these are 1450, 1575, and 1620 New Scotland Road and 36 Bridge Street.

In 1849, the Albany, Rensselaerville and Schoharie Plank Road Company was chartered to make improvements to the existing road to New Scotland and beyond, and tollgates were installed along the improved road. One existed at the junction of present-day New Scotland Road and Kenwood Avenue, which connected what is now the center of Slingerlands with the hamlet of Delmar, known at that time as Adams Corners.

Coincidentally, around the time that the improvements were being made to the New Scotland Plank Road in 1851, a map of the town was published by Albany printer Richard Pease. The map perfectly illustrates the rural character of Slingerlands, then known as Normans Kill because of its proximity to the creek. There are only five buildings depicted within the boundary of the historic district, those noted above as illustrating the first period of settlement in the district.

Among those illustrated was a schoolhouse at what is now 1500 New Scotland Road. This building was replaced in 1909 by the later district schoolhouse that stands today at that location. Three of the

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other buildings depicted in the 1851 map belonged to brothers of the Slingerland family and are still standing today. No. 1575 New Scotland Road belonged to John I., 1620 New Scotland to William H., and 36 Bridge Street to Albert I. Slingerland (individually listed in the National Register in 1996). These men were sons of John Albert Slingerland, who rented land here about 1790. Beginning in 1630, the area surrounding Albany, then known as Fort Orange, was purchased and held under a medieval Dutch land-holding system known as a "patroonship." Patroon Killean VanRensselaer, a pearl merchant from Amsterdam, Holland, and his descendants collected annual rents from tenant farmers for more than two hundred years, until the death of Stephen VanRensselaer, the last patroon, in 1839.

John Albert Slingerland married Leah Britt in 1799 and raised his family of seven in the family homestead at (now) 1575 New Scotland Road. Son John I. Slingerland (1804-1861) was elected to the New York State Assembly in 1843 and 1844. He campaigned with the Anti-Rent Party to abolish the land-holding situation that his family had been subject to and was elected as a Whig to the United States Congress in 1847. He was known for his work for tenant rights, early versions of the Homestead Act, and his role in the beginnings of the Republican Party. He returned to the New York State Assembly in 1860 and 1861, where his efforts helped bring the Albany and Susquehanna Railroad through the hamlet. John I. Slingerland was deeded the house at 1575 New Scotland Road in 1842. and it is believed the prominent front section that faces the road was added at this time. John Slingerland lived his entire life in this house. John's brother William Henry Slingerland (1820-1910) was a surveyor and civil engineer who organized the Suburban Water Company, established the post office in 1852, and was postmaster for twenty years. He was also a member of the State Legislature, and by 1860 he was living in the stately Greek Revival house at 1620 New Scotland Road, where he operated a 150-acre farm and was noted for his successful horse and cattle breeding program. By the 1870s he had moved to a newer house (since demolished) in the hamlet.

Albert I. Slingerland (1818-1896) was something of a real estate mogul responsible for the construction of many of the fine Victorian-era homes in the hamlet. At the time of his death in

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1896, Albert owned fourteen or fifteen houses and two farms in the hamlet. Many were built for railroad executives. He also was involved in the building of the First United Methodist Church of Slingerlands and its parsonage. Albert I. lived at 36 Bridge Street until 1854.

With this influential family, it is little wonder the hamlet became known as Slingerlands Corners and finally just Slingerlands. It is believed that the Slingerland family used its influence to bring the Albany & Susquehanna Railroad through the hamlet in 1863. Originally envisioned to transport coal from eastern Pennsylvania to the markets of Albany, the railroad also brought ready access to Albany by way of a short train ride. This meant that one could enjoy both the benefits of country living and the employment and shopping opportunities of the city. The advent of the railroad transformed all of Bethlehem's hamlets along its route and evidence of that transformation is apparent in the well preserved residences of the Slingerlands historic district.

A comparison of the 1851 map with a description of the hamlet of Slingerlands found in Howell & Tenney's 1886 *Bi-Centennial History of Albany County* illustrates the changes to the hamlet, by then known as Slingerlands, in the thirty-five years between the two sources:

The village contains 44 dwellings, 50 families, 230 inhabitants; a commodious brick school-house and M.E. Church, printing establishment, hotel, marble and monumental works, store, 2 blacksmith shops, wheel wright and paint shop, shoe shop, cigar manufactory, R.R. station and several fine residences, include the buildings of the village. The name is derived from several families who reside here, descendants of John A. Slingerland. The early settlers were Andrew Cunning, Nicholas Sigsbee, Hunderman. *Friendly Union Lodge*, No. 381, I.O.O.F. is located here. The village is pleasantly situated 7 miles from Albany, on the Albany and New Scotland plank road, and it is a station on the Susquehanna R.R. Being near the city, it affords many conveniences to those who seek for rural pleasure and the quiet of home life. A physician and lawyer represent the professions.

The railroad era blossomed in the 1870s, 80s and 90s with the construction of many homes in the historic district, such as 1511 New Scotland Road. Albert I. Slingerland sold the property to Charles Hammond in 1876. Hammond, superintendent of the Susquehanna Division & Northern Division of

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the D&H Railroad, built the era home that stands today. Several others in the vicinity were constructed in similar circumstances throughout the period.

