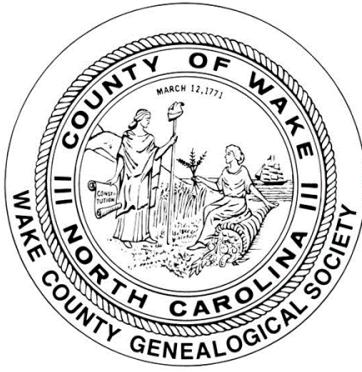




WAKE GENEALOGY WATCH

News from the Wake County Genealogical Society

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Cynthia Gage

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Color Matching
Sallie Szymczyk, Cyndi Deal

Jul 23

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Jean Lansford

Aug 27

DNA3: Q&A Panel Discussion
Cyndi Deal - moderator

[Full details at wakecogen.org](http://wakecogen.org)

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Summer Update

As I look back over the Spring 2019 meetings, there seems to be an overarching theme, *enhancing the ancestor story between the BMD data points*. Fleshing out these stories really helps our ancestors live in our memories and makes them relatable to our non-genealogically inclined family members. Thanks to George Thomas and Laurel Sanders for their presentations that looked at non standard source material to accomplish this goal. We can look forward to another useful tool for gathering life stories when Cynthia Gage presents **Using Newspapers to Enrich Your Ancestor's Story** in May.

I am not sure whether the spring theme was intentional or serendipity (*Carla?*), but the theme for this summer is definitely intentional. We will set our sites on Autosomal DNA. Our **Summer of DNA** series includes three programs geared toward beginner and intermediate skill levels. All will pick up a new trick or two. Topics are as follows:

June - **Make Your Autosomal DNA Matches Work For You.** 1) *Get Familiar with Your Shared Matches*, presenter - Sallie Szymczyk. 2) *Sort Shared Matches along family lines with Leeds Color Matching process*, presenter - Cyndi Deal.

July - **Use Science to Refine the Placement of Autosomal Matches Into Your Tree.** *Introduction to the What are the Odds tool at DNAPainter.com*, presenter - Jean Lansford.

August - **Autosomal DNA Q&A Panel group.** Submit your questions with contact info, question and drawing of the relationship in question by **July 25**. The drawing will help us with context (nothing fancy, a sketch will be fine). We will collect and cover as many as possible and may contact you for further clarification. Submit to Newsletter@wakecogen.org.

Just starting out and want to be up to speed by our summer meetings? You will find lots of resources to help you master the basics in this resource list from a previous DNA presentation. I especially like the Blaine Bettinger video series at Legacy Webinars. [DNA links and reading list on WCGS blog.](#)

Haven't tested yet but want to play along? There is still time. This progress tracker will guide you through the steps and get you started so you can be ready for the summer meetings. [Progress Tracker for DNA Study](#). Work the progress tracker and the reading list. Both of these study aids live on the [WCGS blog](#) so you can reference them any time you like.

Important Location Change: Starting with our **August** meeting and for the duration of the upcoming renovation of Olivia Raney Family History Library, WCGS will meet at the [Cameron Village Library](#), 1930 Clark Ave, Raleigh, NC 27605. Meeting times and dates will remain the same. I can't wait to see ORL's new look.

Carla's Corner

So much WCGS news these days! We have so much goodness going on here in Wake County! I'm particularly excited about our "Summer of DNA" series in June, July and August. Even if you haven't already tested, there's still plenty of time and plenty to learn. I hope our local members will join us for these great programs delivered by our very own WCGS DNA subject matter experts! Details on www.wakecogen.org and in this newsletter.

August will be here before you know it! Don't forget our first meeting in our new location will be August 27. Cameron Village Regional Library, 1930 Clark Avenue, Raleigh, NC. We'll continue to meet at Olivia Raney Local History Library for May, June, and July.

