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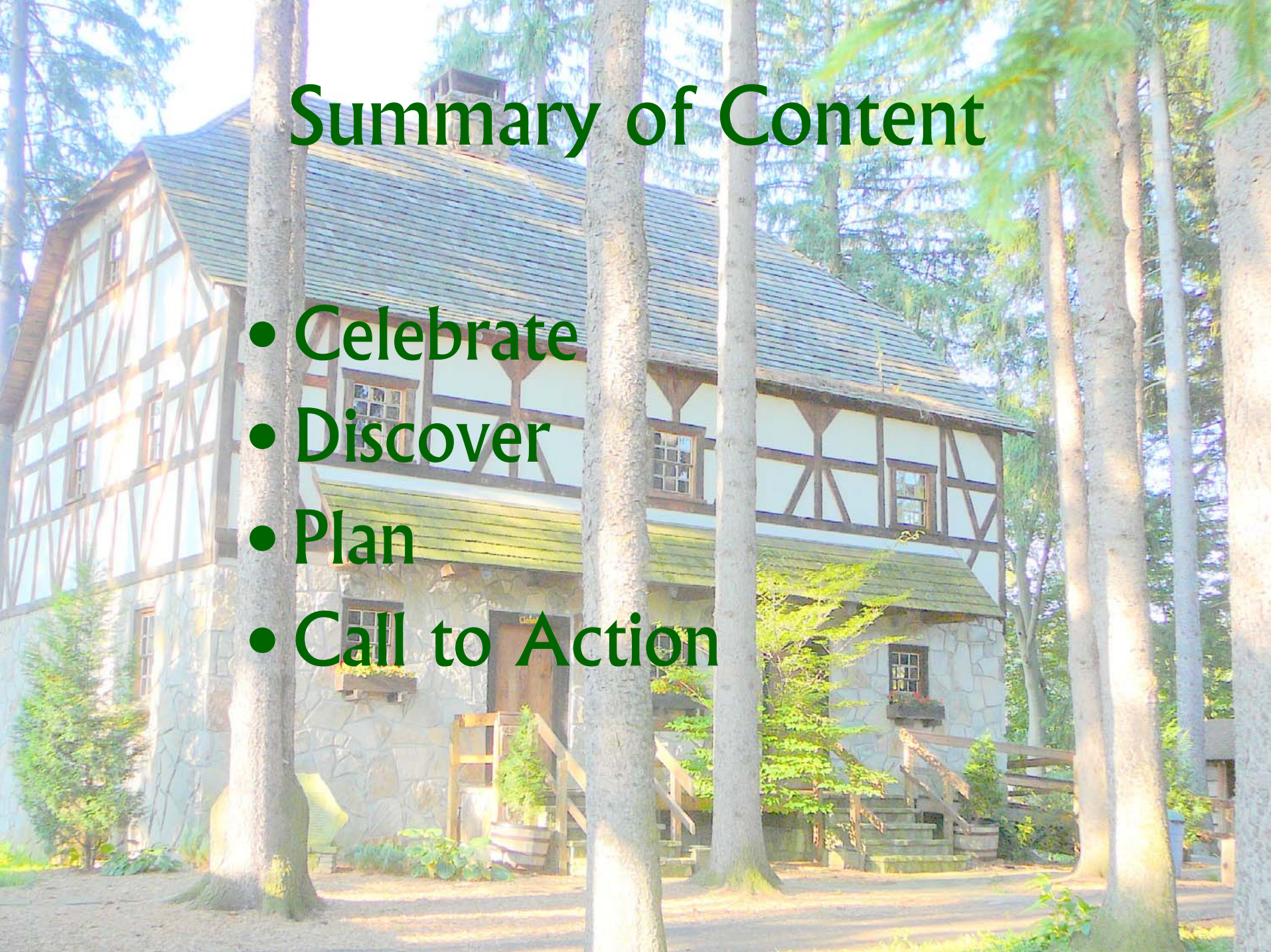
The House of Yoder, Inc.

Annual Meeting

1 November 2008

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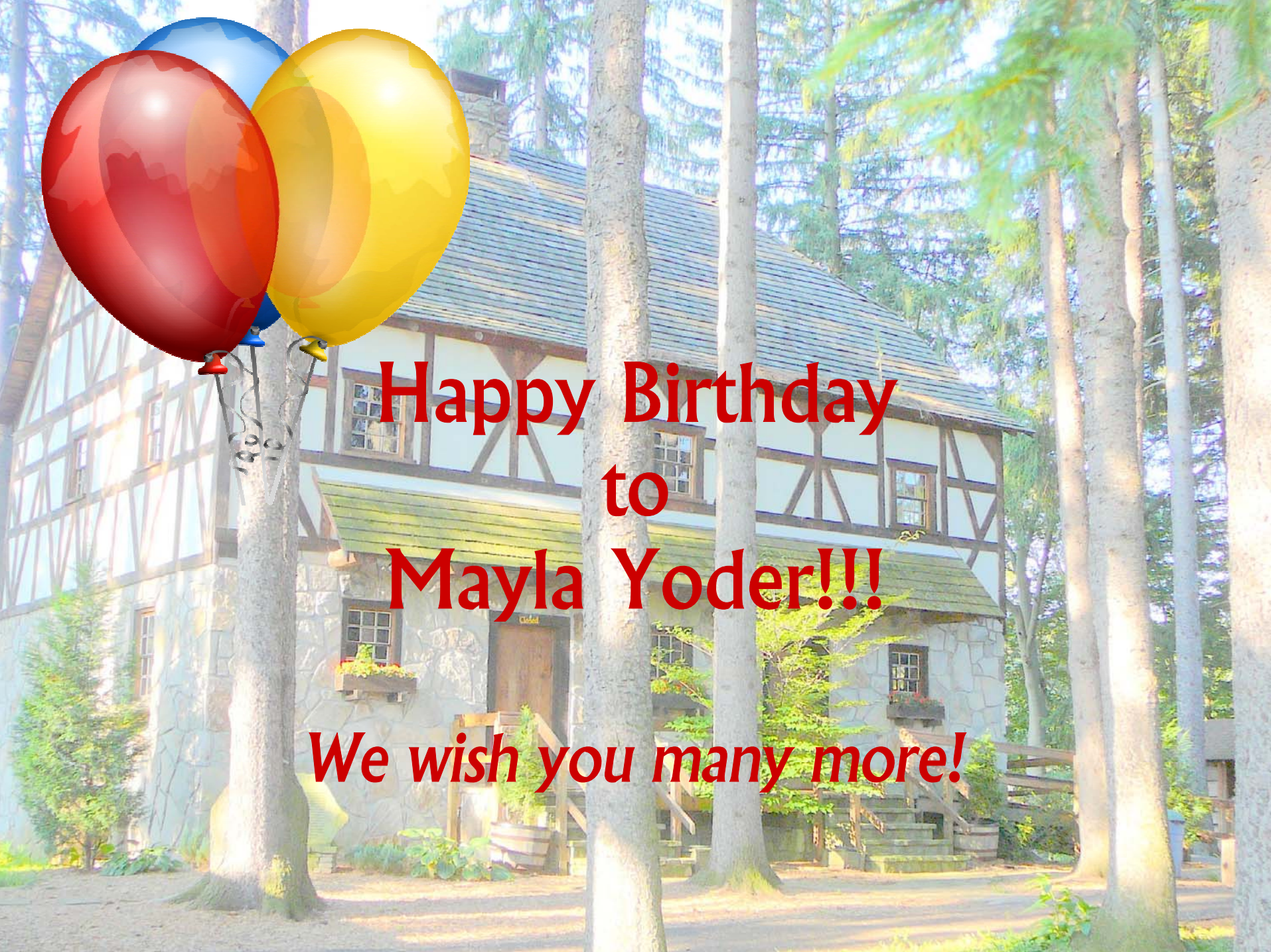
- Celebrate
- Discover
- Plan
- Call to Action





