

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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 UNIQUE SITE NO. 4884
 QUAD _____
 SERIES _____
 NEG. NO. _____

YOUR NAME: BUFFALO FRIENDS OF OLMSTED PARKS DATE: February 3, 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: 356 Crescent Ave
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
5. PRESENT OWNER: Wasil Wasilieff ADDRESS: 356 Crescent
6. USE: Original: Residential Present: Residential
7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
 Interior accessible: Explain by permission

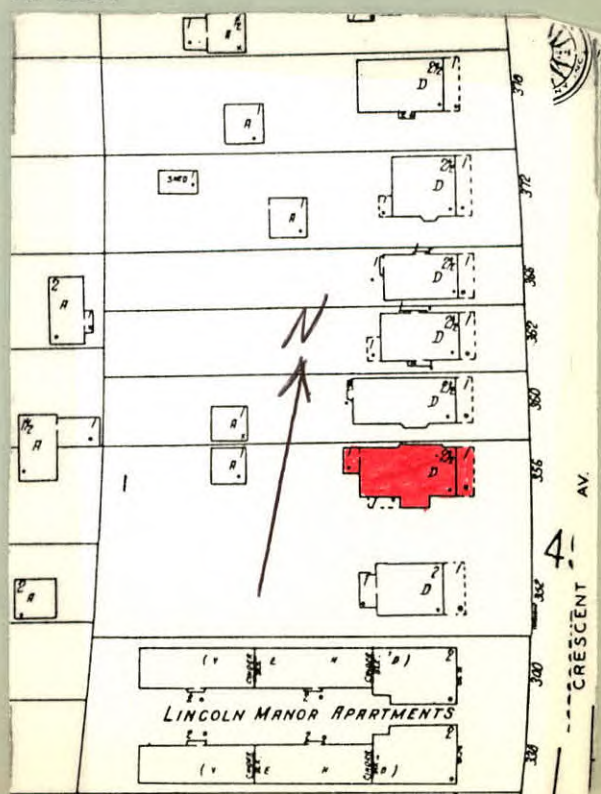
DESCRIPTION

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: 1-7a



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 standard sized lot within Olmsted's Parkside subdivision. House is located three 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 and a half story with Queen Anne styling. Front facing gable roof. Bargeboard with kingpost. Vine motif in bargeboard ends. Shed roof full-width porch. Rough-cut regular course stone base. Paired fluted doric columns, spindle balustrade. Double glass paneled doors. First floor three-part window, 1/1 lights. Second floor has paired 1/1 windows with entablature window head with enlarged frieze

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1891
 ARCHITECT: area decorated with swag motif. Windows flank panel decorated with arabesque motif topped by broken pediment in low relief. Gable has four 1/1 windows flanked by engaged fluted doric columns. Sill with corbel stops. Entablature with
 BUILDER: dentils under frieze. Swag motif in frieze. Stick styling in top of gable.

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

A fine example of a simplified Queen Anne style with classical and stick style details applied. Crescent Avenue is the longest curvilinear street in the Parkside subdivision, stretching from Humboldt Avenue to Colvin Street. This street appears on Olmsted's early 1870's maps of "The Parkside." By the 1880's plans for Crescent Avenue had been modified by Olmsted to its current form. Portions of the street were deeded to the city by five different owners over a span of five years, beginning in 1887 near Humboldt and ending in 1892 near Colvin. Crescent Avenue begins and ends within the Parkside subdivision, following Olmsted's rule that a suburban neighborhood street "not lead with special directness toward the town."

21. SOURCES:

City Tax Assessor Field Sheets
 County Census Records, 1905
 Olmsted's Sketch Map of Buffalo, 1876

22. THEME:

The Papers of Frederick Law Olmsted, Vol. III, by Charles E. Beveridge & David Schuyler, eds. (1983).

Queen Anne