



Preble County Historical Society, Inc.

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Dear Society Friends;

How time flies! It's difficult to believe it is time to begin our 2010 membership campaign. To kick-off our membership drive for 2010, all memberships received by October 31, 2009, will be entered into a raffle drawing for a Preble County Bicentennial Clock (value of \$250!).

Don't delay; the 31st deadline will arrive soon! Send your membership today to be included in the drawing for a commemorative bicentennial clock!

Members are the most valuable asset of the Preble County Historical Society! Sustaining the Society year after year are its members, who provide the largest single source of funds and resources! The Society was born and sustained through the work and dedication of those who care about preserving our heritage by honoring the past and inspiring the future. Through *your* membership, *and donations*, the Society contributes to the cultural resources of this county, which enriches our legacy for the future.

Consider ponder all that the society offers: educational programming, developing and improving community partnerships, caring for the collections, maintaining 255-acres along with 14 buildings, implementing land management practices, providing wildlife habitat, and preserving and promoting Preble County's rich cultural heritage, educating our youth, are just a few of the many responsibilities of the organization. The society's many dedicated volunteers work countless hours to help sustain its mission. *Everyone must find ways to help share in this responsibility.*

The Society is dedicated to preserving our heritage, a cause that does matter. Heritage tells us who we are and how we got here. We have inherited valuable assets with the responsibility to maintain and improve them for future generations. *Together, we can achieve great things for the community.* Your membership helps to provide us with the resources to enrich the quality of life, as a better place to live, work, celebrate, and visit.

Our plans for 2010:

- Continue development of our Master Plan goals
 - Development of our wetland area will continue
 - Build a new amphitheater
- Offer new educational programs
- Sustain partnerships
- Preserve valuable artifacts
- Raise awareness on the importance of historic preservation
- Develop new partnerships to accomplish our goals

Please fill out your membership form and mail with your check today! We can also be contacted via email: preblecohistsoc@brecnet.com, or by telephone: (937) 787-4256. Your membership card and premiums will be mailed, or emailed, following receipt of your membership. We look forward to your participation and send best wishes for a wonderful upcoming holiday season.

In sincere appreciation,

Membership Committee

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