

# NATIONAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY 2011 FAMILY HISTORY CONFERENCE

## *Where the Past is Still Present*



Charleston, South Carolina | 11-14 May 2011

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### THE FAMILY HISTORY CONFERENCE

The NGS 2011 Family History Conference brings together genealogists and family historians—people who have done research all of their lives and those who have only recently become interested, professionals and nonprofessionals—who have a common desire to learn how to find more information about their ancestors. At this conference there will be lectures emphasizing military, religious, and ethnic records as well as a track on researching in the Southeast. The conference will include programs for all levels of research experience: the Family History Skills track for those new to genealogy or wanting to refresh their skills, Research and Methodology for intermediates, and the BCG Skillbuilding track for the more experienced researchers. On Friday, the program will feature a track on African American research and Saturday's highlights include a Native American track and a DNA track including how DNA testing can supplement your family history research. Social events will provide networking opportunities with other genealogists.

### NEW AT THIS CONFERENCE

This year the NGS Family History Conference will have General Sessions on Wednesday and Saturday morning at 8:00 a.m. On Wednesday hear author Buzzy Jackson tell why now is the time to begin writing your family history. On Saturday morning learn about the history and recovery of the , a Civil War submarine, as told by South Carolina Senator Glenn McConnell.

For those of you who don't want to miss an opportunity to learn more, on Wednesday evening there will be additional presentations and case studies at 7:00 p.m. On Thursday evening the GenTech track will continue with additional evening lectures at 7:00 p.m. See pages 5 and 7 of this brochure for the program details.

Attend the History and Genealogy track on Friday to learn how to put more flesh on your ancestors' bones, tell their story in historical context, and research and present your personal family history.

### BCG SKILLBUILDING TRACK

NGS and the Board for Certification of Genealogists are pleased to present the newest Skillbuilding track, a series of lectures on skills and methodology designed for researchers who want to improve their skills. Presentations will cover evaluating evidence, solving difficult research problems, and reporting research. Lectures are open to all those registered for the conference.

### GENTECH TRACK

The GenTech track will have a selection of technology sessions beneficial to genealogists, including the latest in social media, Internet database advancements and enhancements, genetic research, and new technologies in their infancy that you will want to watch. The GenTech presentations will be given by experts in their fields.

### HELEN F. M. LEARY DISTINGUISHED LECTURE

The BCG Education Fund sponsors the Helen F. M. Leary Distinguished Lecture, which will be delivered on Friday at 9:30 a.m. by Thomas W.

Jones, PhD, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS, FUGA, co-editor of the . Participants will learn how to apply the genealogical proof standard to simple-and complex-evidence cases, to use it as a guide for planning and implementing research, and to incorporate it into research reports, proof arguments and summaries, and compiled genealogies.

### CONFERENCE VENUE

#### Charleston Area Convention Center

The NGS 2011 Family History Conference will be held in the Charleston Area Convention Center, 5001 Coliseum Drive, North Charleston, South Carolina, 11–14 May. The convention center is conveniently located near the Charleston International Airport (CHS) and is surrounded by a number of hotels with restaurants and outlet stores nearby. Historic Charleston is twenty minutes away via taxi or shuttle service (\$) if you are staying at the Embassy Suites, the convention host hotel.

### HOTELS

Attendees have a choice of regular or suite hotels. The Embassy Suites and Hilton Garden Inn are adjacent to the convention center. The Holiday Inn is across the street and the Hyatt Place and Residence Inn are across the convention center parking lot. Two other hotels, the newly renovated Crowne Plaza and the Hampton Inn, are a few blocks away. A trolley will be running between these hotels and the convention center Wednesday through Saturday. All the convention hotels provide free Internet, parking, and airport shuttle. Visit <http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/accommodations> for detailed information about the hotels.

### GETTING THERE

The Charleston International Airport is serviced by American Airlines, Continental Airlines, Delta, Southwest Airlines, United Airlines, and US Airways. Visit [http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/getting\\_there](http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/getting_there) for air and ground transportation details.

### SCOOTER/WHEELCHAIR RENTAL

Scooters and wheelchairs can be rented from Herbert's Mobility by calling 843-571-1515 by 26 April. Rented equipment will be delivered to and picked up from the convention center.

### SPECIAL PRE-CONFERENCE EVENTS, TUESDAY, 10 MAY 2011

#### Librarians' Day

NGS's special pre-conference program for librarians, sponsored by ProQuest, will be held Tuesday, 10 May, 8:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m., at the Charleston County Public Library, 68 Calhoun Street, Charleston. Librarians who work with family history patrons are encouraged to attend this outstanding program.

**"How Did that Yankee Get in the Family?"**—Michael Hall is a BYU graduate who has worked for FamilySearch for more than twenty years. He is currently strategic relations manager working with libraries and genealogical societies worldwide.

**"Putting All Your Library Resources to Use"**—George Morgan, president of Aha! Seminars, Inc., a training company providing continuing education for libraries and library consortia.

**"Solving African American Brick Walls"**—Toni Carrier, founding director of University of South Florida, Africana Heritage Project.

**"Social Networking"**—Drew Smith, academic librarian with the University of South Florida, Tampa.

ProQuest will provide lunch for registered attendees and will be available to answer questions about their products. The program will conclude with a tour of the Charleston County Public Library. For more information visit <http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/librariansday>.

### BCG Education Fund Workshop

The Board for Certification of Genealogists Education Fund is sponsoring a full-day pre-conference workshop on Tuesday, 10 May 2011, 8:45 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Registration is \$90 and includes lunch. Attendees will participate in two educational sessions described below:

Sharon Tate Moody, CG, will lead the workshop **"In the Law Library: A Workshop on Legal Research for Genealogists."** The lives of our ancestors were controlled by the law. It told them what they could and could not do. Understanding those laws, therefore, may explain what appears to be quirky behavior in the family tree. This workshop provides step-by-step guidance and hands-on exercises in locating laws in effect for each generation, applying the law to unlock puzzles of identity and kinship, and composing legal citations.

Barbara Vines Little, CG, FVGS, will lead the workshop **"Working with Documents: From Discovery to What Comes Next."** Participants, working with copies of original documents, will apply standard principles of transcribing, abstracting, extracting, or summarizing, including the decision-making process that determines which method(s) should be used; "decode" legal terms, abbreviations, and colonial letter forms; identify and interpret boilerplate/legalese; and analyze content (both for its information about the people involved and the clues it provides for further research).

### Research Trip to the South Carolina Department of Archives and History

The South Carolina Genealogical Society has made arrangements for a research trip on Tuesday, 10 May, 8:15 a.m.–5:30 p.m., to the South Carolina Department of Archives & History in Columbia, which contains more than 325 years of historical documents recording the diverse history of the people and government of South Carolina. For more details about the collection see <http://archives.sc.gov>. Buses will leave the Embassy Suites Hotel at 8:15 a.m. If you are staying at another hotel, you will need to arrange to have the hotel shuttle drop you off at the Embassy Suites Hotel by 8:00 a.m. You will arrive at the Archives approximately two hours later. A barbecue lunch will be provided at the Archives. The cost of \$40 includes the bus ride and lunch. Due to limited space at the Archives, the tour is limited to the first one hundred people who register.

## Tours of Charleston

Special tours for NGS attendees have been arranged for Tuesday, 10 May 2011, with Adventure Sightseeing, which will include pickup and return to the convention hotels. The tours are not handicapped accessible. All of the tours require a minimum of twenty reservations by 26 April. Hotel pickup will be between 9:00 a.m. and 9:20 a.m. at the various convention hotels.

- Tour B includes a ninety-minute bus tour of the historic city of Charleston including mansions, churches, the Old City Market, Rainbow Row, lovely gardens, and much more, followed by lunch on your own and the afternoon to explore Charleston. The bus will return to the hotels at 4:30 p.m. Adult price is \$25.
- Tour D includes a ninety-minute bus tour of the historic city of Charleston (same as Tour B) and also a cruise to Fort Sumter for a one-hour tour of the historic fort. Adult price is \$39.
- Tour G includes a combination of the historic city tour and the Magnolia Plantation Tour including a guided wilderness tram ride, tour of the plantation house, and renowned plantation gardens. The Magnolia Plantation Tour requires a lot of walking. It is a wonderful blend of southern history, horticulture, and wildlife. Adult price is \$63.

Reservations should be made directly with Adventure Sightseeing at 1-800-722-5394.

## SPECIAL PROGRAMS, SATURDAY 14 MAY 2011

### Genealogy 101, Getting Started with Family History, Saturday, 14 May 2011, 9:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Join instructors Paula Stuart-Warren, CG, and D. Joshua Taylor, MLS, for a special day of “Genealogy 101: Getting Started with Family History.” Today’s genealogists have access to a wide variety of records both online and off. Discover where to start, what to do next, how to organize your findings, and where you can seek additional help.

