

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO.	_____
QUAD	_____
SERIES	_____
NEG. NO.	_____

YOUR NAME: BUFFALO FRIENDS OF OLMSTED PARKS DATE: August 13, 1984

P. O. BOX 590

YOUR ADDRESS: BUFFALO, NEW YORK 14205-0590 TELEPHONE: _____

ORGANIZATION (if any): _____

IDENTIFICATION

- 1. BUILDING NAME(S): _____
- 2. COUNTY: Erie TOWN/CITY: Buffalo VILLAGE: _____
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 21 Elam Pl
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Valerie Yost ADDRESS: 21 Elam Place
- 6. USE: Original: Residential Present: Residential
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
Interior accessible: Explain by permission

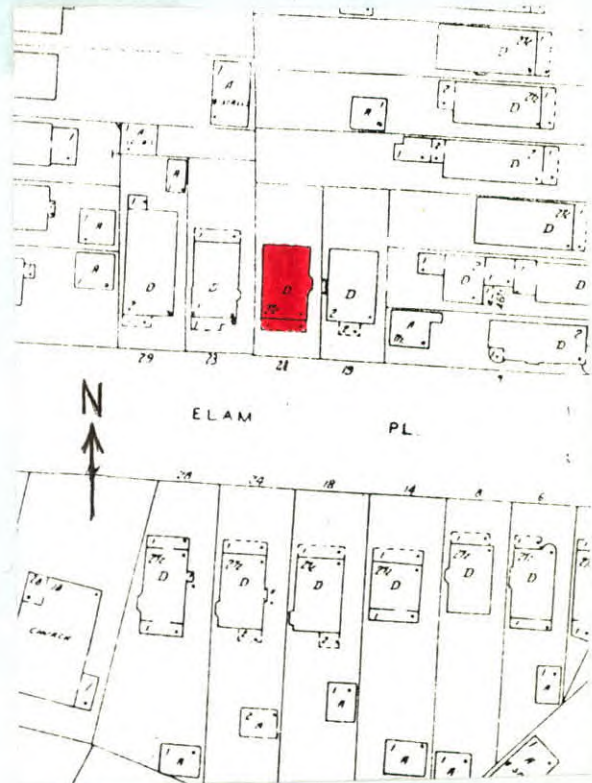
DESCRIPTION

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

12. PHOTO: 42-29a



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 four blocks from 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 with Colonial Revival styling. Front-facing gable roof. Partial-width pedimented gabled porch. Rough cut, regular course stone base. Tapered square Doric supports. Pedimented gable with tympanum decorated with sawtooth shingles. Glass paneled door flanked by small round arched stained glass window. Right bay first floor has tri-part window. Double-hung 1/1 lights each. Second floor band

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: c. 1904
 ARCHITECT: second floor bay. Double-hung 1/1 windows. Left bay double hung 1/1 window. Wide band of trim below roof eave decorated with string course. Gable has tri-part window; single light with pilasters flanking each window. Entablature window head. Gabled dormers on building sides. Cornice end returns. Two double-hung 1/1 windows with entablature window heads.
 BUILDER: _____
20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:
 A simplified frame gable roof Colonial Revival style. Elam Place, a one-block street between Crescent Avenue and Greenfield Street just north of Jewett Parkway, is located on the lands of Elam R. Jewett and was named after him. It was deeded to the city by his widow in 1889. A similar street appears on Olmsted's 1870's maps of "The Parkside," although that street was angled to connect Greenfield with the intersection of Crescent and Jewett. Elam Place also follows Olmsted's rule that a subdivision street "not lead with special directness toward the town."

21. SOURCES: County Census Records, 1905
 Buffalo City Atlas, 1894, updated 1909
 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:

Colonial Revival