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NCGS has two upcoming events you won't want to miss:

The Fifth Annual Speakers Forum

24 July 2010

North Carolina Museum of History Auditorium

5 East Edenton Street

Raleigh, North Carolina 27601

Registration begins at 8:15 AM

The program runs from 8:45 AM until 3:55 PM.

More details can be found on page 9 of this newsletter and on the NCGS website at <http://www.ncgenealogy.org>



NCGS Annual Meeting and Workshop

12–13 November 2010

Brownstone Inn

1707 Hillsborough Street

Raleigh, North Carolina 27605

The theme will be

“Solutions for Finding Our British Isles Ancestors”
with speaker Paul Milner

A registration form can be found on page 12 in this newsletter.

Watch the society's website (<http://www.ncgenealogy.org>)
for more details later this summer.

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NCGS Journal

Jeffrey Haines, CGSM, Editor

The *North Carolina Genealogical Society Journal* is published quarterly in February, May, August, and November. Submit articles, comments, questions, and suggestions to Jeffrey L. Haines, CGSM, at *JournalEditor@ncgenealogy.org*.

NCGS News

Phyllis Matthews Ziller, MLIS, Editor

NCGS News, the newsletter of the North Carolina Genealogical Society, is published quarterly in January, April, July, and October. Submit articles, comments, and suggestions to Phyllis Matthews Ziller at *NCGSNewsEditor@ncgenealogy.org*.

President's Message

by Ann Christnacht Hilke, CGSM

Wow, what a great year to be involved in family history. During the spring of the year, many genealogists awaited the beginning of the *Who Do You Think You Are?* television series. We saw Sarah Jessica Parker discover that she had an ancestor accused of being a witch who was put on trial during the Salem Witch Trials. Parker later found the grave of her ancestor in a local Salem cemetery. Having visited cemeteries and finding the final resting place of many of my ancestors, I understand the range of emotions Parker experienced. My favorite *WDYTYA* episode was the one featuring Susan Sarandon. In this episode, the show followed Sarandon's journey to find information about her grandmother with very little information known about her. Sarandon's mother remembered meeting her mother only once when she was twelve. If you missed any of the episodes, you can watch them on your computer by going to <http://www.nbc.com/who-do-you-think-you-are/>.

I do have one complaint about *WDYTYA*. It all looked too easy. Wouldn't it be great if we could head to Europe, California, Boston, or Raleigh, North Carolina, have a personal conversation with a prominent researcher in the area, receive documents with a personal explanation relating to our ancestor, and arrange for a personal guide to show us the important local places in our ancestor's lives? Of course, if *WDYTYA* showed how difficult it is sometimes to find information about our ancestors, such as the names of parents, each episode could be a series lasting several seasons. It is probably better not to mention to the new genealogist how difficult finding an ancestor can be. Hopefully viewers will fall hook, line, and sinker into the research needed to find our ancestors before they discover how difficult it can be.

If you are a fan of the show, you have heard NBC has renewed it for a second season. I know I am looking forward to next season.

The deadline for the
next issue of the *NCGS News*
is Sunday, August 15.

New Members

From December 2009 through February 2010

Mrs. Kerby Parker, CGSM, Easton, MD
Harold Ford, Stone Mountain, GA
Jim Muse, Arlington, VA (Patron member)
Betty A. Holland, Mechanicsville, VA
Barbara Jo Brothers, San Antonio, TX
Charles Nesbit, Pfafftown, NC
April Helmick, Atlanta, GA
Doug and Leslie Black, Salisbury, NC
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James Gossett, Ithaca, NY
Katrina Moore, Indian Trail, NC
Mary Jane West, Lufkin, TX
Marieta Grissom, Indianola, TX
Randy Harwood, Henderson, NV
Patti Robel, Menlo Park, CA
Carl Leak, Winston-Salem, NC
Phillip G. Lewis, Charlotte, NC
Linda G. Neal, Escondido, CA
Steve Ditto, Westlake, OH
Kim Geier, Pueblo West, CO
Nancy J. Hoyt, Wilmington, NC
Sue Doty Copley, Cincinnati, OH
Wade D. Dorland, Chapel Hill, NC
Susan Sides, Salisbury, NC
George Thomas, Four Oaks, NC
Nancy Barber, North Little Rock, AR
Michael Ferguson, Fisherville, KY

In Memoriam

NCGS has lost a friend and supporter. Frances H. Wynne passed away on 19 March 2010 in Wendell, North Carolina. She was active in genealogy for many years and the author of several Wake County genealogy books. She served NCGS as a Program Chairman and had also served on the Board of Directors. Frances will be missed greatly by the many friends who knew her.

Volunteer Opportunities

NCGS has several projects and opportunities in need of volunteers. Take a moment to read the list below to see where you might fit in.

- ▶ Help man the booth in Knoxville (see article below)
- ▶ Abstract names for the Loose Estate Records of North Carolina project (see article on page 5)
- ▶ Abstract documents for Journal
- ▶ Small project managers
- ▶ Proofreaders & typists

Send your name to info@ncgenealogy.org or to NCGS, P. O. Box 30815, Raleigh, NC 27622-0815, and someone will be in touch with you.

