

**OREGON INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES
HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM**

Note: For properties 35 years old and newer, starred (*) sections are the only required fields.

				*County: Clackamas	
*Street Address: 16847 Greenbrier Road Situs Address:				*City Lake Oswego	
USGS Quad Name: Lake Oswego				GPS Reading, UTM Format (Universal Transverse Mercator): Longitude: 122°42'31.13"W Latitude: 45°24'13.33"N	
Township: 2S	Range: 1E	Section: 17AA	Block/Lot: 537, part 538	Tax Lot #: 10900	
Historic Name: The George L. and Martha S. Lindahl House				Grouping or Cluster Name:	
*Date of Construction: ca. 1932		Other Name: Clara Weinstein House and Clara and Samuel B. Weinstein House			
Historic Use or Function: DOMESTIC: Single Dwelling		*Current Use: DOMESTIC: Single Dwelling		Associated Archaeological Site: Unknown	
Architectural Classification(s): Norman Farmhouse		Plan Type/Shape: Asymmetrical		Number of stories: 2	
Foundation Material: Concrete		Structural Framing: Stud		Moved? No	
Roof Type/Material: Gable with flared eaves; composition singles			Window Type/Material: Casement		
Exterior Surface Materials Primary: Brick		Secondary: Stucco		Decorative: Massive battered end-wall chimney; conical turret; leaded glass, hipped dormer	
Exterior Alterations or Additions, Approximate Date: Deck, rear elevation (unknown); Land use files show that in 2006 some windows were removed, not on primary façade; front walkway replaced.					
Number and Type of Associated Resources: Small, gabled garage w/brick and wood siding and hinged doors					
Integrity: Good	Condition: Excellent	Local Eligibility: On LDL		National Register Listed? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
Preliminary National Register Findings:					
Potentially Eligible: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individually or <input type="checkbox"/> As a contributing resource in a District					
Not Eligible: <input type="checkbox"/> Intact but lacks distinction or <input type="checkbox"/> Not 50 years old or <input type="checkbox"/> Altered - Choose one:					
<input type="checkbox"/> Reversible/ potentially eligible individually or in a District <input type="checkbox"/> Reversible/ ineligible, lacks distinction <input type="checkbox"/> Irretrievable lack of integrity					
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Description of Physical and or Landscape Features

The George L. and Martha S. Lindahl House stands on a narrow, rectangular 0.27-acre parcel on the Lake Oswego waterfront just at the inlet of Blue Heron Bay. Landscaping includes stone and cement steps and paths set among mature Douglas-firs, planned gardens, and lawns that slope down to the shore. The property contains a small gabled garage with brick and wood siding and hinged doors, and a small boathouse on the shore.

This two-story house, constructed on a concrete foundation, has an asymmetrical plan, a steeply pitched side-gable roof with a round turret capped with a conical roof, and several hip-roofed dormers of varying sizes. The house has two entrances located on the uphill, landward side of the building. One of these entrances is located on the side of the turret, and the other is located on the right side of the façade, under a narrow, shed-roofed porch that extends along the slope of the main roof and is supported by two corner posts. A massive brick chimney rises along the outer wall of the house to the left of the turret. A secondary, central brick chimney rises from the ridge near the center of the house. The lake side of the house has three large hip-roofed dormers and a shed dormer, all of which appear to have multi-light casement windows. A full-width deck extends across the lake side of the house. Due to the steep slope of the property, this side of the house has an at-grade basement with entrances sheltered by the deck.

The house is clad with a standard bond brick veneer, with clapboard siding on the second story and dormers on the water-facing side. The round turret on the main façade is clad with stucco. The house contains a mix of multi-light windows that include some lattice-pattern leaded casement windows. The roof is clad with composition shingles.

In 1989, the cultural resource inventory noted that a deck had been added to the rear façade (Koler and Morrison 1989). Land use files show that in 2006 some windows were removed, but these were not defining to the structure's character. Also at this time the walkway in the front of the home was replaced with Iron Mountain flagstone. It was found that these changes would not diminish the historic integrity of the home.

