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Join us at the NCGS Fall Conference and Annual Meeting!



2023 Fall Conference
Saturday, October 28th
9 am - 4 pm ET | In-person & Online

Join us on **Saturday, October 28th** in Raleigh and virtually for the 2023 NCGS Fall Conference & Annual Meeting.

This year we welcome Shannon Combs-Bennett who will cover DNA testing, DNA research plans, and the history and benefits of lineage societies. We hope to see many of you in Raleigh, and we are also offering the conference hybrid. Two bonus recordings include Shannon, who will feature strategies for working with misattributed parentage and adoptee questions, and Andre Kearns, NGS Chair of the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee, who will explore the benefits of lineage societies for African Americans research. All four lectures

plus the two bonus lectures will be available for 30 days following the conference.

Elections will be held at 11:45 a.m. at the McKimmon Conference and Training Center, 1101 Gorman Street, Raleigh, North Carolina, at the Annual Meeting.

Here is the slate of candidates proposed by the Nominating Committee:

- President: Jennifer Crowder Daugherty (incumbent) (Jan. 1st 2024-Dec. 31st 2025)
- 1st Vice President: David McCorkle (incumbent) (Jan. 1st 2024-Dec. 31st 2025)
- 2nd Vice President: Sandra Watts (Jan 1st. 2024-Dec.31st 2025)
- Directors: Candice Roth (Jan. 1st 2024-Dec. 31 2026)
- Tyrone Goodwyn (Jan 1st 2024-Dec. 31 2026)

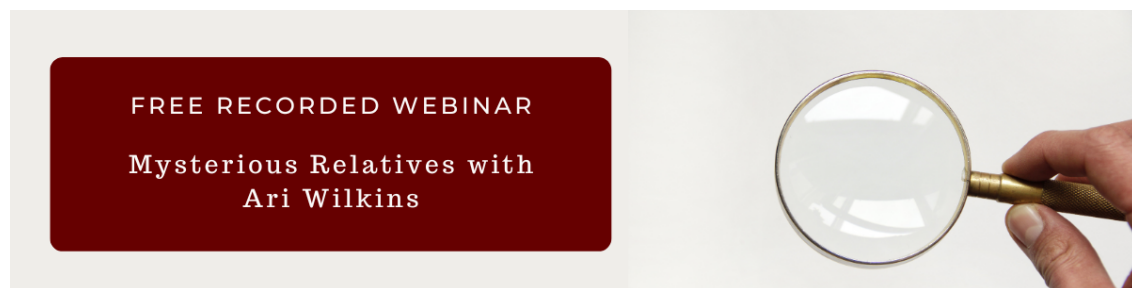
Nominating Committee 2 Open Positions:

- Susan Michael (Jan. 1st 2024-Dec. 31st 2025)
- Luke Alexander (Jan. 1st 2024- Dec. 31 2025)

[View the candidates' biographies.](#)

[Register for the Conference](#)

Free October Webinar



Join us Friday, October 6th through Sunday, October 8th for **Mysterious Relatives** with Ari Wilkins.

About the Webinar:

Every genealogist has that mysterious relative – the ubiquitous ‘cousin’ who was always around with no obvious family connection. As researchers, we

cannot figure out who this person is and how they are related to our family. Finding mysterious relatives on a census record, an entry in a family Bible, or old letters can yield invaluable insight into a family's genealogy. Learn how to analyze and connect these mysterious relatives to your family history using census and vital records, newspapers, maps, etc.; contextual clues; "FAN club" methodology; and more.

[Register for the Webinar](#)

NCGS at Fraser's Ridge

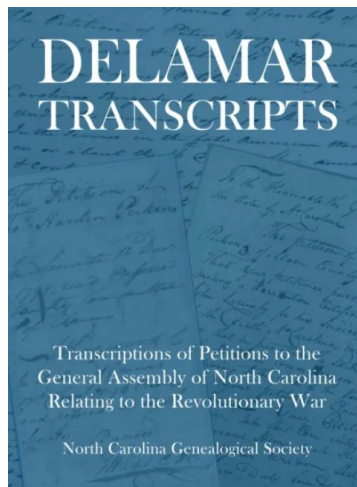
For the first time our North Carolina Genealogical Society will be represented at an event that is a celebration of North Carolina colonial times called Fraser's Ridge Homecoming. The event is inspired by the historical fiction book series written by Diana Gabaldon and is steeped in authentic North Carolina history.

This annual event has taken place since 2018 in the foothills of Wilkes County which brings together a community who are interested in not only the story that appears on the streaming service, STARZ, but they also possess a thirst for early Colonial North Carolina. Genealogy cannot be separated from the history of our early days and the day-to-day struggles experienced by the colonists who braved the Atlantic to forge a life in a new world. The attendees will certainly become aware of our organization and why they need to join our group.

The event will feature a "History Row" which will include our NCGS booth as well as the North Carolina Archives and NC historical sites. We will be presenting a workshop three times on how genealogy (and NCGS) can enhance the "Outlander Experience" during the three-day event. The dates are October 12th through 14th.

[Learn more about Fraser's Ridge Homecoming](#)

Book Review: Delamar Transcripts



In line with the event, our book review this month is for the “Delamar Transcripts – Transcriptions of Petitions to the General Assembly of North Carolina Relating to the Revolutionary War”. This book is published by NCGS.

In the preface of this book, it is stated that reading this book from cover to cover, will give insight into life in NC colonial times. Reading it like a history book certainly does that! These petitions requested payment for expenses, acquisitions, back-pay, widow payments, and other hardships of Revolutionary War events in North Carolina. These requests were from soldiers, heirs, scoundrels, thieves, justices of the peace, surveyors, generals, etc. It follows threads of documents of requests and acceptance or denial. Readers will see the use (and misuse) of colonial grammar and spelling. Since the book is indexed by name and by location (county and city), the reader can follow the threads of the requests. It is very interesting when the reader follows some notorious characters who made multiple requests for reimbursements and then had various excuses as to why documentation was missing.

[View Delmar Transcripts](#)

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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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