

PROGRAMS FOR THE BALANCE OF THE YEAR

Oct. 14, Bob Silkett from the downtown library presents a program on the contents of the Florida Section. See Page 3 for more information.

Nov. 18 (third Saturday), our own Don Berry will speak about "The Real First

Thanksgiving – right here on Florida's First Coast and River City Jacksonville."

Don gave us a program several months ago on the Huguenots and we have been eagerly awaiting another program from him. Election of officers for 2007 will also

be held.

Dec. 9, we will have our annual Christmas luncheon, installation of officers and a celebration of 50 years of publication of our quarterly.

Please make plans now to attend all of these that you possibly can.

VISIT OUR WEB SITE

John Johnson, SGES Webmaster, reports that members who sign up as researchers of specific family names are getting a bit of action.

Signing up is free and easy. Visit our

Website and select "Surname Search" from the headings at the top of the page. Then fill out an online form, or more than one if needed.

It's easy, it's free, and who knows, you

might just find that long-lost cousin you've been searching for, or better yet, that long-lost cousin may find you.

Give it a try. We'd like to hear from any members who have had success with this new venture.

DO YOU KNOW MACK?

Anne Johnson is seeking a source, i.e. Bible record, etc., that identifies M.C. Burney, aka Mack C. Burney, as the son of McArthur and Mary E. (Tanner) Burney.

Mack was born Feb. 25, 1865 in the Dinsmore area, and died Jan. 23, 1901 in

Fort Pierce.

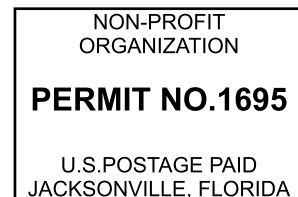
He married Dec. 27, 1887 in Duval County Louanna E. Higginbotham, daughter of John Spicer and Emma Amanda Pickett Higginbotham. They evidently divorced before 1895. Mack married 2nd Emma

_____. Louanna married 2nd Harry Smith and they continued to live in the area.

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Any help would be appreciated.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

HERITAGE QUEST ONLINE: GOOD NEWS, BAD NEWS

We have been advised that our contract with Heritage Quest will not be renewed; therefore your use of it through SGES will end on Dec. 31.

However, we have learned that anyone with a Florida address may obtain for free, Heritage Quest Online (Remote access) through the Alachua County Library in Gainesville.

Their Web site is www.aclib.us. You will be sent a permanent library card and PIN.

You do not have to go to any of the libraries in Alachua County unless you want to activate your card for borrowing privileges. Good luck.

PIONEERS OF FLORIDA'S FIRST COAST, VOLUME II

A limited number of the latest volume of biographies of folks living in the five-county area making up Florida's First Coast prior to 1920 is now ready for sale.

Members may purchase these at \$45 each, less 10 percent discount, or receive free mailing. Non-members must pay \$5 extra for postage or pick up their copy at the library. This book has been a long time coming and we are proud to have it available, finally.

PAINTING THE EXTERIOR OF OUR BUILDING

George Thomas is planning to pressure wash the outside of our building and he anticipates that the building will then need to be painted.

Carla Mellott has offered to supply the paint. We need a volunteer to furnish a sprayer and a few hours to complete the job. Any offers?

TREE TRIMMING, ETC.

We have some tree limbs that should be removed from over the roof of our building, and others over the parking area at the rear of the building to be shortened.

Again, George Thomas has done some of this work, but it would be great if some others would come forward to help him.

ELECTION OF 2007 OFFICERS

A Nominating Committee will be elected at the October meeting. Their slate will be presented and additional nominations may be made from the floor at the November meeting for officers to serve during the calendar year 2007. Please be ready to say yes, or better still, volunteer to serve. You gain more than you give.

SEMINAR REPORT

Our seminar with George Morgan on Saturday, Sept. 9, was a wonderful success.

He did his usual good presentations, even though he was still recovering from having angioplasty and two stints put in his heart.

The Old St. Andrews Building was an exciting setting and the tour of the restored Merrill House next door was an added attraction.

The tour of the new downtown main library was also a plus this year and was enjoyed by quite a few.

The SGES Library buzzed all day Friday for the special day of researching. Those who did not participate missed a good time.

SPRING SEMINAR

We are planning another seminar for early spring 2007 with Robert Davis. He lives in Alabama, but is considered an expert on Georgia research. Plan now to attend.

