

# D-OGS Newsletter – September 2018

News & Articles of Interest to Durham-Orange genealogists

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## D-OGS MEETING FOR 3 OCTOBER 2018

***Post Office Records: Geography, Politics Religion & More*** - Post offices aren't just about mail! Join us at the October meeting of the Durham-Orange Genealogical Society **Wednesday, October 3 at 7:00 PM** at the **OWASA community center, 400 Jones Ferry Rd, Carrboro** to hear professional genealogist Diane L. Richard discuss how you can use post office records to find out more about your ancestors than just names and dates . Post offices used to define communities and people used their location, in records, to define where they lived. Post offices also handled newspaper subscriptions and related materials. How would you like to see great-great grandpa's subscription list? Talk about insight into a person -- often indicating religious and/or political leanings.

### **Directions:**

The OWASA Community Center is on the right side of Jones Ferry Road heading west out of town. Park in the lower lot on the west side of the facility - the center is the door closest to the street on the lower level.

### **Speaker Biography:**

Diane L Richard is the Principle of Mosaic Research and Project Management (MosaicRPM), [www.mosaicrpm.com](http://www.mosaicrpm.com). She has M.E. and M.B.A. degrees from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI).

She has been doing genealogy research since 1987 and since 2004 professionally focused on the records of North Carolina, other Southern States and migration paths to the Mississippi River. She has researched NC roots for the popular TV show “Who Do You Think You Are?” and appeared on the Bryan Cranston episode.

Since 2006 she has authored almost 300 articles on genealogy topics for such publications as Internet Genealogy, Your Genealogy Today (was Family Chronicle), NCGS Journal, and local WCGS publications (newsletters and journal). Since 2010 she has been the editor of Upfront with NGS, the blog of the National Genealogical Society and published over 1700 posts. She is currently editor of the North Carolina Genealogical Society (NCGS) journal and Wake Treasures, the journal of the Wake County Genealogical Society.

She is a member of the national and local chapters of the Association of Professional Genealogists (APG), the National Genealogical Society (NGS), NCGS, and the Wake County Genealogical Society (WCGS).

She is a member of the Genealogical Speakers Guild (GSG) and as a speaker she has done webinars (coast-to-coast), conference presentations (FGS, NGS, TxSGS, FxGS, NERGC, SCGS Jamboree, etc), workshops, and local meeting programs about the availability and richness of records documenting North Carolinians, genealogical research techniques and tips, under-utilized resource collections and much more.

## TRADING PATH JOURNAL GIVEAWAY - TAKE WHAT YOU WANT!

All issues of the quarterly D-OGS journal *The Trading Path* are available in PDF format in the members-only section of our website, and at several local libraries and repositories such as the North Carolina Collection of the Durham Public Library. We still have several boxes of paper copies of back issues, and will be bringing them to the October meeting to give to whoever wants them! Some issues have only 1 extra copy, while others have as many as 18 - take whatever you want! We will repeat this in November, and anything left after that will go to recycling.

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## ARE YOU BACKED UP SECURELY?

With Hurricane Florence having just blasted her way through large portions of North and South Carolina, we should all be reminded that now is a great time to take a look at how secure our genealogical/family history data actually is. What if you had been hit by Florence and your house and car were underwater? Could you recover or re-create your materials?

Do you have any idea how much time, energy and money you have tied up in your research? If so, that alone should scare you into backing up your collected information.

Do you backup your digital data regularly? I happen to use a software program named Brother's Keeper and it always prompts me to backup my data any time I change, add or delete anything in the database. My first-line backup is an external flash drive. I am sure that most software probably does this. Do you use this feature regularly? Do you have a backup copy "in the cloud" or somewhere else safe? If not, then why not? Could you reload your software if your computer were somehow destroyed?

What do you do about backing up your paper trail materials? Do you have multiple copies of old documents stashed away somewhere? A different room in your house does NOT qualify as adequate backup. Paper is a very fragile medium that is subject to all forms of natural & unnatural destruction. It would be a great idea to have as much as possible scanned and converted to digital format that is easier to store

Backup your data daily, weekly or monthly but DO IT on a regular schedule.

Dick Eastman, genealogical newsletter editor, has a great acronym that goes "LOCKSS" - this translates to "Lots of Copies Kept Somewhere Safe". He always encourages his readers to have multiple backup in different locations.

