

**BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM**

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 029-40-4810 DOT  
QUAD \_\_\_\_\_  
SERIES \_\_\_\_\_  
NEG. NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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**IDENTIFICATION**

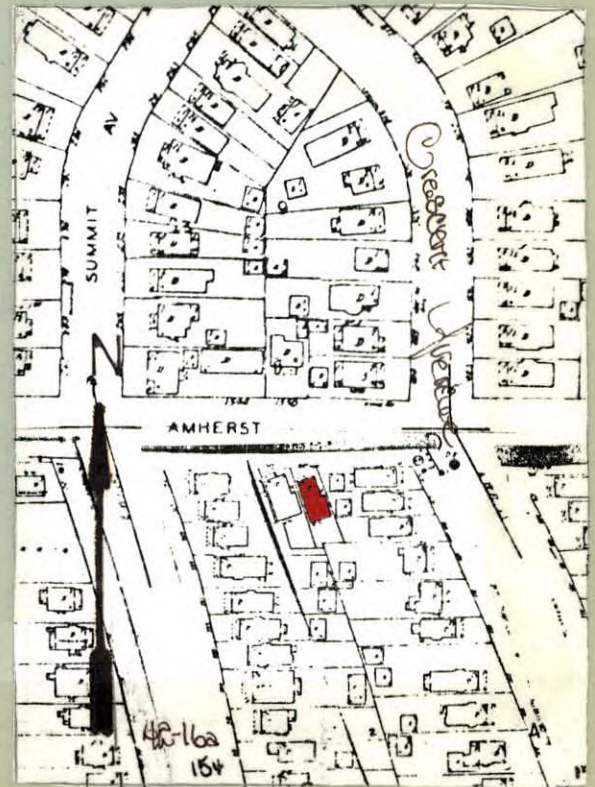
- 1. BUILDING NAME(S): \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. COUNTY: Erie TOWN/CITY: Buffalo VILLAGE: \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. STREET LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_ 1547 Amherst St \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public  b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Gery M. Groeger ADDRESS: 76 Bentwood, Bflo
- 6. USE: Original: Residence Present: Residence
- 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: (if known) a. wood frame with interlocking joints   
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: 42-16a

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: \_\_\_\_\_  
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)

This building is located on a standard size building lot within Olmsted's Parkside subdivision, surrounded by 20th century vernacular architectural styles. The east-west thoroughfare intersects with Parkside Avenue to the west, and the grounds of the Buffalo Zoological Society.

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

Two and one half story Colonial Revival style as applied to a frame structure on a narrow urban lot. Pedimented gable roof with projecting front cornice decorated with brackets. Overscale end brackets. Porch with Ionic columns, spindle balustrade and upper porch wrought iron balustrade. Two story semi-hexagonal bay. Square-headed 1/1 windows. Entablature window surrounds. Paired 1/1 windows in gable. Pedimented entrance hood with curved underside on east side. Pedimented dormer

- SIGNIFICANCE** west side.  
19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: \_\_\_\_\_ 1911 \_\_\_\_\_

ARCHITECT: \_\_\_\_\_

BUILDER: \_\_\_\_\_

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

Typical vernacular Colonial Revival Style two family residence as adapted to a narrow urban lot. Amherst Street, originally known as Ferry Street, was extended from Delaware Avenue to Main Street in 1875. The street follows Olmsted's original plan for the Parkside subdivision as seen in the 1876 Sketch Map of the Park System. The land for subdivision was conveyed to the Parkside Land & improvement Co. by Elam R. Jewett in November of 1885, at a cost of \$44, 158. The land was to be developed according to a subdivision map drawn up by Jewett with one stipulation, that a "factory for the manufacture of cement shall not be erected."

21. SOURCES: Atlas of the City of Buffalo. 1894, 1915

Deed - Liber 481 Page 527: Conveyance

"Olmsted's Sketch Map-Showing the relation of the Park System to the City." 1876

22. THEME:

Residential architecture associated with Parkside development  
Colonial Revival Style.