

MEMBERS of a staid ladies' bridge club have made a heart-felt bid to save an Indiana county courthouse from the wrecking ball by posing naked — no matter that they range in age from 77 to 94!

The Farmland Bridge Club hopes to raise \$20,000 by hawking the 2006 Courthouse Girls Calendar, which features all seven players of the 72-year-old group strutting their stuff in their birthday suits.

The ladies, all from Farmland, Ind., are charging \$12.95 for each 12-month collection of the skin-pics, with \$5 going into a fund to save the 128-year-old Randolph County Courthouse in nearby Winchester.

"Indiana courthouses are to Indiana what the White House is to America," says peekaboo poser Ermel Gordon, 94. "Nobody wants to tear down their courthouses."

Gordon's comrades in undress include: Iraida Davis-Leitch, 77; Eileen Herron, 86; Mary Ellen Talley, 85; Garneta Amburn, 85; Wanda Grove, 81, and Frances Hensley, 85.

They know they can't foot the whole bill for saving the old building, but they hope the publicity will stir citizens to open their pocketbooks for the cause.

Each lady appears au naturel solo for her birth month. The other five months feature group shots.

For modesty's sake, strategically placed porcelain models of the beloved courthouse save the women from giving away any sexy secrets.

"We like to look as good as we can," says Gordon. "But we're not Hollywood."

The elderly card players were inspired to doff their duds after hearing that county leaders planned to demolish the courthouse rather than spend \$6 million to refurbish it.

It would become the first courthouse torn

down in over 30 years.

The gals were meeting in Herron's kitchen when somebody brought up the 2003 movie Calendar Girls, in which members of a British women's club stripped to raise money for a hospital.

And the rest was as easy as dropping their dresses.

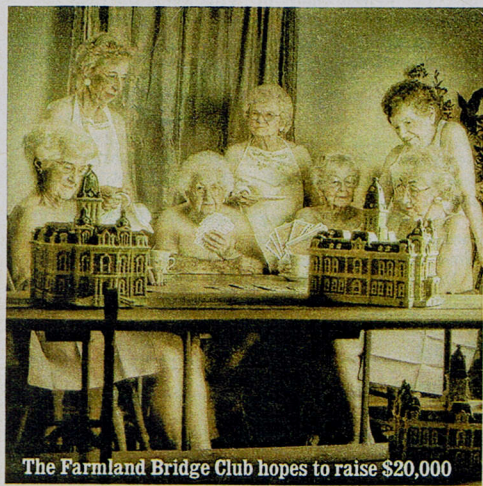
Showing her typical spunk, Gordon declares: "I don't know there's any regulations about what older women can and can't do."

Strategically placed porcelain courthouses help the gutsy gals remain tasteful



Grannies take it all off to save courthouse

Crossed legs and courthouse models give Eileen all the modesty she needs



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