## Ohio Historic Preservation Office



567 E. Hudson St. Columbus, OH 43211 614/298-2000

## **OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY**

RPR Number

BUT-0249 8-01 4. Present Name(s) 1. No. BUT-02498-01 Harris Dining Hall 5. Historic or Other Name(s) 2. County Harris Dining Hall Butler 2. County 6. Specific Address or Location 35. Plan Shape Butler 19a. Design Sources Rectangular 500 Harris Drive 20. Contractor or Builder 36. Changes associated with 17/17b Dates: Frank Messer & Sons 17. Original/Most significant construct 21. Building Type or Plan 6a. Lot, Section or VMD Number Other Building Type 17b 22. Original Use, if apparent College/University 7. City or Village 37. Window Type(s) Present or Historic Name(s) Oxford 6 over 6 Harris Dining Hall 23. Present Use Other 9. U.T.M. Reference 38. Building Dimensions College/University Oxford Quadrangle Name: 16 694781 4374726 39. Endangered? NO Northing Zone Easting 24. Ownership Public By What? 25. Owner's Name & Address, if known 10. Classification: Building Miami University NO 11. On National Register? 40. Chimney Placement Oxford, Ohio 45056 No chimney observed 26. Property Acreage 13. Part of Established Hist. Dist? NO 41. Distance from & Frontage on Road 15. Other Designation (NR or Local) 27. Other Surveys 51. Condition of Property: 28. No. of Stories Excellent One story 16. Thematic Associations: 52. Historic Outbuildings & Dependencies University 29. Basement? Yes 30. Foundation Material Structure Type Unknown 17. Date(s) or Period 17b. Alteration Date(s) 31. Wall Construction 1961 Unknown Date 18. Style Class and Design 32. Roof Type Georgian Revival Dominant Associated Activity Truncated hip Roof Material 18a. Style of Addition or Elements(s) Asphalt shingle 33. No. of Bays 16 Side Bays 8 53. Affiliated Inventory Numbers: Historic (OHI) 19. Architect or Engineer 34. Exterior Wall Material(s) Cellarius and Hilmer Flemish bond Archaeological (OAI)

42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Continued on Reverse if Necessary)

Harris Dining Hall is a 1-story red brick building with its primary elevation facing the quadrangle to its north. Here there is a central block with truncated hipped roof with 3 rounded dormer vents, wide frieze with modillions, and six round-arched parlor-length windows in the facade. The windows have multi-paned arched double-hung sash and a panel at the base of the opening. In the center of the facade is an inset plaque with the building's name. East and west of this block are smaller wings with a cross gabled entrance facing north. The entry doors have transom and sidelights and are framed with a classical entablature surround. To the rear of the building is a large flat roofed section that houses the kitchen.

## 43. History and Significance (Continue on Reverse if necessary)

Harris Dining Hall was built to serve the South Quadrangle residence halls in 1961. Before its construction, residents used the mess hall that had been located here to serve Miami Lodges, temporary housing constructed in 1947 to house approximately 600 men who came to campus following WWII. The dormitories that make up the quadrangle include Porter Hall, built in 1956, and Anderson, Dodds and Stanton Hall, built in 1961. All of the 1961 buildings, including Harris, were designed by the architectural firm of Cellarius and Hilmer. Harris Dining Hall was dedicated in September 1961 in honor of Andrew Lintner Harris, class of 1860, who served as Ohio Representative and Senator, Lieutenant Governor and Governor of Ohio from 1906-1909.

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (See #52)

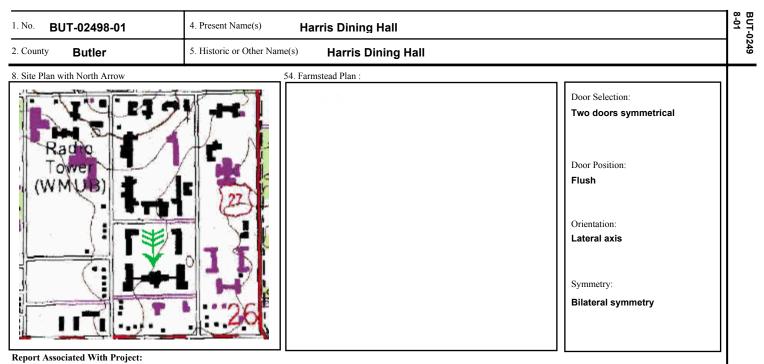
Harris Dining Hall anchors the south end of the South Quadrangle of residence halls, facing the open space to the north. It is connected to the dormitories to the east and west by enclosed passageways.

## 45. Sources of Information

MU Physical Facilities, building information, 2005; Physical Plant Department, Construction Information, 1975; Flintermann, Peter, Miami Buildings Past and Present, 1966.

46. Prepared By: **Judy** 49. PIR Reviewer:





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