



Coastal Georgia Genealogical Society

News & Reviews

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August 2005

11 September 2005 Meeting will be held at 3p.m. at the College Place United Methodist Church.

July Meeting was held at the usual place and time with guest speaker Tara Fields. Tara is the webmaster for genealogy & history websites dealing with Camden and Charlton County. Her program was on cemetery iconography, i.e., tombstone art. Just by looking at the artwork on tombstones, we could gather insight into the life of the interred. Did they die from disease, their profession, or even an image of the person themselves.

Newsletter Update

Many of you may have noticed that a July newsletter was not mailed out. This was not an oversight, it has been decided that we will send out the newsletter every other month.

Due to my extreme work and research schedule, I haven't the time to put into making the newsletter informative and helpful every month.

Our members, and non-members for that matter, can contribute articles or their brick walls at anytime. You can also ask questions on your research by using our mailing list website. If you are not a member of this list, be sure to sign up. All of the important web and email addresses are in the column to the right.

Please do not email me personally asking to be signed up, just go to the Yahoo Group site and follow the directions.

Thank you!

Amy Hedrick, Editor

Important Information

Contacts
Web addresses
&
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MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Annual membership to the CGGS is only **\$15** for one person or **\$18** for a family. Membership extends from 1 January 2004 to 31 December 2004.

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Mailing List Website

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cggs/>

Group Information Page

<http://www.glynngen.com/cggs.htm>

Glynn County Genealogy & History

<http://www.glynngen.com/>

Brunswick Public Library

208 Gloucester Street
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(912)267-1212

Meeting Information

Meetings are generally held the last Sunday every other month at the College Place United Methodist Church located at 3890 Altama Ave. in Brunswick.

Meeting time 3 p.m. until 4 or 4:30 p.m.

Upcoming Events

Saturday, August 27 Bloody Marsh

Musket Program 2pm. Bloody Marsh off Demere Rd, SSI. Sponsored by Ft. Frederica National Monument. 638-3634.

A Night of Ghostly Tales on Jekyll Island

beach. Every Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 9 pm. Call 571-2334 or meeting at Jekyll Oceanfront Resort.

“A Civil War Diary” with H&M

Enterprises on St. Simons Island from April 1 - September. Wed - Sat 10:30 am. Thurs & Sat 5 pm. \$10. Tickets available at SSI Bait Shop & Moondance in the SSI Village. Tours leave from Moondance. 571-2334.

Memorial Day-Labor Day Ranger

Programs Daily Ft. Frederica National Monument, 6515 Frederica Road, SSI. Visitors Center at 11am, 1pm & 3pm. \$5 per vehicle, 16 & under free. 638-3639.

Sept 5-30 American Dreams Adventure into the lives of a family that shaped Jekyll

Island for nearly a century. Visit the ruins of the Dubignons' first home and also their final farmhouse, fully restored and furnished (3 hours). Mon & Fri 10am. \$25, children 6-12 \$10. Jekyll Island History Center. 635-4036.

I'm Related to Who?!

--by Amy Hedrick

I got started on my own family research about 6 years ago when I lost my last grandparent. Recently, after 6 years of dating the same man, I finally persuaded him into letting me research his family.

My boyfriend, Al, has put me off for many years because he didn't think his family was interesting and it would be really hard to research because his grandmother was a Brown before she married a Brown. He really didn't care who his ancestors were.

Al has one grandparent still alive, and I wasn't about to let pass a chance to talk with her. So we took a trip up to South Carolina and had a chat. She shared a family history booklet written by a cousin around the 1950s. The great thing about this booklet is that this man actually talked to people who were born in the 1860s, they were still living. So the dates and information are somewhat accurate.

From this booklet, I decided to branch out, just haphazardly following lines until I came to one ancestor that piqued my curiosity. In my family history I have a Sarah Adams, and have been trying to tie her into the founding family of Adams, to no avail. In Al's family there is a Jane Washington born about 1754. I thought, wouldn't that be funny if...?

Jane was married to a John Thornton, so I went online with just that little bit of info, and it turns out the "what if my boyfriend was related to George Washington" is true.

Jane was the daughter of Augustine Jr. and Ann (Aylett) Washington. Augustine was the son of Augustine Sr. and Jane (Butler) Washington. Augustine Washington Sr. was the father of, you guessed it, George Washington. Al's 8th great grandfather is the father of the first president of the United States.

And he thought his family history would be boring!

GlynnGen.com Updates

For the past few months, I have been working hard at getting data online for Glynn, Brantley, and McIntosh Counties.

Those of you studying your African-American and slave families, will be interested in the Slave Records section where I have extracted instances of slave inventories from estates, deeds, etc. Be sure to check out the newspaper section for news articles on sales and runaways.

<http://www.glynnngen.com/slaverec/>

Many wills have been uploaded for early Glynn County residents, some very revealing into the social and personal lives of their author's.

<http://www.glynnngen.com/court/will/>

Internet

<http://www.censustools.com/> Download census forms, and other preset forms to help compile your data. FREE.

<http://www.castlegarden.org/> CastleGarden.org offers free access to an extraordinary database of information on 10 million immigrants from 1830 through 1892, the year Ellis Island opened. Over 73 million Americans can trace their ancestors to this early immigration period.

<http://www.accessgenealogy.com/> Free Genealogy data and links to online information.