

**BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM**

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UNIQUE SITE NO.	<u>029-40</u> <u>5466</u> <u>D07</u>
QUAD	_____
SERIES	_____
NEG. NO.	_____

YOUR NAME: BUFFALO FRIENDS OF OLMSTED PARKS DATE: July 3, 1984

P. O. BOX 590

YOUR ADDRESS: BUFFALO, NEW YORK 14205 - 0590 TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ORGANIZATION (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

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**IDENTIFICATION**

- BUILDING NAME(S): \_\_\_\_\_
- COUNTY: Erie TOWN/CITY: Buffalo VILLAGE: \_\_\_\_\_
- STREET LOCATION: 2-4 Russell Ave
- OWNERSHIP: a. public  b. private  Park Meadow
- PRESENT OWNER: Brinkworth Trust c/o ADDRESS: 2-4 Russell
- USE: Original: Commercial/Residential Present: Commercial
- ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes  No   
Interior accessible: Explain during business hours

**DESCRIPTION**

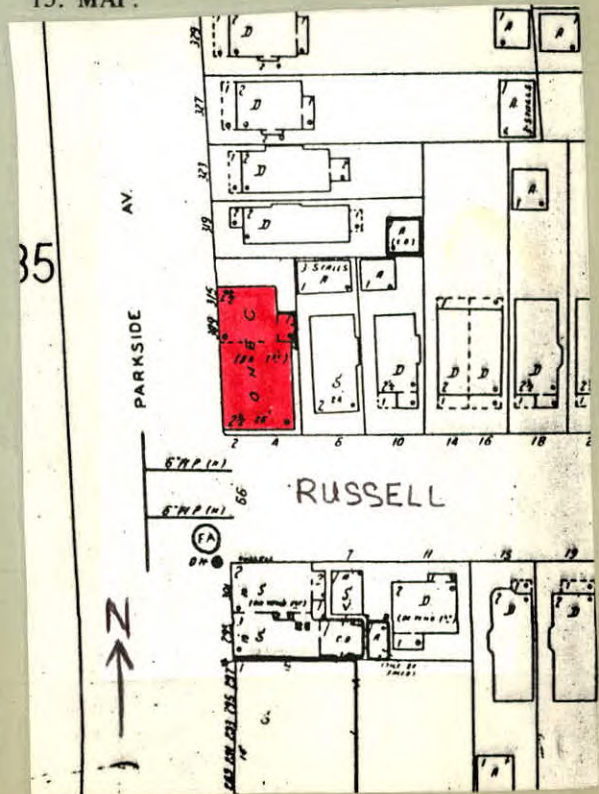
- BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard  b. stone  c. brick  d. board and batten   
e. cobblestone  f. shingles  g. stucco  other: \_\_\_\_\_
- STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: a. wood frame with interlocking joints   
(if known) b. wood frame with light members   
c. masonry load bearing walls   
d. metal (explain) \_\_\_\_\_  
e. other \_\_\_\_\_
- CONDITION: a. excellent  b. good  c. fair  d. deteriorated
- INTEGRITY: a. original site  b. moved  if so, when? \_\_\_\_\_  
c. list major alterations and dates (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

12. PHOTO: 39-17a



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13. MAP:



14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known  b. zoning  c. roads   
 d. developers  e. deterioration   
 f. other: \_\_\_\_\_
15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:  
 a. barn  b. carriage house  c. garage   
 d. privy  e. shed  f. greenhouse   
 g. shop  h. gardens   
 i. landscape features: \_\_\_\_\_  
 j. other: \_\_\_\_\_
16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING (check more than one if necessary):  
 a. open land  b. woodland   
 c. scattered buildings   
 d. densely built-up  e. commercial   
 f. industrial  g. residential   
 h. other: \_\_\_\_\_

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:  
 (Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)

Building is situated on a standard sized corner lot within Olmsted's Parkside subdivision. It is located opposite Delaware Park, which was designed by Olmsted and is listed on the National Register, and east of the Zoo.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):

Two and a half story Tudor style. Front facing gable roof with flared eaves. Bargeboard with flared ends. Brick first floor. End bays have entrances; left end, wood paneled transom; right end has 8 light door with 8 light transom. Three center bays have rectangular single light windows. Wood paneled transoms and flanking brick piers. Brackets at piers support first floor band. Stucco second floor with decorative half-timbering. End bays have

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1915  
 ARCHITECT: brackets under oriel. Center double hung window with 14 light sides. Center bay has three double hung 6/6 light windows. Pediment shaped band of trim with brackets spanning second floor. Stucco gable with  
 BUILDER: semi-hexagonal oriels. Scroll

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: decorative half-timbering. Two casement windows, 8 lights each. Pediment shaped window head. Louvre window in top of gable. Hip roof dormer with 12 light casement window.

A commercial/residential structure with English Tudor styling. Russell Avenue extends from Parkside Avenue to Greenfield Street. It was laid out in a map of 1886, paralleling the northern border of the lands of Washington Russell, after whom the street was named. However it was early 1889 before Russell Avenue was deeded to the city. While this particular street does not appear in Olmsted's early 1870's maps of "The Parkside," Olmsted felt cross streets would allow easy access to major thoroughfares and to the park, and he did include similar

21. SOURCES: cross streets such as Jewett Avenue in his early plans.

City Building Permit Records  
 Olmsted's Sketch Map of Buffalo, 1876  
 The Papers of Frederick Law Olmsted, Vol. III, by  
 Charles E. Beveridge & David Schuyler, eds. (1983).

22. THEME:

English Tudor