**Happy Birthday
to
Mayla Yoder!!!**

We wish you many more!



What We've Accomplished...

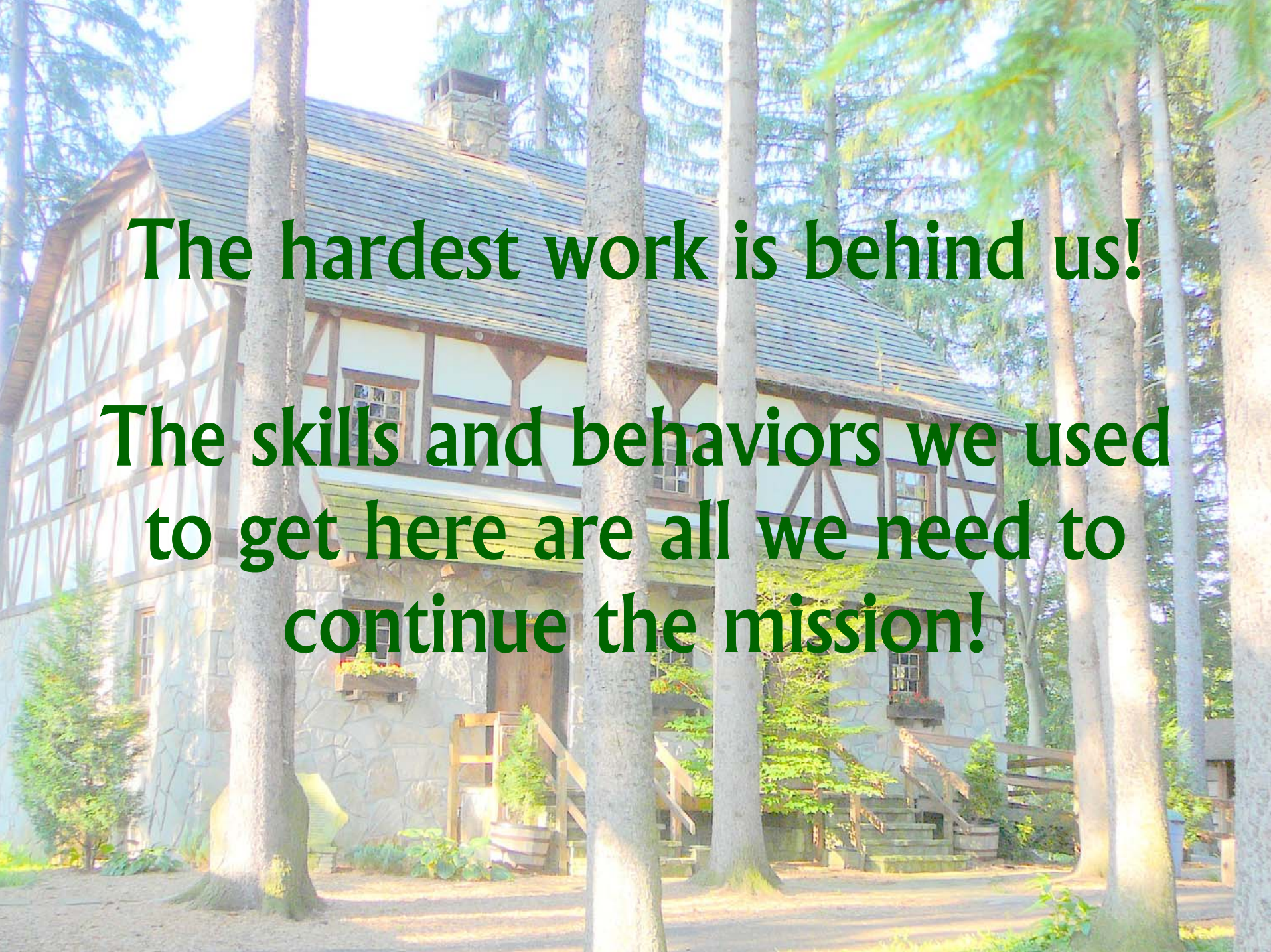
- Generated plan for the house
- Acquired site and broke ground
- Obtained funding
- Built the house; completed apartment
- Added artifacts
- Shared the house with the public



And How Did We Do That?

- Creating
- Planning/Organizing
- Cooperating
- Fund-raising
- Volunteering
- Sharing
- Believing





The hardest work is behind us!

**The skills and behaviors we used
to get here are all we need to
continue the mission!**



What remains to be done?



The Constitution of the House of Yoder, Inc.

