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**Join NCGS 22-23 March 2019 for a
Virtual Conference**

Registration Discount for NCGS Members

2 days,
7 speakers,
8 topics,
90-day replay access!

The NCGS 2019 Virtual Conference

Are you planning to attend the North Carolina Genealogical Society's Virtual Conference LIVE on 22-23 March 2019? Are you busy those days but still want to learn more about the topics below from well-known presenters? Then [you can register for the conference](#) and have access to online recordings of these lectures for 90 days following the event. These recordings will be available only to those who are registered as of March 17, when online registration closes. [Register today](#) to take advantage of this opportunity!

Event Schedule

Friday, 22 March 2019

9:45 - 10:00: Welcome by NCGS President

10:00 - 11:00: Debbie Parker Wayne
"atDNA Chromosome Mapping"

11:30 - 12:30: Jeff L. Haines
"Burned Counties: Finding Ancestors When Records Are Lost"

1:30 - 2:30: Pamela Stone Eagleson
"Telling the Tales: Writing the Family Narrative"

3:00 - 4:00: Craig R. Scott
"Researching a War of 1812 Ancestor"

Saturday, 23 March 2019

9:45 - 10:00: Welcome

10:00 - 11:00: Debbie Parker Wayne
"DNA: The Source That Keeps On Giving"

11:30 - 12:30: David McCorkle
"North Carolina Land Records"

1:30 - 2:30: Ari Wilkins
"Tracking African American Migration Patterns to Northern Industrial Cities"

3:00 - 4:00: Diane L. Richard
"NC History and Record Idiosyncrasies You Want to Know About!"

[Register online for the NCGS 2019 Virtual Conference](#)

[Download the NCGS 2019 Virtual Conference Flyer](#), which includes the daily schedule.





Upcoming Webinar Free Replay Weekend

5-7 April 2019

"Online Resources are Key to Successful Research into North Carolinian Ancestry"

presented by Diane L. Richard

Whether devising a research plan for an in-person visit or determining what records are extant and how you can access them, some internet-based homework will prove valuable. Learn about the myriad online resources created by the State Archives of North Carolina, the State Library of North Carolina, and affiliate North Carolina institutions, which you will want to consult before you ever set foot in Raleigh to research your North Carolinian ancestors.

[Please register for this free webinar replay](#) so that we may email the direct link to you. For more information about this webinar replay, [download the webinar flyer](#). Replay weekends are free and available to everyone. The webinar handout is available only to NCGS members who are logged into the website.

Members-only Live Webinar

1 May 2019 at 7:00 p.m. EDT

"Timelines in Genealogy: A Valuable Tool & Definitely Worth the Time"

presented by Diane L. Richard

Hit a brick wall? Wondering why your ancestors did what they did? Need to separate out several same-named contemporaries? Learn about timelines and how they might help you solve your puzzles. Creating a chronological multi-columned matrix can help you focus on missing gaps, clarify seemingly contradictory information, discover previously invisible relationships, and identify paths to future discoveries. Color-coding, or other distinguishing methods, can also highlight locale or surname overlaps, related records, and more. These are not the timelines you learned to make in school. This visual representation presents complex information in an easy-to-see format. Timelines are dynamic tools you will never regret making. They are as unique as each project you undertake.

[More information](#) about the webinar will soon be available on the NCGS website.

Live webinars, post-webinar Q&A sessions, and handouts are free for members.

Call for Papers for the NCGS 2019 Fall Conference



The North Carolina Genealogical Society invites speakers to submit lecture proposals for the 2019 Fall Conference to be held 1-2 November 2019 at the McKimmon Conference and Training Center in Raleigh, North Carolina.

[More information, with instructions for submitting proposals, can be found on our website.](#)

Updates to the North Carolina Periodical Index at ECU **contributed by Jennifer Daugherty**

Currently in its 27th year, the North Carolina Periodical Index (NCPI) at Joyner Library, East Carolina University, continues to grow. From its humble beginnings on an Excel spreadsheet, the Index is now a fully searchable database that provides subject and abstract access to 68 North Carolina publications and over 34,000 articles. The majority of these are not indexed by any other source.

Recently, the NCPI has expanded to include more North Carolina local history and genealogical journals. The Pitt County Genealogical Quarterly was just added to the index and offers an excellent source of information for those researching Eastern North Carolina families. Work has already begun to add additional genealogical titles and researchers should continually search the index for additional citations.

The majority of publications cited in the index have print copies that reside in the Verona Joyner Langford North Carolina Collection at Joyner Library. To request a copy of an article, you can email the Special Collections Division of the library at specialcollections@ecu.edu.

Visit the NCPI at <https://digital.lib.ecu.edu/ncpi/>.



2019 NCGS Fall Conference

Friday and Saturday, 1-2 November 2019

A two-day multi-track conference will be held at the McKimmon Conference and Training Center in Raleigh.

More details to follow in the May issue of *NCGS News* and on the NCGS website.

NCGS member benefits include participation in live webinars and access to all previously recorded webinars, members-only discounts on registration fees for all NCGS-sponsored workshops and conferences, and discounts in the NCGS store.

