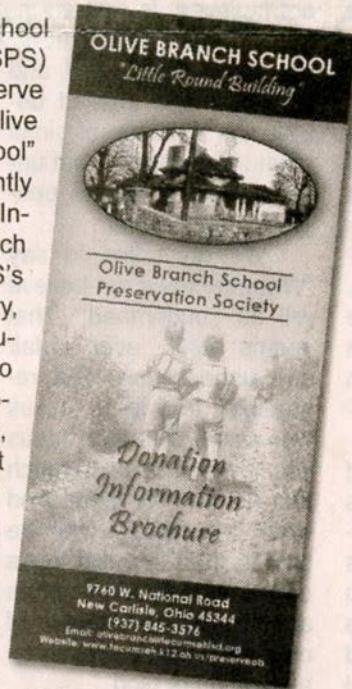


## Olive Branch School Preservation Update

The Olive Branch School Preservation Society (OBSPS) continues its work to preserve and restore the 1908 Olive Branch "little round school" building. The Society recently debuted its beautiful new Information Brochure which details not only the OBSPS's mission and school history, but also provides opportunities for those who wish to donate to the project. To obtain a copy of the brochure, please call Mary Jane at 845-3576 or stop by the Tecumseh Local Schools District Office located at 9760 W. National Road. In addition, you can view a web page with Olive Branch information and old photos at [www.tecumseh.k12.oh.us/preserveob](http://www.tecumseh.k12.oh.us/preserveob).



The OBSPS Board of Trustees (Bill Berry, Cyndie Gerken, Ken Strickland, Pamela Mustovich, John Sipe, Susan Morgan, Jane Manemann, Howard Stahl, and Virgil Studebaker) recognize that with the downturn in the economy, the building's restoration will be a long-term endeavor. They have nonetheless continued their efforts to seek grant money for the project. As an example, Brownfield Funds for the removal of asbestos were requested from the American Recovery Act, but were not awarded. The cost for such a project was estimated at \$30,000. Other grant applications are still under consideration, and

as possible new funding sources become known, the OBSPS Trustees will work to pursue them.

In the meantime, we encourage any interested parties to attend Olive Branch School Preservation Society's meetings, which are held quarterly on the second Monday in January, April, July and October. The next meeting will be on April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012. You need not be a Trustee to attend the meetings.

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