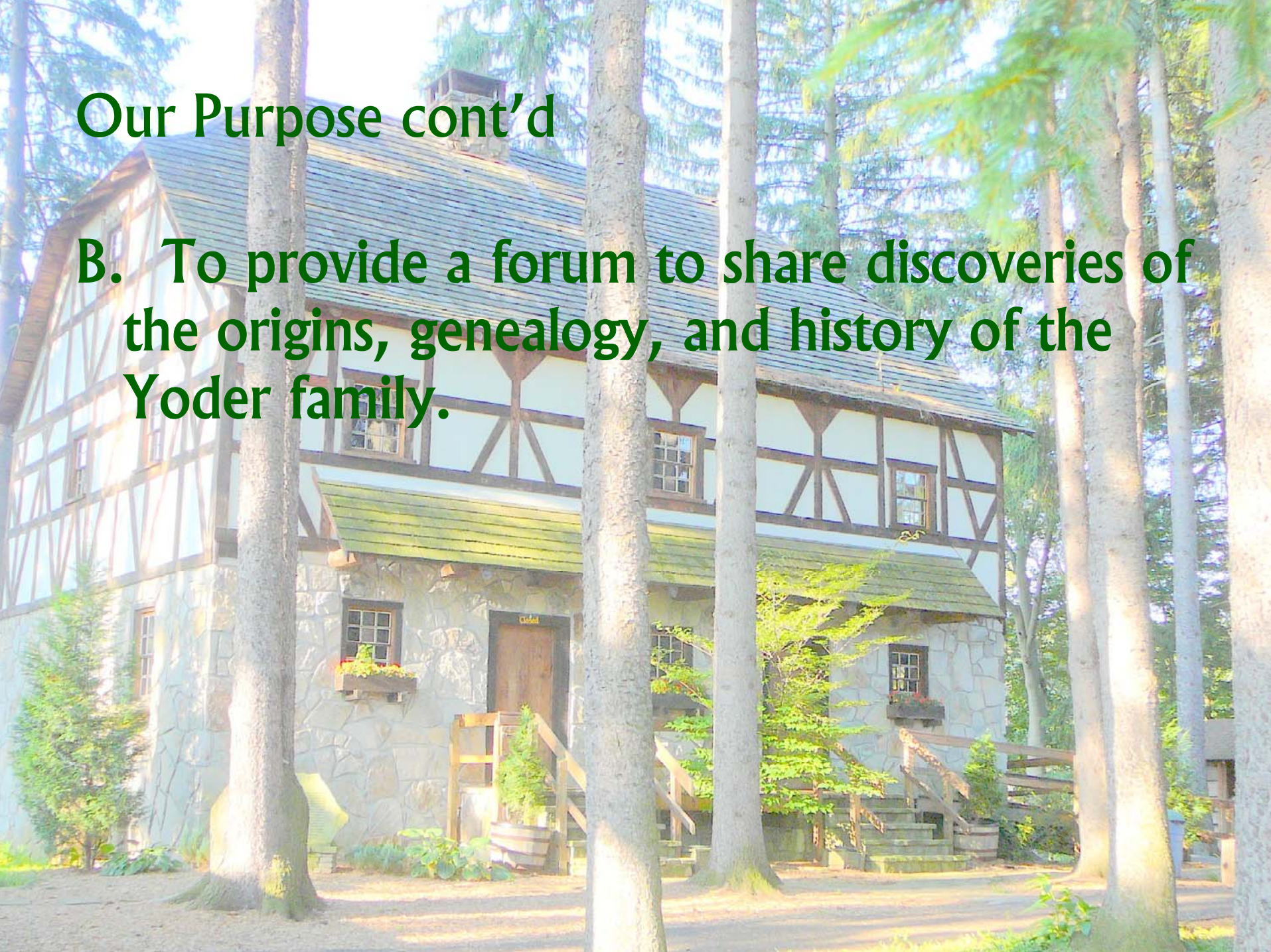
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II. The Purpose

A. Encourage and implement collection, preservation and organization of worldwide Yoder historical material and artifacts and display them in a pleasing fashion for present and future generations to enjoy.

Our Purpose cont'd

B. To provide a forum to share discoveries of the origins, genealogy, and history of the Yoder family.



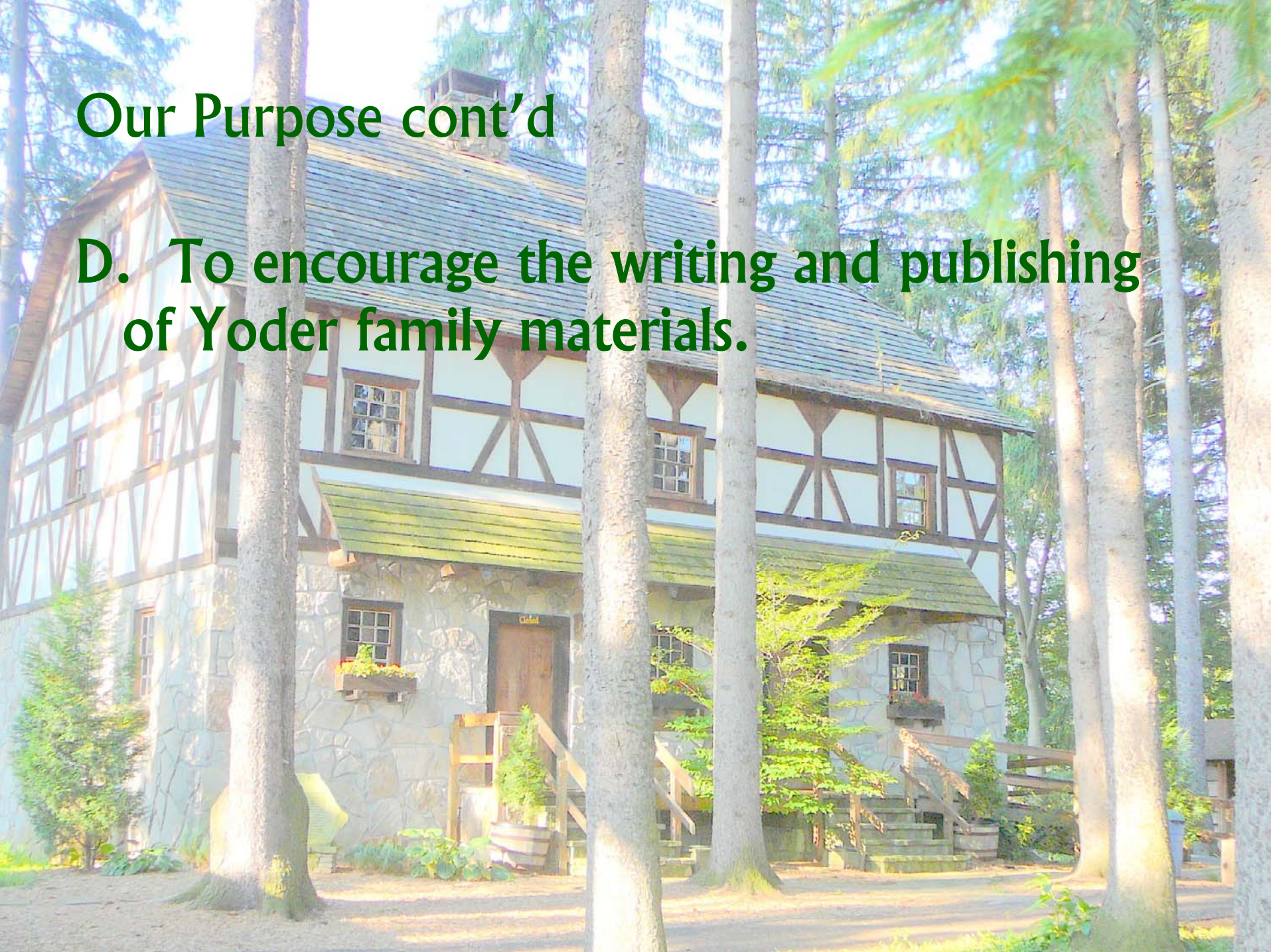
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C. To sponsor research in the genealogy, migrations and locations of the Yoder family as well as their lifestyles, values and personalities.



