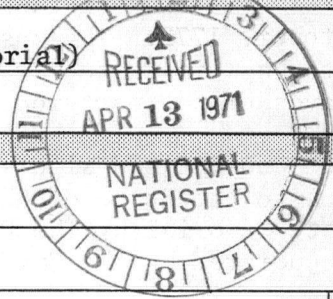


**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Ohio	
COUNTY: Tuscarawas	
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ENTRY NUMBER 70.11.39.0026	DATE 11/10/70



1. NAME

COMMON:
Gnadenhutzen Massacre Site (State Memorial)

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
County Road

CITY OR TOWN:
South of Gnadenhutzen

STATE Ohio	CODE 039	COUNTY: Tuscarawas	CODE 157
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3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious		
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
State of Ohio

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
Columbus

STATE: Ohio	CODE 039
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5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
The Ohio Historical Society

STREET AND NUMBER:
1982 Velma Avenue

CITY OR TOWN:
Columbus

STATE: Ohio	CODE 039
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6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Ohio Historic Survey, Phase I: "Ohio Historic Landmarks"

DATE OF SURVEY: February, 1967 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
The Ohio Historical Society

STREET AND NUMBER:
1982 Velma Avenue

CITY OR TOWN:
Columbus

STATE: Ohio	CODE 039
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SEE INSTRUCTIONS

STATE: Ohio
COUNTY: TUSCARAWAS
ENTRY NUMBER: 70.11.39.0026
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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated
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(Check One)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered		<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	
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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Nothing remains of the Moravian Mission of Gnadenhutten, founded in October, 1772. The massacre site, which coincided with the mission site, now is marked by a simple obelisk. The site also contains the graves of the martyred Indians.

The monument and site was a gift from the Gnadenhutten Cemetery Association to the State of Ohio in 1931. The site is administered as a State Memorial by The Ohio Historical Society. A museum on the grounds is operated by the Gnadenhutten Historical Society.



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8. SIGNIFICANCE

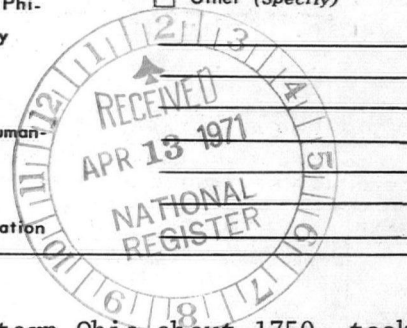
PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian | 16th Century | 18th Century | 20th Century
 15th Century | 17th Century | 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) March 8, 1782

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- | | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | |



STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Delaware Indians, after moving to eastern Ohio about 1750, took readily to Christianity. As early as mid-century there were Moravian Missions in Pennsylvania converting Delawares. In 1772, David Zeisberger, who founded a successful Moravian Mission, Schoenbrunn, also helped to found a mission 12 miles down the Tuscarawas River at Gnadenhutten. Zeisberger won many converts, including Chiefs White Eyes and Killbuck.

During the Revolutionary War, the Moravians and their Indian converts were neutral and would not help either side. However, the American frontiersmen began to believe rumors that the Moravian Indians were helping the British as were other Indians in Ohio. After a series of Shawnee Indian raids in Pennsylvania, 150 mounted militia from Washington County (Pa.) under Col. David Williamson, set out for the Tuscarawas towns. In Gnadenhutten they found the dress of a woman who had been killed in one of the Indian raids. The Shawnees had sold the dress to the Christian Indians and then moved on.

The militiamen, blinded by their hatred of Indians, held a council at which there was an overwhelming vote to put all the Indians at Gnadenhutten to death. The militiamen pretended to act in friendly manner toward the Indians long enough to disarm them. Next they brought charges against the Moravians, accusing them of fighting the Americans, assisting British Indians and plundering American settlements. Two cabins were selected for the scenes of the massacre, one for the men, the other for women and children. While the Christians sang and prayed, their members were taken two by two to be killed and scalped. Ninety-six scalps were returned to Pennsylvania, although the mission records show that ninety were killed. Two young boys escaped and rejoined the Christian Indians on the Sandusky River and warned their people to flee. By the time another militia was sent to destroy the remaining Tuscarawas towns, and then the Sandusky settlement, most of the Moravians were gone.

In the fall of 1782, England signed a preliminary treaty ending hostilities. The Treaty of 1783 secured the Northwest Territory for the new American nation. The American states also ceded their western claims to the federal government. Meanwhile, the Moravian missionaries wished to re-establish their Tuscarawas towns, but the later efforts were not so successful as the initial ones.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

"Massacre at Gnadenuhuten: Blackest Page in History of Northwest Territory." Published by the Gnadenuhuten Historical Society, 1963.

