

# NCGS NEWS

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## PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT

*Elliott R. Futrell*

Your Board of Directors held its first Board Meeting this year in Wilmington. The second Board Meeting was held in Raleigh. The third Board Meeting and Summer Workshop were held in Asheville and the fourth Board meeting was at Emerald Isle. At the first two Board meetings, we worked on how to cut expenses for the Society. At our third Board meeting, we voted to change printing companies. Printing is the greatest cost we face. In the past, we were having the *Journal* printed at one printing company and the *News* printed at another. The School of Graphic Arts in Oxford, NC, is now doing all of our printing. This establishment is located on the campus of the Masonic Home for Children. So far, we have been pleased with the quality and service we have received from them.

At the fourth Board Meeting, we devoted all of our time to discussing how we can better market and promote your Society. The Board decided that the committee members and board members needed a handbook to map out the duties of each person serving in these capacities. Yes, I received the honor of putting a handbook together. A lot of the duties are spelled out in our by-laws. The handbook will just make the requirements more specific and detailed. I am trying to have this book ready for the first Board Meeting in January of 2005. We are also working on a members-only section for our web site. When this section is completed, you will be receiving instructions on how to enter it and

access the resources there. We hope to improve those resources as we go along.

In the year 2004, your Society has contributed 87 books to the Genealogical section of the North Carolina State Library.

If you have a talent or idea that will help promote the Society or assist in its routine functions, please let one of the Board members know. If you would like to volunteer your time to serve on the Board or on a committee, we are most eager to hear from you. This is your Society. The Board only serves in a stewardship role. We hope that we have pleased you in all of our endeavors.

I would like to thank Barbara Vines Little and Lloyd Bockstruck for giving an excellent program on the North Carolina-Virginia connection at our annual workshop. Due to the illness of Helen Leary, we called on Mr. Bockstruck to take her place. Helen was confident that she would be able to participate in the workshop as planned. As the time drew near, and after conversing with her doctor, she realized that she had been mistaken. Both Helen and Mr. Bockstruck are the most knowledgeable lecturers on the subject of North Carolina known to me. Mr. Bockstruck is going to do a workshop on Caribbean Research, Colonial Land Records, Court Records, and Migration on March 12, 2005 in Wilmington. This will one be of the most interesting presentations on migration into and out of NC you will ever hear. The annual workshop in 2005 will be held November 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> on the subject of "Finding Your Military Ancestors". Please plan to attend both of these programs.

## NCGS SOCIETY SALUTE

*Terri R. Hopkins*

### 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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Memberships run on a calendar year basis and cost \$40 for individuals and institutions, \$45 for families, and \$100 for patrons. A \$5 discount is available on renewals received by December 1st of the preceding year.

The North Carolina Genealogical Society proudly salutes the **Surry County Genealogical Association**.

Surry County was formed in 1770 from Rowan County and was probably named in honor of Lord Surry, a prominent MP. However, some sources indicate that the county may have been named after the County of Surrey in England or the Indian tribe, Saura, that once inhabited the area and whose name is similar. Dobson is the county seat of Surry County, which is located in the north-central part of North Carolina. The county is bounded by the state of Virginia and by Stokes, Yadkin, Wilkes, and Alleghany counties in NC. Its boundaries have changed many times over the years, the most recent alteration occurring in 1875.

The Surry County Genealogical Association is an active group that gathers monthly to conduct Association business and to hear interesting programs. Topics at the meetings range from researching in local repositories to African-American topics to genealogical techniques in various resources to topics of local interest. A summer picnic and Christmas party are also a part of the annual agenda. The Association meetings are held the second Monday of each month at 7:00pm in the Teaching Auditorium at Surry Community College. Some other activities found on their website include: articles from their Heritage book; the history of the county; a listing of publications by the Association and its members; a listing of surnames being researched by some of the membership; queries; a map of the county's townships; a cemetery listing; notices of family reunions; a page of unidentified photos; and links to various websites of local interest.

Individual membership in the Association is \$15.00 per year (Family membership: \$17.00). Annual membership includes 4 issues of the *SCCA Quarterly Journal* published in February, May, August and November. New members are also asked to submit surname cards for the Association's files.

