



The North Carolina Genealogical Society presents:

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“Masonic Lodges, Odd Fellows, and Secret Societies”

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About the Webinar: Fraternal and Masonic organizations are groups of people bound together for social, religious, philosophical or philanthropic purposes. Along with the ideals of creating a family on a community level come a variety of group functions and purposes. Many fraternal societies formed as benefit groups that later evolved into mutual insurance companies. Early goals for other organizations were to provide social opportunities for rural citizens; to provide educational opportunities; or to assist one another within the community.



J. Mark Lowe describes himself as a lifelong genealogist. He is a professional genealogist, author, and lecturer who specializes in original records and manuscripts throughout the South. Mark enjoys opportunities to share what he has learned over the years through YouTube, webinars, and institutes.

He serves as the course coordinator for “Research in the South” at IGHR (Georgia) and TIGR, does webinars for Legacy Family Tree Webinars, and has worked on several genealogical television series including *Follow Your Past*, *African American Lives 2*, *Who Do You Think You Are?*, and *UnXplained Events* as well as podcasts including *Twice Removed* and *Blast From My Past*.

He is a past president of the Association of Professional Genealogists (APG) and past president of the Southern Kentucky Genealogical Society. Mark is a Fellow of the Utah Genealogical Society and was awarded the Graham T. Smallwood award and Lifetime Membership award by the Association of Professional Genealogists.

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