Jumpstart your family history with this hands-on workshop as you discover printed and electronic resources useful in researching your family tree. The workshop also covers sections on basic record types, “crossing the pond” (US clues for finding your immigrant ancestors and their origins), and uncovering the stories in your ancestors’ lives. You never know what surprises these records might hold.

Attendees will be entered into a drawing to win a free registration for the 2012 NGS Family History Conference in Cincinnati, Ohio, that will be given away at the conclusion of the workshop. The registration fee of \$50 includes an extensive handout and the NGS publication. Lunch is not included, but you will have sufficient time for lunch and browsing in the Exhibit Hall.

### Genealogy 201, Working with Records, Saturday, 14 May 2011, 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Have you completed some genealogical research? Are you ready to continue your genealogical education? Register for Genealogy 201 and learn techniques and tips to maximize the information gathered from your sources whether they are paper, microfilm, or digital. Instructors Ann

Carter Fleming, CG, CGL, FNGS, and Kay Haviland Freilich, CG, CGL, will also address ways to evaluate and organize the information you have and to plan your next research steps. This workshop is designed for those with some research experience. The registration fee is \$25, which includes a comprehensive handout. After the session, you may enjoy browsing in the Exhibit Hall.

### KIDS’ KAMP, Saturday, 14 May 2011, 9 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

This is a great opportunity to involve your children, grandchildren, nieces, and nephews in family history. The Kamp will feature a variety of age appropriate activities for kids ages eight to sixteen, including a session that focuses on scouting’s genealogical badges. The event is free; registration is required. Space is limited, so register early!

### NGS ANNUAL MEETING, Saturday, 14 May 2011, at 5:15 p.m.

An opportunity for NGS members to meet the NGS officers and board members and hear an update on NGS programs, courses, and publications from NGS President, Ann Hilde, CG.

### NGS AMERICAN GENEALOGY: HOME STUDY COURSE ROUNDTABLE, Thursday, 12 May 2011, at 5:15 p.m.

Join NGS Education Manager, Patricia Walls Stamm, CG, CGL, in a roundtable discussion about the NGS American Genealogy: Home Study Course with students currently taking the in-depth, self-paced course as well as others who are considering enrolling in the program.

## SOCIAL EVENTS

The South Carolina Genealogical Society is offering a choice of social events throughout the week.

### Wednesday, 11 May 2011, Wine and Cheese Reception and a Visit to the Charleston Museum

Wednesday evening is a wine and cheese reception at the Charleston Visitors Center and an opportunity to explore the Charleston Museum, the oldest museum in continuous operation in the United States. Buses will depart from the Embassy Suites Hotel at 5:15 p.m. If you are staying at another hotel, you will need to arrange to have the hotel shuttle drop you off at the Embassy Suites Hotel by 5:00 p.m. The wine and cheese reception will be from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. followed by a tour of the Charleston Museum from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The price is \$35 and will include the reception, a ticket to the museum, and bus transportation to and from the event. Because of the size of the museum, this event is limited to one hundred people. For information about the museum visit <http://www.charlestonmuseum.org>.

### Wednesday, 11 May 2011, Dinner Cruise aboard the *Spirit of Carolina*

Another event on Wednesday evening is a dinner cruise around the Charleston Harbor aboard the Buses will begin loading at the Embassy Suites at 5:30 p.m. If you are staying at another hotel, you will need to arrange to have the hotel shuttle drop

you off at the Embassy Suites Hotel by 5:15 p.m. The cruise will begin at Patriots Point, and, weather permitting, pass by Ft. Sumter, around the Battery, up the Ashley River and dock at the Aquarium Wharf shortly before 10:00 p.m. The buses will return participants to the seven convention hotels. The cost of \$70 includes dinner with coffee and tea provided, cruise, and bus transportation. A cash bar will be available. The event is limited to 250 guests.

### Thursday, 12 May 2011, Southern Barbeque Dinner at the Charleston Rifle Club

The Charleston Rifle Club, located at 2221 Heriot Street, Charleston, sits on forty-seven acres on the banks of the Ashley River and was established in 1855 as a German Rifle Society. Buses will leave the Embassy Suites Hotel at 5:45 p.m. for the short ride to the club. If you are staying at another hotel, you will need to arrange to have the hotel shuttle drop you off at the Embassy Suites Hotel by 5:30 p.m. You will have an opportunity to have a cocktail (cash bar) or walk the grounds along the river. A barbeque dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m., followed by entertainment. A vegetarian menu is not available. Buses will be returning to the hotel at 9:30 p.m. The cost of the event is \$35, which includes dinner and bus transportation. The event is limited to 200 guests.

## PRE-REGISTRATION

Pre-registration ends 26 April 2011. After that date you may only sign up on-site at the conference.

## CONFERENCE BLOG

Check the NGS Conference Blog for news, updates, and information relating to the conference at <http://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/>.

## TROLLEY SCHEDULE

Wednesday, 11 May	6:30 a.m.–8:30 p.m.
Thursday, 12 May	7:00 a.m.–8:30 p.m.
Friday, 13 May	7:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.
Saturday, 14 May	7:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m.

## EXHIBIT HALL SCHEDULE

Wednesday, 11 May	9:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Thursday, 12 May	9:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m.
Friday, 13 May	9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Saturday, 14 May	9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

## BUSES TO SOCIAL EVENTS LEAVE FROM THE EMBASSY SUITES HOTEL

All buses for various social events will leave from the Embassy Suites Hotel. Attendees need to make their own transportation arrangements to the Embassy Suites Hotel through their hotel shuttle service or by taking the trolley, which will be provided Wednesday through Saturday. Please allow sufficient time to make these connections.

8:00 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	Track	
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>W101</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Opening Session</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sponsored by Archives.com</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Transformation of NARA</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>David S. Ferriero</i>, Archivist of the United States</p> <p>David S. Ferriero is the tenth Archivist of the United States. He previously served as the Andrew W. Mellon Director of the New York Public Libraries. He also served in top positions at the academic libraries at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Duke University.</p> <p>Shaking the Family Tree: A Writer's Perspective on Turning Research Into Writing</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Buzzy Jackson, PhD</i></p> <p>Nobody told Buzzy Jackson she was supposed to research for decades before writing her family history—this is the story of how that worked out for her.</p> <p>Ms. Jackson is the author of <i>Shaking Your Family Tree: Blue Bloods, Black Sheep and Other Obsessions of an Accidental Genealogist</i>, (Simon &amp; Schuster, 2010) and <i>A Bad Woman Feeling Good: Blues and the Women Who Sing Them</i> (W.W. Norton: 2005). She has a PhD in US History from UC Berkeley and her work has been honored by PEN-West and the American Library Association.</p>	<p><b>Exhibit Hall Opens 9:30 am</b></p> <p><b>Genealogical Exhibits and Vendors</b></p> <p>Genealogical exhibitors and vendors will be on hand throughout the conference at the Charleston Area Convention Center to display their genealogical goods and services.</p> <p>Entrance to the exhibit hall is free to everyone.</p>	<p><b>BCG Skillbuilding</b></p>	<p>Beyond Reproach: Working to Standards <i>Rev. David McDonald, CG</i> <span style="float: right;"><i>W121</i></span> A standards-based approach to research and reporting can support the veracity of a genealogical researcher's conclusions even after they have been released.</p>
		<p><b>Methodology and Research</b></p>	<p>Finding Fathers: Bridging the Generation Gap <i>Elizabeth Shown Mills, CG,</i> <span style="float: right;"><i>W122</i></span> <i>CGL, FASG, FNGS, FUGA</i> Mills focuses upon pre-1850, when censuses name no children in parental households.</p>
		<p><b>Military Records</b></p>	<p>Researching your Revolutionary War Ancestor <i>Craig Roberts Scott, CG</i> <span style="float: right;"><i>W123</i></span> How to properly research a Revolutionary War ancestor during a war and after. Examines the pension payment process and bounty land.</p>
		<p><b>Ethnic Research</b></p>	<p>Chasing the Poor and the Landless in Ireland <i>David E. Rencher AG, CG, FIGRS, FUGA</i> <span style="float: right;"><i>W124</i></span> The records of the Irish poor are scattered throughout Ireland and England. Learn how to identify the record groups and analyze the records for success.</p>
		<p><b>Records and Repositories</b></p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Library of Congress</p> <p>The Library of Congress: Pursuing Your Family History in the National Library <i>James P. Sweany</i> <span style="float: right;"><i>W125</i></span> Focus will be on discovering the print and digital collections of the Library of Congress by family history researchers.</p>
		<p><b>Immigration and Migration</b></p>	<p>Finding Your German Ancestor's Place of Origin <i>John T. Humphrey, CG</i> <span style="float: right;"><i>W126</i></span> An array of records can lead the genealogist to their ancestral "heimat" in Germany. Learn what those records are and how to use them.</p>
		<p><b>States and Southeast</b></p>	<p>The Territorial Period in the Southern United States <i>Lynda Childers Suffridge</i> <span style="float: right;"><i>W127</i></span> This presentation will focus on records created during the Territorial Period in the southern United States: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Mississippi, Orleans (Louisiana), Kentucky, and Tennessee.</p>
		<p><b>Family History Skills</b></p>	<p>Statistically Speaking—the Good, the Bad, and the Ugly of Vital Record Research <i>Victor S. Dunn, CG</i> <span style="float: right;"><i>W128</i></span> Learn how to access and analyze vital records for veracity and find additional sources to extend ancestral lines.</p>
		<p><b>GenTech</b></p>	<p>Digital Preservation Techniques for Genealogists <i>D. Joshua Taylor, MLS</i> <span style="float: right;"><i>W129</i></span> Learn how to properly preserve e-mails, photographs, documents, and other digital objects.</p>
<p><b>GenTech</b></p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Birdie Menth Holstetaw Memorial Fund</p> <p>Cloud Computing and Genealogical Collaboration: How Technology Can Help Us Work Together <i>Jordan Jones</i> <span style="float: right;"><i>W130</i></span> Hear how you can use cloud computing to create, share, and collaborate on genealogical research projects in a web-based dynamic meeting place.</p>		