You may contact The Surry County Genealogical Association at P. O. Box 997; Dobson, NC 27017; at Email: [judyscard@alltel.net](mailto:judyscard@alltel.net); or at their Website: <http://juliemorrison.com/surry/>

**The North Carolina Genealogical Society  
and  
Old New Hanover Genealogical Society  
present**

**Lloyd Bockstruck**  
Conducting

***THE EASTERN REGIONAL SPRING WORKSHOP***

*12 March 2005*

**New Hanover County Public Library  
N. 3<sup>rd</sup> & Chestnut  
Wilmington, North Carolina**

8:30-9:00	Registration
9:00-10:15	"Why Bother with Court Records?"
10:15-10:45	Break and Vendor Time
10:45-12:00	"Comparing Colonial Land Records in NC and SC"
12:00-1:00	Lunch
1:00-2:15	"The English in the Caribbean"
2:15-2:45	Break and Vendor Time
2:45-4:00	"Migration from NC to the Old South West" (SC, GA, AL, MS)

**LLOYD BOCKSTRUCK:** Supervisor of the Genealogy Section of the Dallas, Texas, Public Library since 1973; author of *Virginia's Colonial Soldiers, Genealogical Research in Texas, Revolutionary War Bounty Land Grants Awarded by State Governments*; lecturer at national and regional conferences; coordinator of Intermediate Genealogy Class of Samford University's Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research; received Award of Merit from NGS in 1982; named a Fellow of NGS in 1993; the first recipient of the "Filby Prize for Genealogical Librarianship" from Scholarly Resources and the National Genealogical Society in 1999.

**REGISTRATION FORM:**

Fees are \$40 for members of NCGS and ONHGS, \$50 for non-members. Both fees include lunch. Make out check to "North Carolina Genealogical Society" and send with form to: NCGS Spring Workshop, P.O. Box 22, Greenville, NC 27835-0022. Packets with motel information and directions will be sent to each registrant. A \$5 discount applies for registration prior to 1 March 2005.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Member # \_\_\_\_\_

# Nomination For 2005 NCGS Awards

Submit by 1 September 2005



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**SELECT ONE:**

- THE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PERIODICAL PUBLISHING for a periodical published by a local North Carolina genealogical society.
  - THE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PUBLISHING for a book, or a set of books, of abstracts or transcriptions of original North Carolina primary source material.
  - 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 for an individual whose work within NCGS has been outstanding
  - THE AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO NORTH CAROLINA GENEALOGY for an individual whose outstanding genealogical contributions have greatly enhanced the family history of North Carolina. Contribution may be regional.
  - THE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN WEB PRESENCE for a website published by a local North Carolina genealogical society.
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**Nominee's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Reason for Nomination:**

(attach relevant support, book, data or additional written statement)

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**Nominee's Mailing Address:**

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**Nominee's Phone:**

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**Nominee's E-mail:**

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**SUBMITTER (if different from above):**

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**SUBMITTER's mailing address:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**SUBMITTER's PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-MAIL** \_\_\_\_\_

A copy of the nominated publication or periodical is required. Publications submitted become the property of NCGS and will be donated to the Genealogical Services Branch of the State Library of NC. Mail nominations and supporting material to:

**Terri Hopkins, NCGS Awards, 11320 Old Stage Rd., Willow Spring, NC 27592-7840**

E-mail questions to: [Awards@ncgenealogy.org](mailto:Awards@ncgenealogy.org)

## NCGS 2004 AWARDS

Terri Hopkins

**THE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PERIODICAL PUBLISHING** for a periodical published by a local North Carolina genealogical society goes to *Pitt County Family Researchers Quarterly*.

The *Pitt County Family Researchers Quarterly* is dedicated to collecting, preserving and sharing genealogical and historical information. The magazine has become a valuable resource and is highly acclaimed in historical circles. It provides transcriptions of original documents like court records, deeds, wills, letters and Bible records.

The Pitt County records from 1760 to 1858 were burned, except for the deeds, which makes every early record valuable. For the past ten years the *Quarterly's* goal has been to discover and put into print rare genealogical records of Pitt County, and neighboring counties. The *Quarterly* publishes only original, unpublished documents that have been submitted by the members and the editor, **Roger Kammerer**.

The editor, Mr. Kammerer, while not a North Carolina native, has called Swansboro, NC, home since the first grade. He attended Eastern Carolina University and now works as a free-lance artist in Greenville, NC. In high school, he became "immersed" in North Carolina history and genealogy thanks to a friend, state and local historian, Tucker Reed Littleton of Swansboro.

Mr. Kammerer has been the editor of the *Quarterly* for 9 of the 10 years of its existence and is the current president of the Pitt County Family Researchers. He is well known in eastern North Carolina as being the consummate researcher, ferreting out many unknown records at the North Carolina Archives and in private collections. He has a reputation for being extremely generous with his information. Mr. Kammerer is the author or co-author of 19

books on local records and genealogy and, for nearly 20 years, he has written a local history column in the *Greenville Times*, an entertainment newspaper.

Ms. Elizabeth (Betsy) Ross, an equally avid researcher, has assisted the editor since the beginning. She is a native of Edenton, NC and also attended Eastern Carolina University where she later taught painting and drawing for 25 years. She retired from the School of Art teaching digital imaging. She became interested in genealogy in the late 1970s and has become the author of a dozen books on Pitt County records and genealogy. She created the organization's website and has been very active in promoting genealogy on the Internet.