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LIBRARY ADDITIONS

- Q-353 Family Findings – Jackson, TN Q-354 The Detroit Society for Genealogical Research Magazine
 Q-209 The Genie – added issues
 Q-274 New Orleans Genesis – added issues
 Q-154 New York Genealogical and Biographical Record – added several years of issues
 Q-107 Ridge Runner – added issues
 Q-108 River Counties – added issues
 Q-160 Franklin County Historical Review – added issues
 Q-195 Tennessee Ancestors – added issues
 Q-192 The Report (Ohio) – added issues
 Q-143 The East Tennessee Historical Society Publications (3)
 Journal of East Tennessee History
 Lincoln County TN Pioneers
 Middle TN Crossroads
 Minnesota Gen. Journal
 GB-134 Telephone Book Alachua Co. FL 2001
 GB-136 Telephone Book Lake City FL 1995
 GB-137 Telephone Book High Springs FL 1996
 GB-138 Telephone Book Warner Robins GA 1980
 FH-13.1 Townsend Families in America Revised
 FH-901 Descendants of John Stubbs of Cappahosic, Gloucester Co.VA 1652
 FH-902 Autobiography of George D. Powell, Sr. (NOTE: He is a member of SGES)
 FH-903 Harris-Townsend Miscellaneous
 FH-904 Pearce Pioneers in Kentucky
 FH-905 This is My Story (McAndrews)
 FH-906 Genealogy of Solomon Townsend of Anson County NC
 FH-907 Thrifts of Okefenokee
 FH-908 Ancestors and Descendants of Jeremiah Hancock 1804-1864
 FH-909 Phelps – Marshall Kinship
 MP-48 Atlas of Medieval Europe
 AA-88 Black Southerners in Confederate Armies
 FL-348 1885 Census and Mortality Schedule Jackson County FL
 FL-346 1885 Census and Mortality Schedule Wakulla County FL
 FL-347 1885 Census Brevard County FL
 FL-344 Election Returns for Alachua and Columbia Co. FL 1833 w/ voter list
 FL-345 1885 Census and Mortality Schedule Liberty County FL
 FL-342 First Coast Steamboat Days
 FL-343 Saving Title Records (Archibald)
 GA-340 Georgia Research – from the Mountains to the Sea
 GA-341 High Bluff Church – Wayne/Brantley County GA (later Big Creek Church)
 Q-233 Arkansas Family History – added issues
 Q-123 St. Louis Genealogical Society – added issues
 Q-81 Louisiana Genealogical Register
 Q-355 Middle Tennessee Journal
 Q-357 Acadian Genealogy Exchange
 Q-356 Hardin County Historical Quarterly
 NC-201 Genealogical Abstracts Duplin County Wills 1730-1860

SGES MEMBERS FAVORITE ONLINE SITES

The Baker County, Fla. marriages are indexed for 1887-1930 and 1945-1960 and available online at <http://www.rootsweb.com/~flbaker/> -- Jon Ferguson
 Documenting the American South (DocSouth), a digital publishing initiative sponsored by the University Library <http://www.lib.unc.edu/> at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill <http://www.unc.edu/>, provides access to digitized primary materials that offer Southern perspectives on American history and culture. It supplies teachers, students, and researchers at every educational level with a wide array of titles they can use for reference, studying, teaching, and research. -- Kim Peters

SGES QUARTERLY CELEBRATES ITS 50TH VOLUME

Long before there was an SGES, there was a quarterly. And this year marks the publication's Vol 50, Issue 200.

SGES will celebrate this milestone at its annual December meeting and Christmas party.

Make plans now to attend.

THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS

The SGES Library has received donations from the following people: Blanche and Harry McKay, Susan Roberts, Jon Ferguson, Derek Veal, Jane Atkinson, Christine Rose, Mary Rudd, Jerry Phillips and Ed Murfin.

Val Lyman, Anne Johnson, John Johnson, Carla Mellott, the Estate of Mildred Tomlinson, the Estate of Minnie Leake, the Estate of Jackie Parks, the Estate of Kathryn Huber, and the Genealogical Publishing Company.

SGES has a great library and it is because of the donations of our wonderful members, who donate research materials for us all to use. Take advantage of our great resources and spend a day at the SGES Library soon!

DID YOU KNOW?

In 1982, Southern Historical Press published Pendleton District, S.C. Deeds 1790-1806, which was compiled by Betty Willie. Some deeds were illegible due to faded ink. These deeds were abstracted using WPA copies and were later published in the Georgia Genealogical Magazine in 1984, filling in those missing from the original publication. -- Carla Mellott

FLORIDA STATE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY'S 30TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

This year's conference is November 10-11, at the Crowne Plaza Melbourne in Indialantic.

The special room rate of \$95 per night plus taxes is approaching. Rooms are being held at this price until Oct. 19. Call 800-227-6963 to make reservations or go online to www.cpmelbourne.com (use Group Booking Code "FSG").

The featured speaker is Claire Mire Bettag, a well-known genealogical lecturer, who will present four lectures on land records, NARA, historical documentary publications and methodology. In addition, George G. Morgan, Jim Powell Jr., Ken Macomber, Paul Enchelmayer, Deanna D. Ramsey, and C. Ann Staley will present lectures covering English research, ancient records, naturalizations, genealogy software, creating Web pages, Internet searching, organization, city directories, and cemetery preservation. George G. Morgan also will be the banquet speaker.

