

NCGS 2019 Fall Conference



a two-day event

Friday and Saturday, 1–2 November 2019

at the McKimmon Conference and Training Center, 1101 Gorman Street, Raleigh, NC

Speaker Bios

Keynote Speaker: Roberta Estes



Roberta Estes is a founding pioneer in the field of genetic genealogy and authors one of the most popular blogs on that subject (<http://www.DNA-eXplained.com>). She has been an obsessed genealogist since 1978. Many of Roberta's ancestors seem to have either disappeared into or appeared during the confusing Revolutionary War era on the new Western Frontier, then North Carolina, that would one day become Eastern Tennessee. Records are scarce to nonexistent, leaving DNA testing as the only viable avenue to recover one's heritage. Her "colorful" family history has allowed Roberta to participate in every aspect of DNA testing for genealogy, revealing unexpected surprises. Roberta was one of the early DNA surname administrators at FamilyTreeDNA. She manages over twenty surname projects and is the founder of the Lost Colony DNA research projects. She speaks and writes widely about DNA and genealogy, including the Native Heritage Project at <http://www.nativeheritageproject.com>.

Lectures by Roberta Estes

"The Lost Colony: Is It Still Lost?"

"Squeezing Every Drop Out of Y DNA"

"Investigating Whether You Have Native American Ancestry"

"Beyond Pie Charts: Solving Genealogical Puzzles with Y and mtDNA"

"The DNA You Didn't Inherit"

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Larry W. Cates, MLIS, has been a local history and genealogy librarian at the High Point Public Library since 2007. A native of Carthage, North Carolina, he studied secondary education and history at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and library and information studies at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. Larry has deep experience in the family history field. He began his research in 1989 and has since served as editor for the Randolph County Genealogical Society and the Guilford County Genealogical Society. He has served for over a decade as Clan Genealogist for Clan MacRae Society of North America. He served for four years as editor of the *North Carolina Genealogical Society Journal*. In addition, Larry has written many articles and compiled books of abstracts and transcriptions of original records. One of his recent books, *Suspicion and Sacrifice*, is a history of World War I in High Point. Larry is a past recipient of the Award for Outstanding Contribution to North Carolina Genealogy from the North Carolina Genealogical Society and the Filby Award for Genealogical Librarianship from the National Genealogical Society.



Lecture by Larry W. Cates

“Identity Crisis: Avoiding the Same Name, Different Person Fallacy”



Janice Lovelace, PhD, is a genealogical researcher, educator, author, and lecturer, with over thirty years of experience. She completed the Genealogy and Family History certificate at the University of Washington in 2012, the certificate program in genealogy at Boston University in 2013, and ProGen in 2014. Dr. Lovelace is a frequent speaker at international, national, and regional genealogy conferences as well as local societies on health and genetics, ethnic minority genealogy, and research methodology. She is an instructor at the Midwest African American Genealogical Institute (MAAGI). A retired college faculty member, Dr. Lovelace authored the National Genealogical Society’s online continuing education course *African American Roots: A Historical Perspective*. A freelance writer and photographer, she has a number of genealogy articles among her publications. A member of the Seattle Genealogical Society for many years, she has served in several board positions. She is also a member of Association of Professional Genealogists (APG), the Ohio Genealogical Society, Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society (AAHGS), and the National Genealogical Society (NGS). In her work life, Dr. Lovelace is a licensed clinical psychologist and has been a private practice therapist.

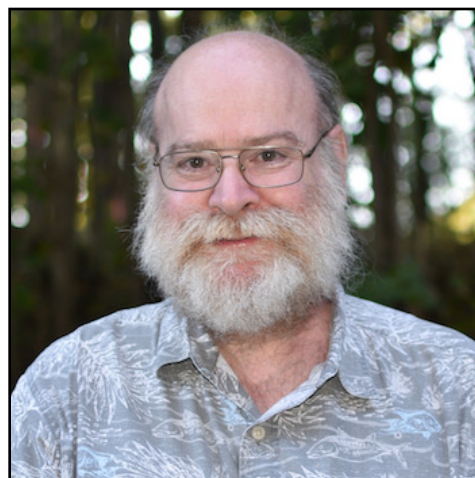
Lectures by Janice Lovelace, PhD

“The Precarious Lives of Southern Free Blacks pre-1865”

“Building a Research Plan for DNA Testing”

“Did Your Ancestors Own Slaves?”

David McCorkle is a genealogical researcher specializing in North Carolina land records. In 2014 he created the free website, <http://nclandgrants.com>, providing searchable data for all North Carolina land grants along with over 200,000 (and growing) digital images. David has presented various topics at meetings of the National Genealogical Society and numerous state and county genealogical and historical organizations, and to the staff of the State Archives of North Carolina. He is president of the Durham-Orange Genealogical Society, on the board of the Wake and Mecklenburg County Genealogical Societies, and a member of several other North Carolina societies. He is a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists (APG). David grew up in Charlotte and, after graduating from UNC-Chapel Hill in 1979 with a BS in Zoology, he remained in the Research Triangle area working in the software industry. He currently owns and operates a software company in Cary, North Carolina, and manages to squeeze in genealogy and local history in his spare time. All ancestral lines on his father's side were present in what is now Union County, North Carolina, by the early 1800s, with some as early as the 1750s.



Lectures by David McCorkle

Land Mapping Workshop
(requires separate registration)

"Miscellaneous North Carolina
Land Records



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. Her articles, which usually reflect her current research endeavors, have appeared in the *National Genealogical Society Quarterly* (September 2017, December 2018), the *Illinois State Genealogical Society Quarterly* (winter 2016, summer 2018), and the *Swedish American Genealogist* (March 2019). She recently completed an article for the *North Carolina Genealogical Society Journal* (possible publication in 2020). Her research has taken her to North Carolina where she researched fifty captured Union soldiers of the 191st Pennsylvania Infantry who were confined at Salisbury Prison and focused on three "galvanized Yankees" who joined the Confederate Army. These research projects often "spin off" lectures or articles, such as the presentations "A Salisbury Diary: Extracting Evidence for Context and Content" and "Finding a Father for Molly Using DNA." 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 <http://theCDGseries.wordpress.com>.

