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# PRESIDENT'S REPORT Ann Basnight

#### Happy New Year!

I do hope 2009 has found all of you eager and ready for an important year. As NCGS members, it is a very exciting one.

Committees have been busy preparing for the Conference in the States in Raleigh from May 13–16. There are lots of **great** things in the works and many opportunities to volunteer. Yes, we still need YOU! So, if you have a little time and want to help, let someone on the board know. You can send an e-mail to *info@ncgenealogy.org* and we will get it to the right place.

On Wednesday night of the conference week [May 13] we are having a Society Night. We ask that you get your group signed up for this. Tables are only \$10 each. This will give you an opportunity to display your materials and display books for sale as well as a chance to meet persons from all over the country who may have ancestors from your area. This will be a great opportunity to put your best foot forward and maybe sell a few books and pick up new members. You do not have to be registered for the conference to participate and it is open to the public. There will be two or three short classes going on. So come and strut your stuff!

Please check conference blog on our website at www.ncgenealogy.org/blogs/ngs2009/ for more information on things that will be going on at the conference. The National Genealogical Society

website has the program and registration forms at www.ngsgenealogy.org.

In March we will be having the eastern regional workshop in New Bern. Craig Roberts Scott, CG<sup>SM</sup>, will be the speaker and for all who can attend we will have a day of fun and meeting cousins along with all of the knowledge we can gain from a nationally known speaker. [Editor's note: More information about this workshop can be found on page 11 of this newsletter.]

With such a busy year we decided to have the Speakers Forum in conjunction with the Annual meeting in November this year. This is an excellent opportunity to see our own North Carolina speakers and hopefully find some good programs for your members.

I am looking forward to all of these activities as I am sure you must be.

#### **DONATIONS**

The North Carolina Genealogical Society would like to thank Ransom and Janet McBride, Dr. Henry Wright, W. Carlton Wood, and Larry Cates for the donations they have made to the society. These donations will help the society continue to offer quality workshops and publications to its membership. We appreciate their thoughtfulness and generosity.

## ACCESSIONS AT THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE ARCHIVES

WINTER 2008 By Debi Blake

This is a partial listing of accessions at the Archives. For a complete listing please see our website at 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 listing has been accessioned previously, but is being accessioned again because either new material has been added or there has been a change in accessioning data.

#### **County Records**

Original Records Arranged and Described

Bladen. 61 volumes including 11 minutes, superior court, 1901-1970; 4 index to minutes, court. defendants. 1869-1968: 2 judgment docket, superior court, 1871-1882; 1 criminal docket, 1899-1907; 2 civil issues 1885-1894, 1931; 11 minutes, recorder's court, 1921-1968; 1 federal tax lien index, 1919-1969; 2 record of administrators, 1917-1939; 1 record of executors, 1946-1968; 2 record of guardianship, 1922-1968: 3 inheritance tax record, 1924-1970; 3 record of division of estates, 1899-1941; 3 record of elections, 1936-1972; 1 poll tax book, 1902-1908; 1 permanent registration of voters, 1902general registration 1908; book, 1 Elizabethtown, 1950-1954; 3 register of physicians and surgeons, 1895-1972: 3 inquisition of lunacy; 1 official oaths, 1944-1970; 1 special proceedings docket, 1893-1924; 1 special proceedings, 1907-1922; 1 drainage record, 1919-1968; 1 notary public record, 1946-1868; 1 reliefs to be credited to the sheriff, 1899-1901.

<u>Buncombe.</u> 67 volumes including 64 records of settlements, 1909-1970; 3 cross index to settlements, 1969-1970.

Gates. 96 volumes including 8 minute docket. superior court, 1859-1966; 1 summons docket, superior court, 1934-1966; 11 judgment docket, superior court, 1868-1966; 2 criminal docket, superior court, 1859-1919; 2 civil issue docket, superior court, 1887-1968; 4 index to judgments in civil actions, 1868-1966; 1 cross index to parties to actions, 1961-1964; 4 minute docket, recorder's court, 1931-1966; 11 judgment docket, recorder's court, 1939-1966; 2 cross index to judgments in the recorder's court, 1942-1966; 1 judgment docket, land tax sales, 1931-1954; 1 land registration, 1958-1959; 2 record of land sold by mortgagees and trustees, 1927-1970; 9 record of accounts, 1869-1966; 1 administrators' bonds, 1934-1966; 1 cross index to administrators and executors, 1919-1934; 1 cross index to guardians, 1910-1934; 1 inheritance tax record, 1960-1968; 6 record of settlements, 1869-1966; 1 record of maiden names of divorced women, 1945-1963; 1 adoption record, 1942-1963; 6 record of elections, 1878-1974; 1 permanent voter registration, 1902-1908; 2 record of inquisition of lunacy, 1900-1908; 1 record of officials' oaths, 1938-2006; 6 orders and decrees, 1868-1966; 4 special proceedings, 1869-1966; 1 cross index to special proceedings, 1869-1963: 1 clerk's minute docket, superior court. 1955-1966; 2 drainage record, 1930-1989; and 1 record of notaries and justices, 1929-1965.

