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ON SUNDAY, MAY 20, THE ECHS WILL MEET AT THE NEW MERRY-GO-ROUND MUSEUM IN THE OLD POST OFFICE AT 2:30. MUSEUM DIRECTOR RACHEL PRATT WILL GIVE US A TOUR AND EXPLAIN WHAT THEY ARE DOING AND PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE. THE MUSEUM WILL OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN JUNE, SO WE ARE HAVING A SPECIAL PREVIEW. AN EASY WAY INTO THE BUILDING IS THROUGH A DOOR MARKED "EMPLOYEES ONLY" NEXT TO THE LOADING PLATFORM IN THE PARKING LOT TO THE REAR OF THE BUILDING. THERE ARE ONLY A COUPLE STEPS UP. THERE.

NEW PROJECT FROM ROSINO FUND

AT THE MARCH MEETING, THE MEMBERSHIP APPROVED THE EXPENDITURE OF UP TO \$3600 FROM THE ROSINO FUND TO BE USED TO PAY FOR AN HISTORIC INVENTORY OF PERKINS TOWNSHIP. THERE ARE MANY CHANGES TAKING PLACE IN THE TOWNSHIP AND MANY OF THE OLDER BUILDINGS ARE DISAPPEARING. THE LOVELY OLD HOUSE SHOWN ON THIS FIRST SURVEY SHEET IS GONE NOW..

THE SURVEY IS BEING DONE
BY SHARI BOWERS, A NATIVE
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THE FOLLETT HOUSE MUSEUM OPENED THE FIRST OF APRIL FOR THIS YEAR.

UNTIL JUNE, IT WILL BE OPEN FROM 1 TO 4 ON SUNDAY, TUESDAY AND THURSDAY,

WITH SPECIAL TOURS SCHEDULED BY APPOINTMENT.

AFTER JUNE 1ST, THE MUSEUM WILL BE OPEN EVERY
DAY FROM 1 TO 4.

FEATURED THROUGHOUT THE HOUSE ARE MANY LOVELY HATS FROM THE PAST HUNDRED OR SO

A NEW ACQUISITION IS THE LIFE RING FROM THE PILOT HOUSE OF THE G. A. BOECKLING. THE FRONT AND BACK PARLOR ARE PAR-TICULARLY BEAUTIFUL WITH THEIR NEWLY

REFINISHED FLOORS.



CIVIL WAR TO TAKE PLACE IN PERKINS TOWNSHIP

AT OUR MARCH MEETING, A MOTION WAS APPROVED TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE "CIVIL WAR REENACTMENT DAY" BEING HELD BY THE HISTORY DEPARTMENT OF PERKINS HIGH SCHOOL. 130 JUNIOR CLASS STUDENTS WILL LEARN ABOUT ACTUAL CONDITIONS DURING WAR TIME WITH DRILLING, SCOUTING, BATTLE TACTICS AND MEDICAL CARE, FINISHING THE DAY WITH A MEAL OF HARD TACK, STEW AND COFFEE. THIS CREATIVE WAY OF TEACHING HISTORY WAS PLANNED BY CHRIS GASTEIER AND DOUG MEHLING.

IT WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE ERIE COUNTY CONSERVATION LEAGUE ON MAY 22.

"FREEDOM TRAIN" WAS A GREAT SUCCESS, IF WE CAN JUDGE FROM THE THANK-YOUS WE RECEIVED THE NIGHT OF THE PERFORMANCE AND THE LETTERS WE RECEIVED FROM THE SCHOOL CHILDREN. THE DAYTIME PERFORMANCE WAS ATTENDED BY OVER 1600 CHILDREN FROM FIFTH GRADES IN SCHOOLS IN SANDUSKY, PERKINS, HURON AND MARGARETTA. THANKS TO THE EXCELLENT PLANNING OF GEORGE MYLANDER AND THE HELP OF MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF OUR SOCIETY WHO SERVED AS USHERS, THE WHOLE EVENT MOVED VERY SMOOTHLY. THE EVENING PERFORMANCE WAS ATTENDED BY OVER 1000 ADULTS AND CHILDREN. THE CAST AND STAGE CREW WERE ENTERTAINED BY THE ECHS BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT THE HOME OF DON AND JANET SENNE. THEY WERE DELIGHTFUL YOUNG PEOPLE AND WERE INTERESTED IN THE HISTORY OF OUR AREA AS IT INVOLVED THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD. THEY HAD BEEN ON THE ROAD SINCE JANUARY AND WERE GLAD TO BE INVITED INTO A HOME. THEY SAID THAT THEY HAD FOUND PEOPLE IN OHIO THE MOST HOSPITABLE.

THE ENTIRE PROJECT COST A LITTLE OVER \$3300. A BIG THANK YOU FROM THE BOARD TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED. WE FEEL THAT LYNN AND MAE WOULD HAVE LIKED THIS EVENT, DON'T YOU?