Exhibit Hall hours 9:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

12:15 p.m.

2:30 p.m.

4:00 p.m.

Special Evening Events

**Federation of Genealogical Societies Luncheon**

*D. Joshua Taylor, MLS*

W131

Looking Forward and Looking Back: Your Local Genealogical Society in the Next Thirty-Five Years

Journey into the past and future of our genealogical and historical societies as we celebrate the Thirty-Fifth Anniversary of the Federation of Genealogical Societies

**NIGRAA Luncheon**

*Marie Varrelman Melchiori, CG, CGL*

W132

Thanks for the Memories

The NIGR concept, when it started, and how it has evolved as a boon for the serious genealogist

**Palatines to America Luncheon**

*Lloyd Bockstruck*

W133

From Whence Came My German Ancestors?

Were they colonists or emigrants? From Germany, France, Switzerland, Austria, Denmark, the Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg, Liechtenstein, Poland, or Russia?

Menu

Roasted pork loin with oven roasted red bliss potatoes and seasonal vegetable

Field green salad with tomatoes, cucumber, and shredded carrots

Brownie

Coffee and tea

Vegetarian menu

Grilled stuffed portabella

\$30

When Sources Don't Agree, Then What?  
*Thomas W. Jones, PhD, CG, CGL, FASG, FUGA, FNGS* W141  
Attendees will learn strategies for resolving conflicting information and presenting explanations of conflicts that cannot be resolved.

Teasing the Silent Woman  
*Barbara Vines Little, CG, FVGS* W142  
By carefully studying a woman's family and community, a great deal can be learned about who these "silent" individuals were.

Hunting History: Searching for the Revolutionary War Generation  
*Maureen A. Taylor* W143  
Find out how newspapers, pension records, court documents, and more all reveal the lives of the men and women who lived during the American Revolution.

Erin in the USA: Irish Research on this Side of the Atlantic  
*Michael Brophy* W144  
You have found a place name for your ancestor in the Emerald Isle. Let's look at Irish records available in the United States to learn more.

Civilian Records at NARA  
*Patricia O'Brien Shawker, CG* W145  
A review of the non-military records at the National Archives and Records Administration

Search for Ancestors in Passenger Arrival Records  
*Julie Miller, CG* W146  
This lecture discusses passenger arrival records and how to analyze the information in them to advance your genealogical research.

Maps of the Southeast United States  
*Richard G. "Rick" Sayre, CG* W147  
Discover web-based map resources. See examples of these maps used in a genealogical context. The major printed atlases and gazetteers will also be discussed.

Introduction to Census Research  
*Lynda Childers Suffridge* W148  
This lecture demonstrates how to successfully search for ancestors in census records. It will address the challenge of incorrect indexes and misspelled names

Everything You Need to Know About Footnote  
*Footnote Staff* W149  
Attendees will gain a greater understanding of the unique value of this exciting and innovative website and how to use its many functions and features.

Using The Master Genealogist  
*Bob Velke* W150  
A basic introduction to The Master Genealogist (TMG) software, including concepts, terminology, navigation, and basic data entry.

Solving Genealogical Problems by Isolating Errors in Records  
*Henry B. Hoff, CG, FASG* W151  
Techniques for isolating errors in records will be discussed, including intentional errors, unintentional errors, and incorrect assumptions.

Libraries, Archives, and Public Record Offices: Understanding Resource Repositories  
*John Philip Colletta, PhD* W152  
This lecture explores various types of repositories and how they differ as well as the importance of distinguishing between original and derivative sources.

War of 1812 Records in the National Archives  
*Marie Varrelman Melchiori, CG, CGL* W153  
A look at the common service and pension records, the prisoner of war records, and the textual manuscript collection as well as some lesser known records.

Using Irish Land Valuation Records to Find an Ancestor's Home  
*David Ouimette, CG* W154  
Land valuation records reveal precisely where families lived in nineteenth- and twentieth-century Ireland. This presentation reviews title applotments, Griffith's Valuation, and land valuation manuscripts.

Finding Your family at the National Archives at Atlanta  
*Mary Evelyn Tomlin* W155  
The National Archives at Atlanta is a gateway to discovering your family's unique story told through the seemingly impersonal records of the federal government.

My Ancestor Came to Colonial America as an Indentured Servant  
*Nathan William Murphy, AG* W156  
Seventy-five percent of British and Irish emigrants to America entered the colonies as indentured servants. Examine sources that identify their status, families, and origins.

The Border Problem Between the Carolinas in the Colonial Period  
*Brent Howard Holcomb* W157  
This lecture will discuss the changes in the boundaries between the Carolinas in the colonial period, the problems created, and the solutions arrived at.

Mining the Mother Lode: Using Periodical Literature for Genealogical Research  
*Curt Witcher, MLS, FUGA, IGSF* W158  
A review of the periodical literature, the indices available, how to use them, and where to find them, including the Periodical Source Index.

Finding Newspapers Using Online Resources  
*Barbara Ann Renick* W159  
Newspapers are often the only place information about your obscure ancestor appeared in print. Online resources make finding likely newspapers easier than ever before.

Researching in Ireland: Planning is the Key to Success  
*Eileen M. Ó Duíll, CG* W170  
This lecture will assist researchers intending to travel to Ireland including hints on preparation, documentary sources, pre-trip organization, and tips on Dublin record repositories.

**South Carolina Genealogical Society hosts Wine and Cheese Reception and Visit to the Charleston Museum**  
Buses leave Embassy Suites at 5:15 p.m. The event price of \$35 includes wine, cheese, museum ticket, and bus transportation. W161

**South Carolina Genealogical Society hosts Dinner Cruise aboard the Spirit of Carolina**  
Buses leave Embassy Suites at 5:30 p.m. The event price of \$70 includes the dinner cruise and bus transportation. W162

Evening Events 7:00 p.m.

**International Society of Family History Writers and Editors Banquet**  
Genealogy Writers Do More than Write Books  
*Leland K. Meitzler*  
Tender breast of chicken with lemon, garlic, and oregano, served with chef's choice of vegetable and potato. A vegetarian menu is available. Event price is \$40. W163

Ground Transportation and Routes in Early Colonial Carolina  
*Thomas R. Magnuson* W164  
Describes transportation means, capabilities, and limitations in the Carolina "backcountry" during the contact era and introduces a new related tool for finding and recording history.

They Also Served—Women on the Civil War Homefront  
*Elizabeth Kelley Kerstens, CG, CGL* W165  
Learn how the women in one Michigan community banded together to raise money and make soldiers' clothing. Learn how to document your female ancestor's contributions.

Melungeons Voices: A Documentary  
*Julie Williams Dixon* W166  
An award-winning documentary that is part genealogy, part genetics, and part geography lesson that examines the possible origins for the mysterious Melungeons.

Tracking the Homestead Entry Papers of a Group of African American Homesteaders in Livingston Parish, Louisiana  
*Bernice Alexander Bennett* W167  
This session will examine the importance of researching the homestead land application entry papers of four African Americans in Livingston Parish, Louisiana, from 1887 to 1905.

One Family's Footprints in the Federal Records  
*Patricia O'Brien Shawker, CG* W168  
A case study that uses many different record groups in the National Archives.

Tools for Discovering Missing Links: Dred and Harriet Scott, a Case Study  
*Ruth Ann Abels Hager, CG, CGL* W169  
Research has uncovered family information about Dred and Harriet Scott's family—beyond the Dred Scott decision. Can these research techniques help you?

