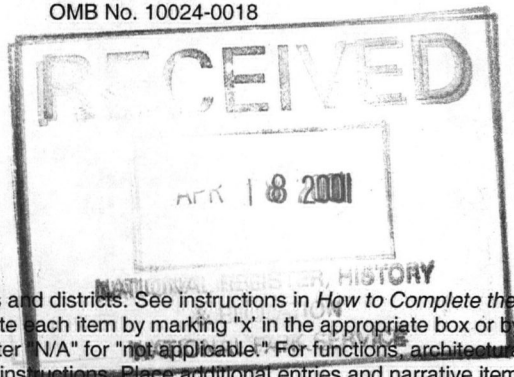


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National Register of Historic Places  
Registration Form

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 Elmbrook Farm

other name/site number \_\_\_\_\_

2. Location

street & town 2567 Brookview Road  not for publication

city or town Town of Schodack  vicinity

state New York code NY county Rensselaer code 551 zip code 12033

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.)

Bernadette Carter, SHPO 3/31/01  
Signature of certifying official/Title Date

State of 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:)

B. Savage 5/21/01  
Signature of the Keeper Date of Action

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**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	
6	5	buildings
1		sites
		structures
		objects
7	5	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**

N/A

**6. Function or Use**

**Historic Function**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling, secondary structure  
AGRICULTURE/SUBSISTENCE: storage, agricultural field, agricultural outbuilding

**Current Function**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling, secondary structure

**7. Description**

**Architectural Classification**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

EARLY REPUBLIC: Federal  
MID-19TH CENTURY: Greek Revival, Exotic (Egyptian) Revival  
LATE VICTORIAN: Italianate

**Materials**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation STONE  
walls WOOD  
roof WOOD  
other

**Narrative Description**

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

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**7. Narrative Description**

Elmbrook Farm is located in the Town of Schodack, Rensselaer County, New York. The nominated property consists of a fifty-one acre parcel comprised of open fields and woodland, with a farmstead situated on the east side of the property along Brookview Road. The farm complex gives way to the south and west to expansive open fields bordered by woods, with the northern Catskill Mountains discernible in the distance to the southwest. The nomination includes a total of eleven buildings. Contributing to the nomination are a circa 1850 frame farmhouse, a smaller circa 1800 frame shop-office, a circa 1790 frame barn, a frame milk shed, frame corn crib, and a cinder-block garage. Deemed non-contributing to the nomination are two cattle sheds, a modern barn, an oil tank shed, and an equipment shed. The nomination also includes one contributing site, a small family burial plot with four visible stones.

The main farmhouse is located close to Brookview Road, shielded to some extent from the road by large hardwoods and conifers, oriented with its façade facing roughly east. Access from the road is gained by a small gravel drive, highlighted by a mortared rubble stone fence, which leads to a turnaround behind the main house. Opposite the north elevation of the house across the drive is the burial plot. The additional contributing components form a tight cluster near the gravel turnaround. A second shorter drive leads to a parking area and the garage, located immediately north of the burial ground. Trees and ornamental shrubbery intersperse the area behind the farmhouse. A small stream-fed pond is located immediately south of the house.

**Main farmhouse**

The main house consists of a two-story main block, covered by a hipped roof, with a small, rectangular one-story wing abutting the south elevation. Evidence suggests that the house was originally constructed circa 1830 and modified around 1850 to reflect both late-Greek Revival style and early Picturesque influences. The main block measures approximately forty feet in width by thirty feet in depth, with a hand-hewn heavy timber frame of mortise-and-tenon construction. It rests above a foundation of mortared fieldstone to grade with red brick about two and one-half feet above grade. The exterior is sheathed in narrow pine clapboard, excepting the façade, which is finished with pine flushboard, terminated by narrow cornerboards. A broad fascia encircles the main block below the projecting boxed cornice, with brackets set within, a treatment repeated on the wing. The small wing measures thirty feet in width by fifteen feet in depth, and is set back from the plane of the façade approximately fifteen feet. Part of the wing rests above a foundation consistent with the main block, while the remainder rests above a dry stone foundation to grade, indicating two periods of construction. A combination woodshed and summer kitchen, which projected from the southwestern corner of the wing, was removed early in the twentieth century. Cedar shakes cover the roofs of both blocks.

