

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. <u>029-40-</u>	<u>5875</u> DO7
QUAD _____	
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YOUR NAME: BUFFALO FRIENDS OF OLMSTED PARKS DATE: July 25, 1984
 P. O. BOX 590
 YOUR ADDRESS: BUFFALO, NEW YORK 14205-0590 TELEPHONE: _____
 ORGANIZATION (if any): _____

IDENTIFICATION

- BUILDING NAME(S): _____
- COUNTY: Erie TOWN/CITY: Buffalo VILLAGE: _____
- STREET LOCATION: 21 Florence Ave
- OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
- PRESENT OWNER: Cecilia Gabriel ADDRESS: 21 Florence
- USE: Original: Residential Present: Residential
- ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
Interior accessible: Explain by permission

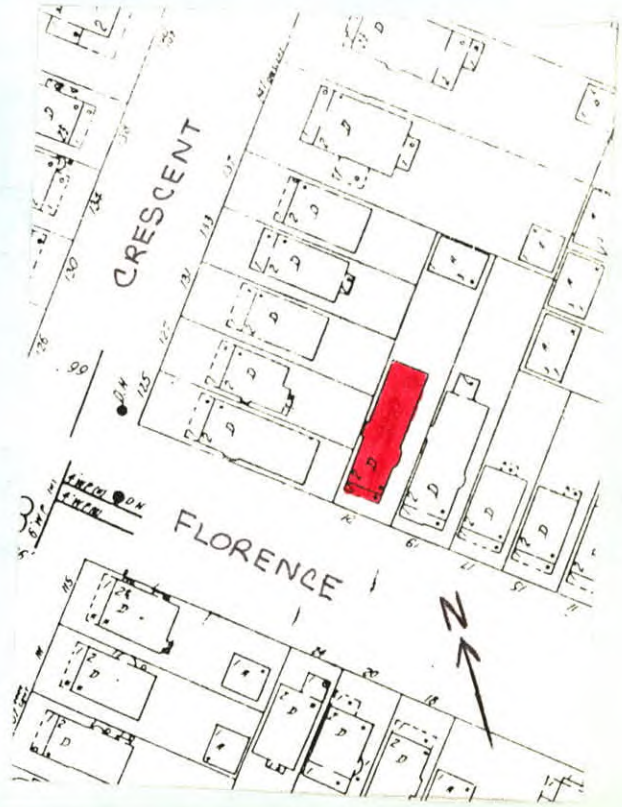
DESCRIPTION

- BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other: asbestos siding
- 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: 37-27a



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: tree and shrubs in front yard
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 lot within Olmsted's Parkside subdivision. House is located three blocks from Delaware Park, which was designed by Olmsted and is listed on the National Register, and southeast of the Zoo.

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

Two and a half story frame with Colonial Revival styling. Front facing gable roof. Full-width flat roof porch. Rough cut, regular course stone base. Doric columns support entablature. Spindle balustrade. Glass and wood paneled door flanked on one side by leaded rectangular window. Tri-part first floor window.

SIGNIFICANCE Double hung 1/1 windows. Second floor 3-light glass paneled porch door. Bowed

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: c. 1905 bay. Paired single hung
ARCHITECT: windows with leaded top light flanked by paired
leaded sidelights. Scroll-like brackets under
BUILDER: gable eave. Pedimented gable has Palladian window.

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

A gabled frame Colonial Revival style. Florence Avenue extends from Main Street to Parkside Avenue, paralleling Robie Street. Located within the first section of the Parkside subdivision to be developed, Florence Avenue was deeded to the city by Jacob Davis in 1887. Although Olmsted's early 1870's maps of "The Parkside" show a street angling from the intersection of Main and Humboldt to Parkside Avenue, when it was finally developed Florence Avenue was modified to parallel Humboldt Avenue. It nevertheless still followed Olmsted's rule that a subdivision street "not lead with special directness toward the town."

21. SOURCES: City Tax Assessor Field Sheets

Buffalo City Atlas, 1894, updated 1909

Olmsted's Sketch Map of Buffalo, 1876

The Papers of Frederick Law Olmsted, Vol. III, by

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