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South Carolina Genealogical Society

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September Meeting

September 1st, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.

First Christian Church – 704 Edwards Road

[Map and directions shown inside]

New Meeting Place and Later Meeting Time

Greenville Genealogy Members Display Event

The September meeting will be all about what you want to "show and tell."

Bring anything you would like to display about your family research - Your family trees and anything that people will find interesting. Sound like fun to you? That is why we belong to the genealogical society! You may have the missing link that others have been seeking for a long, long time. Who knows, you may find a long-lost cousin.

There will be no speaker, just a moderator who will keep people moving from table to table so everyone gets to see everything. Send your last minute table request to Bob Frieler at bobfrieler@sc.rr.com or contact Patsy Swygert at 246-2211. The format will be tables arranged around the room for people to display their "stuff". A moderator will time everyone to move every 5 minutes or so to keep people from staying too long at one table and not seeing everything. People may bring books, notebooks, presentation boards, laptop computers, scrapbooks - whatever they have to display. The more information you bring, the better. Each presenter should bring cards with his/her name and telephone number for distribution, so that interested people can contact them later for in-depth discussion. There's still time to round up your family memorabilia and plan to share with others at this interactive session.

Greenville Chapter, SCGS Offices and Board Members

President:	Bob Frieler	Vice President:	[Still Vacant]
Treasurer:	Dot Hawkins	Corresponding Secretary	Shirley Beacham
Recording Secretary:	Patricia Swygert	Archivist:	Carol Leake
Parliamentarian:	John Ice	State Representative:	Pat Frieler
Member at Large:	Marion Whiting	Member at Large:	Wanda Randle

From the President's Desk

Dear Members,

Well, even though it is still hot out there, this Fall Newsletter says the cooler weather is just around the corner. We trust that each of you has had a great summer vacation.

You will notice from the first page of this Newsletter, that the September meeting location is in the First Christian Church. Directions to the Church are also included. The board members met there in August and have agreed that this can be our new home. The board members have all taken the responsibility of bringing light refreshments for this meeting. We are anxious to hear your opinions about this Church as a meeting place in the future. We do not wish to completely sever ties with the Library, but at least here, we can have refreshments if we want them, and, it won't cost us \$100.00 (Library's fee).

PLEASE note that we have changed the meeting schedule to start at 7:00 PM. Because we no longer have to vacate the premises at 8:30 PM, we were able to start later. As one of the board members said: "I will now have time to grab a bite to eat".

Patsy Swygert has planned a great genealogy research session for this meeting. The program is outlined later in this Newsletter. If you want a table to display your family research and haven't already done so; contact Patsy (pswygert@prodigy.net) or me (bobfrieler@SC.RR.COM) and let us know you want to reserve a table. We have plenty of tables; so don't be concerned that you can't get one.

We printed the amended by-laws in the June 2005 Newsletter along with a ballot for your vote. Anytime the by-laws are amended, the Chapter members have to approve them. All of the votes we received from the June Newsletter were approvals; so the amended by-laws are now in place. We plan to publish them again in a future Journal. The last time they were published was in the Summer/Fall issue of the 2002 Journal.

The request for a SCGS State Tax Exemption that was submitted earlier this year was rejected (The Department of Revenue made an error). The request was resubmitted again in July and we are again waiting for the results. They will be announced when we hear from this second submission.

Bob Frieler, President
Greenville Chapter SCGS
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803-699-0400

News and Announcements

Fall Workshop

The Sumter Chapter will host the 2005 annual fall workshop on October 15th. Jackie Hughes, Sumter director, reports that their research library will be available for research on the 14th. Walking tours are also planned. Look for more details in the October newsletter.

Board Meeting

The Greenville Chapter Board meeting will be held from 5:30 PM until 6:30 PM prior to the general meeting at the new First Christian Church location at 704 Edwards Road. Please note this new time and location.

Genealogy Classes

Registration is now open for the Fall Furman University Learning In Retirement [FULIR] program. Included this year is course #296 "Genealogy", led by your newsletter editor Bill Kivett. Classes begin September 13 and continue each Tuesday for 10 weeks. For more information visit the FULIR web site at:

www.furman.edu/fulir/fulir.htm
or call Bill at (864) 268-2748

Greenville Chapter, SCGS June 2, 2005 General Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Greenville Chapter S.C. Genealogical Society was called to order at 6:35 PM by Bob Frieler. He welcomed members and introduced speaker Martha Van Schaick, whose topic was "United Daughters of the Confederacy – Past and Present – 100 + Years of Caring."

Reports of Officers and Board Members Present:

President – Bob Frieler had no report.

Recording Secretary - May Minutes were presented in the Newsletter. No changes were noted. Minutes stand as presented. Patsy Swygert had no further report.

Treasurer - John Ice presented the Treasurer's Report for May, in Dot Hawkins' absence.

Bruce Reynolds made a motion that the May minutes and the officers' reports be accepted. Joanne Carlisle seconded the motion and the motion carried.

