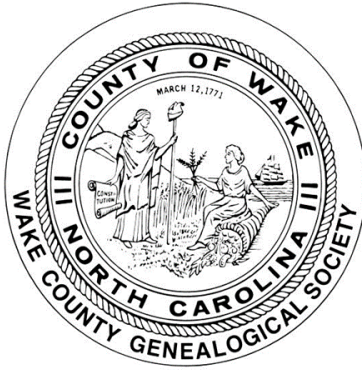




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Milestones

We are starting off this genealogy year with two nice accomplishments. First, we have just completed our initial round of summer offerings. This had not been done at WCGS in some time. We had very nice attendance numbers and noticed a lot of newcomers as well. All in all, the plan to include summer meetings has been well received and enjoyed by all.

Second, we have come full circle in the inaugural year of this WGW Newsletter. I had a vision when I started, but wasn't sure how the process would go or how the finished product would hold up. I am happy to see that it is enjoyed by many and delighted that even when I am not sure what the next topics will be, someone or something will spark an idea or new subject to explore. The journey is as much fun as the destination.

We have several great meeting topics to look forward to this fall. We owe a huge "Thank You in advance" to Diane Richard who will show up *twice!* during her busy fall season to offer us topics to build our church record research skills and offer historic insight into our immigrant ancestors. Local historic preservation will be on tap for December. Looking ahead, if you have enjoyed all the free online webinar resources that were covered in the last issue, you will love our January topic with Lisa Lisson sharing research tips with a focus of finding and using free genealogy resources. Great times ahead!

Oh, and don't forget that September is Membership Renewal month! You can use this link to start your renewal. [Join WCGS](#).

SeniorTechEd

Many topics covered at STE are helpful for your genealogy efforts. I love that they have open tech help sessions (just \$5), and offer Excel training (a life saver for churning all that DNA data). See events for their Ancestry class. - CD

Senior TechEd is gearing up for its fall semester. Take advantage of knowledgeable instructors and a variety of technical topics at a VERY affordable price. A catalog of courses with descriptions is available at: <https://www.raleighseniorteched.org/course-descriptions/>. They cover topics -- at all skill levels -- such as Windows 10, File Explorer, Ancestry, Google, Photo Management (Google & Windows), the "Cloud", Microsoft Office classes (Word, Excel, PowerPoint), Internet and browsers (Edge & Chrome), Computer Security and Back-ups, Skype, Android Smartphones, and a whole series of Apple iPad/iPhone classes -- take your pick! If you have questions, please contact Jen Gunther for more info. Jengunther@bellsouth.net

Carla's Corner

WCGS hosted continuous meetings this summer for the first time in recent memory to great success! We enjoyed wonderful programs on Jewish Immigration, Genealogical Resources at Olivia Raney Local History Library, and learned of the rich history of Oberlin Village in Raleigh, NC.

Now, leading into fall, we're excited to hear from our own Diane L. Richard on Research Using Church Records. Diane will also join us in October as part of the [Becoming American](#) series funded by the National Endowment of the Humanities. This six-week program features documentary film screenings and scholar-led discussions designed to encourage an informed discussion of immigration issues against the backdrop of our immigration history. The series is free and open to the public and WCGS is proud to be part of it all!

WCGS couldn't expand our programs very successfully without a crew of wonderful volunteers. I'd like to give CYNDI DEAL a heartfelt THANK YOU for all she does for the Society. Much of it is behind the scenes, but if not for Cyndi, we would not have this excellent newsletter to enjoy. We also would not have such wonderful content on our Facebook page, on Twitter, or on her (new) [blog](#)! I'm certain Cyndi puts in more hours than we might imagine on keeping WCGS communications fresh and interesting. Be sure to send Cyndi your love and gratitude for all she does for us!

I look forward to seeing you this fall!