<u>Lincoln.</u> 9 volumes including 8 tax lists, 1916-1917, 1920, 1922-1923, 1926, 1927; treasurer's account of county funds, 1892-1908.

Rockingham. 132 volumes including 9 index to judgments, 1921-1970; 29 minute docket, recorder's court, 1909-1968; 4 record of sales and resales of land, 1918-1970; 1 appointment of executors and administrators, 1896-1919; 1 ledger of letters of administration and guardianship, 1927-1942; 2 accounts of administrators, executors, and guardians, 1930-1942; 7 record of administrators, 1926-1970; 4 record of executors, 1945-1970; 5 inheritance tax record, 1923-1970; 20 record of

settlements, 1946-1970; 1 estates not exceeding \$300, 1929-1937; 1 record of renunciations and dissents from wills, 1964-1970; 2 cross index to executors and administrators, 1868-1939; 1 index to accounts of administrators, executors, and guardians, 1930-1942; 3 record of elections, 1924-1968; 40 orders and decrees, 1887-1969; and 2 record of receivers, 1920-1925, 1959-1965

Scotland. 97 volumes including 3 minutes, superior court, 1959-1966; 27 judgment docket, superior court, 1902-1966; 1 state judgment docket, 1912-1914; 1 judgment docket, land tax sales, 1930-1943; 1 federal tax lien index, 1924-1962; 2 record of sale of land by trustee and mortgagee, 1916-1967; 7 record of accounts, 1901-1966; 4 record of administrators, 1930-1966; 2 record of administrators, executors, and guardians, 1913-1935; 1 record of executors and guardians, 1935-1953; 1 record of executors, guardians, and trustees, 1953-1965; 1 record of executors, 1964-1966; 1 record of appointment of guardians and administrators, 1901-1912; 1 record of guardians and trustees. 1965-1966; 2 inheritance record, 1923-1966; tax 1 accounts of indigent orphans, 1913-1942; 1 record of receivers, 1928-1934; 10 record of settlements, 1901-1966; 1 record of probate, 1926; 1 maiden name of divorced women, 1939-1966; 1 alien registration, 1927-1938; 1 petition for naturalization, 1911-1912; 1 record of elections, 1940-1956; 1 election book, 1904-1924; 1 record of officials' oaths, 1934-1965; 19 orders and decrees, 1901-1966; 3 special proceedings, 1900-1968; and 1 record of assignments, 1904-1918.

Records Received from Other Than Official Sources (abbreviation C.R.X.)

<u>Pasquotank</u>. CRX. Voter registration and poll books, 1900-1912; 9 folders [4 boxes].

#### **Military Collection**

World War II. Private Collections. George B. Cline Papers. Various photographs, publications, booklets, a scrapbook, and other ephemera relating to the service of Lt. Colonel

George B. Cline during World War II; 125 items.

<u>James Parker Papers</u>. Letters, postcards, and other items relating to the service of James Parker (U.S.Marine Corps), Forsyth County, during World War II; 41 items.

<u>David Marvin Stewart Papers</u>. Letter, postcard, and newspaper articles relating to David Marvin Stewart who was a prisoner of war in Germany during a portion of World War II; 4 items.

World War I Private Collections. Luther E. Williams Papers. Diary of Luther E. Williams (Halifax County), 4th company, 306th Supply Train, 81st Division, U. S. Army, American Expeditionary Force; 1 item.

Civil War Collection. Private Collections. John W. Fincannon Papers. A May 21, 1862 letter from John W. Fincannon (7th Regt. N. C. Troops) to his wife, Mary S. Fincannon, Alexander County; 1 item.

#### **Private Collections**

Angier and Cook Family Paper. Papers, including financial records, legal papers, receipts, and bills, 1802-1866, 1880-1899, relating to the Angier and Cook families of Orange County; .33 cubic foot.

