

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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 UNIQUE SITE NO. 4793 DO7
 QUAD _____
 SERIES _____
 NEG. NO. _____

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

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: 1428 Amherst St
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
5. PRESENT OWNER: James F. Oshea ADDRESS: 1428 Amherst St.
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: 17-18a



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: small trees and shrubs in front and rear yards
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 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 tiled roof with a hipped dormer on the front facade. Second story is stuccoed. First floor is brick. Bay window on the west side of the second floor. One story bay towards the rear of the east facade. Enclosed porch across front of house has stone piers and multi-paned windows.

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: c. 1915

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 street 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