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by Diane L. Richard
NCGS Journal Editor

Planned Special *NCGS Journal* Edition (July-August-September 2019) on Mariners and Related Topics

The 2019 summer edition of the NCGS Journal will focus on mariners, shipping, and related topics. You cannot talk about North Carolina nor research eastern North Carolina without eventually bumping into someone involved in the shipping trade whether as a captain, crew member, employee/owner of a supporting business, a merchant shipping or receiving goods, etc.



This issue will celebrate that heritage. Planned pieces will look at the records (state and Federal) that document shipping and the people engaged in shipping. Ledgers are a key resource and will be explored. Seamen contracts, a journal about a trip, and more will also be featured.

Many early North Carolinians or others who remained on the eastern seaboard worked as mariners or in businesses related to seafaring or shipped/received goods via ocean traveling vessels. Did someone in your family work in the shipping trade? Might you share a story, image, or records? Were there celebrations specific to mariners and their families? Were there rituals associated with the hazards of being a mariner or when on-the-job deaths occurred? Did or do institutions unique to mariners exist? You can help personalize the data already planned for this issue by sharing personal stories about your ancestors.

Stories about North Carolinian mariners and those engaged in related enterprises are welcome and remind us of the key roles that these individuals had and have on the North Carolina economy and way of life. All submissions will be considered.

As always, if you have materials relevant to this planned issue of the *Journal*, or are interested in helping transcribe materials collected in anticipation of this special issue, send Diane an email at journaleditor@ncgenealogy.org.

Thanks again to all who have helped and to those who will volunteer in the future. It does take a village to create a journal. As always, I can be reached at journaleditor@ncgenealogy.org to answer your questions, and to receive your submissions and suggestions.

Go Journal Team!

[Read the current and past issues of "Journal Jottings" online](#)

[Download a printer-friendly version of this issue of "Journal Jottings"](#)

Time for a Change

With the nearly complete edition of the *NCGS Journal*, volume 45, number 1, you will notice something different. Instead of issues being referred to as February, May, August, and November, as they have been in the past, issues will now carry the designation of the quarter in which they are published: Jan-Feb-Mar, Apr-May-Jun, Jul-Aug-Sep, and Oct-Nov-Dec. Due to the changing landscape of producing both a print and digital version of the *Journal*, this quarterly designation more accurately reflects the window during which the *Journal* will be published.

What's Coming in the Next Issue of the *NCGS Journal*

- Introductory material about the Nineteenth Amendment and Women's Organizations
- Suffrage Petition
- Lists of Suffrage Supporters
- North Carolina League of Women Voters
- Goldsboro Women's Club
- Fortnightly Review Club
- The Olla Podrida Book Club
- Anna Jackson Club, Lincolnton, NC
- Charlotte, NC, Clubs [1894]
- Liberty Loan Committee [1917-8]
- Southgate-Jones Family Papers
- Otelia Cunningham-Connor Papers
- Bibliography
- Joyner's Jewels: African American Fraternal Organization Records
- Book Reviews



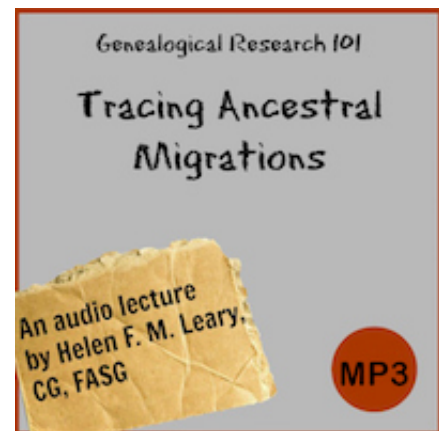
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Booth Manager

Friendly outgoing person needed to manage our North Carolina Genealogical Society booth at events. Help us spread the word about the benefits of being a member of our society. Showcase our books, such as North Carolina Research, and our other resources, such as webinars and the NCGS Journal. Coordinate booth volunteer sign-ups. Should be available for our Fall Conferences, 1-2 November 2019 and 6-7 November 2020, and one or two additional events not yet scheduled for next year. For more information or to volunteer for this position, please contact Kathy Ruse, Volunteer Coordinator, at volunteer@ncgenealogy.org.

Helen F. M. Leary Lectures Available as Downloadable Audio MP3 Files

Learn to master genealogical principles from a master genealogist! That was the message of a recent [NCGS Facebook](#) post announcing the availability of fifteen Helen F. M. Leary, CG, FASG, lectures in the NCGS store. These lectures are now available individually as an MP3, which replaces the previous outdated CD format, and are easy to download onto your device (computer, phone, iPod, or laptop) where you can listen to them wherever you are. Enjoy them time and time again so you can catch every kernel of knowledge Helen shares.