Martin, Harry Edwin. "The Tragedy of Gnadenuhuten." In Ohio Magazine, Columbus, Ohio, vol. 4, 1908. pp. 306-310.

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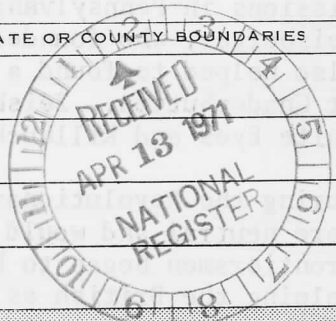
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 9

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE



SEE INSTRUCTIONS

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Judith Kitchen

ORGANIZATION: The Ohio Historical Society DATE: 3/15/71

STREET AND NUMBER: 1982 Velma Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Columbus STATE: Ohio CODE: 039

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. Roeder

Title Liaison Officer - Ohio

Date 7 April 1971

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

Ernest A. Connolly
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 11/10/70

ATTEST:
William M. ...
Keeper of The National Register

Date 5-28-71

Advance Nominations

Tuscarawas
Gnadenhütten Massacre Site Ohio

4/13/71 ✓
✓
✓
✓
4/15/71 ✓

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6/17/71

Quite a story!

OK Hank 5/19/71

OK 5 Maxson 5/26/71
OK Levy 5/27/71
OK Chambers 5-21-71

I hadn't heard the story either. HEAVY.

Pronounced Gemod-en-hoo-ten

OK Wm 5/28/71

How do you pronounce this?
me

OK CD 5/28/71

11/10/70
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WORKING NUMBER 5.26.70.21





HERE
TRIUMPHED IN DEATH
NINETY
CHRISTIAN INDIANS
MARCH 9, 1762.

GNADENHÜTTEN.

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM

(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with photograph)

STATE	Ohio
COUNTY	Tuscarawas
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
70-11-39-0026	11/10/70

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME

COMMON: Gnadenhutzen Massacre Site (State Memorial)
AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: County Road

CITY OR TOWN: South of Gnadenhutzen

STATE: Ohio	CODE: 039	COUNTY: Tuscarawas	CODE: 157
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3. PHOTO REFERENCE

PHOTO CREDIT: The Ohio Historical Society

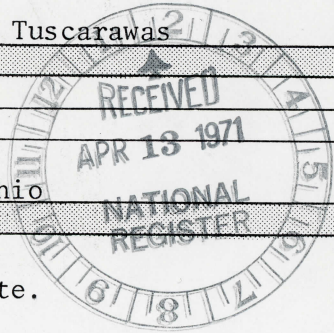
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4. IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.

