



HISTORIC RESOURCE INVENTORY FORM

NYS OFFICE OF PARKS, RECREATION
& HISTORIC PRESERVATION
P.O. BOX 189, WATERFORD, NY 12188
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OFFICE USE ONLY
USN: _____

IDENTIFICATION

Property name (if any) Orchid Ledge Farm
Address or Street Location 4830 Thompson Road
County Erie Town/City Clarence Village/Hamlet: _____
Owner _____ Address _____
Original use Residential / Agricultural Current use Residential / Agricultural
Architect/Builder, if known _____ Date of construction, if known 1824

DESCRIPTION

Materials – please check those materials that are visible

Exterior Walls:	<input type="checkbox"/> wood clapboard	<input type="checkbox"/> wood shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> vertical boards	<input type="checkbox"/> plywood
	<input type="checkbox"/> stone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> brick	<input type="checkbox"/> poured concrete	<input type="checkbox"/> concrete block
	<input type="checkbox"/> vinyl siding	<input type="checkbox"/> aluminum siding	<input type="checkbox"/> cement-asbestos	<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____
Roof:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> asphalt, shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> asphalt, roll	<input type="checkbox"/> wood shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> metal <input type="checkbox"/> slate
Foundation:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> stone	<input type="checkbox"/> brick	<input type="checkbox"/> poured concrete	<input type="checkbox"/> concrete block

Other materials and their location: Large intact barn with field stone base. Additional later outbuildings, including 3-car garage. Stone wall.

Alterations, if known: Historic addition to rear block with greenhouse/conservatory Date: _____

Condition:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
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Photos

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Maps

Attach a printed or drawn locational map indicating the location of the property in relationship to streets, intersections or other widely recognized features so that the property can be accurately positioned. Show a north arrow. Include a scale or estimate distances where possible.

Study: Town of Clarence Intensive Level Survey of Historic Resources

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Telephone: (716) 852-2020 Email: info@clintonbrowncompany.com Date: January 2009

PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION

IF YOU ARE PREPARING A NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATION, PLEASE REFER TO THE ATTACHED INSTRUCTIONS

Narrative Description of Property: Briefly describe the property and its setting. Include a verbal description of the location (e.g., north side of NY 17, west of Jones Road); a general description of the building, structure or feature including such items as architectural style (if known), number of stories, type and shape of roof (flat, gabled, mansard, shed or other), materials and landscape features. Identify and describe any associated buildings, structures or features on the property, such as garages, silos, privies, pools, and gravesites. Identify any known exterior and interior alterations such as additions, replacement windows, aluminum or vinyl siding or changes in plan. Include dates of construction and alteration, if known. Attach additional sheets as needed.

The building at 4830 Thompson Road is set on a large 16.70 acre parcel, located on the west side of the street between Main Street and Greiner Road. Thompson Road is a residential north-south corridor that runs from Clarence Center south to Clarence Hollow/Harris Hill. This building resides in the southern portion of the site. The main block of this substantial 2-story side gabled painted brick building is five bays wide and two bays deep. A two story two bay by two bay addition to the north extends the building to seven bays. An enclosed sunroom is to the south, and a historically added rear block with greenhouse/conservatory is to the west. Further west is a side gable three car garage with cupola, and to the south west are several large barns, one with fieldstone base. A running stone wall lines the property north of the driveway, and a fenced paddock is to the south.

