

MCC 2021 Spring Road Trip ***Cruisin' to Cotesworth Cultural & Heritage Center***



**Come and cruise with MCC
to the historic grounds
of Cotesworth Cultural & Heritage Center
on Saturday, April 24th**

Enjoy entertainment, food, and refreshments
beginning at 9:00 a.m. until event closes.

View demonstrations of arts and crafts by:
North Mississippi Dulcimer Group for period
music

Carroll County Quilting Group for sewing and
quilting demonstration

Mike Roberts for blacksmithing demonstration

View a 1911 Electric Car

The trip will start in the Madison Kroger parking lot located at corner of Highway 51 and Hoy Road, Madison, MS. We will leave promptly at 8:00 a.m. April 24th. We will travel on Highway 51 to just north of Pickens and then take highway 17 to Lexington. Then staying on Highway 17 we will go north into Carrollton and then North Carrollton, MS. Still on Highway 17 we will go about 1 mile north to the entrance to Cotesworth (on your left) which will be well marked. The trip to Cotesworth is about 80 miles over really good roads. The 2-lane roads let the group get more of a view of the countryside.

History of Cotesworth, Ancestral Home of Senator James Zachariah George

In the 1860's, a Carroll County lawyer and future U.S. Senator James Zachariah (J. Z.) George ("Senator George") purchased several hundred acres of rolling farmland, including a stage coach inn. In 1903, the home was described in *The Clarion Ledger* as beautiful and picturesque with its long and wide verandas and spacious halls, all built on the summit of a fern covered hill, shaded by a thousand pecan trees. Senator George enlarged the structure into a stunning Greek revival mansion and named it "Cotesworth" for his friend, Mississippi Supreme Court Chief Justice Cotesworth Pinckney Smith.

In the late 1887, Senator George added a landmark hexagonal library on the south lawn to house his vast collection of law books. These structures have been beautifully preserved over the years and can now be enjoyed by visitors to the Cotesworth Culture and Heritage Center.

Cotesworth was owned by successive generations of Senator J. Z. George's descendants with his great granddaughter, Mrs. Katherine Williams being the last owner.



Mrs. Williams sold the house, library and five acres to a non-profit who now operate the structure under the Cotesworth Culture and Heritage Center. Mrs. Williams owns all the land surrounding Cotesworth and operates a big cattle operation on that property. The plantation house was used in the filming of the movie "The Help" and also "The Sound And The Fury."

COTESWORTH ***Cruisin' Cotesworth 2021***

Join us on the historic grounds of the Cotesworth Culture & Heritage Center near Carrollton, Mississippi, for Cruisin' Cotesworth 2021!

Saturday, April 24, 2021

View antique, classic, and collectible automobiles and talk with owners.
Enjoy Entertainment, Food, and Refreshments.
Beginning at 9:00 a.m. lasting until close.

This year's plans include demonstrations of arts and crafts from years gone by!

Email Mike at mikeamartin02349@gmail.com to put your name on the list for this trip.

For more information on Cotesworth visit their website at

<http://www.cotesworthcenter.org/>

CRUISIN' COTESWORTH



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