The home has many of the character-defining features of the Norman Farmhouse style with its asymmetrical plan, conical turret, stucco and brick siding, lattice glass casement windows, flared eaves, lush landscaping and overall rustic demeanor.

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Statement of Significance

The George L. and Martha S. Lindahl House, located at 16847 Greenbrier Road in Lake Oswego (listed incorrectly on the National Register of Historic Places [NRHP] as the Clara and Samuel B. Weinstein House), is considered to be the finest example of the Norman Farmhouse style in the City of Lake Oswego. It is also architecturally significant as the work of Roscoe Hemenway (Roscoe Hemenway Architectural Papers 1932). Hemenway (1899–1957) was born in Oregon and had a lifelong practice in Portland. He was widely considered to be one of Portland’s most prolific architects. The majority of Hemenway’s designs were in the Colonial Revival, Tudor Revival and English Cottage style; however, his residential works ranged widely in style from Mediterranean to Norman Farmhouse and even International style (Young 2014).

Despite its commonly used name, the Clara and Samuel B. Weinstein House, there is no evidence indicating that the Weinstains ever occupied the residence. Clara and Samuel B. Weinstein purchased the lot on April 14, 1931, from the Oregon Iron and Steel Company (Koler and Morrison 1989). New evidence conflicts with the previously assumed notion that the house was built for the Weinstains. According to the house’s NRHP nomination form, completed in 1992, the Weinstains deeded the property in 1932 to George and Martha Lindahl (Beckham 1991). The Oregon Historical Society’s research library contains a collection of archives from 1932 with plans, details and elevations of a house designed for the Lindahls by Hemenway (Roscoe Hemenway Architectural Papers 1932). The existence of these archives confirms that the house was instead designed in 1932 for the Lindahls by Hemenway. As such, its name has been changed to the George L. and Martha S. Lindahl House.

George L. Lindahl was born in Odense, Denmark, on August 19, 1880, and immigrated to Portland in 1910 (U.S. Bureau of the Census 1920; U.S. Selective Service System 1942). In 1920, he was enumerated in the U.S. federal census as living in Portland, employed as a bookkeeper for a packing company and married to Martha Lindahl (nee Larsen), with a son, George Lindahl Jr., who was four-and-a-half at the time. Fritz J. Christiansen, a Danish ship carpenter, was also living at the Lindahls’ address in 1920 (U.S. Bureau of the Census 1920). In 1930, Lindahl was listed as an independent public accountant and was still living in Portland with Martha and their son, George, who was 14 years old (U.S. Bureau of the Census 1930).

Martha S. Lindahl was also born in Denmark in approximately 1882. She immigrated to the United States in 1907 (U.S. Bureau of the Census 1930). In 1931, a year before they purchased the Greenbrier Road lot, the Portland City Directory listed George and Martha as living at a residence on 121 North Baldwin Street in North Portland (R.L. Polk and Company 1931). George Lindahl’s 1942 Selective Service Draft card showed he was still an independent public account at the time, but he was listed as living in Lake Grove (U.S. Selective Service System 1942). According to the Ticor Title Company, George and Martha owned their Lake Oswego home for approximately 30 years (Koler and Morrison 1989).

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George L. Lindahl Jr. was born on July 6, 1915 and died April 21, 1994 (California Death Index 1994). Lindahl was a graduate of Jefferson High School, Stanford University and the Fort Sill artillery school. He volunteered for service in August of 1940 and was sent to the Philippines in October 1941. An article in *The Oregonian* shows the Lindahls were worried about the fate of their son in the early months of 1942 (*The Sunday Oregonian* 1942). Lindahl was captured and held as a prisoner of war (Weiss 1995). In 1944, a group of people, most of whom were relatives of prisoners of war who had been captured in the Philippines and who were being held by the Japanese, organized a Portland chapter of the Bataan Relief Organization. Martha Lindahl, George L. Lindahl Jr's mother, was elected the temporary vice president for the group (*The Oregonian* 1944).

