

## Rickenbaugh News-2008



Photo of Rickenbaugh House taken at the 2008 Perry County Fall Festival by Nancy Myers

Hello Friends,

We are pleased to send you the 3rd edition of the Rickenbaugh News and keep you updated on House happenings throughout 2008.

This year the House acquired several pieces of furniture thanks to Alvin Blunk and a local wood worker. Alvin donated a Tell City table that is now located in the north parlor and a beautiful stove displayed in front of the kitchen fireplace. Alvin also donated a rope bed that will be put together and displayed in an upstairs bedroom, a spinning wheel currently displayed in another bedroom with the loom, and 3 chairs. A local woodworker made a beautiful pie safe located in the kitchen (shown to right).



Several meetings and special events were held at the House this year including the quarterly Historic Southern Indiana meeting in August, a Perry County Optimist Club meeting (pictured here), a local Cub Scout troop meeting, Master Naturalist classes, and the Perry County Fall Festival the first weekend in October. Several family members from as far away as Alaska came to see the house as well as relatives of the George Brothers who built the house. This past summer Cradle of Forestry in America Interpretive Association, Inc. and the Tell City Ranger District had a seasonal interpreter host interpretive programs at the House. A new amphitheatre was built by an Eagle Scout and friends

north of the House that will be used for evening interpretive programs next summer. The Tell City Ranger District Information Assistant made a beautiful display panel about the House that was displayed at two Tell City banks.

Future plans for the Rickenbaugh House include repainting the interior and exterior, installing more lighting in the kitchen, purchasing fireplace grates and a table and chair set for the kitchen. A local man familiar with looms is going to work on the loom to get it functioning again, and we are going to have an interpretive panel made of Jacob Rickenbaugh's Time Line the Hands on the Lands students created several years ago.



If you have any questions regarding the Rickenbaugh House or would like to be removed from the mailing list, please email [nmyers@fs.fed.us](mailto:nmyers@fs.fed.us) or write to her at the address below.

We hope you enjoy reading about the exciting things going on at the House this past year and future plans! Thank you for your interest and support of the beautiful, historic Rickenbaugh House!

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**Items donated by Alvin Blunk for the Rickenbaugh House –**



Stove



Rope bed



Chairs



Tell City table