The main block of the house is cubically-massed with a five bay, center hall plan configuration. Fenestration on the first story consists of double-hung, six-over-six wood sash windows, each with molded wood crowns, sills, and louvered shutters. The trabeated doorway is typically Greek Revival in character, with squared Doric order piers carrying a broad wood entablature. The paneled wood door is flanked by narrow sidelights with a rectangular transom above. Four of the second-story

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windows are smaller and squarer in proportion than those below, also double-hung with six-over-six lights and molded crowns and sills; these sash are recent replacements of the original. The center bay consists of a French door that leads to the porch roof. A full-length one-story open porch projects seven feet from the main elevation. It is supported by four fluted Egyptian Revival columns that carry a narrow frieze with architrave molding and brackets.

The north elevation of the main block is punctuated by two bays, each of which reflect the proportions of the windows on the primary elevation. A large exterior red brick chimney, added in the early twentieth century, is situated toward the center of the elevation and pierces the boxed wood cornice at the building's eaves.

The west elevation is seventy feet in length and comprised of both the main block and the wing. Fenestration is asymmetrically composed on the main block, with three double-hung windows on the first story and four above. Two offset double-hung windows punctuate first story of the wing, with a single frieze band window lighting the stair to the half story above. A glazed and paneled door accesses the wing on the south side of the elevation. The south side of the wing is punctuated by a tripartite window, the east side by two double-hung windows and a second glazed and paneled door. Two double-hung windows, one on each story, complete the fenestration of the main block. A centrally-placed red brick chimney pierces the roof of the wing.

The center hall of the main block has an open stringer stair against the south wall with a turned Greek Revival style newel post and turned balusters. Floors are laid with wide plank pine, excepting the north parlor, where oak has replaced the original. Both the floorboards and joists were sawn with a reciprocating saw, evidence that supports a pre-1850 building date. Walls and ceilings were originally finished with plaster on wood lathe; most are now covered by gypsum board. There is a full basement located below the main block accessed from the rear of the hall. A stone partition divides the space roughly where the center hall and north parlor meet on the first floor above. It has been surmised that the house was originally three bays in width, later expanded with the addition of two bays on the north side of the house. The foundation, however, appears consistent on either side of the partition and therefore the main block likely represents one period of construction.

The entrances to the parlors are highlighted by reeded wood architraves with squared corner blocks, typically late Federal- Greek Revival in treatment. The profile of other moldings in the center hall, Federal in character, suggests an earlier building modified circa 1850. The south parlor retains its period pine flooring, baseboards, architraves, and evidence of the original chimney breast. The kitchen is located behind the south parlor, and leads into the small wing. The interior of the wing is finished with both plaster and pine paneling. The north parlor extends the full depth of the house and has a central fireplace on the north wall, added in the early twentieth century in the location of the original.

The second floor consists of a large bedroom on the north side off the stair hall, consistent in size with the parlor below. The south side is divided into two smaller rooms.

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**Contributing outbuildings**

The main barn is a circa 1790 English barn of mortise-and-tenon construction, situated southwest of the main house behind the circular drive. It is configured as a bank barn with its mow approached by an earthen ramp. It is the oldest extant resource on the property but is not original to the farmstead. The barn measures forty feet in width by fifty feet in depth, with a height of approximately fifty feet to the ridgepole. The primary framing members are hand-hewn, with impressive fifty foot long purlins. The exterior is sheathed in red painted clapboard terminated by narrow cornerboards. Access to the interior is gained via at-grade entrances on the east and north elevations. Attached sheds abut the north, south, and west elevations. The farm's original barn burned circa 1930, at which time the present barn was relocated from where it originally stood on Miller Road, approximately five miles distant.

The circa 1800 frame shop-farm office building is located south of the main barn between the latter and the farmhouse. It is a one and one-half story gable ended rectangular building with a rough-hewn heavy timber frame, sheathed in narrow clapboard and covered by a pressed metal roof. Evidence suggests it may have once been a combination residence/barn with a hayloft above and therefore is the earliest extant building original to the farmstead. Fenestration consists of small, square headed double-hung windows with four-over-four and six-over-six lights. It most recently served as the farm office.

The small circa 1900 frame milk shed is located immediately adjacent to the farm office. It is covered by a pitched roof clad with cedar shakes and is sheathed with novelty siding. It is accessed by a door on the north side and lit by a nine light fixed-sash window. Adjacent to it is a concrete well cover.