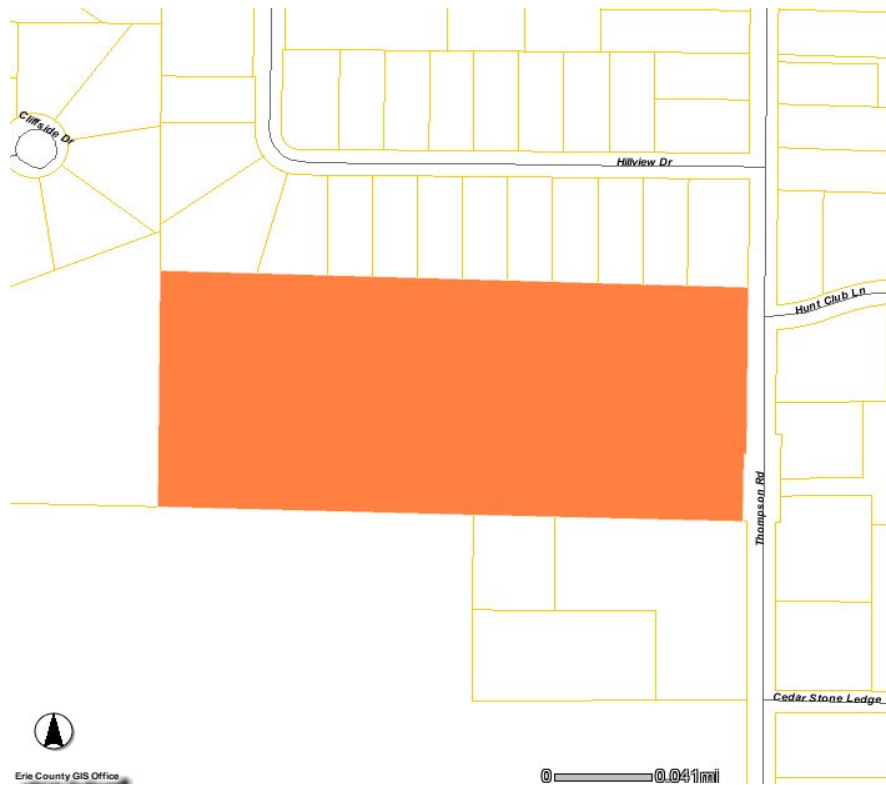
The primary entrance to the building is located in the center of the original block, with pedimented enframement and sidelights. The fenestration is regular and even with shuttering and six over one double-hung windows (possibly historically replaced circa 1920). An additional entrance with connection to additions is located to the south. Brick chimneys are visible in the ridge in the north and south gables.

Narrative Description of Significance: Briefly describe those characteristics by which this property may be considered historically significant. Significance may include, but is not limited to, a structure being an intact representative of an architectural or engineering type or style (e.g., Gothic Revival style cottage, Pratt through-truss bridge); association with historic events or broad patterns of local, state or national history (e.g.; a cotton mill from a period of growth in local history, a seaside cottage representing a locale's history as a resort community, a structure associated with activities of the "underground railroad."); or by association with persons or organizations significant at a local, state or national level. Simply put, why is this property important to you and the community. Attach additional sheets as needed.

The buildings at 4830 Thompson Road are significant as a large, intact early nineteenth century farmstead, expanded and adapted over time. It is also significant for its association with the Thompson family, who originally built the building and resided there for more than 100 years.

The building has been designated as a Local Historic Landmark.

MAPS: Erie County, GIS office, Town of Clarence NY



PHOTOGRAPH (Town of Clarence Intensive Level Survey of Historic Resources) NY_Erie County_ Town of Clarence_4830 Thompson Road







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Property name (if any) Jacob Eshelman Homestead
Address or Street Location 5880 Thompson Road
County Erie Town/City Clarence Village/Hamlet: _____
Owner _____ Address _____
Original use Residential / Agricultural Current use Residential / Commercial
Architect/Builder, if known _____ Date of construction, if known Circa 1846

DESCRIPTION

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Other materials and their location: Remaining barn and silo. Stone sills and lintels

Alterations, if known: Replacement windows Date: _____

Condition:	<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
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The building at 5880 Thompson Road is set on a large parcel located on the west side of the street between Roll Road and Clarence Center Road. Thompson Road is a residential north-south corridor in the Clarence Center section of Clarence that runs down through Harris Hill. This building resides in the Clarence Center section of the road. This 2-story, cross gabled, vernacular brick building has two primary blocks. The side gabled front block is four bays wide by two bays deep. The cross gable block to the south is two bays wide by three bays deep. To the rear is a large 1 ½-story front gabled brick addition two bays wide and four bays deep. Opposing cross gable dormers are in the third bay. A two story open porch is to the rear of the addition. Several outbuildings, including a barn and silo, are to the rear and are part of a commercial complex.

The primary entrance to the building is in the south bay of the north block protected by a notable, large, flat roofed, open porch with intricate wrought iron supports and frieze detail extending across the façade from the L. The entrance is enframed and has sidelights and a transom. The fenestration is regular, even six over one double-hung sash (replaced) with stone sills and lintels.

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The building at 5880 Thompson Road is significant as a mid nineteenth century brick farmhouse with period wrought iron porch and for its association with the Jacob Eshelman family. Mr. Eshelman served as Supervisor from 1866 to 1872, and he established a brick kiln in the early 1870s that provided the bricks for the Eshelman store in Clarence Center.

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