The hamlet's appeal is summed up in an advertisement in the April 26, 1912 issue of the *Altamont Enterprise*, a local newspaper that exists to this day. The Becker Improvement Company advertised a tract of forty-two acres recently divided into large building lots. The ad urges potential buyers to "Build Your Home in Slingerlands--Most Beautiful Suburb of Albany--Only 18 Minutes Ride from Albany."

Clustered around the former location of the railroad station at the junction of Kenwood and New Scotland are the few non-residential buildings in the historic district. The largest is the former printing company building at 1565 New Scotland Road, immediately adjacent to the railroad right-of-way. It was constructed circa 1879 and although not used as an industrial building since 1946, when it was converted to apartments, it retains ghost writing along its roofline that advertises its former use. A smaller building on the other side of the former tracks currently houses a small restaurant, and the Slingerlands Post Office was once housed in a building next to the printing company.

While the increasing popularity of the automobile contributed to the closing of the passenger station in 1933, it did not change the desirability of Slingerlands as a green and leafy suburb. Subdividing continued apace on the western end of New Scotland Road, with many Colonial Revival homes fronting New Scotland constructed in the 1920s and late 1930s, after the recovery of the housing sector. An outstanding example is 1661 New Scotland Road, a Colonial Revival home built in the 1920s.

Following the hiatus in building during World War II, Slingerlands continued to attract new homeowners, who built houses in the prevailing American colonial styles then popular. Reflecting the increasing use of automobiles for both travel and recreation, in 1949, at the site of the former

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tollgate along the New Scotland Plank Road, the Tollgate Ice Cream Shop was opened in a modest masonry building. This popular restaurant retains its original interior decoration and furnishings and remains an institution in the hamlet, attracting customers from a large radius. It is a contributing resource in the historic district for its strong historical association with Slingerlands.

ARCHITECTURE

The earliest buildings in the Slingerlands Historic District are examples of Federal period buildings constructed at a late date, such as the five-bay brick house at 1458 New Scotland, dating from 1848. It features a recessed entrance capped by a semi-elliptical arched opening, corner quoins, and roof ridge parallel to the façade. A similar building can be found at 1575 New Scotland, thought to be the oldest building in the district, with a five-bay, center entrance front wing, dating from about 1845 and appended to an earlier wing dating from 1790.

The Greek Revival style is represented by traditional gable-front with side wing buildings, such as 1496, 1463, 1471, 1535, and 1545 New Scotland, as well as 36 Bridge Street (Albert I. Slingerland House). The brick Greek Revival house at 1620 New Scotland includes brick pilasters separating the façade into three bays with a recessed entrance with columns *in antis*.

The vast majority of buildings in the district date from the period between 1870 and 1910 and are constructed in the Queen Anne and Stick styles. One prominent feature of these buildings is a three-sided bay window on the front elevation with a prominent gabled roof overhanging. Examples include 1469, 1482, 1489, 1509, 1511, 1537, 1580, 1583, 1584 New Scotland and 19 Mullens Road. The Stick Style is represented by residences that have exterior boards meant to express framing members, including 1568 and 1580 New Scotland Road.

An unusual pair of brick buildings that seem to hark back to earlier styles are located at 1497 and 1507 New Scotland, both dating from about 1873-75. They both include a four-bay façade with the roof ridge parallel to the façade and brick quoins marking the corners, features more akin to Federal

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and early Greek Revival buildings. In each building there is a two-story projecting pavilion with a cross gable that intersects the main gable and includes the first-story entrance in this pavilion. There are also unusual stone blocks along the eaves, a feature that also occurs at the earlier building at 1458 New Scotland. This may indicate that the same mason built all three houses (separated by nearly thirty years) or the builder of the later buildings may have wanted to incorporate this feature into the newer buildings. All three were once connected to the Slingerland family.

The most important twentieth-century styles represented in the historic district are Bungalow and Colonial Revival. One example of a bungalow is 1478 New Scotland, which features simple eave brackets and a long one-story plan that includes a large cross gable. Another example is 1571 New Scotland, with a wide gabled roof on the main block and similar roofline on the front porch, brackets along the gable, and door and window architraves that are shouldered and battered.

The best examples of early-twentieth-century Colonial Revival residences are located at the western end of the district, farthest from the railroad, suggesting perhaps that these buildings were constructed specifically for those who would commute by automobile. They include five-bay, center-entrance examples at 1630, 1635 and 1661 New Scotland Road. Three-bay examples can be found at 1579, 1645, 1658, 1664 and 1672 New Scotland Road. All feature generally symmetrical facades, multi-light window sash, side gables, some with end chimneys and historic shutters. Post World War II examples filled in the gaps among the larger houses and include simplified elements found on the larger houses from the 1920s.

Today, property owners in the district appreciate and value the historic character of the hamlet and work to preserve their buildings in a historically sensitive manner. The small commercial district around the junction of New Scotland and Kenwood enhances the outlying homes. Nomination of the historic district has the support of the town leaders and fits well into the town master plan, now under development, which will highlight Slingerlands as a walkable community that values its historic integrity.

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The property boundary is outlined on the attached map.

BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION

The nominated property includes the boundary that is associated with those properties that comprise the historic district.

