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Mission Statement

"The objective of the Greenville Chapter, South Carolina Genealogical Society, shall be to raise the standard of genealogical research through education programs and workshops, publication of genealogical data, promotion of the collection of records, the preservation of records, publication of newsletters and journals and to stimulate a general interest in genealogy. Through its member of the State Society Board of Directors, the Chapter shall clear all major projects with the appropriate State Committee or Officer in order to avoid duplication of effort." From: Greenville Chapter, South Carolina Genealogical Society By-Laws

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The March meeting will be at The Cascades on Verdae Blvd. on March 16, 2014.

Warren Driggers of Driggers Photography in Columbia will be present a program at the March meeting on how to preserve your old and damaged photographs and provide free evaluations - if time allows.

Warren has long been recognized as the leading authority in the South on preserving, copying and restoring of cherished photographs - no matter how bad the condition. Warren has been able to restore his client's photos to "like new condition". He will have samples of work on display and provide quotes for any images you bring.

Contact info: Warren & Carol Driggers; 803-798-8547; 6291 St. Andrews Rd., Columbia, SC 29212

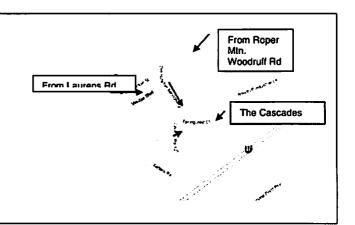
At the end of the presentation, Warren will be giving a "special" door prize to one lucky person.

The March meeting will be Sunday, Mar. 16, 2014 at 3:00pm at The Cascades.

There should be no problem getting in the gate Sunday. It will probably be open. If not, just tell the person who answers the speaker that you are there for the Genealogy meeting.

After going through the gate, turn immediately left, this is Creekridge Rd, then turn right on Spring Crest Court this will dead end in a parking area. We enter the middle, two-story building at ground level on the right of the building. The Large Meeting room is to the left when you enter.

GPS" 34°49'30.89"N; 82°18'56.64"W



Don't forget to visit the Greenville Chapter's website at: http://www.greenville.scgen.org



Minutes January 19, 2014

Genealogical Society

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm by Andrea Riddle. There were 9 members and 3 visitors present. The minutes from the December meeting were read. A motion to accept was made by Brenda Meyer and seconded by Laura Taylor. The members voted to accept the minutes as read. The Treasurer's report was submitted by Laura Taylor as follows:

December 2013

 Beginning balance
 \$9,258.40

 Expenses (MinuteMan Printing)
 4.570.46

 Closing Balance (Dec. 31, 2013)
 \$8,800.94

 CD Balance
 \$7,229.59

Brenda Meyer motioned to accept, Laurie Holly seconded. The report was accepted by the members.

Brenda Meyer gave a report from the State meeting held January 11, 2014. The Surname list will be completed by the end of January. Members may get a CD or a printed book of the list. The next project is Bible records. The State needs all treasurers to send in all dues received promptly.

All chapters need to check their By-Laws against the revised State By-Laws.

The Reunion of Upcountry Families will be held April 24-26, 2014 at Southern Wesleyan University.

The NGS 2014 Family History Conference will be held in Richmond, VA on May 7-10, 2014.

The SCGS Workshop will be held in Columbia July 11-12, 2014.

The Southern Showcase will be held in Edgefield in September 2014.

The meeting was a "Round Table Discussion" by members present.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm.

Andrea Riddle - President

Minutes February 16, 2014

There were 4 faithful friends (members) and one visitor met in "Round Table Discussion" at the Cascades.

The meeting was called to order by Andrea Riddle at 3:15 pm and adjourned at 4:15 pm.

Martha Dacus is renewing her membership after being a caretaker for her husband.

Tim Garrett sought after the society to help in his family's search. He also wants help on how to use census records.

Among events discussed were:

NGS Family History Conference - Richmond, VA on May 7-10, 2014
Reunion of Upcountry Families - April 24-26, 2014 at Southern Wesleyan University

Ellen Rogers - Recording Secretary



You can post queries and get more info. about meetings/happenings on the <u>Greenville Chapter of the Genealogical Society</u> FACEBOOK page.

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Querry

Hello, I am planning a trip to South Carolina to do some research concerning my gggggrandfather, Avington F. Cox and his father Avington Cox. Avington was living in Greenville in 1810 and 1820 based upon the US Censuses. In 1820, Jesse Cox was living next door to Avington and could be his cousin or son?

Would you have information that would assist me in my research to find more information concerning this Cox family? I know Avington went to Anson, North Carolina to witness a will for Odom Cocks/Cox and he signed as Avington Cocks. I could not connect Odom to Avington in the family tree but think that it could be proven.

