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ETOWAH VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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The annual meeting of the Society will be held at Munford House on Saturday, October 4 at 3 P.M. The Board of Directors will meet at 2.

Speaker for the occasion will be a representative of the Georgia Archives. This will be a good chance to learn just what the Archives have to offer those who seek to find information about their ancestors or about the general history of this area..

At the annual meeting members will elect Board of Directors members to succeed Dr. Robert Norton and John W. Dent, whose terms expire this October. A nominating committee consisting of Mrs. W.B. Quillian, Jr., chairman and Mrs. Charles Sewell, Jim Agan, Mrs. Frank Beazley and Earl Hood will present candidates for these vacancies..

It is dues-paying time again. Individual dues are \$10.00; couples - \$15.00, sustaining membership - \$25.00, patron - \$100.00. Please send checks to Mrs. M.W.H. Collins, Treasurer, Box 313, Cartersville, GA 30120. (Student memberships are \$1.00)

Hosts at Munford House on Sept. 21 were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Knox and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Walraven. Hosts for October 18 will be Mr. and Mrs. Bill Harvill and Mr. and Mrs. Barry Lockwood. The Society is deeply indebted to its members who graciously devote a Sunday afternoon to showing off our beautiful home.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Entwisle on their marriage Sept. 11 at the First Presbyterian Church. Our vice president, Lizette Conner, found her Frank in McLean, Virginia. Soon after their first date she enrolled him in the Etowah Valley Historical Society. Best of all, we understand they will live in Cartersville.

Bob White and Harold "Buck" Harper, avid Civil War buffs and long-time collectors of Civil War memorabilia, will exhibit their artifacts and documents at a day-long showing at Munford House on October 11, starting at 10 A.M. and continuing until 5 P.M. Bob and Buck will be working hard to set up an entertaining and instructive show. Let'S ALL support them by attending and by advertising the exhibit. Vera Stewart, chairman of the Exhibits Committee, is coordinating the show.

It is with sadness that we note the passing of W. Leonard Pickard, one of our good members. He survived his wife, Lucille, by only about two months. Leonard and Lucille had retired to Bartow County just a few short years ago and they immediately began to take part in community affairs. They will be missed by a great many friends and relatives.

Millie Pierce announces that she and her committee have Munford House note paper Christmas wrapped for only \$3.00 per package. This attractive note paper will make nice stocking stuffers or gracious small gifts for relatives and friends.

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At the last meeting of the Board of Directors it was unanimously voted to name all past officers and directors, still active in the Society, as members of an Advisory Committee to the Board. Presently eligible for this committee are the following: Judge J.L. Davis, Miss Dorris McCormick, Mrs. Betty Joyce Jolley, Mrs. Frank Beazley, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Norton, Henry Tumlin, Mrs. John Cummings, Sr., Miss Mittie Taylor, Mrs. Joe Myers and Miss Louise Milner. If this list omits anyone who should be included it would be appreciated if notification could be given to President Ben Maxwell..

Recent gifts: Bill and Rilla Reagan have given the Society a pretty light fixture that hung in the old Braban Hotel. Dorothy "Dolly" Lester, our good member at Calhoun, has given a beautiful woodland Christmas wreath. Dorris McCormick has presented the unique folding key that was used in the historic Kingston depot. The key will have a place in the museum next to the diaries of Samuel Irby Sheats; Mr. Sheats was station agent at Kingston for over fifty years.

Recent books received: "Push the Button", by Maebelle Jones Dewey, from Mrs. Smith Mansfield; "Nine Stormy Decades", by Rebecca Latimer Felton, from Mr. and Mrs. Pete McDaniel; "Life and Sayings of Sam P. Jones" by Mrs. Sam P. Jones, from Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gilreath, Jr.; "Country Life in Georgia" by Rebecca Latimer Felton, from William Young Akerman of Orlando, Fla. Mr. Akerman also gave "Revised Statutes of the United States, 1875", a book that belonged to his grandfather, Amos Tappan Akerman, a resident of Cartersville who was attorney general of the United States under President U.S. Grant in the 1870s.

In addition to books about Bartow County, any and all books about Georgia or by Georgians will be appreciated by our library committee.

Jimmie Davis and Helen Collins announce that the nice sum of \$405 was realized from the benefit concert held at Munford House in August. Thanks to the many people who worked hard towards making a success of this event.

It seems that none of the historical-minded members of our Society knows a great deal about honey bees. Thus, when the angry little rascals invaded Munford House, President Ben was forced to call in professional help. Lee Roy Cornwell, president of Triangle Termite Company, responded quickly and effectively, and graciously - he did not charge one penny for his services. Believe you us, Lee Roy knows how to get the job done.