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NEWSLETTER: Volume XXXVII, Number 1, February 2011

February Meeting

February 3, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. First Christian Church – 704 Edwards Road

""Honor and Family: a Deadly Mix in Antebellum Greenville"

By Alexia Jones Helsley

Alexia Jones Helsley is an historian, archivist and author. Her latest book is a History of North Carolina Wine: from Scuppernong to Syrah (History Press, July 2010). Other publications include The Hidden History of Greenville County, SC, Lost Columbia, SC: Bygone images of South Carolina's Capital City, Beaufort, SC: a History, Persevering in Faith: a Centennial History of Eason Memorial Baptist Church, Eastover, SC, 1910 - 2010, and A Guide to Historic Henderson County, NC.

With a long interest in genealogy, Mrs. Helsley is a charter member and program vice president for the Henderson County, NC Genealogical and Historical Society. She also serves as president of the Pace Society of America, one of the oldest surname societies in America.

Retired in 2001, her 33-year career with the SC Department of Archives and History included 20 years in reference. Currently, Mrs. ·Helsley is an instructor in history for USC·Aiken ·and a member of the Old Exchange Commission.

In 2009 the SC State DAR awarded Mrs. Helsley the Bobby Gilmore Moss Award for her research in the history and genealogy of the American Revolution. In addition, USC Aiken presented her with its first part time teaching award in 2006, and in 2007 Helsley received the Governor's Archives Award for her efforts in promoting the use of the State's archives.

Mrs. Helsley, a native of Kentucky, grew up in Beaufort, SC. She was graduated from Furman University, *magna cum laude* and received an MA in history from the University of South Carolina. She is married with two children and one grandchild.

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President's Message

Well, I hope the snow is gone from your house; it's still on the ground at mine. Christmas is over and a new year has started off with a bang. It's time to get to work on making our Chapter the best it can be and we need everyone to do his or her part to make that happen. I look forward to an exciting year ahead. I hope all our members will find their places to make this the most exciting year we have ever had.

Hope to see you at our February meeting!

Patsy

January Minutes

The January meeting was called to order by President Patsy Swygert, who welcomed members and recognized guests. There were fourteen attendees.

Reports of Officers:

President Patsy Swygert reminded everyone of the newly elected officers: Corresponding Secretary Andrea Riddle, Treasurer Dot Hawkins, Archivist Brenda Meyer and also Brenda Meyer is remaining our State Representative.

Sue Webb announced that our February speaker would be Alexia Jones Helsley.

Treasurer Dot Hawkins gave the Treasurers Report for December 2010.

Archivist Brenda Meyer had no report.

State Representative Brenda Meyer stated that she would be attending the State Meeting on Saturday, January 8, where the main topic would be the National Genealogical Society Conference in May 2011. She announced that any Chapter members who attended this conference and worked at least 8 hours would get \$75 off registration expenses. Also each chapter who had members working at this conference would be getting money for their treasuries. This is an incentive to get more volunteers to work the conference.

Publicity Co-chairs Wanda Randle and Suzanne Case were absent, but it was noted that an article was in the newspapers about our meeting. We had several calls in response to these articles and several guests were present.

A motion was made and carried to accept the Officers Reports.

The October and November Minutes were presented. One correction was made to the October Minutes and they were accepted as amended. The November Minutes were accepted as presented.

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Old Business:

There was no old business.

New Business:

Brenda Meyer shared photos that were restored for her by Driggers Photography.

Carol Leake announced plans for the Lee -Jackson Dinner sponsored by the SCV on January 22, 2011.

President Patsy Swygert announced plans for the National Genealogical Society 2011 Conference in May 2011. The host hotel is sold out and several other hotels are filling up fast. Members were advised to make reservations as soon as possible.

Vice President Sue Webb introduced Speaker Frederick Tucker who spoke about his research for his book on Verna Felton, television and movie star of the 1940s and 1950's.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Patsy Swygert, President'

Chapter News

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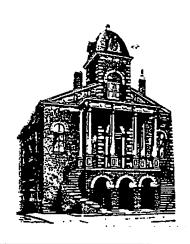
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The Revolutionary War and Three Actions in Greenville County

By John (Jack) Parker

Our speaker for our April meeting is John ("Jack") Parker, who will present "The Revolutionary War and Three Actions in Greenville County." He will also have a Powerpoint presentation on the Actions at Blue Savannah and Willow Grove. He plans to have copies of his book, "Parkers Guide," for sale at the meeting. His website is www.screvwarguide.com.

John Parker (aka Jack) was born in Wilkes-Barre, PA on 1/26/1941. At age 1, his parents moved to Dover, DE and then to Wyoming, DE where he attended Caesar Rodney School through grade 12. Upon completion of high school, he attended the Univ. Of Delaware and Millersville State College, Millersville, PA, where he earned a B. S. in Industrial Arts Education in 1963.

He was commissioned an officer in the U.S. Navy in 1963 and served until November 1967. He was branch manager of Binswanger Glass Co. in Norfolk, VA until 1970, a carpenter in Denver, CO until 1976, started and ran a yacht repair company in Mt. Pleasant, SC until 1984, started and ran an automotive repair shop in Mt. Pleasant, SC until 1990, and sold automotive chemical supplies in eastern SC until retiring in 2007.