If you are like most of us family history "nuts", you use a computer for most if not all of your research. Is your computer in a safe environment? Do you do regular updates to the operating system, if available? Do you have your computer protected from power interruption or lightning hits? Use a reputable company's power strip and replace it yearly. The lightning-arrest mechanism deteriorates over time and becomes ineffective. The best and safest method is to have a UPS (Uninterruptible Power System) for your sensitive computer hardware. These units aren't cheap (around \$100 for a small unit) but they give you the best protection you can have in your home. They protect you in the event of power interruptions and allow you to safely save your data and then shutdown your computer.

These ideas and suggestions are just my personal opinions and should not be taken as the only form of “best practice”. Do a little snooping around your computer and data storage and see what you can do to improve your protection.

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## FINDING & USING MAPS IN YOUR GENEALOGY RESEARCH

(Reprinted from Legacy Family Tree news blog, Lisa Lisson, Author)

I recently had an interesting conversation with a long time genealogy researcher in the foothills of North Carolina. Her family has been in the area for generations, and she knows that area - its people and its history. By this, I mean she *really knows* the area.

At one point in our conversation she said, "Look at the map. Maps tell the story of a person." She was right.

*Maps tell us where an ancestor lived.*

*Maps can show migration patterns.*

*Maps give us clues to an ancestor's occupation.*

*Historical maps can show locations of towns no longer in existence.*

*Maps help researchers view the world through an ancestor's eyes.*

### Type Of Maps

Most genealogy researchers are familiar with city street maps and land ownership maps, but a variety of maps are beneficial to the genealogy researcher. Maps were created for specific reasons, and as a researcher you must understand the purpose of the map you are researching. By understanding why a map was created and its purpose, you will not miss valuable clues for your research.

Consider exploring these types of maps:

- City, county and state/province maps - Document roads, communities and/or neighborhoods indicated.
- Land ownership maps - Created to show who owned land in a specific area.
- Fire Insurance maps - Created for insurance companies to assess the risk of fire liability of buildings in more urban areas.
- Topographical maps - Show natural and man-made structures in an area such as hills, rivers, lakes, mountains (and mountain passes). These features impacted how our ancestors traveled.
- Railroad maps - Document railroad routes and showed preferred routes as they changed over time.
- Wagon trail maps - Wagon trail maps indicate western migration routes across the U.S. [One example is the Oregon Trail.](#) Towns along the trail are listed and potential places your ancestors may have stayed or even settled.
- Military maps - Document an area before and/or during a war. Often include terrain, houses (sometimes homeowners may be listed!), roads, and bridges.

Just where do you find maps to use in your genealogy research? A number of resources exist. These are 6 great places to start your map research and begin putting your ancestors, well...on the map.

## 6 Resources For Finding Historic Maps

1. [The Dave Rumsey Map Collection](#) - A large collection of historic maps from around the world. Especially helpful to genealogy researchers is the Georeferencer feature which allows you to overlay a historic map over a modern map to make comparisons.
2. [Bureau of Land Management General Land Office Records \(U. S.\)](#) - General Land Office records encompass images of over 5 million land titles including images of survey plats and field notes.
3. [Google Maps](#) - Most everyone is familiar with Google Maps, but may not be using this resource for genealogy purposes. Use Google Maps to find modern day locations of your ancestors. The street view allows you to explore the area as it looks today.
4. University Libraries - Libraries at major colleges and universities are great places to explore for historic map collections. Many collections have maps outside of their area or location. One example is the [University of Alabama Libraries Map Collection](#). While many maps are focused on Alabama, the collection contains maps from around the world as well as special topic maps.
5. [ArchiveGrid](#) - ArchiveGrid is a finding aid for historical documents, family histories, personal papers and more stored in archival institutions.
6. Fire Insurance Maps - Created to be used by insurance companies, the [Sanborn Fire Insurance maps](#) are detailed maps of residential, commercial and industrial areas of cities and towns in the United States. Other countries also created fire insurance maps as well. For example, [find British fire insurance maps](#) online at the British Library. Begin your search for fire insurance maps for other countries by conducting a search using search terms "fire insurance maps" + "[insert your country of research]".

## Tips When Starting Your Map Research

- Make note of the year the map was made and familiarize yourself with the description of the map. Understanding what the map shows and does not show first will save researcher time.
- Check if an overlay feature is available. Being able to superimpose a historical map on top of a current day map provides perspective on an ancestor's location.

Now it's your turn! Explore maps of the locations of your ancestors and see the world through your ancestor's eyes!

Learn even more about [Maps from the Legacy library](#)!

