

**BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM**

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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
UNIQUE SITE NO. <u>029-40</u>	<u>5638</u> <u>DO7</u>
QUAD	_____
SERIES	_____
NEG. NO.	_____

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

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**IDENTIFICATION**

- 1. BUILDING NAME(S): \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. COUNTY: Erie TOWN/CITY: Buffalo VILLAGE: \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 124 Tillinghast Pl
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public  b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Joseph M. Stetar ADDRESS: 124 Tillinghast Place, 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: 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): \_\_\_\_\_

12. PHOTO: 41-8a



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 located at the eastern end of a long curvilinear east-west block is situated on a large building lot within Olmsted's Parkside subdivision. Single family residences c. 1915 with moderate size front lawns line the street. The grounds of the Buffalo Zoological Society are located one block south of this street.

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

Two and one half American Four Square with Craftsman detailing. Side gable roof with projecting eaves. Exposed rafter tails. Triangular knee braces support end gables. First floor brick. Partial-width enclosed porch has brick piers with capital ornamentation of stone. Glass paneled door with top pane having 6 lights. Side-lights 4/1. Three part window has 4/1 lights. Stucco bay window has 8/1 center window and 4/1 end windows. Second floor stucco. 8/1 windows with shutters. Shed dormer. **SIGNIFICANCE** tri-part 6/1 windows. West side 1912 has second floor oriel.

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

This American Four Square with Craftsman Style influence was built for Edward C. Cursons, Assistant Treasurer of the Buffalo General Electric Co. and Buffalo Niagara Electric Power Corp. at an approximate cost of \$5,000. The street reflects Olmsted's philosophy regarding roadways within a subdivision; the street is a broad long roadway with no intersecting thoroughfares, running east to west "with no special directness toward the town." The streets picturesque character is a plan Olmsted envisioned for the roadways surrounding the Park. The large lots and relative seclusion of the street were viewed as essential advantages to suburban living. The street takes its name from James Tillinghast, owner of the property up until July 15, 1889 when it was conveyed to George L. Thorne and Byron Angell, to be subdivided for residential use. The subdivision "Meadow View Park" carried restrictive

21. SOURCES: Atlas of the City of Buffalo, 1894, 1915. \_\_\_\_\_ covenants.  
City of Buffalo - Department of Building Permits: Building Plans (C-46) 1912.  
Deed-Liber 575, Page 143: Conveyance with restrictive covenants  
Letters of Frederick Law Olmsted Vol III. Pg. 265

22. THEME:

Residential architecture associated with Parkside development.

American Four Square