While trying to visit some Revolutionary War sites around Eutawville, SC, he discovered that directions to the sites were non-existent at worst and very poor at best. In 2000, he decided to locate and write a guide to all the Revolutionary War Battle, Skirmish and Murder sites known to date in South Carolina, so that others can find the sites without having to spend months reading reference material. Work on the writing and map making began in 2004 and was completed in late 2009. Self published in 2010; Parker's Guide to the Revolutionary War in South Carolina is the result of 5 years of intense work.

Parker's Guide to the Revolutionary War in South Carolina is the first and only publication to locate and publish all the actions for an entire state. Each site has a map to locate it with GPS co-ordinates, directions to the site from an easy to find starting point and an account of the action that took place at the site.

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President's Message

I want to thank all of our members last month for standing and tell us who they are, who they are researching and what they have found so far. It helps to know what our members are searching for, as we are there to help them find out what they can't find on their own. One of us may have the missing link. It also helps to have empathizers who will listen to us when we find out something we have been seeking for a long time. I know I am about to bust! I finally found the ship my ancestor came over on from Belfast, Ireland in 1769! But now I have no one who cares - it's on a different side of the family from the people I see on a regular basis. I wish I could find something about the Farrs, but the Carlisle line is wonderful too.

I am sorry to miss the April meeting. Jack Parker will have some interesting information about the Revolutionary War and I know several of our men will enjoy this. I am sure Sue Webb will take good care of you, so come and support her.

Looking forward to seeing you at the May Covered Dish Dinner Meeting!

Patsy

Upcoming Events

March 26 -- "100 Year Reunion of Upcountry Families in the Dining Commons of Southern Wesleyan University. If you want to rent a table for display, the cost is \$15.

March 31 & April 1 – Statewide Preservation Conference at the SC Archives and History Center in Columbia. Educational sessions, networking and a chance to attend a State Board of Review meeting. Sessions include archaeology, advocacy, cemeteries, grants, tax credits, energy efficiency, effective public meetings, preservation case studies, Section 106, trends in preservation and more. Cost is \$50 for both days. Single days are \$30. To the schedule and description of sessions and register please http://shpo.sc.gov/conf/landpconference/preservationconference.htm.

April 12-14 – The National Preservation Institute will offer two workshops on historic cemeteries in Columbia. Cemetery Preservation will be April 12-13, and Cemetery Landscapes: A Practical Guide to Care and Maintenance will be April 14. For more information and to register, visit www.npi.org. Cost is \$50.

May 11-14 – The National Genealogical Society 2011 Family History Conference, "Where the Past is Still Present," Charleston, South Carolina. There is still time to register for this conference. Visit http://www.ngsgenealogy.org for more information. This conference will include all levels of research and bring together people from all over the world who have an interest in genealogy.

Members of our Chapter who volunteer to work at least eight hours during the week of the conference earn money for our Chapter's Treasury. Volunteers are still needed to help with the SC Archives visit in Columbia on Tuesday, May 10. You do not have to go to the conference in Charleston to help with the Archives trip; however, if you are already registered for the Charleston conference, you will have to register for the Columbia trip also (even if you volunteer). If you can just go for the day to Columbia to help, this would be appreciated.

The Generations Project

Sue Rester Webb, Vice President of the Greenville Chapter

OLDEN DAYS

When I was 12 years old I would sit by the fireplace and eat peanuts with my grandmother, Suzannah Stringer Rester. I would ask her to tell me about the olden days. She told me of the night her little brother died of pneumonia and a hoot owl sat on the top of the chimney hooting. My interest in the "olden days" lead me to genealogy, a hobby that I have enjoyed for about 35-40 years.

This is what I would have missed if I had not gotten into my research:

My mother was Leona Mae Pritchard of Rayville, Louisiana and she told me of the 1927 flood. My grandmother Dottie Etier Pritchard told me about her mother dying when she was about 9 years of age and how she had to do the family washing in a black wash pot and standing on a soap box to wash her older brothers' and her father's work clothes. Her father was French Canadian and the first Etier that came to Louisiana was Joseph Etier and he helped provide logs for Fort Miro, now Monroe, Louisiana. He also constructed the first road from south Louisiana to Fort Miro in 1765.

Further along I found out my great grandfather John Colman Pritchard fought in the Civil War and my great, great grandfather Aaron Ryan fought in the Civil War and his wife, Mary Hester Duff Ryan, was shot in the abdomen by carpet baggers while he was away at war. She died as result of the wound and her two little girls, Mary Hester and Amelia Ann Ryan, went to an orphanage in Natchez, Mississippi.

In my research I found out John Pritchard of Emporia, Virginia fought with General George Washington at the battle of Valley Forge.

When I got interested in my maiden name Rester, I thought I was English, but to my amazement I was of German extraction. My dad was working at a Veteran's Hospital during WWII and a German prisoner of war told him that his name was German. And so the hunt began. Living in South Carolina I found about Saxe Gotha and found my ancestor, Johanne Adam Rester from Eglesheim, now Ludswigburg northeast of Stuttgart. He was born in 1710 and came to Charleston in 1744/45. He was a shoemaker.

Today I know "Who I am." I am German, French, Irish, English, Scottish, Welch, and 100% American.

March Minutes

The March meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM on March 3, 2011 by President, Patsy Swygert. Patsy Swygert welcomed everyone and had everyone stand and introduce themselves and tell about their research efforts.

Patsy then stated that she had done the March newsletter, but it had not been mailed. Copies were available for members to take. She also stated that she needed material for the April newsletter.

Vice-President Sue Webb stated that our April speaker will be Jack Parker, who will be speaking about the Revolutionary War, 3 Actions in Greenville County, and Actions at Blue Savannah and Willow Grove.

