

**BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM**

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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY  
 UNIQUE SITE NO. 029-40-5405 DO7  
 QUAD \_\_\_\_\_  
 SERIES \_\_\_\_\_  
 NEG. NO. \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR NAME: BUFFALO FRIENDS OF OLMSTED PARKS DATE: July 31, 1984  
 P. O. BOX 590  
 YOUR ADDRESS: BUFFALO, NEW YORK 14205-0590 TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ORGANIZATION (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

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**IDENTIFICATION**

1. BUILDING NAME(S): \_\_\_\_\_
2. COUNTY: Erie TOWN/CITY: Buffalo VILLAGE: \_\_\_\_\_
3. STREET LOCATION: 104 Robie St.
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public  b. private  705 Brisbane Bldg.
5. PRESENT OWNER: Peter Costa ADDRESS: Buffalo, NY 14203
6. USE: Original: Residential Present: Residential
7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes  No   
 Interior accessible: Explain by permission

**DESCRIPTION**

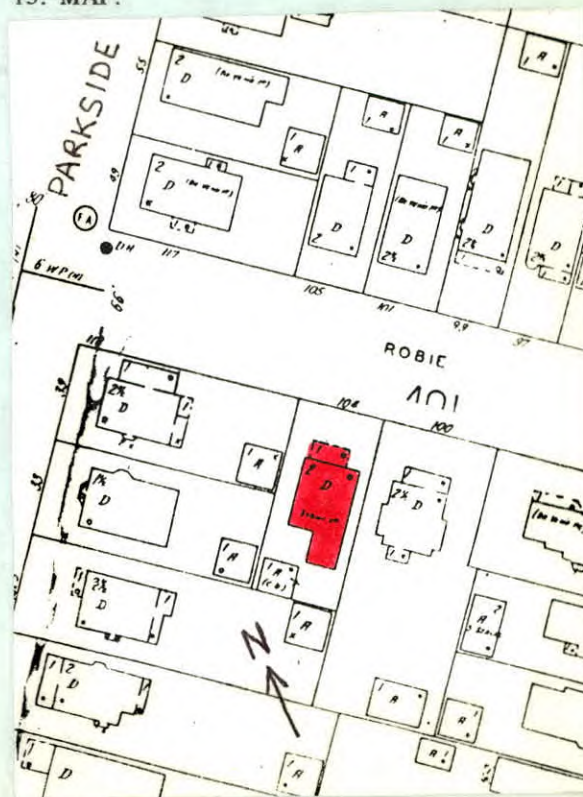
8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard  b. stone  c. brick  d. board and batten   
 e. cobblestone  f. shingles  g. stucco  other: \_\_\_\_\_
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: a. wood frame with interlocking joints   
 (if known) b. wood frame with light members   
 c. masonry load bearing walls   
 d. metal (explain) \_\_\_\_\_  
 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: 30-7a



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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: 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 corner 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 southeast of the Zoo.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):  
Two story Dutch Colonial Revival style. Gambrel roof with extending eaves. Rough cut, irregular course stone first floor and porch base. Partial width flat roof trellised-style porch. Polygonal columns with ornamented cushion capitals. Glass paneled door with flanking 8 light sidelights in center bay.

**SIGNIFICANCE** Second floor is stucco. Two double-hung 8/1 light windows. Moulded window

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1905  
ARCHITECT: surround. Two paneled window shutters. Semi-circular gable window.  
BUILDER: Moulded surround with keystone. Building sides have shed roof dormers. Double-hung 8/1 windows. East side has trellised entrance porch.

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: A good example of a Dutch Colonial Revival style influenced by Craftsman styling in the porch. Robie Street extends from Parkside Avenue to Main Street. Located in the center of the first section of the Parkside subdivision to be developed, on lands owned by Jacob Davis, Robie Street was deeded to the city in December 1887. Olmsted's early 1870's maps of "The Parkside" show a street angling from Humboldt to Parkside Avenue; however when Robie Street was laid out, it paralleled Humboldt Avenue. The street nevertheless still followed Olmsted's plan to have short cross streets in the subdivision, giving residents easy access to main thoroughfares and the park.

21. SOURCES: City Building Permit Records  
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: Dutch Colonial Revival