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Our Spring Meeting will be held Saturday, May 29, 3 P.M. at Munford House. Featured speaker will be Ms. Anne Turner, silversmith. Ms. Turner, a native of England, who has been in the United States for four years, is now living in Cartersville. She holds a Bachelor of Arts in Three Dimensional Design and a Master of Arts in Silversmithing and Jewelry Design from the Royal College of Arts; she has also done a great deal of post-graduate work in the field of Arts Education. Ms. Turner taught glass blowing and metal work in Stourbridge College, Stourbridge, England for two years. From 1975 to the present she has been self-employed as a silversmith and jeweler, and has just recently sold a silver set of her own design to Tiffany and Company, the famous New York jewelers.

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The winter meeting of our Society, held at Cartersville Civic Center in February was an enjoyable one. Prof. J.B. Tate of the History Dept., Kennesaw College, brought a highly entertaining program on the Cherokee Indians, including stories of their life in Georgia, their hardships endured on the infamous "Trail of Tears" and their subsequent life in Oklahoma. Martha White, Gene and Berline Parris and Margaret Ragsdale served delicious refreshments to the group during the social hour.

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The large number of attendees at the wine and cheese tasting party held as a benefit for our Society at Munford House on May 12 agreed that it was a delightful party. Much thanks are due Ben and Frances Maxwell, Eva Parris and Colin Cameron for organizing and carrying out the affair, and to Steve Garrett of Empire Distributing Company, Atlanta for the refreshments donated. A nice sum was realized for our treasury.

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Millie Pierce reports that the "Roselawn Little House", the gift shop operated by our Society, is now open from 10 to 4 every Friday and Saturday. She requests that members and friends who have linens and crocheted pieces they no longer need donate them to the "Little House". She also emphasizes that volunteers are needed to stay at the Little House during the hours of opening.

The Society would like to thank Glover Chance of Route 6, Cartersville, who painted the handsome "Roselawn Little House" sign at no cost to the Society.

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### JUDGE J.L. DAVIS, SR. RECEIVES POSTHUMOUS AWARD

The late Judge Jefferson Lee Davis, Sr. has been named recipient of the 1982 Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation award "in recognition of an outstanding restoration project." Judge Davis, the organizational president of the Etowah Valley Historical Society was the husband of Mrs. Eloine (Jimmie) Davis, the current president of the Society, who received the award on behalf of her late husband.

The citation, written by Dr. Phinizy Spalding, chairman of the Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation, reads in part: "The Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation is pleased to be able to make this award to Jefferson Lee Davis, Sr. for the meticulous work necessary to restore this fine 1853 brick plantation house in Bartow County. The work, which took over two years to complete, was personally overseen by Mr. Davis; whose standards of performance were exceedingly high. The structure, which was in stages of advanced dilapidation when the Davises bought it in the mid-1960s, has been returned to immaculate condition and the impact of recent designs has been minimized."

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The Bartow County Bank has made a generous contribution to the Society in memory of Judge J.L. Davis..

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Lonnie Howell and Lizette Entwisle are still finding a ready market for showing their interesting slide presentation on Bartow County's antebellum homes. Recently they presented the show to students at Cartersville High School and at Floyd Junior College.

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Vice President Bob White, who has been given additional responsibilities as organizer of a museum for Munford House, would appreciate offers of old documents, photographs and relics pertaining to this area. Bob is an avid collector who displays an excellent knowledge in the care, restoration and presentation of valuable artifacts.

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At present 1031 copies of the color book "Historic Bartow  
County, 1828-1866" have been sold. Of this number 36 were sold at  
Roselawn "Little House".

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We urge you to visit Roselawn Little House. One more attractive  
activity of your historical society.

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