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FAYETTE COUNTY COURTHOUSE SHOWCASED IN PCN SERIES

Uniontown, PA – Fayette County has been selected by the County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania (CCAP) to be showcased on PCNTV's "Pennsylvania's Historic Courthouses" series.

The popular series highlights the beauty and history of county courthouses throughout the state.

CCAP and PCN staff visited the historic Fayette County Courthouse to film Fayette County Commissioners, judges and other staff members discussing the architecture, history and uses of the property's exterior, grounds and one-of-a-kind courtrooms.

Commissioner Dave Lohr said it's exciting for the courthouse, which was built in the 1800s, to be showcased. He said the county prospers when we highlight its positives.

"When you look up at the tower and realize that people built that in a time period that did not have the cranes and equipment to accomplish the task, it amazes me," Lohr said. "I look at it regularly when I walk by, because the whole building is a work of art and we are trying to preserve it to the best of our ability."

Commissioner Angela Zimmerlink said that, as caretakers of the courthouse and all other county-owned buildings, commissioners are responsible for maintaining the historic structures and their contents.

"I have always taken steps to live up to that responsibility," Zimmerlink said. "(The filming) may and should make others more aware of what we have and our responsibilities to preserve and protect it."

Commissioner Vince Vicites said the Fayette County Courthouse is one of the most historically and architecturally significant in not only Pennsylvania, but the entire country.

The film is a way for commissioners to let those outside Fayette County know what the courthouse has to offer, Vicites added.

"(Many don't) realize what a beautiful courthouse we have," he said. "Its significant history in Fayette County will now be better known to other citizens across the United States."



Taping took place Wednesday and Thursday, and the program will be broadcast in late summer or early fall. The full video will be available on CCAP's and Fayette County's websites.

For more information, visit www.pcntv.com/pahistoriccourthouses. To learn more about Fayette County, visit www.fayettecountypa.info.

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