Carla Stancil, [WCGS President](#)

Volunteer Opportunities

Wake Treasures Journal Editor, Diane Richard requests:

- 1) Willing Transcribers - no experience required.
- 2) Narrative content local nature, pertaining to any period of Wake's past or populace.
- 3) Please talk up this effort with your friends and neighbors and send them our way with their stories.
- 4) If you are aware of any privately held collections pertaining to Wake, please share and consider making them available for transcribing for use in the Journal.

If you know of a good narrative story pertaining to Wake, please consider a quick write up to share the story in the journal. Things are changing so quickly we want to preserve these *Wake Whispers* (if you will). Contact Diane Richards, journal@wakecogen.org

Volunteer opportunities outside of WCGS:

Starr Ossman, one of the directors of the **Family History Center in Apex**, is seeking a volunteer to serve at the Center once a month. For information

about the position and its job requirements, please contact Starr via email osstarr@earthlink.net or phone, 703-965-7387.

I don't know about you, but I would feel like I had been given the keys to the kingdom, for a chance to spend time with all those records. If I wasn't so far north, I would be jumping on this myself. Instead, I will leave this for those of you closer to Apex. This sounds like fun! - CD

The **North Carolina Genealogy Society** is seeking a dedicated individual to serve as the **designated state liaison** to RPAC (Records Preservation and Access Committee). The duties of this position are to advise RPAC if there are attempts to change legislation or regulations governing access to vital records in North Carolina. The Records Preservation and Access Committee or RPAC is a joint committee of the National Genealogical Society and the Federation of Genealogical Societies. For more information, see [RPAC](#) and [RPAC Brochure](#).



Reminder!

September is membership renewal month

To renew or join visit the [Join WCGS](#) page at the [WCGS website](#). See this section - How to Join/Renew - for instructions.

Why Search Thoroughly? by Ted Bainbridge, Ph.D.

The first element of The Genealogical Proof Standard is, "We conduct a reasonably exhaustive search in reliable sources for all information that is or may be pertinent to the identity, relationship, event, or situation in question." The manual goes on to say that a reasonably extensive search goes beyond the information source which has the most direct impact on the subject and expands to discover all information that might further illuminate information already collected. "Reasonably exhaustive search" assumes examination of a wide range of high quality sources that are or might be relevant to the question at hand. It minimizes the possibility of later discovery of conflicting information that might change the conclusion.

That sounds like a good idea for professionals, but why should beginners and other amateurs go to all that extra effort? For the two reasons mentioned in the GPS manual; first to minimize the possibility of error, and second to discover additional information. Here are some examples of great discoveries that were attained by searching exhaustively instead of stopping the first time any answer was found.

A Grave

A database of Civil War soldiers showed this about my great-grandfather's first cousin:

John Bainbridge, Private, Company F, 147th Pennsylvania Infantry Regiment.

Having found the answer to my question (yes, he served, and here's his unit), I could have stopped, but didn't. A second database showed the above information and added the following:

Enlisted 22 August 1862. Killed while serving in that unit 3 July 1863 at Gettysburg.

That got my attention, because while a child I used to play in the fields at Gettysburg. We had no family tradition of a relative being there, and we had no information about this man's death. So, we gained surprising and important information by searching an additional source. Then a third database added these facts:

Buried in the National Cemetery at Gettysburg.

And a fourth database added this:

Buried in Section A, Grave 29.

That allowed me to visit his grave:



A Flag

My great-grandfather's brother, William Bainbridge, served in the 210th Pennsylvania Infantry. Researching that unit's history didn't lead to any more information about him, but did lead to an image of the regiment's national colors:



Stitched into one of the bars is "Lee's Surrender. Apr. 9th. 1865." (*Best viewed online. - ed*) His military service file shows William was with the unit at that time. So our relative was at that momentous event.

Search Thoroughly - Cont'd

A Pension File

Another cousin, Frank Trout, served in the 2nd Virginia Infantry. If a relative was a Civil War soldier, you should hunt his service file *and* his pension file. That is at least twice as much work and probably more, but it can provide exciting discoveries. Page 2 of Frank's pension file says:

10. When and why did you leave the service?

*2000 with my Company
when Lee surrendered*

The Appomattox documents show this unit was part of Lee's surrender. So we had a relative on the opposite side of that same event.