Treasurer Dot Hawkins gave the Treasurers Report.

State Representative Brenda Meyer reminded everyone to register for the National Genealogical Society Conference, which will be held May 9-14 in Charleston, SC. Our chapter will get money if any of our members volunteer at this Conference. Training sessions will be held on Sunday, March 27 and May 9 for all volunteers.

A motion was made by Lesley Craddock to accept the officers' reports, second by Brenda Meyer.

The February Minutes were in the newsletter, which everyone read at the meeting. A motion to accept these Minutes was made by Lesley Craddock, seconded by Brenda Meyer.

Old Business:

Patsy Swygert reminded everyone that yearly dues are now payable, if members have not paid yet. Discussion followed as to when publications would stop for unpaid members. The date of cutoff is March 31, 2011. Anyone who has not paid by then will not longer receive our publications.

Each member is requested to write a short article for "The Generations Project" column. Patsy Swygert wrote her article for the March newsletter. (The name of this column may be changed, due to copyright issues.) Tom Webb asked that the members to send him articles for this column. His e-mail address is: webb114@charter.net.

New Business:

Julie Nowak described her service, Personal Genealogy Services, to members. She is willing to assist anyone with organization of records and piles of notes. She had a flyer with her website and telephone number for distribution. Lesley Craddock announced that our Chapter has a new Facebook page. This site will have items of interest and notices of meetings.

Judy Long informed the membership about the "100 Year Reunion of Upcountry Families" to be held on March 26th in the Dining Commons of Southern Wesleyan University. If you want to rent a table for display, the cost is \$15.

Brenda Meyers again reminded members that volunteers are needed to help at the National Genealogical Society conference. There are a number of venues that need the help of volunteers.

Our speakers, Brenda Meyer and her daughter, Lesley Craddock, spoke on the topic, "NGS Annual Conference '10 Highlights & '11 Preview, with a powerpoint presentation of pictures from their trip to Salt Lake City for the 2010 NGS Conference, with pictures of the LDS Library and SC State Archives supplied by Patsy Swygert.

President, Patsy Swygert, adjourned the meeting at 8:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Riddle, Corresponding Secretary

Chapter News

UpComing Meetings

May 5 - Annual Covered Dish Dinner

September 1 – Annual Show and Tell Presentations by Members

October 6 – Member Henrietta Sweeney will discuss her research to be admitted to the DAR, and how hard it is for a woman (especially an African-American woman) to find her ancestors.

November 3 - Scott Withrow, "The Battle of Cowpens and What Happened to the Soldiers Afterward"

December 1 - Annual Christmas Party

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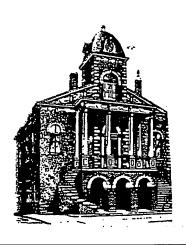
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May Meeting

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Annual Covered Dish Dinner Come and Share A Meal as Well as Your Challenges and Successes

As usual, we will not have a speaker for our May covered dish dinner meeting. We will share a covered dish dinner and sit around the table and share our challenges and successes in our research efforts. We may have information that would be useful to others in our group that will help them break through their "brick walls." Come, bring your favorite dish to share and join us! Notice the earlier starting time of 6:30 PM

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The May covered dish dinner will be our last meeting before the summer break. Come and share what you have learned through your research and what places you have looked and found (or not found) good information. You may have the very information to make summer research go well for others.

I am looking forward to the NGS Conference in Charleston in May. I expect to be overwhelmed with information and places to look for my own research. I will share this information with all of you in the September newsletter.

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The South Carolina Genealogical Society has added another tour event on Friday afternoon, 13 May 2011. After the South Carolina Genealogical Society luncheon "A Glimpse of Gullah Life." Alphonso Brown will conduct a two hour Gullah Tour of Charleston, leaving the convention center at 2:00 p.m. and returning to the hotel at approximately 4:30 p.m. The cost of the tour will be \$20.00. If you are interested, sign up quickly because there are only twenty-one seats on the tour bus. The tour will include Catfish Row (setting of Porgy & Bess), The Whipping House, Emanuel A. M. E. Church, The Battery, The Old Slave Market, Site of Jones Hotel, Old City Market, and much more.

The Generations Project

HOW MY PARENTS CAME TO MEET (AGAIN) DOWN THE COUNTRY By David E. Davenport, Member, Greenville Chapter, SCGS

I didn't understand how roundabout, though fortuitous, the circumstances were concerning my parents' courtship until I began updating my Scott family genealogy. My parents were actually born, as one would say back then, "down the country" and not very far apart at that. Specifically, they were born in southern or "lower" Greenville County. However, as things happen, they ended up living some distance from each other for many years, only to be reunited in the same general area where they were born.

My great, great grandparents, John and Sarah McCullough Scott, landed in Charleston, South Carolina in 1849 as Irish immigrants. They were a prolific couple, as were their progeny, eventually having six sons and two daughters. In 1961, one of my great aunts, Sue Scott, researched, wrote, and published the <u>The Scott Family Record</u>; it was subsequently updated in 1981 by a distant cousin. I volunteered a few years ago to update this latter version.

While in the course of updating the 1981 information, I have had occasion to talk with numerous relatives who remember events that occurred long before I came along. One of them mentioned that my mother had boarded in her parents' Fork Shoals home while teaching school there. She also stated that this home was where my father met my mother. Technically, this was not altogether true.

