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First Christian Church – 704 Edwards Road

**“The Importance of Genealogy in Writing Creative
Novels”**
By
Mickey Beckham

Mickey Beckham is a native South Carolinian and a graduate of Furman and Vanderbilt Universities. He is a former senior officer at the Medical University of South Carolina, St. Louis University and Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. Beckham is a professional writer who has served as editor of medical publications and has personally interviewed some of the world's most prominent physicians such as Dr. Albert Sabin, Dr. Benjamin Spock, Dr. Dan Ruge, White House physician under President Reagan, and Dame Cicely Sanders, founder of Hospice in Synderham, England.

In May 2000 he traveled to England and France doing genealogical research on his first novel, *Colonial Spy* and made a family changing discovery about his family origins that led to deeper research on the American Revolution. Mr. Beckham is also the author of a second novel, *A Time Revisited: Blue Collar Boys, High School Football, Girls...Rock 'N' Roll*, both novels published by Amazon.com's publishing house.

Mr. Beckham is currently a consultant to colleges and universities on private support and is working on a third novel titled *Messengers Among Us*, a medical mystery set at the Medical University of South Carolina. A fourth novel is currently being researched using the actual journal of a Confederate soldier from the time he entered the Civil War until his death in Virginia, titled *A Confederate Soldier's Eloquent War*.

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From The President's Desk

By Dr. Carlisle Rogers

Both my wife and I are natives of South Carolina. I grew up on a cotton farm near Bishopville, Lee County, SC. After high school, I served two years in the military. Following discharge from the Army Medics, I entered the University of South Carolina in the School of Chemical Engineering. I continued my education as long as my wife, Betty was willing to support me and received a PhD. in physical chemistry in 1960. After graduation, I joined the DuPont Company at their Kinston, NC. research laboratory. Our two children were born in Kinston. Later I became manager of DuPont Licensing and Technology Transfer in developing countries, an international assignment based out of Wilmington, DE. I retired near the end of 1994. We had just been told by our daughter that our first grandson was on his way to Greenville. We got to Greenville two weeks before he was born. Now we have three grandchildren in Greenville and two near Atlanta. We feel adjusted to the "Up Country"

I became interested in family genealogy while writing an autobiography for my children and grandchildren. In the appendix, I attached a list of my parents and grandparents. I had not realized that I knew very little about my ancestors. My first attempt to identify the family line for each of my grandparents was a mixed bag. Several were easy. Everything I needed was already in a book; the "Laneys", the "DuRants" and the "DuBoses". All I had to work on was "Rogers", specifically Albert Rogers. He was my great-grandfather, who according to family stories, wandered in to the Bishopville area about 1850, as an orphan from "Up-North" looking for work. Two years passed and I still did not know who Albert's father was. His death certificate gave his mother as Miss Mason but did not show a father. It did show his birth in PA, 1832. I finally got a break but more about that at a later date.

I'll tell anyone who is interested how we solved the mystery. But a clue is "Never assume family stories are good sources," especially those passed down through several generations.

Dr. Carlisle Rogers

Note: Volunteers are still needed to serve on a number of committees including the publications committee. If you would like to get involved and help out, please email Dr. Rogers at rogers0993@charter.net.

CASE'S CORNER (and KIVETT'S, too)

By Suzanne Case and Bill Kivett

USING THE CENSUS (cont.): The 1890 Census

We're now up to the **1890** census. **Bill Kivett** has eloquently written about the fire and subsequent damage that destroyed almost the entire census and he has generously shared that information with me. The following information is courtesy of **Bill**:

Whereas all the censuses before had required copies of all or part of the schedules to be filed in the local county clerk of court's office, this was not done for the **1890** census. The one and only set of original schedules was sent to Washington for safekeeping. This unfortunate change later would become disastrous. Of all the censuses taken, perhaps none might have been more critical to studies of immigration, industrialization, westward migration, and characteristics of the general population of the rapidly changing nation than that of **1890**.

The Dept. of the Interior administered the **1890** census. Much like the 1870 census, political patronage was the primary criteria for selection of the nearly 47,000 enumerators. No examination as to qualifications was required. Records were supposed to reflect the status of the population on a uniform date – June 1st. Separate schedules for each household were introduced. Among the new questions asked were the number of children born to married women, and the number still living. Additional questions pertained to Civil War service. To facilitate the rapid tabulation of data, some information was translated from the handwritten schedules to a new electrical counting system using Hollerith punched cards.

Although details were kept secret by law, like the 1870 census, complaints of inaccuracy, fraud, and political intrigue arose. Some of the supplemental schedules were mysteriously burned or destroyed in March 1896, prior to the publication of summary statistics. However, the general population schedules were reported to have survived. Despite ongoing requests from the chief of the Bureau of the Census, no secure storage facility had been funded by Jan. 10, 1921. On that night, all eleven of the US census schedules were stored in the Commerce Bldg. in Washington. The first ten census schedules were stored on the upper floors, but those for the much-questioned 11th were neatly piled on pine shelves in an unlocked file room in the building's basement. Those for the 1900 census had not yet been moved to the Commerce Bldg. for "safe" storage, and the 1920 census enumeration had not yet begun.

About 11:00 that evening, a fire of undetermined origin broke out in the Commerce Bldg. Firemen responded quickly and, after a few hours, had the blaze extinguished before any structural damage could result. However, some of the contents of the lower floors were burned, and water

used in extinguishing the flames made its way to the basement.

The next morning was an archivists' nightmare. Water was ankle deep in the basement, covering many of the records stored there. A quick assessment indicated that 25% of the **1890** census schedules were destroyed, and 50% of those which remained would require salvaging from the water and smoke damage. It was estimated that these efforts would take up to 2 yrs. to complete, as some badly damaged records would have to be re-copied. Fortunately, those first ten sets of census schedules stored on the upper floors had remained relatively undamaged.

Political wrangling over the recovery efforts continued until 1933, while the remaining soaked records continued to deteriorate from lack of attention. It is not clear exactly when the remaining, possibly 75%, of the **1890** census records were finally purposely destroyed to fulfill a 1933 act of Congress, but it was done sometime between 1933 and 1935. In the 1940's, a few schedules from scattered enumeration districts in scattered counties in scattered states that had survived the final destruction were discovered and microfilmed onto 3 reels, and a printed index was made. (Note: these reels are available in the S.C. Room, Grvle. Co. Library System). These 3 reels contain around 6, 160 names of the originally tabulated nearly 64 million people.

Bill Kivett

The few surviving **1890** censuses from Southeastern states include:

- ?? Alabama – Perry County
 1. Perryville, Beat # 11
 2. Severe, Beat # 8
- ?? Georgia – Muscogee County
 1. Columbus
- ?? North Carolina – Gaston County
 1. South Point Township
 2. River Bend Township
- Cleveland County
 1. Township #2

The National Archives, *Ancestry.com* and Allen County Public Library have tried to reconstruct as much **1890** information as possible through the use of special veterans' censuses which survived the fire, state censuses from 1885 and 1895, city and county directories and voter registration records (courtesy *Your Guide to the Federal Census for Genealogists, Researchers, and Family Historians*).

I'll be back next month to talk about the 1900 census. Until next time, Happy Hunting!!
Suzanne Case & Bill Kivett

A Long Time in the Process

By David Goldsmith

Genealogical pursuits may require patient persistence over a long period. One of mine has now been realized. It began many years ago, after my grandmother died and I became the “custodian” of the copy of a family history that had been hers. In it I read that one of my ancestors, Captain Basil Manly, a 3^d great grandfather, had lived on a farm near Pittsboro, North Carolina. At his death in 1824 his body had been committed to the family burying place he had built himself by piling rocks to make an enclosure. Two of his children and a niece were later added to the little cemetery. Accounts of several visitors, including one of his grandchildren in 1916, described it in picturesque terms. I thought that since I was now a NC resident, it would be nice to make a visit and see it for myself.

The property was no longer owned by a member of the family. None of the family I asked could tell me how to get to it. In the history, the description of the location is a bit vague: about three miles north of the town of Pittsboro. And I was living about two hundred miles west, near Asheville. Nearly all of my time was consumed with earning a living, raising two boys, keeping in touch with my mother and my three siblings and their families. I didn't feel able to spend the time to track down this whim.

In 1990 our family went to eastern NC on a vacation. Even though it made the trip longer, we turned aside to go through the town of Pittsboro and at least see what the town was like. It was a Sunday afternoon, with hardly anyone around. But we saw an historical marker with a familiar name. I am embarrassed to admit that I had not paid attention to the lines of descendants other than my own. So it was a surprise to me that one of other children of my ancestor had distinguished himself by serving as a governor of North Carolina from 1849-51. The marker indicated that his restored law office stood nearby. But it said nothing of the home where he had grown up, the family homestead I was seeking.

Seventeen years later, this past spring of 2007, as I read the Greenville County SCGS newsletter, the then editor's account of tracing his line to central North Carolina caught my attention. He and I shared a few facts of our families and discovered that we are fifth cousins, once removed! He also shared some Internet addresses where I might make connections with people in Pittsboro.

One of those, the Chatham County Historical Society web page, had a link to a cemetery census. In just a few moments an entry provided very complete details about the little “burying place”. Among information listed were: the location by distance from road intersections, the location by latitude and longitude coordinates, the date of the last canvassing (1992, the number of graves, the legal description with Deed Book, page, date and plat book, page, and the names of those conducting the survey. Now I was getting somewhere!

As it happened, I was leaving the next morning to visit with some friends in Durham, NC on the way to see my sister in Massachusetts. I packed the simple GPS device I had received for Christmas a few years ago and revised my route to go through Pittsboro. I figured I'd have some pictures by the time I reached Durham.

The website information had said that the cemetery is located on private property so access is restricted. Following a link revealed that NC law grants the right to access by descendants, but requires them to obtain permission of the landowner. Or if the landowner was not accessible, county officials could grant permission. With luck I might just have to knock on a door. They might even point me in the right direction.

Map quest directed me to the road intersection. I drove the .7 miles south. There was no house in sight. A realtor's sign offered a lot for sale. The cemetery was 1500 feet northeast of the paved road and there was a no trespassing sign posted with a chain across a grassy roadway that seemed to go in the right direction. My GPS showed I was not yet near the co-ordinates. My sister would not have been happy if I got arrested for trespassing instead of visiting her, so I decided I would have to put off my attempt until I could learn where to get permission.

In July I got a phone call from Basil Manly, IV, a first cousin, once removed. He is also a descendant of Captain Basil Manly. It seems that a cousin he had not known was coming to Greenville and would like to meet any of the family that could be available. Naturally I was interested. All the more so when I heard his name was Charles G. Manly. For that was the name of one of the people who had surveyed the burial site in Chatham County in 1992!

When we met on the 21st, I learned that he was also a descendant of Captain Basil Manly, in the line from the governor. His father had moved to Alabama and he had been in the army. After retiring he had made a visit to Pittsboro with a copy of the family history. He had gone to the sheriff's office and a local man had helped him locate the burying ground.

I went back to the Internet and pursued the ownership records and learned that the property had been transferred to a developer who had laid out plots for much of the land. The one I had seen for sale was one of them. The partnership had then been dissolved and the rest of the land (including the cemetery) was sold to an individual whose name was listed. I also found that the register of deeds from the county had an on-line capability. Doing a search for the particular parcel, it provided a diagram, which has a symbol designating the location of the cemetery. The plat listed on the Historical Society page was of a survey which included a precise measurement of the rock walled section and the distance and direction from one of the corners of the parcel.

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(A Long Time in the Process – cont.)

Early in October 2007, my wife told me she planned attending a meeting in Greensboro on the 26th. She considered going the day before and spending the night so as to not drive both directions the same day. I decided that if I went with her we could share the driving and while she was at her meeting I could go over to Pittsboro and try to see the cemetery.

We set out at 4:30 on the 26th and I left her at her meeting a little after eight AM. It was raining pretty steadily. When I got to the sheriff's office the officer I spoke with told me they could not give me permission. He suggested perhaps the office, which issued building permits, could authorize my activities. At the building inspector's they knew nothing about such a procedure, but did look up on their database the phone number of the owner, who lived a few miles away in the town of Apex. When I called him and asked for his permission to walk onto his land to find the cemetery he was very cordial. He even said if I needed to come back another time I had permission to do so.

Now all I had to do was actually locate the cemetery. The steady rain made things a bit damp but I was able to easily walk up the grassy roadway. It did not look like it had been used in some time. The whole area was wooded; there was no open field as described in 1916. Many trees were very tall poplars, but they were not very close together. Among them were bushes slightly higher than my head. When I had to leave the road the going got more difficult. I had to push through the bushes, shaking the rainwater on myself, and could not see very far. Nor could I travel in a straight direction. It was necessary to look for openings between bushes so my course was zigzag. Whenever I checked my GPS I was not at the site.

