

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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

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ORGANIZATION (if any): City of Buffalo - Division of Planning

IDENTIFICATION

- BUILDING NAME(S): _____
- COUNTY: Erie TOWN/CITY: Buffalo VILLAGE: _____
- STREET LOCATION: 122 Humboldt Pwy
- OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
- PRESENT OWNER: Annie Mae Lyles ADDRESS: 122 Humboldt Parkway, Bflo
- USE: Original: Residence Present: Residence
- ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
Interior accessible: Explain By Permission

DESCRIPTION

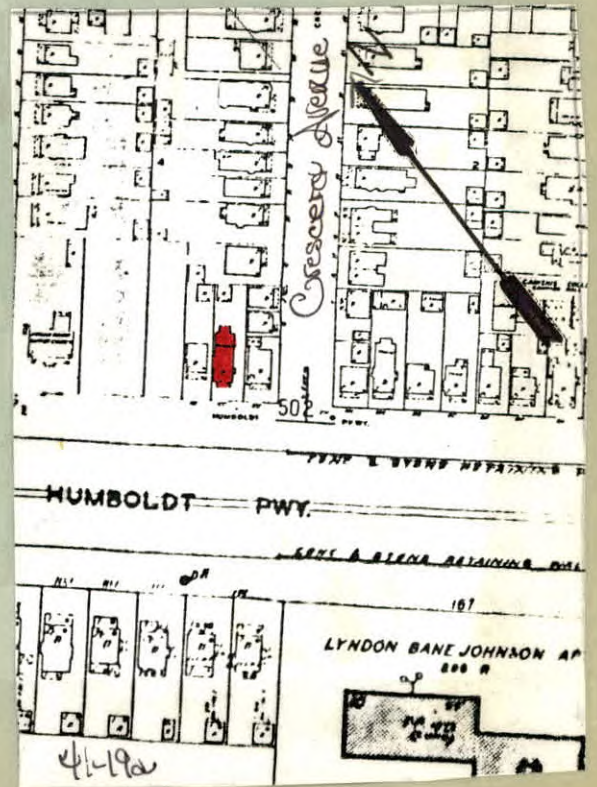
- BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other: _____
- STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: (if known) a. wood frame with interlocking joints
b. wood frame with light members
c. masonry load bearing walls
d. metal (explain) _____
e. other _____
- CONDITION: 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: 41-19a



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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: Expressway

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:
 (Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)
 The building is located on a broad east-west thoroughfare designed by Olmsted to "act as a route of access" to Delaware Park and the secondary parklands; i.e. Martin Luther King, Jr. Park. The City's expressway presently dissects the parkway. Situated on a standard size building lot in Olmsted's Parkside subdivision, surrounded by varied 20th century architectural styles; Queen Anne to Prairie.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):
 Two and one half story American Four Square. Hip roof with projecting eaves. Fishscale slate roof tile. First floor brick, second floor shingle. Hip roof two story front projecting wing. Brick piers at wing ends. Horizontal band of four square-headed windows in first and second floor. Four vertical lights in top sash. Shingled spandrel. South side has hip roof entrance porch. Glass paneled door with vertical lights.

SIGNIFICANCE
 19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1921
 ARCHITECT: _____
 BUILDER: _____

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:
 A fine example of an American Four Square with Prairie School influence. The house was built for Thomas J. Gavin at a cost of \$10,000. Humboldt Parkway was named for Alexander Humboldt, a noted geologist, in honor of his work as a Naturalist. The Parkway was conceived by Olmsted as a broad thoroughfare, designed with central roads and walkways for "pleasure travel." This area would provide a setting for short walks, a playground for children and an "airing ground for invalids." Roadways outside of this area would "answer the purpose of a street for ordinary travel."

21. SOURCES:
Buffalo Park Commissioners 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th Annual Reports. 1881
City of Buffalo-Department of Building Permits: Building Plans (D-110) 1921

22. THEME:
 Residential architecture associated with Parkside development
 American Four Square