Local members of the Society also assist by preparing the *Quarterly* for mailing to the members. The Pitt County Family Researchers and the *Quarterly* are celebrating their Tenth Anniversary this Fall.

**THE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PUBLISHING** for a book, or set of books, of abstracts or transcriptions of original North Carolina primary source material goes to *Martin County, NC Church Records From Bear Grass Conoho Skewarkey Smithwick Creek Primitive Baptist Churches - Martin County Genealogical Society*.

According to the award nomination and the book's introduction, maintaining birth and death records was not mandated until 1913. Before that time, the primary sources of records were family bibles, wills, word of mouth and information on tombstones. One source that is overlooked or is not readily available is church records.

In this volume, records from four early churches in a "burned county", the Primitive Baptist Churches at Bear Grass, Conoho, Skewarkey and Smithwick Creek are made available for researchers.

A "burned county" is a county that sustained a major loss of records, often

when the courthouse burned down. According *North Carolina Research*<sup>1</sup>, edited by Helen Leary, and *The Formation of the North Carolina Counties 1663-1943*<sup>2</sup> by David Leroy Corbitt, Martin County was formed in 1774 and its most recent loss of records was in 1884. Records in all four churches extend back well into the period of lost records, with one of the earliest being 1785.

A brief history introduces each set of church records. The records may include birth, death, date joined or excluded from the church, or date the individual became an elder, deacon or pastor, etc. Easter Mizell and Hilda Lee, the transcribers, made every effort to decipher the hand written records correctly. If a name appeared more than once or with various spellings, no changes were made.

The 8½ X 11-inch soft-covered book contains 84 pages and includes an index with a list of slaves or servants found in the records.

To quote one of our judges, "This book is a valuable addition to the publication of transcriptions of original North Carolina source material."

**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 goes to *A Family History/Genealogy of The SCHAUSS/SHOUSE Family in North Carolina 1755 - 1900* by **Rev. Nelson Weller, Ph. D.**

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<sup>1</sup> **North Carolina Research - Genealogy and Local History**, Second Edition; Editor: Helen F. M. Leary, C.G., F.A.S.G.; Raleigh: North Carolina Genealogical Society, 1996. (available from the North Carolina Genealogical Society)

<sup>2</sup> **The Formation of the North Carolina Counties 1663-1943**, David Leroy Corbitt, Division of Archives and History, North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources, Raleigh, NC, 1987

Dr. Weller holds memberships in many local, state, and national genealogical societies. He held offices in several of those societies including serving for five years on the North Carolina Genealogical Society Board of Directors. He teaches Genealogy as an adjunct at Forsyth Tech. Community College and is the Pastor Emeritus, First United Church of Christ, Winston-Salem. He retired in 1992 and celebrated the 50th anniversary of his ordination in May. He is currently the Supply Pastor at Elk Spur United Church of Christ, Fancy Gap, VA. He holds three bachelor's degrees, two masters' and a Ph.D. He earned and holds a professional genealogist certificate from B.Y.U. and has been researching family history since 1948.

According to the inside cover page of this book, the original version was presented as a dissertation to the Union Institute at the University of Cincinnati, Ohio, in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy degree with a concentration in Family History/Genealogy. The degree was awarded in February 2004. It was the first time a fully accredited University had granted a doctoral degree in the field.

This project began with a request "Can you fill in our family line? We know pretty much back to great-grandfather." Finding the direct line back to 1620 wasn't difficult. The findings were delivered, but it didn't end there. In the author's words: *What I also found was an interesting fact that led to a statement which no clear thinking genealogist would make nor a trained genealogist should make, i. e. "This family is unique in that there is only one colonial progenitor and everyone by the name Schauss is one of his descendants." The trouble is that after working on this family for some time I am still making the same statement and have found nothing to indicate that it is in error.... It is the family history of Johann Adam Schauss of Albisheim, Pfalz. ( a region in the southwestern section of present day Germany.)*

The introduction states that this man left his homeland in 1736, traveled with his family to the British colonies in North America, settled

in the colony of Pennsylvania for thirty years and then moved to the Piedmont section of the colony of North Carolina, as did four of his sons. One of those sons remained in North Carolina while the others moved on to new areas, so that from one father and one son, descend all those written about in this work. The genealogical sections are recorded in the Modified Registered System, recommended by the National Genealogical Society.

The family history section traces all the male lines during the period of 1620 to 1900 and presents at least one generation of the female lines after their names changed through marriage. Where possible, all facts presented are documented from primary sources. When primary sources were lacking, secondary sources were used, usually with an explanation of the nature of the source. One family line was reconstructed by process of deduction because it left few public records.

The second section includes ten appendices and presents the sources used with one additional appendix, "The Final Analysis." It contains the process of deduction and the rationale that was used to determine the make-up of this part of the family as well as the research used to delineate the unrelated African American families who took the surname Shouse after 1865.

