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Iron County Historical and Museum Society Receives \$3,000 Plum Creek Foundation Grant for Preserving Historic Log Buildings

L'ANSE, Mich. – The Plum Creek Foundation recently awarded a \$3,000 grant to the Iron County Historical and Museum Society to help fund the preservation of historic log buildings on the museum's property.

The Iron County Historical and Museum Society maintains 26 historic buildings on its 9.5-acre campus. As part of routine repairs, the society will be making renovations to the century-old buildings on the Sharrard Logging Camp and the Pioneer Homestead complexes. Renovations include replacing damaged and rotting logs as well as broken wooden siding, restoring structural footings, and straightening sagging walls.

“Our community's history and heritage is reflected in the buildings of the past, and this project will help preserve that history for future generations,” said Marcia Bernhardt, curator for the Iron County Historical and Museum Society. “We are grateful to the Plum Creek Foundation for its generous donation and support, and we look forward to preserving our area's heritage through these renovations.”

The Iron County Historical and Museum Society collects, houses and preserves artifacts, including historic structures, and presents them in interpretive exhibits, which show the economic, occupational, social and cultural development of the Iron County area and its relationship to the present.

The mission of the Plum Creek Foundation is to provide philanthropic contributions to support and improve the general welfare of life in the communities that Plum Creek serves. The Foundation board meets quarterly to review applications submitted from organizations in the company's operating communities. Visit the Community Involvement page on Plum Creek's Web site at www.plumcreek.com to download an application.

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