<u>Cary Lumber Company</u>. Three volumes of minutes of the Cary Lumber Company, 1894-1954, which was founded in 1894 by John C. Angier; includes financial papers, statements, deeds, and other records; 3 volumes.

<u>Frezzo Consceppo Papers</u> (microfilmed). Copy of Frezzo Consceppo Papers [PC.1534], including material regarding him and the carnival he was in and the disposition of his body; 1 reel, 35mm negative microfilm.

<u>Cook Family Papers</u>. Various papers of the Cook family of Orange County, 1802-1866, including receipts for taxes, store bills and receipts, receipts for labor and medical

services, a Confederate State Tax in Kind form, and other items; 19 items.

<u>Silas Davenport Papers.</u> Materials and documents relating to Silas Davenport, including a copy of his will and various deeds, for the years 1814 to 1900; 10 items.

<u>Ehringhaus Family Papers</u>. Letters of members of this family, 1870-1902, that produced a governor of North Carolina; 11 items.

John Evarts Papers. Scrapbook created by or for John Evarts on the occasion of the production of the mixed media spectacle, "Danse Macabre," May 14, 1938, including photographs and the musical score; 1 item (scrapbook).

Memory F. Mitchell Papers. Various papers, including correspondence with authors on historical, legal, and political topics; files from various organizations, including First Baptist Church of Raleigh, Pullen Memorial and Millbrook Baptist Churches (Raleigh); scrapbooks; diaries; travel notes; and other items; 2 cubic feet.

Rumley Family Papers. Various papers, including land transfers, records of sales, slave records, receipts, inventories, as well as election notices, business letters of the Rumley family (Carteret County), Abraham Fulford's Memo Book (1815-1842), and other documents, circa 1763-1888; 304 items.

Alfred Scales Papers. Microfilm copy of the Alfred Scales Papers (PC.904.1-3); 1 reel, 35mm. Copy of originals in the custody of the Archives and Records Section, Raleigh.

John W. Taylor Papers (microfilmed). Copy of CSA Captain John W. Taylor Papers (PC.1576.10, including his pocket notebook and narratives; 1 reel, 35mm negative microfilm.

Whalehead Preservation Trust Collection; addition. Organizational papers; .5 cu. ft.

## POST YOUR LOCAL EVENTS WITH NCGS

Who doesn't like free publicity? If your genealogical society or family association is planning a special event, please contact us. We can print a concise announcement in the NCGS News and display it on the NCGS website calendar. You can e-mail the NCGS News editor at ncgsnewseditor@ncgenealogy.org or send your announcement to Calendar of Events, North Carolina Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 22, Greenville, NC 27835-0022. Just remember to get your announcement in early enough to make our deadlines.

Deadline	Issue mailed
Aug 1	Oct 1
Nov 1	Jan 1
Feb 1	Apr 1
May 1	July 1
	Aug 1 Nov 1 Feb 1

The sad truth is that the vast majority of notifications we receive are arriving long after the deadline required. Send your notice in time to get the word out and enhance participation in your event.

#### NCGS STATEMENT CODE OF ETHICS

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

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

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

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

#### 2008 NCGS AWARDS

By Linda Reid, Awards Chairman

The 2008 NCGS awards were presented at our annual meeting held at Brier Creek Country Club in Wake County on 15 November 2008. Deepest thanks to my committee: Ronda Trueman, book reviewer; Terry Moore, certified genealogist; Pam Toms, state librarian; and Phyllis Matthews Ziller, co-editor. Jim Hilke has graciously provided the photographs. Thanks also to the many of you whose work was nominated. These authors make North Carolinians proud of their heritage while providing researchers everywhere better access to North Carolina sources.

The Award For Excellence For Periodical **Publishing** for a periodical published by a North Carolina genealogical society was presented to The Genealogical Journal of Randolph County. The journal is to be commended for providing abstracts and transcriptions of original documents that were not previously published. Some were found stored at remote repositories in boxes. Articles from the parent counties Guilford, Rowan, and Orange are sometimes included in the journal. The journal's editor, Larry Cates, and Randolph County Genealogical Society's president, Robert Hill, accepted the award. Larry Cates, who has been editor for twelve years, was our own NCGS newsletter editor until 2008 and previously edited Guilfort County's journal. As a librarian, Mr. Cates helps others with their research in the North Carolina collection at High Point, North Carolina.



Larry Cates, editor and Robert Hill, president of the Randolph County Genealogical Society receiving award.