If you haven't already heard, our beloved journal editor

Diane L. Richards is stepping down and passing the job on to Donna Shackle. We're so very indebted to Diane for the many years she has given to the journal (and to the Society in general). But we're also very excited for Donna to take the reins! I'm told there are some great changes on the way, so be sure to keep an eye out for announcements that the journal is available online.

As if there isn't already enough excitement, I'm pleased to announce the upcoming Transcription Workshop on June 29 10am – noon at Olivia Raney Library. More details in this newsletter!

Happy Summer!

Carla Stancil, [WCGS President](#)

Transcription Workshop at ORL on June 29

By popular request, Wake County Genealogical Society is pleased to announce a 2-hour workshop for everyone interested in learning about transcribing historical documents. This is a skill useful for both producing publishable material for our **Wake Treasures** journal as well as for our own family history research.

The program will consist of a presentation with tips and examples followed by a live hands-on transcription (with a buddy) session. Coming to this workshop does not obligate you to participate in future sessions, but we are looking forward to meeting on a regular basis to

work together on transcriptions for the Journal. Everyone is welcome! The workshop is FREE!

Please bring a laptop to the session if you have one (not required). If you have questions, please contact Carla Stancil at CarlaStancil@gmail.com

Join us Saturday, June 29, 2019 from 10am – 12 noon at Olivia Raney Local History Library, Raleigh, NC .

Hope to see you there!

DNA Download - New Book and a host of new DNA tools at Ancestry

[Advanced Genetic Genealogy: Techniques and Case Studies](#), by [Debbie Parker Wayne](#), editor was published in March 2019. This volume aimed at intermediate and power users weighs in at 400 pages and 136 images. It is available print on demand at Amazon.com. List price is \$49.95. A Kindle version will be available May.

The fourteen chapters penned by various authors include eight chapters of cases studies on real families with methodology, tools and techniques, Three chapters on genealogy standards as related to DNA and documentary evidence, and three chapters on ethics, emotions and the future.

RootsTech 2019 saw the advent of some great new DNA tools by both **AncestryDNA** and **My Heritage**. AncestryDNA introduced ThruLines (a DNA hint tool based on trees), TreeTags, and Color Coded Labeling. My Heritage has added their new Theories of Relativity product (a DNA/tree hint tool) as well as a Clustering tool.

If you have that overwhelmed on Christmas morning feeling, you are not alone. Get a first look and overview of all the new tools by reading [this post at the Week of Genealogy Blog](#). Dr. Margaret McMahon, alias Dr. Mac, has done an excellent job of surveying the new landscape.

Investigating a Family Tradition

By Ted Bainbridge, Ph.D.

Family legend vs. census records, maps and alternative surnames. Thanks Ted, for showing us ways to flesh out those family stories, validate the facts contained and refute the bits that get fuzzy with telling over time. I will be putting that alternate surname search to work on at least one branch of my tree!- CD

A family tradition said that Henrietta Bond’s father died, then her mother married Mr. Watson and they moved from Pennsylvania back to Baltimore. Here is how we discovered which parts of the story were true and which were false.

What We Knew

Prior careful research including information preserved by the family, Henrietta’s death certificate, and thorough census searches proved that we were looking for:

Henrietta Bond
born 4 October 1836 in Maryland
married Adam Snyder
in 1860, shortly after her marriage, lived in Mount Joy, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania



Henrietta Bond 1836-1917

Her grandchildren told us that, “she was a Southern lady” and, “she spoke with a Southern accent”. This is consistent with Maryland origins; my sister who lived all of her adult life in Baltimore acquired a Southern accent that was deeper than many people I’ve met from Georgia and Alabama.

