2010 Quadricentennial Legacy Grants

Research and Interpretation of Clinton County’s Native American and Franco-American Heritage

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Project Summary

Through a $10,000 Quadricentennial Legacy Grant from the CVNHP/LCBP, the Clinton County Historical Association researched and developed a new museum exhibit interpreting the association’s vast inventory of Native American artifacts. The “Cultural Crossroads/Contested Territory: 12,000 Years of Occupation” exhibit includes eight separate displays focused on Native American history and culture ranging from the Paleolithic era to today.

The grant allowed the association to focus on its collection of Native American artifacts and make information about the collection more accessible to students and researchers; it also created a forum for local collectors and educators to bring in objects, share information, loan items for the exhibit and learn more about the earliest inhabitants of what has become Clinton County and about their continuing legacy. Since the association made new connections that led to additional information and loans to process, interpretive elements were adapted to reflect more local material that has a provenance to known sites within the county.

The grant also provided funding for an assessment of the association’s collection of resources relating to Franco-American heritage in Clinton County.

Introductory panel for the Native American Exhibit.

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