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Throughout its history, North Carolina has been home to a diverse population including Native Americans and those who trace their heritage back to Europe and Africa. During colonial times, it was one of a few colonies that embraced religious diversity, welcoming Quakers, Huguenots, Methodists, and Moravians. It is a land rich in cultural traditions. From the lighthouses on the outer banks to the falling waters on the Piedmont, to the dramatic overlooks in the mountains, this land calls us back to take a closer look. The Tar Heel story is vibrant, shared through the words of each family, and recorded in the wonderful records, manuscripts, and artifacts preserved in the numerous North Carolina archives, special collections, museums, libraries, historical sites, and societies.

RALEIGH CONVENTION CENTER

The National Genealogical Society 2017 Family History Conference will be held 10-13 May 2017 in the Raleigh Convention Center, 500 S. Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. The convention center is located in the Fayetteville Street district. This area of the city features a large number of restaurants that offer dining experiences ranging from casual to upscale. A few blocks north of the convention center is the Capital District, which includes the State Archives, the State Library, the North Carolina Museum of History, the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences, and the Capitol building.

Conference registration begins on 1 December 2016 at http://conference.ngsgenealogy.org.



Raleigh Convention Center

CONFERENCE HOTELS

Hotels will begin accepting reservations for the conference on 15 June 2016. Since past experience has shown that conference hotels tend to fill quickly, early reservations are recommended. Attendees must request the NGS conference rate when making phone reservations and the hotels are offering the NGS rate three days before and three days after the conference so participants can conduct research or go sight-seeing. Please check the hotel websites for cancellation rules and additional amenities.

Raleigh Marriott City Center (Conference Hotel)

The Raleigh Marriott City Center hotel is across the street from and connected via an underground walkway to the convention center.

- 500 Fayetteville Street, Raleigh, NC 27601
- \$150 Single & Double; \$160 Triple; plus tax; complimentary wireless
- Phone: 919-833-1120; Reservations: 800-228-9290
- http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/ rdumc-raleigh-marriott-city-center
- Self Parking (per day): \$12.00; Valet: \$20.00



LEFT TO RIGHT: The Bennehan Home at Stagville State Historic Site, c.1930, Durham, NC (Courtesy Duke Rare Book and Manuscript Collection); George Washington Monument by Jean-Antoine Houdon, Union Square, Downtown Raleigh (iStock); William Christmas' plan for Raleigh, 1792 (Courtesy North Carolina State Archives).

Conference attendees may also stay at the nearby Sheraton Raleigh Hotel or the Holiday Inn Raleigh Downtown, which is located a few short blocks away.

Holiday Inn Raleigh Downtown Capital

- 320 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh, NC 27603
- \$119 Single & Double; plus tax; complimentary wireless
- Phone: 919-832-0501; Reservations: 888-465-4329
- http://www.ihg.com/holidayinn/hotels/us/en/raleigh/ rdusc/hoteldetail
- Self parking: Complimentary

Sheraton Raleigh Hotel

- 421 S Salisbury Street, Raleigh, NC 27601
- \$159 Single, Double, & Triple; plus tax; complimentary wireless
- Phone: 919-834-9900; Reservations: 800-325-3535
- http://www.sheratonraleigh.com
- Self parking (per day): \$12.00

TOURS AND EVENTS (Registration for these events starts in December 2016.)

TUESDAY

University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill Research

Tour—Spend the day researching your southern ancestors using the University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill's extensive Manuscript, Southern Historical, and Rare Book collections at the Louis Round Wilson Library. Bus transportation is provided.

Durham Day Tour—Experience the Old South by visiting historic Stagville Plantation and Duke Homestead, followed by a tour of Bennett Place, the surrender site that ended the Civil War for the Carolinas.

Raleigh Day Tour—Visit the Joel Lane house, President Andrew Johnson's birthplace, Oakwood Cemetery, the state Capitol, and other historic locations.

Downtown Raleigh at Night—Ride the trolley to discover how close you are to the State Archives, restaurants, shops, museums, and more! A tour guide will point out historic downtown locations.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

North Carolina Style Pig Pickin'—What's a pig pickin'? Find out when you join us for a southern tradition of pulled pork, slaw, and fixin's finished off with banana puddin' and more, all while listening to a bluegrass band. Square dancing, anyone?

THURSDAY EVENING

Society Night—Come visit with representatives from many county genealogical and historical societies from all over North Carolina and nearby states.

RESEARCH FACILITIES

Numerous research opportunities surround this conference. More information about each facility, including hours of operation and research collection details, can be found on their websites.

State Archives of North Carolina

- 109 E. Jones Street, Raleigh, NC 27601
- Phone: 919-807-7310
- http://archives.ncdcr.gov
- Open extended hours during the conference week.

State Library of North Carolina

- Government and Heritage Library
- 109 E. Jones Street, Raleigh, NC 27601
- Phone: 919-807-7450
- http://statelibrary.ncdcr.gov/ghl
- Open extended hours during the conference week.

Louis Round Wilson Library

- On the campus of UNC-Chapel Hill
- 200 South Road, Chapel Hill, NC 27515
- Phone: 919-962-3765
- http://library.unc.edu/wilson/

David M. Rubenstein Rare Book & Manuscript Library

- On the campus of Duke University
- 411 Chapel Drive, Durham, NC 27708
- Phone: 919-660-5822
- http://library.duke.edu/rubenstein
- Materials must be requested in advance.



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