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3. 1482 New Scotland Road, photographer facing south.
4. 1486-1500 New Scotland Road, photographer facing west.
5. 1498 and 1500 New Scotland Road, photographer facing south.
6. 1507 New Scotland Road, photographer facing north.
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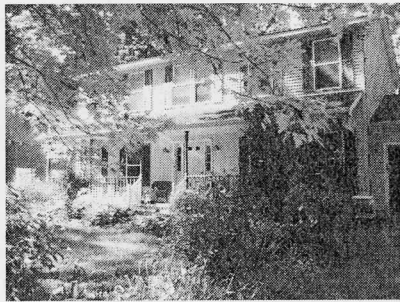
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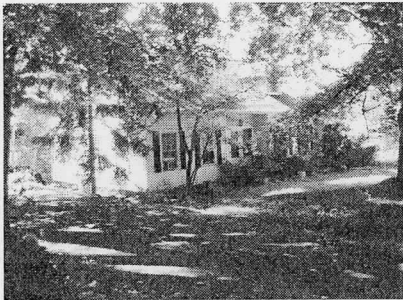
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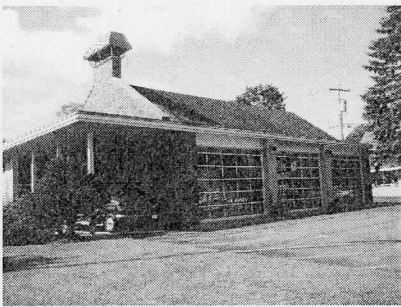
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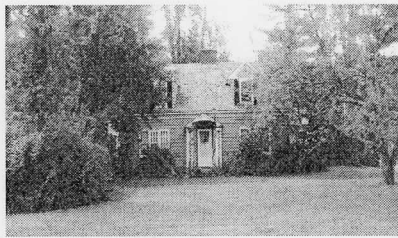
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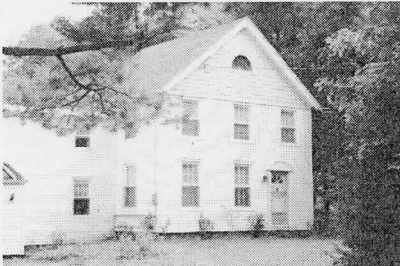
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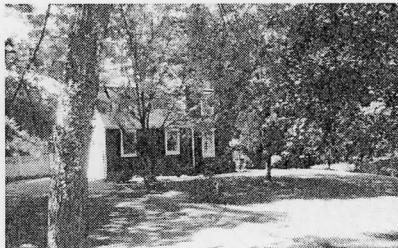
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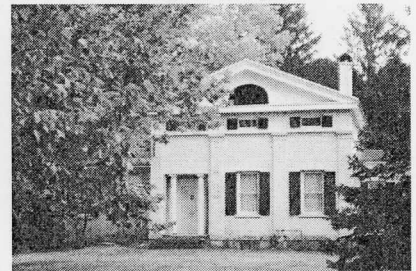
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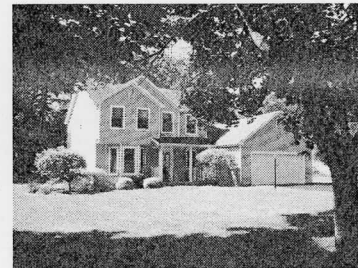
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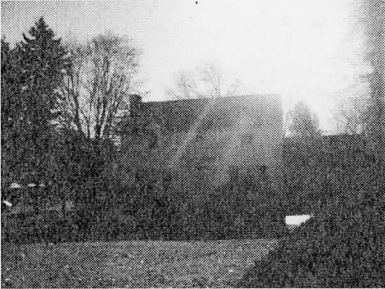
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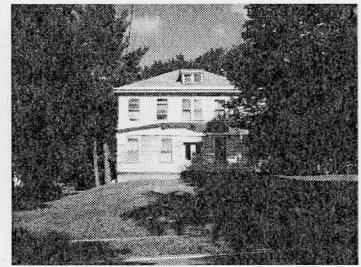
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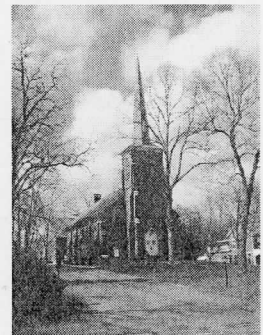
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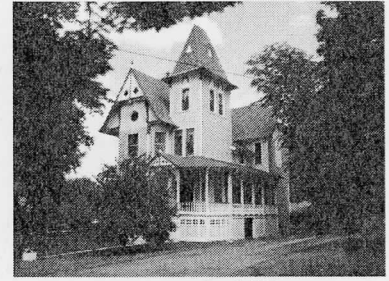
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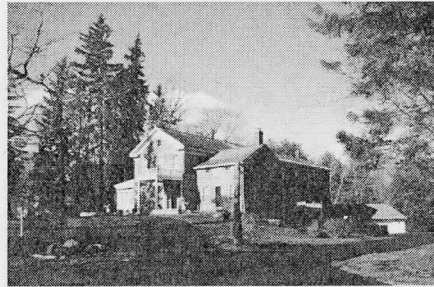
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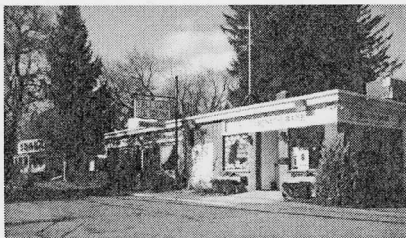
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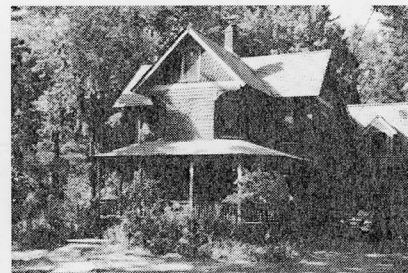
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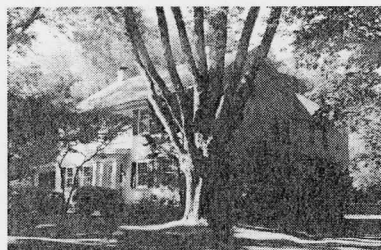
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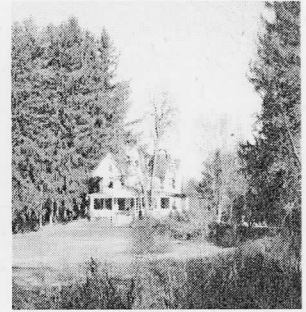
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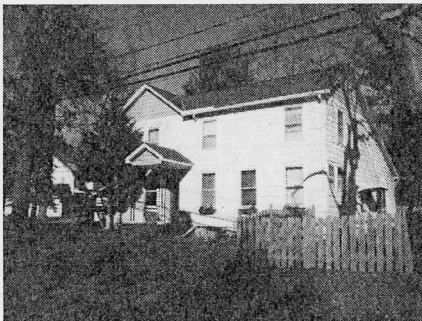


