

**United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service**

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**National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form**

received JAN 16 1986  
date entered FEB 13 1986

See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*  
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

**1. Name**

historic Kirkwood, Joseph, House

and/or common

**2. Location**

street & number 329 Bennett Street not for publication

city, town Bridgeport vicinity of

state Ohio code 039 county Belmont code 013

**3. Classification**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Ownership</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Present Use</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	n/a	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: housing for mentally ill

**4. Owner of Property**

name Thresholds To Tomorrow

street & number Hammond Road

city, town St. Clairsville vicinity of state Ohio 43950

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Belmont County Courthouse

street & number Main Street

city, town St. Clairsville state Ohio 43950

**6. Representation in Existing Surveys**

title none has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

date  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records

city, town state

## 7. Description

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

### Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Joseph Kirkwood House is located on Lots 290, 291, and 292 in the Kirkwood district of the village of Bridgeport, directly west of the Ohio River which separates Ohio and West Virginia. The house is a two-story ell-shaped building measuring 43 feet by 55 feet in major dimension (photo #1). It is constructed of brick laid in American bond resting on a dry uncut sandstone foundation. Chimneys rise from each of the three gables of the house. Flat stone lintels and lug sills are found at each window. Mortice-and-tenon half venetian shutters with iron pivot hardware are believed to be original on all of the windows. The original multi-light window sash have been replaced by one-over-one sash. The facade is symmetrically arranged with five bays and a centrally located entrance. The main entrance is inset and trimmed with molded panels and has frosted and etched glass sidelights and a clear glazed transom. A wooden cyma-recta cornice of restrained classic proportions bands the perimeter of the structure, and forms partial cornice returns in the gables. The gable roof is of standing seam metal believed to have been added at a later date. Several of the ventilation openings in the stone foundation have the original cast iron grilles of a simplistic organic stylization.

A wood frame addition was added ca. 1930 to the second floor of the east elevation on the portion of the ell connecting to the main house (photo #2).

On the interior, the floorplan is also symmetrically laid out with identical parlors flanking a central foyer. An original fireplace with Greek Revival styling is centered on the end wall of each of the front parlors (photo #3). Similar fireplaces are located in the rooms on the second floor. A third double stack chimney serves two fireplaces in bedrooms on the second floor of the south end of the ell. Garland swag panel decorations were added ca. 1890 to several of the fireplace mantles. The main foyer differs from typical circulation patterns of the period in that access to the second level is gained by a straight run stair parallel to the west parlor which discharges directly to the exterior. An original circular handrail of mahogany is mounted on sconce type iron wall brackets (photo #4). At the rear of the house a narrow winding stair connects the kitchen with the upper level. Greek Revival trim is present throughout the interior with molding on the interior doors and window casings featuring a key motif (photo #5 & 6). The interior doors are believed to be original.

There are three outbuildings--two dependencies immediately south of the main house opposite the kitchen entrance constructed at the same time as the house (photo #7) and a wood frame three-bay garage on the southeast corner of the property built ca. 1950. The nineteenth century outbuildings are a combined smoke house/servants quarters connected by a low wall with a smaller out building. Each of these structures is one-story tall and built of brick with detailing which matches the main house.

The property was initially surveyed in 1978 by William M. Hooker on behalf of Thresholds To Tomorrow. The photos taken at that time by Boyd Nelson are still accurate portrayals of the residence and outbuildings and are incorporated in the present nomination.

# 8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1846 Builder/Architect unknown

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph) Criteria B & C

The Joseph Kirkwood House is significant as the only remaining structure associated with the Kirkwood family, who were early settlers of eastern Ohio. Built by Joseph Kirkwood in 1846 with a large addition made in 1853, the vernacular Greek Revival style residence and its outbuildings are today still intact and in use as a home for mentally retarded residents by its present owner, Thresholds To Tomorrow.

Joseph Kirkwood was the son of Robert Kirkwood, a Revolutionary War hero from Delaware who moved to eastern Ohio in 1789, becoming one of the earliest settlers in the area. Robert Kirkwood is recognized as the first legal settler in what was to become Pease Township which was established in 1806 where he built a log cabin and blockhouse south of Wheeling Creek and began to farm the land. In 1791, after his family was attacked by Indians, he moved with them back to Delaware but later resumed his Indian fighting activities, and died during an Indian raid in 1804. His son, Joseph, who worked as a bookkeeper in Delaware, married Margaret Gillespie in Newark, Delaware in 1806 and then travelled by horseback to Ohio where he resided on the family homestead and took up farming, subsequently building the brick residence now nominated. The original Kirkwood homestead was located one block south and several blocks east of the subject building near the Ohio River. The neighboring area around the Kirkwood lands had become more settled since Robert Kirkwood's first settlement. The town of Bridgeport had been platted to the north of Wheeling Creek in 1806 by Ebenezer Zane and his son-in-law, Elijah Woods. County histories state that Kirkwood's cabin and blockhouse were visible across Wheeling Creek to the south of Bridgeport as early as 1807. Joseph Kirkwood platted the village of Kirkwood, directly south of Bridgeport, in 1834. Unfortunately, little is known about Joseph Kirkwood's later years other than the fact that he and his wife had ten children, many of whom remained in the area, and he died on June 9, 1856. In the 1840 Census his occupation is listed as "agriculture"; by 1850 he had apparently retired as no occupation is included for him.