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Track	8:00 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
BCG Skillbuilding	<p>BCG Certification Seminar <i>Thomas W. Jones, PhD, CG, CGL, FASG, FUGA, FNGS</i> <i>Laura Murphy DeGrazia, CG, Alison Hare, CG</i> T201</p> <p>Join BCG associates as they explain the nature and purpose of certification as well as the application process, requirements for board certification, and how to prepare for certification.</p>		<p>BCG Analyzing Deeds and Wills: I See What It Says, but What Does It Mean? <i>Elizabeth Shown Mills, CG</i> T221</p> <p>Legalese. Boilerplate. Obsolete laws. Strange customs. The documents our ancestors created are full of traps. This session analyzes documents line by line and maximize clues.</p>
Methodology and Research	<p>Burned County Research Methodology <i>Victor S. Dunn, CG</i> T202</p> <p>When the county records are destroyed, learn how to make the most of surviving county records as well as federal, state, and non-government sources.</p>	<p>Methods for Identifying the English Origins of American Colonists <i>Henry B. Hoff, CG, FASG</i> T212</p> <p>Discovery of English origins of colonists usually is the result of using standard research methods, any of which can be applied to your own research.</p>	<p>Deliveries in the Rear: Getting Family History Information through the "Back Door" <i>Jean Wilcox Hibben, PhD, MA, CG</i> T222</p> <p>Many research findings are located by checking seemingly unrelated sources. This presentation looks at the benefits of researching correlating lines, neighbors, and alternative references.</p>
Military Records	<p>Bounty-Land Records at NARA <i>Claire Bettag, CG, CGL</i> T203</p> <p>Discusses records at the National Archives—applications and warrants for federal bounty lands awarded for military service from Revolutionary War through Indian conflicts of the 1850s.</p>	<p>The Mexican War—An Important War for Southern Research <i>Richard G. "Rick" Sayre, CG</i> T213</p> <p>Understand the genealogical value of military records especially pension and bounty lands.</p>	<p>When Grandpa Comes Marching Home Again <i>Julie Miller, CG</i> T223</p> <p>This lecture will discuss the methods used to organize, extract, and analyze the documents in a Civil War pension file.</p>
Ethnic Research	<p>Huguenot Roots: America and Abroad Using Resources at the Huguenot Society of South Carolina <i>Harriott Cheves Leland and Diame W. Ressinger</i> T204</p> <p>Techniques for tracing French Protestant refugees in America, the West Indies, and the British Isles, presenting case histories of several recently studied families.</p>	<p>Researching Eighteenth-Century Germans <i>John T. Humphrey, CG</i> T214</p> <p>Strategies used to find information on eighteenth-century German forebears differ significantly from those used to locate those who came from Great Britain.</p>	<p>German Territories and Maps—You Can't Do Research Without Them <i>F. Warren Bittner</i> T224</p> <p>Germany had frequent and significant boundary changes. Learn about the 300 independent territories that have merged to become modern Germany and how to find their records.</p>
Records and Repositories	<p>What is Britain? <i>Audrey Collins</i> T205</p> <p>This presentation will help American genealogists make sense of the small, but complex, group of islands that make up the British Isles.</p>	<p>Ancestors in Hiding: How to Help Them Emerge from Statistical Census Returns <i>Helen F. M. Leary, CG (Emeritus)</i> T215</p> <p>FASG, FNGS</p> <p>We often fail to squeeze pre-1850 schedules dry. But those statistics stand for real people, and we can bring them out of the shadows.</p>	<p>Roots in the British Isles: Equations Half-Erased <i>Sherry Irvine, CG</i> T225</p> <p>Ancestors with unknown British roots? Focusing from 1730 to 1850, this lecture will help you select resources to solve the other half of the equation.</p>
Immigration and Migration	<p>My Ancestor Came to Colonial America as a Transported Convict <i>Nathan William Murphy, AG</i> T206</p> <p>Fifty thousand English men, women, and children were sent to Colonial America as transported convicts. Was your ancestor one of them?</p>	<p>From Ulster to the Carolinas—Tracing Your Scots-Irish Ancestors <i>David E. Rencher, AG, CG, FIGRS, FUGA</i> T216</p> <p>Learn how to trace the migration of the Ulster Scots from Northern Ireland to the Americas, particularly their migration into the Carolinas.</p>	<p>The Scots-Irish: Through Ulster to North America <i>Rev. David McDonald, CG</i> T226</p> <p>An examination of the movement into Ulster from Scotland, the causes for their dispersal to North America, and their settlement in the upland South.</p>
States and Southeast	<p>South Carolina's Colonial Records <i>Brent Howard Holcomb</i> T207</p> <p>This lecture will discuss the colonial records of South Carolina, the indices and finding aids available as well as published sources and abstracts.</p>	<p>Resources Among the Surviving Records of Charleston, 1783-1926 <i>Nicholas Michael Butler, PhD</i> T217</p> <p>Charleston's earliest surviving civic records, though incomplete, contain valuable data about tens of thousands of individuals including the rich, poor, slave, free, and transients.</p>	<p>Learn About The Charleston Library Society and South Carolina Historical Society <i>Patricia E. Kruger</i> T227</p> <p>Each of these institutions is a treasure trove of early South Carolina family materials. Learn more about them and their 18th and 19th century holdings.</p>
Family History Skills	<p>Cemetery Records: More than Tombstones <i>Lynda Childers Suffridge</i> T208</p> <p>This lecture looks at various types of cemeteries, the records available, and provides examples of several cemetery discoveries.</p>	<p>Organizing Your Research: The Overlooked Step <i>Ann Carter Fleming, CG, CGL, FNGS</i> T218</p> <p>How do you know what information you have and what you need if you are unorganized? Organizing your file folders is a good starting point.</p>	<p>Finding and Using Historic Newspapers in Genealogical Research <i>Billie Stone Fogarty</i> T228</p> <p>Discover more about your ancestors' lives by finding them in the newspaper. Learn where to find historic newspapers and see the gems you can find.</p>
GenTech	<p>eBooks for Genealogists <i>Pamela Boyer Sayre, CG, CGL</i> T209</p> <p>Learn about free and paid every-word searchable eBooks that can be used online or downloaded to a Kindle, smartphone, or iPad.</p>	<p>FamilySearch Preserving Digital Images and Family History Data <i>Rick Laxman</i> T219</p> <p>Preserving genealogical data and images for future generations is difficult due to rapidly changing technology. Learn the best processes and methods for long-term preservation.</p>	<p>ePublishing <i>Barbara Ann Renick</i> T229</p> <p>Today the use of electronic publishing media makes it easier and cheaper than ever before to preserve, share, and expand your family tree research.</p>
GenTech	<p>FamilySearch A Professional Researcher's Tips and Tricks to the Family History Library Catalog <i>Daniel S. Poffenberger, AG</i> T210</p> <p>This class gives you tips and tricks to finding more records in the Family History Library catalog more accurately and more quickly.</p>	<p>FamilySearch Using FamilySearch to Solve Genealogical Problems <i>Jim Ison, AG, CG</i> T220</p> <p>Learn to take advantage of powerful new features of FamilySearch to solve genealogical research problems.</p>	<p>FamilySearch FamilySearch: The 911 for Genealogy Help <i>Anne Roach, AG, CG</i> T230</p> <p>At some point, you reach the end of your knowledge and need help. FamilySearch helps you find the answers and extend your knowledge.</p>