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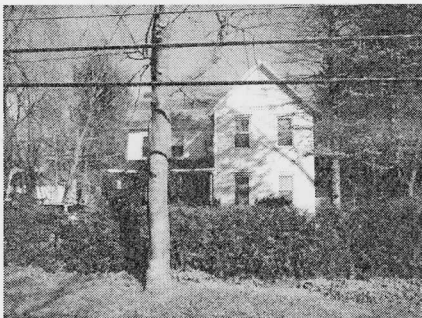
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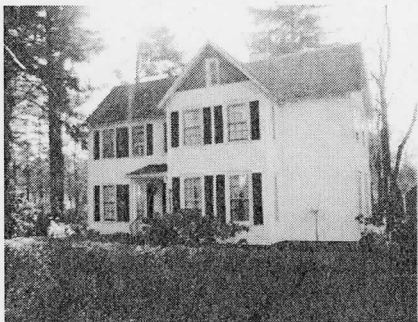
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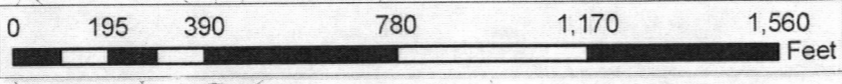
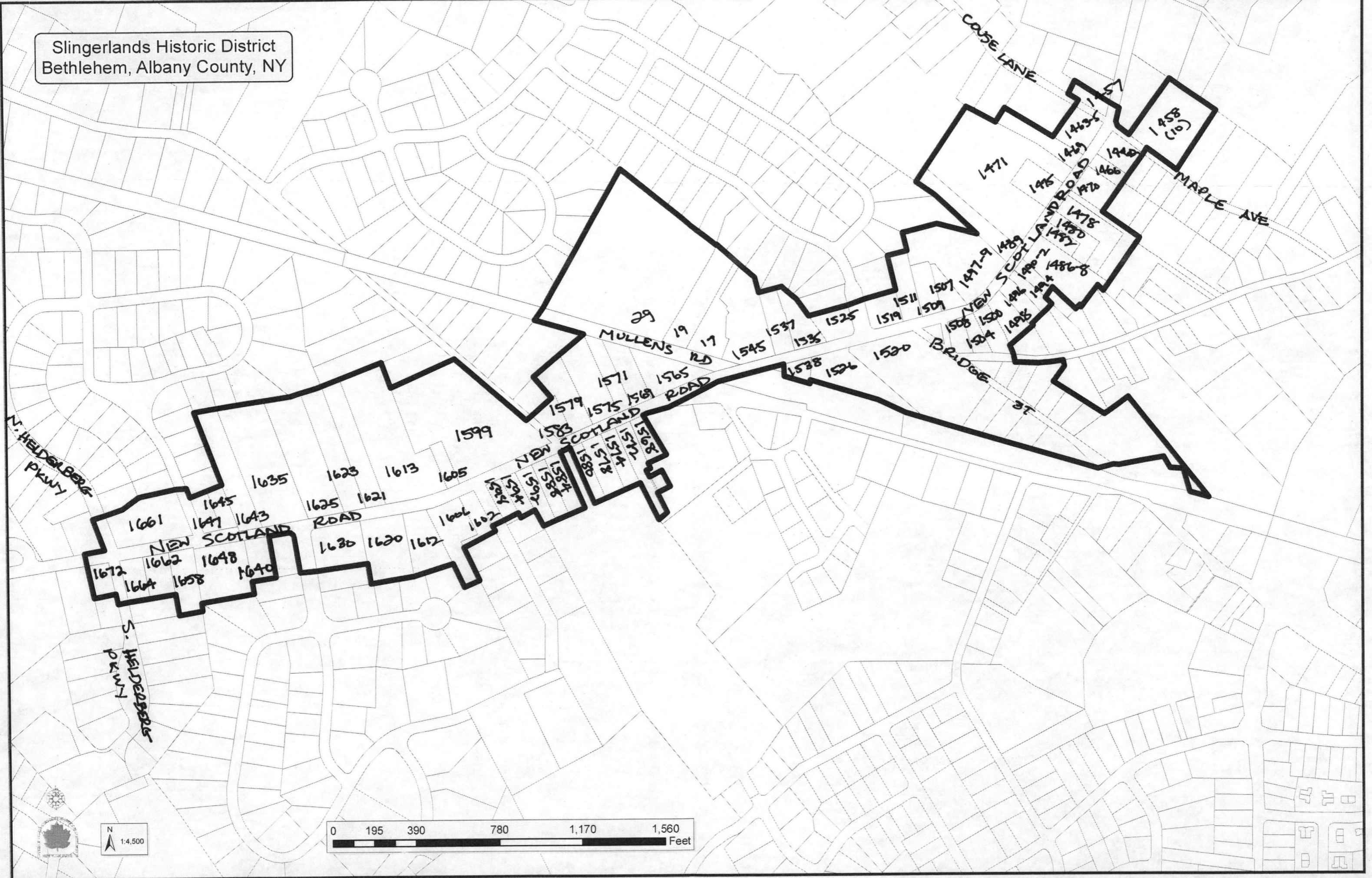


