

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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029-40 DO7
UNIQUE SITE NO. 5315
QUAD _____
SERIES _____
NEG. NO. _____

YOUR NAME: BUFFALO FRIENDS OF OLMSTED PARKS DATE: JAN 10 1983
P. O. BOX 590

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

ORGANIZATION (if any): _____

IDENTIFICATION

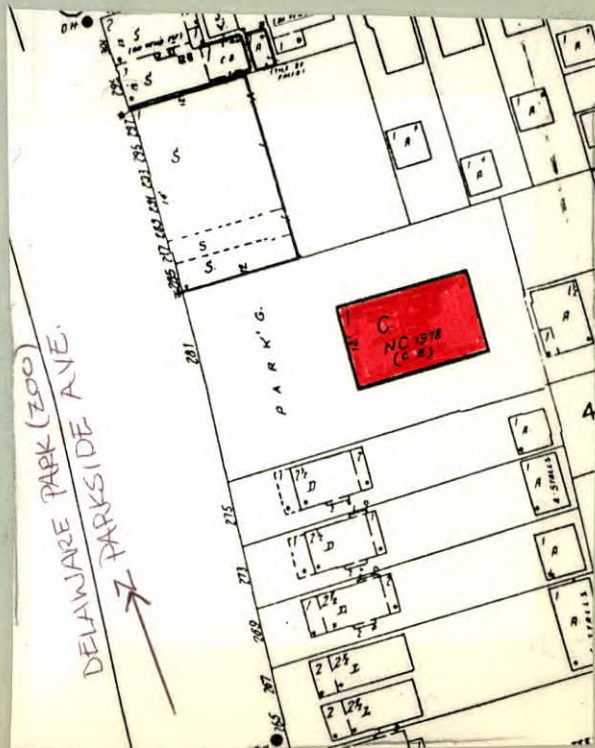
- 1. BUILDING NAME(S): _____
- 2. COUNTY: Erie TOWN/CITY: Buffalo VILLAGE: _____
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 281 Parkside Ave
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER Niagara Frontier Serv ADDRESS: 281 Parkside Avenue
- 6. USE: Original: Store Present: Store
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior 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: 13-32

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: building is surrounded by an asphalt parking lot.
 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 city building lot within Olmsted's Parkside subdivision. 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):
 One story brick store. False Mansard roof with plastic shingles. Rear of building is painted cement block. Plastic sign and telephone booth in front of building .

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1978

ARCHITECT: _____

BUILDER: _____

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:
 Present store replaced a gas station c. 1940 which had replaced an earlier two and a half story frame residence c. 1905. One of the few incompatible structures in the Parkside neighborhood. This building 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
 Sanborn Map 1935, 1982

22. THEME: Brick commercial building.