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12:15 p.m.	2:30 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	Special Evening Programs
<p><b>Board for Certification of Genealogists Luncheon</b></p> <p><i>Craig Roberts Scott, CG</i></p> <p>T231</p> <p>Veterans I Have Known, Part I: Johnny Reb</p> <hr/> <p><b>International Society for British Genealogy and Family History Luncheon</b></p> <p><i>Arlene V. Jennings, CG</i></p> <p>T232</p> <p>Research Adventures in East Yorkshire</p> <p>A stroll about the old East Ridding of Yorkshire, the county archives in Beverly, and the new Hull History Centre.</p> <hr/> <p><b>Family Search Luncheon</b></p> <p><i>Daniel Poffenberger</i></p> <p>T233</p> <p>Thankful Poop – Funny names and other fascinating and hilarious finds from years of research</p> <hr/> <p>Menu</p> <p>Chicken Caesar salad with romaine lettuce, shredded parmesan cheese, garlic croutons, and dinner roll.</p> <p>New York style cheesecake with raspberry coulis</p> <p>Coffee and tea</p> <p>Vegetarian menu</p> <p>Cold grilled vegetable salad with balsamic dressing</p> <p>\$30</p>	<p>What Exactly Is a “Reasonably Exhaustive Search”?</p> <p><i>Laura Murphy DeGrazia, CG</i> T241</p> <p>Where and why do you end your research? This talk will focus on the philosophical underpinnings of this important concept of the Genealogical Proof Standard.</p>	<p>What’s in a Name? Overcoming Spelling Problems and Unlocking the Power of Names</p> <p><i>David Ouimette, CG</i> T251</p> <p>Names are the most powerful means of identifying ancestors. Learn how to overcome name-spelling problems and discover the hidden potential of your family names.</p>	<p>NGS American Genealogy: Home Study Course Roundtable 5:15 p.m.</p> <p><i>Patricia Walls Stamm, CG, CGL</i> T261</p> <p>Join the NGS Education Manager in a roundtable discussion about the Home Study Course with students currently taking the course as well as others considering the course.</p>
	<p>NGS Book Loan Collection</p> <p><i>Ruth Ann Abels Hager, CG, CGL</i> T242</p> <p>This genealogical collection of more than 25,000 books circulates through Interlibrary Loan. Learn how to use this collection and how it can help you.</p>	<p>Reconstructing Families on the Colonial Frontier</p> <p><i>John T. Humphrey CG</i> T252</p> <p>This lecture explores strategies to get around obstacles created by difficulties associated with colonial-era research.</p>	<p><b>South Carolina Genealogical Society Charleston Rifle Club</b></p> <p>Southern Barbeque Dinner including chicken, pork, and vegetables with entertainment and cash bar</p> <p>T262</p> <p>Buses leave Embassy Suites at 5:30 p.m. \$35</p>
<p>Records of the Confederate Conscription Office</p> <p><i>Craig Roberts Scott, CG</i> T243</p> <p>The history of the Confederate draft and its records.</p>	<p>In the Wilderness and On the Battlefields With Your Civil War Ancestor</p> <p><i>Sharon Tate Moody, CG</i> T253</p> <p>What was war really like for our ancestors? Explore your ancestors’ trails to learn how they lived, died, marched, camped, and fought.</p>	<p><b>Evening GenTech Program 7:00 p.m.</b></p>	
<p>The Scots-Irish from Virginia to the Carolinas</p> <p><i>Victor S. Dunn, CG</i> T244</p> <p>The elusive Scots-Irish were prominent in the settlement of southside Virginia and the valley in the late colonial period. Migration and sources are examined.</p>	<p>The Melungeon People: Cultural Diversity Come Home</p> <p><i>Terry W. Mullins, EAD</i> T254</p> <p>An introduction to what is known about Melungeon history and the mysteries that continue to intrigue researchers.</p>	<p>Making Technology Work for Genealogists: Tools and Gadgets that Maximize Your Time</p> <p><i>Anne Roach, AG, CG</i> T263</p> <p>Learn about a variety of available tools and gadgets that will make your life easier, more efficient, save you time, and much, much more!</p>	
<p>The Parish</p> <p><i>Audrey Collins</i> T245</p> <p>The influence and authority of the parish in Britain extended into everyday life, even to those who rejected the Church of England.</p>	<p>British Intelligence: Smart Strategies for Tracking Down English, Scottish, and Welsh Ancestors</p> <p><i>Rick Crume</i> T255</p> <p>In three case studies, Rick will show you how he traced his ancestry in England, Scotland, and Wales using microfilm and online resources.</p>	<p>The Master Genealogist: Advanced</p> <p><i>Bob Velke</i> T264</p> <p>The user will learn advanced techniques to customize source output, control narrative output, and design filters for reports in The Master Genealogist (TMG) project manager.</p>	
<p>Five Proven Techniques for Finding Your Ancestor’s European Origins</p> <p><i>Thomas W. Jones, PhD, CG, CGL, FASG, FUGA, FNGS</i> T246</p> <p>Attendees will learn techniques for matching the identity of a North American ancestor with names and identities found in European records.</p>	<p>Carolínians Settle the South</p> <p><i>Jim Ison, AG, CG</i> T256</p> <p>From Georgia to Texas, many antebellum residents were Carolina born. Learn more about migration from the Carolinas.</p>	<p>How to Best Search and Browse the Millions of Unique Documents on Footnote.com</p> <p><i>Footnote Staff</i> T265</p> <p>Finding more features and benefits from the Footnote.com website.</p>	
<p>The Land Records of South Carolina-- More Than Just Grants and Plats</p> <p><i>Brent Howard Holcomb</i> T247</p> <p>An overall view of land records including indices, finding aids, and council journals where one may find the petitions for land.</p>	<p>Inheritance Laws and Estate Settlements in the Carolinas</p> <p><i>Mark Lowe CG, FUGA</i> T257</p> <p>Learn the procedures required upon the death of an ancestor. Understanding changes in the law can help you solve your genealogical problems.</p>	<p>Four Major Trends that Will Shake the Leaves off your Family Tree</p> <p><i>Dan Lawyer</i> T266</p> <p>Come learn how mobility, location, cloud computing, and social networking will transform the way family history research is done.</p>	
<p>Investigating Your Ancestors</p> <p><i>Pamela Boyer Sayre, CG, CGL</i> T248</p> <p>Learn how genealogists can use criminal investigation techniques to identify ancestors, record evidence, analyze and draw accurate conclusions, and write comprehensive but concise reports.</p>	<p>Obituaries and City Directories with the Census as Your Guide</p> <p><i>Diane L. Giannini, CG</i> T258</p> <p>Many researchers overlook obituaries and city directories. This session shows how to pair the research found in them with census records to prove family relationships.</p>	<p>Manipulating and Enhancing Document Images Using Free Software</p> <p><i>Rick Laxman</i> T267</p> <p>Free software is available to enhance the readability of documents. Learn where to obtain and how to use the software, including renaming and organizing your files.</p>	
<p>Genealogy Boot Camp: Practical Sources You Will Use and Rely On!</p> <p><i>Thomas Jay Kemp</i> T249</p> <p>Learn about the new basic online tools and databases for researching and preserving your family history. Geared for beginners and advanced researchers.</p>	<p>Getting the Most of Your Mac for Genealogists</p> <p><i>Michael J. Leclerc</i> T259</p> <p>Discover the powerful yet easy-to-use software tools for your Macintosh computer that won’t break the bank.</p>	<p>Where in the World Can I Find My Ancestors—Digitally?</p> <p><i>Bill Mangum</i> T268</p> <p>There are too many places to look online for historic records. How can I find my person regardless of where those records are stored?</p>	
<p>FamilySearch 2011 and Beyond</p> <p><i>Craig H. Miller</i> T250</p> <p>Come hear firsthand, from the people planning the future of FamilySearch, what new capabilities are coming in 2011 and beyond.</p>	<p>FamilySearch’s Portal for Archives: Connect to Our Community</p> <p><i>Ransom Love</i> T260</p> <p>FamilySearch is building a records custodians community. See why you should be connected.</p>	<p>Online Family Trees: Billions of Names at Your Fingertips</p> <p><i>Rick Crume</i> T269</p> <p>Don’t reinvent the wheel! Someone has probably researched your family history already. Use online family trees to jump-start your research.</p>	