The Award For Excellence In Web Presence For a Freely Accessible Website Promoting North Carolina Genealogy was presented to the Caswell County Historical Association website. Karen Oestreicher, president of the Association and Karen Avants, collections, accepted the award.



Ann Basnight presents award to Karen Oestreicher and Karen Avants

The website has archived text and pictures which are a wonderful source for researchers with Caswell County ties. There are over fifty family links and reference links. There is also an interesting blog and genealogy forum.

Rick Frederick created the Caswell County Historical Association website in 2005 and gives credit to the Association's volunteers for the archives and resources gathered for fifty years. The website can be accessed at www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ncccha/.

**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 was presented to William B. Kittrell for his *Pitt County Cemetery Book, Volumes 1 and 2*.

This two-volume set documents 820 cemeteries with a total of 1,740 pages of exact tombstone transcriptions, a massive undertaking. The Pitt County Historical Society acknowledged the importance of a published county cemetery survey and gave their financial assistance. They have previously published books on the county's architecture, history, and genealogy. William B. Kittrell says that the award is one way of thanking those who helped him. Mr. Kittrell is a native of Pitt County and his interest in history and genealogy is evident in the work he has done for the county and its future. He is the founder of Pitt County Historical Society for Black Jack FWB Church. Mr. Kittrell and his wife Mary represent their county well. The humble gentleman's work is a legacy that will help many researchers and families connect to their past.



Ann Basnight presents award to William B. Kittrell

The Award For Outstanding Contribution To NCGS by a Member for an individual whose work within the NCGS has been outstanding was presented to Ann Hilke.

Ann Hilke has been program chairman for several years. When she attended a national conference sponsored by NGS, like the one coming to Raleigh next spring, she said, "Why can't we have speakers like that at our workshops?" This has been her endeavor ever since that moment. She has successfully brought nationally known speakers of high esteem to teach at our North Carolina workshops. Ann encourages us to raise the standards in our genealogical pursuits. She created a Speakers Forum as a training ground where local speakers can develop their skills. Ann brings in a panel of well-known, experienced speakers to attend the forum and to offer helpful advice to the new speakers at the forum's conclusion. Ann has searched for what the genealogists of North Carolina want to know and found speakers to teach it while entertaining and delighting us.



Ann Basnight presents award to Ann Hilke

The Award For Excellence In Publishing for a book, or set of books, of abstracts or transcriptions of original North Carolina primary source material was presented to Herman Ferguson for his book Abstracts of Deed Books 24-28 and Books 1-3, Second Series, Mecklenburg County, NC 1831–1850. The book covers seven deed books and contains 4,800 abstracts of records. This is the fourteenth of Mr. Ferguson's series of abstracts of early records of Mecklenburg County, which was formed in 1762.

Herman Ferguson was born in Chapel Hill, Tennessee, and spent his youth in Franklin County, Tennessee. He earned his BA and Masters degrees at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee. Working for the Tennessee Division of Geology, he became the state geologist. He worked for the U. S. Steel Corporation for thirty years before dedicating himself to genealogy during retirement in Rocky Mount, North Carolina, with his wife Betty.



Ann Basnight presents award to Herman W. Ferguson

The Award For Outstanding Contribution to North Carolina Genealogy for an individual whose outstanding genealogical contributions have greatly enhanced the family history of North Carolina. The genealogical contributions may be regional. This award was presented to Herman W. Ferguson. North Carolinians are grateful that Herman Ferguson left his native Tennessee when he retired. In his retirement he

has written fourteen books of abstracts of deeds, tax lists, and early court records of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. In this series the will abstracts cover the years of 1791–1868, the deed abstracts span 1778–1850, and the minutes of the court of common pleas and quarter sessions are taken from records dating 1774–1868. The series also contains tax lists for eleven early years, a petition, and a book listing decedents for whom there are loose estate papers in the state archives. Herman W. Ferguson is meticulous in his abstracting and includes explanations and definitions that allow the reader a pleasurable journey through these historical records.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

The Old New Hanover Genealogical Society, Wilmington, North Carolina, is preparing for a Genealogical Symposium on 27–28 March 2009. See their website for details: www.onhgs.org/ONHGSsymp

# CALL FOR PAPERS FOR FOURTH ANNUAL SPEAKERS FORUM

NCGS would like to invite speakers to submit lecture proposals for the Fourth Annual Speakers Forum which will be held in November 2009 in conjunction with the annual meeting. The main purpose of the forum is to give a venue for speakers to broaden and develop their topics and become comfortable with the speaking experience.

