BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 029-40-4800
QUAD ____________________ SERIES ____________________
NEG. NO. ___________________

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ORGANIZATION (if any): City of Buffalo - Division of Planning

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME(S): _______________ TOWN/CITY: Buffalo VILLAGE: __________
2. COUNTY: Erie
3. STREET LOCATION: 1580 Amherst St
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public □ b. private □
5. PRESENT OWNER: Joseph T. Lang
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: 42-5a
13. MAP: HP-1
14. THREATS TO BUILDING:  
a. none known [x]  
b. zoning  
c. roads  
d. developers  
e. deterioration  
f. other:  

15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:  
a. barn  
b. carriage house  
c. garage [x]  
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 [x]  
c. scattered buildings  
d. densely built-up  
e. commercial  
f. industrial  
g. residential [x]  
h. other:  

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:  
(Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)  
The building is located on a standard size building lot within Olmsted's Parkside subdivision, surrounded by 20th century residential venacular architectural styles. The east-west thoroughfare leads to the east entrance of the Buffalo Zoo. A service station is located just to the east abutting the railroad.  

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):  
Two and one half story American Four Square. Hip roof with projecting eaves decorated with modillion blocks. Full-length porch has paneled tapered square supports. Upper wrought iron porch balustrade. Entrance bay has beveled glass paneled wood door with sidelights. Tri-partite square-headed window, 6/1 center window with 4/1 flanking windows on the first and second floor. Second floor double sash door leads to porch. Hip roof dormer with paired square-headed windows. Shed roof dormer on west side,  

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: c. 1919  
ARCHITECT:  
BUILDER:  

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:  
Typical American Four Square. 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 was conveyed to George L. Thorne and Byron Angell by James Tillinghast and the Buffalo Cement Co, in July 1889, to be subdivided for residential use. The subdivision named "Meadow View Park" carried restrictive covenants in its deed of sale and stipulated that the dwellings be of "tasteful design."  

21. SOURCES:  
Atlas of the City of Buffalo 1915  
Sandborn Insurance Map 1925  
Deed - Liber 575 Page 142: Conveyance  
"Olmsted Sketch Map -Showing the relation of the Park System to the City." 1876  

22. THEME:  
Residential architecture associated with Parkside development  
American Four Square