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FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
80 BOYLSTON STREET  
BOSTON, MA 02116

AREA	FORM NO.
	QC-155

Photo (3"x3" or 3"x5", black and white) Indicate address of property on back of photo. Staple to left side of form.

Town Quincy, MA / MRA

Address 1218-1222 Hancock Street

Historic Name Elks Building

Use: Present Offices/retail stores

Original Elks Lodge

**DESCRIPTION**

Date 1924

Source Building permit

Style Colonial Revival

Architect J. William Beal and Sons

Exterior Wall Fabric brick and limestone

Outbuildings none

Major Alterations (with dates) addition

of third floor rear section, restoration of storefronts (1980s)--see reverse

Condition \_\_\_\_\_

Good

Moved no Date n/a

Acreage Less than one acre: 12,441 sq.ft.

Setting The Elks Building is one of several Colonial Revival buildings in this section of Hancock Street, north of Quincy Square.

Recorded by Fannin and Lehner / J. Johnson

Organization Quincy Historical Commission

Date June 8, 1986 / May 1987

Sketch Map: Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection(s). Indicate north

SEE ATTACHED MAP

UTM REFERENCE 19/334,630 E/4,679,550 N

USGS QUADRANGLE Boston South, MA

SCALE 1: 25,000

**NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)**

Dating from the 1920s, a period of significant commercial and institutional expansion in Quincy Center, the Elks Building is among Quincy's best examples of Colonial Revival architecture adopted for an institutional building. Designed by J. William Beal and Sons, active architects in Quincy during this period, the Elks Building retains integrity of design, location, feeling, and association, and fulfills Criteria A and C of the National Register of Historic Places on the local level.

**ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE** Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.

SEE INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

**HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE** Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.

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**BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES**

Assessors Records.

Building permits, alterations.

Historical Sketch of the City of Quincy. Issued by the Quincy Elks Lodge of Elks No.943, 1924.

Quincy Patriot Ledger, 100th Anniversary Edition, January 1937, p. B-19.

Quincy Planning Department, Historical Commission records.

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: QUINCY, MA	Form No: QC-155
Property Name: <i>Elks Building</i>	

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

**HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE -- 1218 HANCOCK STREET  
ELKS BUILDING**

The Quincy Massachusetts Lodge No. 943 B.P.O.E. building at 1218 Hancock Street was erected just two decades after a committee of prominent Quincy citizens held several informal meetings and discussed the need for an Elks Lodge from a benevolent and social standpoint. The first organizational meeting was held in 1904 in Grand Army Hall on Hancock Street and in February of 1905, the Lodge was formally instituted. After meeting in a succession of different halls, the dedication of the Elks First Home on Foster Street took place in 1907. The jurisdiction of the Quincy Lodge in 1924 included the following places south of Boston: Milton, Braintree, Weymouth, Hingham, Cohasset, Hull, Scituate, Randolph, Holbrook and Rockland.

Part of the redevelopment of Quincy Center in the 1920s, the Masonic Temple is one of several buildings erected on Hancock Street during the decade. Substantial two and three story commercial and institutional structures replaced frame stores, houses and taverns demolished after Hancock Street was widened in the mid-nineteen teens.

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**ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE -- 1218 HANCOCK STREET  
ELKS BUILDING**

Designed by Boston architects J. William Beal and Sons, the Colonial Revival style Elks Building is one of Quincy's most elaborate and best preserved private institutional structures. It is a three-story brick structure, rectangular in plan, with a five-bay facade. Limestone faced storefronts flank the central recessed entrance framed by Doric columns and topped by a wrought iron balcony. The second floor is composed of four arched windows with wooden fan motifs, and a Palladian window in the center. The third floor had five pairs of double sash small paned windows, under a modillioned cornice, over which rests a brick parapet broken by five sections of wooden balustrade. In a 1985-86 renovation of the Elks Building, storefronts were restored to their original appearance and a third floor was extended to the rear of the building. Windows along both north and south elevations were replaced. These changes have not detracted from the building's architectural integrity.

Architects J. William Beal and Sons were active in Quincy during the late 19th and early twentieth centuries. Previous to the Elks Building, the firm designed the Adams Building (1880-85; 1889-90; NR). They would design the Masonic Temple (1926; #QC-152), Bethany Congregational Church (1927; #QC-252), and the Granite Trust Company Bank (1929; #QC-171).

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United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

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National Register of Historic Places  
Continuation Sheet

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

Name Quincy MRA  
State Norfolk County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review	Date/Signature
21. Curtis, Noah, House Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Helene Byers</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____
22. Curtis, Thomas, House Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Helene Byers</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____
23. Davis, Dr. Frank, House Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Helene Byers</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____
24. Dacey, Russell M., House Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Helene Byers</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____
25. Dogget, Solon, House Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Helene Byers</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____
26. Dorothy Q Apartments Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Helene Byers</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____
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29. First Baptist Church of Wollaston Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Helene Byers</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Elks Building  
NAME:

MULTIPLE Quincy MRA  
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Norfolk

DATE RECEIVED: 8/07/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 8/22/89  
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 9/07/89 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 9/21/89  
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89001348

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N  
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N  
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT  RETURN  REJECT 9/20/89 DATE Entered in the  
National Register