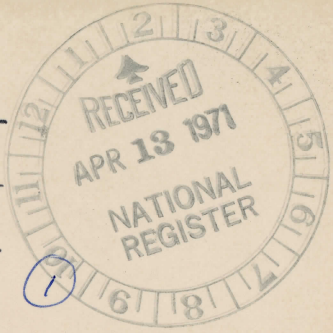
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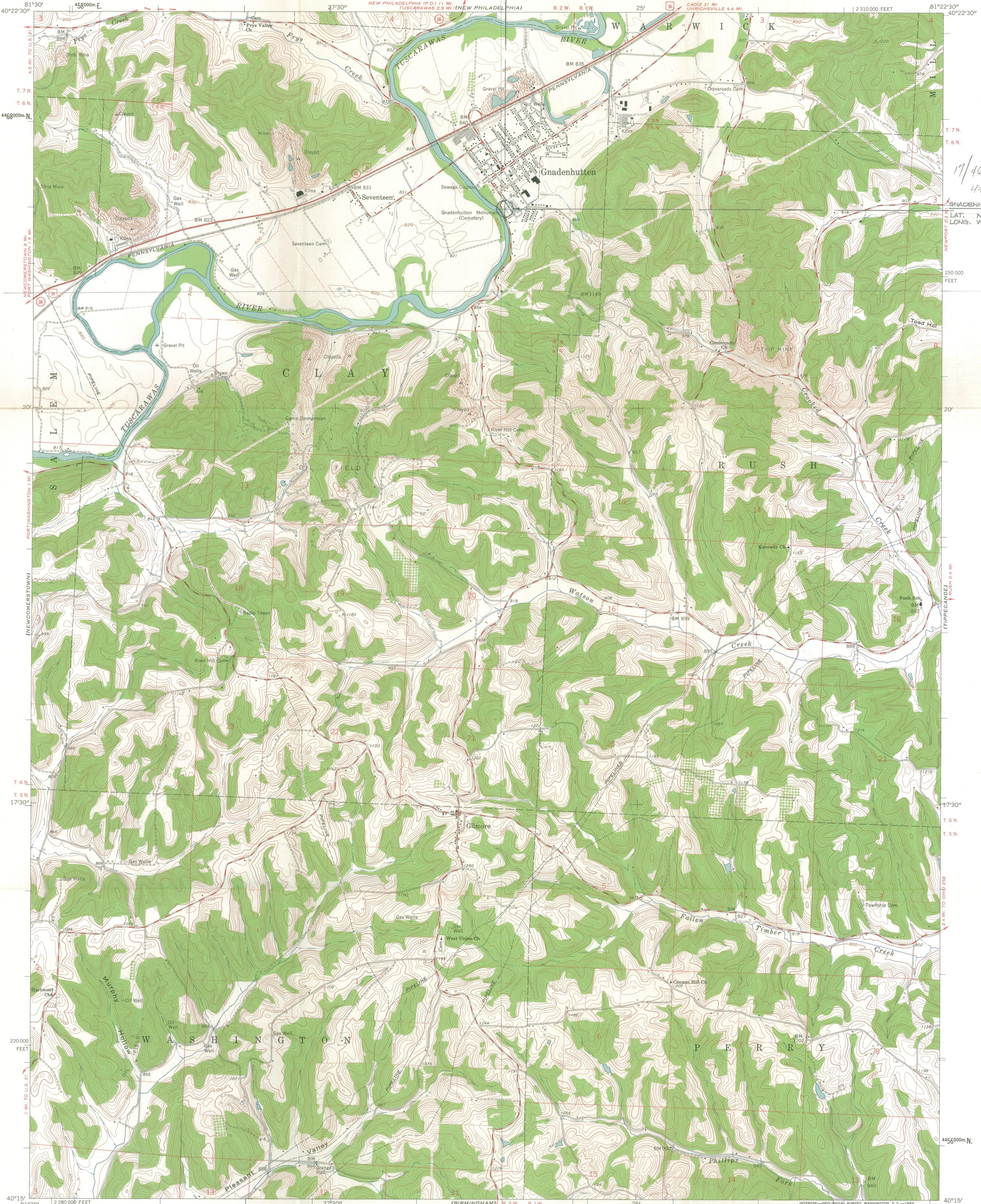


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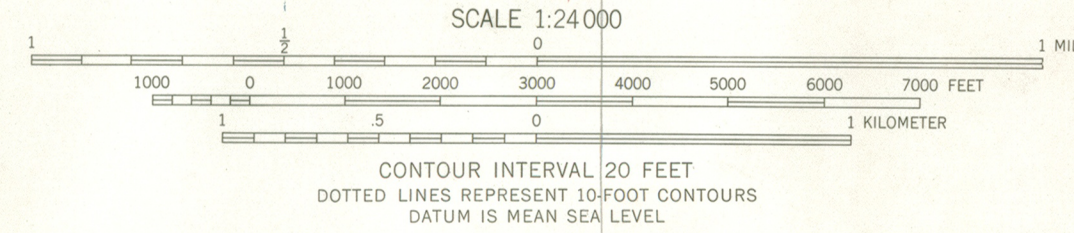
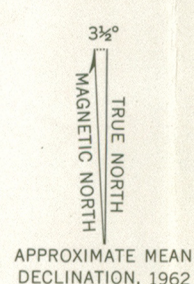
Loc. Tuscarawas Co., Ohio
Monument





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GNADENHUTTEN MASSACRE SITE
LAT. N 40° 21' 16"
LONG. W 81° 26' 7"

Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey
Control by USGS and USC&GS
Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial
photographs taken 1960. Field checked 1962
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Ohio coordinate system, north zone
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 17, shown in blue
Entire area lies within the United States Military District
Land lines based on the Base Line of the United States
Military District
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where
generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty	Light-duty
Medium-duty	Unimproved dirt
U.S. Route	State Route

GNADENHUTTEN, OHIO
SW 1/4 UHRICHSVILLE 15' QUADRANGLE
N4015-W8122.5/7.5



THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
FOR SALE BY U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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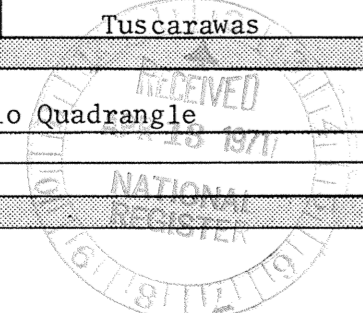
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PROPERTY MAP FORM**

