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MARCH MEETING

Thursday, March 5, 1998

7:00 p.m.

Thomas F. Parker Auditorium
Greenville County Library

“LEST WE FORGET”

A video that shows various cemeteries
in the state of South Carolina and
how to preserve them.

We “genies” are disappointed and saddened to discover a cemetery that holds the remains of our roots that is overgrown with trees, bushes and other vegetation to the extent that it is hard to locate the tombstones that were placed there several generations earlier. The stones, if located, are many times illegible, and may even be broken. This film will give us some needed information as to how to preserve the stones and the cemetery for future generations to visit.

FEBRUARY MEETING: The Greenville Chapter, SCGS, met on February 5, 1998, Thomas F. Parker Auditorium, Greenville County Library, 7:00 p.m., with twenty-five members and visitors present. Betty Monahan, the vice president, presided.

The following slate of officers for 1998 was presented by the nominating committee (Frank Spearman, chairman; Dorothy Hawkins and Butch Morton): President - Alleene Crawley; Vice President - Betty Monahan; Recording Secretary - Dorothy Hawkins; Corresponding Secretary - Margaret Swank; and Treasurer - Butch Morton. The slate was accepted by acclamation. Mike Becknell, president of the South Carolina Genealogical Society was welcomed to the meeting. Betty Monahan and Mike Ware of the Library staff led our group on a tour of the South Carolina Room, pointing out the electronic equipment now available, as well as new books available. The large amount of data on microfiche and microfilm makes genealogical research much easier. The group asked questions and welcomed the opportunity to see the improvements made for the family researcher.

After the tour the group returned to the Parker Auditorium. The meeting was adjourned. The group enjoyed refreshments provided by Betty Monahan.

SOUTH CAROLINA ARCHIVES AND HISTORY CENTER- The present Bull Street Search Room will close April 20th and will reopen May 5th at the new center located at 8301 Parkland Road, Columbia, SC 29223, telephone (803) 896-6100. The new center will officially open its doors to the public on Saturday, May 23, 1998 with a day-long celebration and open house. Check for updated info at www.scdah.sc.edu/homepage.htm.

NEW BOOKS IN THE SOUTH CAROLINA ROOM

Black Churches and Cemeteries of Sumter County (SC) by Emily E. Vaughn
Index of Sumter County (SC) Coroner Inquisitions by Emily E. Vaughn
Samuel Wragg Ferguson, 1834-1917, Memoirs and 1865 Journal
Lower Fairforest Baptist Church, Union County (SC) Minutes, 1809-1875 by Brent Holcomb
Virtual Roots-- A Guide to Genealogy and Local History on the World Wide Net

QUERIES

GRIFFIN: Seek to share re: **Horatio Griffin** of Gilder's Creek (Greenville SC area) and ties to **Bowen Griffin** of Spartanburg SC area. **Mimi Jo Hill Butler, 3812 Overlook Trail, Kennesaw, GA 30144-2040. (HBTJ56D@PRODIGY.COM).**

MCELHENNY: Would like to correspond with any one with info about **John McElhenny** who owned land in Greenville County (SC) in 1784-1799. **Lloyd Barnard, Jr., 126 Lakeland Dr. NW, Atlanta, GA 30305-1108.**

DUES FOR 1998 ARE DUE AND PAYABLE. Many of you have sent in your dues. Please check your label. If it does not reflect 98 on it, it means that it has not been received at the time this newsletter was posted. In order to received the South Carolina State Society Journal, members should send 98 dues as soon as possible. Please make your check payable to the Greenville Chapter SCGS and mail to: Greenville Chapter SCGS, P. O. Box 16236, Greenville SC 29606-6236.

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