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## PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT

*Elliott R. Futrell*

Our first Board Meeting this year was co-hosted in February with the Edgecombe County Genealogical Society in Tarboro. The Edgecombe County Genealogical Society is very active and sponsors an ongoing genealogy class at Edgecombe Community College. I was pleased to learn that they were using *North Carolina Research* as their textbook.

My daughter Elizabeth and I attended the Centennial Celebration of the North Carolina Historical Commission and the Office of Archives and History that was held March 7<sup>th</sup> at the North Carolina Museum of History in Raleigh. The keynote speaker was Dr. William Leuchtenburg, Kenan Professor of History, Emeritus, at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Our second Board Meeting was in Charlotte with the members of the Olde Mecklenburg Genealogical Society. Their President, Dr. George Sutcliffe, had guided the membership into a number of abstraction projects. The State Society and the Olde Mecklenburg Society had a wonderful time exchanging ideas and information concerning the operations and problems of each of our organizations. Since this joint meeting, we have been very pleased with the participation and support that Olde Mecklenburg has shared with our Society. When local societies coordinate their strengths and resources with state societies, the entire genealogical community benefits.

The joint Summer Workshop at Goldsboro in July, co-hosted with Olde Dobbs Genealogical Society went very well. We had 143 persons in attendance. Many thanks are due the Program Committee for volunteering their time and experience in putting the program together. Helen Leary gave an outstanding presentation and was very well-received. I like to refer to Helen as the First Lady of North Carolina Genealogy. We are very grateful to Helen for her willingness to share her expertise with others. The Board meeting took place on the Friday night preceding the workshop in Goldsboro.

NCGS has contributed a total of seventy books to the genealogical section of the State Library this past year. Twenty six of these were county-related, fifteen treated North Carolina as a whole, ten related to other state, three were classified as research aids and sixteen were family histories. I would like to thank Ann Hutteman and Jackie Hedstrom for the hard work they have contributed as book review editors.

I am sorry to report that the Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) will not be coming to North Carolina in the year 2005, as previously planned. Some of the Board members attended the FGS Conference held in Orlando, FL, this year to learn what was expected of NCGS. We had correspondence in our files addressed to Past President, John Oden, stating that the Federation of Genealogical Societies Conference would be held here in 2005. I presented this documentation to President Hunter of FGS and he denied any knowledge of the

correspondence. He stated that the person who had written the letters (using FGS stationary) had no authorization to make this decision. Hunter further suggested that FGS might make the trip to North Carolina in 2008. I did not want to make any commitment at that time without Board approval. Perhaps there will be more to report concerning this matter at a later date.

NCGS is planning to begin a statewide Bible records publication. I hope that we can get the cooperation of our membership and the members of local societies in this project. There will be further information from Crestena Oakely concerning this effort in the pages of this newsletter and in future publications. The work we do now to preserve private documentation like Bible records will provide the building blocks for genealogical research far into future.

I would like to thank the membership of NCGS for electing me to serve as President for the next two years. With all of us volunteering our time and effort, we can accomplish a great deal in the interests of genealogy. Let's all work to increase our membership and reach out to others who have an interest in what we do. Each of us can reach out to at least one other individual this year and persuade them to join our efforts.

I would also like to solicit your financial support for the Society. If you are a life member, we need your help. Given the high cost of printing and mailing, you receive far more than you pay for in a life membership. NCGS, Inc. is exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501 (c) (3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code, and any contribution you make to us is considered tax deductible. A bequest from your personal foundation or estate would also be highly useful and appreciated.

Let's work this year to strengthen NCGS and secure the future of genealogy in North Carolina! Thank you for your support.

## 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 found 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.

NCGS encourages and expects its members to uphold high moral standards in their use of electronic media, in their research, and in their interaction with fellow genealogists and other persons. Ethical behavior by individuals will reflect well upon our organization, as well as the field of genealogy.

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## THE 2004 NCGS AWARDS Call for Nominations!

The Award for Excellence in Periodical Publishing for a periodical published by a North Carolina genealogical society.

The Award for Excellence in Publishing for a book, or set of books, of abstracts or transcriptions of original North Carolina primary source material.

The Award for Excellence in Publishing for a book of secondary source material, or family history relevant to North Carolina, and published within eighteen months preceding the award.

The Award for Outstanding Contribution to NCGS by a Member.

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Nominations should be submitted by September 1, 2004, and include the name, address and phone number with area code of the nominee, relevant supporting material, book or data, and a written statement giving reasons for the nomination. Publications submitted become the property of NCGS, and will be donated to the Genealogical Services Branch of the State Library of North Carolina. If the book has already been donated to NCGS for review in the *NCGS Journal*, a copy is not required. Copies of periodicals are required.

Nominations and supporting material should be sent to Terri Hopkins, NCGS Awards Committee, 11320 Old Stage Road, Willow Spring, NC 27592-7840. Questions may be addressed via e-mail <[Awards@ncgenealogy.org](mailto:Awards@ncgenealogy.org)>.

### NORTH CAROLINA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY 2003 AWARDS *Terri Hopkins*

The following awards were presented at the 2003 Fall Annual Meeting and workshop

held at the Zebulon Civic Center in Zebulon, NC (November 8, 2003).

**THE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PERIODICAL PUBLISHING** for a periodical published by a local North Carolina genealogical Society was presented to:



**Ellen Poteet and Mary Utting**, Editors of  
*Olde Mecklenburg County Genealogical Quarterly*.

The Olde Mecklenburg Genealogical Society (founded in 1981) publishes this award-winning journal four times per year. It covers the area of Olde Mecklenburg with articles and lists of early settlers, deeds, wills, Bible records, and family and church histories that are provided from members' research. Members are urged to share their genealogical data in print. OMGS welcomes family histories, lineage summaries, ancestral charts, Bible records, and any other items that would be of interest to their readers. Past issues of the *Quarterly* are rich in genealogical information that researchers will find valuable. Realizing this, the Society makes past issues available for purchase to anyone interested. An index of articles can be found on their website. You can access the site via the "Local Societies" section of the NCGS website - [www.ncgenealogy.org](http://www.ncgenealogy.org).

According to the NCGS Award Committee judges, this periodical is very professional, easy to read, full of a variety of information and contains a complete name index.

The Olde Mecklenburg Genealogical Society Quarterly Staff includes: Co-editors - Mary Utting and Ellen Poteet; Writers - Lynn Bancroft, Diane Richter and Ronald Touchstone; and Circulation - Lynn Bancroft

The editors first met 28 years ago when Mrs. Utting was the women's editor for *The Charlotte Observer* and Mrs. Poteet wrote feature stories for Southern Shows, Inc. (producer of the Southern Spring Show and the Southern Christmas Show). After many years they met again at an Olde Mecklenburg Genealogical Society meeting. In 2001, with their backgrounds in editing, writing, and magazine journalism and their avid interest in family research, they joined a staff already experienced in genealogical writing and research.