Researching family history is one of America's favorite pastimes. The Genealogical Society of South Brevard, the Brevard Genealogical Society, and the Genealogical Society of North Brevard are local hosts.

A conference registration form and additional information are at the FSGS Website, <http://www.flsgs.org> or contact Ann Staley, PO Box 441364, Jacksonville, FL 32222 or astaley@comcast.net

DALLAS PUBLIC LIBRARY: A GENEALOGIST'S DREAM

BY JON FERGUSON

Nadine and I left in our van on Sunday, Sept. 10 on a trip to Texas to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Nadine's graduation from Abilene High School.

You know that some genealogy research had to take place!

A couple of nights on the way were spent with Nadine's cousins, Jeton and Ray Kellogg, in San Antonio. Jon's cousins in Abilene, Don and

Ann Scargall, were hosts for several days. Each of them shared some family stories, pictures and a journal.

Meeting all "those old folks" was fun and the Saturday night banquet was great with about 200 in attendance, including graduates, spouses and friends.

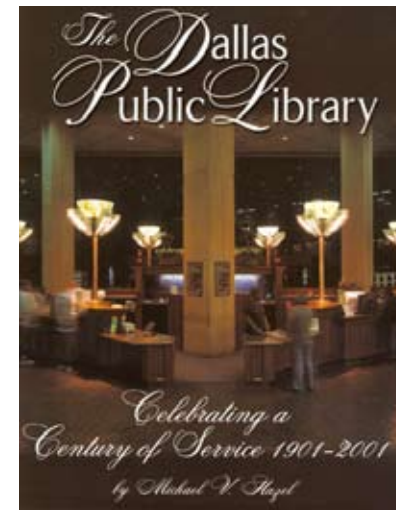
We got "hugged out" at the Sunday-School social on Friday night with about 25-30 members still loving each other after 50 years.

A short trip to Albany, Nadine's birthplace, resulted in finding the front page article announcing the first set of living twins in seven years in this small town -- Nadine and her twin sister Madine, who was with us at the reunion. We also purchased a birth certificate for Nadine's brother, Lawton Chambers, at the Shackelford County Court House. That cost \$23.

That was before we were told about the Dallas Public Library.

The genealogy department in Central Library, 1515 Young St., is on the 8th floor. They have Texas Birth Certificates, Death Certificates and some Marriage Records on films with copies of certificates available at 25 cents each! They are open on Sundays from 1-5, Mon-Thu 9-9, Fri-Sat 9-5. Parking is available underground off Wood Street. Their Website is: www.dallaslibrary.org.

We stayed three days and spent many hours searching their indexes and then the films.



We gathered 44 death certificates to accompany two that were given to us by a funeral home.

The 900-member Dallas Genealogical Society provides assistants for the genealogy section at the library. They campaigned last year to reach 100,000 books for the library and they were successful! Their website is: www.dallasgenealogy.org. Their e-mail address is: questions@dallasgenealogy.org.

[dallasgenealogy.org](http://www.dallasgenealogy.org).

Right according to arrangements made via e-mail, we met with several newly found cousins and shared genealogy data.

We took pictures of the people, and strolled through many cemeteries making pictures of grave markers of kinfolk.

We even visited one kin in a nursing home and got identification of an old picture from her.

Nadine's twin, Madine Chambers Lawson, joined us in Abilene, but had to fly back to Arkansas without added side trips. Jon's twin cousin, Ann Scargall and her husband, Don, hosted us at Abilene. We visited Jon's niece in Houston but missed her daughter and twin granddaughters. We could have had a mini twin reunion.

We did go out to eat at "The Home Place" near Abilene and found that the owners were twin sisters. We had a total of six twins that night!

We put a total of 3,381.3 miles on the Toyota Van. We had no auto trouble, but did see lots of flat tires along the route. We were thankful for cruise control, especially on the Interstate routes.

We were gone 15 days and have enough documents now to keep us posting for at least a month.

We recommend a trip like this with prior planning and open minds for new ideas. Happy hunting.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SGES

We are pleased to announce the speaker for Saturday, Oct. 14, 10 a.m. will be Bob Silkett from the Jacksonville Public Library, Main Library, Genealogy Department. More information about him will follow in the next e-mail.

Bob will be giving more indepth information regarding the Florida Collection. In the near future the Jacksonville Historical Society will house its collection within the Florida Collection. This was previously available to the public through the Jacksonville University Library. This is one of the many benefits of your membership -- to keep you informed of the latest in genealogy research information and to provide a knowledgeable speaker to help your research along. And, don't overlook the huge benefit of networking.

ST. AUGUSTINE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

The trip to Washington, D. C., Oct. 22-29 includes a visit to Monticello.

Again, five nights lodging in D.C. and two nights enroute are included, as well as bus fare to and from and during the week into the city from our home base in Springfield, Va. It also includes the fees for Monticello. The cost is \$650 per person, double occupancy. There will be visits to the National Archives and the DAR library to do genealogy. Trips are open to all. Contact Edie Mixon, 904-794-7970

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