My father, Francis Marion Davenport, Jr., was born in 1900 about twenty miles south of Greenville on what is now Highway 25 ("the Augusta Road") and almost exactly four miles south of the Ware Place. Daddy lived on this farm until 1939 when he and Mother were married.

My mother, Sarah Bell Mitchell, was born in 1911 in the Princeton community about ten miles south of where her future husband was born. Daddy used to speak of watching from his front yard as the Mitchells passed in their wagon going to and from Greenville. It took them a day to get there, a day to shop and to conduct whatever business they had, and a day to return home. My grandmother sat in the wagon seat and held Mother in her lap, recognizable even then by her bright, red hair.

These brief, infrequent glimpses ended when the Mitchells moved to Greenville. My mother and her siblings attended public schools and all of them graduated from Parker High. She later studied Home Economics at Greenville Women's College, which was known simply as "GWC." This institution was located on the north side of College Street where the Greenville County History Museum, the Library, the Art Museum, and the Little Theatre are now situated. While she was attending GWC, the college merged with Furman University and Mother was among those in the first graduating class in which females were allowed to wear the Furman class ring. (We still have hers.) She used to tell us kids about taking the city bus to attend classes at the Furman campus, which at that time was located on University Ridge where County Square now sits.

After graduating from Furman, Mother found employment down the country at Fork Shoals School, thus returning to southern Greenville County and only about five miles from Daddy's farm. As mentioned earlier, she found a home (next door to the school) in which to board. This home was owned by the local physician, Doctor W.A. Ross. His wife, Mary Ellen ("Ellie") Scott Ross, was one of Daddy's aunts on his mother's side. My father, along with the other bachelors in the area, regularly visited the homes where the single teachers boarded. According to a cousin who lived in one of these homes, "When the young men came to visit they would all roll up the living room carpet, play records, dance, and have a high old time."

So it was, during a visit to his Aunt Ellie's, that Daddy was smitten by this new teacher, Miss Sarah Mitchell. They started dating and continued to do so even after she moved back to Greenville, having found a teaching position there. Finally, one evening in 1939, they drove over to West Pelzer where they were married at the home of Reverend Duffy, the Minister at Saint Paul Methodist Church where Mother and her family attended.

The newly married Davenports purchased a home in Greenville across the street from Augusta Circle School where they raised me, my twin sister (Diane), and our older brother (Francis Marion Davenport, III). Daddy commuted daily down the country and became known among his friends as "the City Farmer."

In 2009, a cousin guided me through the still occupied Fork Shoals home where Mother boarded as a single teacher and showed me the room in which she had lived seventy years before. Standing there, it was fascinating to consider that, had she not come back down the country, she and Daddy most likely would've never run into each other again and, as for me and my siblings...

I still have much work to do on the road to updating the Scott Family Record, but I am sure enjoying the ride.

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Book Review

by Morn McKoy Lindsay

Bruce Pruitt has published another book in his fine series of Greenville County deed books. The latest is Abstracts of Deeds: Greenville County, SC Books S & T (1835 - 1842), published 2011. As usual, Bruce has numbered each deed and uses that number to index the deed in both the full name and place indexes, and he is generous in his land descriptions, including names of neighbors and physical boundaries. He begins with an explanation page, has a Greenville County map, and three pages of plats which are found in the deeds.

People with Greenville County roots will find that this is a welcome addition to their home libraries.

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"Annual Covered Dish Dinner Come and Share a Meal as Well as Your Challenges and Successes"

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September Meeting

September 1, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. First Christian Church – 704 Edwards Road

Greenville Genealogy Members "Show and Tell" Event

What: Show off your family lines! The September meeting will be all about what you want to "show and tell."

As usual, we will not have a speaker for our September meeting. We will bring some of our research materials and share our challenges and successes in our research efforts. We may have information that would be useful to others in our group that will help them break through their "brick walls." Come, bring your notebooks, charts and any other materials to show and join us!

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President's Message

I hope you all have had a great summer, even with the extreme heat. I have certainly enjoyed my summer and found several interesting things I want to share with you at my table at the "Show and Tell." I volunteered at the National Genealogical Conference in Charleston and also at the Scottish Games in Greenville. Wait until you see what I found! You never know what you will find in the most unlikely places. (See my article in this newsletter.)

We will resume our meetings with our September Annual Show and Tell. Come and bring your "stuff" and let us know what you have been working on for the last 30 years. We may find some of our relatives in your "stuff." I did last year at Carol Leake's table and shattered one of my brick walls. Like I said, you never know what you will find in the most unlikely places. Who knew that Carol and I shared some of the same relatives!

Looking forward to seeing you at the September Meeting!

Patsy

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what you want to "show and tell." Request your table now!

When: September Meeting, September 1, 2011

Bring anything you would like to display about your family research. Your family trees and anything that people will find interesting. Sounds like fun to you? That is why we belong to the genealogical society!

Let us 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 no speaker, just 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@yahoo.com or call her at home at 246-2211.

The format will be: tables around the room for people to display their "stuff". A moderator will time everyone to move every 5 minutes or so to keep people from staying too long at one table and not seeing everything. People may bring books, notebooks, tabletop presentation boards, laptop computers, scrapbooks, whatever they have to display. The more information they bring, the better.

For example, Patsy Swygert's tabletop presentation board might hold cards with all the surnames that she is researching, maybe a family tree sheet, and some pictures. She also has notebooks for each of the families that she is researching. Possibly some pictures from her trip to Salt Lake City!

Each person should bring cards with his/her name and telephone number for distribution, so that interested people can contact them later for in-depth discussion.