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COMMON:	Gnadenhutzen Massacre Site (State Memorial)		
AND/OR HISTORIC:			
2. LOCATION			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
County Road			
CITY OR TOWN:			
South of Gnadenhutzen			
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
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SCALE:	1" = 2000'		
DATE:	1962		
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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NOV 27 1970

Hon. Stephen M. Young
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Young:

We are pleased to inform you that the historic properties listed on the enclosure have been nominated by the State Liaison Officer appointed by the Governor for the implementation of the National Historic Preservation Program in Ohio and have been entered into the National Register of Historic Places. Senator William B. Saxbe and the appropriate Representatives have also been provided with this information. By copy of this letter, the state Liaison Officer, Mr. Daniel R. Porter, Director, The Ohio Historical Society, Ohio Historical Center, Columbus, Ohio 43211, has likewise been notified. A leaflet explaining the National Register is enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

GEORGE B. HARTZOG, JR.

Director

Enclosures

Entered in the National Register

NOV 10 1970

cc: Mr. Daniel R. Porter, Director, The Ohio Historical Society,
Ohio Historical Center, Columbus, Ohio 43211

Duplicate letter sent to: Hon. William B. Saxbe
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

BASIC FILE RETAINED IN HR

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cc: Director, Northeast Region
LL: Mr. Melvin

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HR

Properties added to the National Register of Historic Places

OHIO

Adena	Ross County, Ohio
Big Bottom	Morgan County, Ohio
Buckeye Furnace	Jackson County, Ohio
Buffington Island	Meigs County, Ohio
Campbell Mound	Franklin County, Ohio
Putnam House	Washington County, Ohio
Ohio Co. Land Office	Washington County, Ohio
Flint Ridge	Licking County, Ohio
Fort Amanda Site	Auglaize County, Ohio
Fort Hill	Highland County, Ohio
Fort Jefferson Site	Darke County, Ohio
Fort Laurens Site	Tuscarawas County, Ohio
Fort Recovery Site	Mercer County, Ohio
Fort St. Clair Site	Preble County, Ohio
Friends (Quaker) Meeting House	Jefferson County, Ohio
Glendower	Warren County, Ohio
<u>Gnadenhutten Massacre Site</u>	Tuscarawas County, Ohio
Hanby House	Franklin County, Ohio
William H. Harrison Tomb	Hamilton County, Ohio
Indian Mill	Wyandot County, Ohio
Leo Petroglyph	Jackson County, Ohio
McCook House	Carroll County, Ohio
William McKinley Tomb	Stark County, Ohio
Miamisburg Mound	Montgomery County, Ohio
Our House	Gallia County, Ohio
Rankin House	Brown County, Ohio
Schoenbrunn Site	Tuscarawas County, Ohio
Seip Mound	Ross County, Ohio
<u>W. P. Snyder, Jr. Steamboat</u>	Washington County, Ohio
Stowe House	Hamilton County, Ohio
Tarlton Cross Mound	Fairfield County, Ohio

NOV 27 1970

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Hon. Wayne L. Hays
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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cc: Director, Northeast Region

LL: Mr. Melvin

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Properties added to the National Register of Historical Places

OHIO

Fort Laurens Site	Tuscarawas County, Ohio
Friends (Quaker) Meeting House	Jefferson County, Ohio
<u>Gnadenhütten</u> Massacre Site	Tuscarawas County, Ohio
McCook House	Carroll County, Ohio
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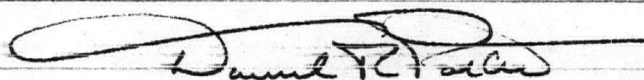
April 8, 1971

Dr. William J. Murtagh, Keeper
National Register
Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation
801 - 19th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Dr. Bill:

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to transmit to you herewith completed National Register of Historic Places forms and attachments for 31 state/Ohio Historical Society-owned prehistoric and historic landmarks, which State Memorials were provisionally added to the National Register November 10, 1970.


Sincerely,



Daniel R. Porter
Director

DRP/eg

Encs. Completed National Register Forms for the following State Memorials:

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- ✓ Adena
 - ✓ Big Bottom
 - ✓ Buckeye Furnace
 - ✓ Buffington Island
 - ✓ Campbell Mound
 - ✓ Putnam House
 - ✓ Ohio Company Land Office
 - ✓ Flint Ridge
 - ✓ Fort Amanda site
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 - ✓ Rankin House
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 - ✓ W. P. Snyder, Jr., steamboat
 - ✓ Stowe House
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