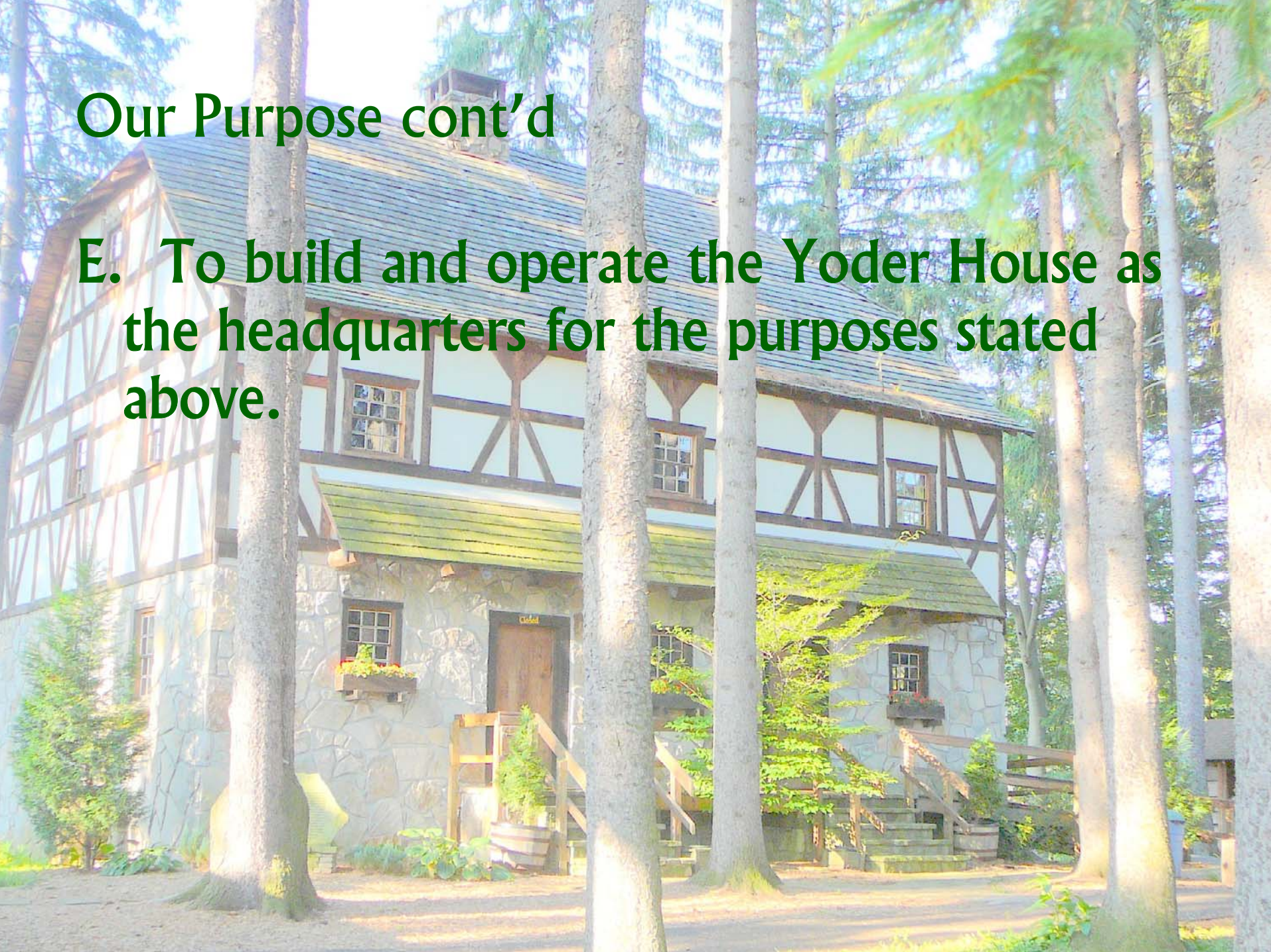
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D. To encourage the writing and publishing of Yoder family materials.