Please let us know as soon as possible, so we will know how many tables we need. We really want you to come and share your family memorabilia with us.

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The Generations Project

Coming Home to a Place Where We Had Never Lived

Wanda Randle

We came to the Greenville area when my husband went to work for Fluor-Daniel. Until my mother came for a visit, I had no idea that we were coming home. She mentioned that two of her first cousins came to Fork shoals to see where their Revolutionary War ancestor, Hudson Berry, had a cotton factory and also gave land for a church. That intrigued me so we drove to south Greenville County to Fork Shoals that afternoon. A man was mowing the lawn at the Fork Shoals Baptist Church. I found out that he was a Berry. When I asked about Hudson Berry, he told me where to find his and Sarah Anthony, his wife's, graves and pointed down the street to where the cotton factory still stood. Eventually, we drove down and saw that it obviously had been refaced and probably enlarged but was still in use!

That was the beginning. My mother told me that Hudson Berry's daughter, Mary, had married Richard Williams. They were her great-great grandparents. I learned that the Williams family had given land for a town named Williamston after its founder. Their son had married a girl who was the great-granddaughter of another Revolutionary ancestor, David Garrison. He also was from south Greenville Co. In 1840, some of the young families traveled together to northeast Mississippi with other families connected by marriages. They bought land adjacent to each other and they became prominent in establishing a community and helped build a Baptist Church.

Now I was interested. Our next stop was the South Carolina Room in the main library. A librarian told me where to start researching and I immediately found these two families. I was hooked. Soon I was spending hours in the library. I met a lady who was also back in the family files. I started talking to her and to my surprise, she descended from some of the same families that I did. She was a member of the DAR and offered to help me become a member. I took her telephone number but did not intend to join. A few months later, I called Mary Ann Eskew to ask a question, and she asked where I lived. She came over within an hour and in about that same amount of time, she had me well under way to having my application for DAR filled out. I gathered the necessary document that she listed for me and within a few months, I had been accepted into a DAR Chapter. My mother became a member through another ancestor. We were having a great time, finding out about long ago family.

During another visit to the library, I found a notice for a meeting of the Greenville Chapter of the SCGS. There I found people who shared my interests, so I became a member. Organizations are always looking for "new blood"—new members who are enthusiastic over family history. I quickly became involved with a committee. To my surprise, I found more "genealogy cousins" who shared some of my lines.

When you get the family history bug, and you are in the area where your ancestors lived, if you are lucky you can see where they lived, where they are buried and find records in the library or tax /probate office. You might make a trip to Columbia to the SC State Archives to get copies of documents.

It was after several generations had made lives in northeast Mississippi before chance brought my husband and myself here. He has ancestors here, too. After discovering seven Revolutionary ancestors in Upstate South Carolina, we feel we have come home.

April Minutes

Greenville Chapter, South Carolina Genealogical Society April 7, 2011 Minutes

In the absence of President Patsy Swygert, Vice President Sue Webb called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Several visitors were introduced. . There was an attendance of 35 members and visitors.

The Financial Report was given by Dot Hawkins stating a balance of \$12,103.34. Brenda Meyers reported that she will go to Columbia for the SCGS board meeting on Saturday morning. Anyone would be welcome to attend. She also mentioned that more volunteers are needed for the NGS convention in Charleston. Sue Webb announced that our next meeting will be our annual covered dish dinner. David Davenport made the motion to accept the reports as stated and Judy Long seconded. The reports were unanimously accepted by the members present.

Jack Parker presented the program on Revolutionary War Sites in South Carolina.

Submitted by Andrea Riddle, Corresponding Secretary

May Minutes

Greenville Chapter, South Carolina Genealogical Society May 5, 2011 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Patsy Swygert. She welcomed members and guests.

Officer's Reports:

President Patsy Swygert said that the President' Message was in the newsletter. Also, she plans to attend the National Genealogical Society Convention in Charleston, SC later this month.

Vice President/Program Chair Sue Web announced that the September meeting will be our annual "Show and Tell." Members are encouraged to bring things to share.

Treasurer Dot Hawkins presented the Treasurer's Report.

Archivist Brenda Meyer had no report.

Brenda Meyer presented her report from the State Meeting. This meeting was the final wrap up before the National Genealogical Society Convention. Several members of our Chapter will be volunteering for this event. All members are encouraged to attend if at all possible. This will be the largest genealogical conference in our area.

A motion to accept the Officers' Reports was made and seconded. The motion passed.

The April Minutes approval was postponed until September.

Old Business:

Patsy Swygert requested submissions for the next "Generations Project" column for the newsletter.

New Business:

Patsy Swygert requested a motion to have more newsletters printed to be distributed at the National Genealogical Conference in Charleston. A motion was made that we run another 250 newsletters. It was seconded. The motion was passed and Patsy Swygert will contact the copier to print the newsletters.

Announcements:

Program: Our Annual "Covered Dish Dinner" began after the blessing by Dorothy Hawkins.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM

Respectfully submitted by Patsy Swygert, President

Member Articles

HOW I SPENT MY SUMMER VACATION By Brenda Meyer

My summer vacation was as varied as the weeks. From spending a week at the National Genealogical Society Conference in North Charleston with my daughter, Lesley and friends: Patsy, Andrea, Judy, Connie and a host of other wonderful people, to having a Grandparents/Grandchildren Camp at our home for two weeks for some of our "grands".

