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Genealogists will gather in Raleigh, North Carolina, for the National Genealogical Society 2017 Family History Conference, Family History Lives Here. During the conference, set for 10–13 May 2017, participants may choose from more than 175 lectures and workshops. Lectures will cover a wide range of local, regional, and general genealogy topics, which will help you build a solid foundation for your family history, fine-tune your research skills, and refine your methodology.

Conference registration opens on 1 December 2016 at <http://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/event-registration/>.

PRE-REGISTRATION

Conference registration opens on 1 December 2016 at <http://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/> with discounted early-bird conference registration continuing through 27 March 2017. Attendees may also pre-register for meals, workshops, and special events until 27 April 2017 (or until these events are fully booked).

On-site conference registration opens Tuesday, 9 May 2017, noon to 7:00 p.m.

NGS offers a refund, minus a \$50 service fee, until 27 April 2017. NGS does not provide refunds after 27 April 2017.

CONFERENCE VENUE

NGS will hold all conference events at the Raleigh Convention Center, 500 S. Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina 27601.

The exhibit hall is free and open to the public Wednesday through Saturday. The conference website provides a list of current exhibitors. See <http://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/exhibit/>.

Public parking garages are on Lenoir Street between Salisbury and McDowell Street, McDowell Street between Cabarrus and Davie Street, and Salisbury Street between Cabarrus and Davie Street. Daily charge at each is \$12. Accessible Parking: First level of each garage. Check the NGS Conference Blog for additional details about parking options.

Wi-Fi: The conference center will have numerous Wi-Fi hot spots and all conference hotels offer free Wi-Fi in each room.

CONFERENCE HOTELS

The conference hotel, the Raleigh Marriott City Center, is located across the street from and connected via an underground walkway to the

convention center. Conference rates are also available at the Sheraton Raleigh Hotel, Holiday Inn Raleigh Downtown Capital, and the Hampton Inn & Suites Raleigh Downtown. All hotels and the Convention Center are located along the free RLine Downtown circulator. (See <http://www.godowntownraleigh.com/get-around/r-line>.)

Check the website for the most up-to-date information on hotels including room availability, RLine shuttle, amenities, rates, and contact information. See <http://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/accommodations/>.

DINING

Participating societies and organizations are sponsoring luncheons Wednesday through Saturday. See the conference schedule for details and the registration form on page 15 to purchase meal tickets. Meal reservations close 27 April 2017.

An assortment of à la carte lunch items will be available at the convention center. The conference website offers other dining opportunities in and around downtown Raleigh. See <http://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/getting-there-things-to-do>.

GETTING THERE

By Air: The Raleigh-Durham International Airport (RDU) is located about 20 minutes away from downtown Raleigh, the Raleigh Convention Center, and the conference hotels. Major airlines with service to the airport include: American, Delta, United, JetBlue, and Southwest.

Taxi service to the hotel area is available and costs approximately \$30.00. For more information see <https://www.rdu.com/>.

By Train: Train routes stopping in Raleigh, N.C., and Cary include: the Carolinian, which travels from Charlotte to Cary to Raleigh to New York; the Piedmont, which travels from Charlotte to Cary to Raleigh; and the Silver Star, which travels from Florida to Raleigh to New York. Schedules and fares are available at <http://www.ncbytrain.org/tickets/>.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Registrants with special needs should notify NGS in writing as outlined in the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Write us at the National Genealogical Society, 3108 Columbia Pike, Suite 300, Arlington, Virginia, 22204-4304 or e-mail registration@ngsgenealogy.org. Scooters and wheelchairs are available to rent through an off-site provider. Those interested must make reservations in advance. Check the NGS website for details. See <http://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/scooterinfo/>.

CONFERENCE BLOG

Subscribe to the NGS Conference Blog and receive automatic conference updates. See <http://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/blog/>.

The conference blog will highlight research facilities in North Carolina. Library and archive listings will be posted on the blog regularly, along with collection details and contact information for each facility.

EXHIBIT HALL

Exhibitors will offer book signings, demonstrations, daily drawings, and giveaways. The NGS Conference Blog will announce further details on all activities closer to the conference. The exhibit hall is open to the public.

CONFERENCE EVENTS, WEDNESDAY–SATURDAY, 10–13 MAY 2017

BCG SKILLBUILDING TRACK

Throughout the conference, the Board for Certification of Genealogists (BCG) will again sponsor a Skillbuilding track designed for intermediate to advanced researchers interested in improving their research skills. Presentations include analyzing sources, information, and evidence and case studies for problem-solving. Lectures are open to all who are registered for the conference.

OPENING SESSION

Wednesday, 8:00 a.m., W101

Behind every door is a story waiting to be told. Discover the thread that ties stories from this place to every corner of the world. Family History Lives Here, so come listen to the stories of the past and the voices of today. This

multi-media presentation will remind you why you collect the stories.

LEARNING GENEALOGY— NGS STYLE

Wednesday, 4:00 p.m., W156

Join NGS education manager, Patricia Walls Stamm, CG, CGL, in a roundtable discussion about the National Genealogical Society's new and expanded cloud-based course offerings. Hear about new offerings and innovative methods for learning from home.

NORTH CAROLINA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY HOST EVENT

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m., W261

Join the North Carolina folks at a Pig Pickin' cooked up by Big Al's BBQ & Catering. What's

a pig pickin'? Find out when you join us for a southern tradition of pulled pork, fried catfish, grilled chicken, slaw, fried okra, and fixin's, finished off with banana puddin' all while listening to the Grass Cats. This bluegrass group has earned four #1 singles on the *Bluegrass Unlimited* national chart. (See <http://www.grasscats.com/>.) Square dancing, anyone? Enjoy the historic Holshouser Building and others on these historic fairgrounds. There will be time to view the products of North Carolina artisans with crafts on display for sale.

Bus transportation will be provided from the convention center to the North Carolina State Fairgrounds. (\$45.00)

SOCIETY NIGHT

Thursday, 6:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m., T262

After an active day at the Convention Center and your quick dinner choice, come visit with representatives from many county genealogical and historical societies from all over North Carolina and nearby states. This free event will be held in the North Carolina Museum of History. The museum will be open so take time to view all the exhibits. Their gift shop featuring a selection of items that reflect the heritage and traditions of North Carolina will be open throughout the evening.

DNA WRITING WORKSHOP

Thursday, 2:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m., T250

Learn how to create citations involving DNA

test results, the elements required for proof arguments when writing about DNA, and how to present this information to clients and family. DNA test results are required. Advance registration is required, with a limit of 40 attendees, and a cost of \$45 per person.

CHROMOSOME MAPPING WORKSHOP

Friday, 2:30 – 5:00 p.m., F350

Learn to use Kitty Cooper's Chromosome Mapping tool to create a visual representation of the DNA inherited from your ancestors. Test results from other relatives are required. Advance registration is required, with a limit of 40 attendees, and a cost of \$45 per person.

RECORDS PRESERVATION AND ACCESS COMMITTEE (RPAC)

Saturday, 4:00 p.m., S428

Genealogists face an ever-growing threat of record closings at both the state and federal level due to concerns about identity theft. This session entitled "How Genealogists Can Work with State Archivists in Support of Records Preservation and Access" will emphasize these threats. Genealogists need to be advocates for local, state, and federal archives so valuable collections are adequately funded, staffed, and accessible. RPAC members will also provide an update on recent legislative activity. Plan to attend so you can share the information with your local and state organizations.

SPECIAL PRE-CONFERENCE EVENTS, TUESDAY, 9 MAY 2017

BCG EDUCATION FUND WORKSHOP—PUTTING SKILLS TO WORK, 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

The workshop helps attendees develop skills that serious genealogical researchers use as family historians, librarians, dedicated hobbyists, or writers. Instructors target intermediate and advanced practitioners in accord with current genealogical standards. The \$110 registration fee includes lunch, two in-depth presentations, hands-on exercises, syllabus, handouts, and active class participation. NGS Conference registration is not required. The workshop is limited to 60 students. Sponsored by the BCG Education Fund, an independent charitable trust, <http://www.bcgcertification.org/educationfund>.

"Make Your Case: Correlating Evidence to Solve Genealogical Problems"

Nancy A. Peters, CG

Are you stuck on a brick wall problem? Solutions to complex kinship and identity problems require skill in working with direct, indirect, and negative evidence. This workshop provides practical methods and hands-on experience in correlating evidence to recognize patterns, connections, and inconsistencies that will help you make your case.

"Make Your Case: Constructing and Writing Proof Arguments"

Sara Anne Scribner, CG

You solved your brick wall problem. Can you prove your case in writing to the toughest critic? This workshop begins with resolving conflicting evidence and moves on to constructing and writing proof discussions. The bulk of the workshop explains logical progression and deconstructs creating a compelling proof argument.

LIBRARIANS' DAY, 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Sponsored by ProQuest, this all-day pre-conference event is for librarians and archivists who help family history researchers find their personal past. The program is free to these service providers who pre-register; attendance is limited. Lunch is provided by ProQuest. See <http://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/librarians-day>

The theme for the day is *Tools That Build and Enhance Today's Family History*. Presentations include:

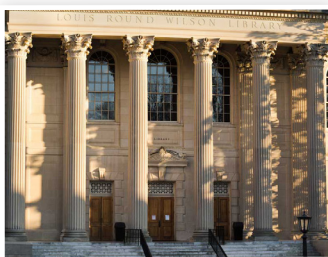
- *Tim Pinnick*, "Developing the Genealogy of an African American Community: A Case Study;"
- *Marcy L. Galbreath, PhD*, and *Amy Giroux, PhD, CG, CGL*, "Harvesting Historical Agricultural News: A Tool for Sifting Big Data in Chronicling America;"
- *J. Mark Lowe, CG, FUGA*, "Two Families, One Moonshine Still, and the Place they called Home;" and
- *Susan Kaufman, MLIS*, "The Stories Behind the Names, Dates and Places: Using Social History to Create the Story of Our Ancestors."