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MULLENS RD

NEW VILLAGE PIZZA

Police

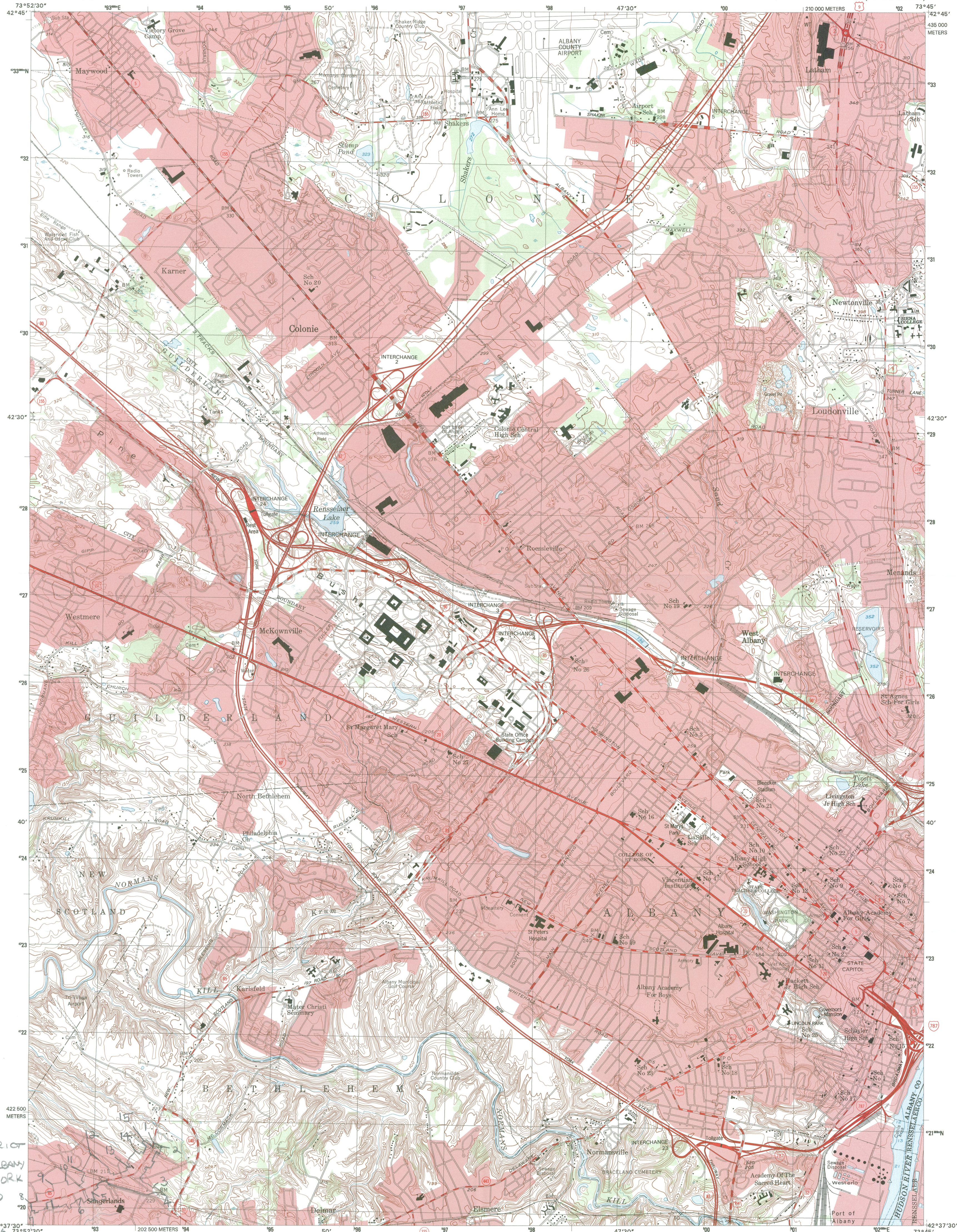
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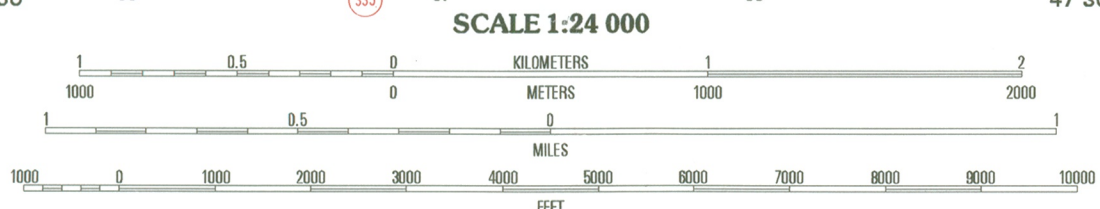
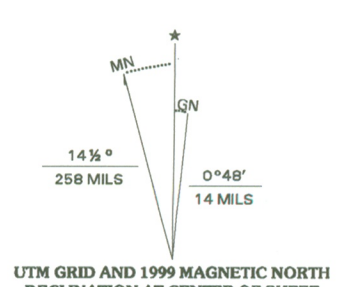
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SLINGERLANDS HISTORIC DISTRICT
SLINGERLANDS, ALBANY COUNTY, NEW YORK
ALBANY QUAD ZONE 18