They wear many hats within the Society. Mrs. Utting is also the Recording Secretary. They are co-editors of a series of five Mecklenburg County cemetery books being issued by the Society. They are preparing a number of unpublished materials for publication including a medical journal from the 1860s listing patient accounts and their medications; marriage, death, and legal notices from early Charlotte newspapers; and early church congregational records, baptisms, and membership rolls.

When I asked them to tell me what they think about being an editor of a genealogical society publication they gave me the following comments:

Mrs. Utting: "As a retired professional editor, I believe that Ellen and I are trying to adhere to high standards of publishing and for genealogy accuracy and excellence in what we print. I strongly believe that genealogy today requires the highest research standards and documentation."

Mrs. Poteet: "I'm having the time of my life! Magazine journalism was always my first love. I am so thankful to the Lord for the opportunity to combine it with genealogical

research. Two pluses are that we have gotten to know the great people who have contributed articles to the *Quarterly*, and we are enjoying the fellowship of Olde Meck members, all of us working toward the common goal of making the early records of Mecklenburg County available to researchers."

**THE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PUBLISHING** for a book, or set of books, of abstracts or transcriptions of original North Carolina primary source material went to:

*Tryon County Documents 1769–1779: A North Carolina County* by **Kathy Gunter Sullivan**.



*Kathy Gunter Sullivan*

In the 1980s, Charlotte native, Kathy Gunter Sullivan discovered her Lincoln County Revolutionary War ancestor by accident and became hooked on genealogy. In 1995, she earned the right to be called a Certified Genealogist when she received her credentials from the Board for Certification of Genealogists ([www.BCG.org](http://www.BCG.org)). She is a life member of the North Carolina Genealogical Society. In addition to this award-winning volume, she has published an account of the descendants of John and Barbara (Whitener) Dellinger and numerous volumes of Lincoln County records - one of which won her the 1990 NCGS Award for Excellence in Publishing.

According to David Corbitt's *Formation of*

*the North Carolina Counties*, Tryon County was formed from Mecklenburg in 1768 and was named in honor of William Tryon, governor of North Carolina. In 1779 Tryon County was abolished and two new counties were formed - Lincoln and Rutherford. Subsequent boundary changes affected the present day counties of Burke, Buncombe, Catawba, Cleveland, Gaston, Henderson, McDowell, and Polk.

To paraphrase the introduction: this publication is "a compilation of previously unpublished Tryon County Civil Court Dockets that are stored in three (3) separate locations and have been virtually inaccessible until this publication. Record losses in the Tryon Counties' parent counties increase the value of any extant records. In some cases these may be the only documents created that recorded people who lived in the area between 1769 and 1779 - the period during which Tryon County existed."

Civil dockets are companion records to county court minutes and reflect the progress of legal actions pursued in county court. Unfamiliar legal language and formats are often intimidating, but Mrs. Sullivan has provided guidance on deciphering and applying docket research. In addition to the case-by-case examination of every action appearing in the original papers, this book includes a summary of the county history, a reproduction of a map illustrating the region at the time including Tryon County, an overview of Tryon County Records, examples of each kind of document, explanations of their creation, a glossary, and an interesting view of the signatures of the presiding Justices who signed the Dockets.

Mrs. Sullivan contributed this book to the Genealogical Society of Old Tryon County for publishing and sales.

**THE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PUBLISHING** for a book of secondary material, or family history relevant to North Carolina, and published within eighteen

months preceding, the award was presented to:

*Lore and Legacy:  
A History for the Cheek, Sale and Sparks  
Families (2<sup>nd</sup> Ed.)  
by Jeffrey Lewis Williams*



*Jeffrey L. Williams*

As described in the book's introduction, it is "primarily a work-in-progress of my family's history, beginning with my grandparents (Cheek, Sparks, Wellman, Lewis) originating in the early 16<sup>th</sup> century in France, Ireland and England, and emigrating to America in the 1600s. They arrived in Virginia, Massachusetts and Maryland in the 1650s and early 1700s, eventually settling in the North Carolina region and spreading South and West. They married Sale, Stimson, Harris, Elmore, Gray, Royal, Swaim and Cook families of the Yadkin-Surry-Wilkes Counties, North Carolina region."

The book contains graphs, maps and photographs in color and in black and white and names over 6000 people from 35 different families in the Yadkin-Surry-Wilkes County area.

Mr. Williams was born in Ohio, raised in Ann Arbor and currently resides in Plymouth, Michigan. He was a corporate controller for a software company when he became interested in genealogy. His interest was sparked from a short note sent to his

grandmother, Mrs. Florence Gertrude Sparks Cheek from her cousin, Mrs. Myra Virginia Sale Helms. The note listed six names - their mutual grandparents and their parents' names. His interest grew and shortly thereafter, Mr. Williams began researching full-time.

From the six names on that note, he began the research that culminated in this award-winning book - *Lore & Legacy: A History of the Cheek, Sale and Sparks Families*. It is the foundation for his future publication: *The Cheek Family Chronicles*, an 850 page history of the Cheek Family, over a 700 year period, due out in 2004 from the Pilgrim Press (PilgrimPress@aol.com).

**THE AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO THE NORTH CAROLINA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY BY A MEMBER** was given to:



**Grace Wight** (Please Help Me Committee)

Mrs. Wight, who was a kindergarten and second grade teacher, has served almost twenty years answering letters to the Please Help Me (PHM) Committee of the North Carolina Genealogical Society. These letters seek genealogical information and guidance.

Mrs. Wight joined Mr. Ransom McBride in this effort in 1984 and according to Mr. McBride, "she has been a rock since that time". Mr. McBride was the NCGS *Journal* Editor from 1977 until 1985. Together they

answered these letters until 1997 when Mr. McBride retired from that role. Since then, in most cases, Mrs. Wight has constituted a committee of one, although some support in selected areas has come from other individuals over the years.

All such letters have been answered whether the originator was an NCGS member or not. As NCGS membership grew from 435 charter members in 1974 to 2,400 members by 1986, the *Please Help Me* letter volume approached 1, 000 per year.

Some sixty-five percent of the letters were from North Carolina, followed by those from Texas, California, Florida, Virginia, Georgia and Tennessee, although letters from all of the United States and nine foreign countries have been answered.

Grace Wight has been a meticulous and knowledgeable researcher, and her efforts have often updated, corrected, or documented many North Carolina family histories. Her answers included detailed research from original probate, land, court and military records at the North Carolina State Archives as well as those from NC State Library collections of published county, province/state, federal and confederate government records and privately compiled family, cemetery, biographical, and historical records. She also has contributed useful articles to the *NCGS Journal* and stands as a dependable source of clear advice and encouragement to researchers of North Carolina families.

