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Shelter House, 1904 (brick)
Next to the greenhouse, facing the original concourse
Robert A. Wallace, architect
This small structure occupies part of the site of the original wooden shelter house which was designed by Vaux in 1876.

-Buffalo Museum of Science, 1926-27 (stone)
Northwest end of the park, south of Northland Avenue
Esenwein and Johnson, architects
The building is a good example of the Art Deco style.

Greenhouse, 1907
East side of the park, facing the original concourse

-Humboldt Park Casino, c.1926 (brick)
Between the wading pool and ice rink
The casino was part of the remodeling of the park that took place
in the 1920's. Its main purpose was to provide lockers and restrooms for the bathers using the wading pool adjacent to the west.

3. Cazenovia Park-South Park System

Heacock Place

Heacock Place (#20) is a 3-acre 350 feet x 350 feet green-space traversed by a Y-shaped roadway which forms the beginning of McKinley Parkway. Residences stand far back from the center of the broad open space, which is bordered with young trees and shrubs. Abbott Road bounds Heacock Place on the north and east, Remolino Street defines the southern side, and Southside Avenue marks the western edge. Heacock Place forms the beginning of the South Parkway System serving Cazenovia and South parks.

McKinley Parkway (formerly called Southside Parkway)

McKinley Parkway joins Heacock Place to South Park. From the southern edge of Heacock Place one travels southeast to McClellan Circle at the juncture with Red Jacket Parkway, which runs eastward to Cazenovia Park. From McClellan Circle, McKinley Parkway bears southward to McKinley Circle. Beyond McKinley Circle, the parkway bends southwest to South Park, which it enters directly across from the conservatory. For its entire length, McKinley Parkway is a wide, tree-lined central roadway bordered by modest residences set well back from the streetline.

McClellan Circle (formerly called Woodside Circle)

McClellan Circle (#28) is a 500-foot right-of-way at the juncture

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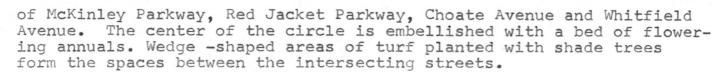
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Red Jacket Parkway

Red Jacket Parkway is part of the South Parkway System and runs 1500 feet from McClellan Circle eastward to the junction of Abbott Road and Potters Road, at the entrance to Cazenovia Park.

Cazenovia Park

Cazenovia Park is an irregularly shaped rectangle of land in south Buffalo bordered by Cazenovia Street on the west; St. John's Place, Parkside, Newman, Maywood, Beyer and Seneca Streets on the north; Wichita Avenue and the Buffalo-West Seneca† own line on the east; and Abbott and Potters Roads on the south. Cazenovia Creek flows southeast to northwest through the center of the site. Cazenovia Parkway, a 30-foot wide road, curves through the park from Abbott Road at the juncture with Red Jacket Parkway to Cazenovia Street, near the northwest corner of the park.

Groves of mature trees along Seneca and Cazenovia Streets and Abbott Road (#2) screen the gently rolling, pastoral landscape of the interior of the park from the early twentieth-century residential neighborhoods that surround Cazenovia Park. The original wide lake in the center of the park no longer exists; the sole remaining water feature is the long narrow bed of Cazenovia Creek (#3). Certain marshy areas and acquatic plants in the slow moving creek attest to the former presence of the large, irregularly shaped lake (#4).

Recreational features in Cazenovia Park include a covered ice rink in the southwest corner of the park, a public library in the northwest corner, baseball diamonds and a playing field in the northwest section, as well as a former boathouse (#5) and swimming pool, and a golf course in the southern section, the latter a portion of 80 acres that was added to the original parkland in 1925.

The following is a list of the major structures in Cazenovia Park:

Contributing Structures

- ~Cazenovia Park Casino, 1912 (brick) North side of park, near Seneca Street Esenwein and Johnson, architects
- -Shelter House, 1902 (brick)
 North of the swimming pool and casino

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Non-Contributing Structures

- A. Golf Shelter, 1931 (cement block)
 West of the intersection of Beyer and Willink Streets
- B. Shelter House, c.1935 (brick)
 South side of police station, community center and ice rink building east of Potter's Road, west of Cazenovia Creek
- C. Cazenovia Public Library, c.1930 (brick)
 Northeast corner of Cazenovia Street and Cazenovia Parkway
- D. Potter's Road Garage, c.1965 (brick)
 East side of Potter's Road
- E. Garage, c.1950 (brick) North of swimming pool
- F. Police Station, Community Center and Ice Rink building, c.1979 (brick) Southeast corner of Cazenovia Street and Abbott Road.