PRE-CONFERENCE TOURS

To enhance your visit to Raleigh, the local host, North Carolina Genealogical Society, is offering several tour options on 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. This tour will last all day. Lunch is on your own and can easily be found next door to the library or a short walk through UNC's beautiful campus to Franklin Street. \$50 per person.



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. This tour will last all day. Lunch is on your own at Cracker Barrel. \$65 per person.



RALEIGH DAY TOUR

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



This tour is scheduled to last approximately 5 ½ hours. Lunch is on your own at Big Ed's in Raleigh's Historic City market. \$50 per person.

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. The tour will last approximately one hour. (Two tours are scheduled. One begins at 4:00 p.m. and the second begins at 5:00 p.m.) \$25 per person.

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CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS

Ancestry	Board for Certification of Genealogists (BCG)	Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS)
Association of Professional Genealogists (APG)	BYU Center for Family History and Genealogy	Findmypast
BCG Education Fund	FamilySearch	Genealogical Institute on Federal Records Alumni Association (Gen-Fed Alumni)
Birdie Monk Holsclaw Memorial Fund	FamilyTree DNA	Genealogical Speakers Guild (GSG)

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE—10 MAY 2017

8:00 a.m.	Track	11:00 a.m.	12:15 p.m.
<p>Opening Session 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>Keynote Address "Family History Lives Here" Behind every door is a story waiting to be told. Discover the thread that ties stories from this place to every corner of the world. Come listen to the stories of the past and the voices of today. This presentation will remind you why you collect the stories.</p> <p>W101</p>	BCG Skillbuilding	<p>The Law and the Reasonably Exhaustive (Re)Search <i>Judy G. Russell, JD, CG, CGL</i> W121 Learn how the law impacts records and how finding the right law for the right place and time is critical to our reasonably exhaustive research.</p>	<p>GenFed Alumni Luncheon NIGR to Gen-Fed: The Tradition Continues <i>Malissa Ruffner, JD, CG, MLS</i> Learn how historic NIGR became the Genealogical Institute on Federal Records (Gen-Fed) and why it remains a unique educational opportunity. W131</p> <p>Family Search Luncheon FamilySearch – A Global Experience <i>Diane C. Loosle, AG, CG</i> Learn more about the exciting new experiences FamilySearch is creating for users around the globe – there truly is something for everyone! W132</p> <p>FGS Luncheon Preserving the past, protecting the future: FGS + RPAC <i>Judy G. Russell, JD, CG, CGL</i> Records preservation is essential to the future of genealogy, and no-one is more important to that effort than genealogical societies and their members. W133</p> <p>Menu (All Luncheons) <i>Sir Walter's Luncheon Salad</i> Mixed greens topped with chopped tomatoes, eggs, bacon, and chicken with blue cheese dressing. Served with hearth baked rolls and butter. Chocolate Flourless Cake, Mocha cream and raspberry drizzle. Served with freshly brewed coffee, decaffeinated coffee, herbal hot teas, iced tea, and water service. COST: \$32.00</p>
	DNA	<p>DNA and Genetic Genealogy Today <i>Debbie Parker Wayne, CG, CGL</i> W122 Learn where we are today using DNA for genealogy. Maximize Y-DNA, mitochondrial DNA, and autosomal DNA test results to contribute to genealogical research goals.</p>	
	Research Planning	<p>What did She Mean? Interpreting Informants' Historical Accounts <i>J. H. "Jay" Finkert, CG</i> W123 Diaries, family letters, legal affidavits, and court testimony give close-up accounts of family events. Learn to read between the lines and put evidence in context.</p>	
	North Carolina	<p>Tarheels in Your Family Tree? History & Record Idiosyncrasies You Want to Know About! <i>Diane L. Richard</i> W124 Understanding context is critical to knowing what records might have been created regarding North Carolinians, what records survive, and where/how these records might be stored.</p>	
	Historical Context	<p>The Most Prominent Citizens: Using County Histories in Your Research <i>Cari A. Taplin, CG</i> W125 County histories bring rich possibilities to your research through biographical and historical sketches. They provide an abundance of FAN Club members and research clues.</p>	
	Working with Records	<p>Using Identity Characteristics to Locate Your Ancestors <i>Angela Packer McGhie, CG</i> W126 Characteristics beyond name can help locate individuals in records and distinguish men of the same name. Case studies will be shared to demonstrate this technique.</p>	
<p>Exhibit Hall Opens at 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>Genealogical exhibitors and vendors will be on hand throughout the conference to display their genealogical goods and services in the Exhibit Hall.</p> <p>The exhibit hall is free and open to the public.</p> <p>Exhibit Hall Hours Wednesday 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.</p>	Tips and Techniques	<p>Can a Dead Man Sign A Deed? <i>Kelvin L. Meyers</i> W127 His tombstone says died 1928, he's on a deed in 1932, did a dead man sign a deed? Resolve using GPS and fascinating case study.</p>	
	Military	<p>Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies and Navies in the Civil War <i>Ruth Ann Abels Hager, CG, CGL</i> W128 Could a volume in these massive sets tell something about your Civil War ancestor, whether a soldier, sailor, or even a civilian?</p>	
	Records and Repositories	<p>Underused Resources & Record Types for Genealogists <i>Mary M. Tedesco</i> W129 Take your genealogical research beyond the "usual" records. This lecture presents ideas for diversifying the records and resources searched.</p>	
	Methodology	<p>Alms for the Poor: Locating Records about the Needy <i>Amy Giroux, PhD, CG, CGL</i> W130 Local communities typically help their own in times of need. Learn about resources which may help to locate information on the poor and indigent.</p>	

CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS *(Continued)*

International Society for British Genealogy and Family History (ISBGFH)	North Carolina Genealogical Society	The Photo Detective
International Society of Family History Writers and Editors (ISFHWE)	North Carolina State Archives	Triangle Jewish Genealogical Society
My Heritage	Old Buncombe County Genealogical Society	Records Preservation and Access Committee (RPAC)
New York Genealogical and Biographical Society (NYG&B)	Palatines to America	Research Ties
	ProQuest	

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE—10 MAY 2017

2:30 p.m.		4:00 p.m.		Evening
BCG	Sources or Clues? Pitfalls of Using Published Genealogies and Online Trees <i>Julie Miller, CG, FNGS</i> What happens when we just copy and use what is in published sources and online trees? This case study illustrates the problems that result. W141	BCG	Use All the Sources: A Complex Case of Confounded Identity <i>J. H. "Jay" Fonkert, CG</i> Could Carrie be Clara, Sigrid be Vivian, and Hjalmer Petersen be Earl Moore? Correlating evidence across time and geography explains bedeviling shifts in identity. W151	<hr/> 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. North Carolina State Fairgrounds North Carolina Genealogical Society Host Event Pig Pickin' Join the North Carolina folks at a Pig Pickin' cooked up by Big Al's BBQ & Catering. What's a pig pickin'? Find out when you join us for a southern tradition of pulled pork, fried catfish, grilled chicken, slaw, fried okra, and fixin's, finished off with banana puddin' all while listening to the Grass Cats. This bluegrass group has earned four #1 singles on the Bluegrass Unlimited national chart. See http://www.grasscats.com/ . Square dancing, anyone? Enjoy the historic Holshouser Building and others on these historic fairgrounds. There will be time to view the products of North Carolina artisans with crafts on display for sale. Bus transportation will be provided from the convention center to the North Carolina State Fairgrounds. Cost: \$45 W161
	Genealogy as a Science <i>Blaine Bettinger, PhD, JD</i> What kind of quantitative or qualitative analyses can we perform to advance our genealogical research and support our conclusions? W142		MY HERITAGE MyHeritage DNA Matching <i>My Heritage</i> One of the most exciting recent technological innovations in family history research is DNA. MyHeritage is currently developing a new DNA Matching service. W152	
Planning a Successful Virginia Research Trip <i>Vic Dunn, CG</i> Before heading to the Old Dominion, determine how to prep online by inter-library loan, and where to go when you arrive. W143	Planning "Reasonably Exhaustive" Research <i>Thomas Wright Jones, PhD, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS, FUGA</i> Attendees will learn how to develop simple plans for systematic, thorough, and effective family-history research. W153			
Interpreting NC Land Records <i>David M. McCorkle</i> Learn how to read and interpret various documents associated with land records: deeds, warrants, land entries, land patents, surveys, and caveats. W144	OLD BUNCOMBE CTY GEN SOC Settlers in Western North Carolina 1790–1890: Origins, Destinations, and How to Find Them <i>Steve Greene, MDiv</i> Early groups of families moved to the NC Mountains facing incredible hardships. Some moved away but their stories exist in records they left behind. W154			
BYU Center for Family History and Genealogy Making Sense of Censuses: Analyzing and Interpreting Census Data <i>Jill N. Crandell, AG</i> This class will discuss how to resolve discrepancies in census data when it differs from one census to the next. Which information is more reliable? W145	StoryMaps: Using Web Maps to Tell Family Stories <i>Charlie L. Wells, CG</i> The use of StoryMaps, a simple and effective approach for publishing web maps to tell family stories, is described with several examples. W155			
Running Away to Join the Circus: Tracing Our Performing Ancestors <i>D. Joshua Taylor, MLS</i> Tracing a circus ancestor is challenging and fun. Explore key strategies and resources when searching ancestors who spent their lifetimes under the circus tent. W146	Learning NGS Style <i>Patricia Walls Stamm, CG, CGL</i> NGS continues to expand their cloud-based course offerings. Hear about new offerings and innovative methods for learning from home. W156			
Scots-Irish Research Methodology and Case Study <i>David E. Rencher, AG, CG, FIGRS, FUGA</i> Learn the techniques of researching your Scots-Irish ancestors in Northern Ireland with an 18th and 19th century case study. W147	Using Kentucky Equity and Criminal Court Cases to Complete Your Research <i>Gail Jackson Miller, CG</i> Court case files contain a wealth of information. Learn to use these often poorly organized records to solve your difficult research problems. W157			
The Mexican War—An Important War for Southern Research <i>Rick Sayre, CG, CGL, FUGA</i> Identify individuals who fought in the war. Locate the appropriate military records especially pension and bounty lands applications. W148	North Carolina in the War of 1812 <i>Craig Roberts Scott, CG, FUGA</i> Learn about how to fully use compiled military service records, pension application files, pension ledgers, and payments. W158			
Land, Licenses, Love Gone Wrong, and Other Assorted Courthouse Records <i>C. Ann Staley, CG, CGL</i> We will explore this rich resource to discover the fabulous records contained within their walls and examine how the records can aid our search. W149	Understanding Archives: What They Are and How to Use Them <i>John Philip Colletta, PhD, FUGA</i> Most historical sources have not been published. Discover how archives differ from other repositories and describes how to find and use the ones you need. W159			
Finding Black Sheep and More—Criminal Record Research <i>Susan D. Kaufman, MLS</i> Using criminal and court records in family history research can be challenging, but very interesting. Many ancestors come into contact with the "law." W150	Divorce Records in Genealogical Research <i>Pam Stone Eagleson, CG</i> Divorce records, from the early 1800s to the 1900s, can be rich in information for genealogists. Learn where to find divorce records and what's there. W160			