Avington's father, Avington Cox, died about 1793 in Buncombe, North Carolina. So, I have three Avington Coxes but no wives or children other than Avington F. I would enjoy hearing back from someone who could assist me while I am there. Should be there about March 24/25.

Thank you, Charlie Wright (Cox)

Reunion of Upcountry Families - April 24-26, 2014

Thursday, April 24, 2014 (Pickens County Library in Easley, SC)

- 1:30-2:15 Computer Class on Genealogy (Computer Lab)
 Call 864-850-7077 Extension 112 to register, 304 Biltmore Road, Easley.
- 4:00-5:00 Beginning Genealogy for Children (Grades Third to Sixth)
 Call 864-850-7077 Extension 112 to register, 304 Biltmore Road, Easley.
- 5:00-6:30 Open House in Mary Oates Gregorie Historical Room
- 7:00-8:30 The Burial Customs of the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Centuries by Dr. Tim Drake Sponsored by Birchwood Center for Arts and Folklife. Donations Requested. Contact Kenny Blakeney (kblakeney@live.com)

Friday, April 25, 2014

- 10:00-3:00 Tour Upcountry Cemeteries
- Oolenov Baptist Cemetery and other cemeteries in surrounding area
- 3:00 Tour Pendleton District Commission Archives, 125 E. Queen Street, Pendleton, SC 29670
- Folger Auditorium, Southern Wesleyan University
- 7:00 8:30 Round Table on Reconstruction Era in Upcountry

Saturday, April 26, 2014 (Southern Wesleyan University Campus) Upcountry Reunion

- 9:00 Set-up displays and family tables (\$20.00 for a family table)
- Send money to Birchwood Center, P.O. Box 109, Sunset, SC 29685
- 10:00 Greetings and Announcements
- 11:30 Tour of Faith Clayton Genealogical Collection at Rickman Library
- 12:00-1:00 LUNCH (Dining Commons)
- 9:00-2:00 Coffee & Snacks at Java (Campus Life Center)
- 2:00 Using FamilySearch.com in Your Genealogical Research by Robin Foster
- 3:00 Hidden Treasures in the United States Census Records by Dr. Connie McNeill
- 5:00 See you next year!

Family Table: Display genealogical research, pictures, Bibles, old documents, and other ancestral memorabilia. Contact Kenny Blakeney (kblakeney@live.com) or Judy Long (judyl@nctv.com) to make reservations for a family table. To reserve a table send \$20.00 to Birchwood Center for Arts & Folklife, PO Box 109, Sunset, SC 29685

Group Table: Display information about a group that will enhance or contribute to genealogical research or information in the Upcountry. For example: Pickens County Library, Pickens County Genealogical Society, SAR, DAR, UDC, SCV, etc. To reserve a group table at no cost, contact Brenda Meyer (bbmeyer76@charter.net). This unique Upcountry family history event continues to grow thanks to funding from the Pickens County Accommodation Tax, and is sponsored by the Birchwood Center for Arts and Folklife, Old Pendleton District Genealogical Society, Southern Wesleyan University, Central Heritage Society, Faith Clayton Family Research Center, Pickens County Historical Society, Pickens County Museum of Art and History, Pickens County Library System, Anderson County Genealogical Society and Pendleton District Commission. For more information contact Kenny Blakeney:

- kblakeney@live.com
- http://www.facebook.com/ReunionofUpcountryFamilies
- http://www.100yearreunion.com

Do you suffer from ADGD? (Attention Deficit Genealogy Disorder)

It's when you start researching one ancestor, but get distracted by another ancestor, which causes you to bounce around to different ancestors only to end up doing a lot of work with very little to show for it!

From "Teach Me genealogy"



South Carolina Room

This guide is designed to aid genealogical researchers using the Greenville county Library system. Bibliographies of some of the most frequently used sources on genealogy in the South Carolina Room are attached; included is a list of local fee-based researchers not endorsed by the Greenville County Library System.

None of the materials in the South Carolina may be taken out of the room. Photocopiers and microfilm reader-printers are available. Please ask staff for assistance with materials in the vertical files.

Listed below is a sampling of the resources available at the Carolina First South Carolina Room.

One of the largest Genealogy Collections of any Public Library in the State

- ❖ Thousands of books
- Thousands of microfilm reels
- ❖ Climate controlled Archives

Collections Available for Research

- Computer Databases
- ❖ Local and State History
- Family Histories and Histories
- Newspapers Marriage Notices and Obituaries
- ❖ Land Records Real Estate Transfers, Land Grants
- Church Records
- ❖ Census Schedules
- ❖ Probate Records- Wills
- Military Records Revolutionary War, Civil War
- Periodicals Genealogical Newsletters and Journals, Magazines
- ❖ Maps and Atlases

Getting Started on your Family Tree -

Survey all of the sources you have at home, such as bibles, letters, certificates, newspaper clippings, etc. Collect information from your mom, dad, grandparents, etc. Ask questions like: Where did they grow up? Where were they married?

