

supply" of food in their basements or attics, as advance preparation against emergencies, rising food prices, unsteady job markets and fluctuating world conditions. In addition, the "Mormon Welfare System" is acclaimed worldwide for its efficiency and emphasis on having recipients work for their

assistance. Mormons do not believe in or accept government welfare. Instead they work hard to care for the needy among them.

Each local congregation raises commodities which are utilized in the welfare system. Locally, dry beans have been the principle crop raised. In addition, members fast one day each month

and donate what they would have spent on food to be used for the needy.

• The Mormon Church has the largest genealogical program in the world (even Alex Haley went to them for help in finding his roots). Mormon interest in their ancestors is tied to their belief in eternal families. A local Mormon, Steve Thompson, a teacher at

Crawfordsville High School, has received extensive training in genealogical methods. This enables him to help local members and Montgomery County residents find their pasts.

These facts and many others will be available to visitors to the open house. For more information, call 362-8842 or 362-5280.