



GARLAND COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Dear Friends,

We hope you can attend our noon, Tuesday, March 20 meeting at the Garland County Library. “History of Tornadoes in Garland County” will be guest speaker Clay Farrar’s topic. After tornadoes struck Garland County in April 2011, Clay became curious about how many tornadoes have occurred here in the last one hundred years. He will discuss his research about tornadoes in Garland County and give an overview of these violent storms, both as they affect the Hot Springs area and also the southern United States.

Clay will also present his findings in an article in *The Record 2012*. Clay is a member of our board and a contributor of articles to past issues of *The Record*.

We have been busy, as usual, at the archives. We’ve given programs recently or will give them soon to Alpha Delta Kappa teachers’ sorority, 8th graders at Lakeside Junior High, a PEO chapter at Hot Springs Village, the Keenagers of Grand Avenue Methodist Church, and the women’s group at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in the Village.

The GCHS planning committee met again to discuss our plans for our future. First, the committee is compiling a detailed report about our current space, equipment, furniture, and storage. Then it will consider how best to deal with future storage needs.

Although we are somewhat crowded, we still are able to find space for donations of Garland County artifacts, documents, and photos. In the last few days, Gail Ashbrook gave us two wicker chairs and two plant stands from the Fordyce, and Michael Cain donated the cash register and old pharmacy bottles from Cain’s Drug Store.

Please remember that we can always use volunteers to catalog, sort, help visitors, and other things. By volunteering here, you can have fun learning about our history while helping our community.

Hope to see you at the meeting!

Liz Robbins
Executive Director
Garland County Historical Society