Hunting Henrietta

Previously we had found Henrietta’s and Adam’s household in the 1860 census, which showed her as 22 years old. So we began the current research by looking for Henrietta Bond in the 1850 census of Pennsylvania and surrounding states. We didn’t find her. Changing the surname to Watson and searching similarly gave us 19 hits. Ten of them were born within 10 years of 1836. Only 1 of those girls was living within 50 miles of Mount Joy. That person was described as:

Henrietta Watson, age 13, female, born in Maryland, living in Mount Joy

The census was taken on September 11th and Henrietta’s 14th birthday was October 4th, so the girl in the census is of exactly the right age. There is no doubt this is our girl, and no other possible candidates were found. The complete household was:

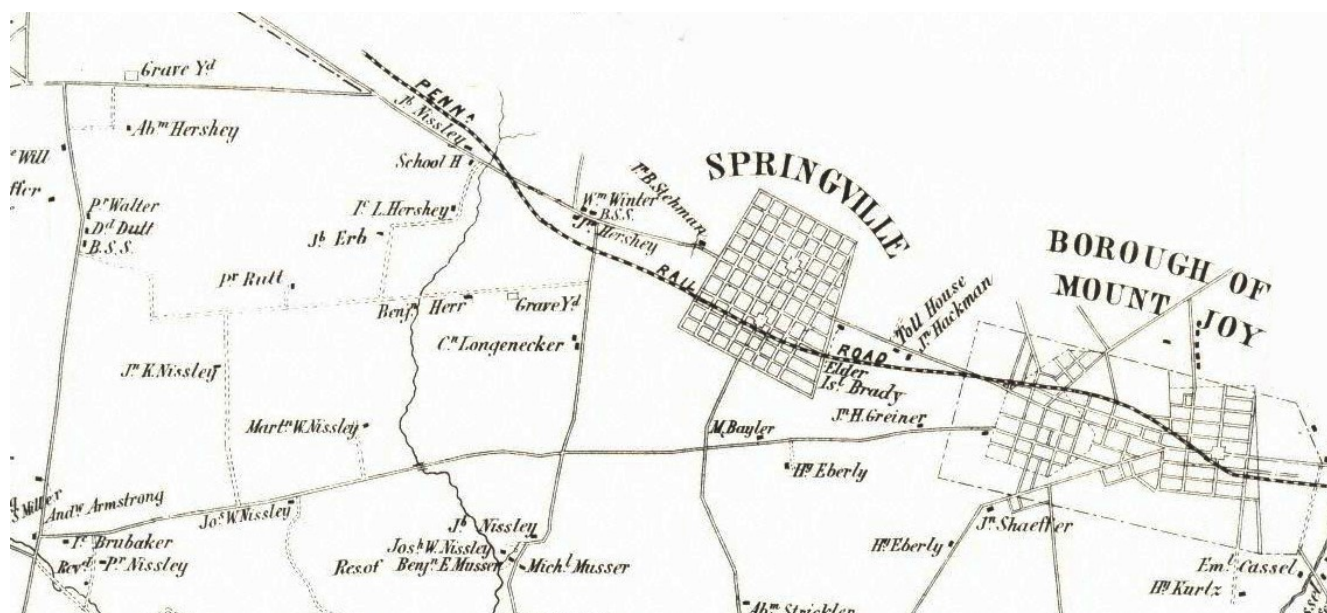
Jarret Watson	30	male	laborer	born in Maryland
Ellen Watson	30	female	no occupation	born in Maryland
Henrietta Watson	13	female	no occupation	born in Maryland
Cecelia Watson	10	female	no occupation	born in Maryland
Ezra Watson	1	male	no occupation	born in Lancaster County

Investigating a Family Tradition - Cont'd

Hunting Watsons

Our Watsons appear in the 1860 census of Springville, the small town that adjoined Mount Joy:

Jarret Watson	38	male	rail road	born in Pennsylvania
Elliner Watson	40	female		born in Maryland
E. J. Watson	10	male		born in Pennsylvania
Adam J. Watson	3	male		born in Pennsylvania



Springville and Mount Joy in 1864.