- Recording their recollections on tape is the best idea, but at least write down everything they tell you. Now you can fill out the pedigree chart with all the names, dates, and places you have.
- Visit cemeteries where relatives are buried: write down information from the headstone or take a photograph. Notice who is buried next to them. A lot of times family members are in the same plot.
- Decide on one family line to research. By working on just one line at first, it is easier to build your research skills more quickly and effectively. As you work on each family, make a family group sheet showing the parents and children.
- To know which records to consult, it is a good idea to read a book on genealogical research. At the Greenville County Library, they are in 929.1. You can also see if a family history has been written 929.2.
- When you consult records such as census, deeds, or probates, find out if there is an index and how the index works. The Greenville County Library has indexes for most of their census microfilms either in book form or on microfilm. All the deeds and probate records have separate indexes. However, never use the information found in an index as final, without consulting the original source.
- ❖ Beware...genealogical research is habit-forming!

REASONS FOR TRACING YOUR FAMILY HISTORY

- 1. For the sheer enjoyment of discovery.
- 2. For health reasons: discovering genetic patterns could save your life.
- 3. It challenges your mind and keeps your thinking sharp.
- 4. It brings out the detective in you.
- 5. It is a way for generations to bond; children, parents, and grandparents find a common interest.
- 6. You should preserve your family history for future generations.
- 7. Many earn an enjoyable living as professional genealogists.
- 8. You can enjoy the friendship of others with a common interest.
- 9. The local genealogical society is a great place to meet nice people.
- 10. You can help yourself or someone else with a family history research project for school.
- 11. You can trace your family history or someone else's family history and present it as a unique gift.
- 12. You will get to know the ancestors whose blood runs through your veins.
- 13. You will have more reason to enjoy a family reunion.
- 14. You will be able to finally identify people in old family photographs.
- 15. You will have a new appreciation for what your ancestors went through in their lifetime.
- 16. You may inspire younger generations with stories of the real heroes in their family.
- 17. You will be in the company of millions of other Americans who are involved in tracing their family history.

From: FAMILY HISTORY Made Easy by Loretto Dennis Szucs



OTHER IMPORTANT GREENVILLE AND UPSTATE SOUTH CAROLINA GENEALOGICAL COLLECTIONS

SOUTH CAROLINA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

(Upstate SC chapters listed)

Anderson Chapter PO Box 74 Anderson, SC 29622

Greenville Chapter PO Box 16236 Greenville, SC 29606

Laurens District Chapter PO Box 1217 Laurens, SC 29360

Old Newberry Chapter 406 East Florida Street Clinton, SC 29325

Old 96 Chapter PO Box 3468 Greenwood, SC 29648

Old Pendleton District Chapter 420 Neal Road Seneca, SC 29678

Pickney District Chapter PO Box 5281 Spartanburg, SC 29304

Piedmont Historical Society

PO Box 1842

Spartanburg, SC 29304 Phone: 864-574-3056

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. E MAIL ADDRESS 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. (Temporarily Unavailable) 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, 81/2" x 11". Title Amount S & H. __ Greenville, S.C. Cemetery Records, Vol One ___ Greenville, S.C. Cemetery Records, Vol Two Greenville, S.C. Cemetery Records, Vol Three ___ Greenville, S.C. Cemetery Records, Vol Four Greenville, S.C. Cemetery Records, Vol Five Greenville, S.C. Cemetery Records, Vol Six _ Greenville, S.C. Cemetery Records, Vol Seven Mackey Mortuary Death Records _ Abstracts.. Newsp. Concerning Black People 1790 Census Index and 1800 Census TOTAL ENCLOSED Make checks payable to GREENVILLE CHAPTER, SCGS, and mail to P.O. BOX 16236, GREENVILLE, SC 29606-6236 NAME STREET/P.O. BOX____ STATE____ZIP__ E-MAIL ADDRESS __ TELEPHONE

2014 Memberships Are Now Being Accepted

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Signature:		Date:	
New: Renewal:	_(check one)		
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Family: (you and one oth	er)	\$ 26.0	0
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March Meeting

Warren Driggers

Driggers Photography
Preserving Your Old and Damaged Photographs

March16, 2014 3:00-5:00 p.m.

The Cascades Verdae Blvd., Greenville, SC

Bring a Friend!