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## NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER, 2005

One of the items discussed at the Dalton Historian's Meeting was a monthly newsletter to improve communications with members and friends of the association. The initial report was last month. This is the second newsletter in the series.

### **Flyer**

A flyer has been developed for the use of our members. It is ready to download from the website. When you are going to an event or meeting take some of these with you. Notice that each 8 1/2 X 11 page will have three flyers that can be cut from the page.

### **Commercial Banking Account**

A commercial banking account has been established with Bank of America. Bank of America has bank branches in every state. When officers change, this bank network will facilitate the transfer of "signature cards" to the new officers. New checks will not have to be printed and bought.

Should something happen to the president, the association money could be accessed by the other officers. Should the president die, the money would not be in the estate and mixed with personal money.

Establishment of a commercial account for a non-profit organization is more involved since 9-11-01. New banking laws have been put into effect. The organization must have a set of Bylaws, Articles, a letter from the IRS awarding non-profit status, a copy of minutes announcing the new officers and photo ID of each officer and the officers have to appear before a bank officer. This has been done. We are now operating as a 501 (c) (7) non-profit organization with a bank account.

### **Cafe Press Gifts**

We will soon be into the Christmas Season. Please consider gifts from Cafe Press, which can be found on our website. The association will receive a portion of each sale. Notice that many items can be customized with the name of your ancestor. If you want to place an order with a person, just call their toll free number and a helpful operator will handle your order.

### **If your Email Address Changes, Please Be Sure to Notify All Important Contacts !**

If you are like many people these days, your email address has become a very important way to keep in touch. If you moved to a different home or office, you would make sure to update your physical mailing address with the post office as well as friends, family and business associates. Likewise, if your email address changes, please be sure to remember your friends at the General Barton & Stovall History/Heritage Association. Visit [http://www.generalbartonandstovall.com/html/contact\\_us.html](http://www.generalbartonandstovall.com/html/contact_us.html) to notify us so you stay up to date on all the latest.

### **2006 Membership Dues**

Membership Dues for 2006 are due on January 1, 2006. Please attempt to pay your dues promptly. Expenses have to be paid prior to the annual Congress so it helps to have money in the bank to pay the expenses. You will not receive a postcard or letter asking for your dues. Mailings cost too much money compared to an email message.

Please make your checks payable to : "Generals Barton and Stovall Association" or "W. Michael Griggs". The name had to be shortened, for bank purposes, because the Bank of America computer system would not accept the number of letters in our official name. The complete official name appears on documents, but the computer system is limited in space.

### **Next Month**

Next month, I expect to have a report on donations made by members in 2005, both in cash and non-cash donations. I will also have a Financial Report that details the income and expenses for 2005. December is a busy month for all of us with shopping, travel and family and business events. Please save some time in your schedule to check in here for General Barton and Stovall History/Heritage Association news and announcements.

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President