She attended genealogy classes through Craven County Community College and as a member of the Eastern North Carolina Genealogical Society, served both on their *Quarterly's* editorial staff and as their president. At one time, she led a small genealogy club at her church. She has just completed seven years as registrar of her DAR chapter, has helped with Colonial Dame Applications, and has assisted with Sons of the Revolution. She is also trying to document her family stories for her grandchildren. She says that great grandpa

riding a mule to school blows their minds.

**THE AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO NORTH CAROLINA GENEALOGY** was presented posthumously to:

**John Henry Oden, III**

John Oden, a Beaufort County native and Bath Post Office U.S. Postal Carrier, became interested in genealogy as a young man. He joined the Beaufort County Genealogical Society shortly after its formation in 1985 and became a very active member. He served as President, Vice President, and as a member of the Board of Directors. He also served as the research volunteer for the Society. Anyone looking for a Beaufort County ancestor would eventually be referred to John. He either knew the answer or knew where to find the answer. Everyone in the county respected John as the 'local historian'.



*The Oden Family accepted John's posthumous award. Pictured are (left to right): Bea Latham, Mae Lurvey, Linda Oden (sister), Janice Oden (wife), Mark Boxer (brother-in-law), Betsy Boxer (sister), Laura Oden (niece), Dale Oden (brother).*

He was the current editor of *Pamteco Tracings*, the journal of the Beaufort County Genealogical Society. He had contributed articles to the journal for a number of years before taking the editorial position. He contributed information to *Marriages and Deaths from Washington, NC Newspapers: Volume 3, The Washington Progress, 1887--1906*. He also authored the book, *Record of Marriages, 1851-1868 Beaufort County, North Carolina* published by the Beaufort County Genealogical Society.

John joined the North Carolina Genealogical Society Board of Directors as First Vice President under President R. S. Spencer, Jr. The first vice president serves as liaison between NCGS and all the local societies in the state. He became well-known across North Carolina in this capacity.

He was the President of NCGS for four years and he was a recent Past President. At the time of his death, he was serving as a member of the Nominating Committee and was instrumental in selecting the slate of officers and directors for the upcoming year.

John wrote and submitted many articles to Ray Winslow, Jr., *NCGS Journal* Editor, for publication. His most recent work was the culmination of extensive research on the pirate Blackbeard with Jane Stubbs Bailey and Allen Hart Norris entitled "Legends of Black Beard and his Ties to Bath Town: A Study of Historical Events Using Genealogical Methodology" which was presented in the August 2002 *NCGS Journal*. In June 2003, he was interviewed and gave insight on Black Beard and the early days of Bath Town as part of a documentary on Bath's past and present which aired on UNC-TV. He also edited the latest publication by the BCGS, *Beaufort County, North Carolina Deed Book I, 1696-1729*, which he finished just days before his death. He was also serving on the Historic Bath Commission, a position appointed by Governor Easley, as well as on the Bath Tri-centennial Committee. He was the chairman of the Special Projects for Publication committee. He worked on the state-wide index of deeds before turning the project over to the NCGS Board of Directors for conclusion. He was the technical person behind the Ancestor Exchange Project. It is impossible in this forum to list everything he participated in or contributed to.

He served NCGS well and accomplished many things not only for the Society but also for genealogists across the state. In addition to his memberships and roles in the Beaufort County Genealogical Society and NCGS, John was a member of the National

Genealogical Society, a member of the Friends of the Archives, and, as mentioned earlier, a member of the Bath Tri-Centennial Commission, Bath Historic Commission and the Historic Bath Foundation.

Besides all the great professional work that John did as a genealogist, it is more important to note that he was a wonderful man. He was a warm, gentle and caring individual. John gave people the courtesy of his full attention. He cared and really listened to what they had to say. He amazed the people he knew with his thoughtfulness and knowledge when months after they spoke to him about a topic or issue, he would suddenly contact them, suggesting a source that he had come across which had a connection to the previous conversation. Even with his busy schedule, John still took the time to help other people with their research. He really was a "HELPER"!!

North Carolina lost one of its most dedicated genealogical researchers with the sudden death of John Henry Oden, III on Wednesday, July 23, 2003. John suffered a massive heart attack at his home in the community where he spent his entire life. The loss of John has been a great blow to his family as well as to the countless friends he had locally and throughout the widespread world of genealogy. His shoes will be hard to fill, but hopefully, with the seeds he has planted in others for the love of genealogy, his work will go on.

**A PRELIMINARY SLAVE NAME  
DATABASE FOR  
THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE  
ARCHIVES**  
*Douglas Brown*  
(NCCS Intern)

Last year, thanks to the generosity and support of the North Carolina Genealogical Society, I completed an internship at the Public Services Branch of the North Carolina State Archives. The internship was a great opportunity for me to

gain valuable experience in the archival profession by helping patrons locate records for their research. Not only did the internship provide immediate assistance to patrons, it also required developing a project that would improve access to the state's archival records in the future. Most projects of this nature deal with creating a finding aid, a term for a descriptive tool that provides information about the contents and nature of archived records. Finding aids vary in structure and scope, such as narrative guides for private collections, the MARS automated database, the statewide index of wills, the microfiche index to marriage bonds or cemetery records for a specific county. Basically, the majority of books, computers, and card catalogs in the search room are considered finding aids. Despite the plethora of guides available, there is always a need to create more to improve the efficiency of service to researchers. Since the duration of the internship is limited, most projects focus on a single type of record in either one time period or particular county, such as an index of Revolutionary War pay vouchers or estate records for Iredell county. Nevertheless we decided to create a finding aid which would, in the long term, become a significant tool for conducting genealogical research and address a problem for an expanding number of researchers at the State Archives.

Anyone who has attempted to trace the genealogy of African Americans prior to the Civil War is aware of the hardships inherent in tracking the lineage of former slaves and free persons of color. Most genealogists know that property ownership is a critical factor in tracing family ancestry. However tracing the genealogy of people who were once considered property is quite another situation. Prior to emancipation, blacks were identified in records only by their first name and as the property of an individual or family. They most often did not have a surname unless born a free person of color or emancipated. When a slave was identified in records, it was usually by his/her current status of ownership—as in transactions noting the

sale of a slave or his/her manumission, or his/her involvement in a court case, whether as a defendant, victim, or deponent in a trial. Because of the ante-bellum social status of African Americans, they were recorded in wills, estate papers or census records only as a name, number or monetary value. Usually the only information about a slave that was deemed significant enough to document was his/her property value, rather than vital statistics such as age, gender, parents, or marital status. (Marriage was illegal for slaves, yet some records refer to black couples as husband and wife). When all slaves gained emancipation, it was common for them to take the surname of their last or previous owner, but this was not always the case. Therefore, in order to find African-American ancestors before the Civil War, one has to track down previous owners whose surnames they may have taken. With the exception of William Byrd and John Smith's work on slave records in North Carolina, there seems to be a lack of sufficient finding aids devoted specifically to slaves mentioned in public records. To alleviate this problem, and hopefully, guide researchers to records that might contain or refer them to pertinent information about slaves and their ownership, I have undertaken the creation of an automated database which will eventually index the names of slaves mentioned in archival records at the North Carolina State Archives as part of my fulfillment of the North Carolina Genealogical Society Internship.