Pictured is just one of the fifteen audio lectures available in the NCGS Store. [Visit the store to purchase one or more of these audio MP3 lectures.](#)

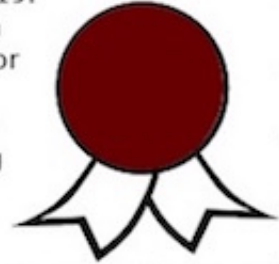
Meet our new RPAC Liaison

Brenda Williams is our new liaison to the [Records Preservation and Access Committee](#) (RPAC). The mission of RPAC is to advise the genealogical community on ways to make sure records are preserved and available. It is a joint committee of the Federation of Genealogical Societies, the International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies, and the National Genealogical Society. Brenda will be gathering information about efforts locally and statewide. She currently lives in New Jersey, but grew up hearing stories of her mother's life in Wake County. With over thirty years of experience doing genealogy research, working on records indexing projects, and teaching others best research practices, Brenda is very well prepared to take on this task. You can reach Brenda via email at rpacliaison@ncgenealogy.org.

NCGS Awards for 2019

Do you know a deserving member or society that has contributed to North Carolina genealogy by publishing an outstanding resource, creating a website, or has produced a newsletter or journal? We need your nominations. The North Carolina Genealogical Society Awards aim to recognize outstanding contributions in a number of categories, but we rely on members like you to get the word out and help us find the best of the best.

The nomination period is open from January to 15 August 2019. Nomination forms, judging criteria, and more information can be found online at the NCGS website under the Awards page or visit <https://www.ncgenealogy.org/awards/>. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the new Awards Chair, Jennifer Daugherty, at awards@ncgenealogy.org



[The 2019 NCGS Award Nomination Form](#)
[The NCGS Awards Criteria for Judging](#)

Accessions at the NC State Archives

The North Carolina State Archives provides a bimonthly list of genealogy-related accessions that may be of interest to researchers. Although there is no new report for the March newsletter, the [Library of Prior Accession Lists](#) is always available on the NCGS website.



Tools of the Trade Library

The [Tools of the Trade Library](#) is home to over twenty county-specific and record-specific articles to help North Carolina researchers.

Featured article: [Burke County, North Carolina, Research](#)

Burke County did not suffer from the loss of its courthouse in the aftermath of the Civil War; however, many records, including court records and most land records, were destroyed by federal troops. Author Terry Moore identifies original Burke County records that have survived as well as published abstracts and online resources.

DigitalNC Has Maps

This newsletter has pointed to [DigitalNC](#) several times in the past for its wealth of digitized North Carolina newspapers and yearbooks.

DigitalNC can also be a source for North Carolina maps. Recent blog posts highlight two new collections:

- [New blueprints, maps, and artifacts from the Chapel Hill Historical Society Tell the Story of Chapel Hill](#)
- [Dozens of New Maps from Western Carolina University Show Off the WCU Campus, the Blue Ridge Parkway, and more](#)

To browse the entire map collection, click on **Images** in the left-hand side bar menu on the [DigitalNC](#) main page, then select **Maps** from the alphabetized list.

President's Message

Are you using all the resources available on our website? Recently, while researching some German families in the Piedmont area of North Carolina, I found two [NCGS webinars](#) particularly helpful. Mark Lowe's webinar, "Learning More About the Families and Records of the Moravian Church of North Carolina," and Victor Jones' webinar, "The German Settlement in North Carolina," both yielded valuable information that I used in my research. Volume 1 (1975) of our quarterly *NCGS Journal* provided a helpful article on German wills of Rowan County. It's easy to overlook these resources, but taking some time to rediscover the wealth of information available on our website may help you find what you are looking for more efficiently and effectively.

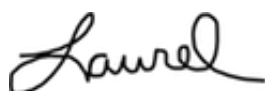


The [Virtual Conference](#) is right around the corner! If you haven't signed up yet, I encourage you to do so before registration closes on 17 March. Even if you can't *attend* all the sessions available on 22-23 March, you will have access to the syllabus and 90 days to watch all the sessions as recordings. Debbie Parker Wayne wrote the book on genetic genealogy, literally, with Blaine Bettinger, titled *Genetic Genealogy in Practice*, which is published by the National Genealogical Society. Jeffrey Haines' lecture on burned counties should be helpful to anyone doing research in North Carolina, because doesn't everyone have at least one ancestral family from a burned county? Check out all the lectures and speakers on our website, before it's too late!

Speaking of our website, we are looking for people to help us add even more resources and information about North Carolina genealogy. If you have website, blog, or social media knowledge and experience to share and you are interested in North Carolina genealogy, please consider working with us to expand our online resources. We have positions available on our board and on various committees where your help would be

appreciated!

Warm regards,



Thank You

NCGS thanks the following individuals for their **donations** to the Society: David Amiot, Karen Beavers, Sharon Garner, Phillip Moseley, Sharon Peterson, and Martha Reinhart. Donations to the Society are used to support its [Mission](#). More information about ways to give to NCGS is [available on the website](#).

NCGS Tidbits

NCGS welcomed 66 new members since the last issue of the *NCGS News*. Ready to join NCGS? [Membership information](#) is available on the website.

NCGS is governed by a Board of Directors. View our [current board and committee chairs](#).

Volunteer opportunities abound within NCGS. [Visit our website](#) to learn more.

The deadline for the May issue of the *NCGS News* is Friday, 15 April 2019. Please submit articles, comments, and suggestions to Phyllis Matthews Ziller, MLIS, editor, ncgsnewseditor@ncgenealogy.org.

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