Track	8:00 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
BCG Skillbuilding	<p>Reporting the Facts: Record as You Go <i>Pamela Boyer Sayre, CG, CGL</i> F301 Learn to record your research as you work to ensure accuracy, best analysis and use of facts, and adequate time to write the results well.</p>	<p>Why Was the Record Created? <i>Ann Carter Fleming, CG, CGL, FNGS</i> F311 Governments, churches, and others did not create records just for genealogists. Understanding the law or reasons for a record may provide new research clues.</p>	<p>Kinship Determination: Are They Really My Ancestors? <i>Kay Haviland Freilich, CG, CGL</i> F321 Our goal as genealogists is to identify our own ancestors. How do we ensure that those we place on our family tree really belong there?</p>
Methodology and Research	<p>Grandma's Obituary Box <i>Pamela Stone Eagleson, CG</i> F302 This lecture examines the use of obituaries in genealogical research, their evolution, and their role in American culture since the 1700s.</p>	<p>Helen F.M. Leary Distinguished Lecture The Genealogical Proof Standard: What It Is and What It Is Not <i>Thomas W. Jones, PhD, CG, CGL, FASG, FUGA, FNGS</i> F312 Participants will learn how to apply the genealogical proof standard to simple- and complex-evidence cases, and to use it for writing proof arguments and summaries.</p>	<p>Finding Ancestors in American and Caribbean Ports <i>Henry B. Hoff, CG, FASG</i> F322 Ancestors who vanish from a port may have moved to another port. Learn about available sources for American and Caribbean ports to find them.</p>
Military Records	<p>Southern Claims Commission 101: A Basic Introduction <i>Ruth Ann Abels Hager, CG, CGL</i> F303 In the 1870s, Southerners filed more than 22,000 claims for losses suffered during the Civil War. Will these files, rich in detail, help you?</p>	<p>Restoring the Brotherhood of Union: Confederate Pardon and Amnesty Records, 1865–1877 <i>John P. Deeben</i> F313 This lecture examines the legislative background, application process, and resulting paperwork relating to presidential pardons and congressional amnesty offered to former Confederates.</p>	<p>Photography, the Civil War, and Your Family Pictures <i>Maureen A. Taylor</i> F323 Photography brought the realities of the Civil War home in battlefield scenes and in individual portraits of soldiers. Discover the clues in those pictures.</p>
Ethnic Research	<p>Finding Your Pre-1870 African American Ancestors—an Overview <i>Helen F. M. Leary, CG (Emeritus), FASG, FNGS</i> F304 Finding African Americans who lived in slavery requires concentrated attention to detail and steadfast refusal to accept irrelevant stereotypes, Hattie McDaniel and Chicken George notwithstanding.</p>	<p>Researching African Americans in the Wake of the Civil War: A Case Study <i>Wevonneda Minis</i> F314 Mining post-Civil War records, created as former slaves established new identities, can lead to identifying their family members and former slave owners.</p>	<p>African American Genealogy: Records in Charleston that Break Through the 1870 Brick Wall <i>Toni Carrier</i> F324 Learn which Charleston records can help you break through the 1870 brick wall, one of the greatest challenges of African American genealogy research.</p>
ICAPGen	<p>Child-Naming Patterns: A Tool to Assist with Family Reconstitution <i>Richard Price, AG</i> F305 A discussion of child-naming customs within various cultures and ethnic groups and how an understanding can help link families together, especially with difficult research problems.</p>	<p>Accreditation: Taking Your Research Experience to the Next Level <i>Linda Turner, AG</i> F315 Considered credentialing as a professional genealogist? Learn more about the accreditation process and what it takes to become an AG professional through ICAPGen.</p>	<p>Search Far and Wide: Researching Broadly in Kinship, Chronology, and Record Types <i>Amy Harris, PhD, AG</i> F325 Methodology techniques and their application in discovering earlier generations, using a variety of sources.</p>
Religious Records	<p>German Church Records: "The Heart and Soul of German Genealogy" <i>John T. Humphrey, CG</i> F306 Church records are the single most important record group available for finding German ancestors. Learn what they contain and how to use them!</p>	<p>Religion in the Carolinas <i>Rev. David McDonald, CG</i> F316 An overview of the Moravians, Friends (Quakers), Baptists, Anglicans/Episcopalians, Huguenots, Jews, Methodists, Presbyterians, Roman Catholics, and other religious bodies in the early Carolinas.</p>	<p>Catholic Church Research in the Southeast <i>Julie Miller, CG</i> F326 Catholic records contain a wealth of genealogical information. This lecture discusses the type, content, and location of these records in the southeastern United States</p>
States and Southeast	<p>Born in Virginia: How Do I Find Him? <i>Barbara Vines Little, CG, FVGS</i> F307 Based upon thirty years' experience as a professional researcher tracing lost Virginia ancestors, this lecture details the approach most likely to produce a successful search.</p>	<p>South Carolina's Vital Records and Substitutes for them <i>Brent Howard Holcomb</i> F317 This lecture will explain the vital records available for South Carolina and alternate sources for vital records available at various repositories and in published sources.</p>	<p>Problem Solving in the Problem-Riddled Carolina Backcountry <i>Elizabeth Shown Mills, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS, FUGA</i> F327 The Carolina backcountry is known for its genealogical roadblocks, pitfalls, record losses, and lack of records. Mills presents strategies and sources for overcoming all these obstacles.</p>
History and Genealogy	<p>Basic Guidelines for Researching and Presenting a Personal Family History <i>Harold E. Hinds, Jr. PhD</i> F308 The lecture emphasizes essential research skills and basic decisions about presentation necessary to successfully expand a genealogy into a personal family history.</p>	<p>The Time of Cholera: A Case Study About Historical Context <i>Alison Hare, CG</i> F318 A cholera epidemic in London, England, in 1854 is the backdrop for a memorable lesson in how to flesh out a personal family history.</p>	<p>Reconstructing the Life of a Nomadic Ancestor: John H. Pennington—World Traveler, Millionaire, and Bigamist <i>Rick Crume</i> F328 Using online and traditional sources, Rick traces a Minnesota ancestor to California and South America and discovers four marriages and a dramatic reversal of fortune</p>
GenTech	<p>Effective Internet Searching <i>Elizabeth Kelley Kerstens, CG, CGL</i> F309 The Internet contains a minefield of information for the unaware researcher. Learn how to effectively use tools to hone in on specific data.</p>	<p>FamilyLink Research Tools <i>Gena Philibert Ortega</i> F319 Come learn about the tools that FamilyLink provides to help researchers learn more about their families including subscription databases and social networking websites.</p>	<p>Digitizing Your Way to Organization <i>Pamela Boyer Sayre, CG, CGL</i> F329 See how a scanner with an automatic document feeder and Adobe Acrobat software can organize those mountains of paper on your kitchen table.</p>
GenTech	<p>What's New in RootsMagic <i>Bruce Buzbee</i> F310 A live demonstration of this award-winning genealogy software including tips and hints to get more out of the software.</p>	<p>What's New on Ancestry.com <i>Ancestry Staff</i> F320 Get an inside look at the most recent additions to Ancestry.com—historical records, website features, product enhancements, and much more.</p>	<p>Advanced Strategies for Searching Ancestry.com <i>Ancestry Staff</i> F330 Unlock the potential of Ancestry.com's powerful search tools. This class combines advanced search methods with examples of research mythology that will benefit your family history.</p>

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Evening

**Association of Professional Genealogists Luncheon**

*Eileen M. Ó Duíll, CG*

F331

Mrs. Fancy Tart Is Coming to Tea: Making Sense of Family Stories

Family stories can become muddled over time. In this talk, Eileen shares examples that illustrate the reasons family stories can be misleading, mysterious, and marvelous.

**South Carolina Genealogical Society Luncheon**

*Alphonso Brown*

F332

A Glimpse at Gullah Life

Let Alphonso Brown acquaint you with the language and culture of the Gullah people in the lowcountry.

**New England Historic Genealogical Society Luncheon**

*D. Brenton Simons*

F333

*NEHGS, New England, New York, and Beyond*

Join the President and CEO of NEHGS as he discusses the exciting directions the Society is taking to expand its services to members.

Menu

Traditional meat lasagna with chef's choice of vegetables

Seasonal salad with dinner roll

Chocolate cake

Coffee and tea

Vegetarian menu

Basil pesto grilled tofu over orzo

\$30

Elements of a Useful Research Road Map  
*Patricia Walls Stamm, CG, CGL F341*  
When traveling, we use road maps. But what should go into our research road map? Discover the elements to keep us focused on our genealogical destination.

Speaking from the Grave: Exploring Probate Files  
*Sharon Tate Moody, CG F342*  
Whether ancestors died with or without wills, probate files contain much genealogy. Understanding the laws that created the records explain more than is initially obvious.

Give Us a Flag! Researching African & Native American Civil War Pension and Military Records  
*Eric A. Smith F343*  
The researcher will discover information about African and Native Americans who served in both the US Colored Troops and Regular Regiments.

From Africa to Charleston and Beyond  
*Jim Ison, AG, CG F344*  
Learn valuable research clues of African origin using the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade Database. Also gain an understanding of migration patterns.

Back to the Future: Finding Your Past in the Present Through Descendancy Research  
*Tim Bingham, AG F345*  
Identifying and contacting unknown distant relatives who may have additional information and artifacts to help you fill out your family history

On the Frontiers of Freedom: The Baptists in the South  
*Barbara Vines Little CG, FVGS F346*  
One of the earliest groups to chafe under the British rule, the Baptists created a wealth of records useful to the genealogist.

Southern Deeds: More than Land  
*Paula Stuart-Warren, CG F347*  
These make Northern researchers jealous. Names, relationships, death, marriage, and family disputes are found as slaves, land, equipment, mules, and more are conveyed.

Turning Information into Biographical Events: How to Build Historical Context  
*John Philip Colletta, PhD F348*  
You will learn how to explore the time and place your ancestors lived and to include the appropriate historical context when writing your family stories.

How Autosomal DNA Testing is Changing Genealogy  
*Blaine T. Bettinger, PhD F349*  
This lecture will help you understand autosomal DNA testing and how you can use this tool to identify genetic cousins and explore your genetic tree.

Immigration and Emigration Records on Ancestry.com  
*Ancestry Staff F350*  
How to find ship records and more on Ancestry.com.

Building Better Citations  
*Alison Hare, CG F351*  
The ins and outs of citations with emphasis on the mechanics of writing them.

Framing the Problem for Field and Overseas Research  
*David E. Rencher, AG, CG, FIGRS, FUGA F352*  
This session provides a strategy to help the participant identify the specific objectives for a successful field or overseas research trip.

