

# THE VILLAGE CRIER

THE CORUNNA HISTORICAL VILLAGE OF SHIAWASSEE COUNTY

FALL/WINTER 2007

With your generous donation of membership in the Friends for 2007, we have been able to continue with the restoration of the Webster Davis- Kribs home in the village. Several businesses have also donated their work and expertise in helping with these renovations. We hope you will visit the village during our Christmas openings to see what has been accomplished. It is time once again to renew your membership for 2008. We'd like to think the improvements that have been made will inspire you to continue to support us with your renewal. We'd also appreciate any physical labor you'd be willing to put forth in helping us further develop the village. Helping decorate for Christmas and 4<sup>th</sup> of July would also be appreciated.



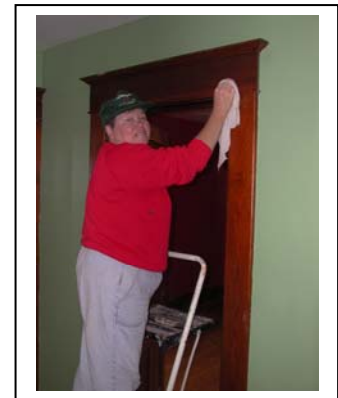
John Esper of Esper Developments LLC donated the materials and labor to drywall the dining room in the Webster Davis-Kribs home. They also drywalled a large portion of the rest of the house for a minimal charge. They did an excellent job.



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Les Forrester and Joe Shrader of Forrester Paint Contracting, donated their labor in hanging the wallpaper in the dining room of the Webster Davis-Kribs home. Their expertise resulted in a job well done.



Painters for the house were John Austin, Dick Waters, Judy Horton, and Millie Taute. The wallpapering in two upstairs rooms was done by Dick and Margaret Waters. Judy, Millie and Margaret also did the cleaning. John Austin did the installation of lighting fixtures.

**Come and see what has been done!**

A Friends of the Village meeting will be held December 6, 2007 in the Corunna City Hall at 6:30 p.m. Election of officers for 2008 will be held. All interested Friends' members are welcome to attend. The Corunna Historical Commission meeting will be held immediately following the Friends meeting.

Memorial envelopes are available in the offices of area funeral homes. When a family requests that memorials are a donor's choice, consider a gift to the village in someone's memory. A note acknowledging your donation will be sent to the family of the deceased.

Improvements made in 2007 with the help of funds from the Friends of the Village, tour groups, donations, and church weddings.

1. Restoration of the dining room in the Webster Davis-Kribs home.
2. Upstairs ceilings, hallway, stairway, and entry drywalled in the WDK home.
3. Sewing room, two bedrooms, hallway, and front entry were painted in the WDK home.
4. Dining room, study, and one bedroom in the WDK home were wallpapered.
5. Lighting fixtures in the upstairs of the WDK home were installed.
6. The windmill was erected in the Hopson-Hornak home area.
7. The tinshop was painted grey with brick red accents.
8. A new Friends of the Village membership board was put in the Township Hall.

*10 % of the membership money for the Friends goes into a reserved fund at the end of each calendar year for rebuilding the wrap around porch and porte-cochere on the Webster Davis-Kribs home. The historical commission matches that money.*

Goals for 2008 with the help of funds from the Friends of the Village, tour groups, donations, and church weddings.

1. Restoration of the bathroom in the Webster Davis-Kribs home.
2. Restoration of the Octagon School belfry.
3. Building a replica blacksmith shop.
4. Find some person or persons to do further restoration of the caboose.
5. Continued restoration of the exterior of the Webster Davis-Kribs home.
6. Continued restoration of the Spencer-Gould-Storrer home.

Corunna Historical Village of Shiawassee County  
Christmas Open House Hours

Friday, Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 - 9:00  
Saturday, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> - 6:00 - 9:00  
Sunday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6:00 - 8:00

Friday, Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 - 9:00  
Saturday, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 - 9:00  
Sunday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 - 8:00

A special thank you to the following people who helped put up the outside Christmas lights in the village: Merilee Lawson, Al & Judy Horton, Dick & Margaret Waters, John Austin, Louie & Patti Tahash, & Mary Dumond.