The deadline for submission is 1 March 2009. Speakers receive free registration for the workshop; however, they will not be given an honorarium

We would like to have the talks centered around three specific areas: basic records, research techniques, and technology.

Preference will be given to the following topics:

- 1. Records, history, and how-to methods specific to North Carolina
- 2. General methodology topics
- 3. Topics relating to surrounding states where North Carolinians lived before or after their time in North Carolina

Each session will be limited to one hour, including questions and answers. Speakers should plan to submit a handout of no more than four pages. This handout will be included in the conference syllabus distributed to conference participants.

Proposals should include the following information:

- 1. Speaker's name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address
- 2. Title of lecture
- 3. Outline or abstract of lecture
- 4. Short lecture summary (2 or 3 sentences) which will be used for publicity brochure
- 5. Identify audience level: beginner, intermediate, advanced, or general
- 6. Speaker biography (2 or 3 sentences)
- 7. Resume of previous lecture experience

## RHODES ROOM OFFERS OFF-BEAT HISTORIES

NEWTON—Looking for a specific historical highway marker?

How about unusual gravestone inscriptions?

The Rhodes Room at Catawba County Library has these and more.

Benjamin Jowett, the English scholar and theologian, once quipped, "Nowhere probably is there more true feeling, and nowhere worse taste, than in a churchyard." *Eccentric Epitaphs* by Michelle Lovric bears this out. This small volume was recently acquired by the Rhodes Room local history collection.

North Carolina Historical Highway Markers was published by the state Division of Archives and History about thirty years ago. The newly-acquired 10th edition is a quick reference for historical sites as of 2007 and can offer a field day (quite literally) for history buffs who want to seek out specific sites.

If you've ever spent time in Blowing Rock, her history will intrigue you. The 1989 book, *A Village Tapestry* by Barry M. Buxton, joins an array of town and county histories of North Carolina

Have a retired teacher or principal in your family? You may find them mentioned in *The History of North Carolina Retired School Personnel* by Alma Browning. Written in 1978, the book covers seventeen years of the organization founded in May 1961.

Among other new acquisitions: *The Huguenots of Colonial South Carolina* by Arthur H. Hirsch, *Sketches of the Past Down on the Farm* by Betty Carolyn Huffman Molinare and *History of the Order of the Eastern Star in North Carolina Volume II.* Obscure, yes, but to a dedicated researcher such resources can offer clues about long-lost kin.

The Rhodes Room, located at the Main Library in Newton, is a repository of local history, genealogical materials, and references for North Carolina and other states. It's a goldmine for history buffs and family researchers made ever more valuable as materials are expanded and updated periodically.

To browse all library holdings, log on to www.catawbacountync.gov/library/. The room is open 9 AM-6 PM, Tuesday through Saturday.

#### **BLOG NEWS**

The North Carolina Genealogical Society is proud to be the local host for *The Building of a Nation: From Roanoke to the West*, the 2009 National Genealogical Society Conference in the States to be held in Raleigh, North Carolina, 13–16 May 2009. Read the latest local information, things to do and see while you are in the Raleigh area, travel and accommodation information, and tips to make this conference extra memorable at *www.ncgenealogy.org* /blogs/ngs2009/

#### "PLEASE HELP ME" COMMITTEE

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

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

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

#### MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

It's time once again to renew your membership, or if you are not a member it's a great time to become a member. Membership is for one year and due in January of each year.

#### **Types of Membership:**

- Individual Membership—\$40 per year— Includes two free queries per year, discounts on all workshops, subscription to the NCGS Journal and NCGS News
- Family Membership (same residence) —\$45 per year—Includes four free queries per year, discounts on all workshops, subscription to the NCGS Journal and NCGS News
- Patron Membership—\$100 per year— Includes four free queries per year, discounts on all workshops, subscription to the NCGS Journal and NCGS News
- Institutional or Society Membership—\$40 per year —Does not include yearly query
- Foreign Membership (includes postage) \$55 per year

There is a \$5 discount for **current renewing** members if postmarked by 1 December of the renewing year.

Make your check payable to **North Carolina Genealogical Society** and mail to NCGS Membership, P. O. Box 30815, Raleigh, NC 27622-0815.

To obtain a copy of the NCGS membership form check out our website at www.ncgenealogy.org.

#### SPANISH HISTORY RUNS DEEP IN CATAWBA VALLEY

By Tammy Wilson Public Information Officer Catawba County Library System

NEWTON—While many of us believe that Latinos are relatively new to our area, history proves otherwise.

