

WEST FELICIANA RR BUILDING . 1834 THE WILKINSON COUNTY MUSEUM 1991

# THE WOODVILLE CIVIC CLUB



THE BANK OF MISSISSIPPI . 1819 THE AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM 2004

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# 2021 FUND RAISING CAMPAIGN ONE OF OUR BEST

Not long after the Civic Club was founded 51 years ago and we acquired the WFRR Building, now our Wilkinson County Museum, we inaugurated a year-end fund raising campaign and we have continued ever since.

This year we are off to a great start with donations ... and proving to be one of our better years for support ... just when we need it the most!

We have had deferred maintenance during these last two years of the pandemic because of reduced income and concern for the future.

We have always relied on donations during the year from visitors to the Wilkinson County Museum as well as from those to the African American Museum, but they have both been closed . . . now going on our third year. Even our book sales at the Main Street Market and on-line have suffered,

Without our many dinners, tours, and other fund raising events providing income and with our insurance and utility expenses continuing ... it has not been any easier for us than it has been for so many of our residents and small businesses.

We are therefore especially grateful to the following for their generous support:

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# EXHIBITS

Our Wilkinson County Museum building was built in 1834 and a recent story from the Woodville Republican issue of July 16, 1943 ... 109 years after it was built ... said that it was being offered for sale by the Illinois Central Rail Road Company, the then owners.

During those 109 years it had been a bank and railroad office and later the post office with the upstairs rented as an apartment.

But in 1973 it was sold by Mrs. Sallye Brannan to the newly organized Woodville Civic Club to save it from possible demolition. Almost immediately in 1973 Mrs. Emma Shepherd Bush donated what is now our Salisbury collection of porcelains, silver, crystal, and other pieces . . . mostly all monogrammed "H" for Moses Hooke who built Salisbury in 1811. By October 1991 we had completely restored the building and began operating it as a museum

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# A FACELIFT FOR THE COUNTY MUSEUM

We will soon be doing some much needed cleaning of mold and bird debris from the front of the Wilkinson County Museum building on the Court House Square . .. and doing some touch-up and repainting of the upper front gallery to continue to protect it.

The latest exhibit is our extensive MOUND EXHIBIT ...detailing artifacts from our earliest settlers ... the many Native American tribes located here in Wilkinson County. We are grateful to so many folks who worked together to make it possible ... but grateful to none more than the late Mrs. Polly Asher Rosenblatt and our Woodville Main Street Association.

LIFE AT SALISBURY IN 1811... FROM THE MUSEUM COLLECTION



The three gold banded plates measure 9  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches in diameter for the largest; 7  $\frac{3}{8}$  inches for the middle one; and 5 inches for the smallest one. These and others in our collection are monogrammed with an ornate Olde English  $\frac{1}{2}$ .