Due to the indefinite nature of this long-term project, the initial records to be indexed are miscellaneous slave records. To aid researchers who were looking exclusively for documents mentioning slaves, many court records were grouped under this subseries of records and are currently stored in the miscellaneous series of county records. Normally they are property records, brought before a county court official that document a transfer of title in a slave's ownership, such as bills of sale, deeds of gift or petitions to divide or sell slaves. As mentioned earlier, criminal and civil court records exist which mention

slaves on trial for infractions ranging from purchasing spirituous liquors to conspiring in a slave insurrection. Arguably, these records should have remained within a like series of records, such as court records, estate records or deeds, but they were separated at one time because of their reference to slaves. Unlike wills and estate records, these records are not filed under a last name but usually grouped in a file by type of record or time period. Unfortunately, the arrangement of these records is not consistent from county to county. Patrons attempting to trace the ancestry of former slaves are initially optimistic when they request slave records, yet become dismayed and overwhelmed when they see multiple boxes of materials or two-inch files of documents. Approximately two thirds of North Carolina county record series contain slave records and, obviously, most originated in counties where slaves were an integral part of the economic and social structure. Since most of these records are grouped in folders simply by type of record or by date of probate, this project will hopefully improve access to finding a specific record mentioning a particular slave's or owner's name.

After inventorying the counties that contain slave records, I began the process of reading the documents for information pertinent to genealogists and entered it into a database. The initial database contains the following information: slave's name, owner's name, possible or previous owners, year, county, call number, and file name. Each slave mentioned in the document has an entry. Therefore, if a document mentions a mother and child slave, there will be two entries. If any pertinent information is provided in the record that might be beneficial to a researcher, it is noted in parentheses under the related field. Sometimes, for example, the document might specify the slave as a man, boy, woman, girl or child and, therefore, at least give an idea of the age and gender of the slave. Some records give an age for a slave. However, they seem to be estimates in most cases and should not be considered exact. Not only is gender and age noted, if

mentioned in the document, but also familial relationships if a record states explicitly that one slave is the child, parent, or spouse of another. Records vary in noting such specifics, so analyzing the actual document rather than relying solely on the database is probably the best option. For example, some documents record the sale of a female slave along with slaves that are young children, but does not state that she is the mother of the children. It is up to the researcher to read this document and make his or her own conclusions by finding additional records to support the argument.

The entry for each slave is tied to the owner at the time the document was written as well as to previous or possible owners. As before mentioned, this is significant because slaves often take or are given the last name of an owner once emancipated. In most cases, the previous owner is the one who is selling a slave or the agent of a deceased person who once had title. Sometimes, the entry notes possible owners because the record deals with proper title or contested claims with regard to the slave and the final outcome is not presented. Each entry also includes the year and the county where the document was written. The owner sometimes resides in a neighboring county or state, and such situations are noted. In a case where multiple entries can be made for the owner or county, a duplicate entry was made, so that the database could be searched for any possible owners or county of residence. When more than one county is mentioned in that field, the county where the record series currently belongs will be mentioned first or denoted as CR ("county record") in parentheses. A researcher would need to refer to the document to determine where the previous or current owner resided and perhaps to find other counties where a former slave might have lived.

Slave records also contain pertinent information about owners and their descendants. In the case of deeds of gifts, one slave owner might transfer ownership to a relative and note the nature of the relationship. Petitions to divide slaves might also list siblings of a recently

deceased person who did not give specific guidelines for dividing slaves among heirs. Therefore, if one is trying to trace the lineage of someone who happened to own slaves, this database might contain information stating certain relationships between owners that could not be proved by other records. Again, not all documents explicitly state that petitioners in a record to divide or sell slaves are related, but it is probably worth investigating if a last name of an owner appears in the database.

Unfortunately, at the time I completed the internship, I only reviewed a handful of counties in the northeastern section of the state. How and when this database will be available to patrons is yet to be determined and is contingent on many factors. First, it will be up to the Public Services Branch of the State Archives to decide who will continue this project. Perhaps this effort will require volunteers who are interested in genealogy to devote a few hours a week to add entries to the database. Also, at some point, the Information Technology Branch will need to decide how patrons will best be able to access the database. For now, it is merely a list of thousands of entries in which each field can be sorted alphabetically or chronologically. When this finding aid is available for researchers at the State Archives, please note that it will not reveal everyone's ancestry. Researchers will need more than one record to verify an ancestor, and not all of the miscellaneous slave records are explicit in providing relevant information. Unfortunately, any details provided in the records usually concern the owners and property value, rather than any specifics about the slaves themselves.

For me, tracing genealogy is like putting together a jigsaw puzzle, in which you first put together all the edge pieces and then group together all the similar interior pieces. For example, this database will allow you to sort together all the slaves named John, all slaves from Bertie county, all slaves who were once owned by the Doe family, or all slaves living during a certain decade or year. However, the patron will still need to take the pieces and see if they fit

with other records that exist--such as wills, estate records, deeds, and census records. When it comes to tracing the ancestry of African Americans, unfortunately, we have lost some pieces due to the usual suspects (fire, flood, war, etc.) Nevertheless, it is my hope that this project will uncover a few matches that will give genealogists a perspective on African-American ancestry, rather than allow all the pieces to remain scattered and in disarray.

## ACCESSIONS AT N.C. STATE ARCHIVES

Fall Quarter 2003

Debbi Blake

*This is a partial listing of accessions at the Archives. For a complete listing please see our web page <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.*

### COUNTY RECORDS:

Alamance. Divorce Records, 1889-1917; 1 reel, 35mm. duplicate negative microfilm.

#### Catawba.

Civil Issues Docket, Superior Court, 1869-1891, 1918-1924, no date; 3 volumes.  
Minute Docket, Superior Court, 1886-1915; 8 volumes.  
Execution Docket, Superior Court, 1878-1885; 1 volume.  
Judgment Docket in Special Proceedings Before the Clerk, 1885-1900; 1 volume.  
Judgment Docket, Superior Court, 1880-1941; 21 volumes.  
Cost Docket, Superior Court, 1918-1920; 1 volume.

#### Guilford.

Divorce Records, 1820-1929; 1 reel, 35mm. duplicate negative microfilm.

#### Mecklenburg.

Alien Registration, 1927-1942; 2 volumes.  
Divorce Records, 1846-1969; 47 reels, 35mm. duplicate negative microfilm.

#### Pamlico.

Record of Stock Marks, 1874-1919; 1 volume.