THURSDAY SCHEDULE—11 MAY 2017

Track	8:00 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
BCG	<p>Proving Identity and Kinship Using the GPS: Finding a Freedman's Family</p> <p><i>Nancy A. Peters, CG</i> T201</p> <p>Facing identity and kinship problems? Confused by multiple, same-named men? Learn how using the GPS resolved similar challenges in the search for a freedman's family.</p>	<p>BCG Certification Seminar</p> <p><i>Laurel Baty, CG, Jeanne Larzalere Bloom, CG, Rick Sayre, CG, CGL, FUGA</i> T211</p> <p>In this interactive forum, current associates share various pathways to certification and how to begin the process.</p>	
DNA	<p>When You're Not Who You Thought You Were</p> <p><i>Pamela Boyer Sayre, CG, CGL, FUGA</i> T202</p> <p>IFY-DNA testing identifies a totally different surname or ancestor than the expected one, what path leads to finding your own true biological identity?</p>	<p>The Genetic Genealogy Revolution</p> <p><i>Angie Bush</i> T212</p> <p>DNA is a mainstream source for the genealogist. It has revolutionized how genealogical research problems are approached and is inspiring a new generation of researchers.</p>	<p>Using Third-Party Tools to Analyze Your Autosomal DNA</p> <p><i>Blaine Bettinger, PhD, JD</i> T222</p> <p>Learn about third-party tools that allow test-takers to learn even more about their genomic heritage, including admixture calculators and the identification of genetic cousins.</p>
Solving Problems	<p>Hacks and Hookers and Putting Up Pickles: Snares of Yesteryear's English</p> <p><i>John Philip Colletta, PhD, FUGA</i> T203</p> <p>Our ancestors used vocabulary based on where and when they lived, and what they did. Words reflected skills, tools, and customs that no longer exist.</p>	<p>Help for Southerners in Need: The Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands</p> <p><i>Ruth Ann Abels Hager, CG, CGL</i> T213</p> <p>The Freedmen's Bureau offered help in Southern states to former slaves and others needing assistance after the Civil War. Could their records list your ancestor?</p>	<p>Solving Complex Problems With Tax Lists</p> <p><i>Gail Jackson Miller, CG</i> T223</p> <p>Virginia and Kentucky tax lists are some of the most complete in the nation. Learn to use them to solve your complex research problems.</p>
Historical Context	<p>The Industrial Revolution Comes Home: Textile Mills and Your Ancestors</p> <p><i>Anne Gillespie Mitchell</i> T204</p> <p>After the Civil War and Reconstruction the entire region saw an increase in textile mills that supplied jobs and brought new hardships.</p>	<p>A Week in the Life of a Farm Family</p> <p><i>Annette Burke Lyttle</i> T214</p> <p>What was daily life like for our farming ancestors? Learn how to use social history resources to answer that question in four different centuries.</p>	<p>Writing a Family Narrative That Your Family Will Want to Read</p> <p><i>Margo Farriss Brewer</i> T224</p> <p>You want your family narrative to be read and an object of family pride. Learn how to add life and interest to the plain facts.</p>
Religion	<p>Southern Mormons and Their Records</p> <p><i>Gail Jackson Miller, CG</i> T205</p> <p>The Mormon Church has always kept detailed records. Learn more about your ancestor through membership records, mission reports, church newspapers and censuses, and much more.</p>	<p>Circuit Riders and the Early Methodist Church</p> <p><i>J. Mark Lowe, CG, FUGA</i> T215</p> <p>Ride with the Western Cavaliers as they spread the gospel throughout the wilderness and beyond. Learn where and how to find Methodist church records.</p>	<p>Catholic Church Research in the Southeast</p> <p><i>Julie Miller, CG, FNGS</i> T225</p> <p>Catholic records contain a wealth of genealogical information. Learn about the types of records available, contents, and how to locate them in the Southeast U.S.</p>
North Carolina	<p>Colonial Migrations In and Out of the Shenandoah Valley</p> <p><i>Vic Dunn, CG</i> T206</p> <p>Before migrating to the Carolinas or westward, many Scots-Irish, English, and Germans first came down through the Valley on the Great Wagon Road.</p>	<p>Land Grants in North Carolina</p> <p><i>A. B. Pruitt, PhD</i> T216</p> <p>Lecture describes grants by Gov. Berkley, of Virginia, Lords Proprietor, the King, Earl of Granville, and the State.</p>	<p>North Carolina Research</p> <p><i>Jeffrey Lee Haines, CG</i> T226</p> <p>Introduction to methods and resources for finding ancestors in the Tarheel state.</p>
Records and Repositories	<p>The Devil Went Down to Georgia, He was Lookin' for ... Records: Georgia Research</p> <p><i>Kristin Harms</i> T207</p> <p>Have Georgia ancestors? Then rosin up your bow and come learn about Georgia, her records, and her repositories!</p>	<p>Beyond Population: Researching in the Special Census Schedules</p> <p><i>Angela Packer McGhie, CG</i> T217</p> <p>Have you used the veteran, agricultural, slave, mortality, or manufacturing census schedules? These records are becoming increasingly accessible and can enhance your research.</p>	<p>Making Newspapers.com Work for You</p> <p><i>Peter Drinkwater</i> T227</p> <p>Come learn how you can get the most out of the content and tools on Newspapers.com and what that can mean for your research.</p>
Technology	<p>A Proven Methodology for Using Google Search for Genealogy</p> <p><i>Lisa Louise Cooke</i> T208</p> <p>Come discover a myriad of free Google tools, and see case studies that reveal the strategy and process for using them to solve genealogical mysteries.</p>	<p>Beyond Google: The Evolution of Search</p> <p><i>Jordan Jones</i> T218</p> <p>Learn how to use powerful lesser-known features of search engines to create more genealogically relevant searches on Google and other search engines.</p>	<p>Is that Jesse James or Uncle Harry? Facial Recognition for Genealogy</p> <p><i>Maureen Taylor</i> T228</p> <p>A peek at the myths and reality of facial recognition software.</p>
Organizing Research	<p>Your Portable, Sortable Research Log</p> <p><i>Jennifer Patterson Dondero</i> T209</p> <p>A research log kept in your favorite spreadsheet program can make you much more efficient. Put it in the cloud and it goes anywhere!</p>	<p>Info Overload? Effective Project Management, Research, Data Management & Analysis</p> <p><i>Elizabeth Shown Mills, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS, FUGA</i> T219</p> <p>When we employ GPS and FAN strategies, we can create massive amounts of data. How do we manage that data to use it effectively?</p>	<p>Taking Control of Organizational Chaos</p> <p><i>Michelle D. Novak</i> T229</p> <p>Explore methods for digitizing, naming, and organizing your files; common technology pitfalls to avoid; and some ideas to help your research live beyond today's technology.</p>
Beyond the Borders	<p>German Village Not Yet Found?</p> <p><i>Carol Whitton, CG</i> T210</p> <p>Sometimes finding the German village is difficult. Learn additional methods to try if obvious U.S. records haven't yielded a village.</p>	<p>TRIANGLE JEWISH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY</p> <p>Three Guides, Four Countries: A Daughter of Holocaust Survivors Travels to Their Ancestral Villages</p> <p><i>Deborah Long</i> T220</p> <p>A dynamic visual presentation of the shocking unearthing of family artifacts from ancestral villages in Poland, Hungary, and Germany to understand one family's Holocaust history.</p>	<p>What's in German Parish Microfilms?</p> <p><i>Carol Whitton, CG</i> T230</p> <p>Parish records push a family back many generations. Learn what to look for and how to follow the clues to build the family.</p>