When I had not found the cemetery after an hour and a half, I decided to return to the roadway and go back to the car. I went and got some lunch and reviewed the plat diagram. I noticed that there was indicated another roadway close behind the developed lots that seemed to lead closer to the site than the one I had first followed. Perhaps this would necessitate less distance bushwhacking so I would be better able to stay on course.

This proved successful. In about thirty minutes I spotted a mound of rocks. Going closer, the mound continued along a line and made an angle. When I got to it, I could make out that it was indeed the rectangular shape shown on the survey. Many small trees and some of the same bushes have grown up so the rocks are all that "define" the area. And there they were. Three headstones and three footstones located together in one end of the rectangle. The inscriptions were legible as described in the family history. The fourth stone was located at the opposite end of the rectangle. It was hard to see under the bushes and a large tree had grown over the rocks so the footstone seemed to rest against its trunk.

I took several pictures of the stones and the area. And I thought much about the people and the living they did here. The family history said the location "commanded a wide and picturesque view of the surrounding country". That view was because the people had kept it open by farming it for their living. They would have had no trouble finding the gravesite. The man buried there had served his country as

she was coming into being. He had reared his family to live useful and productive lives. But they chose occupations that took them away from this location. And now the view is restricted. All I can see from this site is the trees of the forest closest to me. But most cemeteries are not on the land the people lived and worked on.

The man buried here has 581 people listed in my Family Tree Maker file as his descendants. 398 are blood relations, 183 are spouses. Many of the lines do not come down beyond 1900 so this number is incomplete. Only two of his descendants are also buried here, one son and one daughter.

I am glad to see this site and remember those that came before me. I am glad to give thanks for their lives and remind myself and my children that others will follow us. May we live lives that they can give thanks for. It is very satisfying to make this connection with the place.

There are 15 other couples that comprise the rest of my 3^d great grandparents (see below). For some of them I do not even know the name of the town closest to where they lived.

My lines:

Thomas Goldsmith and Sallie Cook - Greenville County, SC

John Charles and Martha X – (South Carolina?)

John Lewis Bozeman and Elizabeth Kennedy - (South Carolina?)

John Woodside and Jennie X - (South Carolina?)

Zebulon Rudulph and Abigail Murray - MD, SC and Alabama

Matthias Hair and Anna Rikard (or Fanny Wertz) - Newberry, South Carolina

John Summers and Rosanna Waters - (South Carolina?)

Benjamin Hudson and Sarah Powers – Massachusetts

Daniel Fales and Elizabeth (Sophia)? – Massachusetts

John Smith and Betsa Goodenow - (Vermont)

George Reed and Melinda Perry - Woburn, Massachusetts

William Edwards and Grace X - (Wales?)

X and X - (Wales?)

Richard Davies and Jane Jones - (Wales?)

Rees Williams and Mary X - (Wales?)

Note: David Goldsmith is a Greenville Chapter member and lives in Candler, NC.

News and Announcements

Greenville County Library News

Susan Boyd of the South Carolina Room reports that several new books in the South Carolina Room includes *South of Main*, which tells the history of an African American neighborhood in Spartanburg, SC. Also new is the three volume *Georgia Frontier: Volume I - Colonial Families to the Revolutionary War Period, Volume II - Revolutionary War Families to the Mid-1800's*, and *Volume III - Descendants of Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina Families*. Another new addition is *Brave Men In Desperate Times*, which depicts the lives of Civil War soldiers.

Chapter Publications

Chapter member David Goldsmith has submitted an article on his genealogical research, which is published in this newsletter. Please share your family histories, anecdotes, queries, or stories you have written on family history for publication in the chapter newsletter and Journal.

Newsletter – Susan Finlay - Susan17177@aol.com

Journal – Doris Bramlett– Bramco@aol.com

Future Meetings

Program Chairwoman Patsy Swygert has presented the following programs for 2008:

February 7, 2008 - Sarah Looney will present “Quilts of the Underground Railroad during the Civil War”

March 6, 2008 – “Irish Antiques” (Not Confirmed)

April 3, 2008 - Avery Dennison - Research Material Organization Tips with free samples.

May 1, 2008 - the Annual Covered Dish Dinner with Durham Hunt of the South Carolina Room giving an update on the Upcountry Museum.

June 5, 2008 – open.

September 4, 2008 - Annual “Show and Tell” by membership.

October 2, 2008 – open.

November 6, 2008 - Mary Carlisle - “Photo Restoration”

December 4, 2008 – Annual Christmas Party.

2008 – 2009 Chapter Officers

Officers elected at the November Chapter election are Dr. Carlisle Rogers, President; Patsy Swygert, Vice President; Susan Finlay, Recording Secretary; Bob Frieler, Member at Large; and Herb Clark, Parliamentarian.

November 2007 Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Greenville Chapter S.C. Genealogical Society was called to order at 7:00 PM by Co-President Susan Finlay. She welcomed the members and guests.

Reports of Officers and Board Members Present:

Susan Finlay requested that volunteers for refreshments bring finger foods and light snacks for the next year. She also thanked everyone for their help during their term as Co-Presidents. Vice President Henrietta Sweeney was absent.

Recording Secretary Patsy Swygert had no report. October Minutes were approved as presented.

Past President Bob Frieler was absent.

State Representative Pat Frieler was absent, but sent word that she and Bob would be attending the Annual Meeting in Edgefield on November 2-3, 2007.

Jean Mundy was absent.

Treasurer Dot Hawkins presented the October Treasurers Report.

Parliamentarian Charles Watson was absent.

Membership Chair Wanda Randle reported that she has been Membership Chair since 2003 and is looking for someone to replace her.

A motion to approve the Officers Reports was made and seconded and the motion carried.

Old Business:

Two family reunions were reported.

New Business:

2007 Chapter Election. The Slate of Officers for 2008-2009 was presented. President – Carlisle Rogers; Vice President – Patsy Swygert; Recording Secretary – Susan Finlay; Parliamentarian – Herb Clark; and Member at Large – Bob Frieler. The Slate was approved by acclamation.

Dr. Charles Lee will host the Christmas Party at his home on December 6.

Patsy Swygert will send a list of the websites mentioned in the program to Susan Finlay to insert into the newsletter.

Patsy Swygert presented a video of “Questions and Ancestors” regarding researching British ancestors from the Brigham Young University Public Television Station.

Next Scheduled Meetings:

The next scheduled Board meeting will be Thursday, January 3, 2008 at 5:30 PM.

The next scheduled Chapter meeting will be Thursday, January 3, 2008, at 7:00 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patsy Swygert
Recording Secretary

Critique the Greenville Chapter Programs!

Patricia (Patsy) Tucker Swygert is the Greenville Chapter newly elected Vice President and program chairwoman. She is a native Greenvillian and is descended from the prominent Farr family of Berea who settled in Greenville and Pickens Counties in the early 1800s. One ancestor of Patsy's is "Old Dan Tucker" of Virginia and South Carolina. She married Terry Swygert of Joanna, SC in 1986. Patsy has been working on her genealogy for many years and has ties to Greenville, Pickens, Anderson, and Newberry in South Carolina, and parts of Georgia, Alabama and Virginia.

Patsy has been in the secretarial field for all of her career, working in many areas of business, including marketing, sales, legal and government companies.

Most recently she was Recording Secretary for both the Greenville Chapter of the SC Genealogy Society and the United Daughters of the Confederacy. Patsy is very excited about the chapter's upcoming programs. She has also requested member feedback on the 2007 programs, and suggestions on what our members would like to see scheduled for future programming.

Please review and comment on the 2007 programs listed below and return to Patsy Swygert:

January 2007 – "Parsing Greenville's Past – Researching a Time and Place" by Dr. Judith Bainbridge

February 2007 – Cancelled Due to Snow

March 2007 – "Salt Lake City Facilities and the DNA Project of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints", an update by Sarah Anderson

April 2007 – "Research at Greenville's Cultural Exchange Center" and "My Butler Family History" by Ruth Ann Butler

May 2007 – "The Scottish, Irish and English Influences on American Music" by William T. "Terry" Grissop and Second Annual Covered Dish Dinner

June 2007 – "The Care and Feeding of Your Family Tombstones" by Dr. Michael Trinkley of The Chicora Foundation

July 2007 – No Meeting

August 2007 – No Meeting

September 2007 – Annual Show and Tell by Members

October 2007 – "The Impact of the Camera on Visual Arts and Preserving History" by Mary Carlisle

November 2007 – "Questions and Ancestors Program on Researching British Ancestors" by Patsy Swygert

December 2007 – Annual Christmas Party at home of Dr. Charles Lee

PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE

- Greenville County, S.C., Cemetery Survey, Vol. One. 1977, reprint 2007, 485 p., indexed.
Includes 105 cemeteries. \$40.00 plus \$3.75 s. & h.
- Greenville County, S.C., Cemetery Survey, Vol. Two. 1979, reprint 2003, 489 p., indexed.
Includes 77 cemeteries. \$40.00 plus \$3.75 s. & h.
- Greenville County, S.C., Cemetery Survey, Vol. Three. 1980, reprint 2007, 351 p., indexed.
Includes Springwood Cemetery and Nazareth Presbyterian Cemetery. \$40.00 plus \$3.75 s. & h.
- Greenville County, S.C., Cemetery Survey, Vol. Four. 1982, 3rd reprint 2007, 313 p., indexed.
Includes 36 cemeteries. \$30.00 plus \$3.50 s. & h.
- Greenville County, S.C., Cemetery Survey, Vol. Five. 1983, reprint 2005, 346 p., indexed.
Includes Graceland Cemetery (West) and Beth Israel Cemetery. \$32.00 plus \$3.50 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. Seven. 2007, 404 p., indexed.
Includes 55 cemeteries. \$40.00 plus \$3.50 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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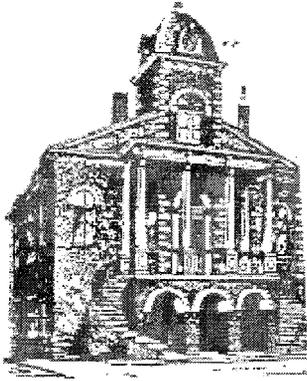
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**“The Role of the Quilt in the Underground Railroad
System before the Civil War”**

By

Sarah Looney

Please join us for the February meeting where our speaker, Sarah Looney, of Fountain Inn, SC, will present a program on the Underground Railroad. Her topic will be "The Role of the Quilt in the Underground Railroad System before the Civil War."

Ms. Looney is a retired schoolteacher, having taught first grade at Fountain Inn Elementary School. She is the mother of two daughters, both of whom are teachers. Ms. Looney has presented the program on the "Underground Railroad" quilt for several years since she made her "Underground Railroad" quilt."

Refreshments will be presented by Wanda Randle and Dot Hawkins.

By Patsy Swygert, Program Chairwoman

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By Dr. Carlisle Rogers

Getting Started! People deal with “getting started” in all phases of life from toddlers learning to walk to seniors learning to retire. I am “getting started” as President of The Greenville Chapter of the South Carolina Genealogical Society and I have a lot to learn. I’m sure you noticed that my attempt to get our Jan. 3 Chapter meeting started was a little off key. The fact is that the members and visitors had the agenda for the meeting and I started the meeting using the agenda for the 5:30 board meeting. Things were a little confused. I will do better next month.

Getting Started” or “How to get started?” is a common question coming from people who want to find out more about their family history. Search engines such as Google will direct you to several sites that will guide you and help you get started. “Genealogy Online for Dummies” offers several ways to get started. Many of the suggestions include joining a genealogical society.

The mission of the Greenville Chapter is to raise the standards of genealogical research through educational programs and workshops, publications of genealogical data, promotion of the collection and preservation of records, and the stimulation of a general interest in the genealogy and family history. In other words it is our mission to help people “Get Started” in their quest to learn more about genealogy and to produce high quality genealogical data. We have members with a broad range of experience and all are willing to share their experience with people who are just getting started. New members, even those just starting to search for their ancestors, are welcome.

CASE'S CORNER

By Suzanne Case

USING THE CENSUS (cont.): The 1900 Census

We're now up to the **1900** census: a census, that like the 1890 census, queried the respondents on a number of questions that asked for specifics which prove very valuable to the family researcher. Fortunately, however, the **1900** census was **not** destroyed by fire or water, so it's readily available for our use.