Donation

NCGS thanks Stefani Evans of Las Vegas, Nevada, for a donation in memory of Joan Marie Scoggin-Chapal of Hendersonville, North Carolina.

We Need Your Help in Knoxville

If you are going to the FGS conference in Knoxville, Tennessee, from 18-21 August 2010, consider spending an hour or two at the NCGS booth in the exhibit hall. Conference attendees will be able to purchase NCGS memberships and publications at the booth.

A fifteen-minute training session for volunteers will be held each day.

The booth will be open as follows:

Thursday, 19 August: 9:30 AM–5:00 PM

Friday, 20 August: 12:00 PM–7:00 PM

Saturday, 21 August: 9:00 AM–5:00 PM

If you have a question, or wish to volunteer for the booth, please contact Vickie Burns at booksales@ncgenealogy.org.

2010 NCGS Awards

by Linda K. Reid

As researchers, we appreciate those who work hard to transcribe and abstract documents and cemeteries. Compilations, published both in print and on websites, save us years of searching. If you or someone you know has done an extraordinary job of expanding North Carolina genealogy, we would like to hear from you. An entry form can be found in this issue of *NCGS News* on page 15 and on our website (<http://www.ncgenealogy.org>) to nominate your favorite journal, book, or website. Awards are also presented to individuals who have made outstanding contributions to North Carolina genealogy or to NCGS. Requirements for awards consideration are contained within the form.

Nominations must be received by 1 September 2010. Nomination forms and submissions should be mailed to NCGS Awards, P. O. Box 30815, Raleigh, NC 27622-0815. Nominations are reviewed by a panel of judges and awards will be presented during the NCGS Annual Meeting held in Raleigh in November. Printed materials should properly cite their sources. Submissions of printed material are donated to the State Library of North Carolina in Raleigh after the judging process. If you have questions, please send an e-mail to awards@ncgenealogy.org.

I encourage you to honor worthy efforts in the North Carolina genealogical community by nominating their work for the NCGS awards program this year.

NCGS Memberships

NCGS memberships run on a calendar year basis and cost \$40 for individuals and institutions, \$45 for families (same residence), and \$100 for patrons. A \$5 discount is available on renewals received by December 1 of the preceding year.

Members will receive two quarterly publications: the *NCGS Journal* and the *NCGS News*. Members are also invited to attend, at a discount, the NCGS annual meeting and workshop and all other NCGS-sponsored programs.

A membership renewal form can be found online at the NCGS website (<http://www.ncgenealogy.org>) and on page 13 of this newsletter.

Staff Changes at the State Library

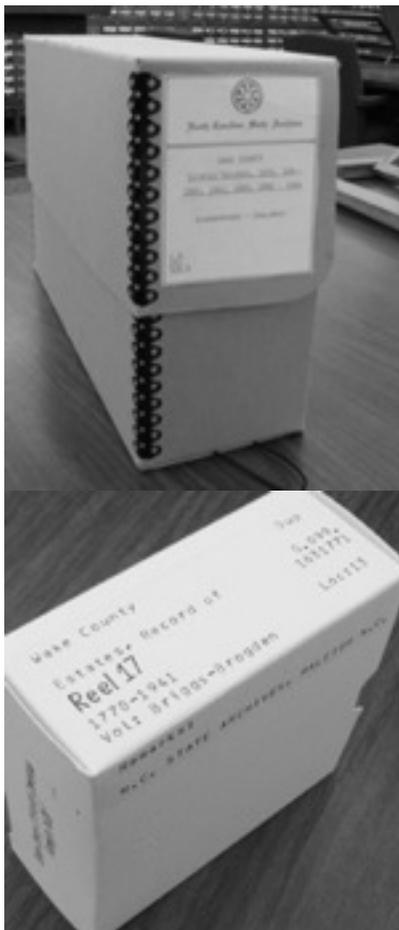
Pam Toms, the State Library's Genealogical Services Supervisor since 2000, retired on 1 May 2010. Pam's expert knowledge and dedication will be missed but the State Library's Government and Heritage Library will continue its strong commitment to providing genealogical services and resources to researchers. Pam recently reflected on her thirty-year career as a genealogy reference librarian: "I had the privilege of being part of this specialized field of knowledge as it increased in followers, expanded in published resources, entered and took off running in the electronic realm, and matured in methodology. I heard countless fascinating family stories over the years, rejoiced with researchers in their triumphs, shared in their frustrations and watched them develop in their expertise as I sent them off to try yet another strategy—all the while learning so much from them in the process. My career at the State Library of North Carolina was all the more rewarding in seeing local history and genealogy collections expand and thrive in serving researchers across the state of North Carolina."