A Family Affair

Instead of hunting only closest relatives in the Civil War, I looked for every relative of fighting age. Checking military service files, pension files, and regimental histories for hundreds of men revealed that six of my Traut cousins surrendered at Appomattox, while a seventh Traut cousin watched from the Union side.



Pottery

My grandmother's picture album includes photos of a family reunion held on the front lawn of her grandfather Christian Stiber's house. An old county atlas shows the exact location of that house, by a unique bend in the road. In 1972 my wife and I stood on that road and stared at that house from the exact angle that was used to take those pictures. Genealogically unnecessary. Lots of extra effort. Highly rewarding!

In 2017 I returned to that spot by comparing satellite images of the area to the old atlas. One of the neighbors asked me who else I was related to in that tiny village.

"Stibers, Reicherdtts, and Whitmans."

"Jake Whitman?"

"Yes."

"Want to see the ruins of his house?"

"Yes."

"Get in the truck."

The old atlas shows Jacob Whitman Sr. and Jr. homes straight up the mountain a short distance from Christian's house, and that is exactly where the neighbor took me. He showed me the basement and foundation stones of five buildings that were over 200 years old, completely hidden in the thick undergrowth of a steep and densely wooded mountainside. (After the Whitmans left, the property was abandoned and reverted to primal forest.) Beside one wall I picked up a metal pot and a pottery shard. They belonged to my great-great-great-great-grandmother, who was born about 1780. Genealogically unnecessary. Lots of extra effort. Highly rewarding!



So . . .

Follow The Standard by conducting a thorough search for information about the person you are studying, and about related individuals. Besides avoiding errors because of relying on incomplete data, you probably will discover additional information about that person and you might gain unexpected information about a related person. You might find that some relatives participated in important and exciting events. You might even collect some treasured artifacts. Good hunting!

DNA Download: Are you using the latest tools?

Here is the long promised account of the new tools that are appearing on the genetic genealogy scene at a lightening fast pace. Note all tools referred to here are for autosomal DNA. - CD

“Old Reliable” Power Tools for Genetic Genealogy

You know these useful 3rd party tools. They have been around for a while (at least 2-3 years by my reckoning). Solid, massive, encompassing a lot of data and corraling that data for you into a usable format. Overwhelming at first, but we will never outgrow these basic power tools for chromosome segment wrangling.

GedMatch - Free website and tools for analysis and comparison of raw autosomal data from DNA testing companies.

DNAGedcom - Tools for gathering and interpreting DNA match data (\$)

GenomeMate Pro - a free app to help manage the data collected from *autosomal DNA* research.

The New Breed - Faster, Lighter, Visual

Now you can see your matches in a whole new way. The new tools are all about visualization. We are moving away from “wall o’ number” type spreadsheets to more graphic representations of match relationships and interconnectedness. This process has always been about relationships, but that concept is so much easier to see with good pictures!

Kitty Munson’s cM Mapping Tool - the original chromosome painting tool. Taking your spreadsheet matching data and pasting it in the tool creates a technicolor revelation of your shared DNA segments and which ancestors they link you to. Revolutionary just one year ago at NGS conference, the fiddliness of this tool is not for the faint of heart.

Visual Phasing - Blaine Bettinger took this idea one step further and using three or more siblings developed a strategy to map all four grandparents. This process has a steep learning curve. There is a class if you want to give this a try. ([class \\$](#)) There is also a [Facebook group](#) to get you started phasing!

DNA Painter - Finally, the chromosome painter for the rest of us. It is fast, easy to use and it builds its own spreadsheet as you go - so easy you don’t even know you are doing it. The results allow you to segregate your matches into maternal and paternal lines and the shared segments allow you to figure out which ancestor they are inherited from. The learning curve on this tool is quick and intuitive if you make good use of the help files in the beginning. They are some of the best I have seen. Works with any site that gives you chromosome segment data (not Ancestry.)