#### Pitt.

Criminal Minute Docket, Superior Court, 1914-1946; 6 volumes.  
Judgment Docket, Superior Court, 1860-1922; 25 volumes.  
Civil Issues Docket, Superior Court, 1869-1935; 3 volumes.  
Cross Index to Judgments (Civil Actions), 1857-1880; 2 volumes.  
Cross Index to Civil Issues Docket, 1869-1927; 2 volumes.  
Appointment of Receivers, 1918-1931; 3 volumes.  
Maiden Name of Divorced Women, 1942-1968; 1 volume.  
Record of Lunacy, 1899-1968; 6 volumes.

#### Sampson.

Criminal Issues Docket, Superior Court, 1868-1885; 1 volume.  
Cross Index to Civil Actions, Superior Court, no date; 1 volume.  
Cross Index to Civil Issues Docket, Superior court, no date; 1 volume.  
Civil Issues Docket, Superior Court, 1892-1925; 5 volumes.

#### Stanly.

Judgment Docket, Superior Court, 1887-1949; 6 volumes.  
Criminal Cost Docket, Superior court, 1875-1907; 2 volumes.  
Judgment Docket, Cost Paid by Defendant, Superior Court, 1867-1887; 1 volume.  
Criminal Issues Docket, Superior Court, 1899-1968; 2 volumes.  
Minute Docket, Recorder's Court, 1915-1925; 1 volume.  
Guardians World War Veterans, 1930-1938; 1 volume.  
Record of Moneys Paid to the Clerk, 1905-1923; 2 volumes.  
Record of Settlements, 1903-1919, 1925-1928; 3 volumes.  
Maiden Name of Divorced Women, 1946-1968; 1 volume.  
Record of Lunacy, 1929-1968; 3 volumes.

**Surry.**

Judgment Docket, Civil and Criminal, 1877-1936, 1940-1948; 7 reels, 35mm. negative microfilm.

Minute Docket, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, 1774-1778; 1 volume.

**Montgomery.**

Divorce Records, 1856-1907; 1 reel, 35mm. duplicate negative microfilm.

**Moore.**

Divorce Records, 1887-1915; 1 reel, 35mm. duplicate negative microfilm.

**Nash.**

Divorce Records, 1818-1866; 1 reel, 35mm. duplicate negative microfilm.

**New Hanover.**

Divorce Records, 1858-1945; 3 reels, 35mm. duplicate negative microfilm.

**Northampton.**

Divorce Records, 1818-1951; 1 reel, 35mm. duplicate negative microfilm.

**Onslow.**

Divorce Records, 1866-1906; 1 reel, 35mm. duplicate negative microfilm.

**Orange.**

Divorce Records, 1824-1908; 1 reel, 35mm. duplicate negative microfilm.

**Pamlico.**

Divorce Records, 1874-1915; 1 reel, 35mm. duplicate negative microfilm.

**Pasquotank.**

Divorce Records, 1838-1919; 3 reels, 35mm. duplicate negative microfilm.

**Pender.**

Divorce Records, 1877-1950; 1 reel, 35mm. duplicate negative microfilm.

**Perquimans.**

Divorce Records, 1824-1912; 1 reel, 35mm. duplicate negative microfilm.

**Person.**

Divorce Records, 1821-1939; 1 reel, 35mm. duplicate negative microfilm.

**Pitt.**

Divorce Records, 1861, 1866, 1870-1906; 2 reels, 35mm. duplicate negative microfilm.

**BIBLE RECORDS.**

**Furr.** Paul S. and Sarah Furr Family Bible Records, 1809-1925; Stanly County; 5 pp. color photocopies; 5 pp. typescript.

**Gold.** P. D. and Julia Pipkin Gold Family Bible Records, 1833-1981; Cleveland, Wayne, Wilson counties; 7 pp. photostatic copies.

**Harrell.** John B. and Louisa J. Harrell Family Bible Records, 1837-1918; Gates and Chowan counties; 4 pp. photocopies.

**Swindell.** Frederick Dallas and Sue Dudley Swindell Family Bible Records, 1789-1948; Carteret, Wilson counties; 10 pp. photostatic copies.

**PRIVATE COLLECTIONS.**

**Miscellaneous Papers** (addition). Deed to P. Gilreath, 1849; three deeds to V. Ripley, 1851-1853; deed to G. H. Dill, 1855; grant to Thomas Justice (oversized), 1794; grant to James Blyth (oversized), 1799; and exemplification on parchment (oversized), 1810, will of Rev. Paul Limrick, Calcutta, Bengal; 8 items.

**Miscellaneous Papers** (addition). Laminated land grant, 25 October 1765, to Daniel Yeates, 200 acres in Onslow County on the west side of New River, with unattached laminated plat of survey, Sept. 1764; 2 items.

**Miscellaneous Papers** (addition). Deed, September 2, 1869, Patrick C. Cromartie and wife Eleanor J., of Bladen County, to James Kerr of New Hanover County, \$5,000, 1,053 acres in Sampson County; 1 item.

**Slave Collection** (addition). Original bill of sale, 11 April 1842, for girl Aquila, aged 8, sold by William Boylan to Alexander Elliot, proved in Cumberland County Court of P&QS; 1 item.

**William Joslin Papers** (addition). Charlotte Hilton Green Park materials; 90 items.

**William B. Grady Letters.** Civil War letters of William B. Grady, 1861-1865; Duplin County; 5 letters.

**Joseph H. Hubbard Letter.** Civil War letter of Joseph H. Hubbard, 1863; Sampson County; 1 item.

**James A. May Letter.** Civil War letter of James A. May, 1862; Guilford County; 1 item.

**Houston Family Letters.** Letters written by Sam Watson Houston and William James Hartsell (combatants in World War I and World War II); Cabarrus County; 15 items. Gift of Robert S. Conrich, Anguila, British West Indies (via Ohio Historical Society, Columbus, Ohio).

**Hugh A. Crawford Letter.** Letter written by Hugh A. Crawford of Anson County, December 9, 1856, on presidential politics in North Carolina; 1 item.

**Sarah J. C. Whittlesey Letters.** Three letters and two envelopes of Sarah J. C. Whittlesey, Williamston, 1858-1861; Martin County; 5 items.

**Coltrane Family Papers.** Various papers relating to the Coltrane family of Randolph County, 1840-1858; 4 items.

**Lott Family Papers.** Various papers, mostly letters, of the Lott family of Forsyth County, 1852-1918; 7 items.

**John M. Turner Letter.** Civil War letter of John M. Turner, September 18, 1864; Cleveland County; 1 item.

## OTHER RECORDS:

### Account Books.

#### George Williamson & Co.

Account Books, 1816-1825, 1827-1829, 1834-1840; Yanceyville, Caswell County, North Carolina; 10 volumes.

### W. C. Perry

Account Book, 1922-1927, 1933-1937, 1940; 1 volume.

