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Spring Workshop

Genealogy Done Right

presented by the North Carolina Genealogical Society,
the Braswell Memorial Library,
and the Tar River Connections Genealogical Society

31 March 2012

at the Braswell Memorial Library
727 Grace Street
Rocky Mount, NC 27804

The workshop will feature

Thomas W. Jones, PhD, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS

More details about the workshop can be found on page 5 of this newsletter and on the NCGS website at <http://www.ncgenealogy.org>.

A registration form can be found on page 15.

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The January 2012 issue is the last issue that will be printed and mailed.

Beginning with the March 2012 issue, the NCGS News will be conveniently delivered to your e-mail inbox.

See page 3 for more details.

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NCGS Journal

Larry Cates, Editor

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

NCGS News

Phyllis Matthews Ziller, MLIS, Editor
NCGS News, the newsletter of the North Carolina Genealogical Society, is published bimonthly in January, March, May, July, September, and November. Submit articles, comments, and suggestions to Phyllis Matthews Ziller at NCGSNewsEditor@ncgenealogy.org.

President's Message

by President Victor T. Jones Jr.

The New Year is here, bringing with it a change in the officers of the North Carolina Genealogical Society. I wish to thank you for the honor of electing me to the office of president. I hope to serve you and the society to the best of my ability.

Your society has a great board with Vickie Scott as first vice president; Maryann Tuck as second vice president; Terry Moore as secretary; Judi Hinton as treasurer; and directors Cindy Born-Milo, Mabel Dillard, Lucinda Glover, Jordan Jones, and Pam Toms, with a vacancy that will likely be filled by the time you read this. I look forward to continue working with them through the next few years. Ann Basnight is leaving the board as the position of past president is now occupied by Ann Hilke. She will be missed.

Another change with this new year is the addition of a new *Journal* editor. Larry Cates, a former *NCGS News* editor and editor of the *Genealogical Journal of Randolph County*, will fill the position recently held by Jeff Haines. Also joining the publications crew is Pam Pearson, who will serve as the book review editor.

Progress is being made on the North Carolina Loose Estates Indexing Project through a partnership with FamilySearch.org. Volunteers to help with indexing are still being sought. Every little bit of time you can offer will bring this project one step closer to completion. For more information about how you can volunteer, see page 10 of this newsletter.

Now, for a little bit about myself. My introduction to genealogy began when I was in the seventh grade. I was going through my grandmother's picture drawer and found a paper with names and dates on it. That paper was an old school assignment of an uncle's, in which he had to "trace his lineage." It really piqued my interest. I started asking Gran some questions to which she replied, "Go see your Aunt Dicie, she keeps up with that stuff." Aunt Dicie was Gran's sister, and she lived just a few doors down from me. So nearly every Sunday afternoon, I would walk to her house and ask about family. From that moment I was hooked on genealogy, so much so that I have made a career out of genealogy. I am the Local History and Genealogy Librarian at the New Bern-Craven County Public Library, where I have been for almost twenty years. The moral of the story—mentor those youths who show an interest in family history. They will be the leaders of societies and genealogy librarians of the future.

Again, thank you for your confidence by electing me your president. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to jot me an e-mail at president@ncgenealogy.org.



NCGS News is going Electronic

The January 2012 issue is the last issue that will be printed and mailed to members.

Beginning with the March 2012 issue, the NCGS News will be conveniently delivered to your e-mail inbox.

NCGS News will be published bi-monthly instead of quarterly beginning in 2012. That means you will receive six issues per year instead of four. NCGS News will now be able to offer more timely news about the North Carolina genealogical community to help you with your research.

The January 2012 issue of NCGS News was mailed to all members and also e-mailed to all members for whom NCGS has a valid e-mail address. Did you receive this issue of NCGS News in your e-mail inbox? If it did not arrive in your inbox, did you check your junk/spam folder? (Be sure to set permission to receive e-mails from NCGS.)

If you did not receive an electronic copy of the January 2012 issue of NCGS News, then we do not have your current e-mail address in our database. Please send an e-mail to info@ncgenealogy.org with "updated email address" as a subject line or use the online form at <http://bit.ly/ncgs-email-form>. We must have your e-mail address to ensure that you will receive future issues of NCGS News.