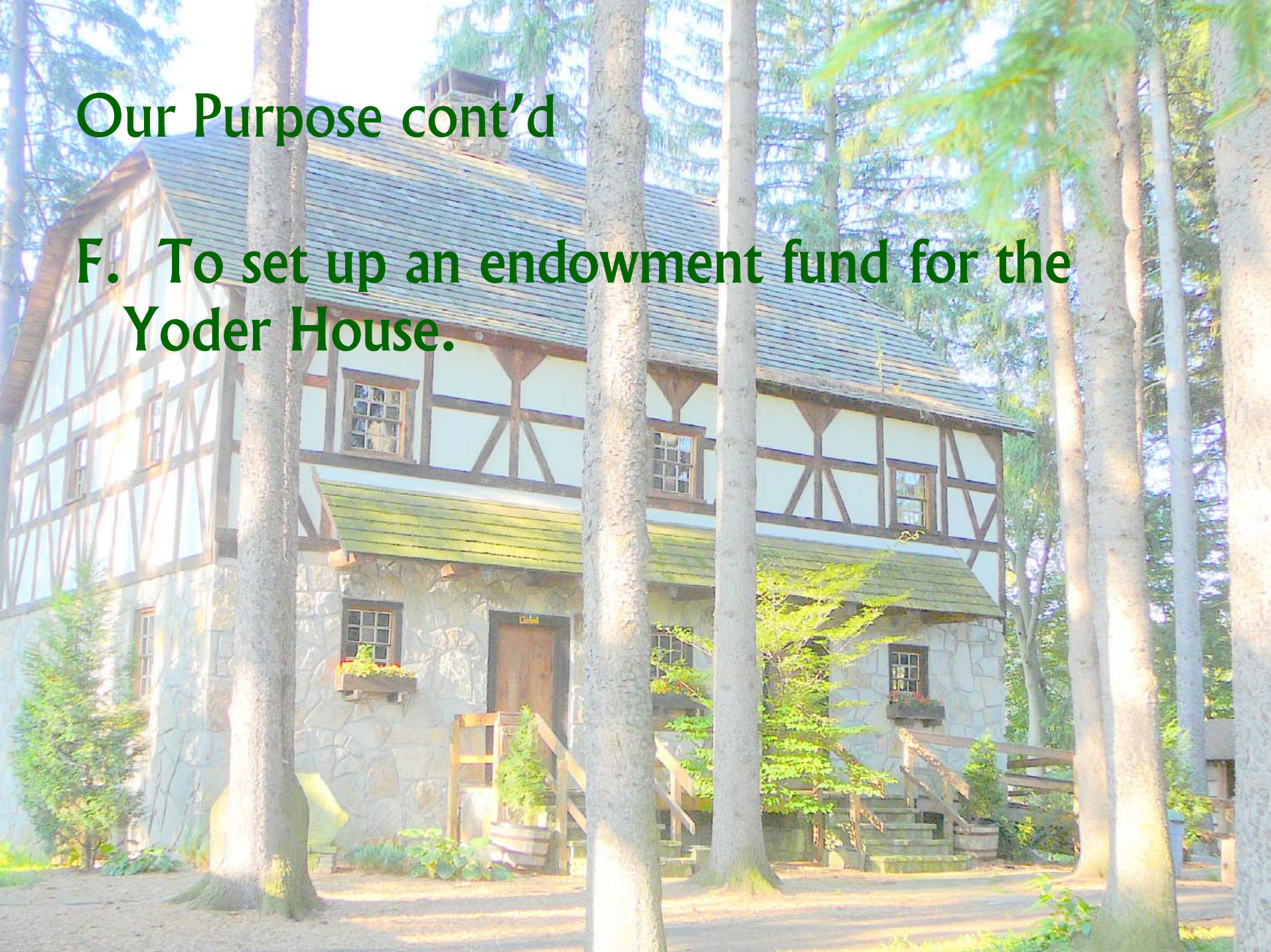
Our Purpose cont'd

E. To build and operate the Yoder House as the headquarters for the purposes stated above.



Our Purpose cont'd

F. To set up an endowment fund for the Yoder House.



Our Purpose cont'd

G. To sponsor tours to Yoder locations such as Berks County, PA, Germany, Alsace and Switzerland



Moving Forward

- Add to our collection of history
- Engage the next generations in our mission
- Encourage local interest and support
- Raise funds to ensure the future
- Broaden our presence – regionally, nationally and globally

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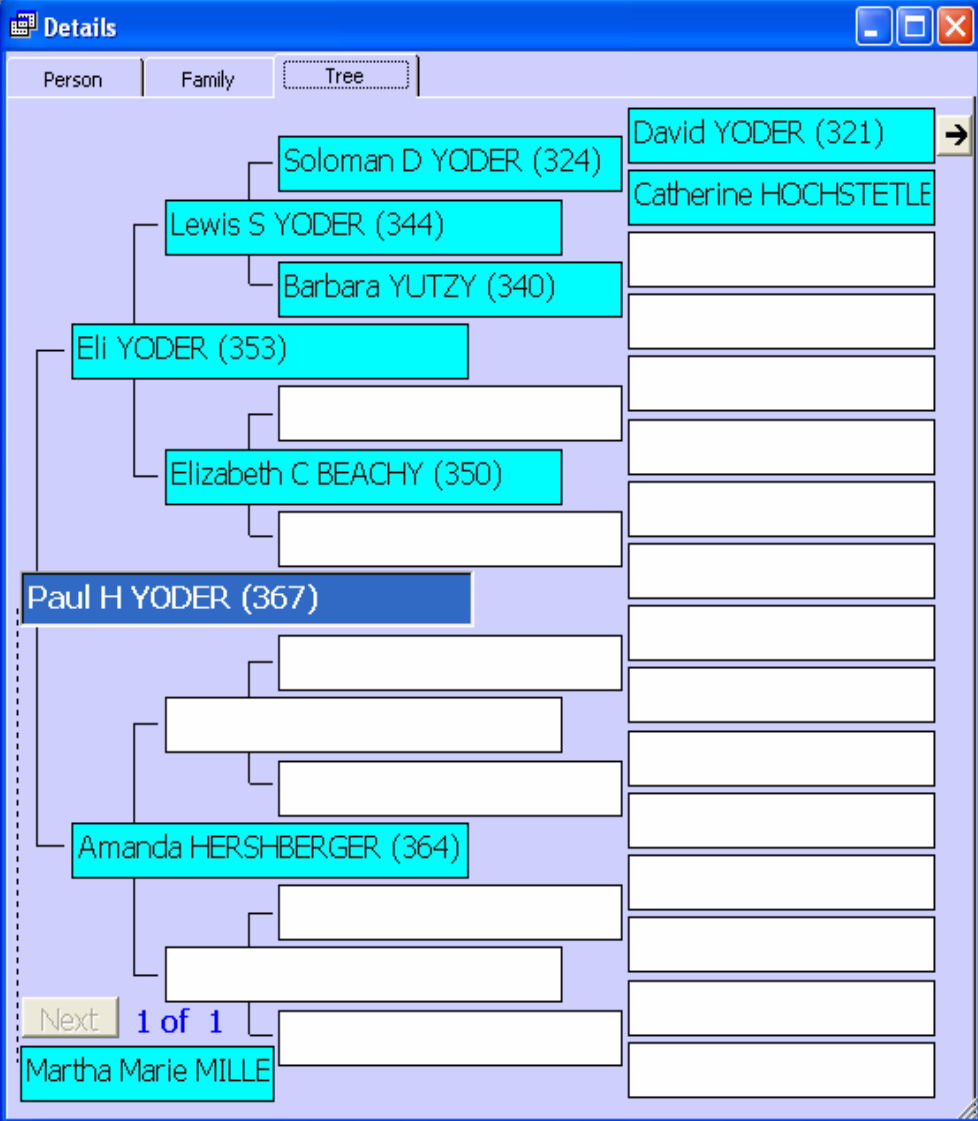
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*	YODER, Edward M	547		07 Aug 1878	5 Nov 1948	325	543
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*	YODER, Effie	512				502	504
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*	YODER, Elizabeth	98		04 Jul 1784		8	18
*	YODER, Elizabeth	119		22 Mar 1839	5 Sep 1911	52	65
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Siblings

