Temple Beth-El
Hornell, NY
National Register of Historic Places Nomination Project
Maps

- Western NY
- Near Interstate I-86
Maps

- 12 Church St. Hornell, NY 14838
- Front entrance faces Church St.
Maps
Front Facade

- 8-inch textured brick (tan color)
- Slight taper makes the building appear taller than it actually is
- Wooden doors and Star of David predominant features
Northwest Facade

- White painted CMU units
- Windows with ten glass panels (ephod design in bottom two panels of each)
Southeast Facade

• Same as Northwest façade except windows on bottom are bricked out
• One less window in the back of the Synagogue by the stairs
• Roof: green asphalt shingles with a 30 degree pitch
# Description Form

**DESCRIPTION**

Materials -- please check those materials that are visible

| Exterior Walls: |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| wood clapboard  | wood shingle   | vertical boards| plywood        |
| stone           | brick          |                |                |
|                 | vinyl siding   |                |                |
|                 | aluminum siding|                |                |
|                 |                |                |                |

| Roof:           |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| asphalt, shingle| asphalt, roll  | wood shingle   | metal           | slate           |

| Foundation:     |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| stone           | brick          | poured concrete| concrete block |

Other materials and their location: ____________________________

Alterations, if known: ____________________________ Date: ________________

Condition:  | excellent | good | fair | deteriorated |
|------------|-----------|------|------|--------------|

Explain: ____________________________
Foyer

• Gathering space before entering sanctuary
• Sanctuary, Rabbi’s quarters, stairs, and youth room all lead out to foyer
• Double doors separate sanctuary from foyer
Sanctuary

- Takes up about two-thirds of the floor area
- Five large windows let in natural light
- Pews on either side of central aisle
• Highly decorated
• Bump out behind cloth houses Torah
• Wood panel trim extends up wall around entire sanctuary
Basement
Ephod

• An ephod was an article of clothing worn by the high priest, and an object of worship in ancient Israelite culture, and was closely connected with oracular practices and priestly ritual.

• Part of this ephod was a breastplate that contained 12 cut stones. The stone is where we get the form of the rectangle inside a rectangle.
Ephod Usage

Ephod in window in sanctuary

Ephod in landing by front steps
Analysis performed by:

Alfred State College Design Studio 4- T. Palmiter

Left to right: Kali Cytrowski, Gianfranco Pietrantoni, Jeff Kuhn, Terry Palmiter, Gina Prusinowski, Nick Peraino, Jimmy O’Connor, Matthew Barkus, Donald Stephenson