Your e-mail address will never be shared with third parties and will be used only for NCGS correspondence.

Welcome, New Members

We are glad you joined the North Carolina Genealogical Society at this exciting time. You are part of an organization that is committed to preserving the genealogical process through education and partnerships with genealogical societies and libraries throughout the state.

Vernice Willett, Asheboro, North Carolina
Violet Bahr, Foxfire Village, North Carolina
Kathy Scott Williamson, Asheboro, North Carolina
Peggy Lewis, Southern Pines, North Carolina
Christine D. Fox, Jamestown, North Carolina
Kathleen Kay, Southern Pines, North Carolina
H. Allan Lane, Winter Garden, Florida
Mary Gray, Cary, North Carolina
Denis Logan, Advance, North Carolina
Kay Williams Bartlett, Black Mountain, North Carolina
Larry Steve Blanton, Charlotte, North Carolina
Jane Williams, San Antonio, Texas
Kim E. Westall, Tucker, Georgia
Sherriane Graf, Cleburne, Texas
Doris Pappendick, Elizabeth City, North Carolina
Cynthia Jan Morton, Jacksonville, North Carolina
Carolyn McGraw, Lakeland, Florida
Kevin Davis, Birmingham, Alabama
William Shearin, Cary, North Carolina
Bonnie Chriscoe, Asheboro, North Carolina
Paul R. Julian, Victoria, Texas
Joe T. Cooke, Brentwood, Tennessee
Joan Philbrick, Raleigh, North Carolina
Candace Gray, Fayetteville, North Carolina
Mrs. Frank Ralph Baker III, Kingston, New York
Susan Johnston, Whitney, Texas
Edith H. Garrett, Arden, North Carolina
Janice McNeil, Cypress, Texas
Gale Pinkston, Lakeland, Florida
Dorothy E. Paine, Burke, Virginia
Angela Nielsen, Apple Valley, California
Carol Mosher, Castro Valley, California

NCGS Memberships

NCGS annual memberships are \$40 for individuals and institutions, \$45 for families (same residence), and \$100 for patrons.

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

New Book Review Editor Appointed

Pamela “Pam” S. Pearson has been appointed as the new Book Review Editor. She will begin her duties with the February 2012 issue of the *NCGS Journal*.

Ms. Pearson has been researching her families for thirty-five years and has been an NGS member since 1980. She is a member of First Families of the Twin Territories as well as a member of numerous genealogy and historical societies. She has authored four books: two on New Jersey colonial families and two volumes of abstracts of Westmoreland County, Virginia, court records. She served as registrar of her DAR chapter for six years.

Publications submitted for review should be mailed to: Pamela Pearson, 21 Watchung Trail, Somerville, NJ 08876. If you have questions about submitting books for review, she can be reached at pampearson23@gmail.com.

In Memoriam

NCGS has been informed of the deaths of the following members: Eleanor “Grace” Williamson Turner, Wilson, North Carolina; James “Jim” P. Jones, Cary, North Carolina; Ruth Blount Fentress, Chevy Chase, Maryland; and William Coles Jr., Nashville, Tennessee.

Memorials

Memorial gifts to NCGS have been received in honor of Eleanor “Grace” Williamson Turner from the following individuals: Dr. and Mrs. Vincent B. Thomas, Wilson, North Carolina; Dr. and Mrs. Douglas C. Brewer, Wilson, North Carolina; Tracy and Marianna Mercer, Takoma Park, Maryland; and Tommy and Jane Bridgers, Wilson, North Carolina.

Donations

NCGS would like to thank Henry N. Wright, DDS, of Smithfield, North Carolina, for his donation to the society.

The deadline for the
next issue of the *NCGS News*
is Wednesday, 15 February.

Genealogy Done Right

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How to Avoid Being Duped by the Internet

The Internet brings increasingly bountiful amounts of information to genealogists' desktops—some valid, some erroneous, and much of unknown accuracy. Attendees will learn practical strategies for discriminating between correct and misleading information. They will also learn how online information—even if its accuracy is unknown—can lead to valid conclusions about ancestors.