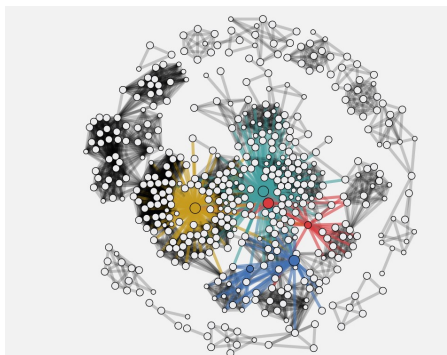
Here is a sample of my DNA Painter work so far.

Shared Cm Tool v4 - We have all carried around paper charts of cM relationships - the green one, the stair step one, and earlier version of this one. What I love about this link is that you enter the amount of shared cMs and the chart automates it. The real possibilities are highlighted, and the impossibilities just fade into the back ground. Here is an example of 1780cMs shared. You will want to bookmark this tool to use whenever you are working with matches.

Half Great-Aunt / Uncle 420 125 – 705	Grandparent 1768 1150 – 2311				Great-Aunt / Uncle 814 251 – 2108	
	Half Aunt / Uncle 891 500 – 1440		Parent 3487 3330 – 3720		Aunt / Uncle 1768 1340 – 2175	
Half 2C 917 9 – 307	Half 1C 497 137 – 850	Half Sibling 1783 1317 – 2312	Sibling 2829 2209 – 3384	SELF	1C 874 553 – 1225	2C 874 45 – 510
Half 2C1R 73 0 – 341	Half 1C1R 238 57 – 850	Half Niece / Nephew 591 500 – 1440	Niece / Nephew 1768 1340 – 2175	Child 3487 3330 – 3720	1C1R 438 141 – 851	2C1R 123 0 – 310
Half 2C2R 51 0 – 353	Half 1C2R 45 37 – 380	Half Great-Niece 432 125 – 705	Great-Niece / Nephew 910 251 – 2108	Grandchild 1768 1150 – 2311	1C2R 229 43 – 531	2C2R 74 0 – 281

DNA Download: Latest Tools —Cont'd

RootsFinder DNA tools - If you have not yet tried [RootsFinder](#), you have missed a treat. RootsFinder is a suite of online tools including tree, research tools, integration with multiple websites including FamilySearch, a built in web clipper tool, a media wall for social sharing and more. There is a free for life version and a paid version. RootsFinder made its big splash in February 2018 when it introduced its DNA tools—graphic visualization for Gedmatch at RootsTech. These visualization tools are a streamlined, pared down, user friendly version of some other visualization tools that I have been watching in the development stages. They allow you to do wonderful things with your Gedmatch kits. For instance, here is the view from my own Gedmatch kit using their Triangulation clusters tool,



and their Circle tool.



You can zoom in and out on the color coded clusters and webs to get a better picture of which matches share DNA with each other. Fun and very useful when you are trying to discover where the matches sit in your tree. The DNA tools will eventually be premium membership only. Be sure to check them out while

they are still included in the Free for Life plan. Target for the change over to Premium is sometime in October. [See their Demo series for the DNA tools here.](#) (May require scrolling down.) Click the DNA tab.

Probability Tool aka WATO (What are the Odds) -

The most recent tool to hit the scene is the **WATO tool** created jointly by Jonny Pearle and Leah Larkin. If you have followed the “[Science the Heck Out of Your DNA](#)” seven part blog series, you are familiar with the concept of using probability to discern correct placement of yourself and your DNA matches within a tree. This is the concept incarnate. Visit the DNA Painter Tools section for the tool and instructions. Example - red boxes are the impossible hypotheses, green are the viable ones - the higher the number the better! [Facebook User Group here.](#)



Not Ready for the Deep End Yet?