I met a relative on the internet; and a new friend who tracked me down," literally". I had put a query out on the internet trying to find some information on my "Brown Family" line that had hit a brick wall. A few days later I received a post asking if I was related to Nettie Brown. As soon as I read the post, I answered that my paternal great-grandmother's name was Jeanette Louise "Nettie" Perry Brown, wife of James A."Jim" Brown, and mother of my grandfather, Hovey Brown. The next post I received stated that her grandmother was Jeanette L. "Nettie" Perry Brown and her father was Luther Brown, brother of Hovey. We have been corresponding for two months now exchanging information and photos of the Brown and Perry families. One afternoon a lady called and asked if I were the Brenda Meyer who had submitted the picture of the "Lesley Family" in the calendar published for the 100 Reunion of the Upcountry Families? Yes I had sent that photo for the calendar and we are now exchanging info and photos of the Lesley, Espey, and Sheriff families. See, you never know when you will find a relative or make a new friend and gain new info about your ancestors.

Last week I went to a meeting of a group whose project is called: Pickens County Tombstone Project for 150th Anniversary of The War Between the States. We went to three cemeteries in the Salem/Sunset area to identify, research, and mark the grave of Confederate and Union soldiers from Pickens District. We will be visiting cemeteries each month and compiling biographies of each soldiers as well as photos and GPS directions. This is a long range project which will take several years, however the benefits will be great as the information can be posted on the web and also published. Anne Sheriff is heading the project. Anne, Judy Long and I along with approx. 12 others from several organizations, had a great time in our search and fellowship together. We are looking forward to our outing next month. If you are interested in more information about this project, let me know.

I had a wonderful summer vacation including short visits with Judy at her home, Dot at her home and Patsy at her office.

HOW I SPENT MY SUMMER VACATION - 2011 By Patsy Swygert

As many of you know, the National Genealogical Society was having their big conference in Charleston, South Carolina this year. One of the reasons they chose Charleston is because this year is the 150th anniversary of the beginning of the "Civil War", the "Late Unpleasantness" or whatever you want to call it. Anyway, the first shot of the Civil War was at Fort Sumter, off the coast of Charleston. So the whole town of Charleston planned lots of events for this special anniversary. So what better place to come to discuss genealogy!

Our Chapter was encouraged to have volunteers to help with this Conference, so, of course, as your illustrious President, I made plans to attend this conference and work myself to death! Several members of our Chapter also volunteered also and we had a great time.

At first Sue Webb was going as my roommate, but she could not work out the details. Then Dennise Ballew was going as my roommate, but she found out that her husband had brain cancer, so she could not leave him. So, I had to go alone. I had a room at the Residence Inn by Marriott, just across the parking lot from the Convention center (within walking distance!). Did I say room? It was a one bedroom suite with a full kitchen! (All to myself!) Two TVs, lots of windows, a pool and hot tub – What was not to like!

The Conference was to begin on Wednesday, but I arrived on Monday for the volunteer training that morning. Then we stuffed the bags to be distributed to all of the paid registrants. Some of the volunteers had been doing this since 9 AM but I didn't get started until 11:30 AM. Then someone said, "Let's order pizza." What we didn't know was than Jan Alpert (NGS Board Member) offered to pay for it as a gift to the volunteers! What a way to start my working opportunity! We had 3000 bags to stuff and we stuffed them all! After that work, our day was free to do as we pleased. So I explored the exhibit hall which was being set up. There were many booths – all about genealogy and from all parts of the country and the world.

The next morning I went to the lobby for breakfast. (Did I mention that breakfast was included in the price of the room! And an evening meal Monday through Thursday!) I meet Lew and Beverly who were staying at my hotel. They were from South Bend, Indiana and they had a booth called "Fun Stuff for Genealogists." (They do have a website.) Also I met Louise St. Denis (from Toronto, Canada), who had the booth "National Institute for Genealogical Studies." (This booth was offering a free course on Social Media for the Wise Genealogist.) We had breakfast with each other every morning the whole week, and several suppers. (Also I was invited to Lew and Bev's wedding. They were getting married when they returned home.) Andrea Riddle and her cousin were also staying at my hotel and they joined us several times for breakfast. After Andrea's cousin returned home, Andrea didn't have a room for Friday night, so I invited her to stay with me. We had a great time. On Friday night, Bev invited us to her room for dinner. We gathered all of our plates and glasses and off we went for a great spaghetti supper. There were seven of us in that little living room, but we had a great time.

I met many new people and got to hang around with them at several meals. On Saturday night, I (and a new friend I had met that day) went over to the Embassy Suites and ate with Connie McNeill, Judy Long, Brenda Meyer and Lesley Craddock. Again, a great time was had by all.

I attended as many sessions as I could and was room monitor for several of them. I especially enjoyed the update on the Hunley by Senator McConnell. I wish we could get him to present this in Greenville sometime. One of the perks of a volunteer was the coupons for meal discounts in the Exhibit Hall. So guess where I ate every day? (And I had taken a whole picnic basket because I didn't know where I was going to eat!)

I met many people from all over the world. I rode the trolley (yes, the trolley came to each hotel and transported us to the Convention Center several times a day) and met a lady from Ireland, who was a speaker at the Conference.

As you may or may not know, I found my connection with Ireland and Scotland when I went to Salt Lake City in 2010. This summer I also volunteered at the Scottish Games for the second year. I visited the Genealogy Tent and found out which clans I belong to – three of them! Scott, Grant and Bruce Clans! So as you can see I had a great summer and found some new information in the process. See what you can do when you volunteer!

