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## ETOWAH VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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### NEWSLETTER

The Spring Meeting of our society will be held at 3:30 P.M. on Saturday, May 17 at the Gold Room of Cartersville Civic Center. The Board of Directors will meet at 2:30.

For the benefit of those who were unable to see the slide show of historic Bartow County Homes when it was presented last October, Lonnie Howell and Lizette Conner will again put on this program.

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The society played host to the Coosa Valley Historical Council at the quarterly meeting on Sunday, April 13 at Munford House. The organization, headed by Wilson Burgess of Rome, is composed of representatives of historical and preservation societies in Bartow, Catoosa, Chatooga, Dade, Floyd, Gordon, Haralson, Paulding, Polk and Walker counties. Representing our society at this meeting were Janet Myers, Millie Pierce, Lizette Conner, Pat Mansfield, Ben and Frances Maxwell, Emmie Nelson. Minette Bickel, director of the Georgia Preservation Trust brought the program. After the meeting the participants adjourned to Joe and Janet Myers's for sassafras tea and other goodies. Next meeting will be held in Cave Spring Aug. 3.

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We are indebted to Pete and Mary McDaniel and Robert and Mildred Rardin for serving as hosts at Munford House on April 20. Skip and Ann Cummings and Bill and Winona Jurkin will be there to greet guests on the afternoon of May 18.

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The architects for the new McDonald's restaurant to be built at the Cartersville exit of I-75 have asked our society to furnish photos of historic Cartersville which will be blown up and used as wall decorations. A representative group of photos: old buildings, street scenes, graduation classes, athletic teams, Sunday School class groups, etc., has been furnished them for their consideration.

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We are deeply indebted to the offices of State Representative Joe Frank Harris and State Senator Nathan Dean for their help in securing a \$5,000 grant from the State Department of Natural Resources for the purpose of procuring furnishings for Munford House.

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Carl Boyd Post 42, The American Legion, has presented to the society a handsome flag set for display from the front porch of Munford House. This flag set will later be replaced by the Legion post with a flag pole and flag similar to the ones displayed by Cartersville merchants.

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Past President Clyde Jolley would like to express his deep appreciation for the society having honored him by having a Civil War map framed and hung at Munford House in his name.

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Miss Minette Bickel, executive director of the Georgia Preservation Trust, recently met with President Ben and several directors and committee chairmen and toured Munford House. Asked for her recommendations she responded with a letter. Capsulized, here are some of her thoughts:

1. Visit other facilities, especially the Atlanta Historical Society.
2. Consider joining the Georgia Association of Museums and Galleries.
3. Consider renting the spaces out for receptions, meetings etc. to generate income. The yard could be utilized for barbecues and picnics.
4. The Governor's Intern Program, State Capitol, Atlanta 30334 can provide staffing assistance.
5. In terms of the collections, exhibitions and educational programs, I would suggest that a written statement be made outlining the intent and philosophy as to the purpose and utilization of the Munford House.

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The society gratefully acknowledges the following Memorial contributions: In Memory of Mrs. Lucy Dent Patton by W. H. Shadden, Sr., Mrs. Rowland White, Mr. and Mrs. Holmes Neel, Mrs. M. W. H. Collins, Mrs. Robley Jobe, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gilreath, Sr. and Mrs. Ray Pierce. In Memory of J. Ratia Henderson by Mrs. Rowland White and Dr. and Mrs. Harvey Howell, Sr. In memory of J. Ray Dellinger by Mr. and Mrs. John W. Dent.

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In addition to the lovely piano Tave Harvey presented to the society she has also donated several very valuable books. We wish for her an overflowing measure of happiness in her new Texas home.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Penfield have given the society a beautiful ~~and~~ <sup>new</sup> couch that will grace the Munford House.