Solving the Mystery of the Disappearing Ancestor

Genealogists may be frustrated by not finding ancestors in the records and places where they logically expect them to be. This presentation will explain seven reasons why such ancestors seem to have disappeared, provide examples of each from actual case studies, and suggest strategies to help attendees find their elusive ancestors.

Organizing Evidence to Overcome Record Shortages

Genealogists are often frustrated by record shortages and surviving records that do not specify relationships. Using the analogy of assembling a jigsaw puzzle with many missing and damaged pieces, a case study will demonstrate six steps to bypass record shortages and identify ancestors successfully.

Seven Habits of Highly Effective Genealogists

Using standards articulated in the *BCG Genealogical Standards Manual* (Orem, Utah: Ancestry, 2000), the session explains and provides examples of seven ways attendees can achieve research results that are both accurate and useful.

Thomas W. Jones, PhD, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS, has edited the *National Genealogical Society Quarterly* since 2002. He is a trustee and a past president of the Board for Certification of Genealogists, past board member of the Association of Professional Genealogists, and recipient of its 2011 Professional Achievement Award and its 2004 Grahame T. Smallwood Jr. Award of Merit.

Retired from a thirty-year career in higher education and professor emeritus at Gallaudet University in Washington, DC, Tom works full time as a genealogical researcher, writer, editor, and educator. He coordinates courses at the Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh, the Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy, and Samford University's Institute on Genealogy and Historical Research; and he teaches in Boston University's Genealogical Certificate Program. Tom's research has encompassed records of every state east of the Mississippi, as well as Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Texas, England, France, Germany, Italy, Ireland, and Wales. He specializes, however, in Georgia and Virginia and is most interested in solving "brick-wall" genealogical problems.

Tom writes and speaks frequently on genealogical methods with broad application across geographic areas, time periods, and levels of expertise. He is known for meaty lectures benefiting genealogists of all experience levels.



[A registration form for the workshop can be found on page 15.](#)

2011 NCGS Awards Winners

Contributed by Pam Toms, Awards Chair

The 2011 NCGS Awards were presented at the NCGS annual meeting held in conjunction with the Fall Workshop on 29 October 2011 at the North Carolina Museum of History in Raleigh. Several individuals were recognized for their contributions to the North Carolina genealogical community through their published efforts and to the North Carolina Genealogical Society.

The **Award for Excellence in Periodical Publishing for a newsletter published by a local North Carolina genealogical society** was presented to Roslyn Panichas, editor of *WCGS Updates*, the newsletter of the Wake County Genealogical Society. Accepting the award was Diane Richard, president of the society. This quarterly publication is never printed but is delivered electronically as a Wake County Genealogical Society member benefit. Its editor provides useful and timely information to WCGS members and always has content that will be helpful and interesting to all readers. Giving notice of current and noteworthy events of the society and other societies, libraries, and classes in the Wake County area, the newsletter also presents good articles and is a treasure trove for genealogists who enjoy researching on their home computers.

The **Award for Excellence in Periodical Publishing for a journal published by a local North Carolina genealogical society** was presented to Hope Blackford, editor of *Wake Treasures*, published by the Wake County Genealogical Society. Accepting the award were society representatives Diane Richard, president, and June Lioret. Two times each year since 2005, Hope Blackford, who is soon to retire as journal editor, has created issue after issue of a journal that is full of names, history, and useful information relating to Wake County genealogy. This



2011 NCGS Awards Winners
back row, l-r: Helen Leverton, Dr. Williams, Marie Roth, June Lioret
front row, l-r: Sharon Gable, Diane Richard, Laura Edwards

journal is chock full of abstracts, articles, case studies, a variety of genealogical tidbits, and much more. The journal is very well documented with sources for each and every article and abstract and is every name indexed. *Wake Treasures* is available also as an electronic version, accessible as a WCGS member benefit.

