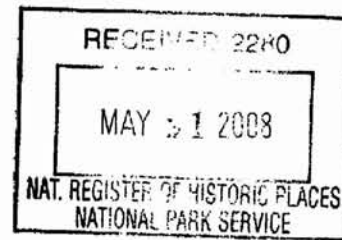


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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM**

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Garden Bowl

other names/site number N/A

2. Location

street & number 4104-4120 Woodward Avenue not for publication N/A

city or town Detroit vicinity N/A

state Michigan code MI county Wayne code 163

zip code 48201

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property X meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide X locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Brian D. Gandy 5/19/08
Signature of certifying official Date

Michigan SHPO
State or Federal Agency or Tribal government

Property Name/County/State Garden Bowl, Wayne Co., MI

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting official/Title _____ Date _____

State or Federal agency and bureau _____

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

entered in the National Register _____

 See continuation sheet.

 determined eligible for the _____

National Register

 See continuation sheet.

 determined not eligible for the _____

National Register

 removed from the National Register _____

 other (explain): _____

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7/3/2008

Signature of Keeper Date of Action

5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing
<u> 1 </u>	<u> </u> buildings
<u> </u>	<u> </u> sites
<u> </u>	<u> </u> structures
<u> </u>	<u> </u> objects
<u> 1 </u>	<u> 0 </u> Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register N/A

Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

 N/A

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Category	Sub-category
<u> Recreation and Culture </u>	<u> Bowling Alley </u>
<u> </u>	<u> </u>
<u> </u>	<u> </u>
<u> </u>	<u> </u>
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Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Category	Sub-category
<u> Recreation and Culture </u>	<u> Bowling Alley </u>
<u> </u>	<u> Music Facility </u>
<u> </u>	<u> </u>
<u> </u>	<u> </u>
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7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

 Modern

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Concrete

roof Asphalt

walls Steel

 Brick

other

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Entertainment/Recreation

Period of Significance 1913-66

Significant Dates 1913, 1966

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A _____ ; _____

_____ ; _____

Cultural Affiliation N/A _____ ; _____

Property Name/County/State Garden Bowl, Wayne Co., MI

11. Form Prepared By

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MI SHPO
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city or town Detroit state MI zip code 48226

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

- A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
- A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name David Zainea

street & number 4120 Woodward Ave. telephone
city or town Detroit state MI zip code 48201

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Description

Garden Bowl is a single one and two-story building that resulted from the removal of the wall between two adjacent buildings and the combining of the formerly separate spaces. It combines two flat-roof brick-wall commercial buildings constructed in 1913, the original broad-fronted two-story wood-frame Garden Bowl and an adjacent lower and narrower steel-frame commercial building. The two buildings were combined into a larger Garden Bowl building in 1966 and the combined facades and interiors then substantially remodeled, assuming for the most part their present appearance. The combined building now displays a broad horizontal façade visually dominated by a gold-colored aluminum grill upper façade, above the street-level storefront, that displays the Garden Bowl name, in large script letters in red, positioned on an upward slant to the right near the midsection of the façade. A broad, projecting horizontal band of black enameled aluminum paneling demarcates the upper façade from the storefront below with its bright red enameled aluminum panel finish flanking raw aluminum door and window trim. A semi-spherical (half-bowling ball-shaped) canopy now shelters the main double-door entry. The interior features a bar and pizza restaurant located at the Woodward Avenue front of the building. Behind, in the building's east end, is the bowling alley, containing sixteen lanes in all, ten of them within the old Garden Bowl building space and the six at the south end within the space once belonging to the separate adjoining building. The second story contains a pool hall, dance floor and bar.

The Garden Bowling Alleys building was built in 1913 by developer Hugo Scherer and initially contained ten lanes. The cost was to be \$21,000, according to City of Detroit building permit # 7591. The second floor originally featured the Garden Billiard Academy, a billiard hall with grandstands on all sides for tournament viewing. By 1926 the second-floor billiard tables were removed and replaced by twelve additional bowling lanes.

In 1934 the front thirty-five feet of the Garden Bowl and adjacent building were removed as part of a large-scale Woodward Avenue widening project. This part of Garden Bowl contained commercial space and a corridor/lobby leading to the bowling alleys. A new terra-cotta façade replaced the original lost to the Woodward widening project.

The Zainea family, still the owners today, purchased the Garden Bowl in 1946. They substantially renovated the building in 1966, combining the adjacent building to the south with it to provide space for six more lanes on the first floor, for a total of sixteen lanes there and twenty-eight in the whole building, and replacing the two facades with a single contemporary one. Upstairs renovations in about 1987 and in 1992 covered the (still extant) bowling lanes with a new floor and established a "Magic Stick" nightclub featuring live music and, once again, pool tables.

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The southern approximately one-third of Garden Bowl was also built about 1913. The 1913 *City Directory* lists the building as housing the Regal Motor Sales Company dealership, and later directories and the Sanborn maps confirm an ongoing use of the building for auto dealerships during its early years. They include the Siegel-Zeckendorf Company and, in 1925, a REO Sales garage. In 1945 the building was remodeled and became the Charles Anderson Cleaners and then the French Dry Cleaning Shop. It also housed an insurance agency, shoe repair shop, and sign company at various times between 1945 and 1966.

In 1966, when the Garden Bowl was remodeled with its current metal grill façade, this building was combined with the Garden Bowl by the removal of the adjoining side walls of the two buildings and the remodeling of the now-combined front and the first-floor bowling alley in their present forms. Because this building is lower than Garden Bowl's, its part of the metal grill upper façade is also lower, but in all other respects its front matches the finish of the two-story part to the north. Its roof is crowned by an illuminated vertical sign that reads, "BOWL."

Garden Bowl

The Magic Stick

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