There was no old business.

New Business:

- a. The meeting location was discussed. A map to the new location, First Christian Church, will be included in the August Chapter newsletter.
- a. b. Bob Frieler told the members that we have a federal tax identification number and that a state ID number has been applied for and is pending. The state number is covering our chapter under an umbrella arrangement.
- b. c. Refreshments were stopped as long as we were meeting at the Greenville County Library because we didn't want to pay \$100 per meeting. Discussion as to whether we would begin having refreshments at our meetings at the new location followed. There were no objections, so a Refreshment Chairman is now needed.
- c. d. Bob Frieler announced the format for the September meeting. Everyone is asked to bring anything they would like to "show and tell." Members should contact Patsy Swygert to reserve a table.
- d. e. The Watson Family Reunion was announced to anyone interested in attending. It will be July 9.
- e. f. The Sumter Chapter will host the Annual Fall Workshop 2005 in Sumter, SC. The PeeDee Chapter will host the Annual Fall Workshop 2006.
- f. g. Bruce Reynolds made a correction to an article from the Greenville Journal. She said she was given credit as author of an article, but she was not the author.

Next Scheduled Meetings:

The next scheduled Board meeting will be Thursday, July 7, at 5:00 PM. The next scheduled Chapter meeting will be Thursday, September 1, at 6:30 PM.

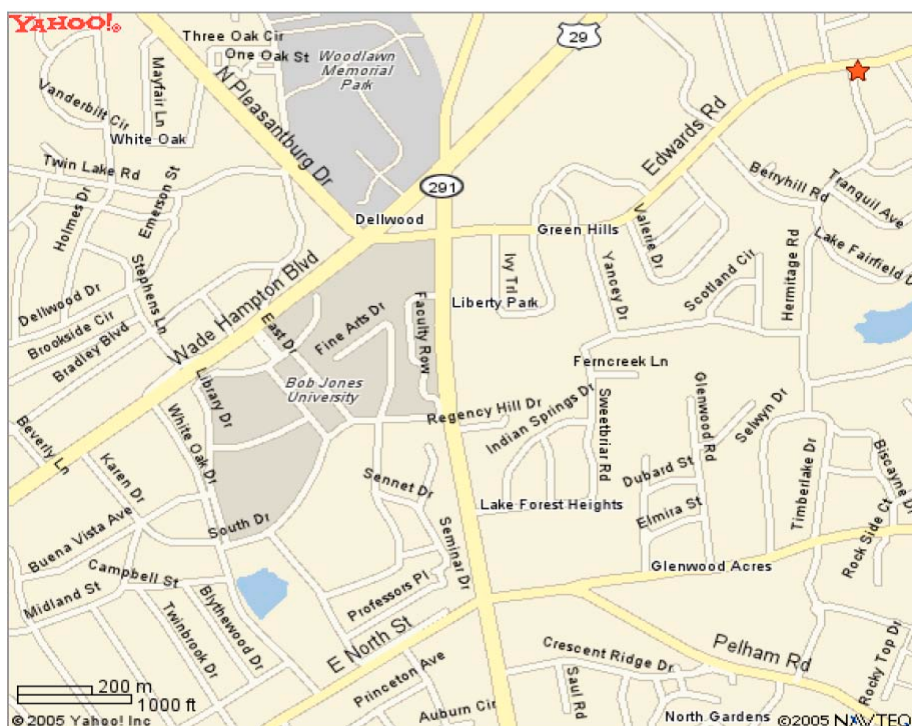
The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM, for socializing and research, etc.

Respectfully submitted,

Patsy Swygert,
Recording Secretary

Map and Directions to New Meeting Place

★ 704 Edwards Rd Greenville, SC 29615-1290



From Interstate 385, exit onto North Pleasantburg NORTH bound (SC 291N). Stay on Pleasantburg through the traffic light at Steak and Ale (right after you get off I-385) and also through the traffic light at East North Street. Turn right at the next traffic light onto Edwards Rd and go about 1 mile east. You will pass St. Francis Episcopal Church and then an apartment complex. Turn right onto Lake Fairfield Dr. and left into the First Christian Church parking lot. There is a large sign on Edwards Rd., but you should turn before you get to it. Use the church entrance at the far right at the end of the building. Walk up the ramp (it is either a ramp or a sidewalk) and enter at the last door which will take you through the kitchen and into the meeting room.

Those who prefer to travel Wade Hampton Boulevard (US-29S) from the Greer area toward Greenville should turn left onto Pleasantburg Drive (SC-291S) at the Liberty Life (now IBM) building. Turn left at the next traffic light onto Edwards Rd and go about 1 mile east. Continue to the church entrance as shown above.

Those who prefer to travel Wade Hampton Boulevard (US-29N) from downtown Greenville toward Greer should turn right onto Pleasantburg Drive (SC-291S) at the Red Lobster restaurant. Proceed straight through the next traffic light onto Edwards Road and go about 1 mile east. Continue to the church entrance as shown above.