(Lisa Lisson is the writer, educator and genealogy researcher behind [Are You My Cousin?](#) and believes researching your genealogy does not have to be overwhelming.)

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## BOOKS OF POSSIBLE INTEREST

*Professional Genealogy Preparation, Practice & Standards* - Edited by Elizabeth Shown Mills. - Published by Genealogical Publishing Co. 2018. 678 pages.

I recently attended a morning meeting with my local genealogy group. As we were filing into the room, someone set out the new edition of *Professional Genealogy* for people to look at.

My colleague Sara saw the book and announced, “My dog ate my *Progen*.” We all chuckled, appreciating a weak attempt at humor so early in the morning. Then we heard a more insistent tone, “No, really, my dog ate *Progen*!” Now she’s got our attention. What kind of dog would eat *Progen*?

Well, turns out, a dog with good taste. Not only did he lunch on *Progen*, he dined on the *new* edition. He completely ignored the old edition setting nearby; Sara showed us the proof photos. The spine of the book looked like a thoroughly chewed-over cob of Iowa sweet corn. Then he had moved across and gnawed around the edges of the cover just about the time Sara walked in. The dastardly deed took a total of 43 minutes.

Sara says she can still use the book, because all the text pages are intact. But still.

It’s too bad folks think the book is only for the professionals. I don’t think it is. I think it’s for everyone.

There *are* several sections targeted for the professional, or the aspiring professional, that’s certainly true. The first sections about professional preparation and career management speak to the professional business genealogist.

For the aspiring professional who has questions about what’s involved with the professional side of genealogy, the chapters on educational preparation, credentialing, structuring a business, setting fees, and marketing, answer lots of questions.

But for all of us, the chapters on legalities and ethics are about situations that confront everyone at some time or another. The chapter on research skills offers sound advice on research planning, research procedures, forensic specialization, analysis and reasoning. The chapter on writing, editing and publishing will answer lots of questions about self-publishing and writing, which lots of us do.

Blaine T. Bettinger and Judy Russell have written a most excellent chapter on Genetics for Genealogy. I didn’t expect to find this in the book, but it’s there, and it goes from elementary principles to understanding the more complex interpretations. Diagrams, charts, the whole enchilada.

I’ve always thought *Professional Genealogy* has wide-spread appeal, not just for the professionals, as in the name, but for all genealogists, no matter what their level of experience or expertise. And, I guess, their dogs.

*Professional Genealogy* is available from the publisher, Genealogical Publishing Co., at <https://library.genealogical.com/printpurchase/Xeger> as . well as from Amazon at <https://amzn.to/2IevDSa>.

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## CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

**JOEL LANE MUSEUM HOUSE** - Lecture: “Scottish Highlanders in Colonial and Revolutionary North Carolina” by Andrew Collins - when: Oct. 4, 2018

This talk will first explore the emigration of Scots to North America colonies and specifically North Carolina during the eighteenth century. Many Scottish Highlanders who immigrated to North America arrived in the port town of Wilmington and then traveled up the Cape Fear River, where they settled and formed a unique Scottish community in the colony of North Carolina. This Scottish community began taking shape only a few decades before the American Revolution. During the Revolution, many Scottish Highlanders took up arms as

loyalists to Great Britain. This talk will bring the history of emigration and settlement of Scottish Highlanders in North Carolina to life, as well as their involvement in the American War for Independence.

*Date & Time:* Thursday, October 4, 2018, 7:00pm

*Location:* 160 South Saint Mary's St., Raleigh, NC (at the corner of Hargett St.), which is two blocks south of Hillsborough St., not far from downtown.

*Admission:* For the public: \$16; Members of the Joel Lane Historical Society and students with identification: \$11. Advanced purchase is required, and seating is very limited. Proceeds from the event directly support JLMH's educational programming and site preservation. Refreshments provided. Please call 919-833-3431 with your credit card, mail a check to Joel Lane Museum House, P O Box 10884, Raleigh, NC 27605, or go to the [Eventbrite](#) web site. Be sure to include the names of all in your party; nametags will serve as tickets. Tickets are non-refundable unless we must cancel the event.

*Contact Information:* phone: (919) 833-3431; email: [joellane@bellsouth.net](mailto:joellane@bellsouth.net)

**GRANVILLE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY** - "Genetic Genealogy: Genealogy Through YDNA Haplotypes" - The program for the October 4, 2018 meeting of the Granville County Genealogical Society will be a presentation by Will Robinson, Granville County Interim Library Director, on "Genetic Genealogy: Genealogy Through YDNA Haplotypes." Topics will include: Solving genealogy brick walls through genetics, The formation of British surnames, and A look into the history and geography of YDNA haplogroups.