## NCGS SOCIETY SALUTE

*Terri R. Hopkins*

The North Carolina Genealogical Society proudly salutes:

### Moore County Genealogical Society.



The Moore County Genealogical Society (MCGS) was organized in May, 1984 to increase interest in and raise the standards of genealogical research via educational programs and publication of genealogical materials and to promote the collection, preservation, and utilization of manuscripts, documents, and other materials of genealogical or historical value—especially in Moore County.

The current slate of officers includes President - Helen Leverton; Vice-President - Louise Blue; Corresponding Secretary - Beth Maness; Recording Secretary - Mackie M Paschall; Treasurer - Tom Stewart; Directors - Millie Larus, Paul McDonald, Louise Seawell, and Frank West.

MCGS publishes a quarterly newsletter. Their webpage offers a listing of articles from each newsletter back to its first issue in 1984. Through the newsletter, they state that they attempt to answer an often-asked question "Was everything burned in the

1889 Courthouse fire?"

Besides queries, the newsletter keeps up to date on family reunions within the county, announces newly-published books of genealogical value on Moore County, and heralds any upcoming seminars and events. They welcome and encourage member contributions to the newsletter.

A list of their available publications can also be found on their webpage. Listed are three Bible Project Books. The name indices for each book are there to tempt you.

The MCGS is currently working on three projects:

1. In response to a request from the Moore County Veterans Service Office, they are reviewing military discharges recorded by the Moore County Register of Deeds to collect the names of veterans for inclusion on a proposed monument to Moore County veterans of all wars.

2. They are looking for letters written to or from Moore County residents prior to 1900 for a project entitled *Moore Letters*. They will transcribe and publish the letters. To contribute, please send a copy to MCGS along with any background information on the correspondents, i.e. relationship to each other, relationship to you, etc. MCGS currently has 25 letters.

3. They also plan to re-publish the Moore Cemetery book. Since its first publication in 1977, more cemeteries and names have been collected. Cemeteries will be revisited and those which did not have names in the first book will be recorded. Individuals born before 1900 will be included along with the headstones that are rapidly deteriorating. There will be new maps, and an index of maiden names. No projected completion date is set on this project.

MCGS meets quarterly at the Moore County Library in Carthage at 10:30am. Each March, the annual meeting is held for the

election of new officers and directors. The summer meeting is an annual picnic with the Lee County Genealogical and Historical Society. In odd years, MCGS acts as the host for this event.

Individual membership is \$12.00 per year. The benefits of membership include: informative meetings, quarterly newsletters, submission of one free query per year (additional queries are published if space permits) and a yearly membership list.

In 2004, to celebrate their 20th anniversary, they are planning an all-day seminar (March 20, 2004) at the Whispering Pines Country Club. Guest speakers will be: Carrie Adamson a native of Pennsylvania and a journalism graduate of Univ. of GA. who has worked in family research for nearly 40 years. She is still a lively editor and honorary president of the Genie Society which she started in Augusta 25 years ago. Helen Leary a Certified Genealogist, Certified Genealogical Lecturer, Fellow of the American Society of Genealogists, and a Fellow of the National Genealogical will also appear.

You may contact **The Moore County Genealogical Society at PO Box 1183, Pinehurst, NC 28374.**

Webpage:  
<http://www.rootsweb.com/~ncmcgs/>

Moore County, in the Piedmont Sandhills, was formed in 1784 from Cumberland County and was named in honor of Captain Alfred Moore of Brunswick, a Revolutionary War soldier who held many offices including Supreme Court Judge of the United States. It is in the south central section of the State. Its neighbors are Chatham, Harnett, Hoke, Lee, Montgomery, Randolph, Richmond, and Scotland Counties. Carthage is the county seat.

## ☞CALL FOR BIBLE RECORDS!!!!☞

The North Carolina Genealogical Society is beginning a project to collect and preserve Bible records across the state. All NCGS members may submit as many Bible records as they want. Non-NCGS members may submit Bible records also with a \$5.00 charge for each Bible submitted.

Criteria for accepting the Bible or family record:

- \* Current owner must identify an address, phone and (optional) e-mail; indicate how much of this information you want in print. Ideally, we would like to include the owner's name and some contact information. If you prefer to remain anonymous, we will comply with your request. NCGS does need those details for our records, however, in case we need to consult you. Please give us written permission to print.
- \* Owner to furnish readable photocopy of the pages with the family information in the Bible, copy of the title page, page with date of Bible and publisher of Bible.
- \* Make a typewritten or a very legible printed transcription of the information on the family pages. Our concern is to have an accurate rendering of the names and dates when inputting the information.
- \* In cases in which the Bible is too fragile or otherwise unavailable to be copied, just make a typewritten or very legible printed transcription of the entire record. Then carry the transcription and the Bible to a notary, Register of Deeds or Clerk of Court. Have them read your copy, compare it to the Bible and prepare a signed notary statement with the seal impression or print.
- \* At least one record in the Bible must be dated prior to 1920 to qualify.
- \* Hopefully, there will be a way to electronically submit your records by January 2004. That portion of the website is currently under construction.
- \* A pre-publication sale will begin at the end of the record submission period.
- \* The **time line** for completion of this project: project launched at annual meeting, 2003; time period for submission is from November 2003 to 31 December 2004; Time period for data input and editing--60 days (1 Jan-1 Mar, 2005); time period for publisher--30-60 days; Date available for sale: Spring 2005. We are adamant about following this time line.
- \* Copy machines will be available, for your convenience, at the NCGS - Old Buncombe Workshop in Asheville on 10 July 2004 and the Annual Meeting and Workshop on 12-13 November 2004 in Raleigh.
- \* Forms and more detailed printed instructions will be in the Spring NCGS News. You now may begin submitting your Bible records.

**Please contact Crestena Oakley with any questions. Email: [info@ncgenealogy.org](mailto:info@ncgenealogy.org) or write to her c/o NCGS, P O Box 22, Greenville, NC 27835-0022. All our instructions and forms will be at our web site as soon as we complete the details of this project.**

## 2003 OFFICER REPORTS

### **Report of the First Vice President, Terri Hopkins:**

During 2003, I have had the great pleasure to receive journals and newsletters from all across the great state of North Carolina. I continue to see that N.C. Genealogy is alive and well.

I am tracking and managing NCGS' membership in more than 80 different organizations. Our Treasurer, at my request, has prepared dues checks for me to send to each of these societies as their deadlines approach. The majority of the societies have a membership year that begins in January but approximately twelve organizations begin their membership year in later quarters.

I have received and viewed the publications from the local societies. As part of reviewing these publications, I have logged them and noted the meeting schedules, checked addresses (mailing, email, webaddresses), and membership requirements such as membership year and the price of annual dues. This year I've begun to document the local society officers too. Between November 1, 2002 and the end of October 2003, I have logged approximately 345 publications. Forty eight are still in my possession while the rest have been deposited with the State Library in Raleigh.

