



# OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

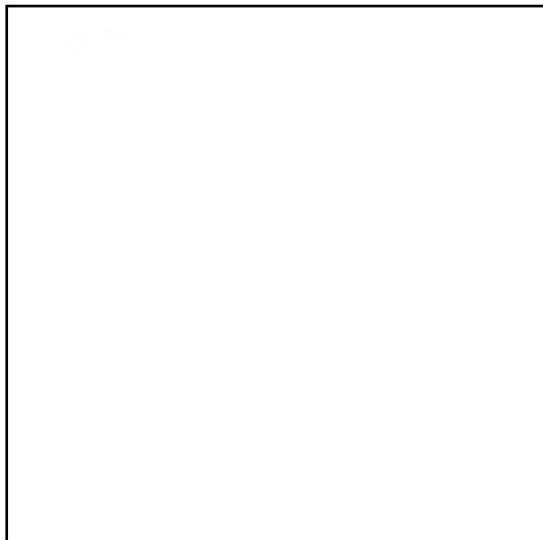
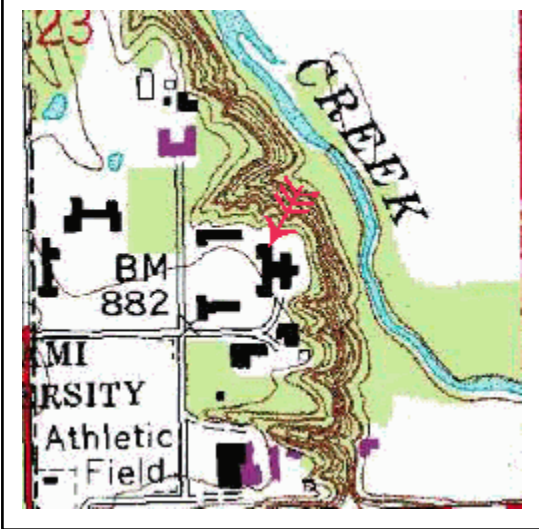
RPR Number:

1. No. <b>BUT-02489-01</b>		4. Present Name(s) <b>Dennison Hall</b>		9-01 <b>BUT-0248</b>
2. County <b>Butler</b>		5. Historic or Other Name(s) <b>Dennison Hall</b>		
6. Specific Address or Location <b>23 North Fisher Drive</b>		19a. Design Sources		2. County <b>Butler</b>
6a. Lot, Section or VMD Number		20. Contractor or Builder <b>Carl J. Conrad &amp; Sons; Frank Messer &amp; Sons</b>		
7. City or Village <b>Oxford</b>		21. Building Type or Plan <b>Other Building Type</b>		4. Present or Historic Name(s) <b>Dennison Hall</b>
9. U.T.M. Reference Quadrangle Name: <b>Oxford</b> <b>16 695489 4375755</b> Zone Easting Northing		22. Original Use, if apparent <b>Dormitory</b>		
10. Classification: <b>Building</b>		23. Present Use <b>Dormitory</b>		35. Plan Shape <b>Irregular</b>
11. On National Register? <b>NO</b>		24. Ownership <b>Public</b>		
13. Part of Established Hist. Dist? <b>NO</b>		25. Owner's Name & Address, if known <b>Miami University</b> <b>Oxford, OH 45056</b>		36. Changes associated with 17/17b Dates: 17. <b>Original/Most significant construct</b> 17b. <b>Substantial alteration/addition</b>
15. Other Designation (NR or Local)		26. Property Acreage		
16. Thematic Associations: <b>University</b>		27. Other Surveys		37. Window Type(s) <b>8 over 8</b> <b>6 over 6</b>
17. Date(s) or Period <b>1957-59</b>		28. No. of Stories <b>Three and a half story</b>		
18. Style Class and Design <b>Dominant Georgian Revival</b>		29. Basement? <b>Yes</b>		38. Building Dimensions
18a. Style of Addition or Elements(s)		30. Foundation Material <b>Unknown</b>		
19. Architect or Engineer <b>Charles Cellarius; Cellarius &amp; Hilmer</b>		31. Wall Construction <b>Unknown</b>		39. Endangered? <b>NO</b> By What?
17b. Alteration Date(s) <b>1961</b>		32. Roof Type <b>Gable</b> Roof Material <b>Asphalt shingle</b>		
33. No. of Bays <b>21</b> Side Bays <b>5</b>		34. Exterior Wall Material(s) <b>Flemish bond</b>		40. Chimney Placement <b>Three or more chimneys</b>
42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Continued on Reverse if Necessary) <b>Dennison Hall is a 3-1/2 story, U-shaped, red brick building. The symmetrical facade faces west, with a central entrance and gable end projections. A two-story porch covers the entry. The porch is supported by Ionic columns and has a geometric balustrade and cornice modillions. The nine-light wood door has a large surround, with a curved pediment. Secondary doors, on the facade in the gable ends and the side elevations, have nine-lights and a simple entablature surround. Other features of the building include 8-over-8 window sash, Flemish bond brick pattern, splayed-brick lintels (some on the first floor have keystones), fanlight windows, cornice modillions and pedimented dormers. The one-story Erickson Dining Hall attaches to the rear of Dennison Hall, via an enclosed passageway. The dining hall features 15-over-15 window sash and a bay window centered on the south and north elevations. Window openings have splayed-brick lintels with a keystone and wood panels below the sill. A beltcourse encircles the entire building below the roofline. An outside entrance into the dining hall has paired nine-light wood doors, with an entablature surround and round continued...</b>		41. Distance from & Frontage on Road		
43. History and Significance (Continue on Reverse if necessary) <b>Completed 1957-1959 at a cost of \$1,550,000, Dennison Hall was built in two phases. The first phase was completed in 1957 and designed by Charles F. Cellarius. The second phase, the north wing, was completed in 1959 and designed by Cellarius and Hilmer. The dining hall addition, Erickson, was completed in 1961 and designed by Cellarius and Hilmer. Dennison Hall, designed to house 300 male freshmen, was dedicated in June 1961. The building was named in honor of William Dennison. An 1835 graduate of Miami, Dennison was a well-known mid 19th century Ohio politician. He served as an Ohio state senator, Ohio governor, and as the U.S. Postmaster General. He was also a very successful businessman.</b>		51. Condition of Property: <b>Excellent</b>		52. Historic Outbuildings & Dependencies Structure Type Date Associated Activity
44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (See #52) <b>Dennison Hall is in the northeastern portion of the campus. It faces Collins and McBride Halls, forming a small quad, and is in the area that was referred to as the men's quadrangle in the early 1950s, and is now called East Quad.</b>		53. Affiliated Inventory Numbers: Historic (OHI) Archaeological (OAI)		
45. Sources of Information <b>Physical Plant Department, Construction Information, 1975; Flintermann, Peter, Miami Buildings, Past and Present; Miami Alumnus, January 1957; Miami Alumnus, 9/1/1955.</b>		46. Prepared By: <b>Nathalie Wright</b>		6. Specific Address or Location <b>23 North Fisher Drive</b>
47. Organization: <b>Historic Preservation Consultant</b>		48. Date Recorded: <b>07/30/2008</b>		
49. PIR Reviewer:		49. PIR Review Date:		

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8. Site Plan with North Arrow

54. Farmstead Plan :



Door Selection:  
**Three or more**

Door Position:  
**Flush**

Orientation:  
**Other**

Symmetry:  
**Bilateral symmetry**

Report Associated With Project:

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42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Con't)

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43. History and Significance (Con't)

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (Con't)

45. Sources (Con't)