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<p>BCG Luncheon</p> <p>Condemnation of Memory: Recalling that African American Genealogy Is American Genealogy</p> <p><i>LaBrenda Garrett-Nelson, JD, LL.M., CG</i></p> <p>Ongoing work to reverse the past indifference to enslaved African American ancestors benefits the entire Genealogical Community.</p> <p>T231</p>	<p>BCG</p> <p>Past Conflict Repatriation: The Role of Genealogists and Methodology in Fulfilling Our Nation's Promise</p> <p><i>Jeanne Larzalere Bloom, CG</i> T241</p> <p>Learn about the repatriation program and the techniques genealogists use to locate family members and DNA reference samples for missing service members from past conflicts.</p>	<p>BCG</p> <p>Silent Border Crossings: Tracing the Elusive Immigrant Who Left Only Breadcrumbs for Clues</p> <p><i>David Ouimette, CG, CGL</i> T251</p> <p>Learn how to navigate multiple border crossings, name changes, and cultural challenges to trace a family of Canadian immigrants from town to town.</p>	
<p>New York Genealogical and Biographical Society Luncheon</p> <p>Civil War Records You Didn't Know Existed: Pensions, Relief Funds, Hospital Records, and More!</p> <p><i>Terry Koch-Bostic</i></p> <p>USSC collected records, stretching from New Bern, Washington D.C., New York, New England, and more . . . not in NARA. So where are they?</p> <p>T232</p>	<p>LIVESTREAM</p> <p>DNA and the Hidden Half of the Family</p> <p><i>Judy G. Russell, JD, CG, CGL</i> T242</p> <p>Learn how the 21st century genealogist's tool of DNA testing can shed light on women: the hidden members of our families.</p>	<p>LIVESTREAM</p> <p>Five Tips To Make Sense of Your DNA Testing</p> <p><i>Diahan Lyn Southard</i> T252</p> <p>Overwhelmed with autosomal DNA? I can teach you 5 tips you can implement and understand today so you can find your ancestors tomorrow.</p>	<p>Society Night</p> <p>6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.</p>
<p>Palatines to America Luncheon</p> <p>Christoph von Graffenried's Grand Adventure and the Palatine and Swiss Founding of New Bern</p> <p><i>Philip Otterness</i></p> <p>This talk tells the story of the Swiss and Palatine migrants who helped found the town of New Bern, North Carolina in 1710.</p> <p>T233</p>	<p>ANCESTRY</p> <p>Deeds and Probate: A Winning Combination</p> <p><i>Victoria P. Young</i> T243</p> <p>Learn through several examples how to use evidence found in both deed and probate records that together prove family connections.</p>	<p>Discovering Your Immigrant's Origins: Exhausting Every Resource</p> <p><i>Rich Venezia</i> T253</p> <p>Pin down your elusive immigrant ancestor's place of origin using some well-known and some lesser-known record sets, ideas, and techniques.</p>	<p>North Carolina Museum of History</p> <p>After an active day at the Convention Center and your quick dinner choice, come visit with representatives from many county genealogical and historical societies from all over North Carolina and nearby states. This free event will be held in the North Carolina Museum of History. The museum will be open so take time to view all the exhibits. Their gift shop featuring a selection of items that reflect the heritage and traditions of North Carolina will be open throughout the evening.</p> <p>T261</p>
<p>Menu (All Luncheons)</p> <p><i>Raleigh Cobb Salad</i></p> <p>Mixed greens topped with chopped tomatoes, eggs, bacon, and chicken with blue cheese dressing. Served with hearth baked rolls and butter. French Apple Torte, Caramel sauce and armagnac cream.</p> <p>Served with freshly brewed coffee, decaffeinated coffee, herbal hot teas, iced tea, and water service.</p> <p>COST: \$32.00</p>	<p>ANCESTRY</p> <p>Putting Food on the Table and a Roof Overhead: How Your Ancestors Earned a Living</p> <p><i>Anne Gillespie Mitchell</i> T244</p> <p>How did your ancestors feed, clothe, and house themselves? We look at where you can find the answers and how you can organize the data.</p>	<p>Coffin Maker, Undertaker, and Funeral Director: the Other Death Record Source</p> <p><i>Charles S. "Chuck" Mason, Jr., CG</i> T254</p> <p>Coffin maker's account book may be the only record of a death. Undertakers and funeral directors kept more, what will they reveal about an ancestor?</p>	
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FRIDAY SCHEDULE—12 MAY 2017

Track	8:00 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
BCG Skillbuilding	<p>BCG LIFESTREAM</p> <p>One Dollar and Natural Love and Affection: Analyzing Deeds Deeply <i>Michael Hait</i>, CG, CGL F301 This lecture goes beyond the obvious to explore the rich variety of evidence that deeds, mortgages, and other instruments offer regarding relationships and identity.</p>	<p>BCG LIFESTREAM</p> <p>Recreating your Ancestor's Neighborhood <i>Barbara Vines Little</i>, CG, FNGS, FVGS F311 When researchers hit a brick wall, the advice is usually the same—consider the neighbors. But first, we have to find them.</p>	<p>BCG LIFESTREAM</p> <p>What's the Evidence? How to Probe Documents Beyond the Obvious <i>Elizabeth Shown Mills</i>, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS, FUGA F321 Evidence is more than "facts" or words on paper. It's both tangible and intangible, singular and collective, mental and emotional. This session demonstrates why.</p>
DNA	<p>FAMILY TREE DNA</p> <p>Getting Your Results is Just the Beginning <i>Jim Brewster</i> F302 Now that you have your results, what should you do with them? We will cover the tools and genetic reports offered by Family Tree DNA.</p>	<p>AncestryDNA</p> <p>From The Shadows: Using DNA to Demolish Brick Walls in African American Genealogy <i>Shannon Christmas</i> F312 Using case studies from families rooted in the American South, learn to synthesize DNA analysis with traditional research methods to overcome challenges unique to African American genealogy.</p>	<p>AncestryDNA</p> <p>Expand and Support Your Genealogy Research with DNA Tools <i>Anna Swayne</i> F322 DNA Circles and New Ancestor Discoveries are two features on AncestryDNA that can help you on your family history journey.</p>
Records and Repositories	<p>"Picturing" Your Research—Finding, Procuring, and Preserving Images <i>Michelle D. Novak</i> F303 Using images can be daunting. We'll look at ways to find and use images in your research and protect your own collection for future generations.</p>	<p>FUGA</p> <p>The Library of Congress: An Introduction and Overview <i>John Philip Colletta</i>, PhD, FUGA F313 This lecture takes the trepidation out of using our national library and demonstrates the benefits of making a research trip to Washington.</p>	<p>FUGA</p> <p>Breaking the Brick Wall: Using Cluster Genealogy to Find Lost Ancestors <i>Deborah Ann Abbott</i>, PhD F323 Using a case study, learn how to fill in the gaps in your genealogical research by talking to others in addition to your direct ancestors.</p>
Maps and Locations	<p>Burned County Research Methodology <i>Vic Dunn</i>, CG F304 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>FUGA</p> <p>From Ulster to Virginia and the Carolinas <i>David E. Rencher</i>, AG, CG, FIGRS, FUGA F314 Learn immigration strategies, techniques, and events that pushed or pulled your hard-to-find Scots-Irish ancestors into Virginia and the Carolinas.</p>	<p>FUGA</p> <p>Using Maps of the Southeast United States to further your Genealogical Research <i>Rick Sayre</i>, CG, CGL, FUGA F324 Discover web-based map resources. See examples of these maps used in a genealogical context. The major repositories will be described.</p>
Military	<p>Finding your Ancestor in Military Bounty Land Applications <i>Rick Sayre</i>, CG, CGL, FUGA F305 Many bounty land records rival pension records in their value. Find these records and locate bounty land, including state bounty land using online tools.</p>	<p>FUGA</p> <p>Southern Claims Commission: A Treasure Trove of Civil War Ancestors <i>Ruth Ann Abels Hager</i>, CG, CGL F315 In the 1870s, Southerners and former Southerners filed more than 22,000 claims for losses suffered during the Civil War. Could those claim files help you?</p>	<p>FUGA</p> <p>Researching a Revolutionary War Ancestor in North Carolina and Virginia <i>Craig Roberts Scott</i>, CG, FUGA F325 Learn about how to fully use compiled military service records, pension application files, pension ledgers, and payments.</p>
African American	<p>Slave Narratives: Telling the Story of Slavery and Families <i>C. Ann Staley</i>, CG, CGL F306 Slave narratives, with their autobiographical accounts, can provide insight into the institution, rich context for family stories, and clues for family research.</p>	<p>FUGA</p> <p>Reconstruction 101 for African Americans <i>Tim Pinnick</i> F316 The importance of Reconstruction-era research to African American genealogists cannot be overemphasized. Learn the essential elements of this critical time period.</p>	<p>FUGA</p> <p>Get Excited About your Pre-1870 NC African American research <i>Diane L. Richard</i> F326 Researching emancipated slaves and their ancestors before 1870 can be extremely challenging and not necessarily impossible. We'll explore records where you just might find them!</p>
Historical Context	<p>BCG EDUCATION FUND</p> <p>HELEN F. M. LEARY DISTINGUISHED LECTURE SPONSORED BY BCG EDUCATION FUND Rainbows and Kaleidoscopes: Inclusion as a Professional and Personal Genealogical Standard <i>Judy G. Russell</i>, JD, CG, CGL F307 As professional and personal genealogists, we can enrich our family histories, client bases, and collaborations with fellow researchers by adopting inclusion as a genealogical standard.</p>	<p>FUGA</p> <p>"She came from Nowhere..."—A Case Study approach to a difficult Genealogical Problem. <i>Michael D. Lacopo</i>, DVM F317 This illustrates a problem-solving approach utilizing social history, female research, and family analysis to identify parents of a Virginia ancestor "from nowhere." GPS at work.</p>	<p>FUGA</p> <p>Grandma's Treasure Chest Revisted <i>Pam Stone Eagleson</i>, CG F327 This lecture examines ways to research and evaluate family treasures such as photos, furniture, letters, textiles, silverware, and guns.</p>
Technology	<p>Create a Free Map Collection in Google Earth Customized for Your Genealogy Research <i>Lisa Louise Cooke</i> F308 Learn how to find maps for ancestral locations, add them as overlays to Google Earth, and organize them into your personal reference collection for free.</p>	<p>FUGA</p> <p>Smartly Using a Smart Phone Camera <i>Robert Raymond</i> F318 Use your phone camera at an archive to digitize documents, capture citations, and log your research. Post the documents in an online tree.</p>	<p>FUGA</p> <p>Research Guides to Your Ancestors Online <i>Anne Gillespie Mitchell</i> F328 Learn to create personalized state and county guides that contain all possible online resources and expert tips and tricks on finding what you need.</p>
Native American	<p>Locating Ancestors on the Dawes Rolls <i>Kathy Huber</i>, MLS F309 Discover the background and process taken 1898-1906 to enroll members of the Five Civilized Tribes living in Indian Territory.</p>	<p>FUGA</p> <p>The Moravians and the Cherokees: From Piedmont to Tahlequah <i>Rick Fogarty</i> F319 With Moravian establishment of missions and schools, the congregation brought work to Indian tribes of the southeast including the Cherokee and Creek.</p>	<p>FUGA</p> <p>Rooted to the Earth: The Basics of Cherokee Genealogy <i>Anita Finger-Smith</i> F329 Discover how Cherokee genealogical research can separate fact from fiction: learn about getting started, tribal enrollment protocol, and the resources that are available.</p>
Methodology	<p>Clueless? Maybe not <i>Jennifer Patterson Dondero</i> F310 Recognize the clues you already have. This case study shows you how to put small clues together.</p>	<p>FUGA</p> <p>Sharecropping or Tenant Farming?: The System and Its Records <i>Margo Fariss Brewer</i> F320 Was your ancestor a farmer without land? Maybe he was a sharecropper or tenant farmer. Learn how this system worked and where the records are.</p>	<p>THE PHOTO DETECTIVE</p> <p>Family Photos, Family Stories, and Finding the Facts: Genealogical Clues in Pictures <i>Maureen Taylor</i> F330 Experience the power of a family photo through the stories they represent. Learn how to tell the story of your photo.</p>