Like the 1880 census, every state in the **1900** census is Soundexed. Individual boarders, nieces, nephews, grandchildren, etc. living with the head of household usually had their own separate Soundex card with the note "Enumerated with" followed by a space for the head of household's name. It also asked "Relationship to Above," with the "above named person" being the head of household. However, **unlike** the 1880 census, all families were Soundexed, not just families who had children of a certain age.

Even though we can now frequently find the census information we need through online resources such as Ancestry.com, AncestryLibrary or HeritageQuest, it's always useful to know how to use the Soundex. There can be errors in the transcription process for indexes and it's good to know how to check yet another type of index. Many genealogical collections of any size will have a resource that can give the Soundex code for the surname you're researching. (There is also a formula for determining the Soundex Code for a name and we'll cover that next month).

Once you have the Soundex code for the name you're researching, you're ready to search the Soundex microfilm. For instance, if the family name you're researching has the Soundex code R253, and they were in South Carolina in 1900, you would go to the 1900 South Carolina Soundex films where you will find the films listed together alphabetically by code. All the films with the codes beginning with 'a' will come first, followed by codes beginning with 'b,' then 'c,' etc. If searching for R253, you will be looking for the Soundex films beginning with 'r.' Next, search by number. The 'r' codes will be in numerical order with codes numbered from '000' to '999.' Code R253 will come between R252 and R254. Once you find the R253 codes on the microfilm, all families with that particular code will be listed alphabetically by the head of household's **first** name. More than one surname can have the same Soundex code, so ignore the last names and focus on first names. Once you find the family or individual you're searching for, check for the name of the county where the family is living, as well as the enumeration district number, the sheet number and the line number. From there, pull the census microfilm

for the state and county you need and scan through until you get to the correct enumeration district. (The enumeration districts should be in numerical order). Once you get to the correct enumeration district, the sheets within each district will be in numerical order. When you get to the correct page, scan down to the correct line to find your family.

Now, for those very helpful new questions that have been added in the **1900** census:

1. Month and year of birth.
2. Number of years of present marriage.
3. Mother of how many children.
4. Number of these children living.
5. Year of immigration to the U.S.
6. Number of years in the U.S.
7. Naturalization. Abbreviations used in this category included: **Al**=Alien, **Pa**=Declaration of Intent papers filed, **Na**=Naturalized.
8. Can speak English.
9. Owned or rented home.
10. Owned [home] free or mortgaged.
11. Farm or house.
12. Current name of birthplace. This led to individuals being shown as born in W.Va., N. Dakota, S. Dakota, etc. before they were officially states.

Further useful facts regarding the **1900** census include:

1. In the 1900-1920 censuses, enumerators were instructed that Indians very often did not know their correct ages, but guesstimated them according to significant tribal events. This left the census taker trying to determine the dates of those events and adding accordingly. Census counts for Indian tribes were very often placed at the end of the county where they were living, but they were also sometimes placed at the end of the state count. Check both places.
2. Military servicemen were counted with their families. For instance, if a serviceman was stationed in the Philippines and his family back home was living in South Carolina, he would be counted with the family in South Carolina.
3. For the first time, all Americans who were serving abroad or living abroad as civilian government employees were enumerated.
4. The census began June 1st and was to be completed in one month.

As we can see, the addition of specific birth, marriage and immigration information can yield valuable clues, give us further leads to additional resource material, and perhaps, solve (or open up) some mysteries as well.

I'll be back next month to talk about the 1910 census and see what types of information we can glean from that. Until then, Happy Hunting!!

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Future Meetings

March 6, 2008 – “Irish Antiques”

April 3, 2008 - Avery Dennison - “Research Material Organization Tips” with free samples.

May 1, 2008 - the Annual Covered Dish Dinner with Durham Hunt of the South Carolina Room giving an update on the Upcountry Museum.

SCGS Annual Meeting

The 2007 annual meeting of the SCGS was held in Edgefield, SC, November 3, 2007, hosted by the Old Edgefield Chapter, SCGS.

Bob Frieler, current Member at Large and a past president of the Greenville Chapter, was elected Second Vice President of the SCGS during the election for State officers which was held at the annual meeting.

It was announced that the 2008 Summer Workshop would be held in Columbia July 11 and 12 at the SC Archives History Center.

State President Dr. Constance McNeil announced that no awards were presented in the 2007 Publications Contest because so few entries were received. She encouraged all chapters to submit their publications and articles for the contest in 2008.

Membership Dues

The by-laws of the South Carolina Genealogical Society state that chapter dues are due by December 31 of each year. Newsletters for February are being mailed out with a green dot on the mailing label for those who have not paid for 2008, as a friendly reminder to our members.

Chapter Website

Paul Kankula, SC Cemetery GPS Mapping Co-Coordinator, has volunteered to rework and update our chapter website. Paul is also the coordinator for the Anderson- Pickens- Oconee GenWeb project and can be reached at ggenweb@bellsouth.net.

January 2008 Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Greenville Chapter S.C. Genealogical Society was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Dr. Carlisle Rogers. He welcomed the members and guests.

Reports of Officers and Board Members Present:

President Carlisle Rogers had no report.

Vice President Patsy Swygert had no report.

Recording Secretary Susan Finlay had no report.

Past President Susan Finlay had no report.

State Representative Pat Frieler was absent.

Recording Secretary Jean Mundy was absent.

Treasurer Dot Hawkins gave no report.

Parliamentarian Herb Clark had no report.

Membership Chair Wanda Randle reported that Herb Clark had agreed to take over as Membership Chairman.

Old Business:

No family reunions were reported.

President Carlisle Rogers passed around the refreshment list, as there are still slots for 2008 to be filled.

New Business:

President Carlisle Rogers announced that Herb Clark would be mailing out chapter publications from now on. He thanked Charles and Marion Whiting for the wonderful job they have done for several years of mailing out the chapter publications.

Henrietta Sweeney introduced the speaker for the evening, Mickey Beckham.

Next Scheduled Meetings:

The next scheduled Board meeting will be Thursday, February 7, 2008 at 5:30 PM.

The next scheduled Chapter meeting will be Thursday, February 7, 2008, at 7:00 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Finlay,
Recording Secretary

Please note: The approval of minutes of the November chapter meeting was inadvertently skipped at the January meeting and will be presented for approval at the February meeting. The treasurer's report for November and December will also be presented for approval at this meeting.

Black History Month

Black History Month began as Negro History Week in 1926, started by Dr. Carter G. Woodson, who was concerned that history books largely ignored the contributions of black Americans to the history of our country. It became a month long celebration of black history in 1976, coinciding with the Bicentennial of the United States.

African American genealogy researchers face many of the same problems today in finding accurate records of their ancestors in the United States. Fortunately, there are many groups and websites devoted to the processes and problems of genealogical research for these Americans. There are few records for African Americans that exist prior to the Civil War except for a form of census called Slave Schedules, which often gave the first name and age of the slave. Plantation records have survived, in certain cases, and provide some information on a plantation's slaves. The book *Slaves in the Family* by Edward Ball points out several connections to descendants made due to these records.

A google search on the web using the search term "African American genealogy" brings www.AfriGeneas.com, www.accessgenealogy.com, www.cyndislist.com, and www.genealinks.com as sites with the most hits. All of these web sites, along with ancestry.com, familysearch.org, and others, have many articles on the special problems black researchers face. Afrigenaes.com is a site devoted to African American research as well as having a rootsweb type mailing list with query features. Also on this site are censuses, slave schedules, genealogy links by state, obituaries, the Slave Data Collection, and much more.

Cyndislist.com has pulled together a comprehensive list of links to sites of interest to African American researchers, including cemeteries, land records, censuses, tax records, libraries and archives, military service, slavery, and Societies and Groups. This list of Genealogical Societies for African American researchers includes groups from New York, Cleveland, Atlanta, and Birmingham, and all over the US. The Old Edgefield Chapter of the SCGS has a group devoted to African American Research, the Old Edgefield District African American Genealogical Society. This group's website is www.oedgs.org/aags.htm.

Record keeping was somewhat better after the Civil War, with African Americans for the first time being identified on the censuses. Death certificates are another valuable tool in research, as are funeral records. Our chapter is doing a project of identifying burials in several African American cemeteries in Greenville County, through SC death certificates, and many of these burials are not recorded with any type marker on the graves. This project will give an accurate survey of burials in these cemeteries and can be used by researchers, along with the physical survey of the cemetery.

It is not only the pre Civil War years where information is lacking on African Americans. As a local example, the Greenville News did not routinely publish obituaries on these citizens until, as a best guess, the late 1960's or early 1970's. This is no doubt true of much of the South. One of the most important projects a genealogical or historical society can have is to collect and publish records that do exist on the African American community in their area.

Susan P. Finlay

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Greenville County, S.C., Cemetery Survey, Vol. Four. 1982, 3rd reprint 2007, 313 p., indexed.
Includes 36 cemeteries. \$30.00 plus \$3.50 s. & h.

Greenville County, S.C., Cemetery Survey, Vol. Five. 1983, reprint 2005, 346 p., indexed.
Includes Graceland Cemetery (West) and Beth Israel Cemetery. \$32.00 plus \$3.50 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. Seven. 2007, 404 p., indexed.
Includes 55 cemeteries. \$40.00 plus \$3.50 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.

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Vol. II. 2000, 58 p., indexed. \$10.00 plus \$2.75 s. & h.

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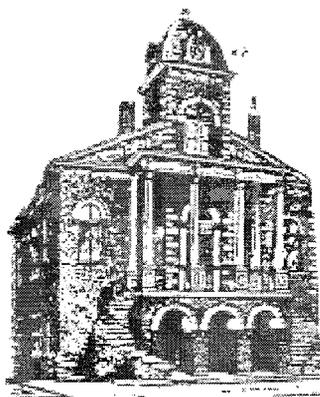
February Meeting

February 7, 2008, at 7:00 p.m.

First Christian Church - 704 Edwards Road

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March Meeting

March 6, 2008, at 7:00 p.m.

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‘The Avery Dennison “Get Organized” Seminar’

Tips for the Cluttered Genealogist!

Some would say differently, but we all suffer from too many papers and nowhere to keep them. Join us at our February meeting as a representative from Avery Dennison gives us tips on how to manage information overload. You’ll learn how to organize email and computer files, establish order in the workplace, and learn about software and formatting solutions.

Find a few extra minutes in your day, reduce stress and achieve extra productivity with the suggestions provided by Avery Dennison. You’ll learn how to organize your desk, workspace, and computer files. And more importantly to a genealogist dealing with tons of paperwork, which usually winds up scattered to the four corners of your home, you’ll learn how to stay organized, with tips on managing email and incoming paperwork.

Free Sample Packets will be distributed.

Greenville Chapter, SCGS Offices and Board Members

President:	Patricia Swygert	Member at Large:	Bob Frieler
Vice President:		Immediate Past Co-Presidents :	Jane W. Chandler
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From The President's Desk

By Susan P. Finlay, Immediate Past Co-President

Dr. Carlisle Rogers, elected as President of the Greenville Chapter at the November meeting, served for less than a month when he suffered a heart attack. He is recovering nicely, but due to ongoing treatment and concerns for his health, he felt it necessary to resign as President, and submitted his resignation on January 19th.

Patsy Swygert, as Vice President of our chapter, has agreed to take over the office of President. She has been a board member for several years, serving as recording secretary for two years and taking over the role of Vice President with the November 2007 elections. Patsy also served as Program Chairman of the Greenville Chapter, a role she continued as Vice President. Patsy has the programs either confirmed or in the works for most of 2008, so this too will be a seamless transition. Our Member Display program in September was Patsy's brainchild that has become an annual tradition with many members sharing their genealogy work with the chapter.

Dr. Carlisle Rogers has our best wishes for his recovery. He is an avid genealogist and will be greatly missed at our meetings, but he has assured us that he will return as an enthusiastic member when his doctor gives him the okay to do so. Our chapter is fortunate to have someone of Patsy's experience willing to step into the office of President, and I know that everyone will join me in congratulating our new President on her latest effort.

To contact Patsy Swygert, please email pswygert@prodigy.net.

CASE'S CORNER

By Suzanne Case

USING THE CENSUS (cont.): The 1910 Census

The **1910** census is another one of our censuses that can be a gold mine of information. While none of the censuses can top 1900 for the wealth of information collected, **1910** is one of the best ones from a family researcher's point of view. Many of the same questions are used in both censuses, but there are some changes.

