



Village of Aurora
456 Main Street
Aurora, New York 13026-9790
Telephone: (315) 364-7293
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APPLICATION FOR DEMOLITION

Building to be demolished is a House located at _____

348 Main Street

Contractor's insurance for demolition provided? YES X NO _____

To be provided prior to permit issuance.

Asbestos survey required? YES X NO _____

Asbestos survey results received? YES _____ NO X

To be provided prior to permit issuance.

Has the building been documented by the Village Historian? YES _____ NO X

(Please contact Village Historian, Dr. Linda Schwab, for this information.

lschwab@wells.edu) *8/25/2026 - Per L. Schwab, the building has not been documented
NYSHPO report is attached for reference.*

**I do swear that the project is only as stipulated above and no other work
will be done under this application**

Applicant's Signature

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

DIVISION FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION
NEW YORK STATE PARKS AND RECREATION
ALBANY, NEW YORK (518) 474-0479

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 01141.000014
QUAD Union Springs
SERIES 7
NEG. NO. 1003 100N/468200W

90NR0105

YOUR NAME: Edward Kabelac DATE: March 1978

YOUR ADDRESS: Aurora, NY TELEPHONE: 364-8530

ORGANIZATION (if any): Town Historian

IDENTIFICATION

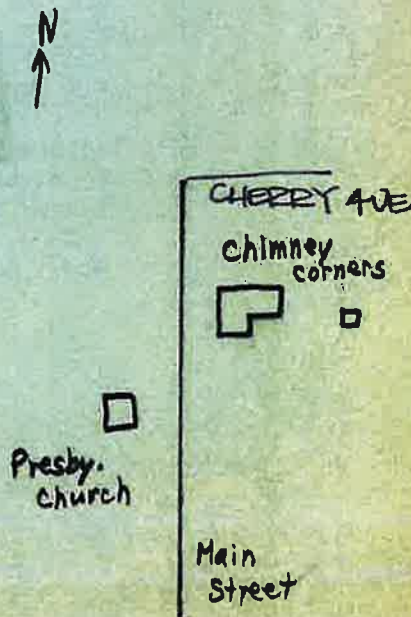
1. BUILDING NAME(S): Chimney Corners
2. COUNTY: Cayuga 348 TOWN/CITY: Ledyard VILLAGE: Aurora
3. STREET LOCATION: Main St; EAST SIDE; SOUTH OF CHERRY AVE.
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public ☐ b. private ☒
5. PRESENT OWNER: Mrs. Ann Leffingwell ADDRESS: Aurora, NY
6. USE: Original: residence - lodge Present: residence
7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes ☒ No ☐
Interior accessible: Explain by permission

DESCRIPTION

8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard ☒ b. stone ☐ c. brick ☐ d. board and batten ☐
e. cobblestone ☐ f. shingles ☐ g. stucco ☐ other: _____
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: a. wood frame with interlocking joints ☒
(if known) b. wood frame with light members ☒
c. masonry load bearing walls ☐
d. metal (explain) _____
e. other _____
10. CONDITION: a. excellent ☐ b. good ☐ c. fair ☒ d. deteriorated ☐
11. INTEGRITY: a. original site ☒ b. moved ☐ if so, when? _____
c. list major alterations and dates (if known): _____

12. PHOTO:

13. MAP:



14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known ☒ b. zoning ☐ c. roads ☐
d. developers ☐ e. deterioration ☐
f. other: _____
15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:
a. barn ☐ b. carriage house ☐ c. garage ☐
d. privy ☐ e. shed ☒ f. greenhouse ☐
g. shop ☐ h. gardens ☐
i. landscape features: _____
j. other: _____
16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING (check more than one if necessary):
a. open land ☐ b. woodland ☐
c. scattered buildings ☐
d. densely built-up ☐ e. commercial ☐
f. industrial ☐ g. residential ☒
h. other: _____

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:
(Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)

Tentative

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):
Ceiling of curved structure hidden by more modern bedroom ceiling.
Large fireplaces in living and dining rooms.

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1806

ARCHITECT: _____

BUILDER: Scipio Lodge #58

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

Building used for Lodge meetings on second floor. First floor used as private school. Building also used as a tea shoppe. 1822 changed to residence.

