

N O R M A N M E A K E R H O U S E (Site)
HISTORY SHEET
General Information

Name of Structure: Norman Meaker House

Address: 7212 Fisher Rd¹

Parcel ID: (544600) 64118-00-357820² (Dist 14, Lot 49)

Atlas:
1853: "A Jepson"; 1858: "N Meiker";
1874: "N Meeker";
1904: "Mrs M A Meaker"

When Built/Mason: Unknown (2012 tax rolls indicated circa 1847)

When Razed: Fire 8/25/2012; remains razed and taken away forthwith;
By 4/2014 no trace of anything ever having been there.

Why: Beyond saving

Original Owner: A.Jepson (about which nothing is known)

Subsequent Owners: Always in Meaker family—Norman Meaker to son Rueben E, to son Newman Henry, to son Floyd Vincent Meaker to daughter Jean Meaker Thompson. After her passing in 2016, leaving no direct heirs, the property was sold to a developer.

Original Uses: Residence

Subsequently Use: Residence

Photographs: Yes

Description:

Design details:

The long side of the 1½-story 5-bay, center entrance, house faced the road. The wide frieze had belly windows centered above each of the lower openings. At the time of

¹ Location: 43.2592733,-77.2521209 or 43°15'33.4"N 77°15'07.6"W; approximately opposite 7215 Fisher Rd.

² A large parcel at the time of the 2012 fire, it has subsequently been subdivided into several parcels. Reflected here is the Tax ID in 2012; the Tax ID of the subdivided parcel is (544600) 64118-00-253816.

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the fire the house was abandoned and vegetation in the yard was overgrown.³ The front wall, in the aftermath of the fire, still looked in good shape. However, all was torn down and hauled away shortly afterwards and vegetation quickly reclaimed the footprint.

Masonry details:

Small multi-colored round lakestones appear to have been set 4/Q, darker colored gray limestone quoins. Lintels on the upper street side level were wooden; the others appear to have been split lighter color gray limestones set vertically in flat arches; wooden sills. The double door, unlike the other openings, was set with a limestone lintel and "step up" from the ground to the door (although no steps were present).

References
Ancestry

MEAKER CEMETERY RECORDS

Furnaceville Cemetery, Ontario NY

<https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/39893726/norman-meaker> (1813-1881)

<https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/57705245/reuben-e-meaker> (1848-1900)

<https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/57703319/newman-henry-meaker> (1880-1966)

<https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/58930465/floyd-vincent-meaker> (1904-2000, 95 yrs)

<https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/171837142/jean-thompson> (1933-2016)

Geneva NY Daily Times 1968 Mar-Apr 1968 Grayscale - 0381.pdf (4/11/1968)

Deed Transfers — Elizabeth Meaker to Floyd Meaker, Town of Williamson

Note: Elizabeth Meaker, wife of Newman Henry, was mother of Floyd Meaker.

Webster NY Herald 1974-1975 Grayscale - 0223.pdf (7/10/1874)

"The family of Ruth Meaker wishes to thank ... during the illness and loss of our beloved one.
... Mr Floyd Meaker, Mr & Mrs Murray Thompson"

Note: Floyd was her husband; Mrs Murray Thompson was daughter Jean Meaker Thompson, the last of the Meaker family to own the property before purchased and subdivided.

³ I began taking pictures of the Meaker house at 7212 Fisher Rd in 2007. At that time it was abandoned and had paint chipping off the few painted parts and screens falling off the windows; grounds unkept. However, no patching of the stones had been done and none was needed. Masonry was in excellent shape.

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The last of the Meaker family, Jean Meaker Thompson (5th generation of Meaker family) died in 2016. The cobblestone had burned 6 years earlier and the land was vacant. In April 2018 this 39 acre lot was purchased for \$305,000 from her estate and subsequently subdivided into 8 building lots (totaling 26.6 acres). The Historic Centroid is 64118-00-357820. In 2020 a house was constructed on Parcel ID 64118-00-253816 with the address 7214 Fisher Rd.

Details of the sale and redevelopment of the Meaker homestead—

2018 - Purchase of estate

<https://data.democratandchronicle.com/real-estate/vacant-lan-fisher-road-williamson/2018/54-920-90195/>

VACANT LAN FISHER ROAD, Williamson, NY

April 9, 2018

\$305,000

Seller / Buyer: THOMPSON (ESTATE), JEAN G A/K/A JEAN M. / SWINGLY, EDWARD, GAUGER, DENNIS

Class Description / Acres: Residential Vacant Land Over 10 Acres / **39.0**

Subdivision details relative to Lot #3 (7214 Fisher Rd)

<https://wayne.sdgny.com/propdetail.aspx?swis=544600&printkey=06411800002538160000>

Tax ID: (544600) 64118-00-253816

Property Description: Gauger & Swingly Sub Thompson Estate Lot #3

Site Acreage & Property Class: 5.00 Acre; 210 - 1 Family Res;

Year built: 2020

2020

<https://data.democratandchronicle.com/real-estate/7214-fisher-rd-williamson/2020/54-922-93541/>

7214 FISHER RD, Williamson, NY 14519

Aug. 13, 2020

\$30,000

Seller / Buyer: DENNIS GAUGER, EDWARD SWINGLY / DOUGHERTY, HAYDEN

Class Description / Acres: Residential Vacant Land / 5.0 Ac

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Owners: Hayden and Bailey R. Dougherty

A little biographical note about Norman Meaker:

<https://babel.hathitrust.org/cgi/pt?id=loc.ark:/13960/t1jh49v0n&view=page&seq=356&skin=2021&q1=norman%20meaker>

George W Cowles' *Landmarks of Wayne County New York*, © 1895, p 310

"Norman Meaker came to Williamson on the canal soon after 1825, followed farming and droving, and died here in July 1881. He was one of the first to engage in shipping produce from Wayne county to New York, and at an advanced age was a soldier in the war of the Rebellion two and a half years."