

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 5439  
QUAD \_\_\_\_\_  
SERIES \_\_\_\_\_  
NEG. NO. \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR NAME: BUFFALO FRIENDS OF OLMSTED PARKS DATE: July 16, 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: 132 Oakwood
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public  b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Michael Rossiter ADDRESS: 132 West Oakwood
- 6. USE: Original: Residential Present: Residential
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes  No   
Interior accessible: Explain by permission

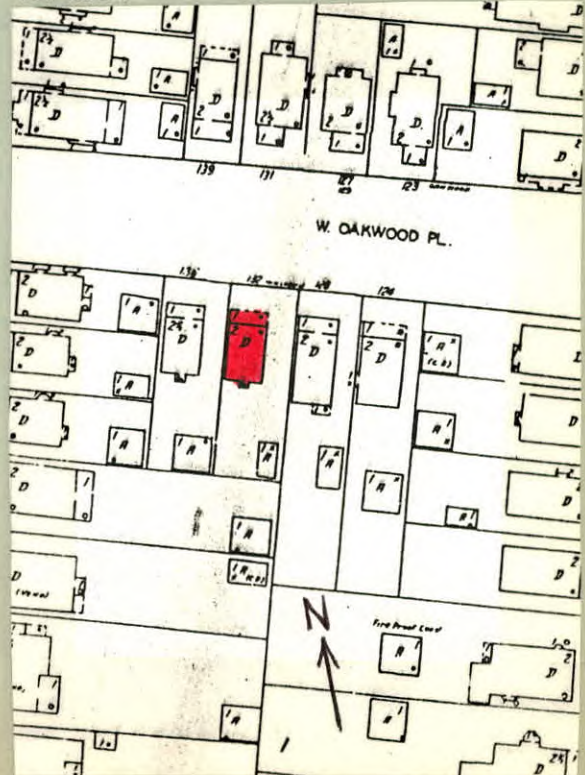
DESCRIPTION

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

12. PHOTO: 37-13a



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: 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 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 and a half story American Four Square. Hip roof with brackets under extending eave. Full-width hip roof porch. Stepped rail. Doric column supports. Modillions under porch cornice. Boxed projecting entrance bay. Glass paneled door. Bay is flanked on one side by leaded glass rectangular window. First floor right bay has single-hung window, SIGNIFICANCE 1/1 lights. Entablature window surround. Second floor semi-hexagonal bay. Double-

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1908

hung 6/1 light windows.

ARCHITECT: Right bay has paired 6/1 light windows. Entablature window surrounds. Band of trim below roof eave. Hip  
 BUILDER: roof dormer. Center 6/1 light window with flanking  
4/1 windows.

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: A typical American Four Square. West Oakwood Place extends from Main Street to Parkside Avenue. At the northern border of the first section of the subdivision to be developed, the eastern portion of West Oakwood was deeded to the city by Jacob Davis in 1887 and the remainder by Caroline Jewett in 1888. West Oakwood closely resembles a street found in Olmsted's early 1870's maps of "The Parkside." While it does not connect with Jewett Avenue at the park entrance as Olmsted originally planned, it remains curvilinear and as a cross street provides easy access to the main thoroughfares and the park.

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

22. THEME: Charles E. Beveridge & David Schuyler, eds. (1983).

American Four Square