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September Meeting

September 1, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. First Christian Church – 704 Edwards Road

"Greenville Genealogy Members "Show and Tell" Event

Show off your family lines! The September meeting will be all about what you want to "show and tell."

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NEWSLETTER: Volume XXXVII, Number 6, November 2011

November Meeting

November 3, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. First Christian Church – 704 Edwards Road

"After Cowpens: Whatever Happened to Those Who Participated in the Battle of Cowpens?"

Scott Withrow, historian, will be our speaker for our November meeting. Scott Withrow, a native of Rutherford County, North Carolina, lives in Greer with his wife, Ann Dillard Withrow. He has had a varied career in teaching and living history. Now semi-retired, he teaches continuing education classes at Furman University, works part-time as a park ranger at Cowpens National Battlefield, and is also an adjunct instructor at North Greenville University. His historical interests include the Cherokee, the Melungeons, the Scotch-Irish, the Appalachians, the American Revolution, and historic trails.

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President's Message

We have had several new members and many guests join us for our last two meetings. Some of them have indicated an interest in becoming officers. There are many opportunities to help our group grow and be a help to others with our same zeal for learning about our family histories.

Election of officers will be held at our November meeting. These new officers will be installed and begin their new duties in January. Come and support these wonderful people as you have helped me for the last two terms. I have enjoyed my time as your President and look forward to assisting the new President and Officers as they continue the good work of our Chapter.

Looking forward to seeing you at the November Meeting!

Patsy Swygert

Upcoming Events

UpComing Meetings

November 3 - Scott Withrow, "The Battle of Cowpens and What Happened to the Soldiers Afterward"

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SOUTH CAROLINA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING

Friday and Saturday, October 28, 29, 20:11 Central History Museum & Collins Ole Towne Central, South Carolina 29630

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2:00 -5:00 Tour of Faith Clayton Genealogical Room at Southern Wesleyan University and Tour of Pendleton District Commission Genealogical Collection at Pendleton, SC.

6:00 - 8:00 PM

Reception at Central History Museum & Gardens, 416 Church Street, Central, SC.

| Saturday: | Collins Ole Towne, 228 Lawton Road, Central, SC 29630 |
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| 9:30 -10:00 | Coffee |
| 10:00 - 10:45 | Cemetery Signage Projects in the Upstate |
| 10:45 - 11:00 | Break |
| 11:00 -11:45 | Andrew Pickens Revolutionary War Hero by Dr. Tim Drake |
| 11:45 - 12:00 | Break |
| 12:00-1:00 | Lunch (SCGS Board Mtg. During Lunch in Chapel) |
| 1:00 - 2:00 | Annual Business Meeting |

Motels near Central in Clemson, SC (Tiger Blvd. is Highway 123).

Hampton Inn, 851 Tiger Boulevard, Clemson, SC. (864-653-7744)

Comfort Inn, 1305 US 76, Clemson, SC. (864-653-3600) \$90.00

Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites, 1381Tiger Blvd., Clemson, SC. (864-765-2744)

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September Minutes

September 1, 2011

Patsy Swygert called the meeting to order and welcomed our visitors Laurie Holly, Laurie Taylor, Terry Cook, Judy Gibson and Susan Squires.

Vice President Sue Webb introduced fellow member Henrietta Sweeney who will be our speaker in October.

Members were advised of the death of Jane Chandler's husband.

Treasurer Dot Hawkins reported that we had deposits of \$137.70 in June and twenty cents interest giving the bank account a total of \$12,231.25. The CD balance is \$7000.00.

Archivist Brenda Meyer has other newsletters in the archives.

She also reported that the convention will be in Cincinnati next year. The Round Table workshop was successful. The next workshop will be July 13-14, 2012 at the archives in Columbia. They are trying to secure Tony Burroughs as the speaker. The annual-meeting of SCGS-will be held October 28-29, 2011 in Central. On Friday from 2:00-5:00 pm, there will be a tour of the Faith Clayton Genealogy Room and a reception from 6:00-8:00 pm. The reception meal is \$20.00. On Saturday at Collins Ole Town, there will be a Cemetery Tour at 10:00 am and at 11:00 am, a presentation on Andrew Pickens.

A request was made to discuss a new meeting time at next month's meeting.

Directions were given on how to get our group added to each member's Bi-Lo card in order for our club to receive funds.

Wanda Randle reported that she will do the newspaper meeting announcements.

Judy Long moved that the minutes be accepted and Dot Hawkins seconded. The minutes were approved by the members present.

Announcements were made that articles will be accepted for next month's newsletter. A nominating committee for next year's officers is needed.

The "Annual Show and Tell" program was presented by club members.

The meeting was adjourned.

October Minutes

October 6, 2011

President Patsy Swygert called the meeting to order and visitors were introduced:

Lynn Barrett from PA., Mr. Rob from NY state, and Joanne Chapman from Pickens. Terry Cook and Laurie Holly were recognized as new members.

Vice President Sue Webb reported that next month's speaker will be Scott Withrow. The program will be "The Battle of Cowpens and What Happened to the Soldiers Afterward".

Treasurer Dot Hawkins reported deposits of \$225.10 from dues and interest and a payment of \$25.00 for the meeting room fee. The bank balance is \$12,431.35 and the CD is \$7,161.53.

State Representative Brenda Meyer reminded the members about the SCGS meeting October 28-29, 2011 in Central

Judy Long motioned that the reports be accepted and Lesley Craddock seconded. The reports were accepted by the membership.