The introduction also discusses a man by the name of Johann Georg Schauss who arrived at the Port of Philadelphia in 1739 but through research and process of elimination does not appear to be related to Johann Adam Schauss of Albsheim, Pfalz. He evidently left no issue.

The introduction provides a glimpse into the thoroughness of Dr. Weller's research, an explanation of the numbering system and system of documentation, a brief explanation of county history in the region, definitions of unusual terms used, spelling, the index, the calendar systems/dates, and the bibliography. The sources used in the introduction are documented, as well.

This book contains photographs, facsimiles of original records, and tables of extracted and transcribed records. It combines history, stories, data and analysis.

The award nomination states, "One of my hopes when writing the dissertation was, that it would present in modified register form with full documentation, a work that would serve as a model of one way to present family history...." It goes on to say, "The second reason is that the Schauss/Shouse family is a typical example of the German-American families that settled in the Piedmont area of our state. They produced no outstandingly notable persons, yet every member of the family is a solid citizen and patriot. This family has the normal problems experienced by many families, including a few that might be considered 'black sheep.' Because it is a 'typical' family, I believe that fact makes its history that much more appealing to the majority of the people, who also tend to come from 'typical families.' A third reason for presenting this work is Appendix K, which is devoted to using just about all our genealogical 'tricks of the trade' to determine who are the children and grandchildren of one family who left a minimum of records."

This book is a wonderful example that we could all use for reference as we produce our own genealogies and family histories.

**THE AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO THE NORTH CAROLINA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY BY A MEMBER goes to Judith G. Hinton.**

Judith Garner Hinton (Judi) was elected to the NCGS Board as an at-large member in 1992. In 1993, she accepted the job of NCGS treasurer. It was a good day for our Society and a turning point in our record keeping. Judi brought her knowledge and expertise in bookkeeping and computer technology to NCGS. Her first job was a big one-- to compile heretofore scattered data and prepare an accurate view of NCGS finances. Her hard work made the Board focus on what we were doing and what we needed to do to be fiscally sound. For over ten years

she has continued to keep a close eye on our finances. Judi is so diligent about NCGS finances that her treasurer's reports are always peppered with cautionary advice. On the other hand, no one celebrates our fiscal victories more than Judi.

Besides keeping us informed about our finances, Judi has volunteered for many Society jobs. She has been incredibly helpful to other Board members by firmly leading us "kicking and screaming" into the computer age. She and husband, Dwight, have been very conscientious about attending Board meetings across the state as ambassadors for NCGS. She is also a warm hostess, delightful conversationalist and a good genealogist. NCGS was blessed when Judi Hinton decided to get involved.

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## ACCESSIONS AT N.C. STATE ARCHIVES

Winter Quarter 2005

*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. The phrase 'FOR RECORD ONLY' that appears at the end of certain accession entries indicates that that listing has been accessioned previously, but is being accessioned again because either new material has been added or there has been a change in accessioning data.*

### COUNTY RECORDS:

**Avery.** Estates Records, 1916-1955; 1 reel, 35mm. negative microfilm.

**Craven.** Minute Docket, Superior Court, 1914-1968; Judgment Docket, Superior Court, 1868-1904; Criminal Docket, 1868-1914; Civil Issues Docket, 1869-1914; Trial Docket, 1891-1969; Judgment Docket, Tax Foreclosure Suits, 1927-1956; General Index, Criminal Judgment, 1953-1968; Miscellaneous Court Records, 1850s, 1927; County Court Minute Docket, 1921-1967;

Index Tax Judgments-Creditors, 1867-1949; Index Tax Judgments-Debtors, 1895-1948; Trial Docket, Circuit Criminal Court, 1895-1901; Execution Docket, Craven Criminal Court, 1868-1875; Land Divisions and Plots, 1790-1868; Tax levies by Sheriff, 1872-1908; Land Sales, 1911-1918; Land Title Guaranty Proceedings, 1913-1966; Record of Land Sales, 1921-1970; Guardians World War Veterans, 1930-1954; Docket relating to Estates, 1890-1900; Guardian Bond Book, 1909-1927; Record of Inheritance Tax Collections, 1920-1923; Miscellaneous Estate Records, 1872-1886; Record of Marriage Bonds, 1784-1866; Maiden Name of Divorced Women, 1937-1968; Naturalization Record, 1904-1905; Alien Registration, 1927-1940; Permanent Registration, 1902-1908; Poll Tax Register, 1902-1910; Election Records, 1914, 1959; Record of Elections, 1916-1968; Jury Lists, 1894-1913; Record of Magistrates, 1868-1924; Physician's Certificates, 1951-1966; Inquisition of Lunacy, 1899-1968; Oath Book, 1885-1896; Orders and Decrees, 1868-1925; Minutes Special Proceedings, 1859-1903; Cross Index to Special Proceedings, 1869-1968; Record of Permits for Purchase of Concealed Weapons, 1919-1959; Book of Orders appointing Receiver of Judgment-Debtors, 1880-1891; 149 volumes, 4 manuscript boxes, 1 Fibredex box.

