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Work continues on the restoration of the windmill. Broken parts were welded thanks to Russ Wing and Mike Chunko. Due to other delays it will not get up until next spring.

A new blacksmith shop is in the works for 2005. Several old beams have been donated for the project and the ground area where the building will be constructed has been prepared. Old beams, barn siding, and metal roofing materials are still needed.

Lila Han, a wonderful historian and contributor to the development of the village, will be sadly missed. Her presentations in the Lemon School gave many students, young and old, a feel of times gone by.

Did you know that memorial contributions to the village may be designated at any funeral home? Memorial Fund envelopes have been given to all area funeral homes.

Please save your Vg's receipts. Their Community Share program gave the village over \$500 in 2004.

Wood Wool Company repaired the roof leaks on the Webster Davis-Kribs home and the adjoining room to the log cabin. Now restoration on some of the second floor interior rooms can begin.

Several additional antique furniture pieces have been acquired over the summer. There is a dining table and six dining chairs, a beautifully done needlepoint and petitpoint chair, beds, dressers, and other furnishings on display in the Webster Davis-Kribs home. Some of the old carpeting has been pulled up and two newly donated area rugs were put down. The woodwork in the front parlor has been repainted.

The fund drive for rebuilding the wrap around porch continues.

The Lemon School has been power washed, primed, and the shutters have been repainted.

Scott Patton, a new resident of Corunna and an experienced roofer, has donated his services to roof the New Haven Township Hall. They will try to complete the roof before spring.

Several new trees were donated and planted in the village during the last year.

Permanent donor plaques have been made and placed on all the buildings.

We are still seeking volunteers for the caboose restoration project. In the last year several caboose items were added to the interior.

Unfortunately the weather did not cooperate during the last weekend of our Christmas open house. If you missed coming through the village, we will be open to the public again on July 4th.

Due to poor attendance on the second Sunday of June, July, and August it was necessary to discontinue those open house dates. However, commission members will gladly schedule private tours for a \$2.00 per person fee anytime. Consider scheduling a tour for your organization, club, or family reunion.

We no longer receive funds from the City of Corunna. Therefore the financial support of the Friends of the Village is vital to the village's continued development.

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