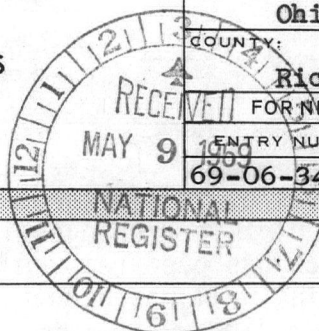


NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Ohio	
COUNTY: Richland	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER 69-06-34-0002	DATE 6/11/69



1. NAME	
COMMON: Oak Hill Cottage	
AND/OR HISTORIC: Shane's Castle	

2. LOCATION			
STREET AND NUMBER: 310 Springmill Street			
CITY OR TOWN: Mansfield			
STATE Ohio	CODE 44907	COUNTY: Richland	CODE 34

3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
District ☐ Building ☒ Site ☐ Structure ☐ Object ☐	Public ☐ Private ☒ Both ☐	Public Acquisition: In Process ☐ Being Considered ☒	Occupied ☐ Unoccupied ☒ Preservation work in progress ☐	Yes: Restricted ☒ Unrestricted ☐ No: ☐
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
Agricultural ☐ Commercial ☐ Educational ☒ Entertainment ☐	Government ☐ Industrial ☐ Military ☐ Museum ☐	Park ☐ Private Residence ☐ Religious ☐ Scientific ☐	Transportation ☐ Other (Specify) ☒ Home of Richland County Hist. Soc.	Comments ☐

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY			
OWNERS NAME: Richland County Historical Society c/o Marshall Moore			
STREET AND NUMBER: 100 Park Avenue West			
CITY OR TOWN: Mansfield	STATE: Ohio	CODE 34	STATE: Ohio

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION			
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Richland County Recorder of Deeds			
STREET AND NUMBER: 7 South Diamond Street			
CITY OR TOWN: Mansfield	STATE: Ohio	CODE 34	STATE: Ohio
APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:			

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS			
TITLE OF SURVEY: Oak Hill Addition			
DATE OF SURVEY: 3/10/24 Federal ☐ State ☐ County ☐ Local ☒			
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Richland County Recorder of Deeds			
STREET AND NUMBER: 7 South Diamond Street			
CITY OR TOWN: Mansfield	STATE: Ohio	CODE 34	STATE: Ohio

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)				
	Excellent ☐	Good ☐	Fair ☒	Deteriorated ☐	Ruins ☐ Unexposed ☐
INTEGRITY	(Check One)		(Check One)		
	Altered ☐ Unaltered ☒		Moved ☐ Original Site ☒		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Records available through the Richland County Historical Society indicate only minor changes in the structure, i.e. a balcony over the front porch has been removed to facilitate reroofing of the porch; a supporting wall has been added in the basement to protect and support an interior fire wall. Other changes, although not recent, include bathroom remodeling and electrical and natural gas installations.

The house itself and many of the Victorian furnishings have been preserved through the efforts of the local historical society. However, the grounds surrounding the house have been reduced by the subdivision of the original property, and the gardens and orchards once a part of the estate have been removed. The surrounding neighborhood is developed with low density residential uses except to the south where three small commercial uses have been developed and are currently operating.

A survey of the structural condition of the building made during March 1969 reveals that the walls, foundations and other structural members are in excellent condition with not more than an overall 30% deterioration factor. However, the building is termed safe in all respects and would require only minimum rehabilitation for use as a dwelling,

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Pre-Columbian ☐

16th Century ☐

18th Century ☐

20th Century ☐

15th Century ☐

17th Century ☐

19th Century ☒

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1847-

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal ☐

Education ☐

Political ☐

Urban Planning ☐

Prehistoric ☐

Engineering ☐

Religion/Phi-

Other (Specify) ☒

Historic ☐

Industry ☐

losophy ☐

Architectural

Agriculture ☐

Invention ☐

Science ☐

Art ☐

Landscape ☐

Sculpture ☐

Commerce ☐

Architecture ☐

Social/Human-

Communications ☐

Literature ☒

itarian ☐

Conservation ☐

Military ☐

Theater ☐

Music ☐

Transportation ☐

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

Oak Hill Cottage, built in 1847, became the show place and the center of Mansfield social life following its purchase in 1864 by Dr. Johannes A. Jones and continued to be the gathering place for many well known politicians and educators. Of these functions none was more memorable than that given to honor the daughter of a president, Margaret Wilson, who sang here in joint recital with Frances McMillen, noted violinist, during the Fourth Liberty Loan Drive of World War I. It is believed that Shane's Castle was the setting for the novel The Green Bay Tree, by Louis Bromfield, and that the novel's chief characters were the two daughters of Dr. Jones.

This building is the oldest building of substance in the City of Mansfield and is, according to a leading authority on Gothic architecture, Ralph Adams Cram, "the one perfect Gothic house in the United States." The Gothic suburban cottage is discussed in the book, The American Cottage Builder, published in 1854 and contains illustrations which are strikingly similar to the subject structure.

The romantic Gothic revival spread to the Middle West in stray examples and appeared in Ohio around 1830. After 1850 the style became popular in modified form, however, since Oak Hill was designed and constructed before this period, it retained its pure Gothic form and thus merits preservation.