My plans for 2004 include making publicly available the information about the local societies that I am collecting and encouraging all the societies to nominate their journals and newsletters in the 2004 NCGS Awards. Society Salutes to Haywood, Wilkes and Moore County Genealogical Societies were prepared and submitted to *NCGS News*.

### **Report of the Second Vice President, Debbi Blake:**

This year I have applied for the Society's copyright for the Journal CD and have recently received a request for more information from the Copyright Office. I

have also worked on getting our ISBN numbers for our various publications listed with Bowker, the company that assigns these numbers.

### **Report of the Secretary and Book Distributor, Crestena Jennings Oakley:**

There were eleven members who chose to renew their memberships during the Annual Meeting and Workshop held in Zebulon this year. The annual dues notices are coming in and we are signing up new members before the New Year begins. Our membership for 2003 is low. We would encourage each of you to bring at least one new member to NCGS during 2004.

Our book sales for 2003 increased over those of the 2002 year. This gave us a boost to begin our new Bible Records Project. See the announcement of this project in this newsletter. During the year, the Secretary performs routine duties, such as, responding to correspondence, updating the membership roll, preparing invoices for all the book sales, mailing brochures to libraries and other places asking for brochures for their workshops, attending to the bulk mailings of brochures, journals, newsletters and other mailings for the society and other miscellaneous duties. The Book Distributor prepares all book orders for shipping and mailing at the US Post Office. She exhibits the NCGS products at all NCGS functions and national conferences. NCGS also attends local society workshops as a vendor when board members are available.

During 2004, Terri Hopkins, First Vice President, will be attending the NGS GENTECH Conference during January. Crestena Oakley, along with other NCGS board members will be attending the FGS 2004 Conference in Austin, TX during September.

It would be very helpful if you would write your member number on any correspondence to NCGS, including book orders and membership renewals. Where is your member number? When you receive your NCGS NEWS or NCGS Journal, it is the first five digits from the left on the top line of your label.

Let us know if you have any questions or comments concerning NCGS. Our email is [info@ncgenealogy.org](mailto:info@ncgenealogy.org) . Our web page is [www.ncgenealogy.org](http://www.ncgenealogy.org) .

**Report of the Treasurer, Judith Garner Hinton:**

The NCGS Board has approved a budget for 2004 of \$77, 850. The major source of income is memberships, with some also from book sales and workshops. The major expense is publishing, including the journal, newsletter, and our Internet website.

It is my duty as Treasurer to make the membership aware that our financial condition is not as optimistic as it was three to four years ago. Over the past few years, we have seen a steady decline in membership-- nearly 30%. Concurrently, we have seen an increase in the cost of publications, particularly the *Journal*, and the added cost of creating and maintaining an Internet presence--certainly a necessity in today's environment.

The trends have resulted in a sharp increase in the cost to provide service for each member--about 46% which is nearly double that of our current dues structure. There is no imminent danger of financial collapse. But as we continue to deplete our reserves, it becomes clear that your 2004 Board has some new challenges it must address to ensure a sound and continuing financial future for NCGS.

During 2004, the Board will consider, evaluate, and adopt a variety of measures to address these challenges. Our concern today is to alert the membership, and solicit your support and understanding for the recommendations needed to address our financial future.

**Report of the Newsletter Editor, Larry W. Cates:**

This year, in addition to the normal duties I have in editing these pages quarterly for the printer, I was asked to determine the feasibility of providing access to the *News* digitally. The idea was to save money for NCGS in view of the dramatic decline in membership over recent years.

Working with Crestena Oakley and Terri Hopkins, I have proposed that next year (2004), we should begin to provide access to the *News* on-line in lieu of paper copies mailed to individual homes. Members and non-members alike would be able to access the digital copy at our website, [www.ncgenealogy.org](http://www.ncgenealogy.org) using the Adobe Acrobat reader (also available on the site to those who don't already have it.) This would save the Society the postage and printing costs of mailing the *News*, but would require that we ask each renewing member in 2004 to indicate a preference. A renewal form was designed to obtain preference information. (See last issue.) We also asked that all members who agreed to take the *News* on-line subscribe to the NCGS-L mailing list at Rootsweb, so that a message can be sent informing everyone when a new edition of the *News* is available at the website. (Instructions provided in the Summer 2003 edition of the *News*.) Once again, the *News* will be available at the website and will be printable; **it will not be mailed to individual member e-mail accounts.** Life members are also asked to indicate a preference.

I would encourage everyone who can do so, to opt for the website version of the *News*, instead of the old-fashioned hard copy through U.S. Mail. Everything each of us can do to save money for NCGS at this crucial time will help keep costs and membership dues down. My personal thanks goes out to each of you who have agreed to cooperate in this effort.

**NCGS SALUTES ITS SUPPORTERS**

Thanks to Louise Cowell, Janet Norton, Leonard Dean, Ransom and Janet McBride for their financial contributions. Also to Judi Hinton, Grace Turner, Elliott Futrell and Grace Wight for memorial gifts made in honor of the late John H. Oden III.

Please consider joining these generous individuals in contributing to sustain the work of NCGS above and beyond normal, annual dues.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**22–24 Jan 2004** **St. Louis, MO**  
The 2004 NGS GENTECH Conference, will be held at the Millenium Hotel. The programs will help address the needs of persons interest in the role of technology in genealogy. For details call NGS at 1-800-473-0060 or browse the Conference program at the following web page:  
[www.eshow2000.com/ngsgentech/conf\\_program.cfm](http://www.eshow2000.com/ngsgentech/conf_program.cfm).

**14-16 May 2004** **Kansas City, MO**  
The Chapman Family Association will hold its fourth annual reunion at the Airport Hilton. A variety of workshops and research sessions are planned. You do not need to be a member to attend but must register. Contact Chapman Family Association, P.O. Box 1586, Florissant, MO 63031, call Gil Alford (314) 831-8648, or visit the website [www.chapmanfamilies.org](http://www.chapmanfamilies.org)

**19-22 May 2004** **Sacramento, CA**  
NGS will hold its 2004 Annual Meeting and Conference at the Sacramento Convention Center. Brochures available from NGS in January 2004. Also, keep your eye on their website: [ngsgenealogy.org](http://ngsgenealogy.org).

**10 July 2004** **Asheville, NC**  
NCGS will hold its annual Regional Summer Workshop in conjunction with the Old Buncombe Genealogical Society. Keep your eyes on these pages and on our website for further information.

**11-17 July 2004** **Washington, DC**  
The National Institute on Genealogical Research will be held at the newly renovated National Archives Building. This is an intensive, week-long introduction to federal records, including those housed at College Park, MD and the Library of Congress. Deadline for early registration, 15 May. For further information, see [www.rootsweb.com/~natgenin](http://www.rootsweb.com/~natgenin), e-mail to [NatInsGen@juno.com](mailto:NatInsGen@juno.com), or write to NIGR, P.O. Box 724, Lanham, MD 20703-0724.