Unfortunately, the **1910** census did not continue with the questions regarding the month and year of birth of each person enumerated, but instead, reverted to asking "age at last birthday." The **1910** census also omitted the question, which asks the number of years an individual has been in the U.S. Other changes include:

- ?? Enumeration to begin April 15th instead of June 1st and to be completed in one month
- ?? Language spoken by each enumerated individual, if not English
- ?? Nature of business of the place of employment for any employed individual
- ?? Whether enumerated person is an employee, employer, or works on their own
- ?? Whether enumerated person is out of work on the date the census commenced
- ?? Whether a Civil War veteran
- ?? Blind (in both eyes only) or deaf and dumb
- ?? For 1900 and **1910** censuses, specific listing for place of birth, if outside the U.S., i.e. Scotland, Ireland, Wales instead of Great Britain, Bohemia instead of Austria, etc.
- ?? Whether a first marriage or a subsequent marriage for all married individuals, indicated by an M1 for a first marriage or an M2 for 2nd, 3rd, etc. marriages
- ?? Mulatto listing under race for individuals of mixed race with any percentage of Negro blood

In last month's column, we talked about how to use the Soundex, which indexes many censuses beginning with 1880. For the **1910** census, only certain states were indexed, that is, until they were indexed by online services such as Ancestry.com or HeritageQuest. Many of the states that were indexed were in the South and two types of indexes were

used: the Soundex and the Miracode. The Soundex states included: Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Texas. The Southern states using the Miracode index include: Arkansas, Florida, Kentucky, North Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia. Also, in the Southern states of Georgia, Alabama, and Tennessee, major urban areas have indexes separate from their state indexes. In Georgia, these separate urban areas are: Atlanta, Augusta, Macon and Savannah. In Alabama, the separately indexed cities are Birmingham, Mobile and Montgomery and in Tennessee, they are Chattanooga, Knoxville, Nashville, and Memphis.

The Miracode indexing system was developed in the 1960's and uses the same name codes that the Soundex uses. The Miracode index is similar to the Soundex index in that each household entry lists the name of the county and state where the household is residing. It also gives the volume, enumeration district, and the family visitation number (instead of the sheet and line number in the Soundex). This information is then used to locate the family in the census.

There are several sources that help can help you determine the Soundex/Miracode codes for a surname if you don't have access to a Soundex code name book. *Your Guide to the Federal Census for Genealogists, Researchers and Family Historians* (pgs. 148-151) by Kathleen Hinckley and *The Source* (pgs. 124-125) by Loretto Szucs and Sandra Luebking are two books that will give you the appropriate rules for coding a name. There are also several websites to help you with coding. They are: <http://searches.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/Genea/soundex.sh> <http://resources.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/soundexconverter>. These sites are Soundex converters wherein you can type in a name and they will give you the Soundex code for that name.

Next month we'll investigate the 1920 census to see what types of information it holds. Until then, Happy Hunting!!

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Query

I'm searching for the parents of my ancestor, John Wilson. The first census in which I've found him is that of 1850 in Bedford Co. TN. He was born in SC, age 55. His wife was Sarah/Sally Ford, born in SC (Chester Co), age 44. Apparently there were no relatives living in the same county, and I've been unable to find any relatives anywhere. They seemed to have a close connection to families from Lunenburg Co., VA. In particular those whose names were Beauford/Buford, Sammons, Walker, and Wood. All descendants of Thomas Walker, Sr., and his wife Betty Ellis, d.\o John Ellis of Nottoway and Lunenburg Co., VA. When a family of Thompsons, one of whom was married to Henrietta Williams, and the family of Henrietta's brother David Williams from Lunenburg Co., VA, moved to Alabama in the 1820's, my John Wilson had made his way there also and married there in 1823, to Sarah Ford. This is all I know about John Wilson. I'd very much appreciate any help in learning more about him.

Fran Laird

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February 2008 Minutes

President Patsy Swygert called the regular monthly meeting of the Greenville Chapter S.C. Genealogical Society to order at 7:00 PM. She welcomed the members and guests.

Reports of Officers and Board Members Present:

President Patsy Swygert announced that President Carlisle Rogers had suffered a heart attack and she was assuming the presidency per the chapter by-laws. Patsy also announced, in her previous role as Vice President, that the March and April programs had been switched.

Recording Secretary Susan Finlay gave a report to the chapter on Jane Chandler, who has had surgery. The January chapter minutes were accepted and approved as printed in the February newsletter.

State Representative Pat Frieler was absent.

Recording Secretary Jean Mundy had no report.

Treasurer Dot Hawkins gave the Treasurers report for January.

Parliamentarian Bob Frieler was absent.

Membership Chair Herb Clark asked everyone to keep his or her nametags for each meeting.

Archivist Carol Leake had no report.

Old Business:

Family Reunions – The Scott Reunion will be held in June at Lickville Presbyterian Church. Patsy Swygert read a notice of the McCraw reunion, which will be held June 27-29 in Kansas City, MO. The Knight reunion will be held in late May.

New Business:

Dot Hawkins read the by-laws, which state that, the chapter Vice President shall ascend to the office of President if the elected President is unable to serve his term. Patsy asked for volunteers to serve as Vice President and will revisit this issue at the March meeting

Patsy Swygert introduced the speaker for the evening, Sarah Looney.

Next Scheduled Meetings:

The next scheduled Board meeting will be Thursday, March 6, 2008 at 5:30 PM.

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The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Finlay,
Recording Secretary

Birth of the Computer Age in Genealogy

By Susan P. Finlay

Getting organized is no easy feat for a genealogist. Most of us have stacks of paper copies of the public records that detail the lives of our ancestors. In contrast, it is far easier to organize our computer files with the programs available today. Which leaves us to wonder, how did genealogists ever get along before Family Tree Maker was invented?

Remember those huge computers of the 1970's that filled a large room, cost a million dollars and only businesses owned? Dick Eastman writes on genealogy.about.com that he developed a crude genealogy program in COBOL in 1975, on his work computer, with less than 100 lines of code and less than 1 percent of the capabilities of today's genealogy programs. Mr. Eastman wagers that there were others writing their own genealogy programs on punch cards back then, too.

The first well-known released and supported genealogy program for microcomputers probably was "Genealogy: Compiling Roots and Branches," or GCRAB, written by John J. Armstrong. It was featured on the cover of the September 1979 issue of Personal Computing Magazine. This program sold for \$250.00. ROOTS89 for the Heathkit H89 computers was released in 1989, at a cost, including software, of over \$400.00. In 1982, Steve Vorenberg, president of Quinsept Software of Lexington, Massachusetts, released Family Roots, which sold for \$225.00. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints first introduced Personal Ancestral File (PAF) in 1983. The program had a previously unheard-of low price of only \$35.

In the mid to late 1980s, the list of available genealogy programs jumped, with a growth in capabilities and a drop in price. The genealogy programs of the early 80's could not record source citations and had no provisions for recording facts. They could not exchange data with other users and if a user wanted to upgrade to another program, all data had to be retyped into the new program. GEDCOM had not been invented at that time!

With the growth of computerized programs for genealogy came the growth of Internet websites designed to aid in genealogical research. Dr. Brian Leverich and his wife Karen had been active in genealogy on the Internet since 1986, before the public Internet as we know it now was born. Becoming concerned in 1995 about the future of genealogy on the web, they started Roots web, which has remained free to users to this day, although it is now owned by the same group that owns Ancestry.com. US GENWEB came out of the efforts of the Leverich's, as did the various state and local GENWEB sites available today.

Ancestry.com launched their paid subscription service in April 1997, offering customers online access, for a fee, to the information that Broderbund (Family Tree Maker) was then selling on CD ROM. This was a huge success, and Ancestry later acquired Rootsweb and the assets that Broderbund had owned. Ancestry launched MyFamily.com in 1998, and it attracted one million users in its first 140 days.

There is certainly no dearth of information available for genealogists today on the Internet, as more public and historical records are posted. For a price we can find endless records on such sites as Ancestry.com. For those of us who still feel that there is no substitute for paper copies of proof that our ancestors lived, and no substitute for hands on research, the computer will never be the last word in genealogy.

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Editor: Susan P. Finlay

April Meeting

April 3, 2008, at 7:00 p.m.

First Christian Church – 704 Edwards Road

‘Paintings Have Histories Too’

By

Anne Short

Museum and Gallery at Bob Jones University

"What do King George III, Napoleon, the Hapsburgs, the Romanovs, William Randolph Hearst, Bob Jones Jr., and the Dukes of Norfolk, Hamilton, Bedford, and Marlborough have in common? They all once owned objects that are currently in the Museum & Gallery at Bob Jones University. An object's *provenance* refers to its history of ownership. Researchers at M&G try to trace these histories much as a genealogist traces family history."

So writes Anne Short, our April speaker, who was born in West TN, an area her family migrated to in 1854. She is a graduate of Bob Jones University in Greenville, SC, and worked at the University Press for 5 years. Mrs. Short received her MA in Church History at BJU in 2006, and is married and the mother of two daughters. She is Research Supervisor at the Museum and Gallery at Bob Jones University. Her ties to the area include the Wesson family of Laurens County. All branches of Mrs. Short's family tree are traced back to at least 1800, with at least four ancestors in the Rev. War and at least six in the Civil War.

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The Gump Genealogist

Musings From Prior Newsletter Editor Bill Kivett

We who have been afflicted with this genealogy disease for a while have heard plenty about brick walls - those impossible to overcome obstacles that keep us from determining some critical name or date in our own distant ancestral line. Many articles have been written and much time devoted to dealing with such research difficulties. Sometimes even the most experienced practitioners of what should be a pleasant hobby become so brain locked onto the quest to solve a single mystery that genealogy becomes an unpleasant chore for them.

Here I wish to put forth a few words in support of a class of genealogist I name after one of my fictional heroes by the name of Gump – Forrest Gump. Remember from the movie that Forrest was not much of a planner of his actions – didn't get all that hung up over his own deficiencies or life's problems. But he had been well trained by his mother about life being like a box of chocolates. He was always keen to seize the opportunities that seemed blown his way like that feather of fate in the opening scene.

The genealogist who keeps an open mind, and is alert to recognize unexpected opportunities to make progress along alternate family lines seems to derive far more satisfaction from this lifelong pursuit.

People are always sending us things – family information, requests for help, or some link to a collection of records they have recently discovered. These seem to appear randomly, like the chocolates of life. A recent E-Mail from a correspondent that I had not heard from for years included a link to a newly posted indexed collection of Missouri death certificate images – the actual images themselves. Well, I had not been thinking much about the branch of my family who migrated from North Carolina to that part of the world for some time. Although there were many lost cousins of mine who unbeknownst to me were born and lived and died in Missouri, I had not worried too much about not being able to find all of them.

But here, out of the blue, blown my way was a possible new link to records about family I never expected to know about. Over the past week or two, I have searched this index and downloaded about 50 new documents, from which a great deal was learned about some of my Missouri cousins – their birth and death dates, their spouse's maiden names, and how many died sometimes tragic deaths.

Many family mysteries remain still unsolved in my database. But, like Forrest, I am content and thankful in the knowledge that other sources may someday appear and continue to cause me unexpected pleasure. Yes, planning is important to know what to look for and how to go about finding it. But try to also be on the lookout for those unplanned genealogical experiences. Keep the fun in genealogy.

CASE'S CORNER

By Suzanne Case

USING THE CENSUS (cont.): The 1920 Census

We're now nearing the end of our examinations of the population schedules of the census. We'll look at the **1920** census (released in 1992) this month and conclude next month with the 1930 census.

As with most censuses, while many things remained the same from census to census, there were some changes. These changes in **1920** include:

- ?? Enumeration was to begin January 1st instead of April 15th and was to be completed in one month. The information was to reflect the state of the household on January 1st.
- ?? The Mother Tongue of the respondent was asked, as well as the Mother Tongue of each respondent's mother and father.
- ?? Because of the breakup after WWI of many of the old, large European empires, there were radical shifts in the boundaries of many countries. Therefore, individuals born in Turkey, Austria-Hungary, Germany or Russia were asked to list the specific province, state or city of their birth.
- ?? For the first time, citizens of the U.S. territories of American Samoa, Guam, and the Panama Canal Zone were included in the census count.
- ?? Native Americans on reservations were included with the rest of the population schedules instead of in separate schedules.
- ?? Servicemen were counted where they were stationed at the commencement of the census count, instead of in the location of their home residence.
- ?? Institutions such as orphanages, colleges, mental hospitals, etc. can be found at the end of the enumeration district where they were located. (Tip: If using the microfilmed Soundex to locate them, institutions will be located at the end of that state's Soundex).
- ?? As in 1910, under "Race," Mulatto was listed for individuals having any percentage of Negro blood.
- ?? The **1920** census is indexed by the Soundex and all states are indexed.

Next month we'll look at the 1930 census, which was released in 2002. We look forward with anticipation to the release of the 1940 census in 2012. Until next month, Happy Hunting!!