Kay Tillotson was promoted to Genealogical Research Librarian. She will provide research assistance, serve as the primary contact with genealogical organizations, and help with training activities. Kay has worked at the State Library since 2000 as Assistant Genealogy Librarian. Erin Bradford, formerly of the Government Documents Branch, was promoted to Genealogical Reference Librarian. She will answer mail and e-mail reference questions, create improved genealogical content for the library's web pages, and provide genealogical information via the GHL blog, Twitter, and Facebook. Erin has many years experience in researching genealogy and antebellum free African-Americans. All genealogy staff will report directly to Cheryl McLean, head of the Information Services Branch.

The Heritage of Nash County

Do you have ancestors in Nash County? You may be interested in the *Nash County Heritage Book*. This limited-edition book is available to those who pre-order (the book will be printed in late 2010). For information and ordering instructions, visit <http://www.county-heritage.com/nc/nash/index.php>.

Loose Estate Records of North Carolina



Project Scope

To index and publish an alphabetical surname listing of all extant loose estates found within the North Carolina Archives county record series in addition to those found within the colonial records of the Secretary of State and District Courts.

Volunteers Needed

We need three kinds of volunteers:

- 1. Indexers from microfilm.** Individuals will abstract from microfilm the name of the individual and the year of probate. This record series was microfilmed by the LDS in the 1980s and virtually all extant loose estates held at the North Carolina State Archives are contained on these reels. Volunteers can work at *any local library in North Carolina* through the interlibrary loan system. Special arrangements will be made to accommodate volunteers who live outside North Carolina and film will be sent from the North Carolina State Library. Abstracted information can be keyed into a personal computer from a downloadable template provided by NCGS and then uploaded when complete, or the template can be printed, if necessary, and the microfilm abstracts handwritten. These completed forms can then be e-mailed, faxed, or mailed back to the society for data entry.
- 2. Data Entry.** Individuals will key in handwritten abstracts.
- 3. Onsite Verifiers.** Individuals will need to be able to work at the State Archives in Raleigh, North Carolina. These volunteers will manually verify that the records abstracted from microfilm match the current holdings at this repository and make additions and corrections where necessary.

How Can You Volunteer?

Microfilm Indexers: You may sign up for your county of choice when available, and you may request up to five reels of microfilm at a time. *Please make sure prior to volunteering that you have access to a library with a microfilm reader.* Once you have signed up, you will be contacted by a coordinator who will be available to answer any questions that arise. *Each reel of film takes approximately two hours to abstract.* We ask that you request no more than what you can commit to complete in a two-week time period. Once you have submitted your information and returned the film you may then repeat the volunteer process .

Data Entry Volunteers: You will be assigned a coordinator who will work with you to forward handwritten entries. The project template can be used online to enter the variable information and then simply uploaded. In addition, we will need individuals to input the names of the thirty-six counties that have already been indexed by Archives staff.

Onsite Verifiers: You will be given a listing of names within a particular county and asked to verify that the information abstracted accurately matches the extant file. There may be some estate records found on site that were accessioned since the LDS completed microfilming; these will be added to the index through the verification process.

All volunteers will be recognized publicly for their contributions to this project.

Questions? Please send an e-mail to Vickie Burns at secondvicepresident@ncgenealogy.org

Society Spotlight

by Victor T. Jones, 1st Vice President

Southeastern North Carolina
Genealogical Society
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The Southeastern North Carolina Genealogical Society serves the geographical area of Columbus County and its bordering counties of Robeson, Pender, Bladen, and Brunswick in North Carolina and Horry in South Carolina. The society meets at 2:00 PM on the second Saturday of odd numbered months at the North Carolina Museum of Forestry, 415 South Madison Street, Whiteville, North Carolina; however, due to recent renovations of that facility, they are temporarily meeting at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 307 South Franklin Street, Whiteville, North Carolina. You may wish to check the society website (URL below) for information about the meeting place before attending.

Individual memberships in the Southeastern North Carolina Genealogical Society are \$20. Memberships are payable 1 January of each year. The society produces a bimonthly newsletter titled *Roots and Remembrances*. A recent issue of *Roots and Remembrances* included articles on “Indian Families of Southeastern North Carolina”; the “Will of Josiah Nye”; “George Soule of the Mayflower”; a listing of new genealogy books at the Carolyn T. High Memorial Library; and society news of upcoming events.

The current slate of officers is president, Slade Skipper; vice-president, Richard Wright; recording secretary, Alice Soles; corresponding secretary, Patricia Fipps; treasurer, Jean H. Williamson; and newsletter editor, John H. Williamson.

The society’s website can be found at <http://sencgs.org>. Links to projects, family histories, local history, cemeteries, and other helpful resources can be found there.

Upcoming Events

24 July 2010—The **Fifth Annual Speakers Forum**, sponsored by NCGS, will be held in Raleigh at the North Carolina Museum of History Auditorium, 5 East Edenton Street. Registration begins at 8:15 AM and the program runs from 8:45 AM until 3:55 PM. More details can be found on page 9 of this newsletter and on the NCGS website (<http://www.ncgenealogy.org>).

