

Guilford County Genealogical Society
October 2009

October Meeting – Saturday, October 17

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Meetings are held at 10 AM at First Friends Meeting House, 2100 West Friendly Ave., Greensboro, NC. The lending library and publications for sale will be available for browsing beginning at 9 AM and continue after the meeting until noon. Regular meetings usually conclude about 11:30 AM. Occasionally, our Computer Users' Group will meet at the conclusion of our regular meetings. Meetings are free, and guests are always welcome. We will offer refreshments at the meeting.

Welcome New Members!

Connie Armfield Stenhjem Nokomis, FL

PROPOSED SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 2010

President: _____
Immediate Past President: Donnie Stowe
1st Vice President: Alice Staley
2nd Vice President: Bonnie Meeks
Secretary: Sue Smith
Treasurer: Thaxton Richardson, Jr.
Board Members at Large: Anne George, Beverly Cato, Harry Clapp, John McCulloch

Note that no one has filed for the office of president. The floor will be open for nominations at the October 17, 2009 meeting. Anyone who is interested in serving as president please let the Board know right away.

The election will be held at the November 21 meeting.

Future GCGS Meetings

Trials and Tribulations of Cemetery Research: At our November 21 meeting, Diane Huffman will present a program on cemetery research.

Upcoming Events of Genealogical Interest

Family History Month at Forsyth County Public Library

- **Ancestry Search: Genealogy Online workshop:** October 13, 10 am - 12 pm in the Forsyth County Central Library Computer Learning Center. Sign-up available through <http://forsythcomputertraining.org>
- **Forsyth County Genealogical Society meeting- African-American Genealogy with Fleming Al-Amin:** October 14, 6:30 pm in the Central Library Auditorium (No sign-up required)
- **Family History Using North Carolina Maps workshop:** October 22, 10 am - 12 pm in the Central Library Computer Learning Center and the NC Room. Sign-up available through <http://forsythcomputertraining.org>
- **Preserving Family Photographs workshop:** October 27, 10 am - 11 am in the Central Library, Room 120 (No sign-up required)

Genealogy Swap Meet: The Genealogical Society of Rockingham & Stokes County will hold their Fall Swap Meet on October 31 from 9am - 4pm at Madison Moose Lodge, 490 K-Fork Road off US 311 West.

Fourth Annual NCGS Speakers Forum: On November 7, The North Carolina Genealogical Society and the Olivia Raney Local and Family History Library will present the Fourth Annual NCGS Speakers Forum at the Wake County Commons Building, 4011 Cary Drive, Raleigh, NC.27610. Registration and check-in is from 8:00 until 8:30. The program runs from 8:30 until 4:30. Find complete information including the registration form and the conference program on the NCGS Web Site < <http://www.ncgenealogy.org/>>.

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From the President

Now is the time of year when we prepare a slate of officers for the coming year. Since my three-year term as president will end at the close of 2009, this is an opportunity for any member to submit his or her name on the ballot to serve in the next year. A chance to serve the Genealogical Society and at the same time hone your managerial skills is too good to pass up. You are invited to attend any of our board meetings to learn just how we handle the business of the Society. You may also choose to run for a seat on the Board of Directors. Please contact me at **294-0418** or dstowe30@yahoo.com.

Oakdale Cotton Mills Book Available

Oakdale Cotton Mills, a new book by Mary Browning and Patricia M. Koehler, published by Arcadia Publishing, will be in bookstores on Sept. 21. The authors will also attend the October GCGS meeting and will be signing and selling books. The price of the book is \$21.99. For further information, contact Mary at maryab30@triad.rr.com.