Will Robinson was born in Charlotte, grew up in Gastonia and has lived in Wilmington and Columbia, SC. He developed a love of science and history at a young age and has always been an avid patron of museums and libraries. He also enjoys camping, fishing, writing and working on archaeological digs. Will is a graduate of UNC Wilmington with a BA in Anthropology and a graduate of the University of South Carolina with a Master's degree in Library and Information Science. Much to his surprise, his former career was in middle management at two engineering companies in Columbia, SC. After graduating, he began his professional library career in Wilson County as the Local History and Genealogy Librarian before becoming Head of Adult Services and then Branch Manager of the South Branch Library in Creedmoor. Today, he lives in Cary, NC with his wife and twelve-year-old son. Will is on the board of Franklin- Granville- Vance Smart Start and is the Interim Director for the Granville County Library System.

Please join members of the Granville County Genealogical Society in attending this meeting, to be held at 6:30 P.M. on October 4, 2018 in the conference room at the Richard H. Thornton Library in Oxford, N.C. All GCGS meetings are open to the public, and visitors and guests are always cordially invited to attend.

**SHAKORI HILLS GRASSROOTS FESTIVAL** - October 4-7 - Pittsboro - 4 stages - go to [thundertix.com](http://thundertix.com) for tickets

**24<sup>TH</sup> EFLAND RURITAN RODEO** - October 5-6 - Highway US70, Efland starts at 8:00pm - admissions fee

**HISTORIC DURHAM POSTCARD TOUR WITH JOHN SCHELP** - *Saturday, Oct. 6, 2 p.m. - South Regional Library* - Come hear John Schelp present his collection of vintage Durham postcards along with local Durham history! Durham's cotton mills, tobacco factories, colleges, hospitals, City Hall, County Courthouse and earliest shopping districts are all located on the Main Street 'ridge'. As a result, most of the postcards in this collection document buildings found on the ridge: from Duke and Erwin Mills in the West – to Durham Hosiery and Golden Belt in the East.

This program is sponsored by the Durham Library Foundation. It is free and open to the public.

**NORTH CAROLINA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY WEBINAR** - Ari Wilkins - “*Black and White Southern Families in Antebellum Plantation Records*” - This recorded Webinar will be freely available to the public from midnight Thursday night through midnight Sunday night (EDT), 5-7 October 2018. (The live webinar was originally presented on 7 March 2018.)

The **handout** for this presentation is only available to logged-in members, and is accessible on the main Webinars page. (On the top menu, under Education & Events, select Webinars to go to the main webinars page. The box at the top right of that page has a link to “Member Webinar Handouts”, which is arranged in alphabetical order.) This webinar is always available to members in the Member Webinars area of the website. Each members’ webinar page also has a direct link to the handout.

*Please register for the free webinar replay so that we may email the direct link to you.*

[\*\*Register Now!\*\*](#)

#### **About the Webinar:**

The Southern Antebellum Plantation Records are an invaluable resource to Southern and African American researchers. This extensive collection encompasses business and personal papers from numerous slaveholding families of the South. For white Southern families, the collection can uncover decades of genealogical history along with details such as the dynamics of personal relationships, communication, and the entanglements of associated families. For African American research, these records can potentially list enslaved persons by name and include other significant information such as family relationships, dates of birth and death, and bills of sale.

This presentation will demonstrate the breadth of the collection, how to navigate and apply the records to personal research.

#### **About the Speaker:**

Ari Wilkins, a graduate of Louisiana State University, has been actively researching family history since 1998. Ari worked with the esteemed genealogist, Dr. James Rose, for many years on his final project *Generations: The WPA Ex-Slave Narrative Database*. She is the owner of the genealogical consulting company, Black Genesis. Ms. Wilkins also works as a contributor for Proquest’s African American Heritage database.

Ms. Wilkins has spoken nationally at the National Genealogical Society, Federation of Genealogical Societies, Texas State Genealogical Society, Ohio Genealogical Society, Sanford Institute of Genealogical and Historical Research, American Library Association, and a multitude of local societies. Ari has been a Library Associate at Dallas Public Library since 2007. She teaches a series of basic research classes using popular genealogical websites. She specializes in African American research.

This webinar is always accessible on the website to NCGS members as a member benefit.

Downloadable/printable pdf [Flyer](#) for this webinar.