The town of Bridgeport was incorporated in 1836 and the village of Kirkwood was included within its incorporate limits when these were expanded to the north and south in 1873.

The handsome brick residence with standing metal seam gable roof is a vernacular I-house with details from the popular Greek Revival style. There are two nineteenth century outbuildings with architectural detailing similar to that used on the main residence. The main house was built in 1846 and the large ell was added in 1853. Greek Revival detailing is evident in the symmetrically arranged main facade with five bays. White wood trim contrasts with the red brick surface. The centrally placed entrance is recessed within

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

see attached continuation sheet

# 10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property less than 1 acre

Quadrangle name Wheeling

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

### UTM References

A 

1	7	5	2	1	8	2	0	4	4	3	5	2	2	0
Zone				Easting				Northing						

B 

Zone				Easting				Northing						

C 

Zone				Easting				Northing						

D 

Zone				Easting				Northing						

E 

Zone				Easting				Northing						

F 

Zone				Easting				Northing						

G 

Zone				Easting				Northing						

H 

Zone				Easting				Northing						

**Verbal boundary description and justification** Located on the southeast corner of the intersection of Bennett and DeKalb Streets on Lots 290, 291, and 292 of the Kirkwood addition to the city of Bridgeport, commonly known as 329 Bennett Street, Bridgeport, Ohio.

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state n/a code county code

state n/a code county code

# 11. Form Prepared By

name/title William M. Hooker, Architect  
Sylvia Gillis, NR Intern

organization Thresholds To Tomorrow  
Ohio Historical Society

date January 1979  
September 1985

street & number 2 Glenwood Road  
1985 Velma Avenue

telephone (614) 695-4269  
(614) 466-1500

city or town St. Clairsville  
Columbus

state Ohio 43950  
Ohio 43211

# 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national  state  local

As the designated State Historic Preservation 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.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

*W. Ray Luce*

title SHPO

date 12/23/85

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

Entered in 1985  
National Register

*Delores Byers*  
Keeper of the National Register

date 2/13/86

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration

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a wood frame featuring pilasters supporting a plain wood frieze. A flat hood tops the entry detail. The doorway has a rectangular transom window and sidelights. A wood frieze and cornice runs beneath the eave on all but the gable ends, and there forms a partial return (another example of Greek Revival detailing). Windows are one over one double hung with plain stone lintels and lug sills. Each has venetian shutters. This same detailing is found on the smaller outbuildings on a reduced scale. The integrity of the property is very good.

Bridgeport has not been surveyed by the Ohio Historic Inventory, but a comparison to other surveyed areas within Bridgeport and Belmont County shows that this residence is an excellent and well-preserved example of a vernacular I-house with Greek Revival details from the mid-nineteenth century. The surrounding neighborhood is composed of residences constructed in the last quarter of the nineteenth century after Kirkwood was annexed to Bridgeport. As an intact example of a brick vernacular residence complete with outbuildings in very nearly the same condition as when built, the residence is significant architecturally. The Joseph Kirkwood House is also locally significant for its association with the Kirkwood family who settled the area during its early history and specifically with Joseph Kirkwood who platted the village of Kirkwood south of Wheeling Creek.

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

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Kirkwood, Joseph, House  
Belmont County  
OHIO

Working No. JAN 16 1986

Fed. Reg. Date: 2-3-87

Date Due: 2/12/86 - 3/2/86

Action: ACCEPT 2-13-86

RETURN

REJECT

Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Entered in the  
National Register

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

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_

Discipline \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: \_\_\_\_\_ technical corrections cited below  
\_\_\_\_\_ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

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
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair		
<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated		
<input type="checkbox"/> ruins		
<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

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

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**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

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**9. Major Bibliographical References**

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**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References \_\_\_\_\_

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Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

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**11. Form Prepared By**

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**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 \_\_\_\_\_

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**13. Other**

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



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Joseph Kirkwood  
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JOSEPH KIRKWOOD HOUSE