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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Richland County Historical Society
Mansfield New-Journal
American Cottage Builder - By John Bullock, Pub. 1854
A History of Ohio - By E. H. Roseboom & Francis P. Weisenburger

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN ONE ACRE		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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NE	° ' "	° ' "				
SE	° ' "	° ' "				
SW	° ' "	° ' "				

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
None			
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:	
G. M. McElfresh	
ORGANIZATION	DATE
City of Mansfield	April 3, 1969
STREET AND NUMBER:	
27 West Second Street	
CITY OR TOWN:	STATE
Mansfield	Ohio 44902
	CODE
	34

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☒

Name Daniel R. G. Porter
Director, Ohio Historical Soc.
and Ohio Liaison Officer

Date 6 May 1969

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Ernest Allen Connally
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date JUN 11 1969

ATTEST:

William J. Hensley
Keeper of The National Register

Date JUN 11 1969

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DUPLICATE

69000149

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("R" June 1984)UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICENATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

- ☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Working No. _____
Fed. Reg. Date: 06/11/69
Date Due: _____
Action: ☐ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT
Federal Agency: _____Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
_____ see continuation sheetNomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below1. Name OAK HILL COTTAGE2. Location MANSFIELD OHIO

3. Classification

Category	Ownership Public Acquisition	Status Accessible	Present Use
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4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

Condition	Check one	Check one
☐ excellent	☐ unaltered	☐ original site
☐ good	☐ altered	☐ moved date _____
☐ fair		
☐ deteriorated		
☐ ruins		
☐ unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph
☐ completeness
☐ clarity
☐ alterations/integrity
☐ dates
☐ boundary selection

8. 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

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

____ national ____ state ____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title

date

13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____

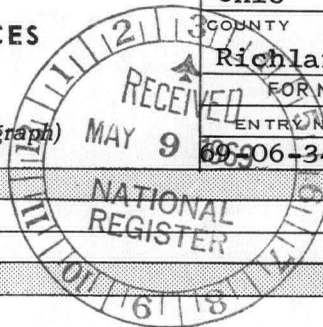
Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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3. PHOTO REFERENCE			
PHOTO CREDIT: Mansfield Photo Supplies			
DATE OF PHOTO: October 1964			
NEGATIVE FILED AT: Mansfield Photo Supplies, 20 South Park St., Mansfield, Ohio			
4. IDENTIFICATION			
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. This structure is located in an older residential area of Mansfield on a small hill overlooking the central area of the city which lies south of the site.			



NPS Number 69-06-34-0002

Title: OAK HILL COTTAGE

Loc. RICHLAND COUNTY, OHIO

310 SPRINGMILL STREET, MANSFIELD

PROPERTY OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Missing Core Documentation

Property Name	County, State	Reference Number
Oak Hill Cottage	Richland County OH	69000149

The following Core Documentation is missing from this entry:

☐ Nomination Form

☐ Photographs

☒ USGS Map

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PROPERTY MAP FORM

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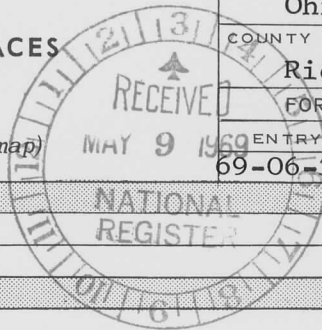
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3. MAP REFERENCE

SOURCE:

City of Mansfield

SCALE:

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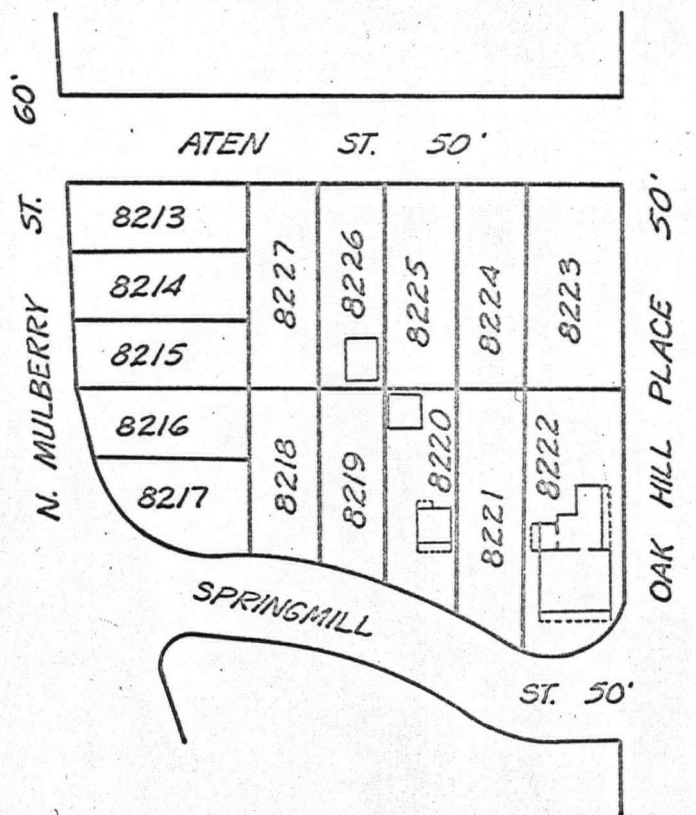
April 2, 1969

4. REQUIREMENTS

TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

1. Property boundaries where required.
2. North arrow.
3. Latitude and longitude reference.

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CITY OF MANSFIELD, OHIO

LAT. 40° 46'
LONG. 82° 31'

SUBJECT PROPERTY LOTS: 8221
8222
8223
8224
8225

H30-HR

JUN 12 1969

Mr. Daniel R. Porter
Director
The Ohio Historical Society
Columbus, Ohio 43210

Dear Mr. Porter:

We wish to inform you that Oak Hill Cottage has been
placed on the National Register of Historic Places.

We are enclosing a Xerox copy of the certified entry.

Sincerely yours,

William J. Murtagh

William J. Murtagh
Keeper of the National
Register

Enclosure

cc:

Regional Director, Northeast Region-w/c encl.
T, Butterfield-w/c encl.

HR

JBEdwards:je