

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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

YOUR NAME: BUFFALO FRIENDS OF OLMSTED PARKS DATE: July 3, 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: 109 Russell Ave
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public  b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Chas. Bellavia ADDRESS: 109 Russell
- 6. USE: Original: Residential Present: Residential
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes  No   
Interior accessible: Explain by permission

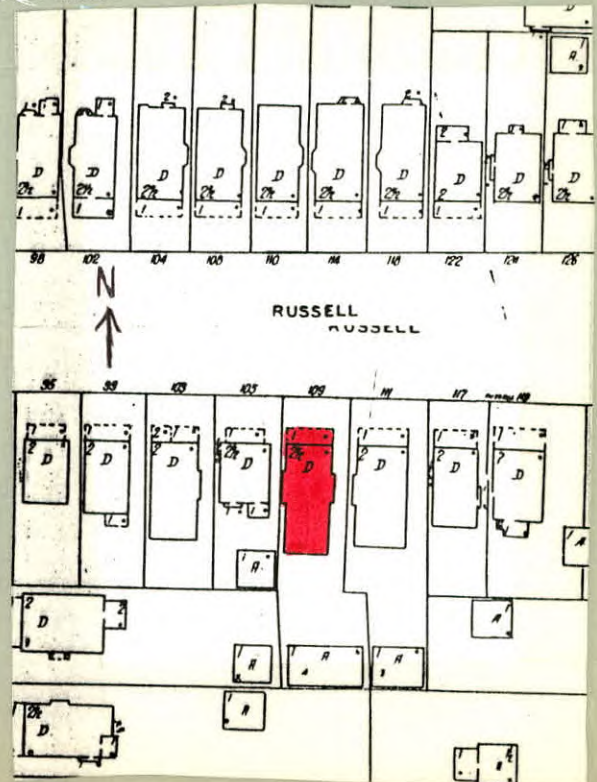
DESCRIPTION

- 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):  
Porch supports altered

12. PHOTO: 38-14a



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 lot within Olmsted's Parkside subdivision. House is located three blocks from Delaware Park, which was designed by Olmsted and is listed on the National Register, and east of the Zoo.

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

Two and a half story frame with front facing gable roof. Full-width flat roof porch with eave overhang. Shingled base and pedestals. Stick balustrade glass and wood paneled door flanked on one side by 1/1 window. First floor right bay has two double-hung 1/1 windows. Second floor semi-hexagonal bay. Sides of bay have double hung 1/1 windows. Center of bay has bands of decorative shingles. Right bay has

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: c. 1895 glass paneled wood door flanked  
 ARCHITECT: on one side by double-hung 1/1 window. Band of trim below eave. Brackets under gable eave. Shingled pedimented gable. Recessed window with curved sides and bowed hood. Pair double hung 1/1 windows. Large pedimented gable dormer with cornice

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: end returns at east side. A frame, gabled residence influenced by Queen Anne and Colonial Revival style. Russell Avenue extends from Parkside Avenue to Greenfield Street. It was laid out in a map of 1886, paralleling the northern border of the lands of Washington Russell, after whom the street was named. However it was early 1889 before Russell Avenue was deeded to the city. While this particular street does not appear in Olmsted's early 1870's maps of "The Parkside," Olmsted felt cross streets would allow easy access to major thoroughfares and to the park, and he did include similar cross streets such as Jewett Avenue in his early plans.

21. SOURCES: Buffalo City Atlas, 1894  
 County Census Records, 1905  
 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:

Residence