

Grundy County Swiss Historical Society ●●



Stoker-Stampfli Homestead
built in the 1880's

In 2000 Rose Marie Stampfli passed away and left her farm and her entire life's savings to the Grundy County Swiss Historical Society. Her bequest was her statement to future generations of Swiss descendants on how im-

portant it is to keep alive the memory of these early Swiss immigrants and a reminder of their struggles to survive in a new country. Today the Swiss Historical Society has the challenge and burden to protect and restore this old homestead so that future generations can learn and benefit from understanding how these early settlers lived. In order to restore the buildings and grounds of this old homestead we are applying

The Stoker-Stampfli farm
is on the National Register
of Historic Places



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striving to preserve rural life as it was one hundred



for grants from numerous organizations. Most of these groups require matching funds from us in order to obtain the grants. It has been estimated that it

Hand hewn log barn typical of early Swiss barns

Corn crib and buggy shed

Log hut believed to be first dwelling of settlers



will require several hundred thousand dollars to restore these buildings so we have a huge hill to climb. You can see from the condition of the buildings that we need help now. Last

years ago in the Swiss Colony at Gruetli



year we were able to get a matching grant from the county and the Tennessee Historic Commission to restore one side of one building at a cost of approx. \$20,000. Next year we would like to restore and re-roof the barn. Time is not on our side but our determination to accomplish this is

Grape arbor restoration in process

Cheese and smoke-house

Recent restoration work on main house



strong - but we do need your help. Come see for yourself how important it is to save this beautiful part of our heritage. We know Rose Marie would certainly be thrilled to see her beloved farm as it once was.

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We need your help!

A few years ago, the Grundy County Swiss Historical Society inherited the Home Place of Rose Stampfli. With your generous assistance, this farm can become an important part of the community with recreation, picnics, farm tours, learning experiences for the youth, and "a real living heritage museum" that we can all admire. Through your support of money, labor and materials, this farm can become a really special place in the community. Please help us turn this farm into a special historic place by making a tax deductible donation to the Grundy County Swiss Historical Society.

_____ YES! Please accept my check in the amount of:

_____ \$50 _____ \$100 _____ \$250 _____ \$1000 _____ \$2000 _____ Other \$ _____

Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

_____ YES! My employer has a matching gift program

_____ YES! I am interested in serving as a Board Member.

_____ YES! I would like to be on the yearly mailing list.

_____ YES! I am willing to donate materials for repairs and maintenance of the Stoker/Stampfli farm.

_____ YES! I would like to become a member of the Grundy County Swiss Historical Society or renew my membership. Enclosed in addition to my donation is

my check for: _____ \$15.00 for Individual _____ \$25.00 for Family

PLEASE MAIL CONTRIBUTIONS TO:

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