14 August 2010—The **Fifth Yadkin Valley History Fair and Genealogical Conference**, sponsored by the Yadkin Valley Historical Association, will be held at the First United Methodist Church Family Life Center located at 310 North Main Street in Mocksville, North Carolina, from 8:00 AM until 5:00 PM. The theme of the conference is “Daniel and Rebecca Bryan Boone, Their Lives and Times.” The keynote Boone speaker will be Randell Jones, author of *In the Footsteps of Daniel Boone*. The keynote Bryan speaker will be David R. Bryan, Bryan Family Researcher and Historian. For more information, and to register for the conference, visit the association’s conference page at <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ncyadvha/>.

18–21 August 2010—The **Federation of Genealogical Societies** annual conference will be held at the Knoxville Convention Center in Knoxville, Tennessee. This year’s conference is co-hosted by the East Tennessee Historical Society and the Kentucky Historical Society. The theme for the conference is “Rediscovering America’s First Frontier.” For further information and a registration form, visit the FGS website at <http://www.fgs.org>.

12–13 November 2010—The **North Carolina Genealogical Society**’s annual meeting and workshop will be held at the Brownstone Inn, 1707 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh, North Carolina 27605. The theme will be “Solutions for Finding Our British Isles Ancestors,” and the featured speaker for the two-day event will be Paul Milner. A registration form can be found on page 12 in this newsletter. Watch the society’s website (<http://www.ncgenealogy.org>) later this summer for more details and registration information.

Society News

The **Chatham County Courthouse and Chatham Historical Museum** caught fire on 25 March 2010.

The following is from “A Special Edition of the CCHA Newsletter” on 1 April 2010:

“Late Thursday afternoon, March 25, fire broke out in the [Chatham County] courthouse in the circle in Pittsboro. Most of the roof and much of the building’s interior were destroyed before the fire was contained. Built in 1881, the building has undergone several additions and renovations, and at the time of the fire the building was again under repair, covered with scaffolding so that the windows could be replaced and other parts renovated and repainted. Fire losses include the courtroom, judges’ and other offices, belongings of employees and some court materials. Our Chatham Historical Museum was in the SW corner on the first floor where the least of the fire was. We did incur water and smoke damage, but nothing actually burned. The full extent of the damage to the museum collection is not completely known, although most items have now been recovered from the building and we’re increasingly optimistic that many materials can be restored.”

For continuing information about the courthouse and the museum, check the CCHA website: <http://www.chathamhistory.org>.

From the **Henderson County Genealogical and Historical Society Journal**, March 2010:

The new Transylvania Genealogical Society, a program of the Transylvania Heritage Coalition, Inc., the non-profit organization that currently operates the Transylvania Heritage Museum, proudly announces a new program of the Coalition. In keeping with its goal of stimulating interest in local history and encouraging individuals to participate in preserving local heritage, the Transylvania Genealogical Society (TGS) has been formed.

Transylvania Genealogical Society will hold meetings open to the public as well as members on the second Tuesday, 7:00 PM, bi-monthly in 2010, starting in February, locations to be announced. Check the society’s website (www.transylvaniagenealogy.com) for meeting place and membership information.

This spring, the **North Carolina Genealogical Society (NCGS)** sponsored two workshops, one in March and the other in April. The first, an afternoon of lectures on genealogy research of Scots-Irish ancestors, was quickly set up when it was learned that two representatives from the Ulster Historical Foundation (Belfast, Ireland) would be able to stop in North Carolina during their 2010 U. S. tour. Finlan Mullan and Brian Trainor gave talks to over fifty participants at the North Carolina State Library Auditorium the afternoon of 15 March. Excellent research aids were provided through handouts at the lectures, and electronic files were distributed shortly thereafter. NCGS thanks Craig Scott for generously providing the printed handouts that were compiled and printed expeditiously.

The second event was co-sponsored by NCGS and the Wilkes Genealogical Society (WGS) on 10 April at the Elks Club Lodge in North Wilkesboro. J. Mark Lowe educated and entertained approximately fifty attendees with four lectures centered around the theme “Farmhouse, Meeting House, Court House: Breathing Life Into Your Family’s Story.” Techniques for working with the pre-1850 censuses were among the many ideas that Lowe provided. WGS made the arrangements for the day-long workshop which featured a full-course buffet lunch with an abundance of choices including fried chicken, country ham, and blackberry cobbler.

NCGS Journal, 2001-2007, Now Online

The North Carolina Genealogical Society has expanded its members-only offering of *North Carolina Genealogical Society Journal* issues on its website.

Until 1 January 2010, members were able to access PDFs of *Journal* issues released between the first issue of February 1975 and the November 2000 issue. The *Journal* will now be available up to and including two years prior to the current membership year. On 1 January 2010, the issues from 2001 through 2007 were posted to the website. Every January, another year’s worth of issues of the *Journal* will be posted.

The *Journal* issues on the web are full-text searchable on a per-issue basis.