**TASTE OF CHINA FOOD & CULTURE FESTIVAL** – downtown Raleigh - October 6 from 11:30am -6 pm



**INAUGURAL FESTA ITALIANA STREET FAIR** - food & music - 600 block of Tucker Street, Raleigh - 11am-6pm

**CHATHAM COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION - *Voices of North Carolina - The Legacy of Tar Heel Talk*** - Sunday, October 7, 2018 2:00 - 3:30 pm Historic Courthouse Pittsboro - Free and open to the public.

One of the under-recognized traditions of the Tar Heel State is its linguistic heritage, from the historically isolated Outer Banks dialects of Ocracoke and Harkers Islands to the mountain dialects and Cherokee language of the Smoky Mountains. On Sunday, October 7 at 2:00pm, in the Historic Chatham County Courthouse in Pittsboro, Dr. Walt Wolfram will profile the regional and ethnic traditions of language and dialects through a series of video and audio vignettes that have come from more than two decades of extensive research, documentary production, and preservation activities. No state has a richer tradition of language variation than North Carolina. Join us to celebrate the voices of North Carolina as an integral part of North Carolina's historical and cultural legacy.

Walt Wolfram is William C. Friday Distinguished University Professor at North Carolina State University, where he also directs the Language and Life Project. He has pioneered research on social and ethnic dialects since the 1960s and published more than 20 books and over 300 articles. Over the last two decades, he and his students have conducted more than 3,500 sociolinguistic interviews with residents of North Carolina extending from Murphy to Manteo. He has received numerous awards, including the North Carolina Award--the highest award given to a citizen of North Carolina.

The Chatham County Historical Association program is free and the public is welcome! Join us to learn more about another aspect of North Carolina's rich and varied history. Questions: [history@chathamhistory.org](mailto:history@chathamhistory.org)

**CHAPEL HILL FESTIFALL ARTS FESTIVAL** - a celebration of local art and community in Downtown Chapel Hill. Sunday, October 7, 2018 from 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. West Franklin Street, Chapel Hill, NC - This year's festival will feature over 100 artists with work in a variety of mediums, including ceramics, jewelry, glass, metals, painting, photography, woodworking and mixed media, nine crowd-favorite food trucks, live performances on three stages, and an interactive kids' zone for the young and young-at-heart festival-goers. In addition, Susan Tierney, Artist Services Manager at the Durham Arts Council, will serve as our day-of-juror for all artists this year; artists participating in Festifall have the chance to win \$1100 in prizes and outstanding community recognition.

**ALAMANCE BATTLEGROUND STATE HISTORIC SITE** - Monday through Friday, October 8th through 12th, 2018 - Colonial Living Week 2018 - Colonial life comes alive as historical interpreters demonstrate such skills as period cooking, cider making, and blacksmithing. Monday through Friday, October 8th through 12th from 9 A.M. until 2 P.M. Reservations required, open to the public. \$2 donation per child suggested. The cannon will be fired at 12:40 P.M. daily. Call 336-227-4785 for reservations and information.

**NC STATE FAIR** - the State Fair has free admission for seniors. The food is always great and varied. The exhibits are always interesting and the animal shows are instructive. The Wildlife Commission will have its annual exhibit at the N.C. State Fair in Raleigh, scheduled for Oct. 11-21. Take your best shot at the perennially popular air rifle range, get up close up view of wetlands in North Carolina and learn about alligators in their natural habitat in North Carolina. The exhibit also will feature a section that focuses on outdoor opportunities available to disabled sportsmen. While there, be sure to pick up a free alligator button, as well as



purchase the 2019 North Carolina Wildlife Calendar and wildlife-inscribed t-shirts and hats. You can also subscribe to the award-winning *Wildlife in North Carolina* magazine while at the exhibit.

**NORTH CAROLINA ARCHIVES & HISTORY** - Friday, October 12 through Friday, October 12 - **Conservation Assistance Day** (Wake and Neighboring Counties) - NC Museum of History, 5 East Edenton Street, Raleigh, NC 27601

The Conservation Branch of the North Carolina Museum of History is offering advice for the public on preserving textiles, photos, and other items (silver, books, papers, etc.) Free but appointments are required. To make an appointment, call 919-807-7823.

For additional information, visit the Conservation Assistance Day webpage.