#1 of 7

Bridgeport, Belmont County, Ohio

Photo by Boyd Nelson

Main facade (north elevation) and west elevation

Boyd Nelson  
Photographer

1978



JOSEPH KIRKWOOD HOUSE  
Bridgeport, Belmont County, Ohio  
Photo by Boyd Nelson  
South and east elevations

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Boyd Nelson  
Photographer

1978



Joseph Kirkwood

JOSEPH KIRKWOOD HOUSE  
Bridgeport, Belmont County, Ohio

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Photo by Boyd Nelson  
Interior detail, fireplace and mantle

Boyd Nelson  
Photographer

1978



Joseph Kirkwood

JOSEPH KIRKWOOD HOUSE  
Bridgeport, Belmont County, Ohio  
Photo by Boyd Nelson  
Interior detail, handrail and sconce

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Boyd Nelson  
Photographer

1978



Joseph Kirkwood

JOSEPH KIRKWOOD HOUSE  
Bridgeport, Belmont County, Ohio

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Photo by Boyd Nelson

Interior detail, interior door and casing

Boyd Nelson  
Photographer

1978



Joseph Kirkwood

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JOSEPH KIRKWOOD HOUSE  
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Bridgeport, Belmont County, Ohio  
Photo by Boyd Nelson  
Interior detail, window casing

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Boyd Nelson  
Photographer

1978



Joseph Kirkwood

JOSEPH KIRKWOOD HOUSE

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Bridgeport, Belmont County, Ohio

Photo by Boyd Nelson

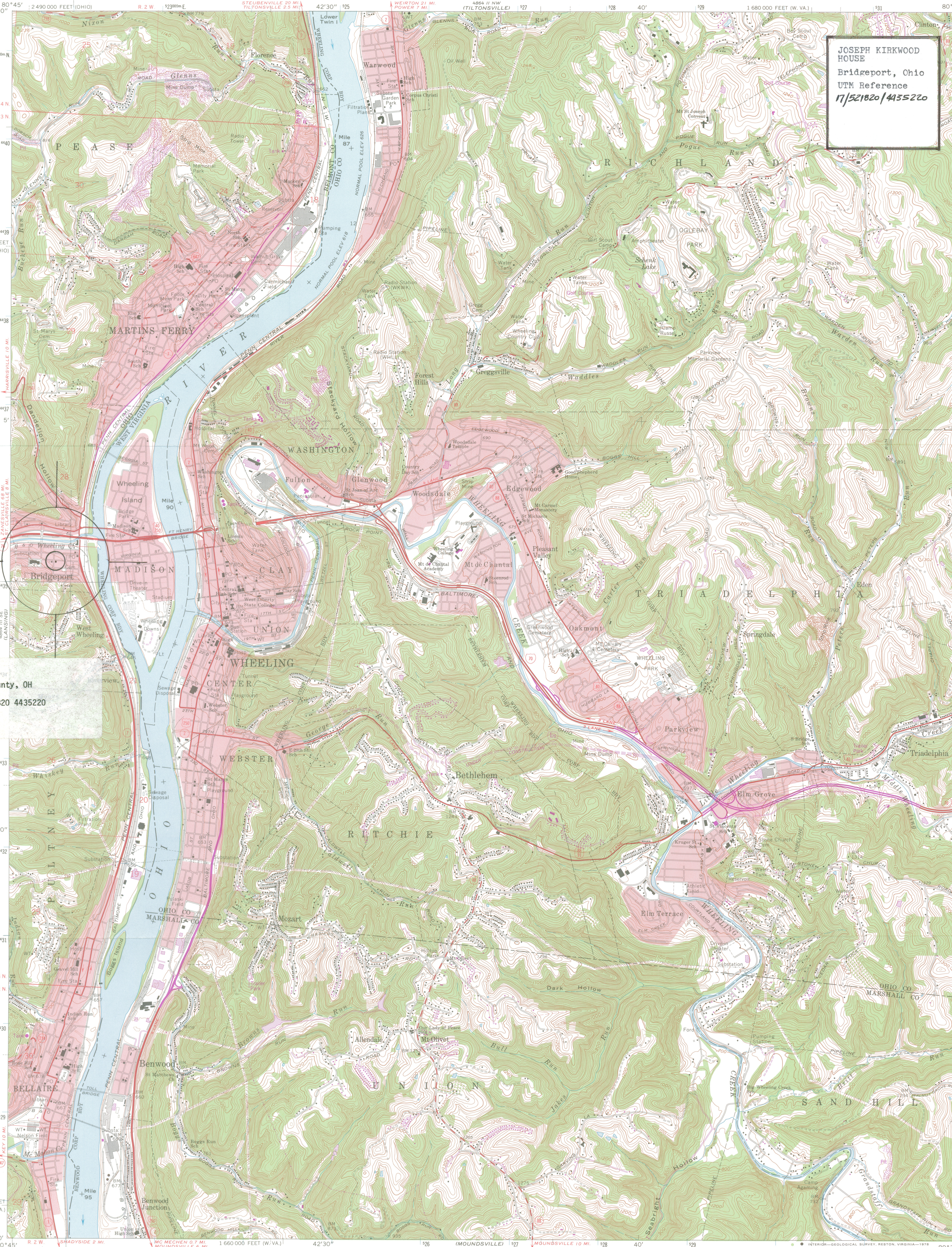
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Boyd Nelson  
Photographer