Birth	Death	Siblings: 8	Sex	Spouse
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		Henry YODER (366)	M	
		Ernest YODER (368)	M	
		Elizabeth YODER (369)	F	
		Edna YODER (370)	F	
		Mabel YODER (371)	F	
		Magdalena YODER (372)	F	
		John YODER (373)	M	

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Details

Person Family Tree

Type	Name	Type	Value
Name	Eli YODER (353) (1896-)	Reference	
Father	Lewis S YODER (344) (1869-1953)	Children	9
Mother	Elizabeth C BEACHY (350)	Soundex	Y360

Type	Date	Name/Place	M	S
* Son-Bio		Elmer YODER (365)		
* Son-Bio		Henry YODER (366)		
* Son-Bio		Ernest YODER (368)		
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* Dau-Bio		Magdalena YODER (372)		
* Son-Bio		John YODER (373)		
* Event-Misc		Amanda HERSHBERGER (364), Type: None		✓
Associatn		Unknown GEDCOM info: Natural		✓
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* Birth	27 May 1896	Grantsville, Md.		
* Marriage	25 Oct 1917	Amanda HERSHBERGER (364)		
* Son-Bio	28 Aug 1921	Paul H YODER (367); Grantsville, Md.		

Children

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✓	1921	Paul H YODER (367)	M	Martha Marie ML...

Siblings

Birth	Death	Siblings: 11	Sex	Spouse
		Amelia YODER (352)	F	Monroe D YODER (594)
		Savilla YODER (354)	F	Jonas D TICE (595)
		Amanda YODER (355)	F	
		Simon YODER (356)	F	
		Henry YODER (358)	M	
		Mary YODER (359)	F	
		Menno YODER (360)	M	
		Annie YODER (361)	F	
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1892	1968	Clarence L YODER (592)	M	Nancy J KINSINGER (...)

