

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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YOUR NAME: BUFFALO FRIENDS OF OLMASTED PARKS DATE: June 5, 1984

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

ORGANIZATION (if any): _____

IDENTIFICATION

- BUILDING NAME(S): _____
- COUNTY: Erie TOWN/CITY: Buffalo VILLAGE: _____
- STREET LOCATION: 2312-2316 Main St
- OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private 34 St. James Pl.
- PRESENT OWNER: Thomas Gray ADDRESS: Buffalo, NY 14222
- USE: Original: Commercial/Residential Present: Commercial/Residential
- ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
Interior accessible: Explain by permission

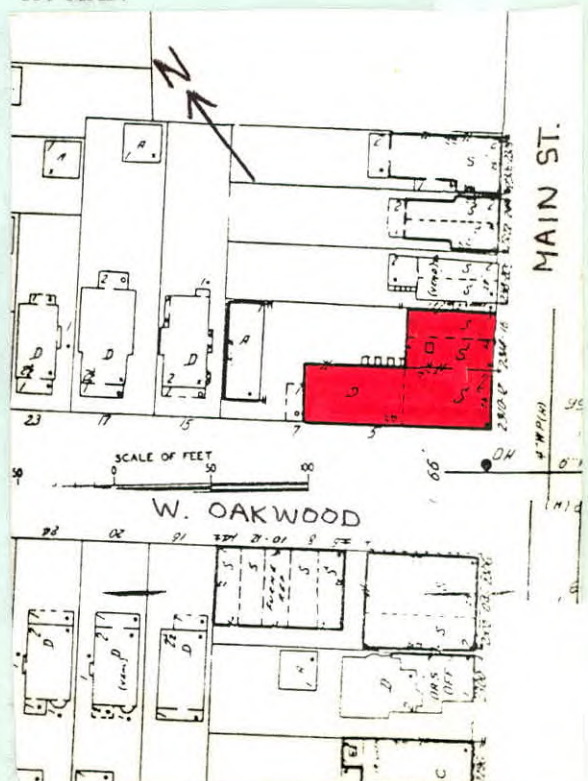
DESCRIPTION

- BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other: _____
- 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 _____
- CONDITION: a. excellent b. good c. fair d. deteriorated
- INTEGRITY: a. original site b. moved if so, when? _____
c. list major alterations and dates (if known): _____

12. PHOTO: 29-20a



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 tree in front
 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 large sized corner lot within Olmsted's Parkside subdivision. It is located four blocks 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 commercial/residential brick building with one-story wing to north. Flat roof. Recessed entrance has glass paneled door. Three single light commercial glass fronts flank entrance. Large panel spans first floor. Rusticated brick piers flank store fronts. North end bay has glass paneled residential entrance with paneled transom. Entablature spans first floor.

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: c. 1898 Dentils under cornice.
 ARCHITECT: partite windows. Double hung, 1/1 center, with slender 1/1 sides. Rusticated stone sills and lintel. Low-relief quoins. Corbel tapel spans building. Cornice with dentils. Parapet has cornice
 BUILDER: _____
 20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: with dentils. One-story wing has recessed glass paneled doors flanked on one side by three single-light glass commercial front.

A typical commercial/residential structure from the turn of the century. Originally the Buffalo and Williamsville Macadam Road, Main Street was a pre-existing street at the time Olmsted designated it as the eastern border for "The Parkside." While the streets within the subdivision were designed specifically to avoid commercial development, this portion of Main Street became a combination of commercial and residential structures. It was also a major thoroughfare into the city, allowing easy access to downtown from this suburban neighborhood.

21. SOURCES: City Tax Assessor Field Sheets
 Buffalo Address Book, 1901
 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:

Commercial/Residential