Are you just getting started and find this all just too much!!!? I have something for you as well. You may find the following files helpful. I created these handouts in December 2016 for a WCGS presentation. I was concerned that they would be a little dated. They did seem a bit quaint when I revisited, but they have stood the test of time. I have updated and tweaked a little to improve the links but they are largely as written in 2016 and will get you started without all the distraction of the new bells and whistles. Following these handouts will build a nice foundation of DNA knowledge for you. Have fun.

[Progress Tracker for DNA Study](#)
[DNA Links Handout](#)

GenCrafting: Quick & Creative Ideas to Share Your Research

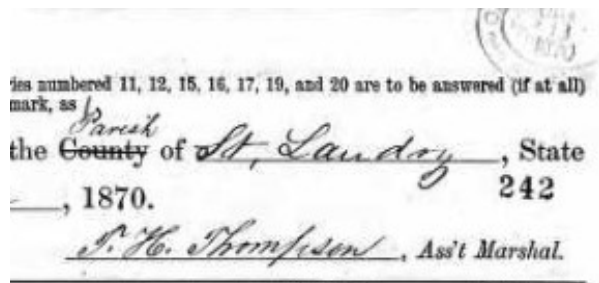
Signature Portrait

Do you snag pictures of your ancestors as you find them while researching? What about signatures? As suggested by a poster on an online genealogy group, the pictures and signatures paired together can make quite an impact. He used a picture of his great grandfather in his WW1 uniform along with the signature that he found on the WW1 registration card. The end result was much more powerful than either part alone.

I followed his lead to create this example. This is my second great grandfather, Thomas Houison Thompson.



Thomas was the census enumerator for the ward where most of my Louisiana family lived in the 1870 census.



I was able to capture his signature on the very census page where he enumerated himself and his family. His handwriting was impeccable. (Some of the easiest to read census pages I have ever encountered but I might be a little biased.)

If you have mastered cut and paste, and you have some basic photo editing software, this is well within your skill set. If not, Google is your friend.

-CD

Reunion Idea: Make it Personal

The Descendence Register Report from your genealogy software can be used to add a lineage to name tags/badges and also to your attendee directory for your next reunion.

A friend of mine was getting ready for her family reunion and wanted to add something a little bit personal for the items she was creating.

She wanted to add the descendant lines to both the name tags/badges the attendees would wear and to the take home directory of attendees that she was creating. The name tags would allow folks to see on the spot exactly how they relate. The directory would help them remember how they were related after they returned home.

Imagine folks scurrying around peering at each others name badges, visiting, making connections and filtering over to a large tree on the wall to track their close and not so close relationships. Not always easy to do when dealing with a large group of distant relations, but a great way to engage young and old alike.

As it turns out, both these goals can be accomplished with the same little bit of genealogy report magic. The information she wanted to use is contained in a Descendant Register Report. This report is available in most personal genealogy programs. I have access to this type of report in my **Legacy** program, my **Roots Magic** program, and on my **Rootsfinder** online program. You should find this option available to you under the reports menu on any good genealogy software.

GenCrafting—cont'd

As an example, I will prepare for a Byrd Haywood reunion. Here is a portion of the Descendant Registry report for Byrd Haywood. It shows my grandfather and his sister. We are interested in using the italicized part in parentheses right after the name.

Descendants of Byrd Haywood

Sixth Generation (3rd Great-Grandchildren)

9. **Bertie Lee Cleaver** [352] (Sarah Elizabeth Dunn ³, James Richard Dunn ⁴, Juriah "Josie" Haywood ³, Jesse Baldwin ², Byrd ¹) was born about 1901 in Based On 1920 Census.

Bertie married **Tompie Lee Sharpe** [3251] [MRIN: 1698] in 1919. Tompie was born on 14 Aug 1894 in North Carolina, died on 3 May 1954 in Los Angeles, CA at age 59, and was buried in Perris Valley Cem. Perris, CA.