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Sister

Father

Son

Daughter

Eli YODER (353) b. 27 May 1896

Wife

Mother

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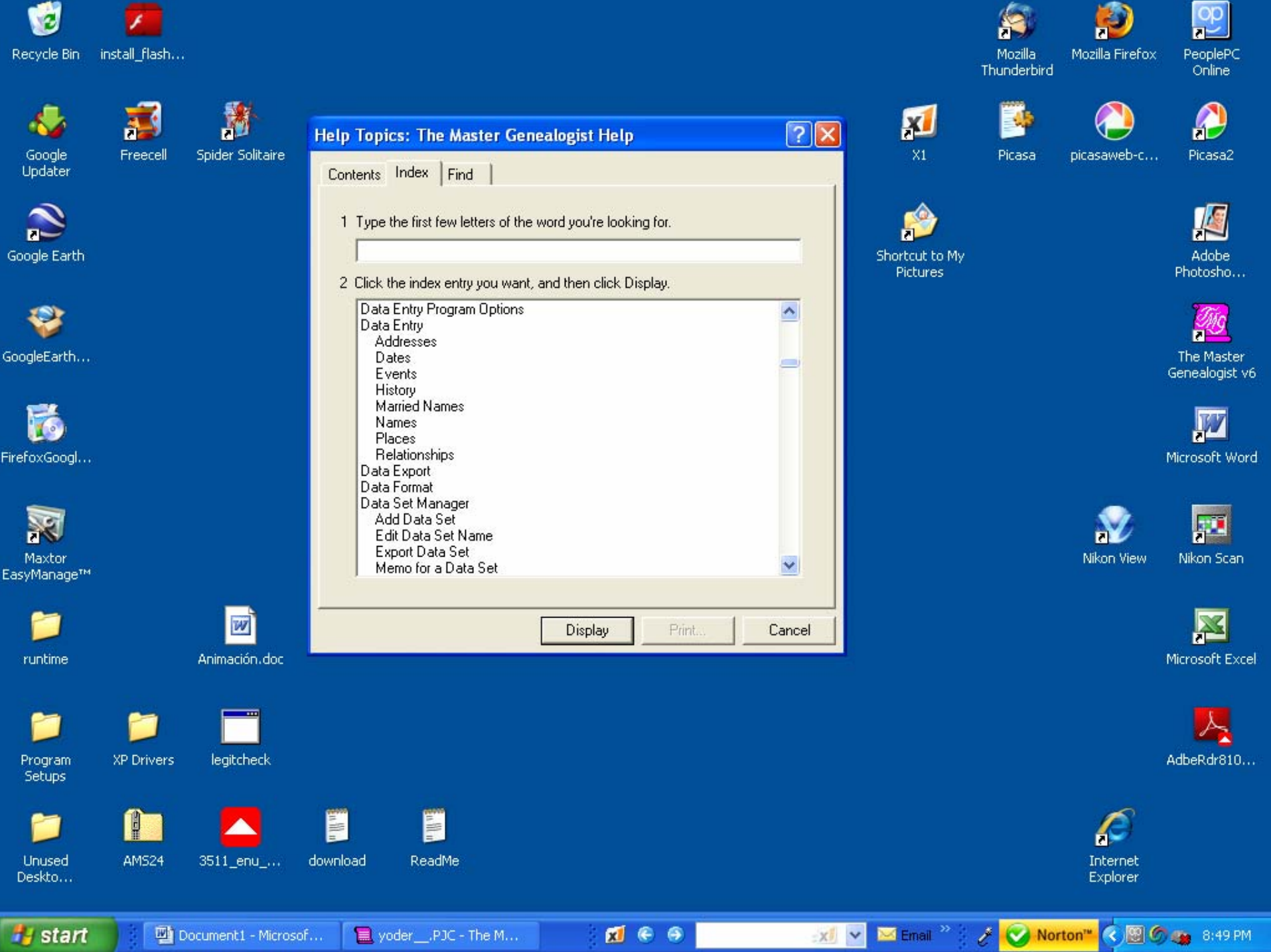
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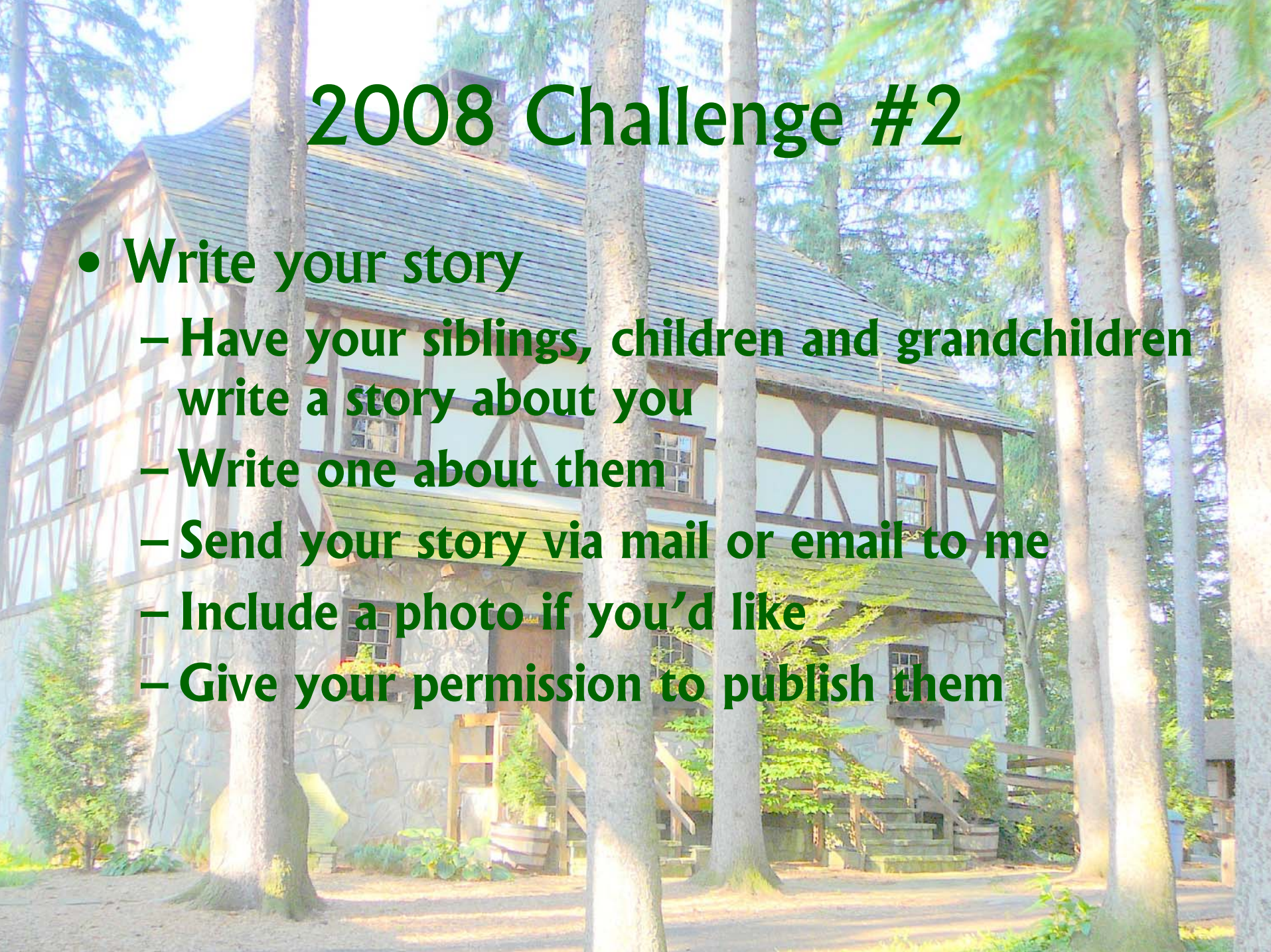
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2008 Challenge #1

- **Develop your genealogy skills while adding to our history**
 - **Document your Yoder family tree**
 - **Forward via email or postal service to Gerald Yoder**
 - **Provide permission for the lineage to be entered in the genealogy software application that resides at the House of Yoder**

2008 Challenge #2

- **Write your story**
 - **Have your siblings, children and grandchildren write a story about you**
 - **Write one about them**
 - **Send your story via mail or email to me**
 - **Include a photo if you'd like**
 - **Give your permission to publish them**



Funding Operations

- Grow the membership
- Raise funds
- Look for private funding sources



2008 Challenge #3

- **Grow the membership**
 - Identify a Yoder who isn't already a member
 - Talk to them about the organization and its purpose
 - Encourage them to join by providing them with a membership form
 - If all else fails, give them a year's membership as a gift!

