

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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

YOUR NAME: BUFFALO FRIENDS OF OLMSTED PARKS DATE: March 30, 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: 272 Woodward Ave
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
5. PRESENT OWNER: James Purcell ADDRESS: 272 Woodward
6. USE: Original: Residential Present: Residential
7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
 Interior accessible: Explain by permission

DESCRIPTION

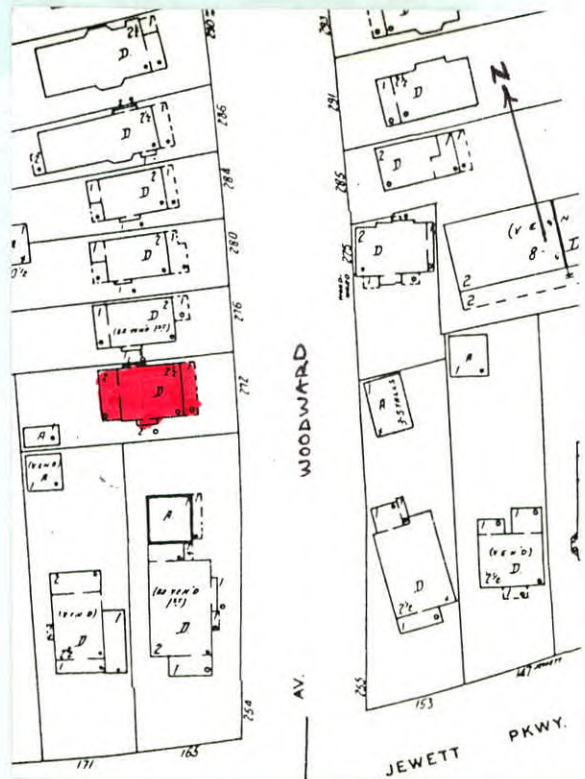
8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
 e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other: _____
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: a. wood frame with interlocking joints
 (if known) b. wood frame with light members
 c. masonry load bearing walls
 d. metal (explain) _____
 e. other _____
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: 21-24a



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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: tree 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 corner lot within Olmsted's Parkside subdivision. House is located one block 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 and a half story with Craftsman and Prairie School influence. Side gabled roof with projecting eaves. Exposed rafter tails and triangular knee braces under eave. Hip roof. Full-width porch has stucco end piers and rail. Curve shape between porch supports. Exposed rafter tails under roof eave. 8-light wood paneled door

SIGNIFICANCE flanked by rectangular leaded window. First floor four-part window, single light with leaded transom. Horizontal band course at second-story level. Shingled second floor. Pair of boxed bay windows with two 6/6 light windows. Capping cornice. Shed roof dormer has four 9-light windows.

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1911

ARCHITECT: _____

BUILDER: _____

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: Good example of residential structure influenced by the Prairie School and Craftsman style. Woodward Avenue runs parallel to Parkside Avenue and extends from Humboldt Avenue to the northwest portion of Crescent Avenue. This street appears on Olmsted's early 1870's maps of "The Parkside," although it is less curvilinear than originally planned. Portions of Woodward Avenue (originally called Davis Avenue) were deeded to the city by five different owners between 1887 and 1892; except for the section north of Amherst, this was done when comparable sections of Crescent Avenue were deeded. Following Olmsted's rule for a suburban street, Woodward Avenue does "not lead with special directness toward 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:

Prairie School and Craftsman Style