

# Morgan County Historical Society

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## OUR APPRECIATION

To all of you who have supported the Historical Society with your contributions to Volume II of our history, for the monetary contributions, memberships, sponsorships and to all who volunteer their time, we thank and appreciate each one. A special "Thank You" to Gerald Hamlett for a different copier and to CWI Printing for copying past newsletters.



### Volume II update

The next step of our new history book is laying it all out with the publisher, hopefully this month, whenever the last has been sent to be proof read. We are hoping it will be ready by fall.



### Museum Re-Opening Date

The opening date for the museum this year is scheduled for May 1. We would like to be open more hours this year depending if we get enough volunteers. We are working on a different way of scheduling volunteers.

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## *We Try To Be Flexible*

Due to the weather and other scheduling conflicts some dates have been changed. The Unofficial BackwoodsAntique Appraisal Fair to be held at Tri County Auction and Convention Center was changed to May 2 and the Antique Lures program has been postponed to a later date. The Ice Cream Social is scheduled for May 30 this year with the Sweet Adelines returning for entertainment.



### Only Together Can We Make a Difference

Individual memories are wonderful things, but as people age the memory fades and sometimes valuable historical facts are lost to the next generation. Morgan County is rich with remnants of its past and the Morgan County Historical Society endeavors to help preserve the county's past for its future generations.

The Morgan County Museum, the former Martin Hotel, has been recognized as one of the finest county collections in the state. This is primarily due to the generosity of citizens in Morgan County who want to maintain the legacy of this area.

The Society has been working recently to make some improvements to the museum to allow generations to come to have the opportunity to visit the county's past. The museum added a climate control system in the past to help protect artifacts, thanks to many generous donations. The costs of preserving artifacts and maintaining the county museum continue to rise. We had to eliminate the director position for lack of funds and we would like to have that position filled again. The Morgan County Historical Society is continuing its "Friends in Business" program in an effort to meet those needs.

For \$100 or more per year, you as a business owner, or individual, will be able to help the Society continue its work to safeguard our county's history. Your generosity will be recognized in the Society's newsletter as one of its supporters. Each of us can leave a legacy to the next generation by this simple gift.



### Needed

*Used TV and DVD player for use to play a museum DVD for those who are unable to climb the stairs*