National Home for Disabled Soldiers' Homes—the Aftermath of the Civil War  
*Richard G. "Rick" Sayre, CG F353*  
Find your ancestor among the thousands of genealogically significant records. State and Confederate homes will also be identified along with strategies to locate extant records.

I Don't Even Know My Name: Researching African American Roots  
*Nancy Richey, MLIS F354*  
Researching African genealogy is difficult. It requires the reconstruction of a lineage using limited official records that can be found in surprising places.

Finding Records of the Jewish Communities in the Southern United States  
*W. Todd Knowles, AG F355*  
Knowing what records exist and where to access them to locate our Jewish ancestors will be discussed in this class.

Were Your Ancestors Friends? Finding and Using Their Quaker Records  
*Kay Haviland Freilich, CG, CGL F356*  
Quaker ancestors left an abundance of records available to today's genealogists. Learn about the various records, how to use them, and where to find them.

Blank or Prize: What You Need to Know about Georgia's Land Lotteries  
*Linda Woodard Geiger, CG, CGL F357*  
Learn how the Georgia land lotteries can help you solve genealogical problems relating to Georgia residents from 1805 to 1833.

Pre-tested Models for Presenting Your Personal Family History  
*Harold A. Hinds Jr., PhD F358*  
One of the best ways to select a model for your personal family history is to sample already published, market-tested family histories.

Creating a DNA Project: The IberianAshkenaz DNA Project as a Case Study  
*Schelly Talalay Dardashti F359*  
Learn how to create a DNA project: Goals and criteria, persuading participants, understanding and publicizing results, fascinating stories, surprises, the project's future, and potential importance.

Southern Research on Ancestry.com  
*Ancestry Staff F360*  
Focusing on the best and unique records and resources on Ancestry.com for those researching in the American South.

F361

**6:00 p.m. Cash Bar  
7:00 p.m. Dinner**

**National Genealogical Society Banquet**

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*Stephen B. Bacon, Maj USAF (Ret)*

Separating Fact from Myth—A Look at the US Civil War from Both Sides

Major Stephen B. Bacon has a Master of Arts in Military History and a Master of Arts in International Politics and Business. He is now a retired United States Air Force officer with twenty-five years of service. Since his retirement, he has taught at Georgia Military College and is currently teaching at the University of South Carolina at Beaufort. He is also a Civil War Re-enactor.

Menu

Roasted London broil with potatoes and the chef's selection of seasonal vegetable

Field green salad with tomatoes, cucumber, and dinner roll.

Bourbon pecan pie

Coffee and tea

Vegetarian menu

Penne pasta with sundried tomatoes and grilled eggplant

\$49

Track	8:00 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
BCG Skillbuilding	<p><b>S401</b></p> <p><b>General Session</b></p> <p><b>Sponsored by FamilySearch</b></p> <p><i>The Hunley—Where Science and History Come Together to Tell Time</i></p> <p><i>Senator, Glenn F. McConnell</i></p> <p>Come hear about the historic battle in Charleston Harbor on 17 February 1864 between the <i>H. L. Hunley</i>, a Confederate submarine, and the <i>USS Housatonic</i>, a 1,240 ton war ship. Learn about Senator McConnell's efforts to raise and preserve the <i>H. L. Hunley</i> as well as memorialize the lives of the nine men who gave their lives to test the limits of technology.</p> <p>Glenn F. McConnell is President Pro Tempore of the South Carolina State Senate. He received his undergraduate degree from the College of Charleston and Juris Doctorate from the University of South Carolina. McConnell was elected to the South Carolina Senate in 1980 where he continues to serve. He is proactive in preserving the heritage of South Carolina. As Chairman of the <i>Hunley</i> Commission, he was responsible for leading the effort to raise and preserve the <i>H. L. Hunley</i>.</p>	<p>Research Reports: Meeting Standards <i>Claire Bettag, CG, CGL</i> S411</p> <p>The presentation, for beginners or researchers aiming to meet standards in written reports, focuses on current guidelines and elements to include in narrative reports.</p>	<p>Convincing Your Audience: How to Construct a Proof Statement <i>Barbara Vines Little, CG, FVGS</i> S421</p> <p>A look at the key elements of an evidence argument—how do you know you have the right answer?</p>
Methodology and Research		<p>The Jones Jinx: Tracing Common Surnames <i>Thomas W. Jones, PhD, CG, CGL, FASG, FUGA, FNGS</i> S412</p> <p>A case study explains how to identify parents and origins of a migrant orphan named Jones and how to solve problems encountered with a common surname.</p>	<p>Principles and Rewards of Effective Interviewing <i>John Philip Colletta, PhD</i> S422</p> <p>Interviewing family relatives provides the foundation for later research. This lecture explores the skills and techniques necessary for conducting enjoyable and productive interviews.</p>
Military Records		<p>Confederate Prisoner of War Records <i>Craig Roberts Scott, CG</i> S413</p> <p>How to research a Confederate prisoner of war.</p>	<p>Roll Call: New Sites and Sources for Military Records and Research <i>Curt Witcher, MLS, FUGA, IGSF</i> S423</p> <p>This presentation explores the growing number of consequential websites for the researcher interested in military history and military ancestors.</p>
Ethnic Research		<p>Cherokee Genealogy: A Beginner's Guide <i>Ronald Eugene "Gene" Norris Jr., CG</i> S414</p> <p>Discussion includes methodology used to gather family information, federal records used in Cherokee research, and Cherokee records available.</p>	<p>The Scots-Irish and the Cherokee <i>Ronald Eugene "Gene" Norris, Jr., CG</i> S424</p> <p>Discussion includes similarities between Scots-Irish and the Cherokee, their early history, and the more prominent families who lived among the Cherokee.</p>
Records and Repositories		<p>Finding Missing Links in Land Records <i>Sharon Tate Moody, CG</i> S415</p> <p>Evidence of illicit affairs and failed marriages, identities of children, migration trails, and other personal details languish among land records in deed books.</p>	<p>After Appomattox: Researching Confederate Veterans in post-Civil War America <i>David Allen Lambert</i> S425</p> <p>Learn about pension records awarded by the southern states as well as other available published and online state and local sources for your ancestor.</p>
Religious Records		<p>Records of the Moravians <i>Mark Lowe, CG, FUGA</i> S416</p> <p>With records beginning in 1753, these church records detail the lives of early members and neighbors. Learn where to find them and how to use them.</p>	<p>You don't have to be Jewish—Research Strategies for Jewish Ancestors <i>Karen S. Franklin</i> S426</p> <p>Is that ancestor Jewish? Strategies and tips for how to get additional information online, in archives, and reference books. Case studies enliven the program.</p>
States and Southeast		<p>Tarheels in the Family Tree? A Genealogical Introduction to North Carolina Records <i>Helen F. M. Leary, CG (Emeritus), FASG, FNGS</i> S417</p> <p>Research in North Carolina, despite the absence of pre-twentieth century vital records and presence of several "missing records" counties, is pleurably profitable.</p>	<p>Early Days in Alabama: Territorial Settlement through Antebellum Development <i>Elizabeth Crabtree Wells, MLS</i> S427</p> <p>Documenting Alabama's diverse settlement by Europeans and Native Americans using land, military, church, census, and government records from territorial days to antebellum state status.</p>
Family History Skills		<p>Social Security Records: A Boon to Twentieth-Century Family History <i>David Ouimette, CG</i> S418</p> <p>Learn about the records of the Social Security Administration, especially the Social Security application cards and death index, a treasure trove for twentieth-century research.</p>	<p>The Timeline: Linking Historical Events to Our Family History <i>Patricia Walls Stamm, CG, CGL</i> S428</p> <p>Timeline—a device used to arrange events into sequential order. See how to place ancestors into a historical context and open new avenues of research.</p>
GenTech		<p>Basic Genetic Genealogy: DNA Testing for Beginners <i>Thomas H. Shawker, MD</i> S419</p> <p>This talk is an introduction to genetic genealogy explaining the Y chromosome and mtDNA tests, what to order, and how to interpret the results.</p>	<p>Your Genealogy, Your Body, Your Health <i>Thomas H. Shawker, MD</i> S429</p> <p>What diseases lurk in your family? Are you at risk? How are they inherited? Are some diseases beneficial? What killed our ancestors?</p>
GenTech		<p>Beyond Google: Advanced Search <i>Jordan Jones</i> S420</p> <p>This lecture will demonstrate powerful lesser-known features of Google search that can help create more genealogically relevant searches.</p>	<p>Overview of Legacy Family Tree <i>Jim Terry</i> S430</p> <p>Learn about SourceWriter, mapping, publishing, research guidance, charts, and much more.</p>

