

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 029-40 5472 D07
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): _____

IDENTIFICATION

- 1. BUILDING NAME(S): _____
- 2. COUNTY: Erie TOWN/CITY: Buffalo VILLAGE: _____
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 24 Russell Ave
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Randolph Gadikian ADDRESS: 24 Russell
- 6. USE: Original: Residential Present: Residential
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
Interior accessible: Explain by permission

DESCRIPTION

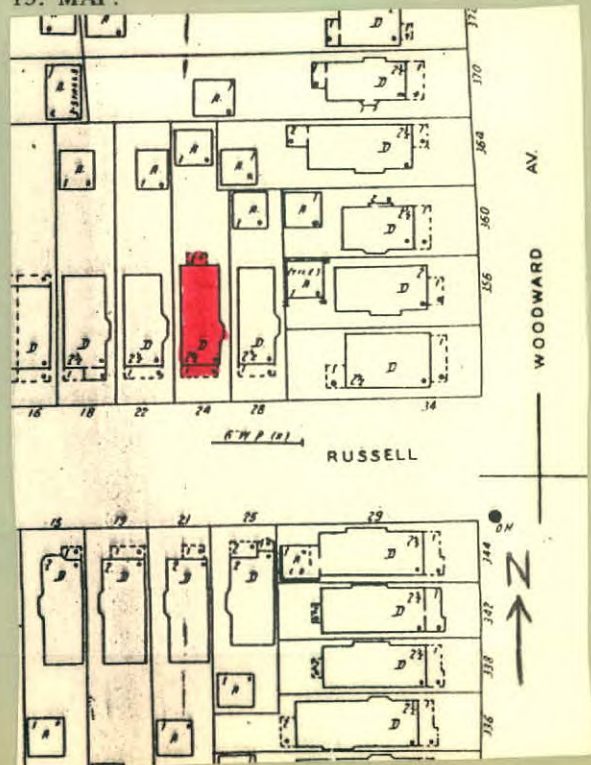
- 8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other: asbestos siding
- 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: a. wood frame with interlocking joints
(if known) b. wood frame with light members
c. masonry load bearing walls
d. metal (explain) _____
e. other _____
- 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):
Porch supports and balustrades altered

12. PHOTO: 39-11a



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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: 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 one block 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 frame residence. Hip roof with modillion-style brackets under eave. Full-width flat roof porch with eave overhang. Projecting boxed entrance. Glass paneled door with 3/4 sidelights. First floor three-part window; double hung 1/1 lights. Plain surrounds. Second floor semi-hexagonal bay. Single-light windows. Left bay has full-size single-hung window; single light. Plain surrounds.

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1910

ARCHITECT: Gabled dormer has bargeboard with curvilinear ends. Three-part window, double hung 1/1 lights.
BUILDER: _____

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: A typical form of an American Four Square found throughout Buffalo. 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 cross streets such as Jewett Avenue in his early plans.

21. SOURCES: City Building Permit Records
City Tax Assessor Field Sheets
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: American Four Square