

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. <u>029-40</u>	<u>55v3 D07</u>
QUAD _____	_____
SERIES _____	_____
NEG. NO. _____	_____

YOUR NAME: BUFFALO FRIENDS OF OLMSTED PARKS DATE: April 23, 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: 279 Summit Ave
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Louis Biondi ADDRESS: 279 Summit
- 6. USE: Original: Residential Present: Residential
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
Interior accessible: Explain by permission

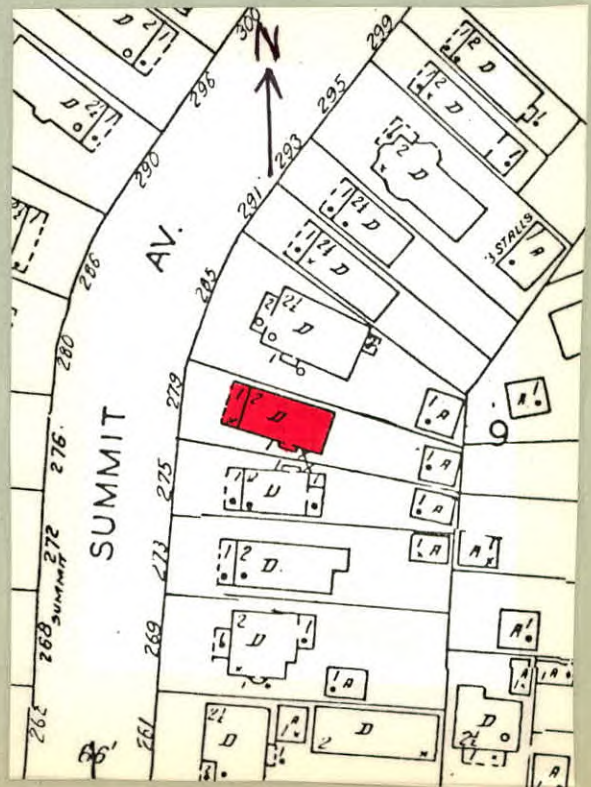
DESCRIPTION

- 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): _____

12. PHOTO: 26-30a



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 shrub 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 two blocks from Delaware Park, which was designed by Olmsted and is listed on the National Register, and northeast of the Zoo.

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

Two and a half story American Four Square type. Hip roof with brackets under eave. Clapboard first floor. Full-width hip roof porch. Brackets under eave. Square supports. Elongated stick rail. Shingled second floor. Second floor has a set of paired 1/1 windows. Hip roof dormer has three-part window, 1/1 lights. Hip roof entrance porch on south side with

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1914 tapered square columns
with capital elaboration.
ARCHITECT: _____ Brackets under cornice.
Wood and glass paneled
BUILDER: _____ door with sidelights.

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: A simplified form of American Four Square. Summit Avenue is a truncated north-south street, located between Woodward and Crescent Avenues and extending from West Oakwood Place to the northern section of Crescent Avenue. A similar street, ending south of Jewett Avenue, appears in Olmsted's early 1870's maps of "The Parkside." Summit Avenue was deeded to the city in 1889, except for the small section between Amherst and Crescent which was deeded in 1892. This street follows Olmsted's rule that it "not lead with special directness toward the town."

21. SOURCES: City Building Permit Records
City Tax Assessor Field Sheets
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: American Four Square