

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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 UNIQUE SITE NO. 4788
 QUAD _____
 SERIES _____
 NEG. NO. _____

YOUR NAME: BUFFALO FRIENDS OF OLMSTED PARKS DATE: May 25, 1983

YOUR ADDRESS: P. O. BOX 590
BUFFALO, NEW YORK 14205-0590 TELEPHONE: _____

ORGANIZATION (if any): _____

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME(S): _____
2. COUNTY: Erie TOWN/CITY: Buffalo VILLAGE: _____
3. STREET LOCATION: 1396 Amherst St.
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
5. PRESENT OWNER: Myron Robbins ADDRESS: 733 W. Delavan, Buffalo 14222
6. USE: Original: Residential Present: Residential
7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
 Interior accessible: Explain by permission

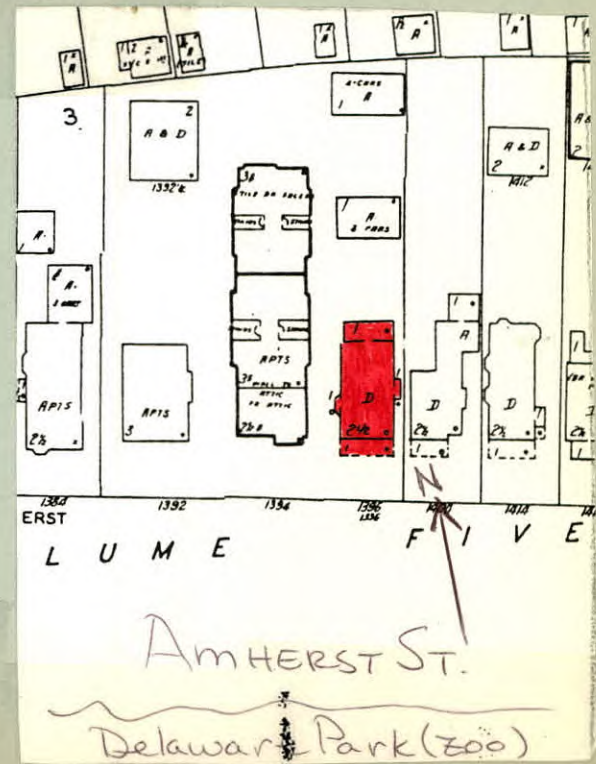
DESCRIPTION

8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
 e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other: _____
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): _____

12. PHOTO: 17-13a



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: large trees on front, side and
 j. other: rear of house
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 building lot within Olmsted's Parkside subdivision. House is directly opposite Delaware Park which was designed by FLO and is listed on the National Register. A dense grove of trees and the Buffalo Zoo are across the street from this property.

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

Two story American Four Square. Hip roof with three hipped dormers. Dormers have two six light over single pane windows and exposed rafters in the eaves. Exposed rafters in the eaves of the roof. Most windows are six light over single pane windows. One story bay in the center of the west facade. Entrance on the east facade. Open porch across the front of the house has a hip roof and squared columns.

SIGNIFICANCE19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: c.1915 Stone Foundation.

ARCHITECT: _____

BUILDER: _____

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

Good example of the American Four Square that was built in the Parkside neighborhood. This section of Amherst Street, between Colvin and Parkside, was conceived by FLO around 1873 as part of a residential "suburb" adjacent to Delaware Park. This suburb was called "The Parkside" by Olmsted and appears on an 1876 map drawn by him as a proposed area of curved winding streets on the north and east sides of the park. This section of Amherst St. was actually created by the City of Buffalo in 1875 when Amherst St. was extended from Delaware Ave. to Main St.. The street follows Olmsted's original plan maintaining the picturesque character that he envisioned for the streets surrounding the park.

21. SOURCES: Buffalo City Atlas 1894, 1915
 Sandborn Map 1916
 Buffalo Index to Streets @ 1896
 FLO's original map for "Parkside"

22. THEME:
 American Four Square