The **Award for Excellence in Publishing for a book, or set of books, of abstracts or transcriptions of original North Carolina primary source material** and published within eighteen months preceding the award was presented to Laura Edwards for *Dead or Disabled: The North Carolina Confederate Pensions 1885 Series*. This very timely book, published as we mark the 150th anniversary of the Civil War, abstracts over 4,600 Confederate pension claims filed under the 1885 pension law enacted by the North Carolina General Assembly. A valuable resource for genealogists and historians, it will serve to make more researchers aware of this record and will provide

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greater access to information that supplements and sometimes corrects what is in service records, especially when the military records are incomplete.

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 was presented to Marie Bengé Craig Roth for *History of Davie County Schools*. Two years of researching and writing went into this history that preserves, in print, a wealth of information on over 140 schools that existed in Davie County from 1847 to the present. Using a variety of printed, oral, and original official resources (some often overlooked by genealogists), this publication provides a valuable added resource for Davie County historical and genealogical researchers.

The **Award for Excellence in Publishing for a book of family history relevant to North Carolina** and published within eighteen months preceding the award was presented to Dr. John Quinly Williams Jr. for *Our Roots: African Origins and the Reclaimed Legacy of Three American Families*. Inspired and driven since childhood by family stories about slavery and Africa, Dr. Williams spent forty-eight years of research that took him from front porch family gatherings to courthouses, libraries, and archives in Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, and Virginia, and ultimately to West Africa. The heart of the book revolves around his ancestors and elders in four North Carolina counties. Williams made good use of his family's oral tradition as well as modern genealogical resources, including DNA, to research—as well as possible—the very difficult subject of African American ancestry. He passes on his family legacy to future generations in this family history that reads like a story rather than just facts and figures.

The **Award for Outstanding Contribution to NCGS by a Member** for an individual whose work within the NCGS has been outstanding was presented to Sharon Gable. Sharon was chosen for this award for her dedication to the North Carolina Loose Estates project. Her commitment to this project has taken many, many hours of her time, and her participation has been at least double, if not triple, the output of any

other individual involved in the project. Her contributions to the Loose Estates Project are even more remarkable when you consider that, because she lives in the boondocks somewhere outside of Suffolk, Virginia, she does not have high-speed Internet access. Sharon's enthusiasm for this project is evident in this comment from her: "Coming from a state without estate records like these I can really appreciate them. ... They are truly gems."

The **Award for Outstanding Contribution to North Carolina Genealogy** for an individual whose outstanding genealogical contributions have greatly enhanced the study of family history in North Carolina was presented to Helen Bell Leverton. Finding her Georgia ancestors in North Carolina records long before they moved further south was just the beginning of Mrs. Leverton's involvement in North Carolina research. After she and her husband retired to Moore County she joined with others to start the Moore County Genealogical Society and became its first president, from the start advocating and initiating informative programs to exchange information. Mrs. Leverton soon became associated with the North Carolina Genealogical Society through her friendship with Helen Leary, who persuaded her to do some work for its board, and in 1987 and 1988 Leverton served as its Program Chairman.

Even though she moved to Cary in 1993, she continued supporting the Moore County society. She even managed to organize a small genealogy group at her retirement home. When the Moore County society fell on hard times in 2002 and was near extinction, Helen Leverton rushed from Cary to save *her baby*. The society started again with Helen as president, and by 2004 MCGS was again conducting workshops. Helen is now 94 years YOUNG but still plays an active role in the Moore County society and her local genealogy group.

The **NCGS Board** also expressed its thanks to three individuals who have served in several capacities in the society and are leaving their positions. **Certificates of Appreciation for Outstanding Performance and Commitment** were awarded to Jeffrey Haines for his work as Journal Editor and Parliamentarian, to Carrie Henry for her work as Book Review Editor, and to Ann Basnight as Past President.

Society Spotlight

by Victor T. Jones, President

Tar River Connections Genealogical Society
PO Box 8764
Rocky Mount, NC 27804

The Tar River Connections Genealogical Society focuses on those counties in northeastern North Carolina through which the Tar River and its feeder creeks flow. Those counties include Beaufort, Edgecombe, Franklin, Granville, Halifax, Nash, Person, Pitt, Vance, Warren, and Wilson. The society meets the third Tuesday of each month (except December) at the Braswell Memorial Library in Rocky Mount.