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<p>Association of Professional Genealogists Luncheon</p> <p>Keep Your Professional Cool in Hot Situations</p> <p><i>Mary Penner</i></p> <p>A humorous look at awkward, challenging, and bizarre situations professionals encounter. Keeping your professional cool can be hard, but it's worth the effort.</p> <p>F331</p> <hr/> <p>North Carolina Genealogical Society Luncheon</p> <p>Nobody's Daughter: A Spotlight on the Neighbors</p> <p><i>Helen F. M. Leary, CG Emeritus, FASG, FNGS</i></p> <p>In her inimitable style, listen to strategies for researching neighbors to prove the parentage of our female ancestors.</p> <p>F332</p> <hr/> <p>Menu (All Luncheons)</p> <p><i>Roasted Chicken Salad Sandwich</i></p> <p>Roasted chicken with lemon tarragon and mixed greens on whole grain bread. Served with home-style potato salad. Chocolate Flourless Cake, Mocha cream and raspberry drizzle.</p> <p>Served with freshly brewed coffee, decaffeinated coffee, herbal hot teas, iced tea, and water service.</p> <p>COST: \$32.00</p>	<p>BCG LIVESTREAM</p> <p>The Genealogical Proof Summary: What It Is and Is Not</p> <p><i>Gail Jackson Miller, CG</i> F341</p> <p>Learn to logically organize and present your evidence to meet current standards. Improve and simplify this important step in the research process.</p>	<p>BCG LIVESTREAM</p> <p>Converting a Bunch of Information into a Credible Conclusion</p> <p><i>Thomas Wright Jones, PhD, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS, FUGA</i> F351</p> <p>Thorough research often yields disparate evidence items. Genealogists can organize the mixture, assess it as a whole, and convert the assemblage into a provable conclusion.</p>	<p>National Genealogical Society Banquet</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Cash Bar</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Banquet</p> <p>Raleigh Convention Center Ball Room</p> <p>Who Is Family?</p> <p><i>Stuart Watson</i></p> <p>Stuart Watson is an award-winning investigative reporter, with 30+ years of stellar experiences in journalism, non-fiction storytelling, media broadcasting, and journalism teaching. Join the journey and learn how he used his investigative skills to find his birth mother and discover a powerful story of alcoholism, recovery and forgiveness—his own.</p> <p>F361</p> <hr/> <p>Menu</p> <p><i>Capital Field Greens Salad</i></p> <p>Mixed field greens, orange supremes, cherry tomatoes, toasted pumpkin seeds and with bourbon and balsamic vinaigrette.</p> <p><i>Mediterranean Roasted Chicken</i>, with vegetable medley and orzo.</p> <p><i>Southern Cake Bite Trio</i></p> <p>Toasted coconut cake, salted caramel cake and classic red velvet cake.</p> <p>Served with freshly brewed coffee, decaffeinated coffee, herbal hot teas, iced tea, and water service.</p> <p>COST: \$45.00</p>
	<p>AncestryDNA</p> <p>Understanding the Science Behind Your DNA Results</p> <p><i>AncestryDNA</i> F342</p> <p>Where's my German ancestry? Why do I have so many matches? Understanding the science behind the results will give you answers to these questions.</p>	<p>Creating a Genetic Network</p> <p><i>Diahan Lyn Southard</i> F352</p> <p>Comfortable with the general tools provided by your DNA testing company? Learn how to create a genetic network to fully investigate your ancestry.</p>	
	<p>Prohibition and the Records it Generated</p> <p><i>Kristin Harms</i> F343</p> <p>Some states' prohibition began prior to the ratification of the 18th Amendment. 'Wets' and 'Drys' alike created records—were your ancestors among them?</p>	<p>Online State and Federal Resources for Genealogy</p> <p><i>Michael Hait, CG, CGL</i> F353</p> <p>The Internet offers many resources for genealogical research. Learn what records are available and how to find them online.</p>	
	<p>Two States, Multiple Counties—What's a Border?</p> <p><i>Diane L. Richard</i> F344</p> <p>People often behaved as if state and county "borders" did not exist. A 10 mile radius from home might encompass a different county or state.</p>	<p>Using Emigrant Guides for Genealogical Research</p> <p><i>Julie Miller, CG, FNGS</i> F354</p> <p>Learn how to use emigrant guides for insight into the how's and why's of an ancestor's preparation and journey to their new home.</p>	
	<p>ANCESTRY</p> <p>Getting to Know Fold3: The web's premier collection of Original Military Records</p> <p><i>Gordon Atkinson</i> F345</p> <p>Learn how to use Fold3 to locate original US military records. Discover documents, stories, and photos that detail the lives of those who served.</p>	<p>Refugees, Claims, and Conscription: Your Ancestors During the Reconstruction Era</p> <p><i>Michael L. Strauss, AG</i> F355</p> <p>Discover numerous military and civilian genealogical records covering 1863-1876 when Reconstruction officially ended and how families were changed as a result of the Civil War.</p>	
	<p>Migration Patterns: A Macro Alternative for Locating African Origins</p> <p><i>James Ison, AG, CG</i> F346</p> <p>Use migration patterns to determine area in U.S. one's ancestors arrived then use the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade database to understand implications for one's African ancestry.</p>	<p>US Colored Troops in the Civil War: Researching Antebellum, Military, and Post War Lives</p> <p><i>Tonja Lea Koob Marking, PhD</i> F356</p> <p>Strategies, methods, and resources for uncovering the lives of African American soldiers from slavery to after Reconstruction.</p>	
	<p>Key Player, Participant, or Partisan Follower: Discovering An Ancestor's Political Leanings</p> <p><i>D. Joshua Taylor, MLS</i> F347</p> <p>Political affiliations can have a major impact in our ancestor's lives – and often leave behind incredible records waiting to be examined.</p>	<p>She Did What, When? Where? With Who? Why? Putting Your Ancestor in Historic Context</p> <p><i>Sara Gredler</i> F357</p> <p>Utilize "non-genealogical" sources in a genealogical context to provide a fuller, more colorful story of our ancestors. What exactly does historic context mean?</p>	
	<p>A Library at Your Fingertips: The Internet Archive, Digital Public Library, and more</p> <p><i>Maureen Taylor</i> F348</p> <p>Explore online libraries as new sources for family history discoveries.</p>	<p>MY HERITAGE</p> <p>Discovering Your Family History with MyHeritage Unique Technologies</p> <p><i>Daniel Horowitz</i> F358</p> <p>Technology has opened new frontiers for research while maintaining the thrill of the detective hunt. MyHeritage's technologies are precisely the intersection of technology and genealogy.</p>	
	<p>Forming New Worlds: Cherokees, Whites, and Lands in Western North Carolina, 1819–1829</p> <p><i>Anita Finger-Smith</i> F349</p> <p>Learn how the transfer of Cherokee lands to Anglo-American possession set the stage for the Cherokee Trail of Tears.</p>	<p>Researching Native American Tribal Genealogy</p> <p><i>Rick Fogarty</i> F359</p> <p>Many families have myths and stories of Native American ancestors in their lineage. Where do we start? What tribe? Which records? DNA testing?</p>	
	<p>Chromosome Mapping Workshop</p> <p>2:15 p.m.–5:00 p.m.</p> <p><i>Angie Bush</i> F350</p> <p>Chromosome Mapping Workshop: Learn to use Kitty Cooper's Chromosome Mapping tool to create a visual representation of the DNA inherited from your ancestors. Test results from other relatives are required. Workshop Cost \$45</p>		

