

## Historic Preservation

- ◆ *Historic Barns of Benton County*
- ◆ *Historic Cemetery Preservation*

## Social History

- ◆ *Best Dressed: A Look Back at Fashion History*
- ◆ *A House in Mourning: A Victorian Household Responds to Death*
- ◆ *Let's Play: Pastimes From the Past*
- ◆ *Here Comes the Bride: Weddings in America*
- ◆ *What's Cookin'? Two Centuries of American Foodways*
- ◆ *Nineteenth-Century Advertising*
- ◆ *Toys and Games: Keys to the Past*
- ◆ *Remembering Train Rides*

## The Rogers Historical Museum

- ◆ *A History of the Museum*
- ◆ *Museum Educational Programs*
- ◆ *Volunteering at the Museum*
- ◆ *The Museum Expansion Project*

**Interested in visiting the Museum as a group? Here are some upcoming exhibits that will be sure to interest your members.**

- ◆ *Virgil Lovelace and Life on the Farm* - through March 2010
- ◆ *Of Promise and Pain: Life Between the Wars* - February 21, 2009, through June 2010

- ◆ *Rogers Auto-Biography: An Automotive History of Rogers* - May 16, 2009, through 2010
- ◆ *1968 in America* (a traveling exhibition from ExhibitsUSA) - June 16 through August 8, 2009
- ◆ *Final Respects: Dealing With Death in the Victorian Era* (accompanied by "A House in Mourning" theme tours of the Hawkins House) - September 5 through November 7, 2009
- ◆ *A World War I Christmas* in the Hawkins House - November 29, 2009, through January 2, 2010

**It's easy to schedule a program or Museum tour!**

To arrange for a program or tour, contact adult programs assistant Monte Harris at 479-621-1154 or at [mharris@rogersark.org](mailto:mharris@rogersark.org). Museum staff will present a program at your usual meeting place. Or you can arrange to meet at the Museum Education Annex and enjoy a tour of the Museum and the 1895 Hawkins House in addition to your program.

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### Rogers Historical Museum

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*Real people. Real stories. Real history!*

# Programs for Clubs and Organizations



- ◆ *Entertaining*
- ◆ *Educational*
- ◆ *Light-hearted*
- ◆ *Nostalgic*

**Choose a topic for  
your group!**

Many interesting and entertaining topics are available. Program formats include lectures by engaging speakers and slide or PowerPoint presentations featuring images from the Museum's collections. Programs usually are about 30 minutes long, but most can be tailored to fit the time available.

**Here are just  
a few examples of  
intriguing stories from  
Benton County history.**

◆ *Arkansas Ladies of the Loom*



When the Civil War broke out, many people buried their valuables. Some people buried gold, some buried heirlooms; some things were recovered, some were not. Families were robbed by bushwhackers and houses were burned. Few household articles survived this perilous time, and that is why the history surrounding a select group of hand woven Arkansas

coverlets is important. Family stories interwoven with documented history tell of the ladies who worked at the loom and spun at the wheel. Their work reflects daily life, domestic art, and survival among early families in Northwest Arkansas.

◆ *The Old Wire Road*

For thousands of years, this route was a path followed by wild animals from one water source to another. Native American hunters followed the animals and the path was marked as one of the best routes through the foothills of the Ozarks. Next came white settlers headed west, and then the Cherokee forced to move to the Indian Territory. By the time of the Civil War, the path was a well-traveled road. Today, the Old Wire Road is a pathway to real stories of real people from the past.

◆ *The Trail of Tears:  
Bentonville to Maysville*

Almost everyone has heard of the Trail of Tears and the suffering of the Cherokee forced to travel that route. Not many people know a part of the famous trail led from Bentonville to Maysville. A fifteen-year study has revealed new clues to the location of that route through Benton County. Follow the trail on the map and hear the stories of loss and triumph.

◆ *The Civil War in Northwest  
Arkansas*

When Arkansas seceded, the residents of this region found themselves caught in the crossfire as Union and Confederate armies struggled to determine the fate of Missouri. By 1862 Northwest Arkansas was a battleground and Ozark villages became some of the first casualties of modern total warfare.

**Here is a selection of other  
programs currently offered.**

**Local History**

- ◆ *“Coin” Harvey and Monte Ne*
- ◆ *One Man's War: The World War II  
Photography of Sam Wood*
- ◆ *River, Road, and Rail:  
Transportation Yesterday and  
Today*
- ◆ *The History of Rogers*
- ◆ *The Sagers: Pioneer  
Cabinetmakers*

**Collectibles**

- ◆ *Using Clothing Styles to Date  
Historic Photographs*
- ◆ *Dating and Identifying Historic  
Quilts*
- ◆ *Quilts: The Great Cover-Up*
- ◆ *Valentines*
- ◆ *Aprons*
- ◆ *Postcards*