

# Greenville Chapter

of the South Carolina Genealogical Society

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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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Just remember that this is YOUR chapter and newsletter. Please send in articles, stories, charts, trivia, history or anything related to you or genealogy (no pun intended). Also bring in ideas for programs and projects. And by all means, if you have been on projects and committees, please let me or one of the officers know so we can better organize ourselves.

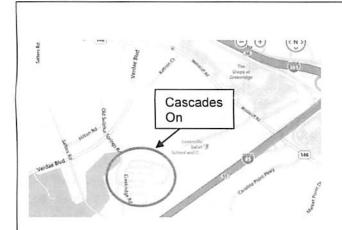
### BEGINNING GENEALOGY

The April meeting will be a class on how to begin your search for your family history. Andrea Riddle will be presenting the forms you need to get started and how to interview your relatives.

Brenda Meyer will be presenting how to search the census records. Tad Riddle will be presenting a slideshow on researching newspapers. Several members will be on hand to offer assistance to anyone who needs help, so bring your questions and your laptops. Bring a friend and enjoy the journey with us.

The May 18<sup>th</sup> meeting will feature Christopher Williams who has published his family history. He will share his story with us and the process of writing a family history book.

### **Directions to Cascades**



Cascades 53 Fountain View Terrace Greenville, SC 29607 GPS: 34.825854, -82.316042 From I-385N: Take Roper Mtn Exit; turn left onto roper Mtn Rd: cross Woodruff Rd; MD 360 will be on right; take next left; curvy roadentrance on left; if gate is closed-buzz-in and tell them you came for the meeting. Turn left then take 2<sup>nd</sup> right (Springcrest).

From I-85N: Take Laurens Rd exit toward Greenville; Turn right on Verdae (Olive Garden on right; Toyota on left); take right pass golf course; curvy road- entrance on left; if gate is closed-buzz-in and tell them you came for the meeting. Turn left then take 2<sup>nd</sup> right (Springcrest).or go a bit further to Woodruff Rd Exit off I-85 (Busy road!)

East on Laurens Rd (toward Mauldin): Turn left on Verdae (Olive Garden on left; Toyota on right); take right pass golf course; curvy roadentrance on left; if gate is closed-buzz-in and tell them you came for the meeting. Turn left then take 2<sup>nd</sup> right

Friends come and go, but relatives tend to accumulate.

Genealogists don't die, they just lose their census.

Only a Genealogist regards a step backwards as progress!

# Minutes March 2014

On March 16, 2014, the Greenville County Genealogical Society met at the Cascades. President Andrea Riddle opened the meeting welcoming all who had come. Secretary Ellen Rogers read the minutes for February. The minutes were accepted by acclamation. State Representative Brenda Meyer announced several upcoming events. She was able to answer several questions from attendees of the meeting.

Warren Driggers of Driggers Photography in Columbia, SC came in cold, rainy weather to present a program about his restorative photography studio. He had a display of different restoration examples and showed slides of amazingly preserved family portraits. He also gave us tips about how to preserve and store our own photographs. Brenda Meyer brought the family portrait he had done for her.

Respectively submitted,

Ellen Rogers

### **President's Message**

We were sad to learn that our Vice President Sue Webb had heart surgery last week and will be unable to continue serving as an officer for the rest of her term. We understand she is doing better and resting at home. She has been an excellent Vice President for a second term and a special friend to so many of us. I am sure she would love to hear from you.

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

### **Reunion of Upcountry Families** April 24, 25, 26, 2014 Thursday, Friday and Saturday Central, South Carolina

### 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
10:00	Oolenoy Baptist Church Cemetery
11:15	Holly Springs Baptist Church Cemetery
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch
1:15	Saluda Hill Baptist Church Cemetery
2:00	Soapstone Church Cemeteries
3:00	Tour Pendleton District Commission Archives, 125 E. Queen
	Street, Pendleton, SC 29670
7:00 - 8:30	Round Table on Reconstruction Era in Upcountry
	Folger Auditorium, Southern Wesleyan University

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

9:00	Set-up displays and family tables
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 Tables: Display genealogical research, pictures, Bibles, old documents, and other ancestral memorabilia.

**Group Tables:** 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.

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.