**FAMILY HISTORY AND GENEALOGY FAIR** - Saturday, Oct 13, 2018 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm - Gaston County Public Library, 1555 East Garrison Blvd. Gastonia, NC 28054 - Main Library Auditorium. The Gaston County Public Library will host the 2018 Family History and Genealogy Fair from 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM. October is Family History Month. Visit with representatives from genealogy, family history, and local historical organizations. Learn how to start your family history research with the FREE databases available through the library. Free and open to the public. No reservations required.

For more information: (704) 868-2164 dial 2.

**ALAMANCE BATTLEGROUND STATE HISTORIC SITE - Descendants Gathering "Liberty to make our Grievances Known"** - Saturday, Oct 13, 2018 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM - Only minor conflict had occurred in the backcountry, until early 1768, when an association of Regulators was formed. Join us for a special opportunity to learn more about the people involved in the War of the Regulation. Descendants of Regulators, Militia, and the Allen family are invited to exchange stories and share genealogy research pertaining to the 1771 Battle of Alamance. There will be guest speakers, book signings, living history, and a militia muster marking 250 years since the crucial events of 1768. This event is free and open to the public.

**FAMILY HISTORY AND GENEALOGY FAIR** - Saturday, Oct 13, 2018 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm - Gaston County Public Library, 1555 East Garrison Blvd. Gastonia, NC 28054 - Main Library Auditorium.

The Gaston County Public Library will host the 2018 Family History and Genealogy Fair from 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM. October is Family History Month. Visit with representatives from genealogy, family history, and local historical organizations. Learn how to start your family history research with the FREE databases available through the library. Free and open to the public. No reservations required.

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**TAR HEEL DISCOVERIES** - 14-19 October 2018, State Archives of North Carolina & Government and Heritage Library, 109 E. Jones St., Raleigh, NC - Operated by Diane L. Richard and Vickie P. Young

Introducing: Tar Heel Discoveries - Guided North Carolina Genealogical Research

Diane L. Richard and Victoria P. Young announce the formation of their joint business venture offering individuals the opportunity to maximize results when researching their North Carolina ancestors.

Designed to accommodate genealogists with varying levels of research experience, Tar Heel Discoveries offers personalized, individualized support and instruction over five days at the North Carolina State Archives and Government & Heritage Library in Raleigh. Week-long sessions (14-19 October) are offered in 2018. Registration is now open!

Diane and Vickie have over 25 years combined experience as full-time professional genealogists specializing in North Carolina research and are members of a number of industry organizations, including the national and local chapters of the Association of Professional Genealogists (APG), the North Carolina Genealogical Society (NCGS), and the National Genealogical Society (NGS).

Have you ever been frustrated when visiting a new repository (or one you haven't been to in a while) by not knowing how to efficiently utilize its holdings? Interested in learning from experts on North Carolina history and genealogical research topics? Have you come to a "brick wall" and don't know which resources to consult? Want to touch original documents relating to your ancestors? Then consider joining us for a week of learning and new discoveries!

For program details (fees and what is included) and more information, visit [www.tarheeldiscoveries.com](http://www.tarheeldiscoveries.com) or email us with questions at [info@tarheeldiscoveries.com](mailto:info@tarheeldiscoveries.com).

5<sup>th</sup> annual deweyfest - October 18-20 - Bluegrass at Maplewood Hills in Burlington - [deweyfest.com](http://deweyfest.com)

**WAKE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY** - Tuesday, October 23 - Becoming American: An Immigrants Story - 6:30 pm to 8:15 pm - Olivia Raney Local History Library, 4016 Carya Drive, Raleigh, NC 27610

Speaker: Diane L. Richard, Owner & President, Mosiac Research and Project Management

In partnership with the Wake County Public Libraries and specifically with the Olivia Raney Local History Library, this program will look at the many reasons our immigrant ancestors departed their home country, their struggles in doing so, and the uncertainties and complexities they encountered in a new country. The focus will be on North Carolina and Wake County immigrants.

All WCGS meetings are free and open to the public. Bring a friend! Refreshments will be served during social time before the presentation. Presentation will start at 7:00.

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## HUMOR

In a Ribbesford, England, cemetery:

Anna Wallace  
The children of Israel wanted bread  
And the Lord sent them manna,  
Old clerk Wallace wanted a wife,  
And the Devil sent him Anna.

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## PARTING THOUGHT

Behavior is a mirror in which everyone shows his own image. (Chinese fortune cookie words of wisdom)

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If you have any items of interest that you would like to submit for future publication, please contact Richard Ellington at [mailto:richard\\_ellington@unc.edu](mailto:richard_ellington@unc.edu) or 919.967.4168