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The Board of Trustees and members of the Olive Branch School Preservation Society (OBSPS) are pleased to extend an invitation to attend a ceremony and plaque dedication for the Olive Branch School, which will commemorate the building's listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

The ceremony will be held on Sunday, January 17, 2010 at 2:00 PM in Tecumseh High School's Pflaumer Auditorium, located at 9830 West National Road, New Carlisle, OH 45344.

This is the first phase of what is to be an extraordinarily important renovation and preservation process of this one-of-a-kind, uniquely designed rural school building. It is an opportunity for alumni, community organizations, local citizens and other interested individuals to "Make History by Saving History," by attending this event.

The Olive Branch School is a one-story Craftsman style building, constructed in 1908. The school was reconstructed in 1914 upon its original foundation following a devastating fire in November of 1913. The building maintained its 1914 appearance and continued to serve the community for nearly 60 additional years, or until 1972. Since then the building has been utilized as a warehouse and storage facility by the School District.