The circa 1860 frame 'Indian corn house' type corncrib is situated northeast of the main barn. It has outward slanting walls and rests on a raised platform. The corncrib is sheathed with both vertical board and batten and horizontal wood slats, and is covered with a roof clad in cedar shakes.

The three bay cinder block garage was constructed circa 1945 by the current owner of the property.

**Burial plot**

The burial ground, a contributing site, is a typical small family plot, with three visible stones from the Lansing family and one modern stone from the present owner.

**Non-contributing buildings**

Non-historic oil tank shed.

Two post-1950 cattle barns.

One non-historic equipment shed.

One non-historic board-and-batten barn.

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## 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)

ARCHITECTURE

### Period of Significance

c. 1767- 1950

### Significant Dates

c. 1830, c. 1850

### Significant Persons

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

### Cultural Affiliation

### Architect/Builder

Unknown

## 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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**8. Narrative Statement of Significance**

Elmbrook Farm satisfies National Register Criterion C in the area of architecture as an intact and representative late-eighteenth, nineteenth and early-twentieth century farm complex in rural Rensselaer County, New York. The nomination includes a large farmhouse with Greek Revival and early-Picturesque style characteristics, in addition to eleven farm buildings on a fifty-one and one-half acre parcel. Built circa 1830 and modified circa 1850, the farmhouse reflects the mid-nineteenth century transition from neoclassical idioms to the romanticized forms of the picturesque, combining the design vocabulary of the late-Federal, Greek Revival, Egyptian Revival and Italianate styles. Transitional in nature, the house is characteristic of rural, vernacular design, blending older, traditional forms and details with references to current styles, and retains considerable integrity to the middle of the nineteenth century. Further enhancing the nominated resources is a highly intact and evocative setting. Bounded by open fields and woods with vistas of the distant Catskill Mountains beyond, Elmbrook Farm retains a strong sense of place, reminiscent of the early history and development of the region. The period of significance of the nomination begins with the construction of the farm office circa 1800 and is carried to 1950, which includes the construction of the house, the subsequent remodeling, and the construction of the other contributing features.

The Town of Schodack was formed in March, 1795, at the time of the division of the Rensselaerwyck manor by act of the New York State legislature. Encompassing significant tracts of land on either side of the Hudson River, Rensselaerwyck was formed from land purchases initially made in the second quarter of the seventeenth century by Kiliaen Van Rensselaer. In 1629 Van Rensselaer and his business partners requested a grant from the Dutch West India Company. Land purchases, made by agents of Van Rensselaer from the local Mohican Indians, grew to encompass considerable acreage along both sides of the Hudson River. The earliest Rensselaerwyck settlements were established by tenants of Van Rensselaer, many of whom appear on John Bleeker's 1767 survey map. Non-freeholders on the manor paid rents to the Van Rensselaer family until 1846, when the state abolished the archaic land-lease patroon system.<sup>1</sup> A list of freeholders in the colony of Rensselaerwyck, compiled in 1720 by Gerrit Van Schaick, lists both a Gerrit Lansen and a Jacob Lansen.<sup>2</sup> These are probably the same Gerrit and Jacob Lansing who were born in the late seventeenth century and whose father was Gerrit G. Lansing.<sup>3</sup> Their grandfather was Gerrit Federick Lansing, who arrived in New Amsterdam circa 1650 from the town of Hassel, Province of Overysse, Holland.<sup>4</sup>

The 1767 Bleeker map indicates the property now associated with Elmbrook Farm as the farm of Evert Lansing. Evert Lansing was born in 1704, the son of the above mentioned Gerrit Lansing, a

<sup>1</sup> Carol Walther, ed., "A Historical Record of the Town of Schodack, Rensselaer County, New York" (1995), 7-9.

<sup>2</sup> S.J. Weise, *History of the Seven Towns of Rensselaer County* (Troy: J.M. Francis and Tucker, 1880), 5.

<sup>3</sup> S.V. Talcott, *New York and New England Families* (Albany: Weed, Parsons, and Co., 1883), 113-114.

<sup>4</sup> *Ibid*, 113.

