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## JANUARY MEETING

4 January 2001

7:00 p.m.

Thomas F. Parker Auditorium, Greenville County Library

## Mel Odom

**Genealogy and the World Wide Web:  
A Commentary and Personal Insight on Using the Internet  
for Genealogical Research.**

Mel Odom was born and raised in Greenville County, and has been a genealogy researcher for many years with a keen interest in connecting many of the old families from upper Greenville County. He is coordinator of the Greenville County GenWeb and compiler of the online database *Some Related Families in Greenville County, South Carolina*. Mr. Odom will present an overview of genealogy resources on the World Wide Web, including message boards, mailing lists, and databases.

**Query:** ELIAS EARL JOHNSON, b. 1 Oct. 1819, probably NC, possibly Old Buncombe Co.; d. 2 Aug. 1882; wife Elizabeth Heatherton, 1821-1905. In Spartanburg Co., SC, 1860. Land holdings in Spartanburg Co. and in Rutherford Co., NC. Need parents and siblings. Cannot find him prior to 1840's in Carolinas. Shirley Wagstaff, P.O. Box 1559, Bandon, OR 97411; DSPW@webtv.net.

Send us your queries, which will be printed as space permits. You can mail them to the above address, or e-mail them to the editor at [bamona@aol.com](mailto:bamona@aol.com). You can also post them on the Chapter's website at [www.greenvillegenealogy.org](http://www.greenvillegenealogy.org). We hope you will also visit the site to read the news, and give us your suggestions.

### JOHN COOPER FAMILY CEMETERY

Lowry Wilson found an old cemetery on Thursday, 7 Dec. 2000. Eight readable markers and one with initials were standing. There is evidence that many more old graves are there, but are marked by a depression in the ground with a few having field stones. It is located at Rocky Acre Tr. near end of Boling Rd. off Staunton Bridge Road, Greenville County, SC. Latitude: N 34 degrees 47.63 minutes Longitude: W 082 degrees 27.48 minutes.

#### ROW 1

1. Lucinda Ann COOPER b. 14 JULY 1837 d. 29 JUNE 1858 daughter of John & Mahala Cooper
2. A. Thompson COOPER b. 25 APRIL 1850 d. 1 SEP 1865, son of John & Mahala Cooper
3. John COOPER b. 5 JAN 1802 d. 25 NOV 1872 (tombstone is out of place: standing in Thompson Cooper's grave)
4. James Canada COOPER b. 9 APRIL 1832 d. 12 JULY 1865 son of John & Mahala Cooper
5. Noah C. COOPER b. 28 DEC 1835 d. 22 JULY 1862, son of John & Mahala Cooper
6. P H A (initials with no dates) (the "A" could be an "M")

#### ROW 2

7. Mahala COOPER (Probably wife of John Cooper) (No readable dates.)
8. Mahala COOPER b. 2 FEB 1841 d. 24 JAN 1901
9. E. J. SMITH b. 30 MAY 1834 d. 26 NOV 1905

*South Carolina Genealogical Society pins are available from the Greenville Chapter for \$4.00, postage included. They can be purchased at the meeting or by mail at the address below.*

**Welcome to all new members including Dana McDougal Meara, Charles and Marion Whiting, James B. Massey, Alice Box Akins, and Jane B. Decker.**

*Would anyone volunteer their time to index records for publication by the Chapter? Call 242-5000 ext. 269.*

*Minutes of 2 Nov. 2000 meeting:* After Evelyn Williams called the meeting to order, Gene Welborn introduced the speaker, Albert Bruce Pruitt, who is the editor of the chapter's journal. Bruce presented a very interesting program on the land grants of North Carolina. During the following business meeting, the President gave her annual report: volunteers are typing mortuary records; memorials in honor of deceased members have been given to the Library; 2 new books were published; the State Workshop was attended; the web site is up; newsletters and journals were printed; we are now co-sponsored by the Library. Future plans need lots of volunteers. The SC Room will make a list of things to be done. A member survey was printed in the last newsletter. [If you haven't yet returned it, we would appreciate it if you could do so.] The slate of officers previously announced was elected unanimously.

**New books in the South Carolina Room:**  
English Origins of American Colonists  
Cemetery Records of Richland County, South Carolina (2 vol.)

Dead Towns of Georgia  
Snow Family of Upper South Carolina  
Early Missourians and Kin (2 vol.)

*Ancestry, Family Search, Cyndi's List, US GenWeb, and many other genealogy programs on the Internet are available for public access on the computers at the Greenville County Library.*

At the November meeting of the SCGS Board of Directors, it was announced that the SCGS annual meeting will be held at the SC Archives in Columbia 20th Jan. 2001 at 11 o'clock; the Board meeting will be at 10 o'clock. It was decided to appoint a new editor of the Carolina Herald; overdue issues of the Journal will be mailed.

#### LINEAGE CHART PROJECT

*The South Carolina Genealogy Society is sponsoring a new lineage chart project for the purpose of publishing a book. Each member is allowed to submit two charts (two 8 x 11 pages) for publication. Please include your name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address on each chart. Margins should be at least .5 inches on top and bottom and .75 inches on left and right. The charts will be published as sent and not retyped. This lineage/pedigree book with an index will be sold at a price to be announced when it is ready for publication. Submit by April 1, 2001 to:*

**SCGS Special Projects  
Mrs. Anne Sheriff  
P.O. Box 205  
Central, SC 29630-0205**

# TWO NEW PUBLICATIONS

## **GREENVILLE COUNTY, S.C. CEMETERY SURVEY VOLUME SIX**

**Includes Christ Episcopal Church, Sandy Springs Baptist Church,  
Berea First Baptist Church, and eight African-American Cemeteries**

Soft cover, 8 1/2 x 11", indexed, 188 p.                      \$25.00 (plus \$2.75 shipping on each book)

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## **ABSTRACTS OF EXTANT GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA, NEWSPAPERS CONCERNING BLACK PEOPLE FREE AND SLAVE 1826-1865, VOLUME II**

**by Anne L. McCuen**

Soft cover, 8 1/2 x 11", indexed, 58 p.                      \$10.00 (plus \$2.75 shipping on each book)

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### **ALSO AVAILABLE:**

**Greenville County, S.C. Cemetery Survey, Volume One, \$38.00 plus \$3.75 shipping  
1790 Census Index and 1800 Census for Greenville County, \$12.50 plus \$3.25 shipping**

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Greenville County, S.C. Cemetery Survey, Vol. Six                      \_\_\_\_\_

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ITS NOW TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2001! We hope you'll stay with us or join us as new members for 2001. Do you have a genealogist friend or maybe a relative you've just discovered who might like to join us? Share this form with them!

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