

## DeVeaux Neighborhood District



The DeVeaux neighborhood is located in the northernmost part of the city. It is bounded to the north by the city line, to the south by CSX RR, to the east by the former “Hojack” Railway lines separating it from the Highland Neighborhood District, and to the west by the Robert Moses Parkway and Niagara Gorge. This neighborhood developed from 1920 to 1940 and is primarily residential except for a few stores scattered along the Lewiston-Main Road.

Historically most of what is referred to as DeVeaux, was owned entirely by one man, Judge Samuel DeVeaux for which the area is named. One of DeVeaux's original farmhouse, built in 1853, still exists on Lewiston-Main Road. Lewiston Road bisects the area north to south.

The Lewiston-Main Road is historically significant itself, not only connecting northern towns to Niagara Falls, but, prior to the development of Railroads and Canals it served as the overland portage route for goods and people moving between Lake Ontario and Lake Erie.

The “DeVeaux campus,” Van Rensselaer School Chapel, Vogt House, DeVeaux Farmhouse, and Monteagle House are some of the more significant historic buildings. The DeVeaux Campus through a bequest of Judge DeVeaux in 1856 established a school for orphan boys. Van Rensselaer Hall is the original remaining structure and is currently on the National Register of historic places. The campus itself was purchased by New York State and will be incorporated into Niagara's international network of parkland.