



The *CCHS* Newsletter

Carroll County Historical Society

P. O. Box 1308

Carrollton, GA 30112

May 2018

- Samuel Burk Pyle Jr. to Speak at May 15th Meeting - Carrollton Bradley Street Depot at 6:30



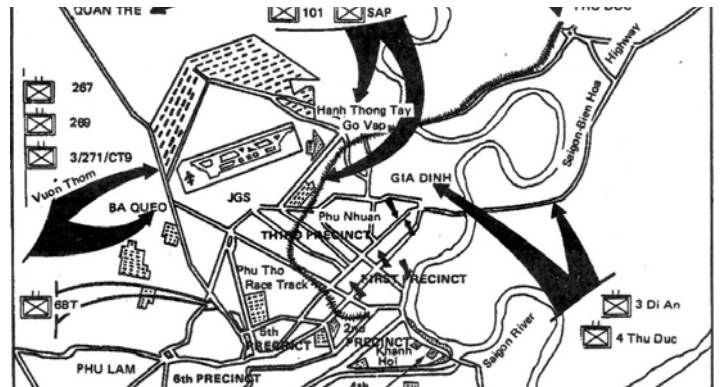
Samuel Burk Pyle Jr. was born in Atlanta, Georgia to Samuel Burk Pyle Sr and Mary Ruby Walker Pyle. He was educated in the school systems of Carroll, Fulton and Cherokee Counties. After military service he attended West Georgia College and Southern Union College.

Sam enlisted in the United States Air Force in August 1965. His Basic Training was at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas. While in service, he was stationed at Keesler Force Base in Mississippi, Niagara Falls Air Force Base, New York. While stationed at Niagara Falls he worked in law enforcement and security.

He went to Vietnam in May 1967 and was stationed at Buin Thuy Air Force Base as a Security Policeman until May 1968. While in Vietnam he helped defend Buin Thuy Base during the 1968 Tet Offensive and Spring or Mini-Tet Offensive.

When Sam returned to the States, he was assigned to Robins Air Force Base, Warner Robins, Georgia and spent time at Loring Air Force Base, Maine before being released from active duty in January 1969 at Robins Air Force Base. During his service he was awarded the following medals and ribbons: Air Force Commendation Medal, for outstanding service in Southeast Asia, Vietnam Campaign Medal with three Campaign Stars, Vietnam Service medal, Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with palm, Outstanding Unit Citation ribbon with V, Presidential Unit Citation Ribbon with three oak leaf clusters, Small Arms Expert Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal and National Defense Service Medal.

Sam returned to Carrollton and married Linda Dianne Vaughn. They have two daughters and one grandson. Sam retired from Southwire Company in 2008 after 37 years. Sam is a member of the Carroll County Historical Society; Carroll County Genealogical Society; serves on the Carroll County Cemetery Oversight Committee; a Life Member of VFW Post 15011; American Legion Post 143; Life Member of the Vietnam Security Police Association; Member of the McDaniel -Curtis Camp 165, Sons of Confederate Veterans and a member of Pleasant View Baptist Church.



The Public is cordially invited. Light Refreshments Will Be Served.

Volunteers Welcome

CCHS is involved in many projects now that can use your help. Whatever your talent may be, your effort can contribute to the successful preservation of the Carroll County historical sites, stories, and memories of the people who have made the west Georgia area such a special place to live. We need your help!

Thanks!

Mark Your Calendars

The following schedule is being announced so that you can make your plans to include the Carroll County Historical Society meetings on your calendar.

We will be going to 4 quarterly meetings going forward.

Our next meeting will be **August 21st, 2018** at the Bradley Street Depot.

May Birthdays

Barbara Stary

Sam Pyle

Gene Duke

Phillip Wren

June Birthdays

5-30 Clay Carter

5-6 Janice Ivester

5-12 Juanita Pollard

5-22 Robert Buren Brock

July Birthdays

6-7 Carolyn Crews

6-6 Tom Carrere

6-29

6-23

Wedding Anniversaries

Mr. & Mrs. Spencer Gay

Mr. & Mrs. Gene Duke

Mr. & Mrs. John T. Lewis

Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Wren

Mr. & Mrs. Scott Eldred

4-22

6-15

6-10

7-6

7-6

Recipe of the Month

Custard Pie (No Fail)

Servings 6

4 eggs ,slightly beaten

1/2 cup sugar

1/4 teaspoon salt

1 teaspoon vanilla

2 1/2 cups milk, scalded (do not boil) the milk is scalded when film on top

1 9 inch pie shell

Thoroughly mix eggs, sugar, salt and vanilla

Slowly stir in hot milk

At once, pour into unbaked pie shell

Dash top with nutmeg

Bake in pre heated oven at 475 degrees for 5 minutes; reduce heat to 425 and bake for 10 minutes, or until knife inserted half way between edge and center comes out clean.

Cool on rack. Serve cool or chilled



*Carroll County Historical Society
Membership Application 2018*

Individual Membership
Family Membership

\$30 per year
\$50 per year

Date: _____

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ *State:* _____ *ZIP:* _____

Home Phone: _____ *Cell Phone:* _____

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** E-mail addresses are important for receiving bulletins and announcements sent out concerning the Society activities between newsletters.*

Membership \$ _____ *** Donation \$* _____

Reason for Donation _____

Total Paid \$ _____

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

Members receive our CCHS Newsletter.

Mail to:

*Carroll County Historical Society
119 Canterbury Drive
Carrollton, GA 30117*

THIS MONTH IN HISTORY

HORACE KING

(SEPT. 8TH 1807 – MAY 28TH 1885)



Horace King was the most respected bridge builder in west Georgia, Alabama, and northeast Mississippi from the 1830s until the 1880s. He constructed massive town lattice truss bridges over nearly every major river from the Oconee in Georgia to the Tombigbee in Mississippi and at nearly every crossing of the Chattahoochee River from Carroll County to Fort Gaines.