Elliner/Eleanor/Ellen is not found in the 1870 and later censuses of Pennsylvania and surrounding states, with either Watson or Bond as a surname. However, Jarret Watson does appear - with a different wife - in Hopewell Center in York County, which was next to Lancaster County:

Watson	Jarret	49	male	farm laborer	born in Pennsylvania
	Mary M.	27	female	keeping house	born in Pennsylvania
	Adam	13	male	at home	born in Pennsylvania
	William C.	9/12	male	at home	born in Pennsylvania

By 1880 his family had returned to Springville:

Watson	Jared	57		laborer	born PA father born PA mother born PA
	Mary	37	wife	keeping house	born PA father born PA mother born PA

Investigating a Family Tradition - Cont'd

Willia [sic]	11	son	at home	born PA father born PA mother born PA
Grant	8	son		born PA father born PA mother born PA
Frank	6	son		born MD father born PA mother born PA
May Jane [sic]	3	daughter		born MD father born PA mother born PA
Charles	1	son		born PA father born PA mother born PA

What We Learned

We found evidence consistent with the tradition that Henrietta's father died and then her mother married Mr. Watson. We found no information inconsistent with that tradition. We discovered her mother's first name (Ellen or Elliner or Eleanor), approximate birth date (1819-1821 probably 1820), and birth place (Maryland). We found Henrietta's siblings Cecelia (probably a full sister) and Adam J. (probably a half brother). We also discovered Mr. Watson's first name (Jarret or Jared), approximate birth date (1820-1824 probably 1822), and two possible birth places (Maryland or Pennsylvania).

We did not find any information consistent with the tradition that Henrietta's mother and step father "moved back to Baltimore". (That written statement came from Henrietta's children and grandchildren.) They might have done that between the censuses we studied and then returned to Pennsylvania, but there is no evidence or hint of that. We suspect that Henrietta's mother died 1860-1870 but that has not been verified. We found Mr. Watson, with another wife and several children, living 6 miles away from Henrietta when she was 44 years old.

Separate research not described here proved that Jarret Watson died and was buried near Mount Joy in December of 1889. At that time Henrietta was 53 years old and still living 6 miles away. It appears as though none of Henrietta's children were aware of Mr. Watson's presence nearby, suggesting that she became estranged from him at an early age and never reconciled.

Allied Families



Do you have roots or a strong interest in Wake County? **Allied Families** are families who are from Wake and surrounding counties who have lived here, intermarried and interacted here for generations.

Phil Upchurch has been collecting information on these families for 60 years or more. He opened an office in Cary for the purpose of preserving this

information on websites and on Ancestry Trees in 2016.

We have been meeting there on **Thursdays from 2-4 pm**, and **Saturday afternoons from 2-4 pm**. In addition to digitizing Phil's collection, we will copy photos brought to us and we can't help sharing stories as we work.

Drop by and see if this is your cup of tea. Or just share a cup and a story with us.

Check us out at
<http://www.alliedfamilies.com/>
and
<http://www.upchurchstory.com/>

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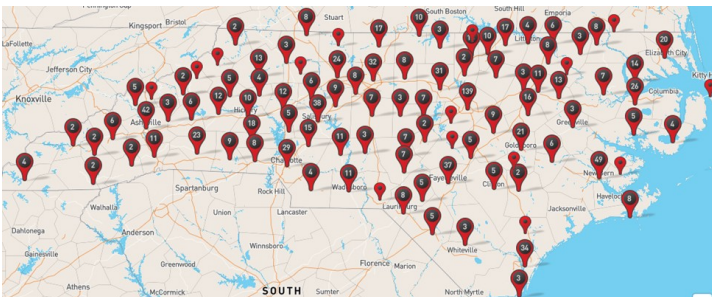
More Newspaper Access: Use Your NC Library Card!

By Cynthia Gage

Do you have a local library card from any county in North Carolina? Do you have a library card from the NC Government and Heritage Library? If you have one or both of these, you can take advantage of some on-line newspaper resources which are available through the North Carolina Government and Heritage Library (NCGHL). If you are an NC resident, you can apply for the NCGHL library by filling out the form and emailing it in. (Find the form and the email address on this webpage:

<https://statelibrary.ncdcr.gov/ghl/services/library-card>.) With these cards you can sit at home in your pjs and research for newspaper articles about your ancestors.