SATURDAY SCHEDULE—13 MAY 2017

Track	8:00 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
BCG Skillbuilding	<p>How Old Was Grandpa? Estimating Ancestral Birth Dates <i>Vic Dunn</i>, CG S401</p> <p>BCG Determining an approximate birth date may be essential to identifying ancestors. Useful methods to calculate age when no birth record is available are examined.</p>	<p>What to Do When Your Ancestor Drops Out Of the Sky: Frances Ellsworth <i>Amy Giroux</i>, PhD, CG, CGL S411</p> <p>BCG This eight-state case study proves identity and severed relationships resulting from three generations of women who raised their daughters but—of necessity—abandoned their sons.</p>	<p>MAXY DNA: Correlating mt-at-X-Y DNA with the GPS <i>Debbie Parker Wayne</i>, CG, CGL S421</p> <p>BCG Learn to correlate DNA test results with documentary research as part of the Genealogical Proof Standard (GPS). Case studies demonstrate principles and techniques that work.</p>
DNA	<p>Ethical and Legal Considerations for Genetic Genealogists <i>Blaine Bettinger</i>, PhD, JD S402</p> <p>Learn about the protections for your DNA, and how community standards are helping to protect the privacy of test-takers in order to encourage DNA testing.</p>	<p>African American History Etched in my DNA <i>Andre Kearns</i> S412</p> <p>DNA advances in testing offer the possibility of leapfrogging brick walls created by slavery to connect ancestral roots by analyzing family history documented within DNA.</p>	<p>FAMILY TREE DNA How Group Projects Can Enrich Your DNA Testing Experience <i>Jeanine Blackerby Cloud</i> S422</p> <p>This talk covers DNA group projects, particularly Family Tree DNA projects: what they are, how to join, and how they can benefit your individual research.</p>
Research in the States	<p>Courting North Carolina: The Courts of the Tarheel State <i>Judy G. Russell</i>, JD, CG, CGL S403</p> <p>Understanding the records of the courts closest to the average citizen is crucial to finding clues to family history in North Carolina and beyond.</p>	<p>Clues in Missouri Migration <i>Pamela Boyer Sayre</i>, CG, CGL, FUGA S413</p> <p>Many westward migrants stopped a short time or stayed for several generations in Missouri. Where did they come from and where did they go?</p>	<p>Research in Texas <i>Kelvin L. Meyers</i> S423</p> <p>Discover what records are available and where those Lone Star resources will be found.</p>
North Carolina	<p>Land Grants by North Carolina in Tennessee <i>A. B. Pruitt</i>, PhD S404</p> <p>Grants by North Carolina in Tennessee are similar to and different from grants in North Carolina.</p>	<p>NC Land Grants Overview <i>David M. McCorkle</i> S414</p> <p>Introduction to NC land grants covering history, process, documents produced and where to find them today, and using nlandgrants.com for research.</p>	<p>Using Estate and Deed Records to Construct Families in Early 19th Century North Carolina <i>Ginger R. Smith</i>, MLS S424</p> <p>Extract information about your ancestors and their family members by reading deeds. Descriptions of the land and who owned it may be mentioned.</p>
Regional Movement	<p>ANCESTRY Getting the Most Out of Find A Grave <i>Peter Drinkwater</i> S405</p> <p>Everything you need to know about Find A Grave. We'll start with the basics and work our way into the more advanced and intimate details.</p>	<p>ANCESTRY South Carolina Research <i>Jeffrey Lee Haines</i>, CG S415</p> <p>Introduction to methods and resources for finding ancestors in the Palmetto state.</p>	<p>Finding Ancestors in the Great Smoky Mountains <i>Lori Thornton</i>, MLIS S425</p> <p>Locate records and information on residents of the Great Smoky Mountains prior to the park's establishment.</p>
Family Stories	<p>Stories from the Back Door of the Swannanoa-Berkeley Hotel: My Family History <i>Deborah Ann Abbott</i>, PhD S406</p> <p>Listening to my grandparents in Ohio, I learned little about their early years. Share my discoveries as we learn to uncover the facts and stories.</p>	<p>"See Yourself in the Movies!" Small-town Films of H. Lee Waters 1936–1942 <i>Heather Whann Choplin</i> S416</p> <p>Be captivated by these remarkable films of NC's small communities. It's thrilling to glimpse your ancestor working, attending school, or shopping downtown!</p>	<p>Interpreting Virginia's Records: What's There That You Don't See <i>Barbara Vines Little</i>, CG, FNGS, FVGS S426</p> <p>A look at some of the "gotchas" in Virginia's records and how to avoid the mistaken assumptions they often create.</p>
Methodology	<p>City Directories: The Solution to Finding Family Members In-Between Federal Census Ten-Year Gaps <i>Terry Koch-Bostic</i> S407</p> <p>City directories can establish where your ancestor lived, worked, married, went to church, and their surname variants. Think of them as pre-1935 "people finders."</p>	<p>Birdie Monk Holislaw Memorial Lecture The Successful Genealogist: It's All About Our Mindset! <i>Elizabeth Shown Mills</i>, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS, FUGA S417</p> <p>Genealogy is an analytical, interpretive process that recreates families in the context of their place, time, and circumstances. Are you prepared for success?</p>	<p>Genealogical Documentation: The What, Why, Where, and How <i>Thomas Wright Jones</i>, PhD, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS, FUGA S427</p> <p>Learn to document a family history, five characteristics making citations complete and accurate, and a straightforward format for citing physical and digital genealogical sources.</p>
Records and Repositories	<p>The Aliens are Coming: USCIS Record Sets <i>Rich Venezia</i> S408</p> <p>A-Files? AR-2 Forms? C-Files? Oh my! Wade through the alphabet soup of the US Citizenship & Immigration Services' record sets to find immigrant ancestors.</p>	<p>Utilizing the National Genealogical Society Book Loan Collection <i>Jacob Eubanks</i>, MLS S418</p> <p>Learn how to access the National Genealogical Society Book Loan Collection at St. Louis County Library or your Local Library.</p>	<p>RPAC How Genealogists Can Work with State Archivists in Support of Records Preservation and Access <i>Sarah Koonts</i> S428</p> <p>Genealogists need to be advocates for local, state, and federal archives so valuable collections are adequately funded, staffed, and accessible.</p>
Religion	<p>Records of the Disciples of Christ and Churches of Christ <i>J. Mark Lowe</i>, CG, FUGA S409</p> <p>Discover the records of these congregations and members, including periodicals and more. Follow the Restoration movement, Barton-Stone, Campbell, and others.</p>	<p>Moravian Trails & Records <i>Elissa Scalise Powell</i>, CG, CGL S419</p> <p>Eighteenth-century Moravians, originating in Pennsylvania, settled in North Carolina. Discover the records they left behind in both states.</p>	<p>O Man of God! How to Thoroughly Research Ministers of the Gospel <i>Daryl Johanson</i> S429</p> <p>Rectors, preachers, ministers, and missionaries scattered across the nation spreading the gospel. Find their written words; learn about their compensation, their joys, and hardships.</p>
Solving Problems	<p>RESEARCH TIES ResearchTies: Why Every Good Genealogist Needs a Quality Research Log <i>Jill N. Crandell</i>, AG S410</p> <p>Feeling overwhelmed and unorganized? Learn how ResearchTies assists with the research process and organizes your genealogy. Generate "to do" lists and analyze documents with ease!</p>	<p>Unusual Resources for Family History Research <i>Susan D. Kaufman</i>, MLIS S420</p> <p>Discover obscure sources for finding ancestors; records beyond the "normal" records used for ancestors.</p>	<p>Spreadsheets for Genealogists: THE Tool You Are Not Using Enough In Your Research <i>Tonja Lea Koob Marking</i>, PhD S430</p> <p>Demonstrates basic to advanced uses of spreadsheets for organizing and analyzing genealogical data. Includes case studies and techniques for transferring data into reports.</p>

12:15 p.m.	2:30 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	Day / Evening
<p>National Genealogical Society Luncheon</p> <p>Citing Your Sources: Comedy or Tragedy?</p> <p><i>Thomas Wright Jones, PhD, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS, FUGA</i> A lighthearted look at "citation anxiety" and its remedies.</p> <p>S431</p>	<p>Expanding Your Views: Knowing Your Research Locales</p> <p>BCG <i>Pam Stone Eagleson, CG</i> S441 A basic tenet of genealogical research is to familiarize yourself with your research locale. Research requiring reasonably exhaustive search may lead to several research locales.</p>	<p>The Lay of the Land: Using Maps in Genealogical Research</p> <p>BCG <i>Sara Anne Scribner, CG</i> S451 Every ancestor, at every moment, occupied a specific physical location. Maps show that location's significance. Learn how to use these rich and vivid evidentiary sources.</p>	<p>NGS Annual Meeting</p> <p>5:15 p.m.</p> <p>Meet the NGS officers and board of directors and hear updates on courses, publications, and more from NGS president, Benjamin B. Spratling.</p> <p>S461</p>
<p>International Society for British Genealogy and Family History</p> <p>The Scots-Irish in the Carolinas—Immigrants Who Made a Difference!</p> <p><i>David E. Rencher, AG, CG, FIGRS, FUGA</i> Learn about the critical role the Scots-Irish played in the settlement of the Carolinas and how your ancestor may have been influenced to settle here.</p> <p>S432</p>	<p>Identifying Native American Ancestors Through Genetic Testing</p> <p><i>Lynn Moore McCreery</i> S442 If your family has been in America for ten generations, and you have North Carolina ancestry, you are likely to carry Native American DNA.</p>	<p>Case Studies in DNA</p> <p><i>Claudia C. Breland, MLS</i> S452 DNA test results can break through brick walls, solve murder mysteries, and point toward new avenues for research. Cases from author and client research.</p>	
<p>Genealogical Speakers Guild and International Association for Family History Writers and Editors Luncheon</p> <p>Lectures vs. Talks: Documentability on a Sliding Scale?</p> <p><i>John Philip Colletta, PhD, FUGA</i> That thin and vexatious line separating historical fact from speculation: where is it? Does it move? Well, are you teaching or are you entertaining?</p> <p>S433</p>	<p>Virtue, Liberty, and Independence: Pennsylvania Research</p> <p><i>Kristin Harms</i> S443 Explore the Keystone State—her people, records, and repositories.</p>	<p>Research in the Old Line State: An Overview of Maryland Genealogy</p> <p><i>Michael Hait, CG, CGL</i> S453 Established in 1634, Maryland has a long and storied history. Learn about repositories, records, and research techniques throughout the state.</p>	
<p>Menu (All Luncheons)</p> <p><i>Southern Fried Chicken Salad</i> Served with mixed greens, creamy cider dressing, and dried pear. Served with hearth baked rolls and butter. New York Cheesecake, Strawberry sauce and vanilla cream.</p> <p>Served with freshly brewed coffee, decaffeinated coffee, herbal hot teas, iced tea, and water service.</p> <p>COST: \$32.00</p>	<p>Past but Not Forgotten: North Carolina's Jersey Settlement</p> <p><i>D. Joshua Taylor, MLS</i> S444 Explore the story of North Carolina's Jersey Settlement on the Yadkin River (and the records they left behind).</p>	<p>Carolinians Settle the South</p> <p><i>James Ison, AG, CG</i> S454 Learn migration strategies for finding ancestors who moved from North and South Carolina from 1790 to 1850.</p>	
<p>Genealogical Speakers Guild and International Association for Family History Writers and Editors Luncheon</p> <p>Crimes Across Multiple Jurisdictions: Meet Wake County's Abbott Brothers</p> <p><i>Diane L. Richard</i> S446 We like ancestors in court records BUT this family may have gone too far! Brothers + crime + multiple counties + 2 states = intrigue!</p>	<p>Southern Ante-Bellum Plantation Records</p> <p><i>Ari Wilkins</i> S445 Learn about the value of these records, how they are organized, and how to search this major collection.</p>	<p>Researching Your Civil War Carolinian</p> <p><i>Jordan Jones</i> S455 From the history of the Carolinas in the Civil War, this presentation proceeds to outline the records available to research Civil War-era Carolinians.</p>	
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<p>Genealogical Speakers Guild and International Association for Family History Writers and Editors Luncheon</p> <p>Finding Immigrant Origins in U.S. Records</p> <p><i>Mary M. Tedesco</i> S447 Tips and strategies for identifying your ancestral towns using records located in the United States and online.</p>	<p>Finding Immigrant Origins in U.S. Records</p> <p><i>Mary M. Tedesco</i> S447 Tips and strategies for identifying your ancestral towns using records located in the United States and online.</p>	<p>Why They Left the Old Country</p> <p><i>Mary M. Tedesco</i> S457 Understanding why folks left the "old country" will help you understand where they moved and why they made the tough choices.</p>	
<p>Genealogical Speakers Guild and International Association for Family History Writers and Editors Luncheon</p> <p>Of Heredity and Lineage: Social Membership Organizations</p> <p><i>Victoria P. Young</i> S448 From colonial leaders, pub owners, "black sheep," clergy, and military patriots, learn strategies for researching a qualifying ancestor and techniques for submitting successful membership applications.</p>	<p>Of Heredity and Lineage: Social Membership Organizations</p> <p><i>Victoria P. Young</i> S448 From colonial leaders, pub owners, "black sheep," clergy, and military patriots, learn strategies for researching a qualifying ancestor and techniques for submitting successful membership applications.</p>	<p>Patriot or Not?: Using the GPS on a Closed D.A.R. Line</p> <p><i>Elissa Scalise Powell, CG, CGL</i> S458 Where and when was the patriot David born? See the research process unfold through professional techniques and if you agree that the conclusion constitutes "proof."</p>	
<p>Genealogical Speakers Guild and International Association for Family History Writers and Editors Luncheon</p> <p>How To Find Church and Religious Records</p> <p><i>Terry Koch-Bostic</i> S449 Learn different techniques for searching for and locating collections, churches, and archives to improve your success in locating religious records for ancestors.</p>	<p>How To Find Church and Religious Records</p> <p><i>Terry Koch-Bostic</i> S449 Learn different techniques for searching for and locating collections, churches, and archives to improve your success in locating religious records for ancestors.</p>	<p>"She Bore Her Suffering with Christian Fortitude": Using Religious Newspapers and Periodicals</p> <p><i>Michael D. Lacopo, DVM</i> S459 Denominational newspapers often contained obituaries and biographical information decades before traditional community newspapers did. Learn where to find and what they contain.</p>	
	<p>And In Local News... My Ancestor made the Newspaper</p> <p><i>Kelvin L. Meyers</i> S450 The <i>Star</i>, <i>Globe</i>, and <i>Inquirer</i> have nothing on early newspapers. They left no stone unturned or any "juicy" story untold. Discover these great stories.</p>	<p>Meet John Smith: Tracing Ancestors with Common Monikers</p> <p>ANCESTRY <i>Juliana Szucs</i> S460 Juliana will share strategies for tracking down your ancestors with common last names using charts, spreadsheets, and a common sense approach.</p>	

