Hardin County Historical Markers

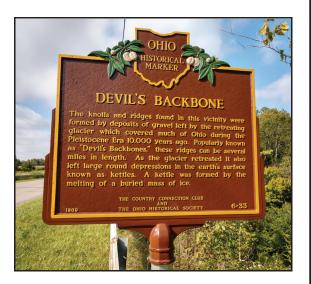
- **1-33 Hog Creek Marsh**, 1868. Comprising 8,000 acres of Brookston-Crosby soils, the marsh is named for Hog Creek which drains it.
- **2-33 In Memory of Jacob Parrott** buried here. Born July 17, 1843 in Fairfield County, Ohio. Died December 22, 1908. Parrott was the first recipient of the Medal of Honor, March 25, 1863.
- **3-33 Chief Roundhead's Village**. Upon this site, in the late 18th and early 19th centures, stood Chief Roundhead's Wyandot Indian village.
- **4-33 Old Sandusky Trail and Shawnee Ford**. County Road 265 follows an old Indian trail which connected the Wyandot villages at Upper Sandusky with the Shawnee Mac-o-chee towns to the southwest.
- **5-33 Mad River Railroad**. In 1832 a Charter was granted by the State of Ohio for construction of a railroad between Sandusky City and Dayton.
- **6-33 Devil's Backbone**. The knolls and ridges found in this vicinity were formed by deposits of gravel left by the retreating glacier which covered much of Ohio during the Pleistocene Era 10,000 years ago.
- **7-33 Scioto Marsh**. The Scioto Marsh, the largest of three extensive marsh areas in western Hardin County, was formed in the low basins left by the last retreating glacier 10,000 years ago.
- **8-33 Fort McArthur Cemetery**. Approximately 1000 feet east of this marker lie the graves of sixteen American soldiers from Fort McArthur who gave their lives during the War of 1812.

- **9-33 Wheeler Tavern**. Wheeler Tavern was built by Portius Wheeler, an early pioneer of Hardin County, around 1835 near the Shawnee Ford of the Scioto River.
- **10-33 Kenton Hardware Company.** First organized as the Kenton Lock Manufacturing Company in 1890, the Kenton Hardware Company became one of the world's largest cast iron toy factories.
- **11-33 The Black and White Schoolhouse**. Built in 1886 by direct descendants of slaves, the Black and White schoolhouse provided education for local youth until 1928.
- **12-33 Hull's Trail**. Hull's Trail was a rough passageway through Ohio to the Canadian border, used by General William Hull's army during the War of 1812 on its way to attack the English at Detroit.
- **13-33 The Hardin County Courthouse**. One of Ohio's larger courthouses, this structure, completed in 1915 at a cost of \$275,000, is the third courthouse to be built in this vicinity.
- **14-33 Ohio Northern University**. Henry Solomon Lehr founded Ohio Northern University in 1871 as the Northwestern Ohio Normal School. Its purpose was to train teachers and to provide higher education to the people of Northwest Ohio.
- **15-33 Village of McGuffey**. The Village of McGuffey was named for John McGuffey, who in the 1860s first attempted to drain the Scioto Marsh.

16-33 Ada Passenger Depot, 1887.

Pennsylvania Railroad, Southwest Division. Ada grew alongside the tracks of the Ohio & Indiana Railroad, completed in 1854 between Crestline, Crawford County, and Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Hardin County Historical Marker Tour

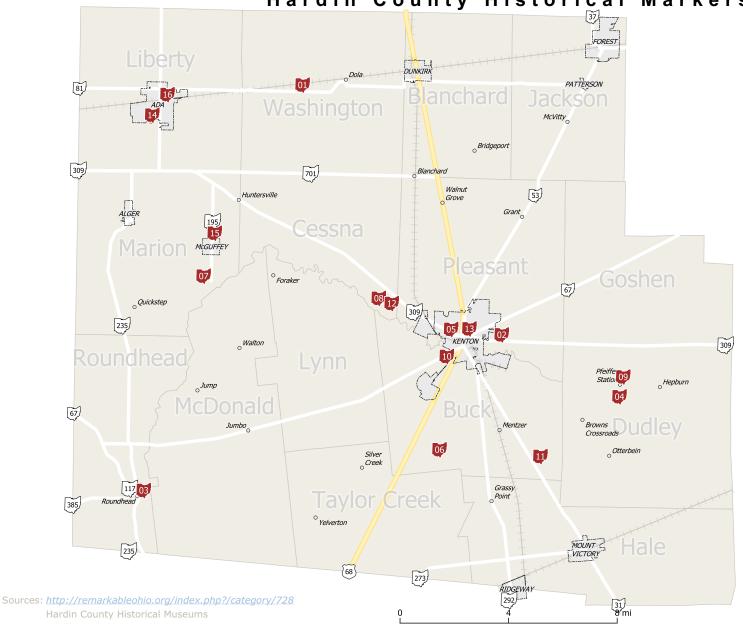


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Key	Name	Location
01	Hog-Creek Marsh	Ada vicinity OH 45810
02	In memory of Jacob Parrott	15419 State Route 309 Kenton OH 43326
03	Chief Roundhead's Village	Township Road 39 and Main St. Kenton OH 43326
04	Old Sandusky Trail and Shawnee Ford	South of Pfeiffer Station along the banks of the Scioto River and shoulder of C.R. 265 Kenton OH 43326
05	Mad River Railroad	Near 322 W. Franklin St. Kenton OH 43326
06	Devil's Backbone	West side of County Road 155 north of Township Road 184 Kenton, OH
07	Scioto Marsh	Intersection of Ohio Route 195 and County Route 110 McGuffey OH 45859
08	Ft. McArthur Cemetery	County Road 106 and Town Road 125 Near Kenton OH 43326
09	Wheeler Tavern	Intersection of County Road 144 and County Road 26 Kenton vicinity OH 43326
10	Kenton Hardware Company	Near 350 W. Espy St. Kenton OH 43326
11	The Black and White Schoolhouse	Intersection of Ohio 31 and County Road 190 Kenton OH 43326
12	Hull's Trail	Intersection of OH 701 and County Road 135 Kenton OH 43326
13	The Hardin County Courthouse	Intersection of Main and Franklin streets Kenton OH 43326
14	Ohio Northern University	525 S. Main St. Ada OH 45810
15	Village of McGuffey	129 Courtright St. McGuffey OH 45859
16	Ada Passenger Depot (1887)	100 S. Main St. Ada OH 45810