Your local county library card gives you access to historical newspapers from North Carolina provided through Newspapers.com. Most of the papers are for the time period from mid-1840s to mid-1970s. Here is a map roughly showing the areas covered in this database. (Note: Newspapers.com is no longer compatible with Internet Explorer. A more recent web browser is required.)



Your county library card will also give you access to a few national papers, though these are not historical but more recent (mid-1980s and forward). To use your library card from home be sure you check with

your local library to have your card set-up for on-line use and to establish a PIN for the account.

Your NCGHL library card gives you access to additional on-line newspaper resources. With this card (no PIN required) you can access the full holdings (including some international papers) of NewspaperArchives! These holdings date across 5 centuries! I have been very successful in finding articles about my ancestors from this collection. And for some historical context I got captured reading British newspaper articles from the 1770s!

Another database accessible with your NCGHL card is **Nineteenth Century US Newspapers**. Though not as large as Newspapers.com and NewspaperArchives, this collection is described as one which emphasizes subjects such as the “Civil War, African-American culture and history, Western migration and Antebellum-era life.” Searching by surname as the keyword can also be done, though I suggest you use the advance search option to better filter the results to your ancestors.

Your NCGHL card also gives you access to an additional dataset on Black historical newspapers provided through Proquest. At this time there are two papers in the dataset: “The Baltimore Afro-American” and the “Norfolk Journal and Guide.” Your card also provides access to the recent articles from Newsbank America News.

To find all these resources go to the “On-line Resources” page at the NCGHL website: <https://statelibrary.ncdcr.gov/ghl/resources/online#newspapers>. Once you’ve done your newspaper research at that site, be sure to check the “Genealogy and History” tab to see what other surprises you can get to with these wonderful library cards!

Quick and Easy Ways to Remember Cousinship

I can figure cousinship fine when I am at my desk with all kinds of handy charts, but never when I am out and about. Here are two easy tips.—CD

Trick 1: Count the number of Greats and add 1.

Shared 4th great grands + 1 = 5th cousins.

Shared 5th great grands + 1 = 6th cousins.

Grand parents + 1 = 1st cousins. (0 grands to add!)

[For a another tip see this Family History Daily post.](#)

Your Line	Relationship	Their line
	common ancestor couple	
Jane	siblings	Joe
Susie	1st cousins	Jim
Mary	2nd cousins	William
Louise	3rd cousins	Philip
	once removed	Ronald
Relationship = third cousins once removed or 3C1R		

Trick 2:

Draw it out, as Roberta Estes did for her blog post on calculating cousins easily. [See Roberta’s post here for more tips.](#)

Bring Lots of Pictures: an adventure in scanning and editing family photos

"Bring lots of pictures," my cousin said.

Expectations were high. A family reunion was planned and imminent. As keeper of the family photo and film archive, my cred was on the line. Watching the movies of our childhood summer rough house sessions in the swimming pool is wedged firmly in the ritual/tradition category and there was just no way this was not going to happen. - CD

The question was how to accomplish this monumental task in the shortest possible amount of time? (Can you say dozens of boxes of slides and equal dozens of reels of film to be gone through?)