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Chapter Publications

Please share your family histories, anecdotes, queries, or stories you have written on family history for publication in the chapter newsletter and Journal.

Send to:

Newsletter – Susan Finlay - Susan17177@aol.com

Journal – Doris Bramlett– Bramco@aol.com

Future Meetings

May 1, 2008 - the Annual Covered Dish Dinner with Durham Hunt of the South Carolina Room giving an update on the Upcountry Museum.

Membership Dues

The by-laws of the South Carolina Genealogical Society state that chapter dues are due by December 31 of each year. Newsletters for April are being mailed out with a green dot on the mailing label for those who have not paid for 2008, as a friendly reminder to our members.

Chapter Website

Paul Kankula continues to revamp our chapter website. Please visit www.greenville.scgen.org for a fresh look at our chapter website.

Greenville Textile Heritage Society

March 31 - The Monaghan Historical Society will sponsor a clean-up day at the Old Monaghan Cemetery on Cedar Lane Road. Clean-up starts at 10:00 a.m. All Genealogy and Textile Heritage activists are invited. Call 864-201-5875 for details.

April 6 - Upcountry Museum, 3:30PM, The Greenville Textile Heritage Band performance interlaced with textile heritage stories.

April 16 - Upcountry Museum, 12:00 Noon. Lunch and Learn Series: "Life on Mill Hill", a presentation by Ed Hale (Greenville Story Tellers Guild). Reservations suggested. Lunch items available for sale. Call 864 467-3100.

State Workshop

The 2008 SC Genealogical Society Summer Workshop will be held at the SC State Archives July 11-12. Details will be printed in a future newsletter.

March 2008 Minutes

President Patsy Swygert called the regular monthly meeting of the Greenville Chapter S.C. Genealogical Society to order at 7:09 PM. She welcomed the members and guests. We had many visitors; Patsy gave an overview of our chapter for their benefit. Chapter member Bill Kivett gave a short summary on getting started in genealogy.

Reports of Officers and Board Members Present:

President Patsy Swygert announced that we were still looking for someone to fill the office of Vice President. Treasurer Dot Hawkins gave the Treasurer's report for February.

Recording Secretary Susan Finlay had nothing further to report on the minutes of the previous meeting. The February chapter minutes were accepted and approved as printed in the March newsletter.

State Representative Pat Frieler was absent.

Recording Secretary Jean Mundy had no report.

Parliamentarian Herb Clark had no report.

Archivist Carol Leake announced that she is planning a late summer session to index material in our archives, with breakfast at Tommy's Ham House and Archiving to follow. Details to be announced later.

Old Business:

Family Reunions – The Young-Hill Reunion will be held Nov. 21, 2009. No further information given. The Ligon reunion is being planned – see Charles Latimer for details.

Patsy Swygert gave an overview of future chapter programs.

New Business:

The refreshment list was passed around. Bill Kivett spoke on the chapter website and our need for old newsletters to be scanned for the website.

Patsy Swygert introduced our speaker for the evening.

Next Scheduled Meetings:

The next scheduled Board meeting will be Thursday, April 3, 2008 at 5:30 PM.

The next scheduled Chapter meeting will be Thursday, April 3, 2008, at 7:00 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Finlay,
Recording Secretary

Getting Started in Genealogy

By Susan P. Finlay

It's been a while since the Greenville Chapter has had so many visitors come through the door as came for the March meeting. Budding genealogists and old hands alike, most had seen the newspaper notice for the meeting program and wanted tips in organizing and getting started on their family history. Former newsletter editor and genealogy instructor Bill Kivett gave a few tips to the visitors on getting started in genealogy, most noticeably the tip that it is not something that can be learned in a few hours.

For those of you new to genealogy, many Internet sites have tutorials on getting started, ranging from collecting oral family history to sourcing and verifying information. For most of us, this is information learned over a long period of time, and there is always something new to learn even for the seasoned genealogist. We all have our genealogy regrets, our mistakes learned along the way. With so much information now on the Internet, genealogists don't have to make the same mistakes that most of us made initially.

The Internet now gives us instant access to information that in an earlier time took years of painstaking research. With this instant aspect, accuracy and verifiable information is often sacrificed. The website Genealogytoday.com recommends that anyone just starting out "take a timeout, purchase a book or other tutorial resource and just spend a few days reading about genealogy." They recommend "[Climbing Your Family Tree](#)", an interactive tutorial CD-Rom, or, for those who prefer a book, "[Genealogy for Dummies](#)" or "[The Idiot's Guide to Genealogy](#)" (not that we're dummies!). The folks at Genealogytoday.com urge anyone starting out to begin the process by interviewing older family members, as this information will soon be lost if not recorded. The family history gleaned from these interviews will whet your desire to dive in and document the events these older family members lived through.

Ancestry.com, one of the largest and best Internet genealogy sites, offers tips on researching "home sources". Making the case for antiques having potentially valuable genealogical worth, they instruct that "an item's date or place of manufacture may help you place your family member then and there. Your ancestors' belongings can illustrate their tastes, social status and the time period they lived in. Antiques can provide these potential clues." Antique clothing can tell you the physical size of your ancestor. Old jewelry, silver and metalwork can signal social status of your ancestors, and may have the added bonus of being engraved with names or initials. Toys and collectables tell what was popular at the time, and often what the political attitudes were.

Just like you can't learn everything about genealogy in one class, you also can't learn everything from one book or tutorial on the Internet. It is a good starting point though, and will surely give you a list of good habits to follow as you go through your lifetime labor of love.

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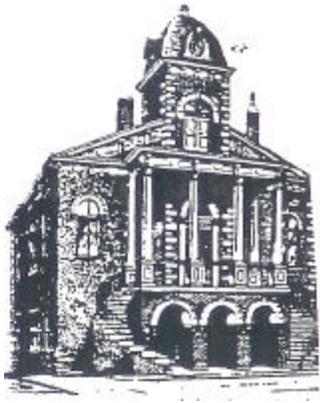
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NEWSLETTER: Volume XXXIV, Number 5, May 2008

Editor: Susan P. Finlay

May Meeting
May 1, 2008, at 7:00 p.m.
First Christian Church – 704 Edwards Road

Annual Covered Dish Supper

6:30 PM

Entertainment by Durham Hunt and Suzanne Case

Join us for our third annual Covered Dish supper at our May meeting. We know from past experience that we have some good cooks in our chapter, so come for dinner and bring your own favorite dish!

Joining us will be two very special guests, Richard Pearis and Mary Putnam Gridley. You may know them better as Durham Hunt and Suzanne Case. Durham and Suzanne bring the history of Greenville to life as they get into character with these two citizens of an earlier time in our county.

Durham Hunt works in the South Carolina Room at the Greenville Library and is a graduate of Bob Jones University. He worked in Williamsburg, Va. in the print shop, where he was in costume and portrayed a colonial printer. He also did storytelling in costume in Williamsburg and portrays "the jailer" at the Star Fort in Ninety Six. He also does a great portrayal of Daniel Morgan, among other characters.

Suzanne Case is retired from the South Carolina Room of the Greenville County Library and has a Master's Degree in Librarianship from the University of South Carolina.

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President's Message

Be sure to attend this month's meeting. We have historical guests for your entertainment while you dine at our covered dish supper.

Richard Pearis was one of the first white settlers in the Greenville area and had a trading post and mill on Reedy River Falls in the 1700's. He traded with the Cherokees and in fact, had a son by his Cherokee side wife. He originally sided with the Patriots during the Revolution, but later sided with the Tories.

Mary Putnam Gridley took over as president of Batesville Mill in 1890 after her father died. She was the first woman textile mill president in the South. She also co-founded the Thursday Club, was instrumental in getting the Hopewell Tuberculosis Hospital built and was active in the women's suffrage movement.

Nominations are now being accepted for the South Carolina Genealogical Society, Inc. Publications Competition. Rules of the competition and a form for nominating a publication can be found at the South Carolina Genealogical Society website at <http://scgen.org/competition.htm>.

Also, please plan now to attend the Summer Workshop. It will be a very informative and fun time for all attendees. And it will be a great time for all of the Greenville members to have a chance to learn more about each other. The dates of the 2008 Summer Workshop are July 11 and 12 at the South Carolina Department of Archives and History, Parklane Rd, Columbia SC.

See you at the May meeting!

Patsy Swygert (thanks to Suzanne Case for the historical information)

CASE'S CORNER

By Suzanne Case

USING THE CENSUS (cont.): The 1930 Census

Well, we're now up to the **1930** census, the latest population census to be released to the general public. This census, which was released in April of 2002, is, like previous censuses, a goldmine of information when searching for family members or "putting flesh on the bones" of your family.

Many questions and procedures for the **1930** census were repeated from the 1920 and other previous censuses, but as with most of the censuses, there were some changes and additions.

Some of these changes include:

- ?? The census count was to begin on April 1st and conclude in one month. This was a change from the commencement date of January 1st in 1920. The information was to reflect the state of the household on April 1st.
- ?? Respondents were asked for the value of their home if they owned it or the amount of their monthly rent if they were renting.
- ?? Respondents were asked if they owned a radio (a picture of the times). Some individuals were reluctant to answer this question for fear that the government was going to use the information to levy a tax on radios.
- ?? As the country became less and less rural, the census asked for the first time if the family was living on a farm.
- ?? The census asked for the individual's age at first marriage. This can be helpful when trying to locate marriage records, which may, in turn, give you additional valuable family information.
- ?? While the **1930** census continued to ask for each individual's place of birth, as well as mother and father's place of birth, it no longer asked for the "Mother Tongue" of the individual's parents. It only asked the individual respondents for their "Mother Tongue" if they were born in a foreign country. The **1930** census also asked if the individual could speak English.
- ?? The **1930** census asked, in addition to the type of occupation with what type of industry, whether or not the person was actually employed. (Census takers were instructed to ask respondents if they were employed the day before the census was taken).
- ?? As in some previous censuses, the **1930** census asked if the individual was a veteran and if so, of what war.
- ?? When recording an individual's race, the census taker had to follow a complex and specific set of guidelines. These guidelines were as follows:
 1. Any individual who was a combination of white and Negro was to be counted as Negro even if the percentage of Negro blood was very small.
 2. If a respondent was a combination of white and Native American, he or she was to be considered Indian. However, if the percentage of Indian blood was very small and the individual was generally considered to be white, they were to be counted as white.
 3. To complicate things further, an individual of mixed Negro and Native American blood was to be counted as Negro, unless the percentage of Negro blood was very small and the individual was considered to be Indian. In that case, the individual was counted as Indian.
 4. Native Americans were asked to report the percentage of Indian blood and their tribe of origin. Tribal origin was to be written in the columns reserved for birth locations of parents.
- ?? Only ten states have been completely indexed in the **1930** census by the Soundex. All ten of these states are in the South and include:
 1. Alabama 2. Arkansas 3. Florida 4. Georgia 5. Louisiana 6. Mississippi
 7. North Carolina 8. South Carolina 9. Tennessee 10. Virginia.

Two states have been partially indexed by the Soundex. These include the counties of: Bell, Floyd, Harlan, Kenton, Muhlenberg, Perry, and Pike in Kentucky **and** the counties of: Fayette, Harrison, Kanawha, Logan, McDowell, Mercer, and Raleigh in West Virginia.

My thanks to Bill Kivett and Wanda Randle for all the census information they so generously shared with me, enabling me to pass it on to you. I would also like to mention two books that have provided me with valuable information. They are: *The Source: a Guidebook of American Genealogy* ed. by Loretto Szucs and Sandra Luebking and *Your Guide to the Federal Census for Genealogists, Researchers, and Family Historians* by Kathleen Hinckley.

Next month we'll do a look-ahead to what we can expect with the 1940 census, which will be released in April 2012. Until then, Happy Hunting!!

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Newsletter – Susan Finlay - Susan17177@aol.com

Journal – Doris Bramlett – Bramco@aol.com

Future Meetings

June 5, 2008 – TBA

There will be no chapter meetings for July or August. The next scheduled chapter meeting will be September 4, 2008 and will be our annual Member Display Event.

Summer Workshop

The SCGS Summer Workshop will be held July 11 and 12 at the South Carolina Dept. of Archives and History, Parklane Rd, Columbia SC.

Reunions

The JOHN WATSON I / SAMUEL WALKER REUNION will be held Saturday July 19, 2008 in Greenville SC. at – White Oak Baptist Church, 1805 Wade Hampton Blvd., McCarter Fellowship Hall, Greenville, SC

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. – Set-up (Help setting up will be appreciated)

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – Visit, share and research - Please bring copies of your family pictures and any family memorabilia you may want to show the others. We'll have a table set up to display what you bring.

