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September Meeting

September 3, 2009, at 7:00 p.m.

First Christian Church – 704 Edwards Road

“Greenville Genealogy Member Display Event”

Our Fifth Annual “Show and Tell” for Members and Guests

Our first meeting after the summer break will feature our fifth annual Member Display program. In past years, this program has allowed members to share their genealogical research with other members and guests, with displays including family trees, family heirlooms, pictures, database programs, scrapbooks, and family history books, among other items.

This is an excellent way for genealogists to display the fruits of their labor, as well as an actual tool for research as in the past members have “discovered” kin among fellow members and exchanged information to further family lines.

Don't miss your chance for networking with other genealogists in the Greenville area; you may want to bring a good supply of cards with name, email address and even family lines, to hand out to other participants. To reserve a table or for more information, please call Patsy Swygert at 246-2211 or email ptswygert@yahoo.com.

Hope to see you there!

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President's Message

I hope everyone had a wonderful summer vacation. It is now time to resume our monthly meeting schedule with our Annual Show and Tell. Bring anything you would like to show to the members about the work you have been doing over the years. You may hold the key to something that someone has been looking for, like I did with Carol Leake. Turns out she is a cousin after all!

I attended the Summer Workshop in Columbia and had a wonderful time. One of the speakers had a PowerPoint presentation on the history and work that went into finding and bringing the Hunley to the surface. If you would like to have him come as one of our speakers, please let me know and I will try to get him to come to Greenville. The Workshop will be held next year but will not be held in 2011 because of the National Genealogy Society's convention to be held in Charleston May 11-14, 2011.

Remember, this is your Chapter. We want to make it interesting for you, so your elected officers welcome any suggestions. We look forward to seeing all of you this coming year.

Patsy Swygert, President

Program News

By Sue Webb
Vice President and Program Chairman

As program planning is underway, I want the interest in our Society to be yours as well as mine.

In order to pursue interest in the upcoming year, let me know of your suggestions:

1. Field trips to places of historical interest.
2. Dinners out at places of interest.
3. Speakers of interesting subjects (Please let us know what you like)
4. Return of former speakers (name them, please)

You may call me at my home at 864-877-0377.
Thanks for your input.

CASE'S CORNER

By Suzanne Case

SPECIAL FEDERAL CENSUSES: **Supplemental Schedules: Defective, Dependent, and Delinquent Classes** **(DDD Schedules)**

This month we wrap up our study of the censuses by examining the **1880 Social Statistics Schedule**, formally known as the **Supplemental Schedules 1-7: Defective, Dependent and Delinquent Classes** (or **DDD** for short). The information gathered in this schedule was basically collected to give the government the information it needed to budget for institutions, such as jails and prisons, poorhouses, insane asylums, homes for those deemed "idiots," and orphanages. It also was used to include budget funds for the deaf, blind and other disabled.

The **DDD** consisted of seven separate schedules : 1. **Insane Inhabitants** 2. **Idiots** 3. **Deaf-Mutes** 4. **Blind** 5. **Homeless Children** 6. **Inhabitants in Prison** and 7. **Pauper and Indigent**. In conjunction with the government's desire to develop a budget for the maintenance of these citizens, questions were developed to ascertain how many people were disabled or institutionalized and to what extent. For instance, in the **Paupers and Indigent Schedule**, there were questions to determine whether the person was institutionalized at the cost of the city, county, state or institution and whether the individual was able-bodied. The **Prison Schedule** asked the place of imprisonment, the term of imprisonment and if the prisoner was performing hard labor. The schedules for the **Insane, Idiots, Deaf-Mutes** and **Blind** asked if the individual had been hospitalized or in a training school and for how long, as well as the name of the hospital or school. The **Homeless Children Schedule** asked if the child's mother and/or father were deceased or if the child was placed in the orphanage by his/her parent/s.

Each schedule also has unique questions that do not necessarily seem to apply to government budgeting but can certainly give the family researcher invaluable information. For instance, the **Homeless Children Schedule** asked if the child was illegitimate or if his/her origins were "respectable." The **Deaf-Mute** and **Blind Schedules** asked for cause of disability and age of onset. The **Paupers and Indigent Schedule** questioned whether the individual was epileptic or disabled. It also asked what other family members, if any, were also in the institution and if so, how many. The **Prison Schedule** asked, among other things, the reason for incarceration and whether the inmate was awaiting execution, was being held as a witness or was imprisoned for debt. The **Homeless Children, Paupers and Indigent, and Prison Schedules** all asked for date of admission; an invaluable piece of information for the researcher. Unique and useful questions on the **Idiots Schedule** included cause of idiocy, size of head and whether or not the individual was epileptic or paralyzed. The schedule for the **Insane** asked, among other things, the form of the disease, the number of attacks, the age at first attack, and whether the individual was required to be under lock and key or restrained by a device such as a strait jacket.