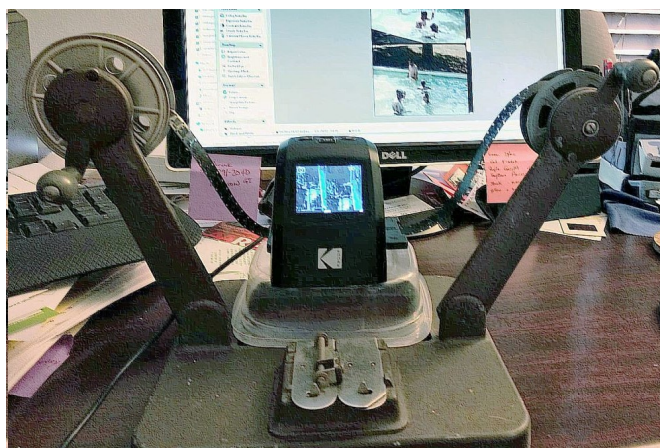
Several years ago I had an awesome back lit Epson scanner that would do slides, negatives and grudgingly filmstrips. It was toasted by a lightning strike to the electrical lines of our house two years ago. (That storm trashed much of our computer gear, both air conditioners and many appliances including a very well loved hand blender that made awesome smoothies.) We had to replace the scanner fast and opted for an all-in-one that did printing and scanning really well, but did not have the backlighting capabilities of my beloved Epson. I limped along without a slide scanner just postponing the job as long as I could. Time's up.

I had thought I would research and replace with another Epson. I had reservations though as that would duplicate jobs and sacrifice space on my already crowded desk. Procrastination time was over as the trip was just about 2 weeks away. I hit Amazon to look for scanners that could handle slides and film, expecting to purchase another desk hog. In its marketing wisdom, Amazon presented this little jewel to me, the [KODAK Mini Digital Film & Slide Scanner](#). It is a tiny wonder with a tiny footprint (3.43" L x 3.41" W x 4.04" H) that satisfies my space requirements and handles all the formats that my existing desktop scanner doesn't. It converts 35mm, 126, 110, Super 8 & 8mm Film Negatives & Slides and enhances images up to 14/22 Megapixel JPEG Images. It has multiple adapters for the different types of film and slides and includes cable adapters to view images on PC or TV.

I usually research a purchase to death, but this time I jumped. It looked like the right tool for the job and the price of \$129 seemed low risk, especially coming from Amazon where returns are easy if necessary.

I found the **Kodak Mini** wonderfully easy to use and a joy to operate. I blazed thru about 5 large boxes of slides and 6 reels of 8mm film in 3 days. The mini has some basic editing tools onboard, but I opted not to use them. I just found it easier to do editing tasks from my desktop rather than the small viewing screen on the Mini.

When it came time to scan the 8mm film reels, I was able to cobble together a system that really sped up the process for me. I had purchased an old film editing machine off Ebay years ago thinking that I could somehow use it in this process. After the lightning incident it sat gathering dust until the Kodak Mini arrived. The old metal wonder was easy to cannibalize for the reel assembly which is what I really needed. I unscrewed the rest and it sits in the box waiting for some other repurpose. I was able to position the Mini in its place and create this "Frankenscanner" which was prefect for capturing the images off the reels.



The "Frankenscanner"

I have been editing photos for many years. I had an online business that required many photos of merchandise. I know my way around photo editing tools and can usually get the results I want in 3-4 clicks of the right buttons. One aspect of scanning slides that I found lacking was the ability to get a nice sharp image. With a projector you just twist the knob and between that and the reflectiveness of the screen, you get a picture that is usually pretty good. Working with such a small image (the individual 8mm images are about a half a postage stamp size) in such a close range prevented getting an image as sharp as I wanted.

Bring Lots of Pictures - cont'd

This time I was off to Google looking for "image sharpening" tools. One of my Google hits was a program called [Movavi Photo Editor](#). There were others that looked interesting including one called Vivid-pix that a friend of mine swears by. I was attracted to Movavi's easy interface. I found it had practically no learning curve at all. The first 10 saved edits are free. I played around with many that I did not save just to get the hang of the buttons.

One button in particular is especially curious and interesting. I am in awe of it. The "Magic Enhance" button can perform miracles! As I said, I can get some pretty good results from my past experience at photo editing. This magic button was able to create beautiful, colorful crisp pictures with one click of the button, even on my already edited photos. The handy before and after feature let me compare. I put some of my previously edited photos through Movavi's magic button. The results were stellar.