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trader who resided in New York, Albany, and Schenectady, and Catharine Glen. Evert had seven children with his wife Annatie Couper.<sup>5</sup> Two of their sons, Johannes (John E.), born 1743, and Obadiah, born 1740, are indicated on the 1787 John E. Van Alen survey map as owning contiguous farm parcels in the north eastern portion of the town, where the nominated property is located. Both appear in the 1800 Schodack census. Although no details are given for Obadiah, other than his status as head of the household, John E. is listed as the owner of five slaves, indicating his relative prosperity. John E. had two sons, Abraham and Evert (born 1773), and Obadiah five sons, Evert O. (born 1775), James, John, Garrit, and Obadiah.<sup>6</sup>

Buried in the small family plot close to the dwelling on Elmbrook Farm are Evert O. Lansing and his wife Barbary (sic), both of whom died in the mid-1860s in their eighties, and James, their son, who died in 1831. Although it remains unclear whether Evert O. Lansing was the owner of the current Elmbrook Farm or the adjoining parcel, what is known is that he represents the third generation of Lansing's associated with the property. In a deed dated 17 April 1848, Evert O. and Barbary sold their farm to their son George, with an option that allowed for them "to have and keep a separate room and table in the house on said premises and also the privilege of keeping and using a horse."<sup>7</sup> The 1850 Schodack town census lists George Lansing, a farmer, with real estate valued at six thousand dollars. Gerrit Lansing, another son of Evert, is listed as the owner of the adjacent farm with real estate valued at twelve thousand dollars. Gerrit is also listed as the town clerk from 1839-42, and either he or George is likely the G. Lansing listed as the town supervisor from 1850-53.<sup>8</sup> These positions indicate the prosperity and influence the Lansing family held in the town at the mid-point of the nineteenth century.

The farmhouse associated with the adjoining Lansing farm parcel is also extant, and bears close stylistic similarity to the house included in the nomination. Due to alterations made to the adjacent farmhouse, including the application aluminum siding, and its denatured relationship to the surrounding setting, the building was not included as part of this nomination.

On April 30, 1871, after four generations of ownership, the Lansing family sold the property to Michael Warner; the 1876 F.W. Beer's county atlas map indicates the owner as A. Warner. The Warner family maintained possession of the farm until 8 March 1925, at which time it was acquired by Leland and Bertha Wright. The Wright's briefly used the farm for a dairy operation, producing milk. On September 9, 1939 the property once again changed hands, this time being purchased by Philip Forester, an orthopedic surgeon, from whom the current owner, Oscar Lanford, acquired the property in May 1942.

The farmhouse is an distinctive example of mid-nineteenth century residential architecture, similar in massing and detail to other houses in the immediate area, which together suggest the work of a single local

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<sup>5</sup> Ibid, 121.

<sup>6</sup> Ibid, 132-33.

<sup>7</sup> Rensselaer County Deeds.

<sup>8</sup> Walther, "A Historical Record," 44.

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carpenter-builder active around mid-century. It typifies rural vernacular building practice in its combination of conservative neoclassical traditions, reflecting the staid tastes and agrarian roots of its builders, with more up to date and prominent styles and influences. The five-bay, center hall form recalls the traditional Federal style farmhouse common in New York State from the 1790s until the emergence of the Greek Revival style, and, along with evidence in the building's fabric, suggest an initial construction date of 1830. Also typically Federal in character are interior details such as the reeded architraves with cornerblocks that frame the main entrance and the doorways to the parlor. The trabeated doorway with rectangular sidelights and transom and the staircase, particularly the turned newel post, recall the influence of the highly pervasive Greek Revival style, which by 1830 had begun to supercede the Federal style throughout New York State. These typically neoclassical elements are combined in interesting fashion with references to the evolving romantic tradition, forming a largely eclectic and transitional composition. The bracketed cornice, a trademark of the Italianate style, and the Egyptian Revival columns, recall the influence of the romantic styles that were first popularized in American architecture by Andrew Jackson Downing and Alexander Jackson Davis. Both the Greek Revival and Picturesque elements appear to have been applied during the same modification period, indicating a date of circa 1850 for the later alterations.

In addition to the main house, the nomination includes farm-related buildings that reflect the nominated property's long history as a farm. The circa 1790 English barn features an impressive hand hewn timber frame and was brought to the farm in the 1930s after the original barn burned. It is an impressive example of its type, and recalls the longstanding local agricultural tradition that dates back to the earliest manor settlements. The small farm office building also features a hewn heavy timber frame and likely represents the earliest extant resource on the property original to the farmstead. Evidence indicates it may have been a mixed use barn/domicile, possibly dating from earlier than the given circa 1800 date. The corncrib and milk shed, together with the above-cited contributing buildings, rest within this highly intact and evocative setting, and together constitute a distinctive collection of agriculture-related resources.

