

ETOWAH VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

AUTUMN NEWSLETTER

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By the time this newsletter reaches you we hope that our own Grace Davis, who was critically injured in an auto accident in Herford, England on August 28, will be back home again and will be continuing to improve. Grace, who had spent the summer in study at Cortonna, Italy, was spending a few days in England before returning home when the accident occurred. Jimmie and Judge Davis flew immediately to England and have been at her bedside ever since. The prayers of many people have gone up on behalf of this personable and talented young person.

The annual meeting of the Etowah Valley Historical Society will be held on October 3 in the GOLD ROOM OF THE CARTERSVILLE CIVIC CENTER at 3 P.M. (Please note change of location for this meeting).

The featured speaker for our annual meeting will be Katherine Gross Farnham (Mrs. Clayton H.). Mrs. Farnham, a niece of Millie Pierce and Dollie Lester, will be introduced by Emmie Nelson.

Kitty Farnham, a graduate of Vassar College, obtained an M.A. in the Winterthur Program in Early American Culture from the University of Delaware. She has served as curator at the Georgia Governor's Mansion and curator of decorative arts at the High Museum of Arts, and is currently a member of the Fine Arts Committee at the Governor's Mansion and adjunct curator of decorative arts at the High Museum. She has lectured extensively in Colonial Williamsburg, at the Winterthur Museum and in the Atlanta area. She has published several exhibition catalogs and has written four articles for Antiques Magazine.

Mrs. Farnham's subject on October 3 will be "American Antiques at the Georgia Governor's Mansion" and will be illustrated with slides.

Election to fill four vacancies on the Society's Board of Directors will be held at our annual meeting. A slate of directors will be presented by the nominating committee, which consists of Anne Choate, Julia Quillian and Pete McDaniel.

About our all-color book, famed columnist Celestine Sibley, writing in the Sunday Atlanta Journal-Constitution said "The History of Bartow County by the Etowah Valley Historical Society came, and I can't bear to part with it.....What they have put together is a book which Georgia history lovers will want and old house buffs will covet madly."

Have you bought your copy yet? Sales are brisk. To get yours send check or money order for \$24.95 to Etowah Valley Historical Society, Box 313, Cartersville, GA 30120. Out-of-town buyers please add \$1.50 for packing and mailing costs. What a lovely Christmas gift this handsome volume will make !

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* Annual dues to our society are payable as of October 1. *
Please send your check or money order (\$10 for individuals, \$15 for couples) to Mrs. M.W.H. Collins, treasurer, Box 313, Cartersville, GA 30120.

It is with great pleasure that we are privileged to announce that Bob White and Harold "Buck" Harper are going to put on their interesting Civil War exhibit at Munford House again this year. The date will in all likelihood be set for late October. Exact date will be announced on radio, in the Tribune news and on Channel 4.

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Color prints of the lovely photographs shown in "Historic Bartow County, Circa 1828-1866" may be ordered now. For price and delivery information please call Millie Pierce at 382-0788, Sizes 5 x 7 and 8 x 10.

It is with great sadness that we record the passing of Janet Myers (Mrs. Joe). Janet was a loyal member of our society; she was a former director and was an avid preservationist; she and Joe were also enthusiastic members of the Georgia Society for Preservation and attended many of their "Rambles."

In memory of Janet Myers, Clyde and Marjorie Jolley have made a contribution to the society's Memorial Fund.

Eva Parris has graciously agreed to serve on our refreshment committee replacing Mrs. T.W. Duncan and Mrs. J.D. Chapman. Mrs. Duncan and Mrs. Chapman have served admirably but wanted to be relieved on account of the coronary illnesses of J.D. and Ted.

Don't forget the luncheon at the Planters Restaurant off South Cobb Drive, Smyrna-Marietta at noon October 3. Reservations are a MUST. Please call Marilyn Moore at 386-0576 or Edna Fowlkes at 382-0431 before September 26. You will be back in Cartersville in time to attend our meeting at the Civic Center.

Our Sincere Thanks to

JOHN DENT for a framed picture of Atlantic Steel's Board of Directors, photographed on the front steps of Munford House ... EVA FARRIS for a pair of important Empire love seats which she inherited from her Grandmother Satterfield.....CILE WHITE for a three-drawer oak file cabinet, a two-light brass desk lamp made by Roland White from a chandelier which was in their home at the time of purchase, two antique clipboards and a ticket tack.GENE AND BERLINE FARRIS for a beautiful glass-inlaid oak physician's cabinet.

Many thanks also to Tom Akins, Sr. and Tom Akins, Jr., who wired our electric range with a 220 volt line. This involved two hours of their working time including making several trips in the crawl space under Munford House, all done without charge.
