## METAMORA ASSOCIATION FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION

## **NEWSLETTER**

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# Outhouse Project Celebrates Successful Completion... August 4 marks the move to the Stevenson House



The Eagle has landed! Don and Bob carefully set it in place

Privy Chairman Don Harbers assembled the crack crew of Ted Alig (and his tractor), Tony Krumholz, brother Bob (celebrating his 80th birthday), board members Grant and Jack for the move from the Dan Tullis farm (courtesy of Bob and Linda Murphy).

- → Miraculously, the structure held together as Ted carefully pulled it off the original foundation and loaded it onto the trailer provided by the McClaren's.
- ◆ After a slow trip to town that drew many bemused stares, the structure was secured on a new slab on the west side of the home.
- ◆Don and the Privy crew are continuing to rehab the new addition with new paint, flooring, etc.
- ♦ Visitors are invited to stop by and take a look, but cautioned not to test it out.



Tony, Don, Bob Watch Ted Pick it Up



Arriving at its New Home



Port-a-Potty Goes to Town



Made it!

# What's New at the Stevenson House?

Be sure to drop by and see the several interesting new items that have recently been added at the Stevenson House, including...

- A World War I pillow case from France sent home by Ray Gries in 1917
- A 1938 Comforter
- St. Mary's calendars from 1951 to the present
- Old Settlers picnic posters dated August 13, 14, 15, and 16 (what year?)2 wooden chairs from Anita Cummings
- A 13-star nylon flag from Skeet and Ann Heisler
- An antique dress from WCHS in Eureka
- A yellow prom dress worn by Leota Theena

## Annual Membership Meeting and Upcoming Tours

The Metamora Association for Historic Preservation will hold its **Annual Membership Meeting** on Adlai Stevenson's birthday – Tuesday, October 23 (1835) from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m., with a short business meeting at 7:00. Be sure to attend - birthday cake will be served.

Guy Fraker of Bloomington will bring his Second Presbyterian Church group of 40 to tour the Stevenson House on October 4.

On October 11 the Peoria Daughters of 1812 will tour the House.

MAHP GARAGE SALE. As we go to press, Barb (and Kirk) Perry are conducting a GARAGE SALE on September 27-29, with all proceeds going to the MAHP. Looks like Barbie has lined up a lot of valuable treasures and expects to do well! We'll report next issue on how it went. Thanks, Barbie!!!

### **Renovations Continue**

The front door window panels were replaced in August. This much needed renovation should take care of the inside icing problem – and subsequent melting – during the winter.

A bronze tablet denoting that the Stevenson House is on the National Register of Historic Place was also installed in August.

Huge thanks is extended to Sue Baker, Dutch Landscape, Hofstatter Materials, Getz Landscape, and Luthy Botanical Gardens for their much-appreciated support in the recent landscaping work. Very nice, indeed!

## Contact Us Questions, ideas...

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