The original acreage owned by the Lansing family likely included wheat fields, pastureland, and a small orchard, bounded, like today, by woods and framed by views of the distant Catskill Mountains. The fifty one remaining acres of the farm still include some of these historic features. Farming proved the single most important local enterprise from the establishment of the manor and throughout the nineteenth century. The 1875 census placed Schodack at the top of Rensselaer County in the production of rye, oats, and apples, with over four hundred farms and a total improved acreage of well over thirty thousand acres.<sup>9</sup> Four generations of the Lansing family, with roots dating to the early history of the Rensselaerwyck colony, prospered on the property as farmers.

Elmbrook Farm remains a substantially intact and cohesive farmstead, with a number of contributing resources that effectively convey a sense of the property's history throughout the nineteenth and early twentieth century. The picturesque farmhouse is a particularly distinctive example of rural vernacular

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<sup>9</sup> Walther, "Schodack," 38-39.

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design, surviving with considerable integrity, and illustrates the increasing presence of romanticism and the waning neoclassical tradition in native domestic architecture at the mid-point of the nineteenth century.

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## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property 51.5 acres

### UTM References

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

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3 18 605386 4713774  
Zone Easting Northing

2 18 606141 4713920  
Zone Easting Northing

4 18 605375 4713778  
Zone Easting Northing

5. 18 605685 4714166

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.)

## 11. Form Prepared By

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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

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name/title Oscar Lanford

street & number 2567 Brookview Road

telephone (518) 477-4029

city or town Castleton

state NY zip code 12033

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**10. Geographical Data**

**Verbal Boundary Description**

The boundary for Elmbrook Farm is shown as the heavy black outline on the enclosed map, entitled *Elmbrook Farm, Town of Schodack, Rensselaer County*.

**Boundary Justification**

The boundary for the proposed nomination has been drawn to coincide with the current legal lot for the property, fifty-one and one-half acres in extent, which in turn reflects the acreage associated with Lansing family ownership.

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**Photographs**

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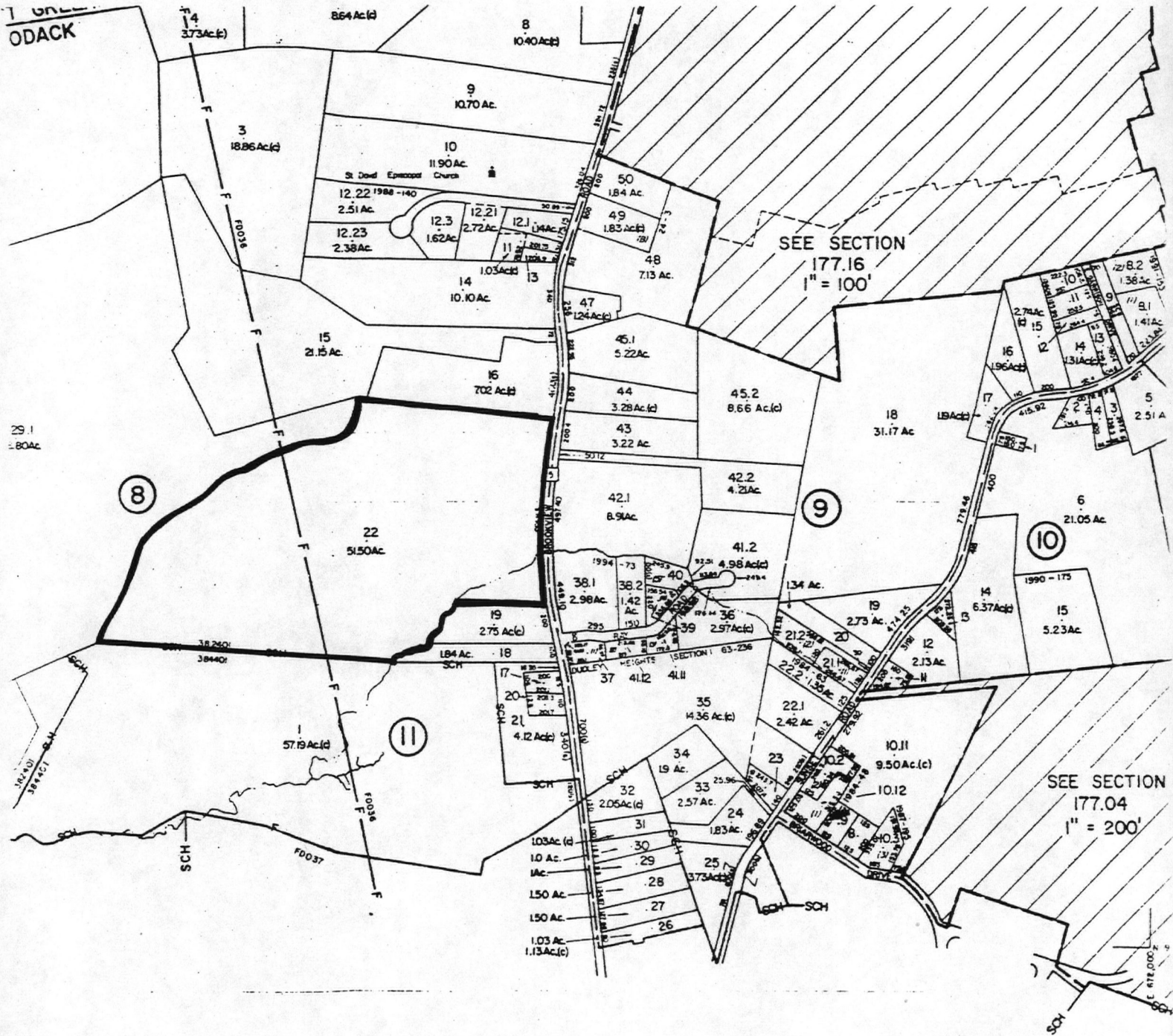
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**Pictures taken March 2001**