Individual memberships in the Tar River Connections Genealogical Society are \$20. Memberships are payable January 1 of each year. The society produces a quarterly newsletter, *The Connector*, which includes society news and historical and genealogical articles about the Tar River area.

The current slate of officers: Jimmy Waters, president; Wallace Abernethy, vice president; Jim Stallings, secretary; Debbie Peacock, treasurer; and Billie Jo Matthews and Janet Sadowski, newsletter editors.

The society's website can be found online at http://www.braswell-library.org/adult_tar_river_connections.htm. They can be reached by e-mail at TRCGS@Braswell-Library.org.

Share Your News

Does your society have news to share with North Carolina researchers? Send an e-mail with your news to the NCGS News editor, Phyllis Matthews Ziller, at NCGSNewsEditor@NCGenealogy.org.

Volunteer with NCGS

As genealogists we have all benefited from others who have volunteered their time to transcribe documents, submit family histories, and assist at conferences to help them run smoothly. To date we have had twenty-four people volunteer to help with thirty-two different tasks. Thirteen people volunteered for the Fall Workshop and Annual Meeting held on 29 October 2011 and helped make the conference a success. Why not consider volunteering your time with NCGS to help fill the following needs:

Loose Estates Indexing Project

- ✓ In conjunction with FamilySearch and the North Carolina State Archives, help to create a decedent surname index of all extant loose estate records. This project can be done from home by anyone with Internet access. Training is provided. See page 10 in this newsletter and the NCGS website for more information.

Membership Committee

- ✓ Individuals living in the Raleigh area to help prepare packets for a mailing to libraries.

NCGS Journal

- ✓ Submit carefully researched and well-documented family histories, case studies, and methodological articles as well as source material and fillers.
- ✓ Submit transcriptions and abstracts of original documents of North Carolina genealogical significance.

Publications Committee

- ✓ Vend NCGS publications at genealogical events. Must be able to handle boxes of books.

Publicity Committee

- ✓ Internet-savvy persons needed after January 1 to locate web and blog addresses on the Internet.
- ✓ A person to maintain and update existing Internet e-mail lists on an on-going basis, which includes investigating bounced organization addresses.

Visit the NCGS website and click on the Volunteer tab for more information. To learn more about these opportunities, or to volunteer, contact Mabel Dillard at Osborne.gen45@yahoo.com. Thank you for considering volunteering with NCGS.

You can take part in the Seventh Annual Speakers Forum

Plans for the Seventh Annual NCGS Speakers Forum are underway. It will be held in Raleigh (location TBA) on 30 June 2012 (tentative date).

In reviewing the evaluation forms from our 2011 Fall Workshop, several topics for future programs were suggested. Many would make excellent presentations in a Speakers Forum. Perhaps one of these ideas will entice you to develop a talk for this year's Speakers Forum. (By no means are these the only possibilities!)

- online records—what you can and cannot do with them
- writing a family history
- records of Tennessee (or neighboring states) and research examples
- migration in and out of North Carolina
- manuscript collections in North Carolina (or neighboring states)
- Civil War related topics, i.e., what our ancestors experienced
- immigration in the early years of North Carolina
- interpretation of records with insight into the relevant time period
- female ancestors in court records
- daily lives and how they point to types and location of records
- reconstructing a family from skimpy records
- naming conventions in families
- location and use of nineteenth century church records
- Quaker records
- German-speaking parts of North Carolina
- North Carolina Baptists—where to find records
- family photographs, heirlooms, and recipes—identifying, preserving, displaying
- time capsules, timelines—tying a family to historic events
- North Carolina Archives holdings

- DAR and UDC searches
- specific time periods (1650–1750, for example)
- how to handle different roadblocks

For more information, including proposal requirements, please e-mail Lucinda Glover, Program Chair, at lucindahglover@gmail.com, or call her (336-246-3729 or 919-210-3426). The deadline for submission of a proposal is **1 March 2012**. (The handout for the syllabus will be due 15 June 2012.)

Upcoming Events

31 March 2012—The **North Carolina Genealogical Society**, the **Braswell Memorial Library**, and the **Tar River Connections Genealogical Society** will co-sponsor a regional workshop in Rocky Mount, North Carolina. More details can be found on page 5 of this newsletter and on the NCGS website.