Lectures by Jill Morelli, CG®

"Dissecting Civil War Pension Packets – Confederate and Union"

"Finding a Father for Molly Using DNA"

"A Salisbury Diary: Extracting Evidence for Context and Content"

Elissa Scalise Powell, CG®, CGL(SM), is the co-director of the Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh (GRIP), and Professional Genealogy course coordinator at the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research (IGHR). She was an instructor and module creator for Boston University's Genealogical Research Certificate program (2008-2016). She was the mentor for *ProGen* Study's first and 25th groups and author of two chapters in the 2018 *Professional Genealogy* book. She was a course co-coordinator of the AG/CG Preparation Course at Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy (SLIG). She is a national speaker on such topics as Pennsylvania records, methodology, professional development, and society management. She won the Association of Professional Genealogists 2017 Professional Achievement Award. Elissa was a trustee for the Board for Certification of Genealogists for nine years and president of BCG (2012-2014). She was a director for the Association of Professional Genealogists for six years, taught genealogy courses locally for fourteen years, co-edited a cemetery book series, and appeared on the PBS-TV show *Ancestors2* cemetery episode and on the Travel Channel's *Dead Files* in 2015 ("The Instigator") and 2019. She is past president of two Pittsburgh area societies and a contributing author to many publications including the *NGS Quarterly* and the *APG Quarterly*.



Lectures by Elissa Scalise Powell, CG®, CGL(SM)

"Moravian Trails and Records: North Carolina and Pennsylvania"

"Hiding Behind Their Skirts: Finding Women in Records"



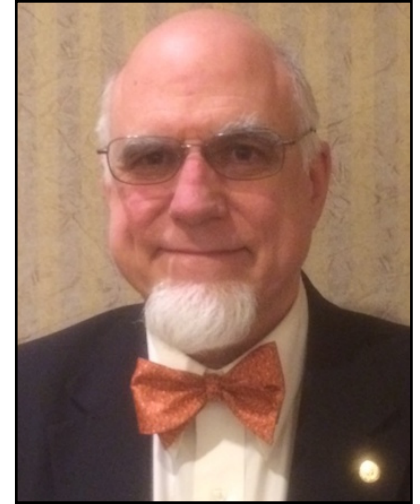
Lectures by Diane L. Richard

"Digital Library on American Slavery & More"

"18th and 19th Century Epidemics and Health"

Diane L. Richard has MEng and MBA degrees from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI). She has been doing genealogy research since 1987 and since 2004 professionally focused on the records of North Carolina and Southern states. She has researched North Carolina roots for the popular TV show *Who Do You Think You Are?* and appeared on the Bryan Cranston episode. Since 2006 she has authored over 300 articles on genealogy topics for such publications as *Internet Genealogy*, *Your Genealogy Today* (formerly *Family Chronicle*), the *NCGS Journal*, and more. From 2010-2017 she was the editor of *Upfront with NGS*, the blog of the National Genealogical Society, and published over 2,000 posts. She is currently editor of the *NCGS Journal*. As a speaker, Diane has delivered webinars and spoken locally, regionally, and nationally about the availability and richness of records documenting Southerners, genealogical research techniques and tips, under-utilized resource collections, and much more. Diane is co-leader of Tar Heel Discoveries (<http://www.tarheeldiscoveries.com>), which offers guided North Carolina genealogical research programs providing participants targeted, focused research assistance. Learn more about Diane at MosaicRPM (<http://www.mosaicrpm.com>).

Craig Roberts Scott, CG®, FUGA, is the author of *The ‘Lost Pensions’: Settled Accounts of the Act of 6 April 1838 (Revised)* and *Records of the Accounting Officers of the Department of the Treasury, Inventory 14 (Revised)*. His most recent work is *Understanding Revolutionary War and Invalid Pension Ledgers, 1818 – 1872, and the Payment Vouchers They Represent*. He has authored seventeen books and several articles in the *National Genealogical Society Quarterly (NGSQ)*, the *Magazine of Virginia Genealogy*, and other genealogical publications. Craig is the president and CEO of Heritage Books, Inc., a genealogical publishing firm with over 6,500 titles in print. A professional genealogical and historical researcher for more than thirty years, he specializes in military records, problem solving, and publishing. He has been a faculty member for several years of the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research (IGHR) and the Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy (SLIG). He is the coordinator for the Annual Heritage Books Genealogical Conference and Cruises. Craig was awarded the Grahame T. Smallwood Jr. Award in 2008 and UGA Silver Tray Award in 2009. He became a Fellow, Utah Genealogical Association, in 2014.



Lectures by Craig R. Scott, CG®, FUGA

“Civil War Medical Records”

“Reasons for Not Serving in the Civil War”

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Friday Evening Banquet Speaker (separate ticket purchase required)

Randell Jones is a writer and storyteller. He is the author of *In the Footsteps of Daniel Boone*. He has received two Kentucky History Awards from the Kentucky Historical Society for his publications on the life of Daniel Boone and America’s commemoration of Boone’s legacy. In 2013, the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, conferred upon him its national History Award Medal for his body of work during the prior ten years. Randell lives in Winston-Salem with his wife. They have two grown daughters and two grandchildren. During his banquet talk, Randell will share with us from the life and times of Daniel Boone.

Banquet talk by Randell Jones

“Daniel Boone of North Carolina”