One photo of my maternal grandparents sold me instantly on the program. We have very few photos of them and the exposure on this one was problematic and really obscured their facial features. Movavi brought them to life, improved the focus and enhanced other details in the photo as well (notice the lapel details and the print of the couch fabric). Cha - ching. Purchase made! I was off to process as much as I could before the trip.

Movavi was such a time saver. I found the purchase price reasonable, at about \$45.

The **Kodak Mini** and **Movavi Photo Editor** certainly saved me time and saved my cred with my cousins as well. We had lots of pictures and lots of fun. I can't wait to get some more time for editing.

Here are some other products you may want to look at if you have scanning/editing projects of your own:

For 8mm and Super8 reels, a much classier version of my Frankenrig!

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[Wolverine 8mm and Super 8 Film Reel Converter Scanner](#)



A larger version of the Kodak slide and film scanner with more options -

[KODAK SCANZA Digital Film & Slide Scanner](#)

Another image editing software-
[Vivid-pix](#)

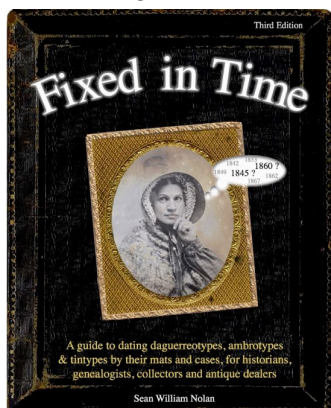
A disclaimer: I realize archival quality is desired in many instances. In this case, because of the size limitations, age and condition of the film what I needed was a quick workflow and reasonable quality. The film was old and had "character" (read crusty and color shifted). Some of the raw images were barely half a thumbnail in size. For this instance these tools were appropriate for the job. I hope you enjoy your photo scanning/editing adventures as much as I did mine. -CD



My original edit on left, Movavi magic button edit on right. Notice how much more distinct the facial features are. This is a win!

Help for dating mid 19th Century Images

Do you have heirloom photos of ancestors from the mid-19th century (1840 - 1865)? Do you know your ambrotypes from your tintypes? A Carte de Visite from an Oreo? (Yes, that's a technical term.) Is your mat elliptic, double elliptic or nonpareil? Is your case plain or figural? All these details and more are covered in Sean William Nolan's book which focuses exclusively on cased images. - CD



Fixed in Time: A guide to dating daguerreotypes, ambrotypes and tintypes by their mats and cases, for historians, genealogists, collectors and antique dealers by Sean William Nolan

From the author:

“**Fixed in Time** is a guide to dating Civil War era and earlier photographs by their mats and cases. It illustrates a thousand daguerreotype, ambrotype or tintype mat and case styles, each dated according to the years they were used. Some mats and cases were

used for only a brief time, allowing you to date some early photographs to within a year. The dates provided are based on my own research, a five-year labor of love, where I located nearly 5,000 objectively dated early photographs.

You can get **Fixed in Time** (as a free PDF or as a print-on-demand book) at <https://fixedintimebook.blogspot.com/>

This guide would not have been possible without the assistance of the many institutions, collectors and antique dealers who shared their expertise and their dated images, provided illustrations, and made many suggestions and corrections.”

The pdf is 272 pages loaded with photos and descriptions - a very generous free ebook. If you should need a hardbound copy, that is available for a small fee from Sean's [webpage](#) or [Amazon](#).

Now that my deadline is met, I am off to pour over this fascinating book! - CD



DAR Forgotten Patriots Book now available for free download

The DAR publication, **Forgotten Patriots – African American and American Indian Patriots in the Revolutionary War: A Guide to Service, Sources, and Studies (2008)**, is now out of print but offered for download at the DAR website.

From the website description:

The second edition of *Forgotten Patriots* (2008) identifies over 6,600 names of African Americans and American Indians who contributed to American

Independence and is a nearly five-fold expansion in pages over the 2001 edition. Now available as a free PDF download, this 874 page document contains details of the documented service of the listed Patriots, historical commentary on happenings of the time, an assortment of illustrations, and an extensive bibliography of research sources related to the topic.