**Photographer: Bill Krattinger**

**Negatives: NYS OPRHP, Field Services Bureau, Peebles Island, Waterford, New York**

- 1. East façade of main house, circa 1850, view looking southwest**
- 2. Façade and north elevation**
- 3. West elevation**
- 4. Detail of doorway**
- 5. Reeded architrave and cornerblocks, north parlor entrance**
- 6. Sidelights and transom of main entrance**
- 7. Center hall stair with turned newel post**
- 8. C. 1800 barn/farm office; milk shed in foreground**
- 9. West and south elevation of c. 1790 barn, with attached sheds; farm office in background**
- 10. North elevation of barn**
- 11. West and north elevation of barn, c. 1860 frame corncrib in foreground**
- 12. Corncrib, view looking northeast**
- 13. Non-contributing board-and-batten barn**
- 14. Garage**
- 15. Location of burial plot, looking east toward road**



**Elmbrook Farm, Town of Schodack, Rensselaer County**  
**Scale: one inch is equal to approximately 800'**  
**Boundary drawn as solid black outline**



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**LEGEND**

From Desc. 150 ac.	INTERSTATE HIGHWAY	
(Calculated) 150 Ac(c)	U.S. HIGHWAY	
(From Desc.) 18.5	NEW YORK STATE HIGHWAY	
(Scaled) 86 (a)	COUNTY HIGHWAY	
CATOR NO (E600,000-N800,000)	BLACK LIMIT LINE	

DATE OF MAP: 7-9-76  
 DATE OF REVISION: 1-E-00  
  
 SCALE: 1" = 400'

176	177	178
00	00	00
187	188	188
00	00	00

**TOWN OF RENSSELAER COU**  
 E 660,000-N 936,000  
 EAST PROPERTY CORNER 86.47'

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Elmbrook Farm  
NAME:

MULTIPLE  
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: NEW YORK, Rensselaer

DATE RECEIVED: 4/18/01 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 5/03/01  
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 5/19/01 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 6/03/01  
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 01000551

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N  
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N  
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

\_\_\_ACCEPT \_\_\_RETURN \_\_\_REJECT \_\_\_\_\_DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

*Locally significant farmstead  
with well-preserved collection of  
farm buildings illustrating  
its evolution from c.1800 to the  
mid 20th century and its remaining  
farmland evocative of its agrarian  
history.*

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept C

REVIEWER Savage

DISCIPLINE Architectural History

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE 5/21/01

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N



Elm brook Farm  
T/Schodack. New York

#1

016 004 NNNC --- 19\*03\*01 ELITE PHOTO



Elmbrook Farm

T/Schodack, New York

#2

050 004 NNNC --- 19\*03\*01 ELITE PHOTO



Elmbrook Farm  
T/Schodack, New York

#3

028 004 NNNC --- 19\*03\*01 ELITE PHOTO



Elmbrook Farm

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T/Schodack

Rensselaer Co. New York

051 004 NNNC --- 19"03"01 ELITE PHOTO



Elmbrook Farm

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026 004 NNNC --- 19"03"01 ELITE PHOTO