The minutes from September were read by Andrea Riddle. Brenda Meyer motioned and Judy Long seconded. They were passed as read by the membership.

Announcement was made that articles are needed for the next newsletter.

Henrietta Sweeney presented an interesting program called "My Newton-Sullivan Family: From Slavery to an American Patriot of the American Revolution".

The meeting was adjourned.

The Generations Project

By Brenda Meyer

My interest in genealogy began with my Grandmother Lesley. At the time I didn't know the word "genealogy" at all. She had always wanted to be a teacher. When her father died from the flu in March 1920, her dreams of teaching in a classroom died also. Very soon after his death, she quit school, lied about her age, and went to work in a textile mill.

Many years later I was born. We had a mutual admiration for each other from the very beginning. And since we lived next door to each other, she was my babysitter while my mother was working. Later I would get off the school bus at her house and spend as much time with her as I could get away with.

Those long ago afternoons we talked while we gardened, baked and did laundry. If we finished all our chores early, we did my favorite thing most of all! She would open the blanket chest her great uncle had made for her grandmother and move the featherbed I always slept on and there it was -- the big box of pictures she had collected her whole life. We spent so many hours over the years looking at the pictures over and over again and as we looked at the pictures, she would tell me stories of the people in them. The "people" were our family many of whom had passed away long before I was born.

"Grandma" Lesley taught me many things as I was growing up. She taught me the importance of family and staying connected to them, even if it is only through pictures and stories. Both my grandparents, as well as my parents were readers and they encouraged me to read also. And I read. Everything I could get my hands on. When I didn't have anything else to read and wanted something other than the Bible (which I read at least twice), I started reading the World Book Encyclopedias. That evolved into reading all the history books I could find. Maybe my grandmother never was able to teach in a classroom, however she taught me the things that that have become most important in my life.

You may be wondering what happened to that box of pictures. I wish I could say that I have them, but I don't. It was always understood that they would come to me at Grandma's passing, they didn't. A cousin has them. I do have wonderful memories of the time I spent with her and all the stories she told me which I cherish and now tell my grandchildren. Oh, by the way I do have the blanket chest and I think of Grandma every time I polish that old wood.

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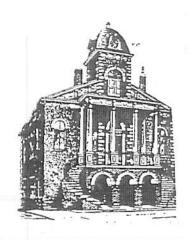
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NEWSLETTER: Volume XXXVII, Number 7, December 2011

December Meeting

December 1, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. Home of Charles and Beth Lee 1805 East North Street, Greenville, SC

"Christmas Party"

Bring Finger Foods and a Friend

Once again we have been invited to have our Christmas Party at the lovely home of Charles and Beth Lee, 1805 East North Street, Greenville, SC. Bring finger foods, sheet music, friends and yourself to this most festive occasion.

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November Minutes

November 3, 2011

President Patsy Swygert called the meeting to order and welcomed our visitor, Denise Ballew.

Our December 1st meeting is our Annual Christmas Party at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Lee. The address is 1805 E. North St., which is across the street from Francis Asbury Methodist Church. The time is 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm. The members are asked to bring finger foods and a friend.

State Representative Brenda Meyer reported on the Annual SCGS meeting held October 28-29 in Central.

Andrea Riddle read the October minutes and they were approved as read.

The Nominating Committee presented the following slate of officers:

President – Tad Riddle
Vice President – Judy Long
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Corresponding Secretary – Lesley Craddock
Treasurer – Dot Hawkins
Parliamentarian – Herb Clark
Archivist – Brenda Meyer
State Representative – Brenda Meyer
Member At Large – Dr. Charles Lee
Publicity – Wanda Randle

The slate was approved by the membership.

Articles for "The Generations Project" have been received. Please send your article about who you are and how you got started in genealogy and where you are now.

Scott Winthrow presented an excellent program, "After Cowpens: Whatever Happened to Those Who Participated in the Battle of Cowpens?"

The meeting was adjourned.

The Generations Project

By Andrea Riddle

My name is Andrea Riddle and I began my family research after my marriage in 1981. My mother had some lineage books for her Taylor, Gibson and Flynn families and my sister had done some research earlier. I thought it was very interesting but I had no time for such things.

My grandmother Franks gave us a copy of her family tree which she had received from someone in the Beers family. Also, she had a *typewriter*. She would let the oldest grandchildren type the family names every year for our Christmas gift exchange. I thought typing was great! Little did she know she was planting the seeds of genealogy in us. My cousin, Debra Hutchins, is the Family History Librarian at the Spartanburg Library.

I checked out a book from the Greenville library and set up handwritten notebooks for my family and my new husband's family. I learned how to work the microfilm readers at the library but I did not know about the index books. I just read every page and wrote down everyone I found. It was tedious work. Later, we moved to Greenwood. I still have the scribbled pages in my notebook that my daughter drew as she sat under the table at the Greenwood library.

After the birth of our second daughter, we moved back to Greenville. There was very little research done until I mastered the family computer and joined Ancestry.com. Now I could research and print from home. Before long I needed a notebook for each surname. My husband, Tad, has taken over his family research. We are adding more cousins from FamilyTreeDNA.com.

I have no idea how many notebooks we have now because we add more all the time. We are enjoying our family trip through history.

Happy Hunting to you.

QUERIES

"I would like to visit the Gaines Cemetery located near Princeton, SC and take pictures. Does anyone know if this is accessible to the public? Looking at the maps the cemetery appears to be a good piece from the highway. All responses will be appreciated!" Keith Brown bkeith@clemson.edu.

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