**Dare.** Justice's Criminal and Civil Docket, 1895-1902, 1913-1915; Sheriff's Sale Book, 1890-1911; Marks and Brands, 1870-1935; Official Reports, 1906-1958; Record of Elections, 1878-1904, 1924-1958; 8 volumes.

**Edgecombe.** Criminal Docket, 1906-1927; 1 volume.

**New Hanover.** Estates Records, 1867-1937, 1944-1961; 33 reels, 35mm. negative microfilm.

**Perquimans.** Entries of Land, 1879-1940; Bear Swamp Drainage District, 1918-1921; Record of Marks, 1876-1926; Election Book, 1878-1904; General Registration Book, 1950-1960; Registry of Licenses to Trades, 1879-1882; 6 volumes, 1 Fibredex box.

**Surry.** Marriage Licenses, 1868-1899; 5 reels, 35mm. negative microfilm.

**Union.** Record of Administrators, 1871-1880; 1 volume.

**Wake.** Marriage Licenses, 1852-1930; 44 reels, 35mm. negative microfilm.

**Wake.** Civil Judgment Docket, Superior Court, 1868-1905 [broken series]; Liens and Lis Pendens, 1848-1962; 11 volumes.

#### **BIBLE RECORDS:**

**Nancy Amanda Davis Family Bible Records**, 1831-1958, Bladen County; 6 pp. photocopies.

**William W. and Mary Scroggs Lawson Family Bible Records**, 1849-1995, Iredell County; 6 pp. photocopies.

**James and Margaret Thomas Scroggs Family Bible Records, 1805-1961**, Iredell County; 8 pp. photocopies.

#### **CHURCH RECORDS:**

**Alamance.** *History of Fairview Methodist Church, Altamahaw, N.C.*, prepared by Rev. E. E. Whitley; 1 booklet.

#### **PRIVATE COLLECTIONS:**

**Dalton Family Papers.** Various items, including sermons, speeches, a scrapbook, and memoir, relating to the Dalton family of Guilford and Rockingham counties, 1851-1894, 1933-1973; 34 items.

**Mary Speed Jones Mercer Papers.** Various historical manuscripts written by Mary Speed Jones Mercer, plus an article written by Mary Ann Fort Jones (1903), and three additional sheets of miscellanea. [Warren County]; 9 items.

**Claudia Thompson O'Brien Papers, 1919-1968.** Various items of correspondence and some photographs relating to the Red Line Transportation Company, Republic of the Philippines; 84 letters and 5 photographs.

**Julia Wetherington Papers, 1948-1951.** Various items, including reports on talks and articles, photographs, and clippings, on the establishment of an educational system in the German state of Hesse in 1948-1951; 52 items.

**Betty H. Wiser Papers;** addition. Materials relating to health issues, aging, legislative issues, and other matters, collected by former Representative Betty H. Wiser; 17 cubic feet.

**Betty H. Wiser Papers;** addition. Various materials to health issues, aging, immunization efforts. Women's issues, and other items, of former Representative Betty H. Wiser; 23 cubic feet.

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## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**20 – 22 Jan 2005**

**Phoenix, AZ**

The National Genealogical Society will hold its Winter Warm-Up at the Wyndham Phoenix Hotel. Twenty one speakers are featured in this genealogical smorgasbord including Sheila Benedict, Cyndi Howells, Connie Lenzen, Barbara Vines Little, J. Mark Lowe, Elizabeth Shown Mills, and Craig R. Scott. Registration after Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> is \$185 for NGS members and \$245.00 for non-members or \$125 per individual day. You can get more details and register on-line at: <[www.ngsgenealogy.org/edutripsphoenix.htm](http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/edutripsphoenix.htm)>.

**11 – 12 Feb 2005**

**St. George, UT**

The Genealogy and Family History Jamboree will be held at the Dixie Conference Center. This is a nationally advertised conference which will include two days of historical and cultural displays, 63 training sessions, over 120 vendor and exhibitor locations. Early registration for only \$32 includes a syllabus. Visit [www.cgslink.com](http://www.cgslink.com) for more detailed information as the date draws nearer.

**12 Mar 2005**

**Wilmington, NC**

NCGS holds its Eastern Regional Summer Workshop at the New Hanover County Public Library. Lloyd Bockstruck will discuss Caribbean Research, Colonial Land Records, Court Records and Migration from NC to the Old Southwest. See this issue for more details.

**1-4 Jun 2005** **Nashville, TN**  
The National Genealogical Society will hold its 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference in the States and NGS GenTech. Keep your eyes on the NGS website ([www.ngsgenealogy.org](http://www.ngsgenealogy.org)) for further details as the date approaches.