The Juan Pardo Expedition brought Spanish warriors through what is now Catawba County as early as 1567. Now known as the Berry site, the archaeological dig north of Morganton has already revealed a wealth of information about sixteenth century Native Americans and their Spanish visitors.

Dr. David Moore of Warren Wilson College and his cohorts from around the nation have been working the site since 1986. The site was once the native town of Joara and was visited by the Spanish expeditions of Hernando de Soto in 1540 and Juan Pardo from 1567–1568. Pardo's Fort San Juan, constructed at Joara, is the earliest Spanish outpost in the interior of what is now the United States, forty years before the English founding of Jamestown and twenty years before the ill-fated Lost Colony.

An account of Pardo's exploits is in *The Juan Pardo Expeditions: Exploration of the Carolinas and Tennessee 1566–1568* by Charles Hudson (975.01 HUD) is available at the Main Library in Newton. In the book, Hudson literally rewrote history as he detailed the expedition to seek an inland route to silver mines in Northern Mexico. They mistakenly assumed that the North American continent was much smaller than it actually is.

Hudson gleaned the Pardo documents to find a wealth of information about the explorer's routes, his encounters with native peoples, and delves into the social and political structures of Indians of the time. Joara in Burke County was actually the seat of a Mississippian chiefdom.

In late 1566, Capt. Juan Pardo left Santa Elena, the capital of Spanish Florida (on modern Parris Island, South Carolina), with a company of 125 men. Their mission: to explore the interior, to claim the land for Spain while pacifying local Indians, and to forge a route to Mexico. In January 1567, Pardo arrived at Joara, the largest Indian settlement in what is now North Carolina. He renamed it Cuenca, after his hometown in Spain, and built Fort San Juan de Joara, leaving thirty men to defend the fort and occupy the town. For undetermined reasons, they met a fiery end soon afterward. Only one survivor made it back to Santa Elena.

David Moore co-wrote the afterward of Hudson's book describing how he and colleagues were led to the Berry site from writings of Domingo de Leon, who described the route that Pardo's group traversed along what surely was the watercourse of the Catawba, more specifically Upper Creek. Discovery of sixteenth century artifacts such as pieces of an olive jar, chain mail, and nails reinforce their theory.

This book will give you a leg up on the history of Fort San Juan, which has already woven its way into local consciousness. Pardo's men were depicted in a tableau during the recent Night at the Museum at the Catawba County Museum of History. And a group of area ladies have named their provisional chapter of Colonial Dames Seventeenth Century the "Fort San Juan Chapter."

Every summer the Berry Site Field School engages volunteers in the dig. And one Saturday in June, the public is invited to visit. For details, log on to <a href="http://www.warren-wilson.edu/~arch/fieldschool">http://www.warren-wilson.edu/~arch/fieldschool</a>.

Books about archaeology in general are available on the 930.1 shelves at Catawba County Library.

# North Carolina Genealogical Society & Craven County Genealogical Society

**Present** 

# Craig Roberts Scott, CG OVERCOMING BRICKWALLS

Saturday, 14 March 2009

Broad Street Christian Church, 802 Broad Street, New Bern, NC 28560 See workshop schedule on the next page and at <a href="http://www.ncgenealogy.org">http://www.ncgenealogy.org</a> or email: <a href="mailto:info@ncgenealogy.org">info@ncgenealogy.org</a>. Registrants will be able to attend all lectures.

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

Comfort Suites, 218 E. Front Street, New Bern, NC 28560, has set aside a limited number of rooms for registrants. Contact the hotel directly at 252-636-0022 for reservations. Mention either NCGS or the Craven Co. Genealogical Society to the reservations clerk. Rooms: \$116 per night city view, \$126 per night river view, plus tax.

#### **Registration Form**

	<u> MEMBER - NCGS or CCGS:</u>	<u>NON-MEMBER:</u>	
Registration amount:    Registration amount:   S	\$50.00, includes lunch		
Plus 2009 NCGS Membership Renewal (optional) Individual \$40	(Before March 5, deduct \$5 early bird discount)		
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Member No.: Email:			\$
Method of Payment:Check or Money OrderCredit Card (VISA or MasterCard only) Send form to: NCGS Spring Workshop, P.O. Box 30815, Raleigh, NC 27622-0815. Checks should be made out to "North Carolina Genealogical Society".  Circle One  Credit Card order will not be processed if form below is incomplete.  Mastercard, Visa	Total enclosed	S Total enclosed	
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## OVERCOMING BRICKWALLS

Speaker: Craig Roberts Scott

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