



The *CHS* Newsletter

Carroll County Historical Society

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February 2018

- W. Jeff Bishop to Speak at February 20th Meeting - Carrollton Bradley Street Depot at 6:30

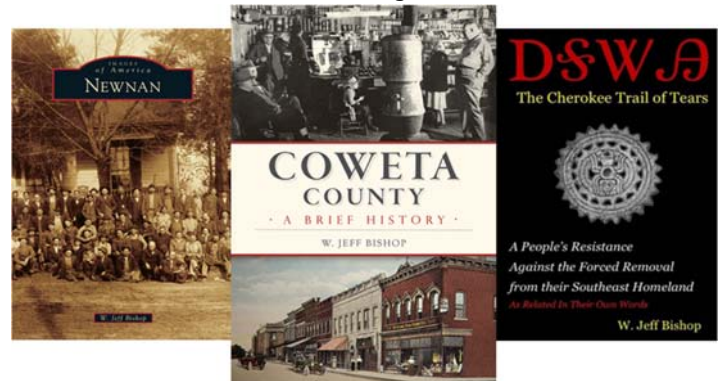


WW. Jeff Bishop is the executive director of the Newnan-Coweta Historical Society. Jeff grew up in Senoia, Georgia and worked for many years as a writer and editor for the Times-Herald newspaper and Newnan-Coweta Magazine, as well as other North Georgia newspapers. He was selected by the Newnan Theatre Company to write a play in 2016 about the 1948 John Wallace trial, the basis of Margaret Anne Barnes' *Murder in Coweta County*. He has written several books on Newnan and Coweta County history for Arcadia Press, the History Press, and other publishers, and has appeared on national television discussing local oracle Mayhayley Lancaster for "Monumental Mysteries," as well as in the documentary film, "Mayhayley Lancaster: Legend of an Oracle."

Jeff received his undergraduate degree in journalism from the University of Georgia and his master's degree in Public History and Museum Studies at the University of West Georgia. He served as president of the Trail of Tears Association's Georgia chapter from 2007 to 2014, and co-authored journal articles for *Southeastern Archaeology* and *Dendrochronologia* on the Chief John Ross House in Rossville and the Cave Spring log cabin.

He has also authored research reports for the National Park Service on the Chief John Ross House, the Cherokee Removal Forts, and the Running Waters council ground. His public history projects have included developing wayside exhibits and road signage that interpret the Trail of Tears in Georgia and authoring a new Georgia Trail of Tears map and brochure, which are now available in welcome centers all over the nation. He lives in Newnan, GA with his wife and five children.

His newest book is called *AGATAHI: THE CHEROKEE TRAIL OF TEARS*. This summer marks the 180th anniversary of the Trail of Tears, the forced removal of the Cherokee people from their homeland. This new book is the first of its kind, telling the Trail of Tears from the point of view of those who experienced it. While many books have been written about the so-called "Trail of Tears," most contain precious little testimony from the Cherokee people themselves, according to Bishop. When they do include those voices, they typically are those of the political elites of the time such as Chief John Ross, Elias Boudinot, and John Ridge. "And we should include those voices," said Bishop. "But there's much more to this story. Where are the voices of the Cherokee subsistence farmer? The widow with young children? The toll collector? The student? The orphan?" This book is an attempt to restore those lost voices, he said, using testimony taken from the Cherokee people themselves during and after their Removal.



The title of the book translates into the English word, "witness."

That is appropriate to this story, Bishop said. "The book is comprised primarily of Cherokee stories of their Removal," said Bishop. "I was trying to focus mostly on Cherokee stories, Cherokee voices, because they really haven't been heard before, or at least not in great detail. Most of their testimony hasn't even been transcribed by anyone." Bishop currently serves on the Friends of New Echota board of directors and he was recently appointed by the governor to serve on the Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council.

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 **April 17th** at the Bradley Street Depot.

January Birthdays	February Birthdays	March Birthdays	February Anniversaries
Ruth Holder 1-23	Harold Ivester 2-3	Nellie Duke 3-8	Juanita & John Wayne Pollard 2-3
Donna Spivey 1-2	Wilma Upchurch 2-13		Jo & Robert Buren Brock 2-14
	Gwyn Chesnut 2-25		
	Ross Miller 2-13		March Anniversaries
	Carole Riddle 2-18		Janice & Harold Ivester 3-20
	Meredith Barr 2-15		

Recipe of the Month

Mock Cracker Barrel Hashbrown Casserole

A family favorite! The Mock Cracker Barrel Hashbrown Casserole needs just 5 minutes of prep and is absolutely cheesy, delicious and completely irresistible! The perfect breakfast casserole! Or any time!

Ingredients:

32 oz frozen shredded hash browns , defrosted
 1/2 cup melted butter
 1 (10 1/4 ounce) can of cream of chicken soup (or cream of cheddar)
 1 pint of sour cream
 1/2 cup onion finely chopped
 2 cups grated colby cheese
 1/4 teaspoon pepper

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.
 Combine all ingredients in a large bowl reserving 1/2 cup of cheese for topping.
 Place in a greased 9x13 casserole dish and top with reserved cheese.
 Bake for 45-55 minutes or until hot and bubbly.



*Carroll County Historical Society
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\$30 per year
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Message from President Scott Eldred

It has been decided that the Carroll County Historical Society will make a few changes for 2018 and going forward.

Firstly, we are going to have quarterly board meetings instead of monthly meetings. Secondly, we will also only be having 4 general meetings a year, and they will all be at the Historic Depot on Bradley Street..

Making this change we will still bring great programs. Over the past 5 years we have had the pleasure of presenting over forty general programs, of all kinds of speakers. Speakers from the local area have a great deal of information to offer and present to us.

Carroll County has a very rich history.in the development of not only our local area, but to the migration westward movement of people. The land west of the Chattahoochee river was the new frontier. There were bridges, and ferry's across the river from Atlanta down stream to Columbus, GA. This included the ferry that James D. Moore operated at Whitesburg and later the covered bridge built by Horace King,

Both the ferry and the covered bridges were used by settlers and pioneers moving into the western frontier. By all that we have learned these ferry's and bridges were very busy . We also had great use of the barges working on the Chattahoochee river to move goods and products in and out of the local area. Some of these goods were even moved west with the pioneers and settlers.

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 on-going 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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