- 1 598378 4720716
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- 3 593683 4720266
- 4 593802 4720127
- 5 592991 4720057
- 6 592828 4720018
- 7 592207 4719979
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- 9 592346 4720242
- 10 592612 4720313
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Produced by the United States Geological Survey
Topography compiled 1952. Planimetry derived from imagery taken 1994 and other sources. Survey control current as of 1953
North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83). Projection and 1 000-meter grid: Universal Transverse Mercator, zone 18
2 500-meter ticks. New York Coordinate System of 1983 (east zone)
North American Datum of 1927 (NAD 27) is shown by dashed corner ticks. The values of the shift between NAD 83 and NAD 27 for 7.5-minute intersections are obtainable from National Geodetic Survey NADCON software
Landmark buildings verified 1953



SCALE 1:24 000
CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 FEET
NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929
TO CONVERT FROM FEET TO METERS, MULTIPLY BY 0.3048
DEPTH CURVES AND SOUNDINGS IN FEET, DATUM IS MEAN LOWER LOW WATER
THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO DATUMS IS VARIABLE
THE MEAN RANGE OF TIDE IS APPROXIMATELY 4.4 FEET



1	2	3	1 Schenectady
4	5	6	2 Westerlo
7	8	9	3 Troy North
			4 Voorheesville
			5 Troy South
			6 Clarksville
			7 Delmar
			8 East Greenbush

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Primary highway hard surface	Light-duty road, hard or improved surface
Secondary highway hard surface	Unimproved road

1 Interstate Route
 2 U.S. Route
 3 State Route



Town Supervisor
Sam Messina
Town Board Members
Joann Dawson
Mark Hennessey
Mark Jordan
Kyle Kotary

TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

TOWN BOARD AGENDA

Wednesday, May 25, 2011
6:00 PM



Public comments on agenda items

Approval of Town Board minutes for 4/27/2011 and 5/11/2011

Request from the Town Historian for the Town Board to adopt a resolution supporting the nomination of the proposed Slingerlands Historic District to the National and State Registers of Historic Places

Request from the Administrator of Parks and Recreation for approval of seasonal personnel

Recommendation from Planning Board on proposed Local Law amending provisions of the Zoning Law and Subdivision Regulations, and request from Town Planner to consider issuing a SEQR Negative Declaration on the Local Law, setting a Public Hearing and making necessary referrals

Request from the Superintendent of Highways to purchase two used leaf vacuum machines for use by the Highway Department

Request by Town Engineer to award contract for Exterior Renovations to the Town Hall to Titan Roofing and to authorize Supervisor to sign contract with Titan Roofing

Request from the Commissioner of Public Works for the Town Board to award the purchase of a new Utility Service Truck to Robert Green Truck Division for \$59,970.00. Purchase of this utility truck was programmed into the approved 2011 DPW Water District Operating Budget.

Request from the Comptroller to acknowledge receipt of the 2010 Investment Report

Town Board Agenda (continued)

Request from the Comptroller to approve final 2010 Budget Transfer requests

Presentation by the Comptroller of the December 31, 2010 yearend financial results and the April 30, 2011 financial results

Request from the Comptroller to acknowledge receipt of the 2010 report on Capital Reserve Funds

New Business

Public comments on non-agenda items

NEXT TOWN BOARD MEETING – Wednesday, June 8, 2011

Disabled individuals who are in need of assistance in order to participate should contact the Town Clerk's Office at 439-4955 Ext. 1183. Advanced notice is requested.

TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
RESOLUTION # 22

SUPPORTING THE NOMINATION OF THE SLINGERLANDS HISTORIC DISTRICT TO
THE NATIONAL AND STATE REGISTERS OF HISTORIC PLACES

WHEREAS, the proposed Slingerlands Historic District contains 73 historic homes and buildings, out of a total of 92 properties, that reflect the importance of the hamlet to the history of the Town of Bethlehem. Well preserved pre-1850 Greek Revival farmhouses, Victorian era Queen Anne and Stick Style homes, and early 20th century Colonial Revival houses present a coherent historic vista that tells the story of the hamlet's development from a rural agricultural district to a bustling railroad suburb and beyond to the advent of the automobile.

WHEREAS, placement on the State and National Registers of Historic Places provides official recognition of the district's significance to the local community and raises the community's awareness and pride in its past. Placement on the Registers also recognizes the architectural heritage preserved in the district.