Publishing Local Society Contact Information

by Jordan Jones, NCGS Webmaster

This is a reminder that the North Carolina Genealogical Society has a web page for contact information about local genealogical and historical societies, libraries, and archives. This page is intended as a resource for members and non-members of the Society and as a way to connect those interested in North Carolina genealogy with relevant groups and institutions.

Currently, 162 groups and institutions are listed in the directory. From the menu bar at the top of any page on the NCGS website, select **Resources ► Societies / Libraries / Archives** to get to the listing of these groups. You will note that listings are divided into four categories:

- Genealogical Societies (North Carolina and regional genealogical societies)
- Heritage & Hereditary Society Chapters (North Carolina and regional chapters of heritage & hereditary societies)
- Libraries, Archives & Museums (North Carolina and regional libraries, archives & museums of interest to genealogists)
- Historical Societies (North Carolina and regional historical societies)

Any member can suggest an addition to the database. To do so:

1. Log into the site.
2. Select **Resources ► Societies / Libraries / Archives**.
3. Click **Add New Entry**.
4. Enter the information for the group or institution you are suggesting for the list. The only mandatory fields are: Title (that is, the name of the group or organization), street, city, state, zip code. There are many optional fields including fields for membership fees, the start of membership years, the number of volumes or shelves in a genealogical library, and a place to write a description of the institution or group.
5. Select one or more categories.
6. Click **Send**.

A more detailed explanation of all the options available in the input form for the directory is available in my previous article, "How to Add to the Directory" (published in the Winter 2010 issue of NCGS News and available online at <http://www.ncgenealogy.org>).

Once you submit your listing, the members of the Publication Committee will consider it and will post it. Our criteria is simply that the group or institution must be relevant to genealogical researchers in North Carolina (or researchers who live elsewhere but conduct North Carolina research). We reserve the right to edit entries for clarity, completeness, and consistency with the rest of the listings.

Updates to the directory are available via RSS (really-simple syndication) at <http://bit.ly/ncgs-directory>.

We hope that members will contribute to this resource and help us add to and maintain our list of relevant resources and groups. To help maintain organizations, please contact me at webmanager@ncgenealogy.org and let me know that you are the public outreach officer for one of the listed groups. On behalf of the NCGS, I can provide you with access to keep your group, library, or archive's listing up-to-date.

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For general information on North Carolina counties, refer to [NC County and County Seat Map](#) (Ancestry.com, free).

- Genealogical Societies (75-)**
NC and Regional Genealogical Societies
- Heritage & Hereditary Society Chapters (15-)**
NC and Regional Chapters of Heritage & Hereditary Societies
- Libraries, Archives & Museums (42-)**
NC and Regional Libraries, Archives & Museums of Interest to Genealogists
- Historical Societies (30-)**
NC and Regional Historical Societies

Afro-American Historical & Genealogical Society P. O. Box 36254 Greensboro NC 27416-6254	Alamance Battleground Chapter - NCSSAR 804 West Davis Street Burlington NC 27215 County: Alamance
Alamance Co., Genealogical Society PO Box 3052 Burlington NC 27215-3052 County: Alamance General E-Mail Membership Year Begins: September 1 Membership Dues: \$15	Albemarle Co., Genealogical Society 142 Waterly Road Cainlock NC 27923 County: Albemarle, Camden, Currituck, Dare Membership Year Begins: 1-Jan Membership Dues: \$8.00

Visit NCGS on the web at www.ncgenealogy.org

Fifth Annual Speakers Forum Saturday, 24 July 2010

The Fifth Annual Speakers Forum, sponsored by NCGS, will be held on Saturday, 24 July 2010, at the North Carolina Museum of History Auditorium, 5 East Edenton Street, Raleigh, North Carolina 27601. Registration begins at 8:15 AM, and the program runs from 8:45 AM until 3:55 PM. The registration fee is \$30 for NCGS members and \$40 for non-members. An optional lunch is available for \$10. A registration form can be found on the NCGS website at <http://www.ncgenealogy.org>.

Attendees will be able to attend all five talks at the Speakers Forum. The theme for the day is "Using Research Tools You May Not Know About."

Mike Brubaker, staff genealogist at the James G. Kenan Research Center at the Atlanta History Center, will present the talk "Beyond the Obituary: Using Newspapers in Family History Research." Moving beyond obituaries and death announcements, this program will focus on various bits of information available in newspaper columns. Samples of gossip columns, news reports, and legal notices will be examined as sources of information for family history research.

Stewart Dunaway is the author of several North Carolina Revolutionary War books and is a member of the Sons of the American Revolution. He will speak on "North Carolina County Road, Bridge, Ferry, and Mill Petitions: Another Source for Genealogists." County road records as well as those for infrastructure such as mills, ferries, bridges and taverns/ordinaries, found in the State Archives, are treasures of historical information. This program will illustrate how these records (including maps and drawings of the area) provide names of land owners, signatures, dates, and other locale commentary.