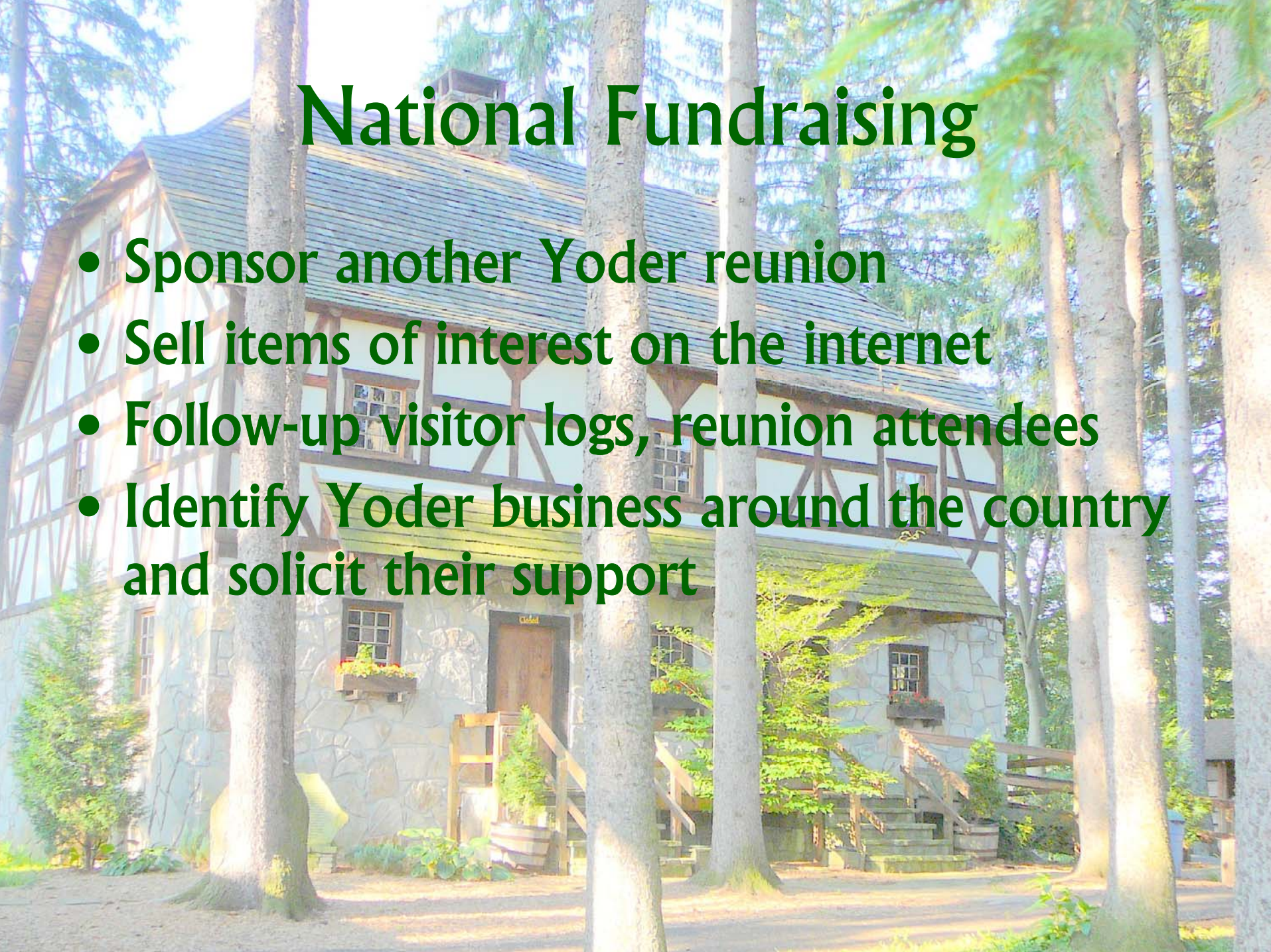
Regional Fundraising

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- **In the Region**
 - Sponsor a spelling bee at the House
 - Rent the House for community use
 - Host genealogy workshops and storytelling events
 - Hold an Open House for a Yoder artist
 - Make the annual meeting an anniversary dinner

National Fundraising

- Sponsor another Yoder reunion
- Sell items of interest on the internet
- Follow-up visitor logs, reunion attendees
- Identify Yoder business around the country and solicit their support



Think Globally

- What are our connections with Joder, Yotter, Jotter around the world?
- How do we find them?
- How do we involve them in our project?



Spreading Our Story

A large, two-story half-timbered house with a stone ground floor and a wooden shingle roof, surrounded by tall trees. The house features a prominent gable on the left side and a central entrance with a wooden door and a small porch. The stone masonry is light-colored, and the timber framing is dark wood. The roof is made of weathered wooden shingles. The house is set in a wooded area with several tall, thin trees in the foreground and background. The lighting suggests a bright, sunny day.

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Nestled in the mountains of Western Maryland, the Yoder House is a living history museum.

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About Us

The House of Yoder, Inc., a non-profit corporation, was formed in 1995 by members of the Yoder family determined to promote awareness and appreciation of the Yoder heritage from Europe and the United States.

The purposes as stated in our constitution, are viewable [here](#).

Our major project has been the construction of the Yoder House, located in the [Spruce Forest Artisan Village in Grantsville, Maryland](#). The house is modeled after the homes built in the mid-1700s by Yoder immigrants from Switzerland.

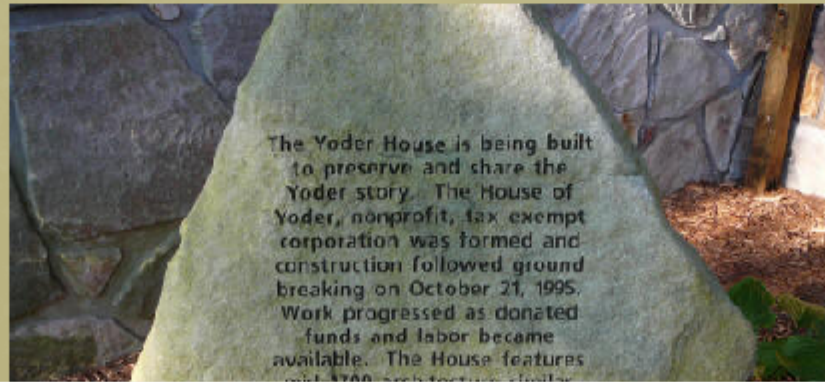


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Welcome Stone

Photo courtesy of Gerald A Yoder

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Cornerstone

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Coat of Arms

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North Side (Main Entrance) of House

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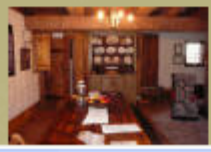
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Fireplace

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A large, two-story house with a stone base and timber-framed upper levels, surrounded by tall trees. The house has a gabled roof and a prominent chimney. The stone base is made of irregular, light-colored stones. The upper levels are white with dark wood framing. There are several windows, some with flower boxes. The house is set in a wooded area with tall, thin trees in the foreground and background. The lighting is bright, suggesting a sunny day.

Call to Action

- **Reengage**
 - Spread the word; add to the membership
 - Lead or join a fund-raising effort
 - Devote some time to Yoder research
 - Identify Yoders across the country and around the world

A large, two-story half-timbered house with a stone ground floor and a gabled roof, surrounded by tall trees. The house features a prominent stone chimney on the roof and a stone base with a wooden door and windows. The upper story is white with dark wood framing. The house is set in a wooded area with tall, thin trees in the foreground and background.

“What will these stones mean?”

Questions?

Thanks for your attention!