9–12 May 2012—The **National Genealogical Society** (NGS) will host its 2012 Family History Conference, “The Ohio River: Gateway to the Western Frontier,” in Cincinnati, Ohio. Further information can be found on the NGS website at www.ngsgenealogy.org.

29 August –1 September 2012—The **Federation of Genealogical Societies** (FGS) will host its annual conference, “Settlers and Soldiers in the ‘Old Southwest,’” in Birmingham, Alabama. Details can be found on FGS’s website <http://www.fgs.org>.

Publicize Your Event With NCGS

Is your North Carolina-based 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* Upcoming Events column. Send your announcement to the *NCGS News* editor at ncgsnewseditor@ncgenealogy.org.

North Carolina Loose Estates Indexing Project Update

Since the end of June, 23 active volunteers have made the following possible:

- Number of waypoints indexed (aka digitized reels): **489**
- Number of counties indexed in part or completed: **28**
- Number of individual names incorporated into a searchable database: **32,197**
- Number of digitized images currently available online: **688,692**



Explore the results for yourself at <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/show#uri=http://hr-search-api:8080/searchapi/search/collection/1911121> or log onto the FamilySearch website at <http://www.familysearch.org>, click on All Record Collections in the Browse by Location section, then type “North Carolina, Estate Files” in the search box.



We Need You!

Can you help with the project to index the digitized loose estate records! All you need is a computer and Internet access.

New tools have been created to assist indexers:

- ▶ An online video tutorial on the indexing software (called “waypointing”).
- ▶ A North Carolina Loose Estates Wiki to answer data entry questions.

Please contact Vickie Scott, 1st Vice President/
Publications Chair, at victoria.p.scott@gmail.com.

Thank You North Carolina Loose Estates Indexing Project Volunteers!

The following individuals were recognized at the NCGS annual meeting held in Raleigh on 5 November 2011 for their participation in the North Carolina Loose Estates Indexing Project from May thru October:

Sharon Gable	Judi Hinton
Ginger Christmas	Pam Toms
Kathy Gunter Sullivan	Pam Pearson
Jeffrey Haines	Carolyn Gibbons
Betty Carrier	Carol Williams
Judy Watts	June Chambliss
Renate Sanders	Cherie Garner Rawlings
Debbie Spencer	Judy Purcell
Mary Harris	Jayne Wires
Karen Baker	Victor Jones
Terry Moore	Debbie Gurtler

Did you renew your NCGS membership for 2012?

Use the membership renewal form on page 14
or renew online at the NCGS website.

www.ncgenealogy.org

New Resources at the North Carolina State Library

Contributed by Kay Tillotson, Genealogy Research Librarian

Genealogical Services, Government and Heritage Library, State Library of North Carolina

Between August and October of this year, 346 new resources were added to Genealogy's catalogued collection at the Government and Heritage Library; fourteen of these were added during the month of October. Additional informational resources were also added to existing family vertical files.

Titles added in October are:

- *Colonists in Bondage: White Servitude and Convict Labor in America, 1607–1776*, by Abbot Emerson Smith
- *Eight Known Generations of the Hauser Family in America From 1726 to 1956*, by Annie Laura Hauser Schmidt
- *Genealogy of the Latham, Hill, Montfort, Littlejohn, McCulloch, Campbell and Brownrigg Families*, compiled by W.H. Bailey
- *Pennsylvania Genealogies: Scotch-Irish and German*, by William Henry Egle
- *Historic Georgia Families*, compiled by L.W. Rigsby
- *Sussex County, Delaware, Marriage References, 1648–1800*, by F. Edward Wright
- *District of Columbia Original Land Owners, 1791–1800*, by Wesley E. Pippenger
- *Free Blacks in Harford, Somerset, and Talbot Counties, Maryland, 1832*, by Mary K. Meyer
- *Settlers of Colonial St. Mary's County, Maryland*, compiled by Elise Greenup Jourdan
- *Lancaster County, Virginia: Abstracts of Wills, Administrations, Deeds, Inventories, etc.: Book #12, 1726–1735*, by Richard S. Hutchinson
- *Abstracts of the Wills and Estate Administrations of Northampton County, Virginia, 1800–1854*, compiled by David R. Scott