Katherine Benbow, a licensed clinical social worker, is on the Board of Directors of NCGenWeb, Inc. She will present the talk, "DNA & Genealogy: A Beginner's Guide to Using DNA in Genealogy Research." Should you pursue DNA testing in tracing your family tree? This program will introduce you to how DNA can be used as a supplemental tool in genealogy research. Examples from the presenter's projects will be discussed.

Diane L. Richard, principal of Mosaic Research and Project Management and contributing author to *Internet Genealogy*, *Discovering Family History*, and *Family Chronicle*, will present "Sign of the Times: Timelines in Genealogy." Hit a brick wall? Wondering why your ancestors did what they did? This program will illustrate how the visual aspects of a timeline can help you focus on missing gaps, seemingly contradictory information, previously invisible relationships, and so much more.

Terri Jaskolka, director of the Raleigh Family History Center, will present "Expanding Your Research Horizons with FamilySearch." Explore the growing offerings of the largest genealogical organization in the world as it expands into the digital age. From new databases to digitized records to developing applications, learn about the ever-expanding array of resources made freely available to the public through the FamilySearch organization.

NCGS Journal

The *North Carolina Genealogical Society Journal* welcomes submission of articles, especially carefully researched and well-documented case studies, family histories, and how-to lessons. The *Journal* also publishes transcriptions and abstracts of original documents of North Carolina genealogical significance. There are no requirements for length. Long articles may be serialized over multiple issues, and fillers of even a few lines are always appreciated. Manuscripts and correspondence concerning editorial matters should be addressed to NCGS Journal Editor, PO Box 30815, Raleigh, NC 27622-0815; e-mail JournalEditor@ncgenealogy.org.

Electronic submissions in Microsoft Word, sent via e-mail or on a disk, are preferred, but not required.

Books for review should be mailed to Carrie Henry, 1116 Toppe Ridge Court, Raleigh, NC 27615.

The deadlines for submission of time-sensitive material are:

February issue: 1 November
May issue: 1 February
August issue: 1 May
November issue: 1 August

Please note that many factors determine when an article is published, and not all manuscripts are printed in the order received.

Rhodes Room is County's Memory Bank

by Tammy Wilson, Public Information Officer, Catawba County Library System

NEWTON—A hundred years from now, how will your descendants learn what life was like here? How will they know what life was like in the Catawba Valley?

Our electronic age has been described as a researcher's nightmare because relatively few letters and documents may survive. Think of phone calls, e-mail, Twitter, Facebook, and the like. How much of a *permanent* record are you really leaving for posterity?

The answer is surprisingly little if you don't keep a diary, scrapbook, or correspond by "snail mail." Paperless systems aren't as permanent as old-fashioned ink and paper, particularly when technology renders some systems obsolete and inaccessible such as 8mm movie film, reel-to-reel tape, or cassettes.

But surely someone is filing current data for safe-keeping.

Consider the staff of the Rhodes Local History Room at Catawba County Library. They collect current information (tomorrow's history) as well as records and publications of bygone days. Every week, staff collects and files newspaper clippings of note, including obituaries, which are tomorrow's priceless historical and genealogical data.

In addition to clippings for the vertical file, the "room" continues to acquire new publications and recently-uncovered data about historical people.

The Rhodes Room hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM. To browse all library holdings, log on to www.catawbacountync.gov/library/.

PBS Videos Added to NCLive

NEWTON—Several PBS videos have been added recently to the NCLive website. Customers can now stream such films as Ken Burns' *The War* for free thanks to a technology grant from the State Library of North Carolina.

Lynne Bolick Reed, library services coordinator at Catawba County Library in Newton, said that patrons can enjoy such quality videos as Jane Austen's *Northanger Abbey*, *Mansfield Park* and *Persuasion*,

Charles Dickens' *Oliver Twist* and Shakespeare's *King Lear*.

"This is a boon to educational offerings for anyone with access to the internet," Reed said.

The latest editions join more than 400 online videos, many of them originally broadcast by UNC-TV public television. Included are in-depth programming from the *American Experience*, *American Masters*, *Frontline* and *Masterpiece*, among others.

While the county library system stocks some of these titles, access to NCLive ensures customers that they can view these programs without having to go to the library or wait for a particular selection to become available.

"Being able to view videos can augment study of a particular author's work or academic subject," Reed said.

NCLive is North Carolina's online library that serves to support education, statewide economic development, and enhance the quality of life. Patrons may access the site by using a password available from their local library. Local residents may obtain that information by visiting any location of Catawba County Library System or calling 465-8665.

Publicize Your Event With NCGS

Is your genealogical society or family association planning a special event? Please let us know so that we can print a concise announcement in the *NCGS News* **and** display it on the NCGS website calendar.

<i>Issue</i>	<i>Deadline</i>	<i>Issue mailed</i>
Fall	August 15	October 1
Winter	November 15	January 1
Spring	February 15	April 1
Summer	May 15	July 1

Send your announcement to the *NCGS News* editor at ncgsnewseditor@ncgenealogy.org or to:

Calendar of Events
North Carolina Genealogical Society
P. O. Box 30815
Raleigh, NC 27622-0815

Send your notice in time to get the word out and enhance participation in your event.