**7-10 Sep 2005** **Salt Lake City, UT**  
The Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) holds its Annual Conference in conjunction with the Utah Genealogical Association.

**11-12 Nov 2005** **Raleigh, NC**  
NCGS will hold its Annual Meeting and Workshop at the Brier Creek Country Club. Craig R. Scott, a professional genealogist and historian of national reputation, specializing in military records at NARA, and William H. Brown, editor of the N.C. Governor's Papers, will speak on "Finding Your Military Ancestors."

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## 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.***

**SWINDAL(L), SWINDEL(L), SWINDLE**  
Need info on John and Mary SWINDALL who had a son, Zedekiah, in Pasquotank Prect., c. Jun 1737. Who were John's and Mary's parents? Contact: Kenneth B. Jaggears, 1001 Padenreich Ave., Gadsden, AL 35903-2903; (256) 546-8067 (collect).

**WILKINSON, WINDLEY, MCWILLIAMS**  
Laban WILKINSON (13 Jul 1872, Beaufort Co., NC—11 Aug 1953, Scotland Neck, NC), s/o John Thomas WILKINSON and Sarah "Sallie" Anne WINDLEY. John Thomas was the s/o Laban WILKINSON I and possibly Subin (?) MCWILLIAMS. Looking for information on these lines. Contact: Rhet Wilkinson, 128 Scotswood Dr., Enfield, NC 27823; <[rhet@schoolink.net](mailto:rhet@schoolink.net)>.

### HOWELL

Seek info abt and connections to Ralph HOWELL (b. c. 1750). He lived in Robeson Co., NC, and had five children per the 1790 census. Of the children, the most is known of Marmaduke and Shadrack HOWELL. Shadrack continued in Robeson Co. and Marmaduke moved to south AL and West FL. He was 77 and living in AL in 1850. Contact: Donna H. Nichols, P.O. Box 1002, Geneva, AL 36340.

### SANDERS

Need help with Riley P. SANDERS who lived in Alleghany Co., NC between 1839 and 1859. Contact: Pascal R. Cornieux, 2137 Roscoe Rd., Rockton, IL 61072; <[comput2@aol.com](mailto:comput2@aol.com)>.

### HAIR/HAIRE

Looking for the parents of William HAIR of Cumberland Co., NC. He married Margaret EVERITT there, 23 Dec 1846. They are shown 1850 to 1880. Children: Sophia E., Kitty Lucinda, Lucy Ann, William, Stephen G., John K., Jesse G., Margaret A. E., and Haywood. I descend from Jesse who moved to Appling Co., GA and will exchange info with other descendants. Contact: Carla H. Mellott, 2538 Horseshoe Bend, Middleburg, FL 32068; (904) 272-1813; <[carlam56@fair.net](mailto:carlam56@fair.net)>.

### PRICE, JONES

Nathaniel PRICE m. 17 Jun 1809 (Duplin Co. bond) Barbara/Barbary JONES (b. c. 1778) with bondsman William PRICE. Barbary is listed in the 1850 census of Duplin in the home of Maj. Anthony PRICE, aged 72. This family could have an Edgewcombe connection. Would appreciate any help.

Contact: Barbara Price Lewis, P.O. Box 1, Atkinson, NC 28421; jllewis@bellsouth.net.

### **SANDERS**

Need info on Robert Sanders (b. c. 1803, NC) and brother Alfred (b. c. 1803, NC). Robert's wife was named Hannah and they had children: Riley P. (b. 4 Nov 1839), Thomas (b. 4 Nov 1839), Henry, Alfred, William and John. Contact: Pascal Cornieux, 2137 Roscoe Rd., Rockton, IL 61072; <comput2@aol.com>.

### **PUGH**

Seeking information regarding the PUGH and HUSBAND families, Regulators, in Alamance and surrounding areas. The PUGH that was hung was a brother-in-law of Herman HUSBAND. What are the names of the children of these two men. Herman HUSBAND went to PA. Where did the PUGH family go? Contact: Lora Young, 40006 Worth, Chapel Hill, NC 27571-8390; <zyoung@select-hinges.com>.

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## **REPORTS FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS – 2004**

### **FIRST VICE PRESIDENT's REPORT:**

As the First Vice President, I have participated in Society planning meetings and regular quarterly Board meetings held around the state. I also participated in the analysis of the Society's financial state and discussions to cut costs and increase revenues. I have provided input that will hopefully benefit the future of the Society including suggesting ideas that I picked up while attending the national conference of the Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) in Austin, Texas and the GenTech Conference in St. Louis, Missouri.

During 2004, 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 NC Genealogy is very much alive and well.