11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. – Meeting & Lunch & Pictures

Old fashion reunion where all the cousins bring covered dishes and we all share a picnic together.

Bring enough for your family and we will share.

Plates, Cups, Napkins, Eating Utensils, Sweetened and Unsweetened Southern iced tea will be provided.

2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. – Clean-up (Help cleaning up will be appreciated)

Contact - Jane Watson Chandler-

Email grammyjane@aol.com

April 2008 Minutes

President Patsy Swygert called the regular monthly meeting of the Greenville Chapter S.C. Genealogical Society to order at 7:14 PM. She welcomed the members and guests.

Reports of Officers and Board Members Present:

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State Representative Pat Frieler was absent.

Recording Secretary Jean Mundy had no report.

Parliamentarian Herb Clark had no report.

Archivist Carol Leake had information on the Fairview Living History Weekend. She also said to keep in mind the workday in late summer for an archiving session.

The officer's reports were accepted and approved as presented.

Old Business:

Family Reunions – No family reunions were reported.

Refreshments - Jean Mundy needs someone to help with refreshments in June.

New Business:

No new business was reported.

Suzanne Case introduced our speaker for the evening., Anne Short, who spoke on the Bob Jones University Gallery, and how the ownership of paintings and antiques is researched.

Next Scheduled Meetings:

The next scheduled Board meeting will be Thursday, May 1, 2008 at 5:30 PM.

The next scheduled Chapter meeting will be Thursday, May 1, 2008 at 7:00 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Finlay,
Recording Secretary

Is it Worth It? You Bet It Is!

By Paula Stuart-Warren, CG
Ancestry.com

That question comes to me very often. The inquirer typically wants assurance that a subscription, membership, reference book, or genealogical event is worth their time and money. Nine times out of ten I answer with a resounding, "YES!"

Is it worth it to order the death certificate since there was so much in the index? Is it worth it to go to the state archives? Is it worth it to go to genealogy conferences (classes, seminars, institutes, cruises) since so much is online? Is it worth it to subscribe to Ancestry.com or another online database? Is it worth it to hire someone in that county? Read on for the verdicts.

Genealogical Societies

What do you find in a genealogical society?

- ?? Friends
- ?? People who care about family no matter who they are or what they did.
- ?? Contact with someone who has researched at the Family History Library or the county courthouse.

No organized group in your area? Post a notice at the local history room, the community bulletin board, the local newspaper, and tell friends and neighbors. Ask if the county historical society would put a notice in their newsletter or website. Invite people to meet at a restaurant or in a reserved room at the library. Then, just begin talking with each other. If you are an old hand at family history research, you can share your knowledge with those just beginning the journey. Worth it rating: 10 out of 10.

Genealogical Events

Attending lectures and workshops can be enlightening. You may be surprised at how a refresher helps. The lecturer might know of a publication or index that you don't. I find that such events invigorate me for more searching. Some events you might consider are:

- ?? **Classes:** Look for them at the local and state genealogical and historical societies, community education programs, courses at colleges and universities, and public libraries.
- ?? **Seminars/Conferences:** Whether one day or more, these usually involve a full day or more of learning, genealogical book and software vendors, and meal events. Sitting at a table eating lunch with seven other genealogists can be very enlightening. Sharing of ideas and energy will add much to your search.
- ?? **Institutes:** Most are five days long and the learning is more intensive than in a one-day seminar. The classes in a given track are linked and are chosen to reflect the week's theme. The third hour's class may be dependent on the information from the second hour's class.
- ?? **Cruises:** This is a relatively new way to gain genealogical knowledge. Cruises often have groups with a common interest such as scrapbooking, photography, family reunions, and now, genealogy. For example, a seven-day cruise may have three days at sea as the ship travels from one port to another. On those days several instructors give genealogy classes. Additionally you can sit together with fellow genealogists at a meal or talk some genealogy while in port on a local tour. Some cruises include one-on-one sessions with the instructors. Does your significant other complain that you are always going to a genealogy event while they sit at home? The cruise offers things for both of you. The camaraderie with your fellow genealogists is fantastic. Genealogical events? Well worth it.

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Editor: Susan P. Finlay

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By

Bill Kivett

Bill Kivett grew up on a small farm in central North Carolina in a region rich in Colonial historic sites among descendants of American founding families. From there he went on to college at NC State where he was awarded a bachelors degree in electrical engineering in 1962. While in college at Raleigh he met a girl raised on another farm in eastern North Carolina who has for 48 years been his supporting wife and best friend. Together he and Nell have two married daughters, and a still bachelor adult son, and four young grandsons.

Following various engineering opportunities through the Space Age, Bill and his family lived in Raleigh, Oklahoma City, and Atlanta before moving to the Greenville region in 1970 where he managed machine control and power distribution design for two large industrial companies. Since taking an early retirement package in 1992 Bill has done some technical school teaching and consulting. It was through helping Nell research her ancestry as she applied for membership in UDC and DAR that the study of his own family history was begun. For much of the last two decades Bill has spent considerable time collecting and organizing records about his and Nell's extended family. It is from the unique perspective of a self taught amateur researcher that six years ago he began to share his blunders and successes with others in a series of genealogy classes at Greenville Senior Action and part of Furman University's FULIR Program.

Involved over the years with various North and South Carolina Historical and Genealogical Societies, including Sons of the American Revolution, this past editor of this newsletter is currently doing volunteer indexing of newspaper reported WW-II casualties for the SC Room of the Greenville Co. Library. He is delighted to share tools that might help others experience the satisfaction of discovering their own ancestors and recording their stories. Tonight he will discuss a powerful one only recently put to use.

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President's Message

We have had a very interesting year in our Chapter this year. I was surprised to be promoted to President so soon, but hope that Carlisle Rogers is doing well now.

Our members have had many interesting conversations with our speakers and other members. Some of our new members have been happy to make connections with people with whom they thought they didn't have anything in common. But the year is only half over.

We close out the first half of our year with our June meeting, then have a hiatus for the summer, then start again in September with our Annual Show and Tell presentations from our very own members. They have much to share and I hope everyone can bring something that they have been working on, inherited or just want to share with others.

I also hope that everyone will go to the Summer Workshop in Columbia in July, where they can meet others with the same interests and maybe some information that will break down some of our "walls." Our fall lineup of speakers is also going to be an interesting climax to our year.

We are still looking for a chapter Vice President. I am continuing as program chairman, as the programs are lined up for the rest of this year. If you would like to serve as Vice President, please contact me at pswygert@prodigy.net or see me at the June meeting.

I, for one, am looking forward to the rest of this year. I hope you are too!

Patsy Swygert

Please note: There are no May meeting minutes in the June newsletter due to the covered dish supper in May, and the absence of the Recording Secretary.

CASE'S CORNER

By Suzanne Case

USING THE CENSUS (cont.): The 1940 Census

Family researchers all over the United States are now eagerly anticipating the release of the **1940** population census on April 1, 2012. However, several questions regarding the census are, as yet, unanswered. The first question concerns the actual date of its release, since April 1, 2012 falls on a Sunday. This is leading to speculation that the census will actually be released on Monday, April 2nd. The second question is of whether or not the **1940** census will be released for sale on microfilm or in digital format only. And thirdly, since there is currently no index to the **1940** census, how quickly will services such as *Ancestry.com* and others manage to index it and have it readily searchable for research?

The main body of the **1940** census has a total of 34 questions with an additional 16 supplemental questions asked **only** of individuals who were listed on lines 14 and 29 of the population schedule sheet. (This was done to ensure randomness). Many of the questions from the 1930 census were carried over to the **1940** census. However, as in most previous censuses, there were changes, additions and/or deletions in the questions asked from census to census. Some of the changes in the main body of the census asked of everyone included:

- ?? Each respondent was asked for the highest grade completed (as an interesting corollary, the **1940** census did **not** ask if the individual could read and write).
- ?? Each respondent was asked the city/town, county and state (or foreign country) in which they were living on **April 1, 1935** and whether or not they were living on a farm. (Note: this a helpful way to track movement of your family **or** narrow immigration dates, if your family was not in the U.S. in 1930).
- ?? Many of the questions relating to employment were quite likely a reflection of a country that while coming out of the Great Depression of the 1930's, still had not completely recovered even as WWII loomed. Some of these employment questions included: **1.** Was each individual over 14 years of age at work or seeking work? **2.** If the individual was not seeking work: **a.** did they already have a job **b.** were they unable to work **c.** were they attending school **d.** were they doing housework **or** **e.** other? **3.** If employed, were they employed in: **a.** private work **b.** non-emergency government work or **c.** emergency government work for the week prior to the commencement of the census (April 1, 1940)? (Note: emergency government work included work with one of the alphabet agencies such as the CCC, WPA, etc. If your ancestor worked for one of those agencies, you can look for further information in National Archives records). **4.** If employed: **a.** how many hours were worked during the week of March 24-30, 1940 **b.** how many weeks were worked in 1939 **or** **c.** how many weeks were they unemployed in the previous year up to the week March 24-30, 1940?
- ?? For the first time, respondents were asked their salary for the previous year, as well as any income over \$50 outside their salary.

Some of the questions that were previously asked of **all** respondents became one of the 16 supplemental questions that were asked of respondents on lines 14 and 29 **only**. Some of those questions included the birthplace of the respondent's parents, the respondent's native tongue, and whether the respondent was a veteran (if so, of what war?).

New questions used in the supplement **only** included:

- ?? If the respondent is a veteran, in what branch of the service did he/she serve?
- ?? Is the respondent the wife, widow or under-18 child of a veteran?
- ?? Women **only** were asked if they had been married more than once and if so, their age at first marriage. (This is a change from earlier censuses when **both** men and women were asked this question).
- ?? Does the individual have a Social Security number?
- ?? Is Social Security or Railroad Retirement being deducted from the respondent's salary?

For more information on the **1940** census, check out: <http://www.1940census.net/>. This teaser look at the **1940** census concludes our tour of the population censuses. As they evolved over time, we can see how the information gathered in each one of them reflected some of the profound changes in our nation's history.

Next fall, we'll conclude our look at the censuses by examining the special censuses of 1850-1880. I hope you all have a **great** time successfully hunting those ancestors over the summer months and as the song says, "See you in September." Until then, Happy Hunting!!

News and Announcements

Chapter Publications

Please share your family histories, anecdotes, queries, or stories you have written on family history for publication in the chapter newsletter and Journal.

Send to:

Newsletter – Susan Finlay - Susan17177@aol.com

Journal – Doris Bramlett– Bramco@aol.com

Future Meetings

The next Greenville Chapter meeting will be September 4, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. The program will be the annual Member Display Event. Please contact Patsy Swygert at pswygert@prodigy.net to reserve a table or for more information.

Summer Workshop

The SCGS Summer Workshop will be held July 11 and 12 at the South Carolina Dept. of Archives and History, Parklane Rd, Columbia SC.

Reunions

The JOHN WATSON I / SAMUEL WALKER REUNION will be held Saturday July 19, 2008 in Greenville SC. at – White Oak Baptist Church, 1805 Wade Hampton Blvd., McCarter Fellowship Hall, Greenville, SC

Contact - Jane Watson Chandler-
Email grammyjane@aol.com

The descendants of John and Sarah McCullough Scott will hold their annual reunion at Lickville Presbyterian Church on Sunday, June 1, 2008. The event begins with a covered dish lunch at 12:30. The church is located approximately 19 miles south of Greenville, SC on Highway 25 (Augusta Road).

For more information, contact Mrs. Mary Jean Timmerman at maryjeant@charter.net or at 864-833-2381.

Local Events

The Greater Greenville Scottish Games and Highland Festival will be held June 6 & 7.

Friday night – The Great Scot! Parade at Main and North St.

The Great Scot! Ceilidh (Celtic bands) will take place at 7:15 at the Peace Center Amphitheater.

Saturday – Furman University - the Scottish Games.

Family Reunion

For the genealogist, a family reunion takes on added meaning. In addition to renewing ties with those who share blood ties, we often uncover snippets of information useful to our research. Summer and family reunions go hand in hand; here is a list of tips from Temple University for having a successful family reunion..

Having a family reunion takes time, commitment, and planning. To get started, form a committee of family members. It can be as small as 3-4 people. Include young people when possible. Decide how often the committee will meet and consider the following items: Date, Invitations, Location, Travel and Lodging, Facilities, Food, Mailing List, Program and Format, Finances, Local Transportation, Communications, Souvenirs.

Communication with family members helps to generate information and maintain interest over the months of planning for the reunion.

