



The North Carolina Genealogical Society presents:
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Diana Elder

Burned Courthouses and Flooded Churches: Key Strategies for Overcoming Record Loss

When disaster strikes and records are lost, how do you compensate? Learn strategies to deal with the loss, such as exploring alternate jurisdictions, studying the locality for additional repositories, and carefully analyzing any remaining records. We'll discuss key research processes that help to focus, track, and correlate the research.

J. Mark Lowe

Discovering Southern Families Using Church Records and Related Publications

Our ancestors may have been exemplary citizens or just average folk. However, their faith and participation in church and related religious organizations should help us understand the community where they lived, and how they functioned within their neighborhood. Additional periodicals and historical resources can enhance our understanding.

David McCorkle

Time & Place - Understanding Time and Place by Finding, Using, and Creating Historical Overlay Maps

Land records can determine where your ancestor lived, but maps can provide clues to their lives, their church, business activity, access to transportation, and most importantly who lived nearby. Learn how to use websites and software to overlay old maps on top of modern maps to help extract this information.

Diane Richard

Extra! Extra! Read All About Your North Carolina Ancestors in Newspapers

Newspapers publish rich and intimate details about North Carolinian ancestors. Documenting death, conflict, hobbies, politics, travel, or more, they provide information often not found elsewhere. Myriad digitization projects will be examined. With a bit of digging, we can find material regarding our 18th-20th-century Tar Heel families and sometimes our immigrant ancestors in their homeland.

Judy G. Russell, CG®

No Person Shall ... Gallop Horses in the Streets – Using Court Records to Tell the Story of our Ancestor's Lives

Early court records give color and meaning to the lives and times of our ancestors. County courts often functioned as both judiciary and legislature, and appeals courts published fact-filled opinions. While the records often establish relationships to help build a family tree, they offer so much richness and depth to help tell a family's story.

Renate Yarborough Sanders

Records of the Freedmen's Bureau: There's Something in Them for Everyone

The Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, aka "The Freedmen's Bureau," was established after the Civil War. The agency created many records related to the formerly enslaved. The span of these documents is wider than often realized. Records related to enslavers and their families, business and governmental entities, schools, churches, and more will be shared in this presentation.

Craig R. Scott, CG®, FUGA

Pension Research – You Stopped Too Soon

Many genealogists are familiar with pension application files. There is so much more including pension law, pension ledgers, pension vouchers, and pension last and final payments.

Becket Soule

History of Mayflower Descendants in the State of North Carolina

After a brief review of settlement patterns of New Englanders in North Carolina in the colonial and antebellum period, this presentation will look at strategies for identifying Mayflower descendants in genealogical records and review the history of the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of North Carolina as it prepares for its centennial in 2024.

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