McKinley Circle (formerly called South Parkway Circle)

McKinley Circle is traversed by McKinley Parkway and Dorrance Avenue and forms the point at which McKinley Parkway turns southwesterly to South Park.

South Park

South Park is an irregularly shaped square area of 155 acres near the shore of Lake Erie and is bounded by South Park Avenue on the east, Ridge Road and Nason Parkway on the south, the Erie Rail-road lines on the west, and an area of industrial sites on the north. The park has a curving loop road with entrances at Hopkins Street, Ridge Road, Nason Parkway and South Park Avenue. The main entrance is on South Park Avenue at the juncture of McKinley Parkway, across from the conservatory which houses the South Park Botanical Gardens. Traversing the north central area of the park from South Park Avenue to the railroad tracks on the west is a large, irregularly shaped lake with three small islands (#33). Most of the gently rolling greensward surface of the park is a nine hole-golf course.

Since 1894, South Park has been developed as an arboretum. The conservatory (#34) was begun in 1889 and remains virtually unchanged, except for the addition of propagating houses at the rear.

Most of South Park preserves its original pastoral character, despite recreational development which began in 1915 with the creation of the golf course. (A baseball diamond is near the southern edge of

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3. Cazenovia Park-South Park System

Building upon the success of his work on the north side of Buffalo, Olmsted, in the 1880's and 1890's, proposed additional parks and parkways for other parts of the city. Most of these new lands were located in the southern part of town, except for Riverside Park, which overlooked the Niagara River in the northwest area.

In a lengthy paper entitled The Projected Park and Parkways on the South Side of Buffalo, Olmsted unfolded, in 1888, his plans for an entensive lakefront park connected to the central city by a pleasure boat canal. But Olmsted's imaginative scheme, which, he said, would capitalize on the "really great natural scenery" of Lake Erie, 20 appears to have awakened little local Enthusiasm. Discussion of the issue of a south park dragged on until 1893 when the city approved the acquisition of land at two sites considerably inland from the spot Olmsted had originalproposed. The larger of the two parks was called South Park and was located on marshy ground hemmed in by railroad tracks and industrial sites. The smaller was Cazenovia Park on the banks of Cazenovia Creek. Both of these parks were laid out after the fashion of Olmsted's earlier designs, and each included a body of water as a major element of its plan. In 1884, South Park assumed the status of an arboretum, as education came to be thought of as a motive for parks, in addition to scenery and recreation. A large conservatory was erected there in 1898.

In conjunction with the two new parks, a South Parkway system was also devised in 1893. It provided access to South and Cazenovia parks from the north, but was not directly linked to the northern parkway system although Olmsted had hoped that it would be. McKinley Parkway led from Heacock Place to South Park, with a short spur, called Red Jacket Parkway running east from McClellan Circle to Cazenovia Park.

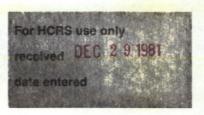
For further information, refer to the preceding general statement and to the discussion of parkways found in item one (1) above.

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Martin Luther King, Jr. Park (Humboldt Park) Buffalo NE Ouad.

56 Acres

- Y. 676660/4752480
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- CC. 676160/4752560

Verbal Boundary Description: Boundaries delineated on enclosed site map. (4)

Cazenovia Park-South Park System

Heacock Place
Buffalo SE Quad

2.8 Acres (350 ft. X 350 ft.)

A. 677870/4746800

Verbal Boundary Description: Boundaries delineated on enclosed site map.

McKinley Parkway (Southside Parkway)

Buffalo SE Quad.

39.9 Acres (11,600 ft. X 150 ft.)

- A. 677870/4746800
- K. 677860/4743790

Verbal Boundary Description: Parkway extends 11,600 feet from Heacock Place to South Park

and is bounded by adjacent property lines. Nominated property

includes roads and plantings.

McClellan Circle (Woodside Circle)

Buffalo SE Quad.