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA \_\_\_\_\_  
REVIEWER \_\_\_\_\_  
DISCIPLINE \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

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CLASSIFICATION

count       resource type

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STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

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FUNCTION

historic       current

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DESCRIPTION

architectural classification  
 materials  
 descriptive text

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SIGNIFICANCE

Period      Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates      Builder/Architect  
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

summary paragraph  
 completeness  
 clarity  
 applicable criteria  
 justification of areas checked  
 relating significance to the resource  
 context  
 relationship of integrity to significance  
 justification of exception  
 other

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BIBLIOGRAPHY

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GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

acreage       verbal boundary description  
 UTM's       boundary justification

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ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

sketch maps       USGS maps       photographs       presentation

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OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



Callaway's  
The Best of the Best

1242

Callaway's

Callaway's

1218 Hancock St.

ELKS Building

by: Fannin / Lehner

at: Planning Dept. - Quincy 86

date: Spring 1986

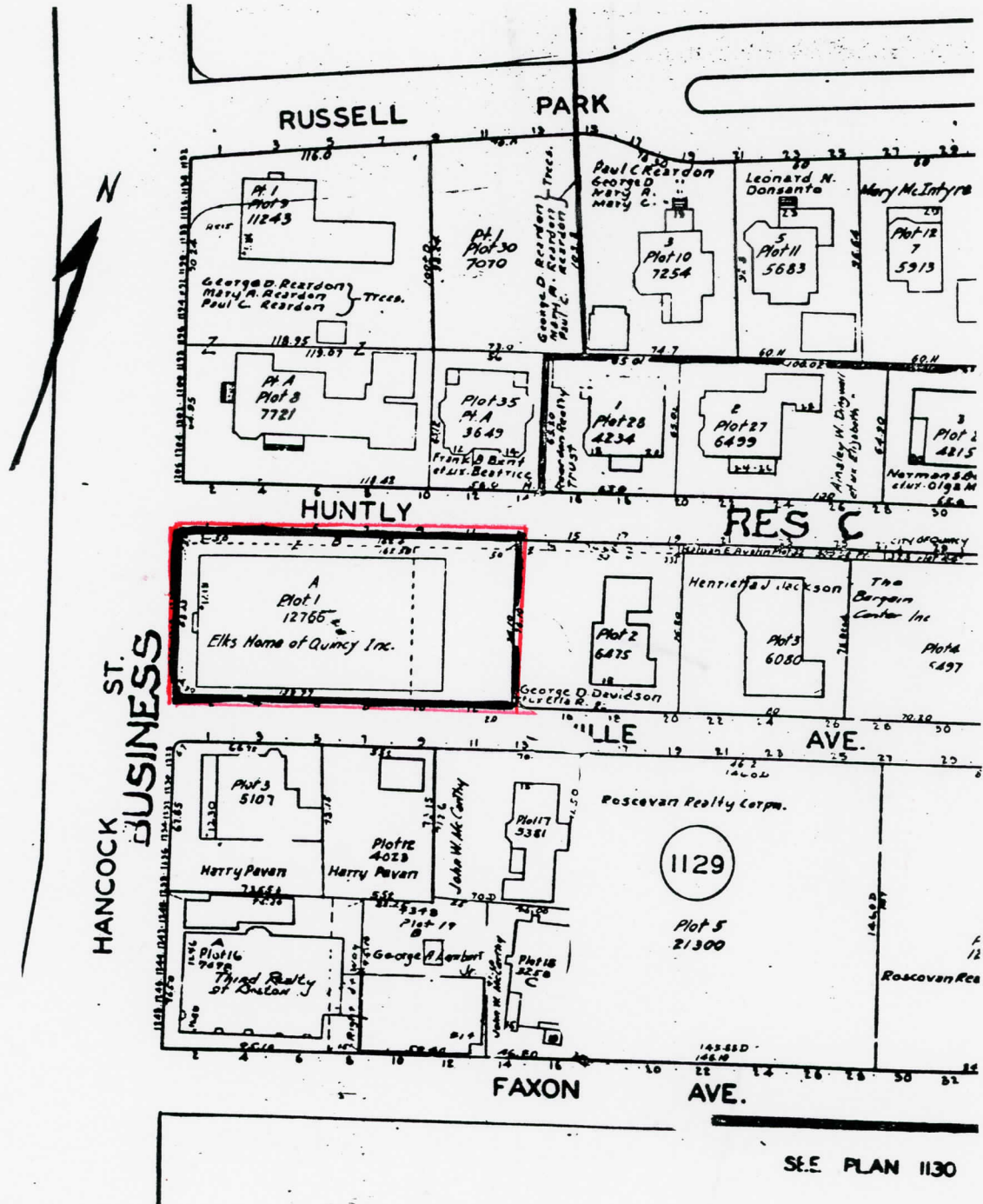
view: East

Plot # : QC - 155

JUN 1987

Quincy, MASS

# QC - 155



SEE PLAN 1130

Address 1218 Hancock Street  
Elks Building

QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS / MRA  
 Assessors Map # 1128-29

1979

Scale: 1 inch equals 80 feet

Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000289