

## **CCCRA Receives Cannon Foundation Funds to Help with Historic Courthouse Preservation**

The Cannon Foundation Board of Directors recently announced the approval of a grant to Clay County Communities Revitalization Association (CCCRA) in the amount of \$50,000 to be used for the preservation of the Clay County Historic Courthouse.

CCCRA's Historic Courthouse Committee chair Paul Price said upon hearing of the grant, "This is good news for our organization. These funds will be helpful as we move forward with the project. Now that the exterior restoration is complete with the exception of repairing the brick work, we are turning our attention to plans and work on the interior."

When notified of the award, CCCRA President Sandy Nicolette said, "We owe much of our successful attainment of this grant to Margaret Conrad, of The Conservation Fund's Resourceful Communities. Margaret did much of the writing of the application, and I know we couldn't have done it without her. She has partnered with CCCRA and our receiving this grant proves how invaluable she is to our organization."

The Cannon Foundation, Inc. is part of the philanthropic legacy of Charles A. Cannon, industrialist and humanitarian, who was President and Chairman of Cannon Mills Company for more than half a century. The Foundation continues Mr. Cannon's philanthropy through funding in healthcare, higher education, human services and community.

CCCRA will continue to seek financial support from other foundations, organizations and the community to restore the historic courthouse to the centerpiece of Clay County once again. CCCRA is a qualified charitable organization under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions to CCCRA are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law.