WHEREAS, in recognition of the historic and architectural significance of the hamlet, Susan Leath, Bethlehem's Town Historian, and Ilona Muhlich, Slingerlands property owner, with the support of many property owners in the district, propose to nominate segments of New Scotland Road, Mullens Road and Bridge Street in the hamlet of Slingerlands to the State and National Register of Historic Places.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bethlehem Town Board does hereby support and encourage the nomination of the Slingerlands Historic District to the State and National Registers of Historic Places.

A motion to approve the Resolution Supporting the Nomination of the Proposed Slingerlands Historic District was offered by Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Hennessey and approved with the following vote:

AYES: Supervisor Messina, Councilwoman Dawson, Councilman Hennessey, Councilman Jordan, Councilman Kotary

NOES: none



Ruth L. Pierpont
Acting Commissioner for Historic Preservation
Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau
Peebles Island, PO Box 189
Waterford, NY 12188-0189

Dear Ms. Pierpont:

As Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Slingerlands Community United Methodist Church at 1497 New Scotland Rd. in Slingerlands, I want to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 19th, 2011 informing us that our community is being considered for nomination to the National and State Registers of Historic Places.

I am writing to confirm that we concur with the nomination and support whatever efforts are being made to advance this nomination.

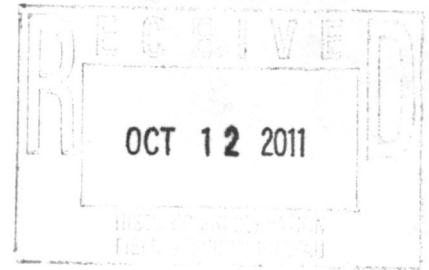
We look forward to hearing the result.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steven Thomson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping "S" and "T".

Steven Thomson
Chair
Board of Trustees, Slingerlands CUMC

**Harriet Gold
1526 New Scotland Road
Slingerlands, NY 12159**



September 26, 2011

Ruth L. Pierpont
Acting Deputy Commissioner for Historic Preservation
New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation
P.O. Box 189
Waterford, NY 12188-0189

Dear Ms. Pierpont:

Re: Slingerlands Historic District
1526 New Scotland Road
Slingerlands, NY
Albany County

I am the owner of the above captioned property and I object to listing this property on either the National or State Register of Historic Places. My objection is based upon the fact that this property does not meet the standards normally applied to determine whether properties are historic. This is based upon the following:

- The building was built in 1940 – See attached information from LandMaxData.com
- This building is not shown on the 1866 Atlas map.
- The exterior of the building has gone through significant alterations. These include:
 - Store Windows added
 - Canopy added
 - Windows changed
 - Additional entrance added
- The interior of the building has gone through significant alterations. These include:
 - Subdividing the building by removal and addition of interior partitions
 - Removal/replacement of flooring
 - Removal/replacement of wall coverings
 - Removal/replacement of light fixtures
 - Addition of refrigeration, plumbing facilities to accommodate tenancies.
- The site has changed through the conversion of lawn areas to parking.

Respectfully submitted,

Harriet Gold

Harriet Gold

Before me personally appeared Harriet Gold, the owner of property at No. 1526 New Scotland Avenue in Slingerlands, NY, who signed this letter on ~~September~~ 7, 2011.

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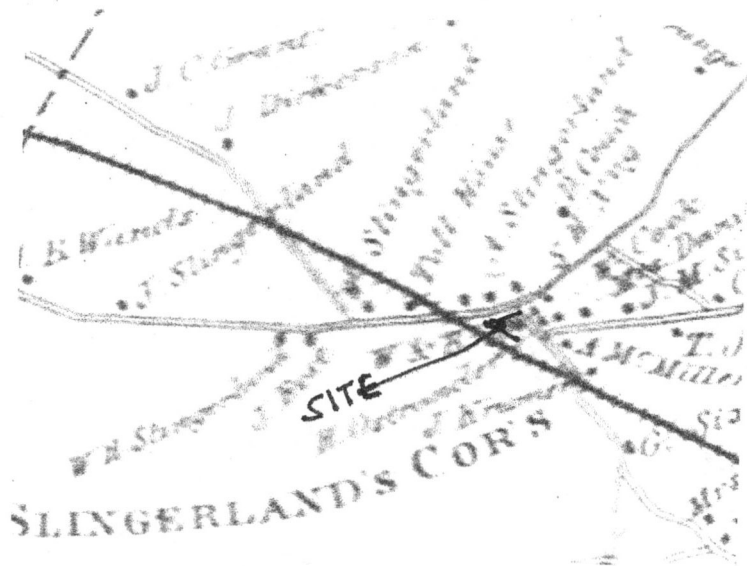
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Notary Public