In the mid-1850s King built Moore's Bridge, over the Chattahoochee River between Newnan and Carrollton, and accepted stock in the enterprise as payment. King's wife, Frances Gould Thomas (1825-64), a free black woman whom he married in 1839, and their five children are believed to have moved to this site, perhaps by 1858. There they tended the bridge, collected tolls and farmed until 1864, when the Union cavalry burned the span. The earnings from the bridge provided Horace and his family a steady income. During this period King moved freely about the South, apparently maintaining a home at Moore's Bridge and one in Girard.

In 1872 King and his family moved to LaGrange, where he continued to design and construct bridges, stores, houses, and college buildings until his death, on **May 28, 1885**. Obituaries praising his building skills appeared in the Atlanta, LaGrange, and Columbus newspapers.

He was posthumously inducted into the Alabama Engineers Hall of Fame at the University of Alabama. The award was accepted on his behalf by his great grandson, Horace H. King, Jr. He was remembered both for his engineering skill and for his character.

Horace King

Sept. 8, 1807

May 28, 1885

Master Covered Bridge Builder

Fun Fact: His grave states his date of death as May 27th, 1887 - which was later determined was incorrect.

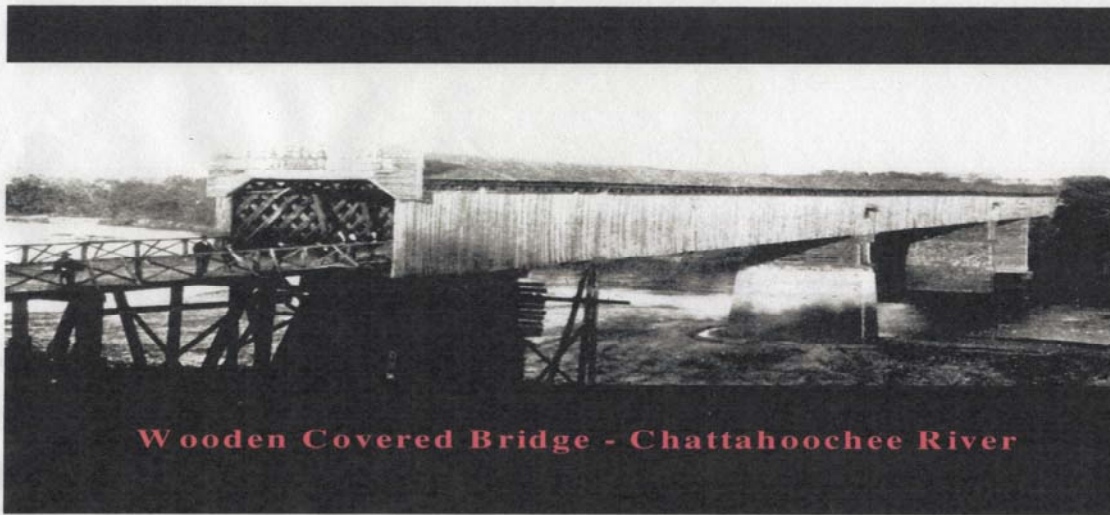
MOORE'S BRIDGE - WOODEN COVERED BRIDGE



From the official Carroll County GA website

The first Moore's Bridge was built in 1857 by Horace King, who was also a 1/3 owner along with James Moore and Charles Mabry. This 480 foot long wooden covered bridge spanning the Chattahoochee River was burned by Union troops during the Civil War on July 14, 1864. Horace King built a second wooden covered bridge between 1867 and 1868, which he also co-owned with Moore and Mabry. This bridge was washed away in the flood of 1881. During the early 1900's the Jones family acquired the site and erected a metal bridge across the Chattahoochee in 1917.

Moore's Bridge



MOORE'S-JONES BRIDGE - THE METAL BRIDGE



Message from President Scott Eldred

Spring is here, and summer is not far away. With the warmer weather and longer day time hours we are ready to start the restoration at the Moore House. We have completed testing for lead paint, and ready to start repairing damaged plaster . Once we have repaired the plaster we can start painting. We will be using a special sealer/ paint. This is a primer, sealer, paint all in one. When the painting is complete we will be able to sand and refinish the floors. The flooring is a beautiful hart pine. We will have to do a lot of wiring repair and replacement. We have some plumbing that needs to be done.

At this point we need help with donations, people to help do different tasks. I feel confident that we have society members that can help with painting, plumbing, electrical, and financial help. We have had this project for some time. We have to get this project done this summer. If we can get the help we need this will be a short project. We have had an archeology survey & several dig sites on the property around the house. We have found some 50 pieces of pottery and other artifacts.

The county has been very patient with CCHS .We are looking at a completion deadline buy 1/1/2019. We made a commitment to refurbish this historical building. We need to do what we agreed to do.

We have a lot of furniture that has been donated to the house. We have been given several display cases to be in the house to showcase select items and artifacts from the property, and period correct items from the area.

Scott

Planning Your Future?

If you are thinking about the legacy you want to leave, please consider the Carroll County Historical Society or one of its ongoing projects as an option. Including the CCHS in your estate planning is an easy way to make a lasting impact for the preservation of local history and traditions you value. Visit Carroll County Historical Society's on-line gift planning to learn how to make CCHS a beneficiary of your will, trust, life insurance policy, or retirement plan. Any amount will be greatly appreciated and will enable the Society to preserve our heritage for future generations. Learn more details by calling **706-402-1195 or by visiting www.carrollcountyhistory.org.**

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