Additional Surnames and Inquiry Postings

Snowdon Parlette's Surnames: **Morgan, McElrath, McDowell, Parlette**

snowdon1@charter.net

I am looking for information on Sanford and Morning Elizabeth Slaten McAllister. They lived and died in the Greenville area in the early 1900's.

Pamela Bryant - pmrb73@charter.net

Genealogy Tips of the Month

Tips for Getting Past Genealogy Burnout by George G. Morgan

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Set Your Problem Aside for a While

Often I find that I've been working on researching one person or one family for so long that I've become obsessed. When that happens, my objectivity can be compromised, and I can no longer seem to be able to see the proverbial forest for the trees. That's when I turn to another person or family line to research. Sometimes, I may simply sidestep to the sibling(s) of my problem person and research there for a while. This can pay off as I find more materials and documentation about a sibling and perhaps can extend my research further back. Then it may be possible to link from the parents to the problem subject.

Re-read Everything You Have Acquired on the Person or Family

Over time, we acquire a lot of genealogical materials about people. When I get stuck on an individual, I go back and pull everything I have about him or her. I make sure that every piece of information or material is organized chronologically as it happened in the person's life. I then re-read through everything as if I have never seen it before. The knowledge and understanding we gain in pieces over time, when assembled and re-read just like a chronological biography, may suddenly provide insights that help you get past the brick wall. At the very least, you will get to know the person better and may be able to anticipate some of the decisions and actions of the person.

Create a Timeline

Everyone is influenced by the people, events, and places around them. One way I approach a problem person or family is by creating a timeline. While a family group sheet may be a great tool for seeing the overall structure of a family unit, it doesn't take into consideration the impact of wars, famine, disease, financial problems, national and international affairs, social and religious conditions, and other external forces. It also doesn't place in chronological sequence the events relating to other members of the family such as births, marriages, divorces, deaths, relocations, emigration or immigration, and it does not represent any special relationships that might have existed between individuals. Once you have constructed the timeline, you can read it as if it were the outline of a family history. It may also give you clues for additional research and gaps you still need to address.

Don't Get Frustrated!

Whatever you do, don't give up. This genealogical odyssey we're making is fun, interesting, instructive, and helps build lasting relationships that can make your life richer.

To view the complete article and links to other helpful suggestions visit the web site referenced above.

New Books and Microfilm Available for Research in the SC Room

Melody Bradsher reports that several books and microfilms have been recently added to the collection in the Carolina First South Carolina Room of the Hughes (Downtown) Greenville County Library. Limited space here does not allow printing a complete list. Look on the new book cart on the left as you come in the door on your next visit to this excellent genealogy and history research location. Feel free to ask the always helpful staff for a listing and location of all these new materials.

PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE

Reprint of Cemetery Survey, Volume Two now available!

Greenville County, S.C., Cemetery Survey, Vol. Two. 1979, reprint 2003. 489 p., indexed. Includes approximately 75 cemeteries. \$38.00 plus \$3.75 s. & h.

Greenville County, S.C., Cemetery Survey, Vol. Six. 2000. 188 p., indexed. Includes Christ Church Episcopal and African-American cemeteries. \$25.00 plus \$2.75 s. & h.

Greenville County, S.C., Cemetery Survey, Vol. One. 1977. 485 p., indexed. Includes 105 cemeteries. \$38.00 plus \$3.75 s. & h.

Mackey Mortuary Death Records, 1889-1921, Greenville County, S.C. 2000. 502 p., alphabetical and date order. \$40.00 plus \$3.75 s. & h.

Abstracts of Extant Greenville, S.C., Newspapers Concerning Black People Free and Slave, 1826-1865, Vol. II. 2000. 58 p., indexed. \$10.00 plus \$2.75 s. & h.

1790 Census Index and 1800 Census. 1999. 48 p. \$12.50 plus \$3.25 s. & h.

All volumes soft cover, 8½" x 11".

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Do you have a genealogist friend or maybe a relative you've just discovered who might like to join this chapter? Please use this form to send their application and check in to us at the following address:

Greenville Chapter SCGS

P. O. Box 16236

Greenville, SC 29606-6236

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail Address _____

Membership Type (circle one)

Individual: ----- \$ **21.00**

Family: (you and one other) You receive one ----- \$ **26.00**
copy of the chapter publications and the State's
Carolina Herald for two members at the same
address.

Associate: (must be a primary member of another ----- \$ **15.00**
S. C. chapter to join as an associate)
That chapter pays the State's dues. An associate
receives the local chapter publications, but not the
Carolina Herald. The Herald is sent to the primary
member of the other chapter.

List the primary S. C. chapter name _____

Primary Chapter SCGS # _____

Surnames of Families you are researching _____

Please indicate if you want us to publish your E-mail or home address in the Newsletter so members can contact you if they find they are researching the same surnames.

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