Exhibit Hall hours 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

12:15 p.m.	2:30 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	Additional Saturday Workshops
<p><b>NGS/GenTech Luncheon</b></p> <p><i>Jordan Jones</i></p> <p><i>S431</i></p> <p>Social Media: Share Your Genealogy without Losing Your Mind</p> <p>Learn how to reap the benefits of social media while limiting your time investment so you can still maintain your focus on your research.</p>	<p>BCG</p> <p>Telling the Tales: Writing Your Family Narrative <i>Pamela Stone Eagleson, CG S441</i> Review the elements of writing your family narrative and placing your ancestors within the context of their historical era, society, and geographic location.</p> <p>Identity Crises: Right Name, Wrong Man? Wrong Name, Right Man? <i>Elizabeth Shown Mills, CG, CGL S442</i> What do we do with ancestors whose names don't "match" from one record to the next? Or those with common names? This session teaches successful strategies.</p> <p>Beyond the Draft Records: World War One Records in the National Archives <i>Marie Varrelman Melchiori, CG, CGL S443</i> How to locate the regiment and develop the military service of a WW1 soldier. Also, use of NARA "Finding Aids" to help locate the records.</p> <p>Proving Native American Ancestry <i>Billie Stone Fogarty S444</i> Grandma said we were Indian so how do I prove it? Learn how in this introduction to researching Native American ancestry.</p> <p>Come to Morrow—Georgia's Research Mecca <i>Linda Woodard Geiger, CG, CGL S445</i> Tips for planning a research trip to the Georgia Archives and the National Archives in Atlanta</p> <p>Circuit Riders and the Early Methodist Church <i>Mark Lowe, CG, FUGA S446</i> Ride along with the Western Cavaliers as they spread the gospel. Learn about the early church records and how to use them in your research.</p> <p>Migration Routes into Kentucky <i>Don W. Rightmyer S447</i> This lecture will discuss the migration routes used by early settlers into Kentucky and the crucial role of Kentucky's early forts.</p> <p>Can You Get There From Here? Map Basics <i>Diana Crisman Smith S448</i> There is valuable assistance available in maps. Learn the difference between maps, atlases, and gazetteers and how using each can enhance and advance your research.</p> <p>Was Grandpa Really Grandpa? DNA May Prove It, or Not! <i>Buiford Joseph Suffridge, DDS S449</i> This lecture discusses DNA testing, how to interpret the results, and illustrates through a case study how DNA can supplement your family history research.</p> <p>Genealogy Podcasts and Blogs <i>Drew Smith, MLS S450</i> Hear the latest about podcasts and blogs from Drew Smith, one of The Genealogy Guys, the longest running genealogy podcast.</p>	<p>BCG</p> <p>Top Ten Tips to Concluding Effective Research <i>Rev. David McDonald, CG S451</i> Concluding a genealogical project takes time and a capacity for analysis; learn how to evaluate a project's completeness and to present your findings in cogent, useful ways.</p> <p>Deduction v. Induction in Genealogical Research: Applying Logic Theory to Family History <i>Jean Wilcox Hibben, PhD, CG S452</i> Learn types of proof to assess research findings. Also use of the Genealogical Proof Standard to avoid fallacies of reasoning used in perpetuating errors.</p> <p>Debunking the Myths Surrounding the Military Personnel Records Center <i>Patricia Walls Stamm, CG, CGL S453</i> St. Louis Military Records Center holds military personnel records. Myths and misinformation abound. Learn facts about what records are there and how to access them.</p> <p>The Dawes Final Roll and Public Misconceptions <i>Ronald Eugene "Gene" Norris Jr., CG S454</i> Discussion includes the purpose of the Dawes Act, Dawes Final Roll, general misconceptions, and their genealogical implications.</p> <p>The County Courthouse: Your "Trunk in the Attic" <i>John Philip Colletta, PhD S455</i> This lecture explores the wide range of records found in county courthouses and illustrates the challenges and joys of accessing those records for family history research.</p> <p>Finding Grandpa in the Pew: Using Religious Records in Genealogical and Historical Research <i>Elizabeth Crabtree Wells, MLS S456</i> Church records are a rich resource for genealogical and historical research providing individual vital record documentation and supplying information about a person's character or relationships.</p> <p>Researching in the Magnolia State: Mississippi Resources <i>Lori Thornton, MLS S457</i> An overview of Mississippi research focusing on records, repositories, history, migrations, and peoples.</p> <p>Insider's Guide to Using the USGenWeb Archives <i>Joy Fisher S458</i> The USGenWeb Archives is a unique collection of genealogical treasures. Take a guided tour of their unique resources through the eyes of one of its creators.</p> <p>Your Race, Ethnicity, and Ancestry: DNA Testing <i>Thomas H. Shawker, MD S459</i> Where in Africa do I come from? Do I have Native American or Jewish ancestry? Research your ancestry using DNA tests.</p> <p>Diving Deeper into the Unique Records on Footnote.com <i>Footnote Staff S460</i> The lecture will provide a more in-depth look at the valuable content available on Footnote and how it differs from other subscription websites.</p>	<p><b>Genealogy 101</b> <b>9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.</b></p> <p>Participants not required to register for the conference. Fee: \$50</p> <p>Genealogy 101: Getting Started with Family History</p> <p><i>Paula Stuart-Warren, CG</i> <i>D. Joshua Taylor, MLS</i></p> <p><i>S402</i></p> <p>Today's genealogists have access to a wide variety of records both online and off. Discover where to start, what to do next, how to organize your findings, and where you can seek additional help. Fee includes NGS publication <i>Paths to Your Past</i>. Lunch is not included.</p> <p><b>Genealogy 201</b> <b>9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon</b></p> <p>Participants not required to register for the conference. Fee: \$25</p> <p>Genealogy 201: Working with Records</p> <p><i>Ann Carter Fleming, CG, CGL, FNGS</i> <i>Kay Haviland Freilich, CG, CGL</i></p> <p><i>S403</i></p> <p>Learn techniques and tips to maximize the information gathered from your sources, whether they are paper, microfilm, or digital, and then address ways to organize the information you have and to plan your next research steps. The session is designed for researchers with some experience. Lunch is not included.</p> <p><b>Kids' Kamp</b> <i>Julie Miller, CG</i></p> <p><i>S404</i></p> <p><b>9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon</b></p> <p>A variety of age appropriate activities for kids ages eight through sixteen, including a session on scouting's genealogical badges.</p> <p>Participation is free but advance registration is required because space is limited.</p> <p><b>5:15 p.m.</b> <b>National Genealogical Society Annual Meeting</b></p> <p><i>S461</i></p> <p>An opportunity for NGS members to meet the officers and board members and hear an update on NGS programs, courses, and publications from NGS President, Ann Hilke, CG.</p>
<p><b>Genealogical Speakers Guild Luncheon</b></p> <p><i>John Philip Colletta, PhD</i></p> <p><i>S432</i></p> <p>Speaking of Genealogy, Now and Then: A Brief and Personal History</p> <p>How things have changed over the past forty years, and what has remained the same, based on the speaker's own lecturing experience.</p>			
<p><b>ICAPGen Luncheon</b></p> <p><i>David Rencher, AG, CG, FIGRS, FUGA</i></p> <p><i>S433</i></p> <p>Contributing to the Profession of Genealogy—Pay it Forward</p> <p>With all of the information and services that the community offers me as a professional genealogist—how do I leave a meaningful legacy of my craft and life's work?</p> <p>Menu</p> <p>Chicken parmesan with orzo pasta, served with chef's selection of vegetable</p> <p>Country garden salad with cucumbers and grape tomatoes</p> <p>Seasonal fruit tart</p> <p>Coffee and tea</p> <p>Vegetarian menu baked vegetable ziti</p> <p><i>\$30</i></p>			

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AG	Accredited Genealogists
APG	Association of Professional Genealogists
APGQ	<i>Association of Professional Genealogists Quarterly</i>
ASG	American Society of Genealogists
BCG	Board for Certification of Genealogists
BYU	Brigham Young University
CG	Certified Genealogist
CGL	Certified Genealogical Lecturer
FASG	Fellow, American Society of Genealogists
FGS	Federation of Genealogical Societies
FHC	Family History Center
FHL	Family History Library
FIGRS	Fellow, Irish Genealogical Research Society
FNGS	Fellow, National Genealogical Society
FUGA	Fellow, Utah Genealogical Association
FVGS	Fellow, Virginia Genealogical Society
GPS	Genealogical Proof Standard
GSG	Genealogical Speakers Guild
IGHR	Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research, Samford University
IGSF	Indiana Genealogical Society Fellow
ISBGFH	International Society for British Genealogy and Family History
ISFHWE	International Society of Family History Writers and Editors
NARA	National Archives and Records Administration
NEHGS	New England Historic Genealogical Society
NGS	National Genealogical Society
NGSQ	<i>National Genealogical Society Quarterly</i>
NIGR	National Institute on Genealogical Research
NYG&B	New York Genealogical and Biographical Society
SLIG	Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy
TAG	<i>The American Genealogist</i>
UGA	Utah Genealogical Association
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