With its asymmetrical plan, conical turret, stucco and brick siding, lattice glass casement windows, flared eaves, lush landscaping, and overall rustic demeanor, the George and Martha Lindahl House is an outstanding example of a Norman Farmhouse and a primary example of the influential local architect Hemenway's work.

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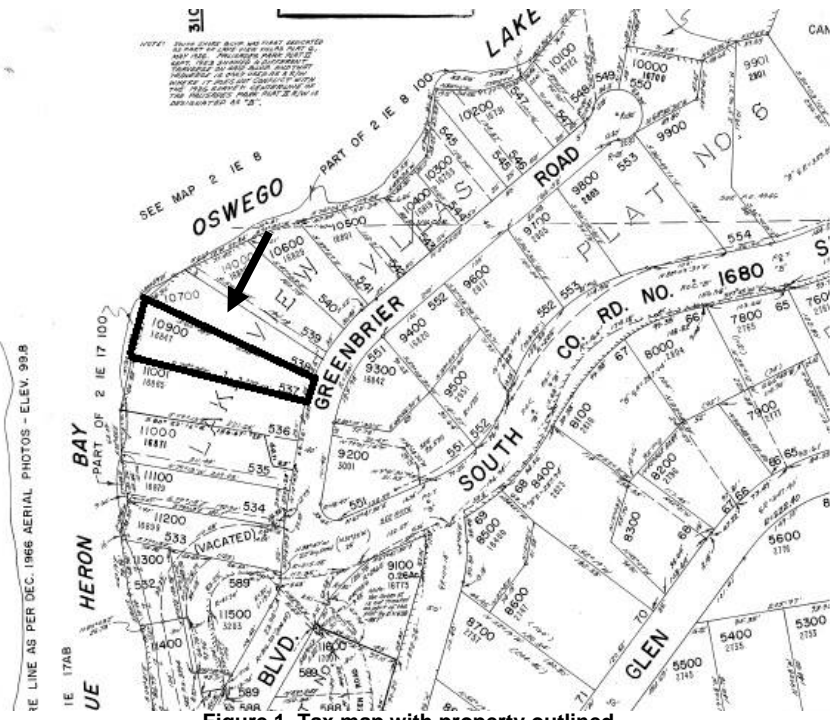


Figure 1. Tax map with property outlined.



Figure 2. Site plan, provided by the City of Lake Oswego

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**Figure 3. Looking west at the east façade. 2006
Photo courtesy of the Lake Oswego Public Library. Photo ID: HRAB124**



**Figure 4. Looking northeast at the west and south façades. 2006
Photo courtesy of the Lake Oswego Public Library. Photo ID: HRAB544**

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**Figure 5. Looking west at the east façade. 2006.
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Figure 6. Looking west at the east façade. August 2014



Figure 7. Looking west at the east façade down driveway, carport in foreground. August 2014

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Architect and / or Builder(s): Roscoe Hemenway	Owner Type: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> Mixed	
Addition or Subdivision Name: Lake View Villas Plat 6	Owner Name(s):	
Area(s) of Significance: Architecture	Address:	
Property Category: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/> District	City, State, Zip:	
	Phone Number(s):	
Documentation		
Research Sources: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Title/ Deed Records <input type="checkbox"/> Sanborn Maps <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Obituary Index <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Directories <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Census Records <input type="checkbox"/> Biographical Encyclopedias <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Newspapers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building Permits <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tax Records <input type="checkbox"/> SHPO Files <input type="checkbox"/> State Archives <input type="checkbox"/> State Library <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Histories <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Personal Interviews <input type="checkbox"/> Historic Photographs	Local Library (specify): Lake Oswego Public Library University Library (specify): Historical Society (specify): Other (specify):
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