

# Campbell Center at Mt. Carroll gets funding

MT. CARROLL — Cong. Don Manzullo (R-Egan) has secured \$100,000 in a Congressional appropriations bill to help fund the Campbell Center for Historic Preservation Studies expansion and rehabilitation project here.

The funding, included in the omnibus appropriations conference report, is expected to pass the House and Senate within the next few weeks.

Campbell Center officials will use the funds to help complete the planning, feasibility and design phase of the \$18 million project, which will create jobs for Carroll County residents. Established in 1979, the Campbell Center is a private organization providing professional development and training to those working in the fields of historic preservation and conservation. The 14-acre campus features 12 historic Georgian Revival buildings which are in need of major upgrades and rehabilitation.

The expansion and rehabilitation project will help the Campbell Center establish a partnership with the National Park Service to create a historic preservation maintenance program for the 12,000 maintenance employees in the Park Service system. The Campbell Center is also working with trade unions to create a journeyman's program specifically for preservation trades.

"This project will put the Campbell Center and Mount Carroll on the map as one of the premier facilities in the world to study historic preservation techniques," Manzullo said. "It will attract thousands of people to Mount Carroll each year who will frequent area restaurants, shops and hotels.

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