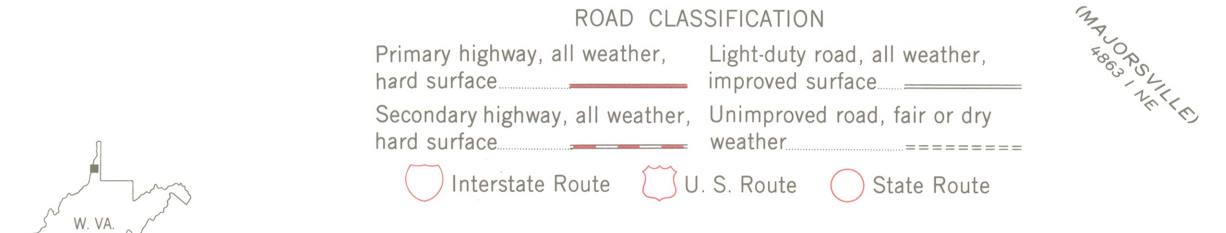
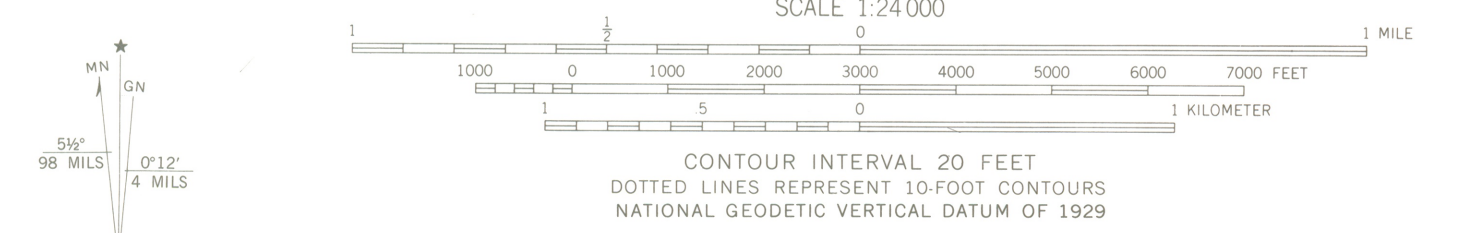
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JOSEPH KIRKWOOD HOUSE  
Bridgeport, Ohio  
UTM Reference  
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JOSEPH KIRKWOOD HOUSE  
Bridgeport, Belmont County, OH  
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Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum.  
10,000-foot grids based on West Virginia coordinate system,  
north zone, and Ohio coordinate system, south zone  
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,  
zone 17, shown in blue.  
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where  
generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked.  
The state boundary as shown represents the approximate position of  
the low water line as determined from U. S. Corps of Engineers  
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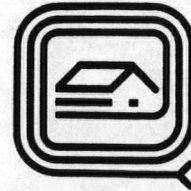
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State of Ohio agencies from aerial photographs taken  
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Portions of Ohio-West Virginia boundary in dispute, not shown

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Ohio Historic Preservation Office

1985 Velma Avenue  
Columbus, Ohio 43211  
614/466-1500



OHIO  
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December 30, 1985

Ms. Carol Shull, Chief  
National Register of Historic Places  
National Park Service  
Department of the Interior  
P.O. Box 37127  
Washington, D.C. 20013-7127

Dear Carol:

Enclosed are eight new National Register nominations and one resubmission. All of the appropriate notification procedures have been followed for these new submissions. Please give a substantive review to the nomination for the Ward House, Summit County, Ohio.

New Submissions

✓ Kirkwood, Joseph, House  
High House  
Woodlawn Farm  
Chateau Laroche  
Marmon, Martin, House  
Wright Cycle Company Shop/  
Wright and Wright Printing Offices  
Ward House  
Gertenslager Carriage and Wagon Company

County

Belmont  
Delaware  
Fayette  
Hamilton  
Logan  
Montgomery  
Summit  
Wayne

Resubmission

Finley, Ebenezer, House

County

Guernsey

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

W. Ray Luce  
State Historic Preservation Office

WRL:bp  
Enclosures

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