Elmbrook Farm

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T/ Schodack

Rensselaer Co. New York

021 004 NNNC --- 19.57



Elmbrook Farm

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Elm brook Farm

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T/Schodack

Rensselaer Co. NY

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Elm brook Farm

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T/Schodack

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Elmbrook Farm  
+ Schodack  
Rensselaer Co. NY

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036 004 NNNC --- 19"03"01 ELITE PHOTO



Elmbrook Farm  
T/Schoadack  
Rensselaer Co. NY

#14

013 004 NNNC --- 19\*03\*04 ELITE PHOTO



Elm brook Farm

#15

T / Schodack

Rensselaer Co. NY

048 004 NNNC --- 19\*03\*01



*Elmhook Farm  
T/Schodack  
Rensselaer County  
East Greenbush Quad*

18/1 606142/471414  
2 606141/471392  
3 605886/471376  
4 605375/471378  
5 605685/471466

SCALE 1:24,000

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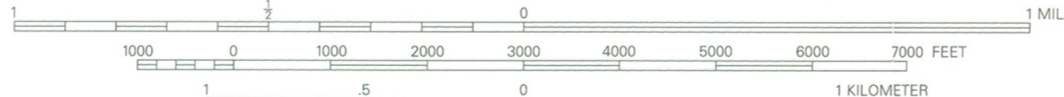
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Revisions by C.H. Ziel



QUADRANGLE LOCATION

SCALE 1:24 000



Transverse Mercator projection, 1927 North American Datum  
To place on the 1983 North American Datum, move the projection lines  
9 meters south and 36 meters west as shown by dashed corner ticks.

1000-meter ticks based on the New York Transverse Mercator projection /grid.  
Between 72° and 76° West Longitude, this projection/grid is identical to Zone 18 of the Universal Transverse Mercator projection /grid. Areas east of 72° and west of 76° are direct mathematical extensions of Zone 18. The scale of this map has been adjusted by its projection scale factor in order to maintain true 1:24,000 scale. The Transverse Mercator projection scale factor at this quadrangle location is 0.9997.  
10,000-foot ticks based on the New York State Plane Coordinate System, East Zone.  
1993 magnetic declination is approximately 14.5° West.  
Control and spot elevations shown to the nearest foot.

Contours, at 10-foot intervals, shown unrevised from 1953 U.S. Geological Survey map. Datum is mean sea level.

INDEX TO  
1:9600 (1"=800')  
MAP COVERAGE

EAST GREENBUSH (north)	
EAST GREENBUSH (south)	

BOUNDARIES:

State	-----
County	-----
Town or City	-----
Incorporated Village	-----
State / Federal Land	-----

ROADS:

Posted Touring Route:	Divided:
Interstate	Wide mail
U.S.	Narrow mail or barrier
State	-----
County	-----
State Highway (SH) number and limit	Undivided:
County road	4 or more lanes
Interchange number	Less than 4 lanes
	Vehicle track; trail

Oscar E. Lanford  
Elmbrook Farm March 18, 2001  
2567 Brookview Road  
Castleton, New York 12033

Dear Mr Krattinger:

I have read the draft statement of the application for Historic Register listing of my home Elmbrook Farm, and am returning it herewith.

As you can see, I have suggested a few minor changes.

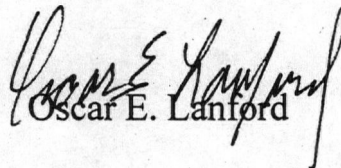
More important, I wish to tell you how much I appreciate and admire the document that you and your colleagues have produced. Not only is it accurate and relevant, but in my opinion beautifully written.

As you might have noted, Elmbrook Farm has been my family's home for many decades. It means a great deal to my family and me, as it did, I am sure, to those who came before us, built it and lived here.

I am sure, that if it is listed on the Historic Register, this will enhance the prospect of its appropriate preservation for future generations. Both present and future generations will benefit by the work being done by you and your associates.

Thank you and your colleagues for the work you have done in this connection.

With deep appreciation,

  
Oscar E. Lanford