4.5 Acres (500 ft. diameter)

B. 678540/4745630

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Cazenovia Park-South Park System Red Jacket Parkway Buffalo SE Quad. 3.4 Acres (1,500 ft. X 100 ft.)

- B. 678540/4745630
- C. 678920/4745870

Verbal Boundary Description: Parkway extends 1,500 feet from McClellan Circle to Cazenovia Park and is bounded by adjacent property lines. Nominated property includes roads and plantings.

Cazenovia Park Buffalo SE Quad. 156 Acres

- C. 678920/4745870
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- F. 679660/4745740
- G. 680000/4745780
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- I. 680040/4745000

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McKinley Circle (South Parkway Circle) Buffalo SE Quad. 4.5 Acres (500 ft. diameter)

J. 678560/4744250

Verbal Boundary Description: Boundaries delineated on enclosed site map.

South Park Buffalo SE Quad 155 Acres

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View: Cazenovia Park, north
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in front of house, new trees
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across golf course, shows large
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View: Police Substation, community
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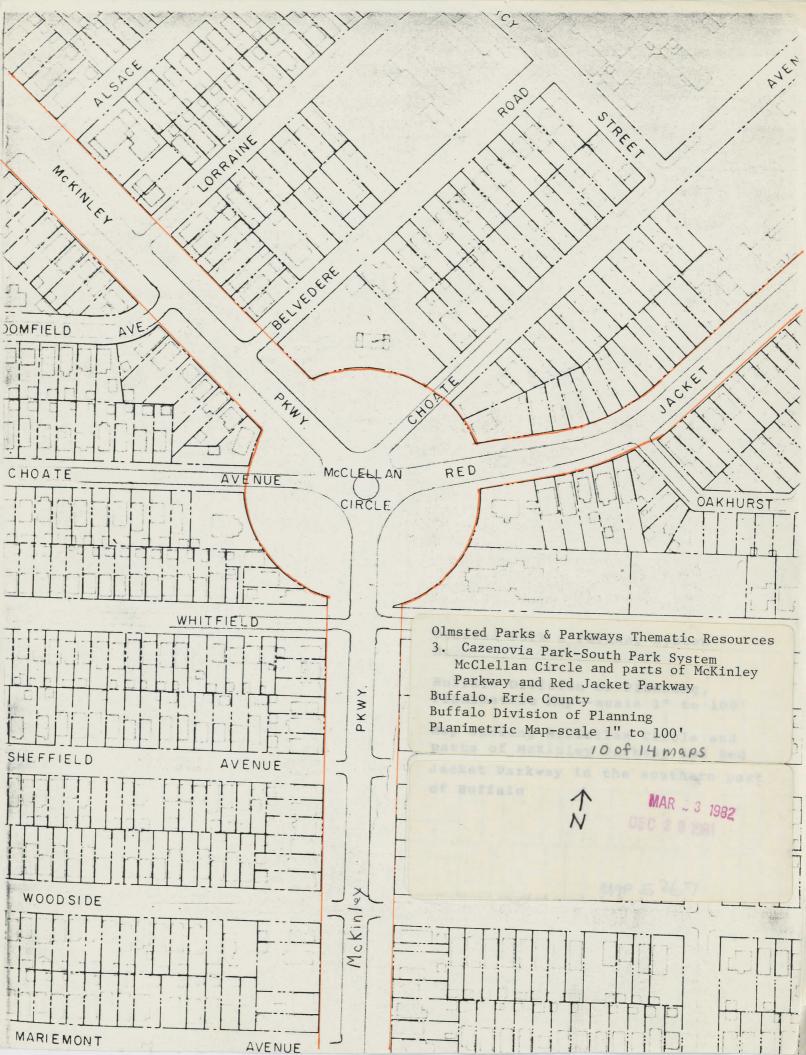
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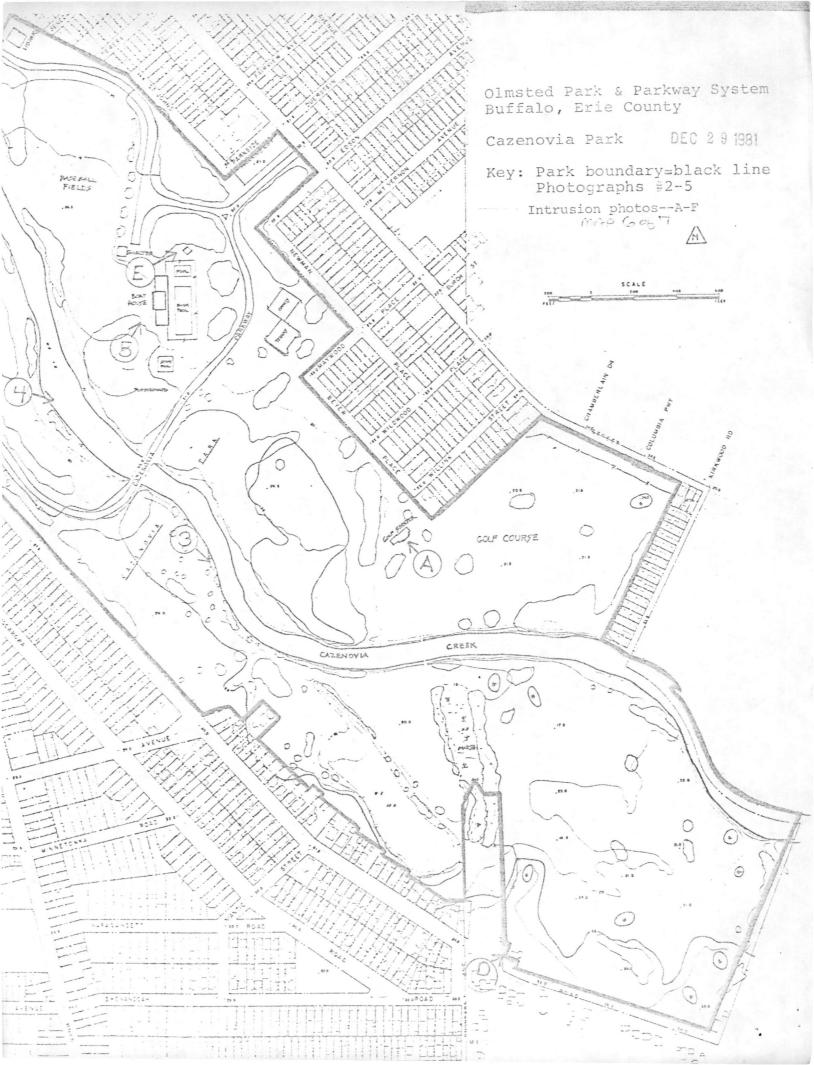
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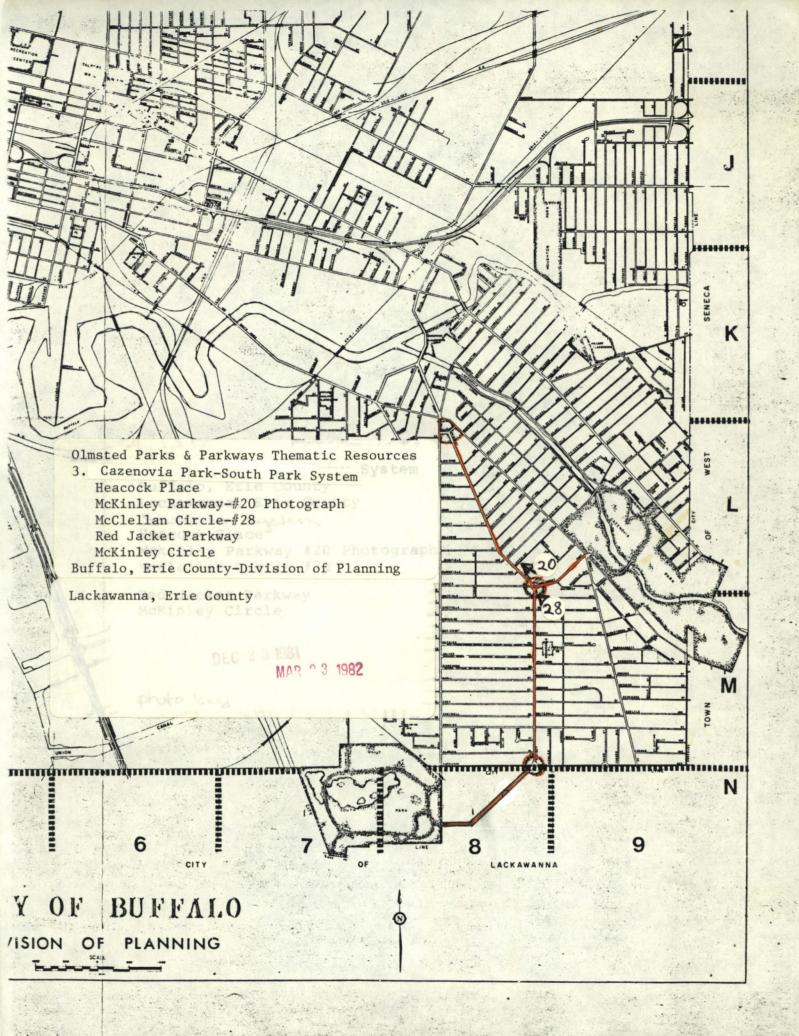
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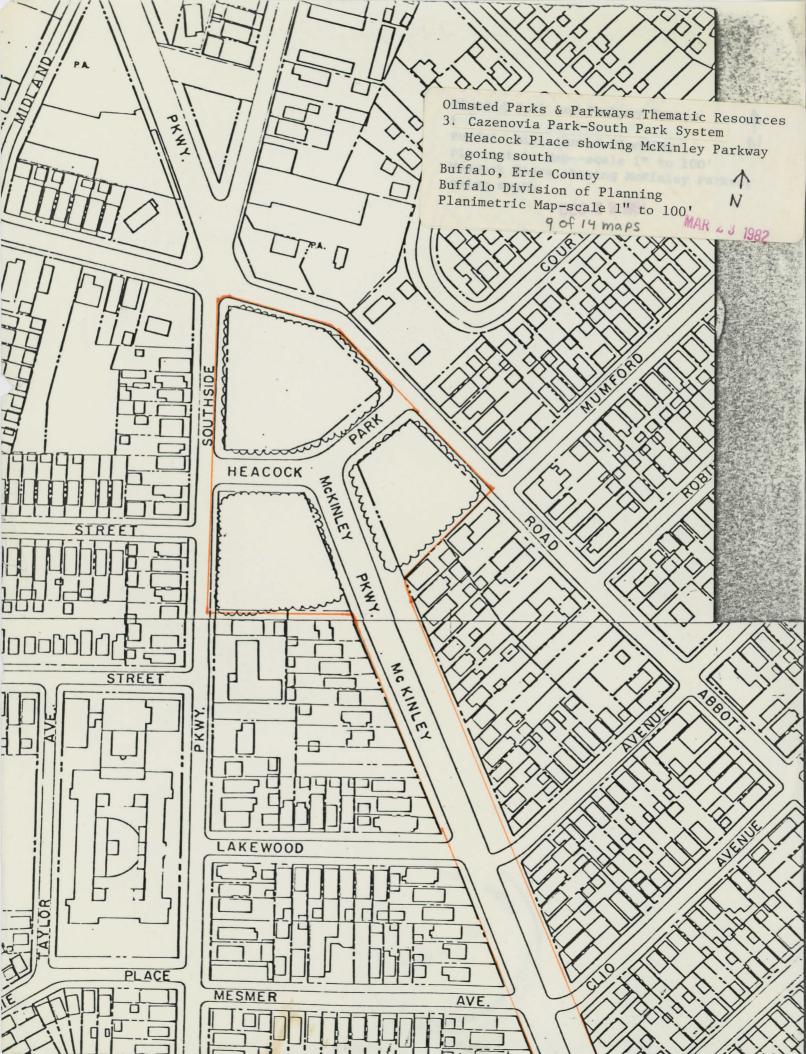
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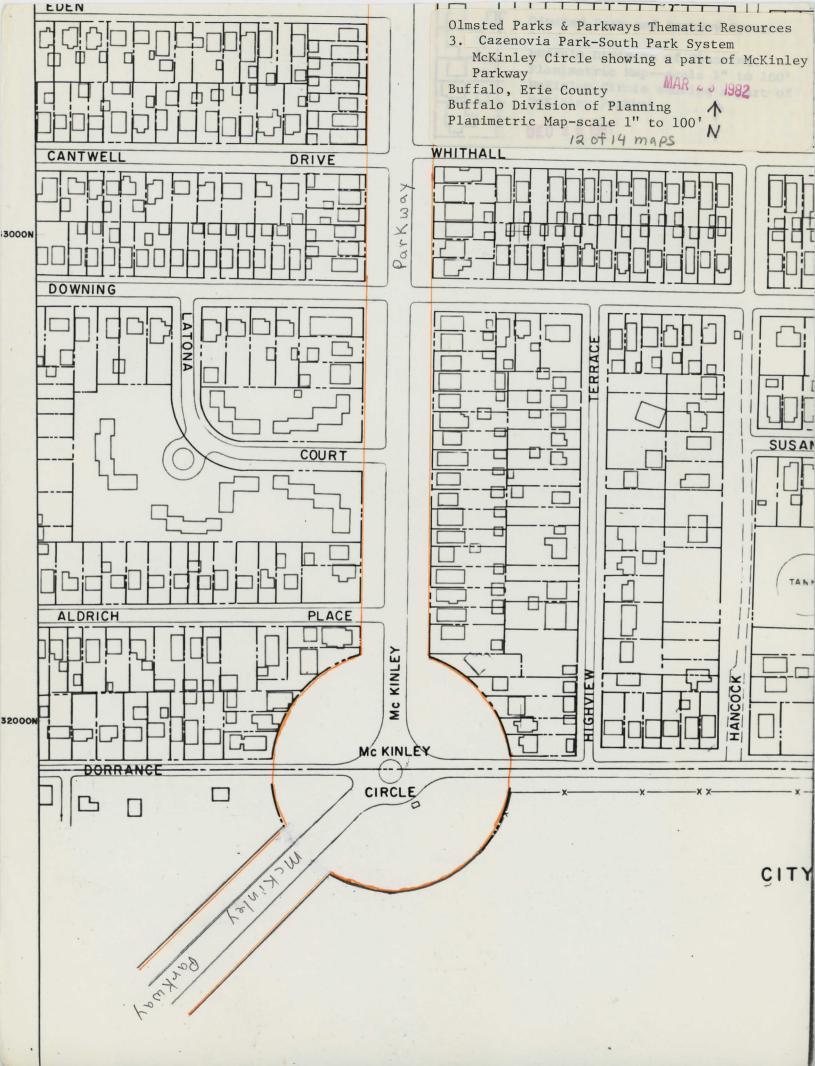


