

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 5408
QUAD _____
SERIES _____
NEG. NO. _____

YOUR NAME: BUFFALO FRIENDS OF OLMPSTED PARKS DATE: June 5, 1984
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: 2456 Main St
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private Highland Lodge
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Washington Russell/ ADDRESS: 86 Mal Diner Ave., Tonawanda,
- 6. USE: Original: Lodge Present: Lodge NY 14150
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
Interior accessible: Explain by permission

DESCRIPTION

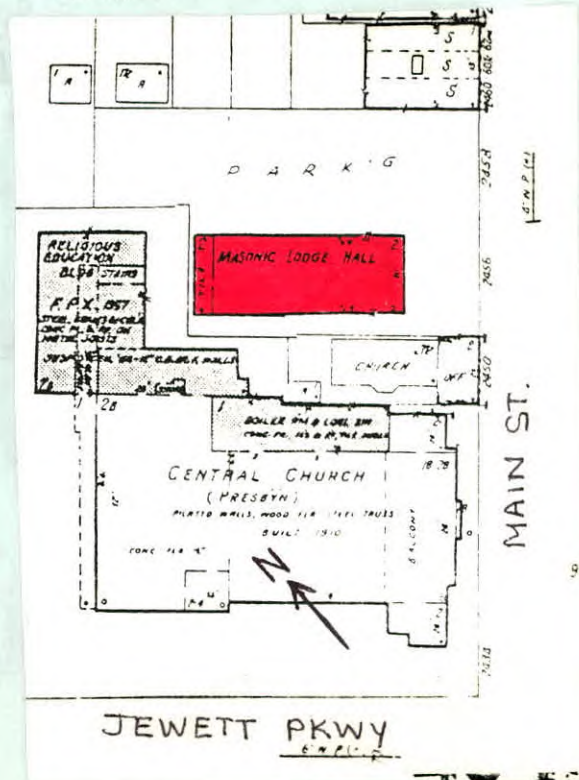
- 8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other: ashlar
- 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: (if known) a. wood frame with interlocking joints
b. wood frame with light members
c. masonry load bearing walls
d. metal (explain) _____
e. other _____
- 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: 29-30a



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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: trees 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 large city 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 east of the Zoo.

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

Two story Classical Revival style. Front facing pedimented gable roof. Rough cut irregular course stone with smooth stone basement level. Basement level entrance bay. Wood door. Flat roof entrance hood of wrought iron supported by paired brackets. Cornice. Wrought-iron balcony balustrade. End bays have square 4-light windows. Two-story recessed center bay flanked

- SIGNIFICANCE** 4-light windows. Two-story recessed center bay flanked by Ionic columns. Center of recessed bay has wood panel decorated with Mason symbol. Full entablature
19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1907
ARCHITECT: William Sidney Wicks (Green & Wicks)
BUILDER: with pediment. Dentils and modillions under cornice and raking cornice. Frieze decorated with words
20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: 'F & A M,' 'Masonic Lodge,' and 'No. 835.'

A good example of a Classical Revival building designed to house Masonic Lodge. 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: Buffalo City Atlas, 1894, updated 1909
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: Classical Revival