Accessions at the North Carolina State Archives Summer 2010

by Debbi Blake

This is a partial listing of accessions at the North Carolina State Archives. For a complete listing please see our website <http://www.dcr.state.nc.us>. **Please be aware that not all of these records are currently available for research.** Cards will be placed in the card catalog or entries made in the appropriate finding aids when these items have been arranged and are ready for research. The phrase “FOR RECORD ONLY” that appears at the end of certain accession entries indicates a listing has been accessioned previously, but is being accessioned again because either new material has been added or there has been a change in accessioning data.

County Records

Original Records Arranged and Accessioned
ASHE. 24 boxes wills, 1801-1970 (5 boxes previously transferred)

Military Collection

CIVIL WAR. PRIVATE COLLECTIONS. John S. Cooper Papers. Various letters and other written materials primarily from Cooper, a private in the 2nd Co. C, 36th Regiment, N. C. Troops (2nd Regiment, N. C. Artillery) written between March 1854 and December 1864 (Cooper was killed at Fort Fisher on January 15, 1865). Pre-war papers include a slave receipt and bills; 51 items.

WORLD WAR I. PRIVATE COLLECTIONS. George H. Andrews Papers. Military papers related to the service of Sergeant George Henry Andrews (Chatham County), Co. A, 318th Machine Gun Battalion, 81st Division, U. S. Army, American Expeditionary Force, including his honorable discharge; certificate of promotion to sergeant; and forms and papers related to his candidacy for appointment as a commissioned officer in the Officer’ Reserve Corps; 5 items.

Private Collections

EDWARD ROSWELL HILL FAMILY PAPERS, 1915-1983. Various papers, letters, notes, photographs, essays, certificates, clippings, and miscellaneous material, relating to Mr. Hill, a U. S. Army veteran (Vietnam era), his parents, wife, and other relatives and friends; 1 cubic foot.

LAFAYETTE HOLT PAPERS: 1860-1932. Photographs, patents for parts of textile manufacturing equipment (1916-1932), clippings, pamphlets, and a few letters and notes belonging to Lafayette Holt of Burlington, Alamance County; 0.1 cubic foot.

WILLIAM RUSSELL PAPERS, 1969-1990. Letters, political campaign material, and newspaper articles, and concerning various Republican candidates, primarily Richard M. Nixon, Gerald R. Ford (presidential campaigns in North Carolina), and James E. Holshouser (gubernatorial); 600 items.

Queries

GILKISON (variants GILKINSON, GILKESON, GILKERSON, etc.): Looking for information on anyone of this surname in North Carolina prior to 1770, particularly a John who was born in the 1720s in either Scotland or Ireland, had children born in North Carolina in the late 1740s or early 1750s, and migrated to the Greenbrier area of Virginia by 1771. Linda Artuso, linda.artuso@verizon.net.

SMITH: Need parents/info on Michael Smith b. 1800 Chatham County, North Carolina and Mary Ann Richardson b. 1814, married 1828 in Randolph County. d. 1880. 10 children. Buried Asheboro City Cemetery. LaVerne B. Hayes, 9131 Exbury Ct., Charlotte NC 28269.

NCGS members may submit two (2) queries per calendar year for publication in the NCGS News to info@ncgenealogy.org.

North Carolina Genealogical Society

Presents

Paul Milner

Finding British Isles Ancestors & NCGS Annual Meeting

Friday and Saturday 12 & 13 November 2010

Brownstone Inn, 1707 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh, NC 27605

See workshop schedule on the reverse side and <http://www.ncgenealogy.org> or email: info@ncgenealogy.org. Registrants will be able to attend all lectures.

Walk-ins welcome, however, the lunch and workshop packet may not be available. Refund Policy: Full refund if withdrawal precedes early registration date; between then and workshop day a prorated refund may be made; no refund may be made if withdrawal is on or after the first day of the workshop.

Brownstone Inn, 1707 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh, NC 27605, has set aside a limited number of rooms for registrants. Contact the hotel directly at 919-828-0811 for reservations. Mention the NCGS workshop to the reservations clerk. Rooms: \$80 per night, plus tax. Website: www.brownstone.com.

Registration Form

MEMBER -NCGS:

2-day workshop registration \$100.00 \$ _____
Friday only workshop registration \$55 \$ _____
Saturday only workshop registration \$55 \$ _____

(Before Nov.1 deduct \$5 early bird discount) \$ _____
Total: \$ _____

Plus 2011 NCGS Membership Renewal (optional)
Individual \$40 \$ _____
Family \$45 \$ _____
(Before Dec. 1, 2010 deduct \$5 early discount): \$ _____

Total Due & Enclosed: \$ _____

Name: _____ Member No.: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone: (____) _____

E-mail Address – Please print clearly: _____

NON-MEMBER:

2-day workshop registration \$110.00 \$ _____
Friday only workshop registration \$65 \$ _____
Saturday only workshop registration \$65 \$ _____

(Before Nov. 1 deduct \$5 early bird discount) \$ _____
Total: \$ _____

Plus NCGS Membership (optional)
Individual \$40 \$ _____
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Total Due & Enclosed: \$ _____

Send form to: NCGS Fall Workshop, P. O. Box 30815, Raleigh, NC 27622-0815
Checks should be made out to “North Carolina Genealogical Society”.



