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# Registration is live for the 2023 NCGS Virtual Conference



Join us on **March 24-25** for eight lectures covering a variety of genealogy topics from overcoming record loss in burned counties to records of the Freedmen's Bureau. All classes will be available for on-demand viewing for 90 days after the conference.

Our expert presenters include:

- J. Mark Lowe, FUGA
- Judy G. Russell, CG®
- Diane L. Richard

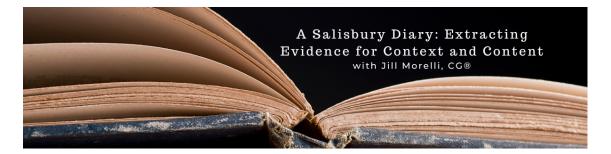
- Diana Elder, AG®
- David McCorkle
- Craig R. Scott, CG®, FUGA
- Becket Soule, OP
- Renate Yarborough Sanders

The conference costs \$69 for members and \$79 for nonmembers. In order to receive the member discount, you much be signed in to your NCGS account.

Download the <u>Virtual Conference Flyer</u> to share with your genealogy friends and local societies.

Learn More & Register

# Don't miss our free recorded webinar this weekend



Join us on Friday, February 3 – Sunday, February 5 for free on-demand viewing of <u>"A Salisbury Diary: Extracting Evidence for Context and</u> <u>Content"</u> with Jill Morelli, CG®.

About the Webinar:

What is "context" and how can we use it to understand the lives of our ancestors?

Using a manuscript can add to the story of your ancestor even if your ancestor is never mentioned. Learn how to conduct a search for manuscripts and integrate the experiences into the life events of another.

About the Speaker:

Jill Morelli, CG®, loves to share her passion for genealogy! To do so, she writes articles, takes clients and lectures, and conducts workshops nationwide in her

areas of expertise: intermediate and advanced methodologies, unique record sets, and Scandinavian research techniques. Jill is a member of the Salisbury Confederate Prison Association and president of the Seattle Genealogical Society. She earned the certification of Certified Genealogist in 2017. You can find out more about certification and about Jill,

at <u>https://theCDGseries.wordpress.com</u>.

Learn more!

### **New NCGS Journal Available**



The latest journal issue, "Let's Get Lost In Ledgers: So Much Genealogically Relevant Information Waiting To Be Discovered (Part 1)" is now available online for all NCGS Members.

A message from the editor: "We are starting a multi-year exploration of small business ledgers, which will be referred to as "ledgers" going forward. Since before the pandemic, volumes documenting North Carolina small businesses have been acquired from both online and on-the-ground repositories both instate and out-of-state, and from large archives/libraries to personal collections. Volunteers abstracted and/or transcribed this material so that we can bring you what I consider under-utilized and yet invaluable records.

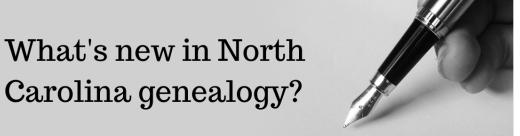
The hope is to give you a peek through these real-time windows into the everyday lives of our ancestors, whether as proprietors or customers. The found ledgers encompass from the mountains to the sea and cover from the latter part of the 1700s to the early 1900s, with the majority from the 19th century. After some introductory material, split between this issue and Volume 49 #1, we'll explore the ledgers of general stores extensively and then move on to ledgers documenting the following businesses/occupations — liquor, post office, newspapers, lawyer, naval stores, "Sartorial Splendor," "Jack of All

Trades," skilled trades, artisanal trades, travel/hospitality (including taverns), businesses significant to the community (physician, fire department, etc.), select occupations (mills, hauling, iron works, cotton picking, etc.), more occupations, and the best of the rest (ledgers that don't fit neatly into the identified categories or are received after the most fitting category has been published.

Throughout the next couple of years, reach out to me if you make a neat discovery via a shared ledger, possess an ancestor's ledger and wish to share, or locate an interesting ledger. If North Carolinians are the proprietors and/or customers, these are relevant to our shared genealogical journey."

**Read the Journal** 

#### **Genealogy Roundup**



<u>Our State Knows Best: Tracing Your Family Tree</u> - Find out what three North Carolina genealogists have to say about the best strategies for discovering your family history, some of the most interesting stories they've encountered — and the pitfalls of researching the past.

The RootsTech 2023 schedule is live! Click here to view this year's <u>new on-</u> <u>demand classes</u>.

If you're coming to the National Genealogical Society 2023 Family History Conference don't forget to <u>register for the NCGS-sponsored lunch.</u>

<u>Olde Meck Genealogical Society Monthly Meeting</u> - Wednesday, February 8 at 7:30 pm. Unsung Heroines of the Carolina Frontier by Alexia Jones Helsley, USC Aiken History Professor.

<u>Wake County Genealogical Society Monthly Meeting</u> - Tuesday, February 28, 2023 from 6:30-8:15 pm. The Story of Rachel: Challenges of Manumission by Diane L. Richard

#### 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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