Family finances and expenses may dictate the search for the right facility, but often the family reunion is perceived as a time for a vacation and members want a nice place. Eating is an important event at the reunion., as people like to have plenty of good food.

Family members do look forward to having fun together. The range of possible activities is limitless. The more family members are involved in carrying out the activities, the more likely their participation over time. Talents in the family have an opportunity to shine. Use the abilities and interests of family members to determine such activities.

Family reunions do cost money, but with careful planning every family can afford to have one. Family reunions do cost money, but with careful planning every family can afford to have one. The cost of organizing includes expenses such as postage, duplication, stationary, and telephone. These costs may be passed on to the family members as part of their registration fee. At the reunion itself, mementos such as tote bags, t-shirts, hats, etc., can be sold above cost to help pay for the expenses.

Sharing the family history has become a major activity at the family reunions. Be sure to interview the family elders and tape what they say. Also remember that family reunions offer a chance to collect history in the making. Videotape your activities and record information about living members for the sake of future generations.

After the reunion, evaluate how it went. Accentuate the positive and celebrate your successes. Encourage ongoing gatherings and reunions. You'll find that it gets easier to organize and even more fun as time goes on.

A Bit of History at the May 2008 Meeting

By Wanda Randle

During the May 2008 meeting of the Greenville Chapter of the SC Genealogical Society, which included a covered dish supper, the members were startled to see a talk, buckskin clad figure entering the meeting room. He stopped in the center of the room and introduced himself as Richard Pearis, whom many of us knew to be a trader who had set up a trading post in the area where the Reedy River Park is now. It was astonishing to find the man in our midst, as he came to the Greenville area when it was Cherokee land in about 1770, before the Revolutionary War. He seemed to scoff at the name of our town, "Greenville" and said that it would have been better to have named it "Pearisburg" or "Pearisville", something like that, since he was the first landowner in the area other than the Indians.

He candidly told us that although he was married to a white woman, and the father of three children, he took a Cherokee "side wife", which he seemed to think was acceptable. This man had an air about him...He and his "side wife" had a son whose name was George (and later would be called Cherokee George). Through him, Richard Pearis obtained more than 100,000 acres, the deed of that land was recognized by the Cherokee people and the British. He told us that the rebels, who called themselves Patriots, saw the influence that he had with the Cherokee and tried to convince him to fight with them, but he chose to side with the British, and of course the Indians followed his lead and fought on the side of the Tories as the British were called. In a surprise attack the rebels captured him and took Pearis to Charlestown where he was imprisoned for nearly a year. During this time, the rebels confiscated his lands.

"When they turned me loose," he said, "I didn't own an inch of soil beneath my foot." Not being welcome in South Carolina, and hearing of a group of loyalists who had fled to Florida, which was still controlled by the British, he walked for 700 miles, aided by his Indian friends, who supplied him with food and perhaps companionship. He became a captain of that loyalist army and was successful in carrying out military raids and battles, taking land and supplies as well as men.

Richard Pearis became reflective, and told us that he eventually became tired of fighting and left to be reunited with his family in Georgia. He did not find peace there for long and moved his family to the Bahamas, where he had a small grant of land, about 140 acres. He died in Nassau in 1794.

No sooner than we had recovered from meeting this brash, slightly uncouth man of another era, than there was a stir by the doorway, and a small but spry lady dressed a little outlandish for 2008, came to the center of the room. She bid us "Good day" and as she was elderly, someone offered her a chair. It was clear that she wanted to chat with us for awhile. I say "with us" but she seemed to prefer to reminisce about the past.

Her name had been Mary Putnam, she told us. In about 1870 she came to Greenville from Massachusetts with her parents and three sisters. Her father looked around for a mill to purchase, she said, and found that the Batesville Mill was for sale, so he bought it.

Mary was introduced to a nice young man, Henry Gridley. They fell in love and in due time were married. The couple were very happy when they were anticipating the birth of their first child, but the baby was stillborn. A short time later, Henry became ill and also died. Mary went to her father, she said, and asked him for to allow her to work in his mill. She said that she could keep his records for him. After a time, and although it was unheard of for a lady to be a bookkeeper, he gave in. Mary was very good at her job, she told us. She was very interested in every aspect of the mill and when her father died, she took over the running of the mill.

"People were scandalized," she said. "It was bad enough that she was a bookkeeping, but to order men around...well, it just wasn't done!" Mary did not let talk bother her, and soon people got used to this lady, who was the first woman to be president of a mill in South Carolina, which she ran for about 25 years.

"Something that I felt strongly about," she said, with the shake of her finger, " was that women should get to vote the same as men. If women have the common sense to prepare the minds of children to become adults, they should be able to vote for what they believe in."

Seeing that Greenville needed culture, she started the "Thursday Club" and several women gathered on Thursdays for discussion and study of topics of that time. Mrs. Gridley looked at us over her glasses and said, "If a person wasn't prepared, I had news articles, clippings in my satchel." Later, Nell Kivett said to another member that the Thursday Club still meets at the Women's Club. That the membership has dwindled greatly, but there is a day designated for it.

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Request your table now!

When: September Meeting, September 4, 2008

Bring anything you would like to share, showing your family research, your family trees or your family heirlooms. Sound like fun to you? That is why we belong to the genealogical society!

Let me know if you want to display your notebooks, books you've written, display boards with surnames, laptop computers with databases of names, whatever you have. 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 a moderator who will keep people moving from table to table so everyone gets to see everything. Send your table request to Patsy Swygert at pswygert@prodigy.net or call her at home at 246-2211.

The format will be tables set up around the room for people to display their "stuff". You may bring books, notebooks, tabletop presentation boards, laptop computers, scrapbooks, whatever you have to share.

Each participant should bring cards with name and telephone number for distribution. Please reserve your table as soon as possible so that we may get an accurate count. Please come and share your research with us!

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President's Message

Well, it's time to begin our monthly meetings again. As usual we will have our Annual Show and Tell Event. Bring whatever you want for your table -- family history notebooks, photo albums, antiques, etc. Please send me an email at pswygert@prodigy.net or call me at 246-2211 to reserve a table (or half a table). This is an opportunity for visitors to meet the members and see what we have been doing for the last 30 years. Also, maybe the visitors have some things they have been working on for 30 years as well. They are welcome to bring their things too. Tell your friends and acquaintances -- they might turn out to be family!

The Summer Workshop was a great success, with lots of vendor tables and great speakers. (Also the lunch was good.) We sold a lot of our books, too. If you missed it, plan to come next year. We had several members of our Chapter there and they will tell you all about it. (Ask to see my pictures!)

We have some great speakers lined up for the rest of this year. And we will complete the year with our annual Christmas get together at Dr. Lee's home. If you have program ideas for next year, please let me know, as it is time for me to find interesting speakers for next year. (If anyone would like to volunteer to be Vice President and Program Chair, please contact me. It really is a fun job. Once the speakers are lined up, your work is over.)

Looking forward to seeing you at the September meeting.

Patsy Swygert

CASE'S CORNER

By Suzanne Case

SPECIAL CENSUSES: **State Censuses**

In June, we concluded our investigation of the federal population censuses that were issued every ten years beginning in 1790. The censuses, however, don't stop there, as there are additional (often underutilized) censuses that can be used to put "flesh on the bones" of our ancestors. These include the special **1885 federal population census**, and the **federal mortality, agriculture, slave, veteran, manufacturer and social censuses**, as well **state and local censuses**. (Note: only a few states completed the **1885 federal census**. **Florida** was the only **Southeastern** state to complete it).

State censuses were taken by a majority of states. In the **Southern** states, the number of censuses taken ranged from **twenty-one** in **Mississippi** to **one** in **North Carolina**. The information gathered in the state and local population censuses was not uniform and varied from location to location. In some states and some years, a wealth of information was gathered, thus making these censuses a genealogist's dream. In many cases, however, the censuses listed only the head of the household's name, as well as the number of individuals in the household and the location of the household. Even though these censuses often do not give a great deal of information, they can still be a valuable source of information. These censuses were generally not taken the same years as the federal population census, so they can be an excellent way to track your ancestors' movements and whereabouts between the 10-year intervals of the federal census.

South Carolina actually took state population censuses every ten years from **1829-1869** and again in **1875**. However, the only surviving population censuses in the **South Carolina State Archives** are for limited counties in the years **1829, 1839, 1869, and 1875**. These censuses have no index and must be searched page by page. The censuses available are:

- **1829** – Fairfield and Lexington Districts.
- **1839** – Beaufort, Chesterfield, Kershaw, and Lexington Districts.
- **1869** – all counties **except** Kershaw, Oconee and Spartanburg.
- **1875** – Complete population schedules for **Clarendon, Newberry and Marlboro Counties**. Partial population schedules for **Abbeville, Beaufort, Fairfield, Lancaster, and Sumter Counties**.
- **Agriculture censuses** for **1868** for **twenty-six counties** and a **limited number of counties** for **1875**.

While state censuses are often more difficult to locate than federal censuses, it is still possible to access some of them without having to travel to distant states. For instance, individuals who have access to **Ancestry** database (whether through a personal subscription or the library) can find the *State Census of North Carolina, 1784-1787* and the *Mississippi State and Territorial Census Collection 1792-1866*. (Note: other state censuses for the **South** are not available on **Ancestry**. The **1885 federal census** for **Florida** is available on **Ancestry**).

The **LDS Library** in **Salt Lake City** has microfilms of several state censuses available to be ordered for **\$5.50 per film**. These can be ordered through the **S.C. Room at the Hughes Main Library, Greenville County Library System in Greenville** or through the **LDS Library on Boiling Springs Road in Greenville**. Some southern state censuses available through LDS include: **1. State Census of North Carolina, 1784-1787. 2. List of Inhabitants of Virginia, 1782-1785. 3. Virginia in 1740: a Reconstructed Census 4. State census records of Georgia** – various counties, various years.

Finally, the aforementioned **South Carolina Room** also has a limited number of state censuses available, including: **1. South Carolina** state population schedules for **1869** (on microfilm). **2. State Census of North Carolina, 1784-1787. 3. 1864 Census for Re-Organizing the Georgia Militia. 4. Georgia** state censuses for **Taliaferro County – 1827, Lumpkin County – 1837, Chatham County – 1845**.

While the state censuses often echo the information in the federal census, they can still yield valuable information on their own. For instance, I was able to locate a g-g-g-g-grandfather in the 1829 South Carolina census that was living in Laurens District and was listed as being a cabinet-maker. By 1830, he was living in Greenville County. All other information held by the family previous to this finding indicated that he was a teacher and had lived in Greenville and Spartanburg Districts. Thus, with this additional information, we were able to add more "flesh to the bones" of his life. Never underestimate those state censuses.

Next month, we'll begin to look at the special federal censuses to see what valuable information can be gleaned from them. Until then, Happy Hunting!!

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Future Meetings

The October 2008 chapter program will feature Rick Owens speaking on Preservation. Brenda Meyer is scheduled for October refreshments; if you can help out in October please call Brenda at 350-0832.

South Carolina Room News

The new online index of the obituaries from the *Greenville News* is now available. The index includes the years 1917 to 1993. The index will be updated on a regular basis. The next year to be added will be 1916.

The INNEWS index, which was already available, includes an index of news articles from 1991 to the present.

Obituaries and marriages are included beginning in 1994. This index will also be updated with the most recent articles, weddings and deaths.

<http://www.greenvillelibrary.org/index.php/South-Carolina-Room/NewsPaper-Index-Vital-Record-Information.html>

Annual Election

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The following officers will be elected at the Annual meeting in November of even-numbered years and will begin their terms of office the following January:

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The office of Vice President is vacant due to former Vice President Patsy Swygert assuming the office of President upon the resignation of Dr. Carlisle Rogers. If you would like to serve as chapter Vice President, please contact Patsy Swygert at pswygert@prodigy.net.

One of the duties of the Vice President is to serve as program chairman. Patsy has continued to serve as program chairman, until a replacement can be appointed.

June Meeting Minutes

President Patsy Swygert called the regular monthly meeting of the Greenville Chapter S.C. Genealogical Society to order at 7:07 PM. She welcomed the members and guests.

Reports of Officers and Board Members Present:

President Patsy Swygert had no report.

Recording Secretary Susan Finlay had nothing further to report on the minutes of the previous meeting. The April chapter minutes were accepted and approved as printed in the May newsletter. There were no May minutes taken due to the chapter covered dish supper in May.

Treasurer Dot Hawkins gave the treasurers report for May. State Representative Pat Frieler was absent. President Patsy Swygert reported for Pat on the July workshop and urged members to go.

Recording Secretary Jean Mundy had no report.

Parliamentarian Herb Clark reported that the Journal went out June 5.