10. **Purl Bryant Cleaver** [34]² (Sarah Elizabeth Dunn ³, James Richard Dunn ⁴, Juriah "Josie" Haywood ³, Jesse Baldwin ², Byrd ¹) was born on 6 Oct 1903 in Albemarle NC and died on 28 Jun 1989 in Heber Springs, Arkansas at age 85.

Noted events in his life were:

- City Directory: add from ancestry.

If we copy and paste the first part of their entry, it will look like this:

Bertie Lee Cleaver (Sarah Elizabeth Dunn 5, James Richard Dunn 4, Juriah "Josie" Haywood 3, Jesse Baldwin 2, Byrd 1)

Purl Bryant Cleaver (Sarah Elizabeth Dunn 5, James Richard Dunn 4, Juriah "Josie" Haywood 3, Jesse Baldwin 2, Byrd 1)

To simplify, I removed the RIN numbers (in brackets), but left the generation numbers for clarity when comparing generations.

As you are building your list of attendees and their contact info, this line can be copied and pasted right after the address field.

Compare these two name badges from different lines to see the usefulness of this project.

Haywood Family Reunion - Summer 2018

Descendants of Byrd Haywood 1745-1816

P.B. Cleaver

Little Rock, Arkansas

My branch on the family tree:

Purl Bryant Cleaver (Sarah Elizabeth Dunn 5, James Richard Dunn 4, Juriah "Josie" Haywood 3, Jesse Baldwin 2, Byrd 1)

The directory entries for this reunion would look like this.

Byrd Haywood Reunion Directory – Summer 2018

Cleaver, Donald Hartsell	888-888-888
123 Sesame Street Port Tobacco, Md 20677	
Relationship: Donald Hartsell Cleaver (Glenn Gilmore Cleaver 6, Sarah Elizabeth Dunn 5, James Richard Dunn 4, Juriah "Josie" Haywood 3, Jesse Baldwin 2, Byrd 1)	
Cleaver, P B	123-456-7890
555 Bond Street Little Rock, Ark. 72208	
Relationship: Purl Bryant Cleaver (Sarah Elizabeth Dunn 5, James Richard Dunn 4, Juriah "Josie" Haywood 3, Jesse Baldwin 2, Byrd 1)	
Sharpe, Bertie	987-654-3210
876 Electric Avenue Gaithersburg, Md. 20878	
Relationship: Bertie Lee Cleaver (Sarah Elizabeth Dunn 5, James Richard Dunn 4, Juriah "Josie" Haywood 3, Jesse Baldwin 2, Byrd 1)	

A wall size tree in your gathering area will be a big hit as it allows folks to walk their branches back up the tree. You can get a wall sized tree poster printed on paper for a fairly reasonable price at Vistaprint.com. You can get a really nice tree poster printed on fabric at Spoonflower.com. It is pricier, but the durability and permanence of the fabric will bump it up to heirloom quality. Either would be a great addition to your reunion experience.

I hope you can take these ideas and run with them and add some extra fun to your family gathering. Have a memorable time.

- CD

Haywood Family Reunion - Summer 2018

Descendants of Byrd Haywood 1745-1816

Don Cleaver

Port Tobacco, Md.

My branch on the family tree:

Donald Hartsell Cleaver (Glenn Gilmore Cleaver 6, Sarah Elizabeth Dunn 5, James Richard Dunn 4, Juriah "Josie" Haywood 3, Jesse Baldwin 2, Byrd 1)

Fall 2018 Events Calendar

Ongoing Series – Sept. thru Nov.