As with all censuses, the **DDD** is a goldmine of information about a county/community and certain individuals within those designated areas. If a check of the 1880 Population Censuses reveals a family member who is counted as "deaf and dumb," "blind," "insane," "idiotic" or "crippled, bedridden or otherwise disabled, always check the **DDD Schedule** when possible to glean additional valuable information.

The **DDD Schedules** are not indexed, however they can be quickly and easily perused for all but the largest metropolitan areas. Each set of schedules for South Carolina is divided into the same townships used in the population schedules. If the family member you're researching is not listed in the population census, a check of the **DDD Census** might possibly list them in an institution, such as a jail or prison, a home for paupers, an insane asylum or an orphanage. For each individual listed in the **DDD**, a page and line number are given for their location in the population schedule. A check of the Population Schedule will then confirm the family of which that particular individual was a member.

The **DDD Schedules** give a fascinating portrait of some of our ancestors, as well as a social history of the times in our area. They're definitely worth the time and effort to study them.

The **South Carolina Room** of the **Hughes Main Library, Greenville County Library System** has the **DDD Schedules** for **South Carolina**, as does Ancestry.com.

I hope you'll find all the population censuses, with all of their attendant special censuses, to be invaluable research tools and great sources of information in your research. Dive in, peruse them carefully, and see what you discover. And remember, Have Fun and 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

Cemetery Survey Indexes

The indexes of our Chapter's Cemetery Survey Volumes I-VII are now online at www.greenville.scgen.org, scanned by Parliamentarian Herb Clark.

Cemetery GPS locations and Google Maps can be obtained by visiting:

<http://www.gps.scgen.org/23-greenville.html>

To purchase Cemetery Survey books, visit the Publications web page at:

www.greenville.scgen.org

Greenville Chapter Website

The stats of our website for July show that there were 315 visitors, with 269 being first time visitors. Please visit our website at <http://www.greenville.scgen.org> frequently to see what Paul Kankula has added. Name indexes for each of the cemetery volumes are now available on line, however birth and death dates are not listed.

Chapter newsletters are now being scanned into the site; the goal is to add older newsletters as they are located. Please contact Susan Finlay, Susan17177@aol.com if you have older copies that could be scanned for the website.

SC CEMETERY PROJECTS of SC GenWeb Project

Paul Kankula, who created and maintains our chapter website, maintains the SC Cemetery Projects website at <http://sciway3.net/scgenweb/sc-cemetery-project/index.html>.

Paul, along with Gary Flynn, has posted a wealth of information on this website, including Greenville County cemeteries and GPS locations. There are links to those county SCGS chapters that have posted surname indexes on line, including Abbeville, Anderson, Clarendon, Colleton, Florence, Georgetown, Greenville, Laurens, Oconee, Saluda, Sumter, and Williamsburg.

State Board Meeting

Pat Frieler, Greenville chapter State Representative, attended the South Carolina Genealogical Society Board of Directors meeting held July 11th at the State Workshop in Columbia, SC. Below is a partial report of the proceedings of this meeting.

Dr. Connie McNeill opened the meeting by introducing Doris B. Jones from the U.S. Census Bureau, who had a request for the Chapters. She began by handing out canvas bags that contained several items with the Census 2010 logo. She asked that the Chapters of the Society help to make certain everyone in the state of South Carolina is counted. Hand outs were given that listed the many ways that we could help to make this census a success. Ms. Jones informed the group that South Carolina had the next to lowest percentage of census returned in 2000. In 2010, a 6% increase is the target. If anyone has questions, Ms. Jones will be at the Census display table out front.

Carolina Herald Editor's Report: Judy Long thanked everyone for their support this year and for sending her articles to include in the *Herald*. She will be contacting Chapters to get them involved in the *Herald*.