CONFERENCE SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Deborah Ann Abbott, PhD, serves as a Trustee for the Ohio Genealogical Society and is faculty member at IGHR.

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Jen C. Baldwin, professional genealogist with emphasis on the Western United States. Data Acquisition Manager, Findmypast, host of #genchat on Twitter, and volunteer.

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Jeanne Larzalere Bloom, CG, is a full-time professional researcher. She is a trustee and the president of BCG.

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Shannon Christmas, 23andMe Ancestry Ambassador; specializes in genetic, colonial American, and African American genealogy; manages the Captain Thomas Graves and Hemings-Jefferson-Wayles-Eppes autosomal DNA projects.

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Andre Kearns, a DC native with roots in the American south and passion for discovering new ancestors and learning their stories.

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Michael D. Lacopo, DVM, is a retired small-animal veterinarian and professional genealogist. Researching since 1980, he lectures internationally and writes for numerous periodicals and journals.

Helen F. M. Leary, CG Emeritus, FASG, FNGS, lecturer, author, board member of BCG, APG, NCGS, NGS. Course coordinator IGHR. NC research expert.

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Deborah Long has researched her family history for more than fifty years, searching for those who may have survived the Holocaust.

Diane C. Loosle, AG, CG, is Director of Patron Services at FamilySearch. She also serves as the Director of the Family History Library.

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Annette Burke Lyttle, MA, professional researcher, writer, and speaker. Specialties include online resources, social history, military research.

Tonja Lea Koob Marking, PhD, professional engineer, author, utilizes problem-solving training for unique perspectives on people and their industrial histories.

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Anne Gillespie Mitchell, MS, has merged her passion for history and computers into a lifelong fascination of genealogy and developing advanced methodologies to carve important clues out of historical documents.

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ABBREVIATIONS

ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act
AG	Accredited Genealogist
APG	Association of Professional Genealogists
BCG	Board for Certification of Genealogists
BYU	Brigham Young University
BU	Boston University
CG	Certified Genealogist
CGL	Certified Genealogical Lecturer
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CGO	Chief Genealogical Officer
DVM	Doctor of Veterinary Medicine
FASG	Fellow, American Society of Genealogists
FGS	Federation of Genealogical Societies
FIGRS	Fellow, Irish Genealogical Research Society
FNGS	Fellow, National Genealogical Society
FSGS	Florida State Genealogical Society
FUGA	Fellow, Utah Genealogical Association
FVGS	Fellow, Virginia Genealogical Society
Gen-Fed	Genealogical Institute on Federal Records
GIS	Geographic Information Systems
GRIP	Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh
GPS	Genealogical Proof Standard
GSBC	Genealogical Society of Bergen County, NJ
GSG	Genealogical Speakers Guild
GSNJ	Genealogical Society of New Jersey
IAJGS	International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies
ICAPGen	International Commission for the Accreditation of Professional Genealogists
IGHR	Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research, University of Georgia
IGRA	Israel Genealogy Research Association
ISBGFH	International Society for British Genealogy and Family History
ISFHWE	International Society of Family History Writers and Editors
JD	Juris Doctor
LLM	Master of Laws

MA	Master of Arts
MCP	Master of City Planning
MAT	Master of Arts in Teaching
MBA	Master of Business Administration
MDiv	Master of Divinity
ME	Master of Education
MLIS	Master of Library and Information Science
MLS	Master of Library Science
MS	Master of Science
NARA	National Archives and Records Administration
NCGS	North Carolina Genealogical Society
NEHGS	New England Historic Genealogical Society
NGS	National Genealogical Society
NGSQ	<i>National Genealogical Society Quarterly</i>
NIGRAA	National Institute on Genealogical Research Alumni Association
NIGS	National Institute for Genealogical Studies
NSDAR	National Society Daughters of the American Revolution
NYG&B	New York Genealogical and Biographical Society
PBS	Public Broadcasting Service
ProGen	<i>Professional Genealogy</i> study group
PhD	Doctor of Philosophy
RPAC	Records Preservation and Access Committee
SLIG	Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy
USCIS	United States Citizenship and Immigration Service
VIGR	Virtual Institute of Genealogical Research
WDYTYA	<i>Who Do You Think You Are</i>

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Craig Roberts Scott, CG, FUGA, president and CEO of Heritage Books. Coordinator at IGHR, SLIG and GRIP. Specializes in military, publishing, and problem-solving.

Sara Anne Scribner, CG, practices genealogy Way Out West. A retired librarian, she continues to foster research skills and critical thinking.

Ginger R. Smith, MLS, is a genetic genealogist, lecturer, and researcher who works with adoptees and focuses on educating people on the uses of DNA in genealogy.

Diahan Lyn Southard is Your DNA Guide, where she provides personalized, interactive experiences to assist individuals and families in interpreting their genetic genealogy results.

C. Ann Staley, CG, CGL, lecturer, instructor, trip leader, consultant; faculty, NIGS; secretary, GSG; education chair, Jacksonville Gen. Soc.; trustee, FSGS; NGS 2016 conference chair.

Michael L. Strauss, AG, BA (History) and a licensed private investigator in Virginia and expert witness in court in PA, NY, NJ, and VA.

Anna Swayne has 10+ years of experience in DNA genealogy. At Ancestry, she leads educational development to help people maximize their experience with AncestryDNA.

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Patricia Walls Stamm, CG, CGL, serves as NGS education manager, St. Louis Community College's genealogical instructor, and IGHR course coordinator.

Cari A. Taplin, CG, state and regional speaker since 2004, focusing on midwest states, methodology, and family legends.

D. Joshua Taylor, MA, MLS, is the president of the NYG&B, the host of *Genealogy Roadshow* (PBS), and a professional researcher, speaker, and author.

Maureen Taylor, MA, an internationally recognized expert on photo identification and photo preservation. She's been featured in top media outlets.

Mary M. Tedesco is a professional genealogist, speaker, and author; Co-Host on the television series *Genealogy Roadshow* (PBS); and the founder of ORIGINS ITALY.

Lori Thornton, MLIS, an academic librarian and genealogist, specializing in southern states and religious records.

Rich Venezia of Rich Roots Genealogy, has been on the research team of *Genealogy Roadshow* (PBS) for two seasons. He specializes in twentieth-century immigrant research.

Debbie Parker Wayne, CG, CGL, specializes in genetic genealogy, teaches DNA at genealogical institutes, seminars, and workshops, and researches in Texas and the South.

Charlie L. Wells, CG, MS, combines complementary passions for genealogy and maps as a full-time genealogist since retiring as a geographic information systems (GIS) professional.