**8-11 Sep 2004** **Austin, TX**  
The 2004 Federal Genealogical Society Conference will be held. You can subscribe to an e-zine concerning the program in order to keep up to date by sending a message to [fgs04-on@rootdig.com](mailto:fgs04-on@rootdig.com). You can also contact the publicity co-chairs, Michael John Neill or Susan Kaufman at [fgsezine@rootdig.com](mailto:fgsezine@rootdig.com) or visit the society website: [www.fgs.org](http://www.fgs.org).

## QUERIES

*All NCGS members may submit two free queries annually. Family memberships are entitled to four free queries annually. Unused queries expire after three years. Please limit queries to one question. Each query must concern people who resided in North Carolina at some time. Paid queries are not accepted. Queries subject to editing. Please address queries to **Query Editor, NCGS, P.O. Box 22, Greenville, NC 27835-0022.***

### TAYLOR, WATERS

Seeking info on the family of James TAYLOR (c. 1694–Feb 1772, Halifax Co., NC) m. Dorcas WATERS. Ch: John (b. c. 1740), Thomas, Dorcas, Susan, Kate, Judith, and Tullard TAYLOR. Contact: [Jacqueline MacPherson, 23251 SW Rainbow Lakes Blvd, Dunnellon, FL 34431; jackiemac4son@atlantic.net](mailto:JacquelineMacPherson@att.net)

### LEIGH, BINGHAM

Seeking parents of John LEIGH (Mar 1741/2–1819/1821, Orange Co., NC) m. Leah BINGHAM. He is believed to have been born in VA. John is my 4<sup>th</sup> great grandfather through his son Sullivan LEIGH and grandson Richard S. LEIGH. Contact: [Chris Robbins, 1444 Queensbridge Dr., Knoxville, TN 37922; candcn10ac@msn.com](mailto:ChrisRobbins@att.net).

### JONES, VANHOOK, PALMER, BRUMMITT

Reuben JONES m. 1801, Susannah VANHOOK (Caswell Co., NC), d/o Thomas and Sarah (PALMER) VANHOOK. Their dau Barbary m. Pleasant M. BRUMMITT in Caswell Co., 1837. Have three letters from BRUMMITT and JONES relatives in NC to BRUMMITTs in Weakley Co., TN (1859–1868). I believe William H. BRUMMITT and Mary CREWS were the parents of Pleasant M. BRUMMITT but need proof. Also looking for parents of Reuben JONES. Contact: [Joyce M. Schnitz, 650 Marseilles, Bonne Terre, MO 63628-9373](mailto:JoyceM.Schnitz@att.net).

### MATHENY

John P. MATHENY was b. c. 1801 in N.C. He moved to TN before 1828. Would like to exchange info with anyone on MATHENYs in NC and TN. [Joyce M. Schnitz, 650 Marseilles, Bonne Terre, MO 63628-9373](mailto:JoyceM.Schnitz@att.net).

### WILLIAMS

Seeking birth date and place for Marmaduke WILLIAMS, s/o Nathaniel and Mary Ann (WILLIAMSON) WILLIAMS. I believe Marmaduke was b. c. 1745 in Granville Co., NC. Contact: [Mrs. L. Winnifred Jacob, 5200 SW Colony Ct., Beaverton, OR 97005; \(503\) 643-6393](mailto:Mrs.L.WinnifredJacob@att.net).

**CHECK OUT THE NCGS PUBLICATIONS SALES FOR 2004!!!**



- North Carolina Ancestor Exchange**, by Crestena Jennings Oakley, 1999, soft cover, 8 ½ x 11, 342 pages, indexed. Price: \$25.00
- North Carolina Research: Genealogy & Local History**, Second Edition, by Helen F.M. Leary, 1996, hard cover, 8 ½ x 11, 620 pages, indexed. Price: \$45.00
- Abstracts of Vital Records from Raleigh, North Carolina Newspapers, 1799–1830**, by Lois S. Neal.
  - Volume I (1799–1819): 1997, hard cover, 6x 9, 673 pages, maps, indexed. Price: \$35.00
  - Volume II (1820–1829): 1997, hard cover, 6x9, 944 pages, indexed. Price \$50.00
  - Volume III (1830–1839): 1995, hard cover, two volumes, 6x9, Part 1–680 pages, Part 2–648 pages, name & place index. Price \$75.00—**ON SALE for \$37.50 + \$5.50 S & H + N.C. Tax—NOW THROUGH 31 DEC 2004.**
- \*Full Set (Vols. I, II, III): \$125.00
- Marriage and Death Notices from Extant Asheville Newspapers, 1840–1870**, by Robert M. Topkins, 1977, hard cover, 6x9, 139 pages. Price \$15.00
- North Carolina Freedman's Savings and Trust Company Records**, by Bill Reaves, 1992, soft cover, 8 ½ x 11, 598 pages, surname, place name, occupation & military service indices. Price: \$25.00—**ON SALE for \$10 + \$4 S & H + NC Tax as applicable, NOW THROUGH 31 DEC 2004.**
- The North Carolina Genealogical Directory: A Listing of Tarheel Societies and Selected Books for Sale**, by R.S. Spencer, Jr., 1992, soft cover, 8 ½ x 11, 231 pages, maps. Price: \$15.00—**ON SALE for \$10 + S & H + NC tax as applicable, NOW THROUGH 31 DEC 2004.**
- Abstracts of Letters of Resignations of Militia Officers in North Carolina, 1779–1840**, by Timothy Kearney, 1992, soft cover, 8 ½ x 11, 144 pages, name & place indices. Price: \$20.00
- Person County, North Carolina Marriage Records, 1792–1868**, by Katharine Kerr Kendall, 1983, soft cover, 8 ½ x 11, 96 pages, surname index. Price: \$14.00
- Caswell County, North Carolina Will Books, 1843–1868**, by Katharine Kerr Kendall, 1986, soft cover, 8 ½ x 11, 211 pages, surname index. Price: \$20.00. Limited supply.
- The Cleggs of Old Chatham**, by W. Harold Broughton, 1977, hard cover, 6 x 9, 470 pages, indexed, illustrated. Price: \$20.00
- The Tysors of Old Chatham**, by W. Harold Broughton, 1972, hard cover, 6 x 9, 305 pages, indexed, illustrated. Price: \$15.00
- James Ross of Alamance & His Kin**, by Elizabeth E. Ross, 1978, soft cover, 8 ½ x 11, 78 pages, indexed. Price: \$15.00
- Federal Records Project**: PHASE I: price \$2,100; PHASE II, price \$2,100; SET price \$3,500
- NCGS Journal on CD (1975–2000)** Price: \$39.95—**ON SALE for \$35 (price includes S&H & tax) , NOW THROUGH 31 DEC 2004.**
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