

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 029-40 5307
QUAD _____
SERIES _____
NEG. NO. _____

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YOUR NAME: BUFFALO FRIENDS OF OLMSTED PARKS DATE: JAN 10 1992

P. O. BOX 590

YOUR ADDRESS: BUFFALO, NEW YORK 14205-0590 TELEPHONE: _____

ORGANIZATION (if any): _____

IDENTIFICATION

- 1. BUILDING NAME(S): _____
- 2. COUNTY: Erie TOWN/CITY: Buffalo VILLAGE: _____
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 251 Parkside Ave.
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Peter J. Laux ADDRESS: 251 Parkside Avenue
- 6. USE: Original: Residential Present: Residential
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
Interior accessible: Explain by permission

DESCRIPTION

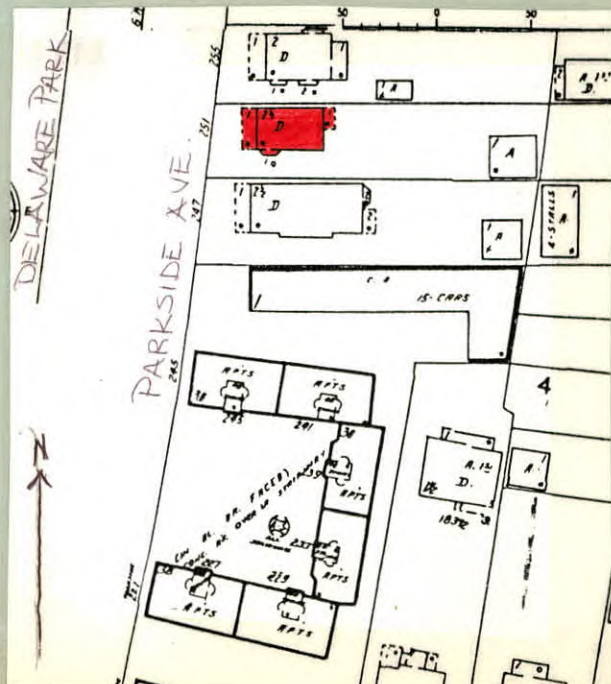
- 8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other: _____
- 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: a. wood frame with interlocking joints
b. wood frame with light members
c. masonry load bearing walls
d. metal (explain) _____
e. other _____
- 10. CONDITION: 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: 13-24



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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: Building is situated on a
(Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)
standard sized city building lot within Olmsted's Parkside sub-
division. House is directly opposite Delaware Park which was
designed by Olmsted and is listed on the National Register.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):
Two story American Four Square. Hip roof. Gabled dormers on south
and west sides of house. Dormers have scroll-shaped brackets.
Round arched window surrounded with a sunburst design in the siding
over the window in the west side dormer. Pilaster corner boards
with scroll-shaped brackets at the eaves. Projecting bay on north
side of house. Open porch with squared posts across front of house.
SIGNIFICANCE Enclosed Entranceway.

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: _____ c. 1910

ARCHITECT: _____

BUILDER: _____

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: Good example of the American
Four Square style. This house is located on Parkside Avenue, a
street conceived by FLO around 1873 as part of a residential
"suburb" adjacent to Delaware Park. This suburb was called
"The Parkside" by Olmsted and appears on an 1876 map drawn by him
as a proposed area of curved winding streets on the north and east
sides of the park. Parkside Avenue was actually created by the
City of Buffalo in 1888. The street very closely follows Olmsted's
original plan maintaining the picturesque character that he
envisioned for the streets surrounding the park.

21. SOURCES: Buffalo City Atlas 1894, 1915

22. THEME: American Four Square.