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Enclosed please find information concerning the Preble County Historical Society's project to build an Amphitheater at the Historical Society Center. We are pleased to announce that the community has raised over \$250,000 toward its goal of \$350,000 to match the State of Ohio Capital Improvements Budget appropriation for the construction of this amphitheater.

The generosity of local individuals, families, local businesses and foundations, has been remarkable! Over the past six months, the Society has received individual gifts ranging from \$50 to \$50,000 from forty-two individuals and families, corporate and foundation gifts ranging from \$500 to \$30,000 from fifteen organizations, and in-kind contributions from an additional ten individuals and businesses. The Society genuinely appreciates this support.

The Society's primary objective for the amphitheater is to develop a new community resource at a proven site. For over forty years, the PCHS has pursued its mission of providing opportunities for the community to experience, learn, create, and imagine the historic flavor of the rich cultural heritage of Preble County. The amphitheater will create a depth of opportunity for the type of family programming, culture, and activity that attracts residents, businesses, and visitors from beyond Preble County. Indeed the Historical Center serves the entire southwest Ohio and southeast Indiana area.

As the Society begins its 40th anniversary year, we invite individuals, families, and local businesses to contribute to the amphitheater project. Please review the amphitheater brochure and consider making a contribution to this project.

You can contact me at 937-787-4256 for any additional questions you may have concerning the amphitheater project.

Sincerely,

Jane Lightner
Executive Director