Archivist Carol Leake was absent.

The officer's reports were accepted and approved as presented.

Old Business:

Family Reunions – The Berry, Gaines and Harrison Reunion will be held at Fork Shoals Baptist Church the fourth Sunday in August.

Refreshments – Patsy Swygert asked for volunteers for the refreshments in September.

New Business:

Dot Hawkins read an inquiry she had received. Herb Clark volunteered to research and contact the inquirer.

Patsy Swygert read an inquiry from Baton Rouge, La., pertaining to finding a researcher in the Greenville area.

Patsy Swygert introduced our speaker for the evening, chapter member Bill Kivett, who spoke on DNA 101.

Next Scheduled Meetings:

The next scheduled Board meeting will be Thursday, October 2, 2008 at 5:30 PM.

The next scheduled Chapter meeting will be Thursday, October 2, 2008 at 7:00 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Finlay,
Recording Secretary

Genealogy Heirlooms

<http://www.biographiks.com/pleasant/genealogy-heirlooms.htm>

Genealogical Databases of Antique Recipes, Seeds, Bulbs, Photos, Recordings, Books, Dishes, Keepsakes, Houses, Links

Families can lose their tangible heritage, as well as their family history, when heirs don't know who else might be interested in it. Thousands of family heirlooms move from estate sales to antique shops, instead of to other family members, because the descendants of their owners don't know each other or don't know of the existence of these heirlooms.

Creating databases of tangible family heirlooms not only helps families preserve their heritage, it could even help estate sale managers and antique dealers! Old photos are often sold at low prices as "instant ancestors." An item worth fifty cents to a stranger might be worth much more to a descendant of its original owner. People interested in tracing their family tree would be excited to own something that belonged to their ancestors.

Sites listed on this page serve two groups, the owners of items and the searchers for items. Most allow visitors to search by surname or location. Some allow visitors to add items or surnames they are looking for. Most of these sites allow owners of items to list them by surname and location.

Family Photos

Cyndi's List - websites of lost and found photos - <http://www.biographiks.com/pleasant/genealogy-heirlooms.htm>

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DeadFred - photos for 14,000 surnames, 70,000 records - including pre-1935 school yearbooks – free - <http://www.deadfred.com/>

Ancient Faces - 40,000 photos, plus recipes and stories - <http://www.ancientfaces.com/>

Family Old Photos - 18,000 photos, 34,000 surnames - <http://www3.familyoldphotos.com/>

Family Heirlooms

May include photos, Bibles, books, letters, and documents.

Ancestors Lost and Found - <http://www.usgennet.org/usa/topic/ancestors/>

Past Connect - 2,100 items - <http://www.pastconnect.com/>

Ford and Nagle - family photos, Bibles, family documents - charges for expenses. <http://www.fordnagle.com/>

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Publish all of the above - Omit Address - Omit Phone No. - Omit E-mail Address

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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
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NEWSLETTER: Volume XXXIV, Number 8, November 2008

Editor: Susan P. Finlay

November Meeting

November 6, 2008, at 7:00 p.m.

First Christian Church – 704 Edwards Road

**“A Do It Yourself Guide to Preserving Family
Memories”**

By Mary Carlisle

Mary E. Carlisle, born in Greenville, SC, is the daughter of chapter members Thomas and Joanne Carlisle. She is a graduate of Greenville County Fine Arts Center and holds a BFA in Studio Art with a minor in Art History from Converse College in Spartanburg, SC. Mary received an MS in Arts Administration from Drexel University in Philadelphia, PA, where she served on the Arts Administration Graduate Association Board. She currently works as the Coordinator of Campus Scheduling and Special Projects at Columbia College in Columbia, SC. Additionally, Mary serves on the Board of Directors for Commonwealth Classic Theatre Company, and is a member of the Dicey Langston Chapter of the NSDAR.

This will be Mary’s second program for our chapter. She spoke at our October 2007 meeting on the topic of the invention of the camera and it’s impact on preserving history.

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President's Message

I hope you are planning to attend the November meeting. Mary Carlisle, daughter of members Tom and Joanne Carlisle, will honor us again this year with her photography skills and show us how to preserve and protect our photographs.

For those who missed the October meeting, Rick Owens presented a wonderful program on historic preservation and told about several historic markers and houses in our area. He was so excited about our group that he joined that very night. So if you missed his presentation, you can still talk to him at the meetings.

I look forward as I know you do to again be welcomed at the Annual Christmas Party at Dr. Lee's home for our December meeting. Please bring your favorite appetizer or dessert!

I need program ideas for next year (unless we elect a new Vice President at our November meeting). If you have ideas for speakers, or topics that you want me to find speakers for, please let me know. I have some ideas but I still need more.

If any of you want to serve as officers or committee members, please let me know. We will try to make it easy for you to participate if you are willing to try it. Please see the information on the annual election under Chapter News. Our chapter is still without a Vice President, and we will need one going forward into a new year. I look forward to seeing you at the November meeting!

Patsy Swygert

CASE'S CORNER

By Suzanne Case

SPECIAL FEDERAL CENSUSES: Slave Censuses

Beginning this month, we'll look at the special censuses issued by the federal government. These censuses were taken primarily in the years 1850-1880 (there are some exceptions) and can be used to put more "flesh on the bones" of our ancestors.

One of these special censuses, the **Slave Census**, was, of course, only taken in the years **1850** and **1860**, as the end of the Civil War in 1865 effectively ended slavery. Even though the **Slave Census** usually only lists the name of the slave owner and not the names of the individual slaves, they can still prove to be quite useful. The information asked in this census included:

- The number of slaves
- Age, sex and color (whether black or mulatto) of each slave
- Whether or not the slave was a fugitive from the state
- The number of slaves manumitted (or freed)
- Whether a slave was deaf, dumb, blind or idiotic
- The number of slave houses (in **1860** only)

Information from this census can be used in several ways. For the researcher researching the slave owner, the number of slaves held by an individual can be an indicator of his or her economic level. Also, large numbers of slaves owned were often indicative of agricultural holdings, which can be studied in more detail in the agricultural census.

When researching slave ancestors, keep in mind that slaves were generally enumerated in descending order by age and not listed by name or occupation. Still, that being said, there were exceptions. In some of the **slave census** counts, the researcher can find a group of slaves listed under individual slave owners in descending order by age followed by another group listed in descending order by age and then another and another and so on. In some cases, this might mean a family grouping or it could mean groups living together in an individual cabin or it could mean yet another type of relationship. (Note: keep in mind that sometimes slave mothers were raising other slaves' children if, for instance, a child's biological parent/s had been sold to another plantation or the child had been sold away from his or her biological parent/s).

One possible way to determine the correct slave owner is by comparing the ages of the slaves enumerated in the **slave censuses** with the information taken from the 1870 (or later) population census. By narrowing down possible slave owners, the researcher can then check property and probate records of the said slave owners in the hopes of locating slaves' names and ages. Sometimes, the researcher will be able to find names of individual family members grouped together, which is an invaluable help.

Also, keep in mind that many census takers "marched to the beat of their own drum" and added information not called for by the census form. For instance, in some **slave censuses**, the slaves' occupations might be given. In other **slave censuses**, the census takers actually enumerated the slaves by name along with the slave owners' names. Therefore, it's always wise to check the **Slave Census** (and any other census) carefully. One can frequently glean all sorts of useful information and may even find unexpected, bonus information.

The researcher can find the **Slave Schedules** online through **Ancestry.com**. **Ancestry** is available to individuals through personal subscription or it can be used through the **Greenville County Library System** at any library location. The **South Carolina Room** of the **Hughes Main Library, Greenville County Library System** has the **Slave Schedules** for **South and North Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Arkansas, Kentucky, Tennessee, Virginia, Mississippi, Texas, and Maryland** available on microfilm (available years varies).

Next month, we'll begin to look at the federal mortality census to see what valuable information can be learned from that supplement. Until then, Happy Hunting!!

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Future Meetings

The Greenville Chapter annual Christmas party will be held at the home of Dr. Charles Lee at 6:30 p.m. December 4, 2008. Please bring your favorite finger food!

Book of Interest to Genealogists

“STEADFAST TO THE LAST: South Carolina Soldiers and Citizens Paroled with the Army of Northern Virginia and the Army of Tennessee at Appomattox C.H. VA and Greensboro NC April 9th and 26th, 1865” by Randolph W. Kirkland, Jr.

.Hard cover, 212 pages, maps, dust jacket. This is an alphabetical listing of over 9,000 South Carolinians who surrendered at the end of the War, indicating the rank and unit of the individuals. Mr. Kirkland has compiled this list from official sources. An account of the surrender at Appomattox by an eye witness is included as well as other appendices.

Price \$45.00 plus \$4.50 mailing. SC residents add 7% sales tax. Order from Brent H. Holcomb, PO Box 21766, Columbia, SC 29221. Libraries and institutions can be billed. For other publications, see www.scmr.com.

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Archivist

The slate of officers will be announced at the meeting. Nominations will be taken from the floor. To nominate a person from the floor, they must have been asked before the nomination is made.

If you would like to serve as chapter Vice President, please contact Patsy Swygert at pswygert@prodigy.net or at the November meeting.

Chapter Minutes

September 2008 Chapter Meeting:

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Reports of Officers and Board Members Present:

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Recording Secretary Susan Finlay was absent.

Treasurer Dot Hawkins gave the treasurers report for June and July.

State Representative Pat Frieler was absent.

Recording Secretary Jean Mundy was absent.

Parliamentarian Herb Clark was absent.

The officer's reports were accepted and approved as presented.

Old Business:

No family reunions were reported.

New Business:

Bill Kivett asked members to look at the chapter website as a lot of work has been done on it.

Patsy Swygert introduced our members who took part in the Member Display event.

Marion Whiting, Sue Webb and Wanda Randle furnished refreshments.

October 2008 Chapter meeting:

President Patsy Swygert called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. She welcomed all members, new members and visitors. She reported on Dr. Latimer's funeral. She also reported on some of her discoveries from the September Show and Tell.

Since there were not many officers present, many of the officers' reports were not given. Dot Hawkins presented the Treasurers Report.

There was no old or new business.

Suzanne Case introduced our speaker, Rick Owens. His topic was Historic Registry qualifications, Historical Markers and other preservation issues.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM

Respectfully submitted by Patsy Swygert

Genealogy For Christmas

It's Time to Make Your Custom Christmas Gifts.

<http://creativegenealogy.blogspot.com/2007/11/time-to-make-your-custom-christmas.html>

I know you don't want to hear about it yet but the time will fly by quicker than you think. If you're planning to make custom gifts for Christmas the time to start is now! Here's an idea that's quick to create, inexpensive, very personal, and is sure to get you oohs and ahhs.

Remember your loved one with a photo Christmas ornament!

Custom Christmas ornaments are a snap to create at Café Press. All you have to do is go the site, click on "Make Your Own Stuff", then "Fun Stuff", then scroll down till you see the ornaments (round or oval) and click on one. The web site will take you step-by-step through uploading your photo and ordering your ornaments. You can literally do this start to finish in less than 15 minutes! And the price can't be beat... \$5.99 per ornament! (Plus a small charge for shipping.).

Here are some custom Christmas ornament ideas for all you genealogists and family historians.

- If you attended a wedding this year and took pictures of the bride and groom (you did take your camera didn't you?) you can make the most unique and appreciated "First Christmas Together" ornament they will ever see! A great Christmas gift!
- How about a set of 4 ornaments on a common theme for a friend... say the two of you together over the years. They will love it!
- If you have vintage family photos you could make a fabulous set of ornaments that will have visitors to your home asking, "Where ever did you get these?" I'm planning to do this with some of my period family photos... one from each decade.
- Got teenagers in your house? Surprise them with one of these in their Christmas stocking. They'll treasure a photo ornament of themselves with their boyfriend/girlfriend!
- Never know what to get for your elderly aunt, mother, father, neighbor? Make them a set of four ornaments featuring the faces of their loved ones! Even if they don't put up a Christmas tree they'll find a place to hang them!
- Even younger children and preteens will get a kick out of receiving a photo ornament with them and their BFF (best friend forever)!
- You could do a set of travel photos from places you've visited. You can enjoy them on your tree now and pass them down to your children or grandchildren as a remembrance of you in years to come!

The possibilities are endless. The pleasure they bring will be as well.

A bit of advice if you decide to create your own custom ornament. Keep to simple photos. Close-up portraits with solid backgrounds work very well. You can use an image that has a whole scene in it but people will have to lean in close to see what it is.

Ready to get started? Here's the place... <http://www.cafepress.com/?CMP=CJ-CLICK-10462226>

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