The Log House

This Log House is an accurate representation of a pioneer home of the 1840’s. With logs from an 1840’s log home it was rebuilt on site in 1972. When the Siebold Family came to Waterloo (East Portage) in 1844, a two story log house was standing on the 40 acres. Mr. and Mrs. Siebold (Ruehle) and her two children, Katerina and Jacob Ruehle lived in the log house for more than 10 years. When Jacob was grown and enlisted in the military at the beginning of the Civil War his name was changed to Realy.

All domestic living was done in this small space. Cooking, sewing, weaving, spinning, bathing, laundry, sleeping and all the other chores that was needed to survive on the wilderness farm.