

**United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic Oberhoffer, E.J., House

and/or common Andersen, J.H., House

2. Location

street & number 17045 Judicial Road West not for publication

city, town Lakeville *mic* vicinity of congressional district *First*

state Minnesota code 22 county Dakota code 037

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Jens H. and Ruth H. Andersen

street & number 17045 Judicial Road West

city, town Lakeville vicinity of state Minnesota

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Dakota County Government Center

street & number 1560 West Highway 55

city, town Hastings state Minnesota 55033

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Statewide Survey of Historic Resources has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date 1979 federal state county local

depository for survey records Minnesota Historical Society -- 240 Summit Avenue-Hill House

city, town St. Paul state Minnesota 55102

7. Description

Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

original site
 moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Oberhoffer House was designed in the Prairie Style by Paul Haugen, of the well-known Minnesota architectural firm of Purcell and Elmslie. Set on a sloping wooded lot above Orchard Lake, it is a rectangular one-story building with a walk-out basement on the slope to the west. The exterior is finished with buff-colored stucco. Casement windows are set in horizontal bands and extend around the corners of the tower. The octagonal tower with lantern is 2½ stories high and unusual for the Prairie Style because it extends above the roofline. Major features of the interior include a large rectangular living room with a fireplace flanked by leaded glass windows in a geometric design, and the tower room that served as the conductor's study and also offered views of the lake.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates 1914-1918

Builder/Architect Haugen and Newstrom, Minneapolis

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The E.J. Oberhoffer House is significant both for its association with Emil Johann Oberhoffer (1867-1933), founder and first conductor of the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra, and for its Prairie style design by Paul Haugen of the Purcell and Elmslie firm. Oberhoffer was born in Munich and studied music there and in Paris. Arriving in Minnesota about 1890, he worked in both St. Paul and Minneapolis as a church organist and was active in local musical groups. In 1902 he helped found the Orchestra and became its first conductor, serving in this capacity for 19 years. An important figure in the development of music in Minnesota, he brought the symphony to a high standard of performance. Oberhoffer retired from the Orchestra in 1922 but continued to appear as a guest conductor in other cities. From the time construction was completed in 1918 until his death in 1933 he spent at least six months of every year at the house on Orchard Lake, and it is this building that is primarily associated with Oberhoffer's life in Minnesota. The structure's Prairie School design reflects the influence of this style on domestic architecture in the early 20th century. In addition, it is representative of the development of seasonal residences on the lakes of northern Dakota County. The house is also associated with Patty Berg, renowned golfer from Minnesota who spent time there during the late 1940's when it was owned by her parents, the Herman Bergs.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Minneapolis Journal, May 22, 1933, p. 1
 Sherman, John K. Music and Maestros: The Story of the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra,
 Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 1952.

10. Geographical Data

UTM NOT VERIFIED

Acreage of nominated property less than 1

Quadrangle name Orchard Lake

Quadrangle scale 7.5

UMT References

A

1	5	4	7	4	8	9	0	4	9	4	9	7	7	0
Zone		Easting				Northing								

B

Zone		Easting				Northing							

C

Zone		Easting				Northing							

D

Zone		Easting				Northing							

E

Zone		Easting				Northing							

F

Zone		Easting				Northing							

G

Zone		Easting				Northing							

H

Zone		Easting				Northing							

Verbal boundary description and justification

Lots 1, 2, and 3, Block 3
 Liberty Heights

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state _____ code _____ county _____ code _____

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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Susan Pommering Reynolds, Survey Analyst

organization Minnesota Historical Society date 5 June 1979

street & number 240 Summit Avenue-Hill House contact Dennis Gimmetad
 telephone 612-296-9545

city or town St. Paul state Minnesota

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

___ national state ___ local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature Russell W. Fridley

title State Historic Preservation Officer date 11/1/79

For HCERS use only

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

Coral O Skell date 12-31-79
 Keeper of the National Register

Attest: Kristin O'Connell date 12/26/79

Chief of Registration

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

for Keeper *Helene Lynn*
1/19/89

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**Note: These changes apply to
Oberhoffer, E. J., House in
Dakota County, Minnesota.**

REFERENCE NUMBER: 79001232

STATE: MINNESOTA

COUNTY: Dakota

RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Oberhoffer, Emil, J., House

CITY: Lakeville

VICINITY OF:

ADDRESS:

CERTIFICATION DATE:

REMOVED DATE:

COMMENTS: Property is located within the city limits of
Lakeville.

Nina M. Archabal

**Nina M. Archabal
State Historic Preservation Officer**

JUN 17 1988

Date