- *Cherokee Property Valuations in Tennessee, 1836*, by Shirley Coates Hoskins
- *Runaways of Colonial New Jersey: Indentured Servants, Slaves, Deserters, and Prisoners, 1720–1781*, by Richard B. Marrin
- [Zeisslof family] Genealogy Vertical File

Researchers can search the catalogued entries of the Genealogy Section remotely through the library's catalog at <http://go.dcr.state.nc.us/>.

The results of a search can be limited to just those resources found in the Genealogy Section by imposing limits in the Filter Your Search box on the right-hand side of the results screen: Select "Genealogy" under the column heading "Add Filters."

FamilySearch 1940 Census Indexing Project

On 2 April 2012, NARA will provide access to the images of the 1940 United States Federal Census for the first time.

A consortium of commercial and noncommercial organizations—including archives, societies, and FamilySearch—are indexing the 1940 United States Federal Census with the objective of making the index and records available for free in perpetuity. Join the effort to quickly produce a free, high-quality index to this set of records. With 132 million names, the 1940 census is the largest, most comprehensive, and most recent record set that includes the names of those who were living in the United States at the time the census was taken.

The people recorded in the 1940 census deserve to have their records preserved and made available online. Learn more at <http://familysearch.org/1940census>.

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

North Carolina Daughters of 1812 Support Observance with Check Presentation

On Monday, 17 October, Carol Canales, president of the North Carolina Society of the National Society, United Daughters of 1812, presented a \$1,000 check to the NC Department of Cultural Resources. The donation is to support an upcoming symposium focusing on North Carolina's role in the War of 1812.

The symposium will be on 29 June at the Department of Cultural Resources' NC Maritime Museum in Beaufort and will concentrate on the naval war. Organized by the Office of Archives and History, the family-oriented program will include tours, a new exhibit, a cruise, a trip to the Tryon Palace History Center, and more.

"On behalf of the North Carolina Society, we are honored and excited to support this program," said Canales, who personally gave another \$500 donation on top of the organization's. "We are even more excited about this planned program, the beginning of a three-year series of events highlighting North Carolina's efforts during this historic war."

Accepting the donations was Cultural Resources Deputy Secretary Jeffrey Crow, who observed, "The War of 1812 is a little remembered and little understood war. We are most grateful for the society's generous assistance that will allow the department to more effectively raise the public's awareness and understanding of this war that happened 200 years ago."

In the War of 1812, the United States fought against Great Britain for control of, and to protect, new states and territories beyond the Appalachian Mountains. North Carolina was on the edges of the war, but when a British naval expedition landed in Ocracoke and Portsmouth in 1813, about 7,000 men were enrolled for the militia. The following year President James Madison asked North Carolina to commit 7,000 more troops for the war effort.

Other North Carolina ties include Dolley Madison, who was born in Guilford County. As First Lady, she heroically saved a portrait of George Washington before the British burned down the presidential home. Andrew Jackson, who practiced law in

Salisbury, was the hero of the 1815 Battle of New Orleans.

The NC Department of Cultural Resources annually serves more than 19 million people through its twenty-seven historic sites, seven history museums, two art museums, the nation's first state-supported Symphony Orchestra, the State Library, the NC Arts Council, and the State Archives. Cultural Resources champions North Carolina's creative industry, which employs nearly 300,000 North Carolinians and contributes more than \$41 billion to the state's economy. To learn more, visit <http://www.ncculture.com>.

War of 1812 North Carolina Resources on the Internet

The Known Military Units from North Carolina
http://www.carolana.com/NC/1800s/antebellum/war_of_1812_military_units.html

Muster Rolls, Soldiers of the War of 1812 Detached from the Militia of North Carolina, 1812 and 1814
<http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/statewide/military/1812roll.txt>

North Carolina in the War of 1812
<http://nc1812.lostsoulsgenealogy.com/>

USGS to Publish More Than 250k Historic Maps Online

The US Geological Survey (USGS) is nearly halfway through its release of more than 250,000 historical topographic maps in high-resolution electronic format, some of which are more than one hundred years old.

