



# The CCHS Newsletter

Carroll County Historical Society

P. O. Box 1308

Carrollton, GA 30112

APRIL 2012

## *Carroll County Historical Society's Meeting Thursday April 5th, 6:30 pm the Foster Room of the Neva Lomason Library*

Joe McGinnis, author of *The Last Zinnia* and a new book being released this summer, will speak to the CCHS April Meeting.



Author Joe McGinnis will present the program talking about his books. Joe is a Carrollton native and long-time public servant, He is a 1955 graduate of Carrollton High School and Georgia State University. Joe first served on the school board from 1977 to 1993, then served as mayor of Carrollton for eight

years. He was elected to his old school board seat in 2001 and re-elected for a third term in 2009. He was elected board treasurer in 2010. Mr. McGinnis is a real estate appraiser and former salesman. He and his wife Carole have three sons, three daughters-in-law, and three grandchildren.

*Don't miss this opportunity to hear about Joe's new book coming to bookstores this summer!*



*Please renew your membership and pay dues for 2012. We need you!*

2012 Membership



CARROLL COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

<b>Individual Membership</b>	<b>\$20 per year</b>
<b>Family Membership</b>	<b>\$30 per year</b>

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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*\* Email addresses are important for receiving bulletins and announcements that we will be sending out concerning the Society activities between newsletters.*

Membership \$ \_\_\_\_\_ In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

\*\* Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*\*\* Donations to the Society will be used to fund preservation projects in Carroll County. All these donations are Tax Deductible.*

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## **Col. William Curtis Article Donated to Curtis-Marlow-Perry House Museum**

At our March meeting, Sam Pyle presented to our society a framed copy of a newspaper article on Confederate Col. William E. Curtis. It will be hung in the Curtis Room of the Curtis-Marlow-Perry House. This is the boyhood home of Col. Curtis and serves as headquarters and museum of the Carroll County Historical Society. Sam is also a member of the McDaniel-Curtis Camp 165, SCV and Carroll County Genealogical Society.

William Curtis enlisted early in the War and was elected captain of Co. F, 19<sup>th</sup> Regt. Ga. Inf. from Carroll County. At the formation of the 41<sup>st</sup> Ga. Regt., he was promoted to Lt. Col. and upon the death of Col. Charles A. McDaniel from Bowdon in late 1862; Curtis became Colonel of this unit. Col. Curtis participated in the Kentucky Campaign of 1862, at Champion's Hill and the Siege of Vicksburg, Miss., and was killed at Dug Gap near Rocky Face Ridge in north Georgia during the Atlanta Campaign of 1864.

The first article was a report made by Carroll Lodge No. 69, Carrollton, April 19, 1865 on the loss of their beloved brother William E. Curtis which attests to his patriotism, bravery, and gallant service to the South and the people of Carroll County. The second article, the Tribute of Respect paid to Col. Curtis upon his death by his fellow officers and men at Camp 41<sup>st</sup> Georgia near Dalton, Georgia on March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2011, the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Civil War. We will proudly hang this item in our museum.

If you have any historical items, we hope you will consider donating them to our CCHS Archive and Museum. Please contact one of the Board Members if you have questions regarding such donations.

We have back in our possession the 14 paintings from the former Lake Carroll Mall McDonalds that we had placed in local two banks and they await their permanent home in the Historic Carrollton Depot once it is restored.

### **PILOT CLUB OF CARROLLTON 17TH ANNUAL TOUR OF HOMES**

Tour five of West Georgia's Most Beautiful and Interesting Homes. Tickets \$10 in advance/\$15 at door. The tour will take place **1-5 pm, Sunday, April 22, 2012.**

Tickets are available at the following locations:

**Cedar Street Antiques & Arts, The Nest, Mitchell's Home Accents & Gifts, Sunnyside Café, Burson's Feed and Seed, Gallery Row, Horton's Book Store, Sweet Pea's Boutique, Connie's Creative Hair, Harry T's Car Wash, Bloomers Garden Center, Cheers Wine & Spirits.**

### **Antiques Roadshow Atlanta: Behind the Scenes Special**

Georgia Public Broadcasting will broadcast a local special program on Monday, April 16th, at 9:00 PM following the first of three weekly shows from Atlanta at 8:00 PM, April 16, 23, and 30th. Herb Bridges will appear on the local show with some of his original, hand-painted movie posters from the Loew's Grand Theatre in Atlanta from the 1930s and 1940s. The posters will be appraised by Nicholas Lowry, President of Swann Auction Galleries in New York City and the poster appraiser for Antiques Roadshow.

You will remember Herb as the Gone With The Wind authority who presented our CCHS Annual Dinner program two years ago. He has written a book on GWTW and has a vast collection of GWTW photos and collectibles. Herb can be reached by e-mail at [herb2007@bellsouth.net](mailto:herb2007@bellsouth.net).

Susan Lindsley of Atlanta will appear on the nationally televised program with her copy of Susan Myrick's GWTW book that is signed by all the actors in the GWTW film.

## A Message from President Mel Steely

Last month we had an excellent program presented by Rita Gentry on the history of the Carrollton School System. This month our program will be presented by our own Vice President, Joe McGinnis. Joe will talk about his last book, a novel featuring Carrollton in the 1940's and 50's, and give us a peek at his new book scheduled to come out this summer.

Janice Ivester, our Newsletter Chairman, is putting together a list of "old timers" from the Carrollton area to interview as part of a regular feature of the monthly newsletter. If you have suggestions, please let her know.

We are currently in a membership drive and welcome new members with open arms. If you are interested, come visit one of our programs and sign up or mail in the Membership Application today!

Mel Steely

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