Judy Long invited everyone to the 2009 SCGS Annual Meeting to be held in Abbeville October 23rd and 24th. A lot of things have been planned including a walking tour and research in the Probate Judge's Office and Clerk of Court's office. The Friday night reception will be held at the Historic General McGowan-Barksdale-Bundy House. On Saturday the speaker will be Ann Byrd Bowen, author of *The History of Greenwood County* as well as Dr. Judith Russell and Capt. Gregory L. Crane who will discuss their programs to create your family tree to leave as a gift to your grandchildren.

Marguerite Bishop reported on the plans for the NGS Conference in 2011. She stated that she is getting a lot of help from the Charleston County Visitors and Convention Bureau and the North Charleston Visitors and Convention Bureau. On the Tuesday of the conference, a group will be brought from Charleston to Columbia to research in the Archives. The Archives has said they can take 100 visitors if they have help. Marguerite suggested that the upstate Chapters could help by volunteering to help at the Archives May 10, 2011. While researchers are in Columbia, there will also be trips planned to several libraries in the Charleston area. In August, the bus companies will be given the chance to bid on supplying transportation around Charleston as well as the trip to Columbia. Selection of a picture that represents the area that will be incorporated in all materials and publications for the Conference has not been select yet. Several are being considered, and a selection will be made, with the help of the Visitors and Convention Bureau, in the coming months.

Childhood Lessons

By William D. "Bill" Kivett

A 7-1/2 pound baby boy was born at 3:45 AM on Monday, January 23, 1939 at home in the central part of rural North Carolina. He would be the only child of a farmer and homebuilder and his ex teacher spouse. There in extreme eastern Randolph Co. he grew up on the small farm, which had been the home place of his paternal grandfather. The combined experiences encountered during these formative years, like on most of us, left indelible marks – not all of which he can or likes to remember. However, here is one memory that he tells in the form of childhood lessons that still live within what that boy became.

“In addition to newscasts, I loved to listen to music on the radio as a youngster – all kinds. Of course, country music was played a lot on the local stations and I could pick up the Grand Ole Opry on WSM out of Nashville, TN on Saturday nights. Swinging arrangements of the Big Bands that became so popular during The War were still heard. I often thought I would like to play in a band – maybe drums. Sometime along when I was about 10 or 12 I actually tried to learn to play the violin. My aunt Pauline’s husband Vaughn Brower played “fiddle” – country violin. They lived a few miles away on another farm. Sometimes when we would go to visit them Vaughn would take out his old fiddle and play some hymn or a jig. It was my first experience hearing live music come from anything other than a piano. It looked like it would be enormous fun to actually play an instrument. A lusting for a violin of my own took hold. One day a seed catalog came in the mail, which offered prizes to children who would sell seeds. To my great delight, one prize being offered was a violin. So, I talked my parents into sending off for a seed sales kit. I don’t remember how much money or time was involved in this whole childhood enterprise – more than one year, and many more seed kits. Suffice it to say that I successfully sold seeds to folks living on surrounding farms – rode a bicycle and delivered the packets for miles around, and accumulated enough points to earn a cheap violin. I always assumed that once I had such an instrument I could teach myself to play it. There was an instruction book that came with the violin, but no case. After a few weeks it became apparent that learning to play the violin was one tough job. I enlisted the help of uncle Vaughn to teach me. There were many sessions, and I eventually learned to play a few simple tunes, but never without some screeching and missed notes. I discovered that playing the violin requires enormous strength in the fingers to press the tight strings firmly against the fingerboard. Further, since there are no frets to define the note positions of the fingers, preciseness is a must for a pleasing sound. Finally I came to the conclusion that I would never be a concert master. The violin was put away, but stayed with me until it found a new home in a garage sale years later. This event taught me some early lessons that stayed with me even after the sale of the violin:

People will buy stuff from you if you are not too shy to approach them and deliver what you promise. Longed for treasures really can be obtained with planning, dedicated effort over time, and thrift. Skilled musicians have to work very hard at what they do, and the violin is especially difficult to play well. But it only served to deepen my appreciation of the violin’s rich sound, and enhanced my great respect for those who master it or other musical instruments. I occasionally pull out one of my old LP’s of bands like those of Glenn Gray, Woody Herman, and Benny Goodman. But a special thrill goes up my spine when I now hear the violin of Bill Monroe, Allison Krause, or Itzhak Pearlman that goes back to my childhood.”

*Write or email Wanda Randle with your memories from the past for this new column. wanda5@charter.net
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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.

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