

The CCHS

Newsletter

Carroll County Historical Society

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MARCH 2016

Carroll County Historical Society March Meeting

The March General Meeting of the Carroll County Historical Society will be held on Tuesday, March 15 at 6:30 p.m. in the Tracy Stallings Community Center.

The **CCHS** is pursuing several projects to preserve and restore historical treasures in the county, including the effort to rally support for restoration of the historic Moore home at Moore's Bridge County Park. Dr. Jack Crews and Scott Eldred have done a preliminary inspection of the Moore house and will provide up-



dates on that and the other projects that are being considered.

Left: The steel bridge framework that replaced the two earlier wooden bridges over the Chattahoochee River is located just south of the Moore home which was featured in an earlier Newsletter.

Light Refreshments will be served.

The public is cordially invited.

Artist Tom Nielsen Presents Three of His Works to Historical Society

Tom Nielsen presented the February CCHS Program which featured many fine examples of his work over the past three decades. Tom has painted portraits of numerous nationally famous people including senators, generals, and politicians. In addition, he has designed a silver coin which was minted by the U. S. Mint and raised \$ 2 Million for veteran causes. One of his famous paintings was a poster designed to honor the branches of the military. To avoid slighting any branch, he used a bald eagle clutching an olive branch to depict the strength of all.



He presented three works to the Historical Society including the one shown being presented to Jack Crews, Society President.

In a recent change of pace, Tom has re-directed his attention from portraits to marine topics. For examples of his marine paintings, see the February issue of the CCHS Newsletter on the CCHS web-site at:

www.carrollcountyhistory.org

Left: Tom Nielsen presents *The Last Patrol* poster to Dr. Jack Crews

Below: Tom Nielsen describes the history behind three of his portraits.



Carroll County Historical Society Membership Application 2016

Individual Membership

\$30 per vear

Family Membership		\$50 per year
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Membership \$		In Memory of
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** Donations to the County. All donatio		sed to fund preservation projects in Carroll tible.
	Members rece	eive our CCHS Newsletter.
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Jesse Bell, WW-II Navy Veteran, Spoke to the January Meeting



Jesse Bell captivated the CCHS members at its January meeting in the restored Carrollton Depot passenger waiting room. He retold the story of his journey from his family's Roopville farm, to his WW-II service in the US Navy, his post-war career at Lockheed Aircraft in Marietta, and his experience with the Experimental Aircraft Association.

Almost 90 years old now, he still enjoys airplanes and flying. He's known as the "go to" guy for technical information about aircraft, and is a registered aircraft inspector. He "signs off" airworthiness approvals on locally owned aircraft, including many of the home-built aircraft constructed by EAA members. Left: Jesse and his wife enjoyed one of his humorous episodes as much as the CCHS members did.



America Remembers
Tom Nielsen explains
the thinking behind
his famous poster
honoring the MIAPOW's of the Vietnam War and how
he honored all military branches with
the American symbolism of the bald eagle.

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