Carol Whitton, CG, specializes in German genealogical research. Currently project director, St. Louis Genealogical Society, she's a graduate of Germanic Research SLIG, NIGR, and VIGR.

Ari Wilkins is a genealogist and family historian. She is a member of the Dallas Public Library's Genealogy staff.

Victoria P. Young, a full-time professional genealogist specializing in Southern U.S. and forensic research. President of the NCGS and serves as NC Chapter Rep, APG.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

TIPS FOR YOUR COMFORT

The average May temperature is about 79° F; however, rain may also be in the forecast. Bring comfortable shoes and clothing with layering opportunities. The temperature in the lecture rooms may vary as well.

PLAYBACK NOW RECORDING

Playback Now will record lectures as permitted by the speakers. (Personal taping is not allowed unless explicit permission from the speaker and NGS is obtained in writing prior to the session.) Recordings will be available by Streaming, MP3 Downloads, and Portable Media (MP3 Thumbdrives and MP3 CDs). Recordings will be available at the conference and from the Playback Now website (<http://www.playbacknow.com>) or from Playback Now's free mobile app.

NGS CONFERENCE MOBILE APP

Each attendee will have access to the NGS 2017 Family History Conference mobile app for your smart phone, iPad, or tablet. The app includes speaker bios, syllabus material, conference floor plan, and announcements. Watch for the e-mail with the NGS app link a few weeks before the conference.

LIVE STREAMING

NGS will be offering ten live streaming lectures, available for purchase, at the time of the presentation and available for three months after the conference.

IMPORTANT DATES

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

1 December 2016—Conference registration opens.

27 March 2017—Early Bird registration closes. Only Early Bird registrants may order a printed syllabus or syllabus on USB drive. (All registrants will receive a link to download the syllabus.)

27 April 2017—Online and postal registration closes; however walk-in registrations will be available at the conference.

STUDENT REGISTRATION RATE

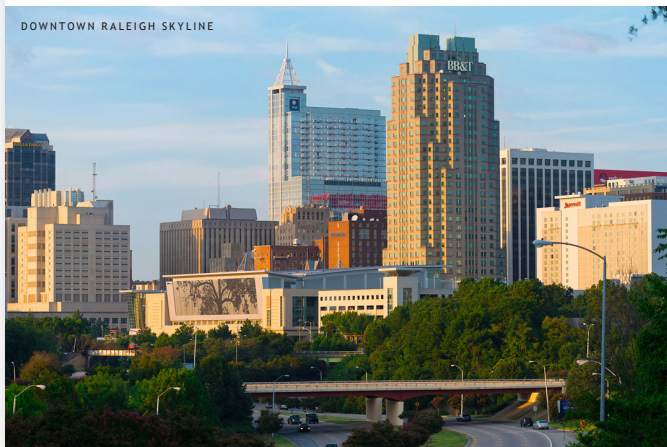
27 April 2017—Student registration closes. A student registration rate is available this year for qualifying students. For more information and the required forms, see <http://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/student-rate>.

TOURS, EVENTS, SOCIAL EVENTS, WORKSHOPS, AND LUNCHEONS

27 April 2017—Registration closes. A separate fee is required for each event and cannot be purchased at the conference. Seating is limited for all events; register early.

CANCELLATION POLICY

27 April 2017—Refund requests must be received in writing, online or post-marked by this date, less a \$50.00 service fee. No refunds after April 2017.



2017 NGS FAMILY HISTORY CONFERENCE—REGISTRATION FORM

Conference Registration: All registrations must be received online or postmarked by 27 April 2017. **Cancellation Policy:** Refund requests must be received in writing, online or postmarked by 27 April 2017, less a \$50.00 service fee. No refunds after 27 April 2017. Register online, at <http://conference.ngsgenealogy.org> or use a separate registration form for each conference registrant (use black ink and this form may be duplicated). Send to: **National Genealogical Society, 3108 Columbia Pike, Suite 300, Arlington, VA 22204-4370**

REGISTRANT INFORMATION

Registrant Name (Enter your name as you would like it to appear on your conference name tag.)

Street Address

City / State / Zip

Phone Number

E-Mail Address (for registration confirmations)

NGS Membership Number (Non-members, leave blank. Join today and save on registration!)

- I am a NGS life member I am the president of a genealogical society
 I am a first-time NGS Conference attendee

NGS Membership

Join or renew to receive the NGS Member Registration Rate!

- I wish to join NGS I wish to renew my current NGS Membership

<input type="checkbox"/> Individual NGS Membership	\$65	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional Family Member (additional per person)	\$15	\$
TOTAL NGS MEMBERSHIP DUES		\$

- I am a listed Additional Family Member on a current NGS Membership
(NGS Membership Rates will apply to this registration):

Name of NGS Member / NGS Membership Number

ADDITIONAL REGISTRANT INFORMATION

Americans with Disabilities Act Requests—Make a reservation to rent a scooter or wheelchair at <http://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/scooterinfo/>.

Please check if you require aids or services: Audio Visual

- Other (please specify)

Special Meals—Please check if you require a special meal. Special meals must be requested before 27 April 2017.

- Vegetarian / Vegan Gluten-free

Liability Waiver—I agree and acknowledge that my participation in the National Genealogical 2017 Family History Conference is of my own free will and that I assume responsibility for my own well-being. I also agree and acknowledge that representatives of the National Genealogical 2017 Conference may take photographs and/or videos that might include my image during the 2017 conference and my registration for the conference grants the National Genealogical Society permission and consent for use of these photographs and videos.

Signature of Registrant

PAYMENT METHOD

- Check Enclosed** (payable to "National Genealogical Society"). Check #:

- Credit Card** (circle one) VISA / MasterCard / American Express / Discover

Credit Card Number

Expiration Date

Conference Space Planning—After you receive your confirmation e-mail from NGS, please return to the website and use the **Space Planning** link to let us know which sessions you are most interested in attending. You are not bound to your selections and selecting a session does not guarantee a seat in that session. However, providing your selections allows us to better plan room assignments and improve the conference experience for everyone. Thank you.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

NGS Member / Full Registration (Four Days, 10–13 May)

TOTAL

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Early Bird (online or postmarked by 27 March 2017) | \$205 | \$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regular Registration (after 27 March 2017) | \$240 | \$ |

Non-Member / Full Registration (Four Days, 10–13 May)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Early Bird (online or postmarked by 27 March 2017) | \$240 | \$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regular Registration (after 27 March 2017) | \$275 | \$ |

Single Day Registration (Per Day)

- Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday
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|---|-------|-----------|----|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Early Bird (online or postmarked by 27 March 2017) | \$110 | (per day) | \$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regular Registration (after 27 March 2017) | \$120 | (per day) | \$ |

Conference Syllabus—All conference registrants will receive the conference syllabus by electronic download two weeks prior to the conference.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Printed Syllabus (only for Early Bird Registrants) | \$35 | \$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Syllabus on USB drive (for Early Bird Registrants only) | \$5 | \$ |

Pre-Conference Events / Tuesday, 9 May 2017—A separate fee is required for each event which must be purchased by 27 April 2017 and cannot be purchased at the conference. Seating is limited for all events; register early.

TUESDAY, 9 MAY 2017

<input type="checkbox"/> University of NC—Chapel Hill Research Trip	\$50	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Raleigh Day Tour	\$50	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Durham Day Tour	\$65	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Raleigh Evening Tour 4 p.m.	\$25	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Raleigh Evening Tour 5 p.m.	\$25	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> BCG Education Fund Workshop	\$110	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Librarians' Day Free, must pre-register and identify library		\$ 0.00

Library name / location:

Social Events and Workshops—A separate fee is required for each Event and/ or Workshop. Must be purchased by 27 April 2017 and cannot be purchased at the conference. Seating is limited; register early.

WEDNESDAY, 10 MAY 2017

<input type="checkbox"/> GenFed Alumni Luncheon W131	\$32	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> FamilySearch Luncheon W132	\$32	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> FGS Luncheon W133	\$32	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> NCGS "Pig Pickin'" W161	\$45	\$

THURSDAY, 11 MAY 2016

<input type="checkbox"/> BCG Luncheon T231	\$32	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> NYG&B Luncheon T232	\$32	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Palatines to America Luncheon T233	\$32	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> DNA Writing Workshop T250	\$45	\$

FRIDAY, 12 MAY 2017

<input type="checkbox"/> APG Luncheon F331	\$32	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> NCGS Luncheon F332	\$32	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Chromosome Mapping Workshop F350	\$45	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> NGS Banquet F361	\$45	\$

SATURDAY, 13 MAY 2017

<input type="checkbox"/> NGS Luncheon S431	\$32	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> ISBGFH Luncheon S432	\$32	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> GSG/IFSHWE Luncheon S433	\$32	\$
TOTAL PAYMENT DUE		\$



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The conference hotel, the Raleigh Marriott City Center, is located across the street from and connected via an underground walkway to the convention center. Conference rates are also available at the Sheraton Raleigh Hotel, Holiday Inn Raleigh Downtown Capital, and the Hampton Inn & Suites Raleigh Downtown.

All hotels and the Convention Center are located along the free R-Line Downtown Circulator. (See <http://www.godowntownraleigh.com/get-around/r-line>.)

Check the website for the most up-to-date information on hotels including room availability, shuttle, amenities, rates, and contact information.
<http://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/accommodations/>

Hotels

- 26** Holiday Inn Raleigh Downtown
- 27** Days Inn Downtown Raleigh
- 28** Raleigh Marriott City Center
- 29** Residence Inn Raleigh Downtown (opening early 2017)
- 30** Sheraton Raleigh Hotel
- 31** Hampton Inn & Suites Raleigh Downtown/Glenwood South

- 20** Raleigh Convention Center
- i** Visitor information
- ★** Raleigh, N.C., Visitor Information Center
- R** R-LINE Stops (route runs counterclockwise)
- R-LINE route after 6:30pm
- P** Parking
- ◀** Parking entrance

