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Documentary About Amish Living Focuses on Holmes County Area

Program to air on PBS 45 & 49 on Sunday, July 30 at 8 p.m.

KENT, Ohio — July 21, 2006 — PBS 45 & 49 presents the documentary, **The Amish: How They Survive**, which gives an intimate portrait of the lifestyle and beliefs of Ohio Amish people who reside in the Holmes County area. The film also helps viewers experience the calming beauty of the area's rolling countryside and the gentle hospitality of the Amish, Mennonite and "English" merchants and shopkeepers who live and work there. It airs on Sunday, July 30 at 8 p.m.

Released in December 2005, **The Amish: How They Survive** is the first documentary-style film ever produced solely about this segment of the Amish population. Holmes County and the surrounding five-county area are home to the world's largest settlement of Amish and Mennonite people.

Produced by filmmaker Burton Buller, director of Mennonite Media based in Harrisonburg, Va., the film offers an unprecedented look at the Amish way of living, with much of its narration provided off-camera by the Amish themselves.

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