I am tracking and managing NCGS' membership in more than 80 different

organizations. Our Treasurer, at each of my requests, 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, web addresses), and membership requirements such as membership year, the price of annual dues and the local society officers. Between November 1, 2003 and the end of October 2004, I have logged more than 300 publications that have been deposited with the State Library in Raleigh.

My plans for 2005 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 2005 NCGS Awards.

Society Salutes to Burke, Cabarrus, Henderson and Surry County Genealogical Societies were prepared and submitted to *NCGS News*.

**Terri R. Hopkins**

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### **SECRETARY's REPORT:**

Your Secretary has been extremely busy during 2004. Along with others, I went to the Family Research Society of NE NC in Elizabeth City, Moore County Genealogical Society in Whispering Pines, and the Tri-County Genealogical Society in Bayboro. At these places I sold books, CDs, and memberships. Hopefully, we made good friends and left good feelings about NCGS. I also attended the Federation of Genealogical Societies Conference in Austin, TX. NCGS had an exhibit booth to sell our publications, and recruit new members as well as encourage current members to renew. NCGS sponsored a workshop with Old Buncombe Genealogical Society in

Asheville. The Annual Meeting and Workshop in Raleigh is sure to be a big success. I have been an exhibitor at each of the workshops.

NCGS membership for 2004 is approximately 1,272. We have gained new members, but the older members are aging and unable to continue their research. What does NCGS need to do to attract the younger generation? If you have a suggestion, we would like to hear from you.

The membership database software was updated in September. I am still learning how to operate it. I am also learning to do address labels on the computer and send them to the printing company electronically. This will be a savings to the Society.

I stay busy processing correspondence, membership applications, membership renewals, book orders, receiving workshop registrations, mailing brochures to libraries across the state twice a year, ordering supplies and numerous other tasks assigned to the Secretary. This year I began a correspondence log for incoming correspondence.

Please continue to visit our website. You may find some surprises this coming year!

**Crestena J. Oakley**

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#### **JOURNAL EDITOR'S REPORT**

With the November 2004 issue, NCGS completes its thirtieth year of publication. It has been my honor to serve as editor for nineteen of those years.

In 2004, the Journal made two major changes: (1) reducing the number of pages per issue and (2) switching from Edwards Brothers, Inc., Carolina to the School of Graphic Arts at the Masonic Home for Children as printer. Printing now includes a greater use of computers, which necessitated a few minor changes in appearance and procedure but no significant transition problems.

John A. Brayton, Grace W. Turner, Ransom McBride and William Byrd

provided excellent articles in 2004. Generally, the number of articles received has been declining in recent years and the editor has, of necessity, prepared more *Journal* content personally. Mr. Brayton and Mrs. Turner have already submitted material for future publication. It will also be our honor to publish an article by Edgar MacDonald.

Marriages and deaths from the *Raleigh Register* will remain a mainstay of *Journal* content, being a dependable source of useful material.

Jackie Hedstrom and Victor Jones are to be commended for their valuable work with the book reviews and ads.

My thanks to you for your continued efforts to sustain and improve your *Journal*.

**Raymond A. Winslow, Jr.**

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#### **TECHNOLOGY REPORT**

In addition to regular maintenance of our website, I began the process of migrating our site to a new host to obtain additional functions and features needed to support a future **Member's Only** website. I negotiated a contract with a programmer to begin programming the Administrator and Log In functions needed to set up the Member's only area.

I generated several conversations to brainstorm the content of the new Member's Only area. Our goal is to create an area that the NCGS Membership will feel constitutes a real added value for their annual dues in our Society.

More information on these new website features will be available in the near future.

I also provided support for the computers used by various members of our Society and assisted with the Bible Records Project.

I attended two national conferences this year. While at the conferences, I made a point of attending lectures to learn more about how our Society can use technology to do our jobs better, to make it a better society

for its members and to monitor the future of genealogy.

**Terri R. Hopkins**

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#### **NCGS NEWS EDITOR'S REPORT**

This year, due to the special effort of Leonard Dean and Elliott Futrell, the Society has moved its printing account for the *News* from Wendell Printing and Typesetting to the Children's Home in Oxford, NC. I am pleased to report that my first experience with the new printer was pleasant and cooperative. Furthermore, the quality of the product was equal to anything we have seen in the past. The turnaround time, however, has proved to be a bit longer. This circumstance makes it imperative that we adhere to the deadlines for submission as outlined below. We are grateful both to Mr. Dean and to Mr. Futrell for finding ways to reduce expenses to such a marked extent.

