August 14, 2018

Hancock County commissioners

Hancock County annex

111 south American legion Place, suite 219, Greenfield, In 46140

Attention:

Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Jessup and Mr. Huber

The Jane Ross Reeves Octagon House Organization would like to take this opportunity to let you know how thankful we are to the Hancock County Tourism. Our organization applied for a grant in May, 2018 asking for funding of a website and improvement to our parking lot. the parking lot was stone and crusher dust making it unsafe for Seniors citizens plus our visitor's shoes were a mess from the stone. Without a website we had no way to reach out side of Hancock County to let people know about our Octagon House and what it had to offer the public.

We were funder for both the website and parking lot. With the website we have booked weddings, reunions and brought new visitors to the Octagon House and our community.

With the improvements to the parking lot we were able to square it up making it wider and longer giving us (5) additional parking spaces. With the parking lot improvements, it is safer and cleaner for our visitors and it has make a big improvement to the appearance of the house and our parking spaces.

All members are volunteers, none are paid we are working to preserve this beautiful piece of history of Hancock County and the State of Indiana, and along with others to preserve the towns past and present history.

The only way we support the house is through fundraisers, tours, events and grants like the Hancock County Tourism. With grants that support our improvements we benefit and our community benefits.

Brigette Jones, George and the Tourism board was great to work with.

I hope you will visit the Octagon House to see the improvements.

Sincerely.

Virginia Harrell

Virginia Harrell, member of the Octagon House