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As time goes by....



## When may we expect

### *The History of Forrest County ?*

(As we begin our fourth year on this project!!!)  
When HAHS embarked on the rewarding task of compiling a hard-cover, archival-quality book of around 500 pages, we first asked groups who had "been there, done that" how long it would take our group to complete this ongoing project. According to our president, Jacq Jones, these groups of enthusiastic historians answered that it would take from three to five years.

HAHS is now on the *fourth* year of gathering "stories" and photographs. We are in the second phase of collecting—the stories we are now accepting are about organizations (churches, schools, civic clubs, garden clubs, etc.). All of our workers are volunteers who donate as much time as they can to this publication. They are elated over the response and the quality of stories we have received.

Over two hundred pages are printer ready after having been read, entered into our computer, and then proofread by our workers and the person who submitted the story. Equal pains have been taken with the photographs.

Until the book is actually published we can still take orders at the pre-publication price of \$49.25 plus \$3.25 tax. As we approach another holiday season, this would be a good time to order a book for someone in your family. A convenient order blank is included in this newsletter.

## READ ON!!



*"The book is proceeding with all deliberate haste."*

**1996 Hubsign**—Again HAHS has jumped right in to help the Downtown Association with their plans to rebuild the Hub sign. (See cover of this newsletter to refresh your own memory.) HAHS has a bulb from the old sign at the Museum.



**Adopt-a-School**—We continue our active involvement with the Hawkins Junior High School Library. Before school started in August, we took refreshments for the teachers. We will showcase the US Constitution and Presidents for this group plus a schedule of events throughout the year.

**1996 Hubfest**—Scheduled for the first Saturday in October, Hubfest will again showcase historic downtown Hattiesburg. Make it a point to come by your HAHS museum during Hubfest. We'll be there to greet you and keep you from getting too much sun.



**1996 Lease sign**—We have received new leases on our space in the Jaeger Center from the City of Hattiesburg and from Mississippi Power for the storage space for "The Leaf," 1830 riverboat relic. We do not have further news at this time on our Old Library proposal, but will keep in touch about this. We desperately need more space to display all the treasures given our Society.

**The Trust and the Train Trip**—HAHS has joined the Mississippi Heritage Trust, a prestigious group which will sponsor a train trip to Hattiesburg from Nardin and Laurel later this season. We hope to entertain the travelers. More about this later.

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**Really old and fragile**—Thanks to Mississippi Archives and USM for preserving our wealth of early 20th century newspapers on microfilm.



**O'Charley's 43 pictures**—The decorating firm which framed and used as the decor for the new restaurant, O'Charley's, a number of pictures they acquired through HAHS, has made a donation to cover our expense. And soaking of pictures work is being done to get all the Hattiesburg High class pictures in mint condition and HAHS is lending about these pictures to Bill Bush to display at the old high school.