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## From the Chairman...

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## From the Chairman:

Dear Foundation Members:

As you probably know, the Foundation has owned and operated Harrison Brothers Hardware for ten years. We believe that this is the only instance in the country where a preservation group has saved not only a structure, but the business housed in it. This could never have been accomplished without the volunteers who have staffed the store these ten years. As we approach the fall selling season, it is crucial that we have more volunteers to adequately staff this surviving business.

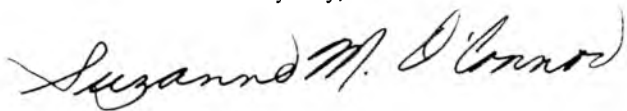
While our volunteers do not have many opportunities to have accolades lavished upon them, they do reap a few benefits by working at Harrison Brothers. Volunteers receive a ten percent discount during any month in which they work at least one four-hour shift. If a volunteer works three or more four-hour shifts during a month, a twenty percent discount is granted. Volunteers are invited to attend a Christmas get-together and the yearly volunteer appreciation picnic. They are also afforded the opportunity to meet and welcome visitors to Huntsville who come here from all over the world. Perhaps the biggest benefit which the volunteers receive is the camaraderie built up among the volunteers themselves.

If you would like to help at the store, call either Aggie Carter or Wanda Carlen at 536-3631. You do not need to know how to operate a cash register or anything else for that matter! All we need is your presence to help continue the effort to keep Harrison Brothers in operation into the twenty-first century and beyond.

"Follies '94: Way Off Broadway" is being jointly sponsored with Alabama's Constitution Village and will take place August 26 and 27 at the VBCC. Our goal is to raise \$75,000 to help with the restoration of the Humphreys-Rodgers house. With Gayle Milberger and Roger Nicholson as co-chairmen, our annual Old Fashioned Trade Day will be September 10. Also, the annual meeting of the Alabama Historical Commission is being held here October 21 - 23 hosted by the Foundation and Alabama's Constitution Village. We will then conclude this busy year with the annual membership tea in December.

As you can see, there are many ways in which you can become *really involved* with the Foundation. Your help is needed to make *all* of these activities successes. We appreciate your membership, but we also need YOU!! Please call me at 539-8737 to volunteer and really put your membership to work!

Very truly,



Chairman