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ETOWAH VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

SUMMER NEWSLETTER 1981

\*This edition of the Etowah Valley Historical Society  
\*Newsletter is being sent to several prospective members  
\*in addition to the regular members. It is the hope of  
\*the society that all citizens interested in the history  
\*of this region will join with us in helping to cherish and  
\*preserve the legacies of pioneer Bartow Countians. To  
\*join our ranks please send your check for \$10 (\$15 for  
\*couples\*) to Mrs. M.W.H. Collins, treasurer, Box 313,  
\*Cartersville, GA. 30120

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"In 1838 several members of the Raccoon Creek Baptist Church were dismissed from the fellowship because they had attended giddy dances or circus shows, or had partaken too freely of 'ardent spirits'". These and many other events from the history of the Baptist Church in Bartow County will be related by Miss Margie Black, secretary of the Middle Cherokee Baptist Association, when she brings our summer program at Munford House on Saturday, July 11 at 3 P.M. The Board of Directors will meet at 2 P.M. Miss Black will be introduced by Mrs. Gordon Powell.

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At the July 11 meeting the Board of Directors will establish a nominating committee for the purpose of recommending members to fill vacancies on the board effective in October of this year. PLEASE NOTE: Our bylaws state that all nominations for directors, except those nominated by the nominating committee, shall be in writing, and shall be mailed to the president at least 30 days before the annual meeting (October 3). No other nominations shall be made from the floor.

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Also, changes (prospective changes) in the bylaws must be proposed in writing to the president not less than 30 days prior to the annual meeting on October 3, 1981.

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Have you been inside Munford House lately? A beautiful country house has become a beautiful country home thanks to many tasteful gifts and acquisitions of furniture, chandeliers, vases, etc. Please try to make it to our July 11 meeting. If you can not be there, remember the open house from 3 to 5 P.M. on Sunday July 19. You will experience a visual treat - and the air conditioning will be turned on.

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New Committee appointments: To Ways and Means - Dolly Lester  
To Cemetery Census-  
Margaret Franklin  
Frank Entwisle

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We have received much-appreciated donations from the Cartersville Homemakers Council and the Adairsville Homemakers Council. The Cartersville Homemakers toured Munford House in April and in June Pat Mansfield addressed the Adairsville Homemakers.

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We are grateful to Jack and Verma Jolley, who spent an entire day cleaning the large Quillian loom; they picked it up and returned it the upstairs rooms at Munford House.



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Enough cannot be said about the remarkable success achieved by Millie Pierce and her Ways and Means committee in the attic sale they conducted at Rose Lawn in May. They put in hundreds of hours of work in this endeavor and netted a substantial sum to be used for our on-going needs.

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President Jimmie Davis announces the following much-appreciated gifts:

A large crystal sandwich tray, a large Fostoria crystal tray and two Bristol vases from Mrs. J.W. Stanford, Jr.

Two pressed glass sandwich trays from Helen Collins.

Five linen cup towels from Janet Myers..

An antique cake stand from Eloise Shropshire and Mary Womelsdorf. (This belonged to their grandmother.)

A lace and linen table cloth, card table size, from Mrs. John Foley.

Two tall crystal vases from Ellen Soper.

A solid cherry dictionary stand from Kenneth Harris.

Copies of historical documents from Lucy Cunyus Mulcahy.

A silver plated water pitcher, a cranberry vase, a linen bedspread/sheet originally used in Barnsley Gardens, two brass vases, a Lenox china pitcher, a silver champagne cooler, four linen bridge table covers, eight napkins, one damask table cloth, a silver jelly server with tray, an embroidered linen card table cover, a silver vegetable dish, a silver cocktail bowl with attached tray, a braided waste basket, a needlework wall hanging, one antique wood frame with gold leaf liner, an antique gold leaf Franch frame, all given by Millie Pierce.

A new card table from Anne Gray.

Two filigree candle holders from an anonymous giver.

The material and labor to upholster the Munford/Marshall sofa in our North parlor given by Martha Wilson, granddaughter of Mrs. Keturah Marshall.

A handsome electric range from Jeff and Mary Anne Davis.

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President Davis announces the following additional acquisitions: A Victorian picture album, a pair of brass andirons, two lamp tables, a Victorian piano lamp (very similar to one at Shirley plantation in Virginia), a Victorian table lamp wired for electricity and nine dozen stainless teaspoons and forks.

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As one can see, we are ready to talk to anyone who would like to rent Munford house for a wedding, reception, luncheon, tea, etc.

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Members who were present at our Spring meeting in April recall with pleasure the interesting slide presentation brought us by Miss Grace Davis that featured Renaissance art. Grace is now in Cortona, Italy furthering her studies. She will return home in early September.

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Culminating several months of planning and work, the Publications Committee can now assure everyone that the all-color book "Historic Bartow County, 1828-1866" will soon be a reality. The committee has reviewed the galley proofs of the book, has made very minor corrections, and will view the final galley proofs in the next few days. Lee Printing Company assures us that delivery of the book will be made in early August. Time yet to place your order or increase your order at the pre-publication price of \$20. Send checks or money orders to Mrs. M.W. H. Collins, treasurer, Box 313, Cartersville, GA. 30120.



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Our thanks go to Pete Gray and Chemical Products Corp., Bartow County Bank and Fulton Savings and Loan Association for assistance in sponsoring the exhibit "Women in Art", the collection of Dr. Robert Coggins. We owe thanks also to Charles Hurley and Cartersville Newspapers for printing the invitations and to Shorter College for donating the handsome descriptive booklets for this important collection.

We were privileged to have the state Star Students visit Munford House to see the art exhibit. Their letters of appreciation have been most rewarding.

Martha White, Grace Davis, Helen Collins, Ginny Cole and Sis Stanford supplied the delicious and beautiful food for the reception for Dr. Coggins as well as for the Star Students.

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Our Marketing Committee, led by Susan Howard and including Pat Mansfield, Margaret Franklin, Pauline Pierce, Dorris McCormick, Anne Sims, Bob White and Evelyn Martin, has been very active recently. Some of them manned booths at the Kingston and Stilesboro arts festivals, selling maps, notepaper and taking orders for "Historic Bartow County". Susan plans to have a booth at the Fourth of July celebration at Dellinger Park for the same purpose.

Lonnie Howell and Clyde Jolley, accompanied by Marjorie Jolley, put on the slide show of historic Bartow County homes at the Sans Souci Club in Adairsville, and earlier, Lonnie and Lizette Entwisle showed the slides at the Kingston Museum for the Kingston Women's History Club.

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We are pleased to learn from Vice President Bob White that he and Harold "Buck" Harper plan to put on their Civil War exhibit again this fall. This exhibit was warmly received by the hundreds who saw it last year.

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Welcome to our latest out-of-state member: Miss Sharon C. Bell of Atkins, Arkansas. Miss Bell is descended from the Turner and Chasteen families who migrated to Arkansas from the Allatoona area shortly after the Civil War.

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Announcing:

The publication of the "Pioneer History of Forsyth County, Georgia", compiled and edited by Don L. Shadburn, county historian. To order at pre-publication price of \$30, mail check to Forsyth County Historical and Genealogical Society, Inc., P.O. Box 762, Cumming, GA 30130.