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OBSPS INTRODUCES WEB SITE AND PLANS OPEN HOUSE

The Board of Trustees and members of the Olive Branch School Preservation Society (OBSPS) recently announced the launch of their organization's web site. The site can be accessed at <u>www.olivebranchschool.org</u>.

According to OBSPS Chairperson Bill Berry, the web site will provide all alumni, local citizens, Ohioans, as well as interested individuals around the nation, immediate and indepth facts and information concerning this non-profit 501 (c)(3) Society which promotes the historic Olive Branch High School. The OBSPS web site features historical information, photos, current news and upcoming events, and provides opportunities for donations and for the sharing of memories from former students and teachers.

In addition, to officially launch their fund raising efforts to begin Phase I of the restoration project (asbestos removal), an Open House and sign unveiling are planned at the school from 2:00–4:00 PM on November 4, 2012. The thermometer-style sign will be unveiled at 2:30 PM. The school is located at 9710 W. National Road (US 40) near New Carlisle in Clark County.

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 Tecumseh Local School District.