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NCGS Statement Code of Ethics

The North Carolina Genealogical Society encourages researchers to uphold high standards for their genealogical research, analysis, and publication. Care should be taken to document properly all information included in a genealogical work. Researchers should remember that the original document is the proper source for all information.

When the original cannot be found, careful analysis of secondary materials (including Internet sites) should be fully explained and sources cited.

Given modern technology and the ease of accessing information on the Internet, researchers are encouraged to respect the privacy of all living individuals by not sharing personal information via electronic media.

While the courts have not yet fully tested copyright issues involving the Internet, the same respect should be paid to information found on the Internet as is paid to information in printed works bearing notice of copyright. Under United States copyright law, an individual's intellectual output is protected whether or not it bears a copyright notice or symbol and regardless of the medium in which it appears.

North Carolina Genealogical Society Journal

Advertising Rates per Issue:

Full Page	\$90.00
1/2 Page	\$55.00
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Also available, as space permits:

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Please see the Journal for deadlines and submission requirements, or contact:

Vickie Burns

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"Please Help Me" Committee

The Society cannot provide extensive research for members, but it does sponsor a committee who will, for a small fee, answer brief individual requests.

- ▶ Limit one brief question per letter with enough appropriate information to research the question;
- ▶ Include a \$10 non-refundable fee for members or \$20 for non-members;
- ▶ A #10 self-addressed stamped envelope must accompany each request;
- ▶ Include your NCGS member number;
- ▶ Send request to PHM Committee, PO Box 30815, Raleigh, NC 27622-0815.

NCGS is a nonprofit organization that has volunteers for its officers and directors. We operate on membership fees and donations to the society. While we charge a very nominal fee for research, we do appreciate any donations given to us to further the goals of the society.

Society Goals

The North Carolina Genealogical Society, chartered in 1974, is open to all who are interested in genealogical or historical research and in these goals:

- ▶ to increase interest in and raise the standards of research and compilation by means of educational programs and publications;
- ▶ to acquaint members with research sources and materials in North Carolina and elsewhere;
- ▶ to serve as a medium of exchange of genealogical information; and
- ▶ to promote the collection, preservation, and utilization of manuscripts, documents, and other materials of genealogical and historical value.

While not maintaining a library of its own, the society promotes and encourages the development of the many fine research centers across the state. Books given to the society for review in the *NCGS Journal* are donated to the Genealogy Collection of the State Library of North Carolina in Raleigh, North Carolina.

Visit the North Carolina Genealogical Society online at
www.NCGenealogy.org

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2010 NCGS Awards Nomination Form

Please select one:

- 1. THE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PERIODICAL PUBLISHING** for a periodical (newsletter) published by a local North Carolina genealogical society.
- 2. THE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PERIODICAL PUBLISHING** for a periodical (journal) published by a local North Carolina genealogical society.
- 3. THE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN WEB PRESENCE** for excellence in web presence for a freely accessible website promoting North Carolina genealogy.
- 4. THE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PUBLISHING** for a book, or a set of books, of abstracts or transcriptions of original North Carolina primary source material and published within eighteen months preceding the award (May 2009–November 2010).
- 5. THE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PUBLISHING** for a book of secondary source material relevant to North Carolina and published within eighteen months preceding the award (May 2009–November 2010).
- 6. THE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PUBLISHING** for a book of family history relevant to North Carolina and published within eighteen months preceding the award (May 2009–November 2010).
- 7. THE AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO NORTH CAROLINA GENEALOGY** for an individual whose outstanding genealogical contributions have greatly enhanced the family history of North Carolina. The genealogical contributions may be regional.
- 8. THE AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO NCGS BY A MEMBER** for an individual whose work within the NCGS has been outstanding.

The North Carolina Genealogical Society retains the option of not giving an award in any given category and of presenting more than one award in any given category.

Nominee Name/Title: _____

Reason for Nomination: _____

Nominee Name: _____

Address: _____

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E-mail Address: _____

Include complete contact information and attach any relevant supporting material, data, or additional written endorsement. A copy of any publication being nominated must be sent with the nomination. Submitted publications become the property of NCGS and will be donated to the Genealogical Services Branch of the State Library of North Carolina. **All nominations must be received by 1 September 2010.**

Nominations and supporting material should be sent to NCGS Awards Committee, P. O. Box 30815, Raleigh, NC 27622-0815. Please direct questions to awards@ncgenealogy.org.



The Fifth Annual Speakers Forum will be held in Raleigh on 24 July 2010. Details can be found inside on page 9.

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