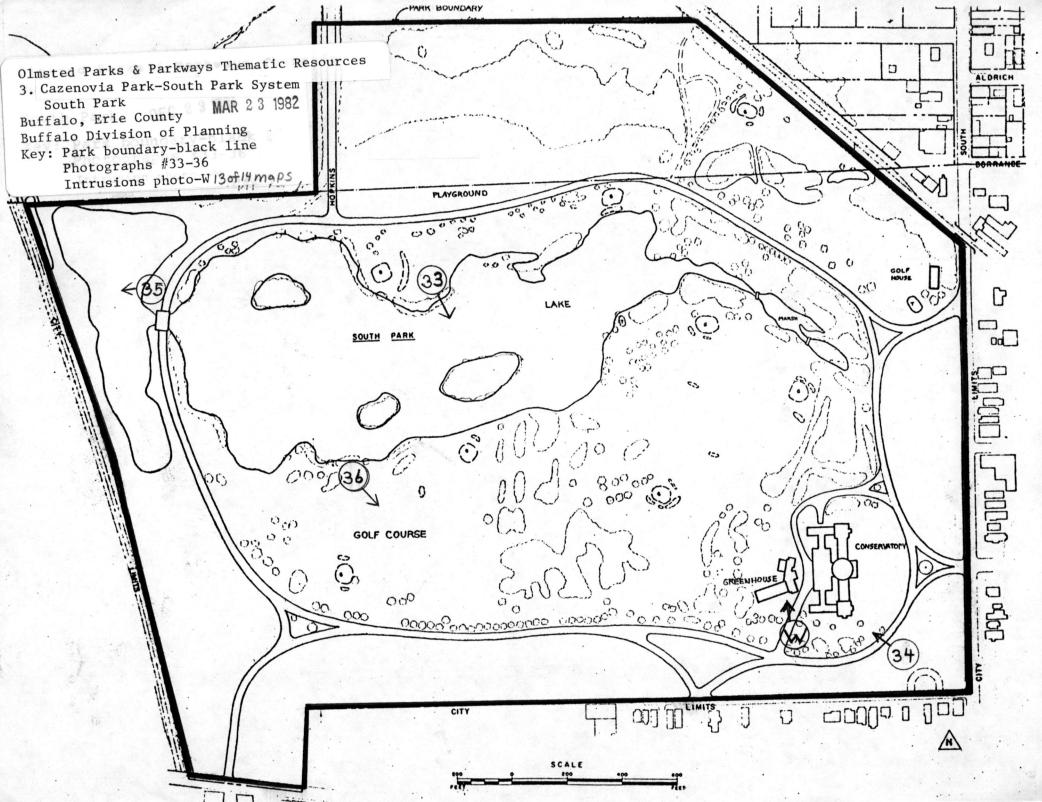


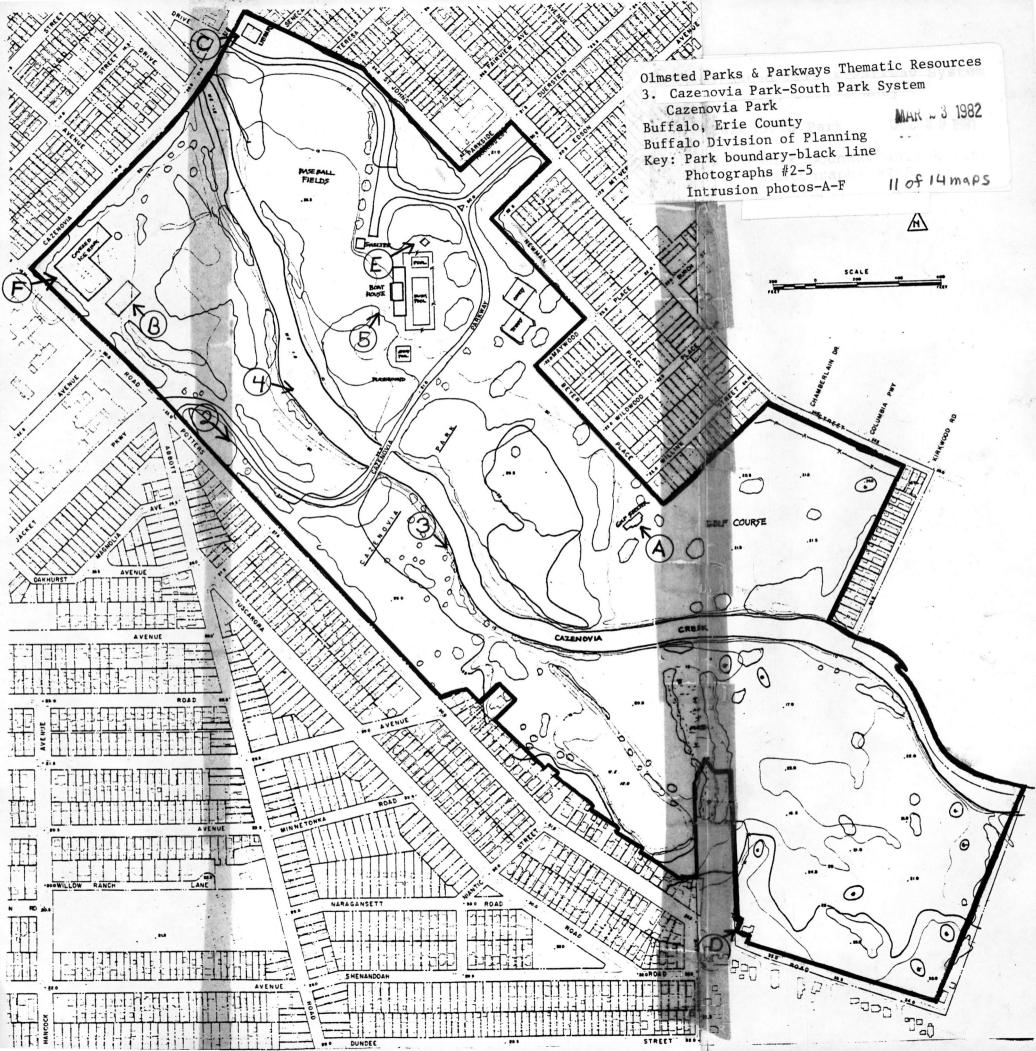












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