Becoming American: Our Immigration Experience - A six week program from Wake County Public Libraries/ National Endowment for the Humanities. Documentaries, discussions, performances and more. [Details.](#)

Sep 25

WCGS Meeting: Church Records. Speaker: Diane Richard. 6:30pm. Olivia Raney Local History Library. [Details](#)

Sep 26

NC Land Grants Overview. Speaker: David McCorkle. Free online webinar starts at 8pm. [Details.](#) [Registration required.](#)

Oct 5 - 7

National Storytelling Festival. International Storytelling Center, Jonesborough, Tn. Multiple Speakers [Details and Pricing.](#) [Pre-festival Workshop with Elizabeth Ellis](#) (Oct. 4) is highly recommended for genealogists by **Jen Gunter!**

Oct 11 - Nov 15

Genealogy Fun with Ancestry.com. SeniorTechEd. Six sessions offered in Knightdale. [Details and Pricing](#)

Oct 14 - 19

Tar Heel Discoveries: Guided North Carolina Genealogical Research. Guided research at the State Archives of North Carolina and the Government and Heritage Library, State Library of North Carolina. [Details and Pricing](#)

Oct 23

WCGS Meeting: Becoming American: Our Immigration Experience. In conjunction with WCPL/NEH series. Speaker: Diane Richard. 6:30pm. Olivia Raney Local History Library. [Details](#)

Oct 27

NCGS - Fall Conference. Keynote speaker: Michael Lacopo. Day long, multi-track. McKimmon Center, Raleigh. [Details and Pricing](#)

Dec 4

WCGS Meeting: Preservation NC. Speaker Myrick Howard. 6:30pm. Olivia Raney Local History Library. [Details](#)

Jan 22

WCGS Meeting: Frugal Genealogy. Speaker Lisa Lisson. 6:30pm. Olivia Raney Local History Library. [Details](#)

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Genealogical Societies in the surrounding area

Durham-Orange Genealogical Society: 1st Wednesday of Month, 7pm. [Details](#)

Granville County Genealogical Society: 1st Thursday of Month, 6:30pm. [Details](#)

Tar River Connections Genealogical Society: 3rd Tuesday of Month, 6:30pm. Details - TRCGS@Brasswell-Library.org

Johnston County Genealogical and History Society: 1st Saturday of February, May, August, and November, 10:30am. Details - PO Box 2373, Smithfield, NC 27577

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Fall - Winter

Edgecombe Community College. Weekend Continuing Education Series/Historic Preservation Trades. Saturdays Full and Half days. Small group setting includes discussion and 1 on 1 interaction. Topics: House History, Education & Ancestors, Genealogy Basics, Census Records, Property Research, Old Photos, Cemetery Preservation, Military Records. [Details and Pricing](#)

Online Learning Opportunities

Use this link to keep up with the great online webinar offerings in the list that Barbara McGeachy curated for us! [Online Webinars at WCGS Blog.](#)

Nonmembers can receive the **Wake Genealogy Watch** newsletter direct to your inbox - [Register here.](#)



Check our [webpage](#), detail links, and/or [Facebook page](#) for late additions, schedule changes and updates to the WCGS calendar between issues. This Calendar is accurate as of **Sept. 3, 2018**



'Til Next WGW

As always, I appreciate your making it all the way to the back page! Since you are here, **may I direct you to a new feature at the [WCGS Website](#)?**

Check out the new [WCGS Blog](#) at our website for late breaking event announcements and more.

You will find a regular Wake Wednesday feature highlighting something of historical note that may have informed your ancestors' experience in Wake county's past. You will find posts containing tips and tools and much of the useful content that I run across and curate in my duties as social media manager and newsletter editor. You can access it anytime with just a couple clicks on the website.

If you have read the **DNA Download** in this issue and checked out the [Progress Tracker](#) and the [DNA Links](#) file, you have had a sneak peek of what I have planned for this page. Visit the [WCGS Blog](#) right now to see what we have on line. Check back often to see how it grows.

Photo Note: If you are reading a printed version of this newsletter, some of the photos will be difficult to view due to size constraints. Please refer back to the [online edition](#) where you can enlarge the photos to accommodate better viewing.

Deadline for the submissions to the Winter 2018 issue is Nov. 12, 2018.

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~Parting thought~

History informs the genealogy;
Genealogy makes the history personal.

- Anonymous