We had hoped to reduce the number of copies printed for the *News* each quarter by allowing members to opt out of the hard copy in their renewals for 2004. The goal was to reduce costs further by reducing the size of the runs. So far, the shortened mailing list database for those who still want the printed copy has not come to fruition. Even if you opted into the website version last year, please indicate whether you are willing to do the same for 2005 on your renewal form this year. Remember, if you agree to access the *News* at the website, this does not mean you'll be receiving a copy in your e-mail. It merely means that you can go to the NCGS website, [www.ncgenealogy.org](http://www.ncgenealogy.org), each quarter, look under "NCGS News" in the left-hand menu, and download the latest edition in .pdf format, provided you have the Adobe Acrobat Reader. If you do not, it is available for free download. If you choose this option, not only will you save the Society money and save a few trees from a cruel fate, you'll be able to access the *News* almost as soon as I finish the manuscript and long before the physical copies are printed. Sign up for the NCGS-L listserv and you will get

notification in your e-mail when a new issue is available.

Finally, I want to remind everyone that *NCGS News* is meant to be a working publication for NCGS Society Members. We welcome your queries and any notices of local genealogical events that you would like to have placed in our Calendar of Events. Such notices represent free publicity for your local societies and family reunions. Be sure to get them to me in plenty of time to reach your audience prior to the event. Below is a table of due dates for 2005.

<u>Issue</u>	<u>Deadline</u>	<u>Publication</u>
Spring 05	1 Feb	mid April
Summer 05	1 May	mid July
Fall 05	1 Aug	mid Oct
Winter 06	1 Nov 05	mid Jan 06

**Larry W. Cates**

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#### **BIBLE RECORDS PROJECT**

NCGS has received many submissions of Bible and family records. The submission of records ends on 31 December 2004. During the first part of 2005, the information will be typed into the database program designed especially for this project by Terri Hopkins. Release of the finished material may be in book form or CD or both, depending upon the amount of material we have entered into the database. The project should be completed in late spring and ready for a pre-publication sale.

Thanks to each of you who participated.

**Crestena J. Oakley**

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#### **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

We had 73 new members join in 2004!!

March was a busy month for Ann Basnight, Crestena Oakley and me. We attended the workshop in Elizabeth City and also, the Moore County Genealogical Society seminar. Then, Crestena and I met

with Tri-County Genealogical Society in Pamlico Co. These visits produced 8 new members!

At the Asheville NCGS workshop in July, we recruited 7 new members. The FGS Conference in Austin, TX, produced 11 new members—some for 2004, some for 2005 and some for both. We also had a 2005 renewal. Larry Cates attended the Durham-Orange Workshop on October 9<sup>th</sup> and recruited 2 new members.

All members of the NCGS Board of Directors and all NCGS officers are actively working on getting new members and trying to come up with ways to maintain the present rolls. Every member is a vital part of our wonderful organization.

Visiting the local societies and attending their workshops is a strategy that is paying off when it comes to recruiting new members for NCGS. It also gives the societies personal contact with the state organization. This has been the most enjoyable aspect of my job.

**Louise M. Cowell**

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#### **JOURNAL ADVERTISING REPORT**

This year, 2004, brings to a close my first year as Journal Advertising Editor. It has been a useful learning experience.

For the year, there were two paid advertisements in the Journal. The remaining ads were NCGS sponsored.

With the change of printing companies, the number of pages devoted to advertising in the Journal has been reduced to two full pages.

I also wish to commend Ray Winslow for being patient with me as I learned the procedures for this position.

**Victor T. Jones**

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#### **PUBLICITY CHAIR'S REPORT**

In 2004, the Society workshops were publicized by a variety of methods. I

focused on submitting postings to various national and local Internet web sites and mailing lists. Crestena Oakley, Society Secretary, mailed notices to appropriate libraries. The *NCGS News* and *Journal* issues contained announcements and registration forms. Terri Hopkins, Technology Manager, also had them posted on the North Carolina Genealogical Society web site at <http://www.ncgenealogy.org>. Leonard Dean, Media Coordinator, saw to it that newspapers in areas where workshops were being held carried announcements. Copies of upcoming workshop brochures were made available at the Archives in Raleigh, too.

I am working on contact information for the sixteen campuses of the University of North Carolina and the fifty-eight North Carolina Community Colleges. I am trying to discover which ones offer genealogy/family history courses and who the instructors are, so that we can distribute our membership and publications information to these individuals. If you are aware of any such courses, or if you have any publicity-related suggestions, comments or feedback, please email me at [DirectorAtLarge3@ncgenealogy.org](mailto:DirectorAtLarge3@ncgenealogy.org). I would like to hear from you.

**Beverly Cato**

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### **NCGS SALUTES ITS SUPPORTERS**

The Board of Directors of the North Carolina Genealogical Society would like to thank the many members who made special monetary contributions in 2004. Thanks to Helen Leverton for a generous donation made in honor of Helen F. M. Leary. Thanks also to the following contributors: Robert Tally, Mrs. Elizabeth McRae Hamrick, Harold McClendon, Virginia Bertrand, Paul Crouse, Priscilla Davis, Leonard Dean, Elliott Futrell, Louise Cowell, Terri Hopkins, Janet Norton and Larry W. Cates.

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