21. SOURCES: Walking Tour of Aurora

22. THEME: Social-Residential-Educational

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 011-41-0014-D01
QUAD _____
SERIES _____
NEG. NO. _____

YOUR NAME: Jane A. Ayers DATE: _____

YOUR ADDRESS: Aurora, N. Y. TELEPHONE: 315/364-7451

ORGANIZATION (if any): AURORA BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME(S): Chimney Corner (formerly Scipio Lodge #58, F & AM
2. COUNTY: Cayuga TOWN/CITY: Ledyard VILLAGE Aurora
3. STREET LOCATION: east side, Main St. (Rte. 90), south of Town Hall
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public ☐ b. private ☒
5. PRESENT OWNER: Mrs. Anne Leffingwell ADDRESS: Aurora, N. Y. 13026
6. USE: Original: Masonic Lodge Present: Private residence
7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes ☒ No ☐
Interior accessible: Explain No; private residence

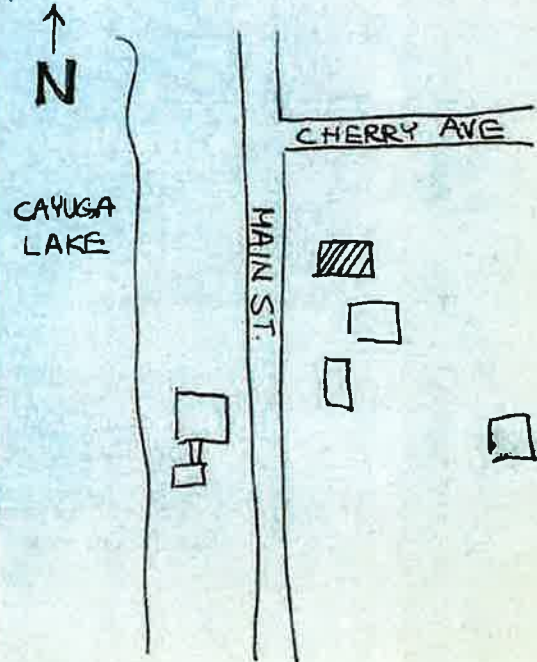
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c. masonry load bearing walls ☐
d. metal (explain) _____
e. other _____
10. CONDITION: a. excellent ☐ b. good ☐ c. fair ☒ d. deteriorated ☐
11. INTEGRITY: a. original site ☒ b. moved ☐ if so, when? _____
c. list major alterations and dates (if known):
remodeled; added to; 1823

12. PHOTO:



13. MAP:



14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known ☐ b. zoning ☐ c. roads ☐
 d. developers ☐ e. deterioration ☒
 f. other: _____
15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:
 a. barn ☐ b. carriage house ☐ c. garage ☐
 d. privy ☐ e. shed ☐ f. greenhouse ☐
 g. shop ☐ h. gardens ☐
 i. landscape features: lawns south and east
 j. other: _____
16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING (check more than one if necessary):
 a. open land ☐ b. woodland ☐
 c. scattered buildings ☐
 d. densely built-up ☐ e. commercial ☐
 f. industrial ☐ g. residential ☒
 h. other: farmland

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:
 (Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)

South of Avery house; fronts on Main Street, large house and farm on south

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

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1806

ARCHITECT: _____

BUILDER: _____

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:
 This is the oldest existing building erected by a Masonic lodge in the State of New York. Originally using the old Cayuga Academy rooms for its meeting place, the Masons set out to build their own building following the Academy fire of 1805, their purpose "to erect a building twenty feet by twenty-eight feet, two stories high. . . all to be done in a plain but workmanlike manner and finished as soon as circumstances will permit." This is the front two-story part of the "Chimney Corner." When the Royal Arch Masons completed their Temple, the Lodge joined them across the street, and the house was turned into a residence.

Brief

21. SOURCES: Hollcroft, Temple R., Shank History of Aurora. Wells College Archives
 Mandell, Samuel D. History of the Houses in Aurora 1906 (manuscript).
 Personal knowledge.
22. THEME: Social/Fraternal
Multipurpose