Read more at website for [Appendices](#), [Book Download](#), [Supplement Download](#).



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Amazon donates 0.5% of the eligible purchase price to Wake County Genealogical Society, Inc. Please bookmark & use this code: <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/56-1392575>

Summer 2019 Events Calendar

Ongoing Webinars at ORL – Join ORL each week to view and discuss a webinar from Legacy Family Tree. Featuring different topics each week.. **Mondays @ 1 p.m.**, Olivia Raney Library Check [website or call for details](#).

Ongoing Workshops thru SeniorTechEd - Regular offerings throughout the year include multiple Ancestry.com workshops; Genealogy Basics; working with photos; PC, Windows & Mac skills; Smartphone & iPhone skills. [See SeniorTechEd schedule for details and fees](#).

May 28

WCGS Meeting: Newspaper Research. Speaker Cynthia Gage. **6:30pm**. Olivia Raney Local History Library. [Details](#).

Jun 7 - 9

NCGS Free Recorded Webinar: Finding Black Roots in a White World. Speaker: J. Mark Lowe . [Details](#).

Jun 25

WCGS Meeting: Summer of DNA: Shared Ancestor Hints and Leeds Color Matching. Speakers: Sallie Szymczyk and Cyndi Deal. [Details](#).

Jun 29

WCGS Transcription Workshop: View instructional webinar and guided practice. Olivia Raney Local History Library, 10am –12pm. [Details](#).

Jul 5 - 7

NCGS Recorded Webinar: Tarheels in Your Family Tree? Part 1. Speaker: Helen Leary. [Details](#).

Jul 23

WCGS Meeting: Summer of DNA: What Are the Odds - DNA Match Probability Tool. Speaker: Jean Lansford. **6:30pm**. Olivia Raney Local History Library. [Details](#).

Aug 2 - 4

NCGS Recorded Webinar: Tarheels in Your Family Tree? Part 2. Speaker: Helen Leary. [Details](#).

Aug 21 - 24

Federation of Genealogical Societies 2019 National

Conference: Washington, D.C. [Program and Registration Details](#).

Aug 27

WCGS Meeting: atDNA Q & A. Speakers: Panel. **6:30pm**.

**** Note Location Change** Cameron Village Library.** [Details](#).

Nov 1 - 2

NCGS Fall Conference: 2 Day Multi-track, Multi Speaker conference. More info available mid May. [Details](#).

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](#).

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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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Summer of DNA– Helpful Resources - Introduction to DNA

[DNA links and reading list](#)

[Progress Tracker for DNA Study](#)

[Foundations in DNA video series by Blaine Bettinger](#). \$ - small fee to view

[Beginners Guide to DNA - a free 19 lesson online tutorial](#)



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 **May 15, 2019**.



'Til Next WGW

Can you believe it?

With this newsletter issue, we have made it through two whole years as **Wake Genealogy Watch!** Thanks to all who contribute and share such interesting content and thanks to all who read and comment. Your ideas and opinions matter and help us know what is topical and what direction to go next. A "society" is a collaborative effort after all.

I hope you enjoy our upcoming Summer of DNA. I look forward to seeing you there.

Photo Note: When reading from a printed copy, please refer back to the [online edition](#) where you can enlarge the photos for better viewing.

Deadline for the submissions to the Fall 2019 issue is Aug 22, 2019.

Submissions: newsletter@wakecogen.org

As always, thank you for reading this far.

Your humble editor -

[Cyndi Deal](#)

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Reminder: Meeting Location Change!

Starting in August 2019

Cameron Village Library

1930 Clark Ave, Raleigh, NC 27605

4th Tuesday, 6:30pm - 8:15 pm

~Parting thought~

Here's an ode to our relatives who went
town to town,
library to library,
graveyard to graveyard,
and

laid the foundation to discovering our roots.

- seen on a genealogy forum