"Older maps are a historical treasure," Mark DeMulder, director of the National Geospatial Program at the USGS said at the 2011 Geospatial Summit held in Herndon, Virginia, on 13 September. "This collection is an incredible resource," he added.

To date, about 90,000 maps are available online at the USGS website (<http://nationalmap.gov/historical/>). The remaining 160,000 will be published by year's end, DeMulder said.

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.

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.

"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.

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

2012 Membership

All annual memberships expired on 31 December 2011. In January 2012, NCGS begins a new membership system based on the date new members join the society or current members renew. New memberships and renewals will expire one year (12 months) from the date payment is received.

			___ New	___ Renewal
Individual Membership	(1 year \$40.00)	\$ _____		
<small>(Includes 2 free queries per year in <i>NCGS News</i>.)</small>				
Family Membership	(1 year \$45.00)	\$ _____		
<small>(Includes 4 free queries per year in <i>NCGS News</i>.)</small>				
Patron Membership	(1 year \$100.00)	\$ _____		
<small>(Includes 4 free queries per year in <i>NCGS News</i>.)</small>				
Society and Institutional	(1 year \$40.00)	\$ _____		
<small>(Society and Institutional memberships include <i>Journal</i> and <i>NCGS News</i> subscriptions only.)</small>				

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Why we need your e-mail address:

- *NCGS News* will be e-mailed to all members beginning in March 2012.
- Your e-mail address will not be shared with 3rd parties.

Payment:

PayPal: NCGS website: www.ncgenealogy.org

Check: made payable to "North Carolina Genealogical Society"
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Visa or MasterCard (circle one)

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Genealogy Done Right

presented by the North Carolina Genealogical Society,
the Braswell Memorial Library, and the Tar River Connections Genealogical Society

Thomas W. Jones, PhD, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS

31 March 2012

Braswell Memorial Library, 727 Grace Street, Rocky Mount, NC 27804

Directions and Parking Information: <http://www.braswell-library.org>

Hotel and Restaurant information: www.ncgenealogy.org

9:00 Registration

9:30 How to Avoid Being Duped by the Internet – Attendees will learn practical strategies for discriminating between correct and misleading information, and how online information can lead to valid conclusions.

10:30 Break & Vendors

11:00 Solving the Mystery of the Disappearing Ancestor – This presentation will explain seven reasons why ancestors seem to have disappeared, provide examples of each from actual case studies, and suggest strategies to find elusive ancestors.

12:00 Lunch (on your own) & Vendors

1:30 Organizing Evidence to Overcome Record Shortages

Genealogists are often frustrated by record shortages and surviving records that do not specify relationships. A case study will demonstrate six steps to bypass record shortages and identify ancestors successfully.

2:30 Break

3:00 Seven Habits of Highly Effective Genealogists– Using standards articulated in the BCG Genealogical Standards Manual (Orem, Utah: Ancestry, 2000), the session explains and provides examples of seven ways attendees can achieve research results that are both accurate and useful.

Walk-Ins are welcome; however, the 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 the day of the workshop.

Any changes, including those due to inclement weather conditions, will be posted on the NCGS website: www.ncgenealogy.org.

Registration Form (please print)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone Number: (____) _____

E-mail: _____

Your e-mail address will not be shared with 3rd parties.

- Please contact me if there are announcements about this workshop.
 I wish to receive e-mail notifications of future NCGS events and activities.

NCGS or TRCGS Member _____ x \$35

Non-member _____ x \$45

Meals *not* included. _____

(See website for nearby restaurant and hotel list, or bring your own lunch.)

2012 NCGS Membership Dues (optional)

Individual \$40 _____

Family \$45 _____

Total _____

Only registrations received before 25 March are guaranteed to receive workshop packet. Seating is limited; reserve your space now.

Payment:

- PayPal: NCGS website: www.ncgenealogy.org
 Check: made payable to "NCGS Regional Workshop"
 PO Box 30815, Raleigh, NC 27622-0815
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