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You're invited to the 2022 NCGS Member Appreciation Day!



Member Appreciation Day

"Research Like a Pro" Seminar
presented by Diana Elder, AG®

We are delighted to announce this year's Member Appreciation day featuring a "Research Like a Pro" Seminar presented by Diana Elder, AG®.

This seminar style day of learning will feature four classes:

- **Research Objectives and Timeline Analysis**
- **Locality Research**
- **Research Planning and Source Citations**
- **Research Logging and Writing**

Member Appreciation Day will also include the Annual Meeting and Awards Presentation.

Diana Elder AG® is a professional genealogist accredited in the Gulf South region of the United States. Diana authored *Research Like a Pro: A Genealogist's Guide* and co-authored the companion volume, *Research Like a Pro with DNA: A Genealogist's Guide to Finding and Confirming Ancestors with DNA Evidence*. Diana and her daughter, Nicole Dyer, are the hosts of the *Research Like a Pro Genealogy Podcast* and share research tips on their website, FamilyLocket.com.

Members who register will be entered into a drawing for one of two free tickets to the 2023 NCGS Virtual Conference. If you are not currently a member, but would like to attend the seminar and have your name entered into the drawing, please [join NCGS](#).

Join NCGS

New NCGS Journal Issue Available



The latest journal issue, "[Part 1: The Federal Tax Man Collects: 18th Century through the Civil War](#)" is now available online for all NCGS Members.

A message from the editor:

We often joke tax collection possibly leaves more surviving records than anything else, including census and vital records, and beyond. Many researchers exhaust county tax records, and few search out federal tax obligations. Let's explore some federal tax liabilities our ancestors may have incurred.

Let's march through time from the years after the Revolutionary War until the

Civil War. Part 2 (NCGS Journal Volume 48 #3) will cover more of the Civil War years and conclude with the federal tax implications of bootlegging.

We start with an overview of the laws/legislation governing federal taxes with a synopsis of what records may or may not survive. Readers then explore select records of William Polk, supervisor of internal revenue for North Carolina at Charlotte and Raleigh at the turn of the 19th century. Next up is delving into a fascinating Iredell Land Valuations book, created due to federal tax legislation. Before leaving the 18th century, one of the few federal distillery tax books (for Tennessee) gives insight into records of individuals living on land that until recently was part of North Carolina.

There are slim pickings for surviving records documenting the Direct Tax assessments to finance the War of 1812. The personal research of Kenneth H. Thomas, Jr. and tax receipts discovered for Eli Coble help fill some of those blanks.

The financing of the Civil War provides the most robust collection of extant records. Frederick H. Cron introduces us to the concept and challenges of tax-in-kind payments; we then explore the same record type for Rowan County. We next turn our attention to taxes paid in Jones and Wake Counties during the Civil War, which were then refunded in 1891, giving us a fascinating glimpse of a little-known bit of federal tax history.

Some exciting new books have recently been published, so be sure to read the book reviews.

Diane L. Richard, Editor

FREE webinar this weekend!

Infrastructure Records of North Carolina and Their Use In Genealogical Research with Stewart Dunaway

Infrastructure records consist of roads, bridges, ferry, ordinary and mill records which define the necessary infrastructure to migrate across North Carolina and surrounding states. These records include petitions, reports, and contracts.

Within the petition or reports, descriptions of landowners and neighbors can be provided. Reasons for their need or discontinuance are well described thereby providing insight to the area development and migration paths, perhaps answering why a relative moved from one location to another.

This presentation will cover the record types and what genealogy information can be found within them. Throughout the presentation actual documents and examples are included.

This recorded Webinar will be freely available to the public from Friday, August 5 – Sunday, August 7.

[Watch the Webinar](#)

2022 NCGS Awards Deadline Approaching

**Submit Award Nominations
by August 15th**



Each year, the North Carolina Genealogical Society honors worthy individual and society endeavors in publishing and other contributions to North Carolina genealogy. Awards are presented at the NCGS Fall Workshop and Annual Meeting. The Awards Committee urges you to join the society in recognizing the labors of deserving individuals and societies by submitting a nomination this year.

Nominations are accepted for the following categories:

- The Award for Excellence in Periodical Publishing
- The Award for Excellence in Web Presence
- The Award for Excellence in Publishing
- The Award for Outstanding Contribution to North Carolina Genealogy
- The Award for Outstanding Contribution to NCGS by a Member

Please submit your nominations by August 15th.

[Learn about NCGS Awards](#)

About the North Carolina Genealogical Society (NCGS)

NCGS has been helping people discover their North Carolina heritage since 1974. We aim to raise research standards through educational programs and publications, acquaint members with North Carolina research sources, and promote the preservation and access of genealogically significant materials.

Join today and uncover your Tar Heel story through our online resources, connection to our growing community of members, and exciting online and in-person educational opportunities.



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