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THE WILKINSON COUNTY MUSEUM 1991

THE WOODVILLE CIVIC CLUB

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THE BANK OF MISSISSIPPI . 1819
THE AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM 2004

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THE MAIN STREET MARKET HITS THE 21ST CENTURY WITH FACEBOOK SUCCESS!



Mrs Renee Inman McGraw has been a vendor and a tireless volunteer at the Main Street Market from the day we opened the market in November of 2004.

It was late that summer the huge retail space lost its tenant and the courthouse square suddenly went dark. A group of concerned folks from the Woodville Main Street Association and the Woodville Civic Club quickly organized and before you knew it we had an antiques mall up and running . . .and it has been an important part of our downtown activity for sixteen years.

The Market has been a great success. Lots of shoppers and visitors . . . and It has been a source of employment for so many locals and has brought life to the square.

But this year, all because of Renee, it went cyber. She was inspired and worked hard and long to get this going.

Our thanks as well to vendors like Judy Trevillion, Jodi Johnson, Jan Katz, Geraldine Whitehead, Cynthia Carter, and Jan Netterville . . . and to board members Russell Fry, Cindy Garrett, Kelly Kee Spinks, David Abner Smith, and a community of volunteers and staff members who show up week after week.

FACEBOOK LIVE SALE!!!

Every Thursday Night
7 p.m.

Follow us:

Main Street Market & Café

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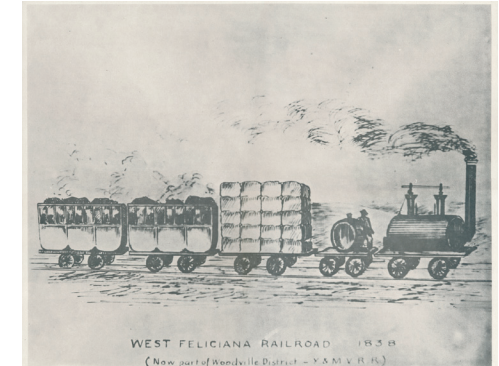
It takes a group of volunteers to get the sales up and running. To select the 150 or more items or so from the vendors for that night, to number and label them, to be the on-camera host, and to keep records. Here Mary Claire



McGraw, recently named Manager of The Main Street Market, has stepped in to help. Usually Renee McGraw does the job of being MC. On this recent night the helpers keeping records of purchasers and sold items are Kelly Spinks, Jane Wesberry, and Toni Kee . . . and just out of camera range, Rosa Duck and R.D. Enlow are assisting. Joan Dickey and Patsy Cavin are seen fetching the items for Mary Claire and then returning them to the booths.

It takes teamwork.

WOODVILLE WAS A LEADER ALMOST 200 YEARS AGO!



Judge Edward McGehee, philanthropist and entrepreneur, who did so much for this county, pulled together a group of investors in the 1830's to build a railroad, a brand new form of transportation, and it became one of the first in the world.

The museum building was built in 1834. The first train ran in 1842 to take our cotton to the river at Bayou Sara . . .26 miles . . .to where the ferry operated until recently.

The last run was in 1978.

AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM MAKES LOAN TO HISTORIC NEW ORLEANS COLLECTION

This antebellum cotton basket, once at Greenwood Plantation in Pinckneyville, built in 1792 by the Brandon family at the home still in that family, and now in our collection at the African American Museum, is being put on loan for an exhibition, by the HISTORIC NEW ORLEANS COLLECTION, to be titled *Pieces of History: Ten Years of Gulf South Field Work*, celebrating ten years of research by the Classical Institute of the South, with whom we have been affiliated from its beginning.

The Classical Institute began as a grassroots passion project in 2011 by the late New Orleans attorney, Paul Haygood, and has been a part of THNOC since 2016, and has gathered information and research on many articles of furniture and other historical objects of historical importance in Wilkinson County working with us in our museums and local homes. Mr Haygood was married to

Charlotte Sanders Smither. Her father and the late Dick Smither were twin brothers.

The exhibit will open in New Orleans on Royal Street early in 2021, and later travel to Alabama, and to the Historic Natchez Foundation in 2022.

