



The CCHS *Newsletter*

Carroll County Historical Society

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CCHS Annual Summer Picnic

Curtis-Marlow-Perry House

228 West Avenue, Carrollton

Thursday, July 1 at 6:00 P.M.

The gardens at the Curtis-Marlow-Perry House are beautiful at this time of the year, and provide a grand setting for our Annual Summer Picnic. If you haven't seen the house and gardens lately, you'll want to bring the whole family and enjoy the evening. Eleanor Hoomes has done a superb job of establishing and tending plants and flowers which are historically correct for this 1830's house.

Drinks, paper goods, and fried chicken will be provided; each family group is asked to bring a covered dish - salad, vegetable, dessert, sandwiches, whatever - enough for your family plus one. There will be seating inside and out in the garden. Please park in the Bonner Building parking area; NOT in the apartment parking next door.



The Curtis-Marlow-Perry House and Gardens,

In 1829, when the first commissioners of Carroll County were appointed, Henry Curtiss was one of the five. The others were Hiram Sharp, William Bryce, George Gibson, and Jiles S. Boggess. Henry Curtiss sold the property, for \$150.00, for Carrollton's square to be laid out. He and his wife Nancy built their log cabin home in the 1830s and it stood outside of the city limits on Stewart Street until it was moved into the city on West Avenue in 1996. Henry Curtiss served as sheriff of Carroll County during the 1830s and in 1832 he was serving on the board of trustees of the newly incorporated Carrollton Academy. James R. Marlow purchased the Curtis house after the Civil War, and moved his family to Carrollton to occupy it.



PROGRESS ON THE DEPOT

Perhaps you are following the progress of the work on the depot. The slate roof with touches of copper is almost finished over the offices of the depot; the huge

The Perryville Battlefield

In the heart of the rolling hills of Kentucky is Perryville Battlefield. It was the largest and bloodiest military operation ever mounted in Kentucky, and the last time the Confederacy attempted to turn Kentucky to the Southern cause. The issue was decided on October 8, 1862 when two major armies met and clashed and the dream of a Confederate Kentucky suffered a mortal blow.

Under Maj. Gen. Benjamin Cheatham's division, Maney's 3rd Brigade was the 41st Georgia Infantry led by Col. Charles A. McDaniel. He had taken the Bowdon Volunteers to Virginia in the summer of 1861, but held back and missed the first major battle of the war at Manassas. Capt. McDaniel returned to Georgia to form the 41st Georgia Infantry at Kennesaw. They were immediately sent to Kentucky in hopes of securing that state for the Confederacy and in search of a source of water. While moving north towards the Ohio the rebels had to retreat and while regrouping encountered the Union on the rolling Chaplin Hills near Perryville, Kentucky. The 41st were positioned on the far right side of a cornfield where they advanced downhill facing six rows deep of soldiers with guns and cannons. The yanks unloaded all their firepower on the rebel soldiers and many of them had to retreat. This is when Col. McDaniel was wounded in the upper leg and taken 10 miles to a church hospital in Harrodsburg.

Ten days after the battle, he died and was buried in the church cemetery. There he remained for ten years until his remains were brought back to Bowdon where he rests in the Methodist Protestant Church cemetery.

Charles A. McDaniel was the younger brother to George McDaniel, great grandfather of Gwyn Chesnut and gr gr grandfather of Carter Clay. Gwyn and Carter recently attended a **Civil War Preservation Trust** Conference in Lexington, Ky. and took a walking tour of this battlefield. Perryville is the largest battlefield in Kentucky and they say that it looks much like it did during the days of the battle with its rolling hills. The CWPT is a great organization with individuals who match donations that are then used directly to save battlefield land from commercial and housing development. The efforts to save this battle have been amazing with 327 acres of crucial Western Theater Perryville land reverted back to the way it once looked in the 1860's.

The Curtis-Marlow-Perry House which was moved from Stewart Street and serves as

WORK DAY IN THE GARDENS

We need your help! Please call Janice Ivester, 770-836-1941, if you can help on Monday morning, June 28 at 9:00 A.M. Come with garden tools in hand, blue-jeans, shorts, garden gloves, T-shirt, straw hat. Under Eleanor Hoomes' direction, we'll be doing a bit of weeding, pruning, planting, and a whole lot of socializing. It will be fun!

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