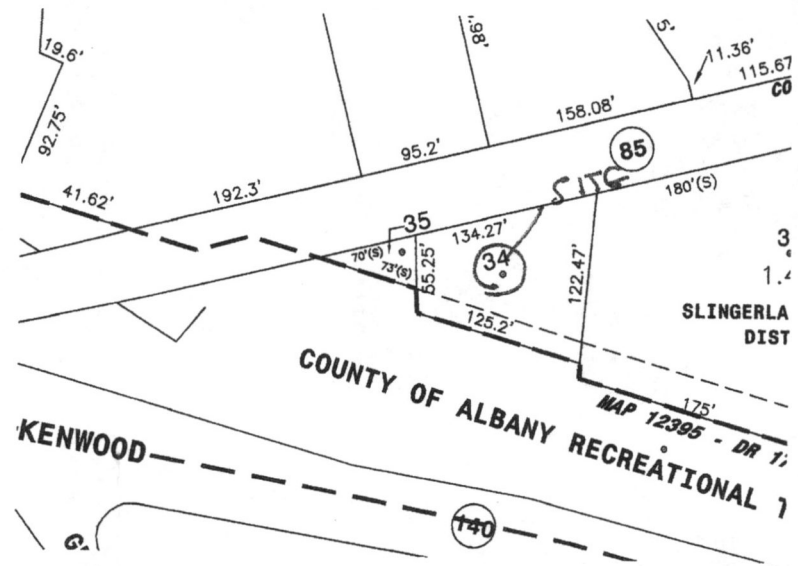
My Commission Expires 4/30/15

Qualified in Rensselaer County

GEORGE I. ZELLER
Notary Public, State of New York
Qualified in Rensselaer County
No. 4772270
Commission Expires June 30, 2015



1866 Atlas



General Property Description

Prop. 1526 NEW SCOTLAND Address: RD	Municipality: BETHLEHEM	Town Swis Code: 012200 / ALBANY COUNTY
Owner: GOLD HARRIET B	Tax / Map Acct#: 085.005-0002-034.0000000	School Dist: BETHLHEM
Owner 2:	Print Key: 85.05-2-34	School Code: 012206
Owner Mailing: 79 DANIEL ST SLINGERLANDS, NY12159	Deed Book / Page:	Phone Number:
	Sub Div:	
	Misc:	

Structural Characteristics

Bldg Sq Feet: 4782	Built: 1940	Uses As 1:
1st Floor: 0	Story Height: 8	Uses As 2:
2nd Floor: 0	Heat:	No. Of Bldgs:
House Type:	Fireplaces: 0	Residential Units: 0
Bedrooms: 0.0	Fuel:	Exterior:
Bath: 0.0	Water: PUBLIC	Garage: 0
Basement:	Sewer: PUBLIC	Number Stories: 2.0
Basement SF: 0	Utilities: GAS & ELEC	Central Air: NO
Improve 1 / YR: CANOPY,ROOF 1930	Size 1: 4 X 57	Total SqFT 1: 228
Improve 2 / YR: SIGN,DBL T&T 1970	Size 2: 2 X 5	Total SqFT 2: 10
Improve 3 / YR: COLD STOR RM 1975	Size 3: 150 X 50	Total SqFT 3: 7500
Improve 4 / YR:	Size 4: 0 X 0	Total SqFT 4: 0

Land Characteristics

Acreage : 0.25	Land SqFt: 10890	
Class Code: 485	Class Name: MULT USE 1ST OCCUP+	Lot Size: 134 X 122
East / Longitude: 626400 / -73.8632158	North / Latitude 958410 / 42.6294669	

Tax / Assessment Data

Tax / Map Acct #: 085.005-0002-034.0000000	School Tax: \$4,745.60 -Calc
Total Assessment: \$160,000.00	County Tax: \$1,198.40
Land: \$65,800.00	City Tax: \$0.00
Old Assessment: \$160,000.00	Account #: 0
Assessor Full Market Value: \$172,043.00	

Sales Information

Sales Price:	Sales Date:	Grantor:	Deed Book / Page:	Deed Type:	Deed Valid:	ARMS Length:
\$0.00	//		/			

Joanne H. Van Woert, MD

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Judy M. Van Woert, MD

Margaret M. Grogan, MD

Internal Medicine

1525 NEW SCOTLAND ROAD

SLINGERLANDS NY 12159

518-439-1564 OFFICE 518-439-1592-FAX

November 7, 2011

New York State Office of Parks,
Recreation and Historic Preservation
Peebles Islands State Park
FSB
PO BOX 189
Peebles Island Waterford, NY 12188

Dear Sirs:

I own 1525 New Scotland Road in Slingerlands, NY. I object to listing my property in the proposed National Register listing.

Christine Turley

CHRISTINE ANN TURLEY
Notary Public, State of New York
Qualified in Albany County
Reg. No. 4972369
Commission Expires Sept. 24, 2014

Sincerely,

Joanne H. Van Woert

Joanne H. Van Woert, MD



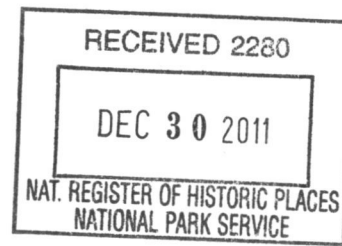


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Andrew M. Cuomo
Governor

Rose Harvey
Commissioner

23 December 2011

Alexis Abernathy
National Park Service
National Register of Historic Places
1201 Eye St. NW
8th Floor
Washington, D.C. 20005

Re: National Register Nominations

Dear Ms. Abernathy:

I am pleased to enclose two new National Register nominations to be considered for listing by the Keeper of the National Register:

— Allentown Historic District (Boundary Expansion), Erie County
— Slingerlands Historic District, Albany County

Thank you for your assistance in processing these proposals. Please feel free to call me at 518.237.8643 x 3261 if you have any questions.

Sincerely:

Kathleen LaFrank
National Register Coordinator
New York State Historic Preservation Office