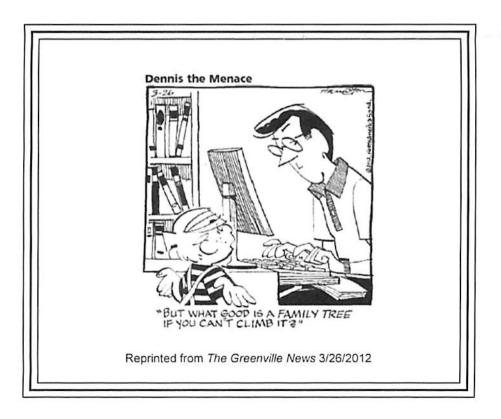
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http://www.facebook.com/GreenvilleGenealogicalSociety?bookmark\_t=page





## Climbing Your Family Tree: Getting Started in Genealogy

- Fill out a pedigree chart (family tree form) it's the best way to see what you already know and will help you figure out where to start your search.
- Talk to older family members and gather any information they might have. Ask them for copies of any letters, family bibles, legal documents or other family records that they might have.
- Check out, buy or borrow books on beginning genealogy and read them! It's always good to have books on hand to consult as you proceed.
- Always start with yourself and work backwards, generation by generation.
- When beginning your research, concentrate on just one family line (a lot of people start with their surname line, tracing their father's last name back through his father, then his father's father, etc.). Trying to branch out into too many family lines at once when you're just learning can be confusing and frustrating.
- Familiarize yourself with the books, microfilm and databases available at your library. The South Carolina Room has a great collection of materials dealing with South Carolina (especially the Upstate) and surrounding states, as well as some for other states. We also have subscriptions to databases that have national and international resources, so even if your family never came near South Carolina, you can start your research here.
- When in doubt, ASK A LIBRARIAN!!! we know what's available here and elsewhere, and will be happy to help you figure out where to look for the information you're seeking.

### INTERNET GENEALOGY RESOURCES

OPD Webmaster Paul M Kankula – NN8NN

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#### ABBEVILLE COUNTY:

GenWeb Tombstones: http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scabbevi/cemetery-html/abbeville.html

#### ANDERSON COUNTY:

ACC SCGS Society: http://www.andersoncounty.scgen.org/index.html

ACC SCGS Research Center: http://www.andersoncounty.scgen.org/library/index.html

GenWeb Homestead: http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scandrsn/

GenWeb GPS Mapping: http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scoconee/Cemetery\_GPS/04-

anderson.html

GenWeb Tombstones: http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scandrsn/cemetery-html/anderson.html

Ross Smith's Book-of-the-Dead Database

### **GREENVILLE COUNTY:**

GCC SCGS Society: http://www.greenville.scgen.org/

GenWeb Homestead: http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scgreenv/

GenWeb GPS Mapping: http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scoconee/Cemetery\_GPS/23-

greenville.html

### **OCONEE COUNTY:**

OPD SCGS Society: http://www.oldpendleton.scgen.org/

OPD SCGS Research Center: http://www.oldpendleton.scgen.org/clayton rm/index.html

GenWeb Homestead: http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scoconee/

GenWeb GPS Mapping: http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scoconee/Cemetery\_GPS/37-

oconee.html

GenWeb Tombstones: http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scoconee/cemetery-html/oconee.html

Ann Rogers' Cemetery Survey Database

### PICKENS COUNTY:

OPD SCGS Society: http://www.oldpendleton.scgen.org/

OPD SCGS Research Center: http://www.oldpendleton.scgen.org/clayton\_rm/index.html

GenWeb Homestead: http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scpicke2/

GenWeb GPS Mapping: http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scoconee/Cemetery GPS/39-

pickens.html

GenWeb Tombstones: http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scpicke2/cemetery-html/pickens.html

Old Pendleton District GEDCOM Database

OPD Society Cemetery Survey Book Surname Index Database

### **SEARCHING AROUND SC PORTALS:**

Black Upstate Heritage: http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scoconee/Black Heritage/ Searching

Around SC: http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scoconee/searching.html

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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. (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** 5 & H. Oty. 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

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(you and one other) You receive one copy of the chapter publications and the State's Carolina Herald for two members at the same address.				
Associate:				
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Primary S. C. chapter name		SCGS#		
Surnames of families you are researching:				
Permission to publish these Surnames? (Circle one)	: Yes No	(Initial)		

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# **April Meeting**

Beginning Genealogy

April 27, 2014 3:00-5:00 p.m. Cascades

Bring a Friend!