

Old Pendleton District Messenger

Our Next Meeting
Tuesday, February 16, 2016 at 7 p.m.
Central Clemson Library
105 Commons Way
Central, SC

"Researching Pickens County Land
Records"

Speaker: Mildred Brewer

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Mildred Brewer spoke about how to use the Probate Records located at the Pickens County Administration Building.

Members:
**It is time to renew your
membership for 2016.**

**Simply complete the form on
page 15**

About Our Newsletter

The Old Pendleton District Newsletter is published nine times a year: January through June and September through November; we do not publish in July, August and December. Please submit materials by the 23rd of each month. Submissions by our members are encouraged and will be used as space permits.

Send items to **Barbara Clark** at bc29642@att.net.

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About Our Chapter

The Old Pendleton District Chapter of the South Carolina Genealogical Society is a nonprofit, 12-36-2120(40), educational organization designed to unite those interested in the Pickens and Oconee Counties, South Carolina history and family genealogy; to encourage the preservation of documents and records; to promote educational programs; and to publish local records, history and family genealogy. The Chapter's primary goal is to assist others in their search for their ancestors and origins of birthplace.

The Chapter meets every month, except July, August and December. Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the month from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Central-Clemson Library.

The Chapter's genealogical and historical archives are housed at the Clayton Family History Center, located in the lower level of the Rickman Memorial Library on Southern Wesleyan University campus in Central, SC. This collection contains about 3,500 books and files on family histories, state and county sources, military histories, cemetery records, immigration and passenger lists. For more information send email to claytonroom@swu.edu.

The public is welcome to visit the Clayton Center anytime the Library is open. Normal operating hours are 7:45 a.m. to 11 p.m., Monday through Thursday, 7:45 to 5 p.m. on Friday, 1 to 5 p.m. on Saturday and 6 to 10 p.m. Sunday. Hours vary during summer, for holidays and during breaks in the school year. For more information call 864-644-5074, send email to library@swu.edu, or check their website at <http://www.swu.edu/academics/library/>

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Refreshments

January: LaMarr Brooks & Janet Norris

February: Quintell Walker

March: Ernest Lanier & Ellen Neal

April: Katie Gillespie & Nancy Holcombe

May: To Be determined

June: Keith Brown & Anne Sheriff

September: Barbara Clark and Mildred Brewer

October: Brenda Meyer

November: Pot Luck Dinner at Trinity Wesleyan Church

Please notify Barbara Clark of any changes to this refreshment schedule. Drinks, plates, cups and eating utensils are provided.

President's Message:

It was originally my intention to greet all of our members and visitors with a hearty welcome for this New Year. However, my mind is sadly focused on another matter. On Monday, 25 January 2016, my Uncle Warren Walker passed away. While my family is in mourning we reflect upon his life, how he made each of us laugh and made everyone he spoke with feel special. During this time of reflection I cannot help but to wish I had more time with him. In essence, his death reminds me of the importance of what all genealogy societies strive to do: to record the lives our ancestors and living relatives so as to prevent the charm they hold in our lives from fading away. I encourage everyone to spend time working on your genealogy and helping others to get started before the relatives they wish to speak with pass away.

Questions from the Mary Oates Gregorie Historical Room at the Hampton Memorial Library

Should anyone be able to answer these questions please email history@pickens.lib.sc.us or call 864-850-7077 ext. 102.

I am trying to find the date of death for my ancestor John Cantrell. He was born in 1806 in the Pendleton District and died in Oconee County. His spouse was Nancy Durham, and they married in 1832. They had seven children. From my research it appears that he may have died in 1880. To my knowledge he does not have a middle name, but he did have a son named John Jefferson Cantrell who died in 1926.

Researching Probate Records of Pickens County by Mildred Brewer

In our first meeting of the New Year newly elected Vice President Mildred Brewer delivered an insightful presentation entitled "Researching Probate Records of Pickens County." During the course of her presentation she provided a brief overview of the history of Pickens County; in particular, the various counties/districts that preceded the current Pickens County established in 1868. Therefore depending on when your ancestor was in the area the records for him/her could be located in Pickens, Oconee, Anderson, or at the state archives in Columbia. From here she progressed to discussing the various records that are within Probate Court's collection. The records located there date back to the founding of the Pickens District, which existed from 1828-1868. Records from 1828-1993 are within two large index books, and records from 1994 to present are in a digital index. We greatly appreciated this informative presentation, and look forward to many more.

Mary Oates Gregorie Historical Room at the Hampton Memorial Library

We are pleased to announce the arrival of 16 microfilm reels of the 1965 South Carolina Death Certificates. Also we are in the process of acquiring microfilm of the Anderson Independent. Due to availability we are limited in the number of years we can purchase, but what we are able to purchase are the older editions of the newspaper starting with 1 October 1924. Should you have any resource suggestions do not hesitate to let our Genealogy and Local staff know.

Follow us on facebook at

The Facebook logo, consisting of the word "facebook" in a white, lowercase, sans-serif font, centered within a dark gray rectangular background.

<https://www.facebook.com/OldPendletonDistrictGenealogicalSociety/>

Old Pendleton District Chapter of the South Carolina Genealogical Society
Meeting of January 19, 2016

The January 2016 meeting of the Old Pendleton District Chapter of the SCGS met at the Central-Clemson Branch of the Pickens County Library System, Central, SC at 7:00 PM.

The meeting was called to order by President, Quientell Walker.

The first order of business was to call for a vote to confirm Mildred Brewer as Vice President. The vote was unanimous in favor of Mildred serving as vice president.

Quientell welcomed visitors: Joe Williams and Herbert Hendricks and encouraged them to come again. Mr. Hendricks is researching the Hendricks, Smith, Griffin and Baker families as well as others.

The officer's reports were as follows:

Treasurer Lamarr Brooks gave her report. See Treasurer's Report

Archivist and State Representative, Anne Sheriff gave the following report:

The SCGS Board Meeting for the First Quarter of 2016 was held at the SC Archives, Columbia, SC on Saturday, January 9.

Anne reminded us that the SCGS Annual Workshop will be held July 15-16 at the Archives. The cost is \$35/members and \$40/non-members, catered lunch will be \$12.50 per person. Each chapter is offered a free display table and an additional table will be \$10.

The Carolina Herald will have a new look this year, it will be smaller and is now accepting advertisements. If you would like to run an ad contact Herald Editor, Mike Becknell. The cut-off date for chapters to get their chapter membership dues to the State is March 1. If you have not already given your 2016 dues to LaMarr, please send them soon so that your name is not taken off the Herald mailing list.

Our SCGS Archives are held at the Old Edgefield Chapter research library and they have been requested that we send a copy of our Charter so that a copy can be filed in with our chapter records.

Anne also reported that collections at the Faith Clayton Research Room, home of our chapter archives, now include the Julia Woodson Collection and the Pickens County Historical Society Collection-which includes the Jane Marsh Collection.

It was also announced that the SC Digital Library at Clemson will take your books and they are looking for early photos of African-Americans to add to a collection. Photos need to be identified if possible.

Quientell introduced our speaker of the evening, Mildred Brewer.

Mildred gave a most informative presentation on "Researching Probate Records of Pickens County". She not only told us how to navigate the records held at the Pickens County Administrative Building near Pickens, she also shared how to organize our research information.

LaMarr Brooks provided refreshments.

There were 17 in attendance.

Respectfully Submitted,
Brenda Meyer, Secretary

December 2015 Treasurers Report

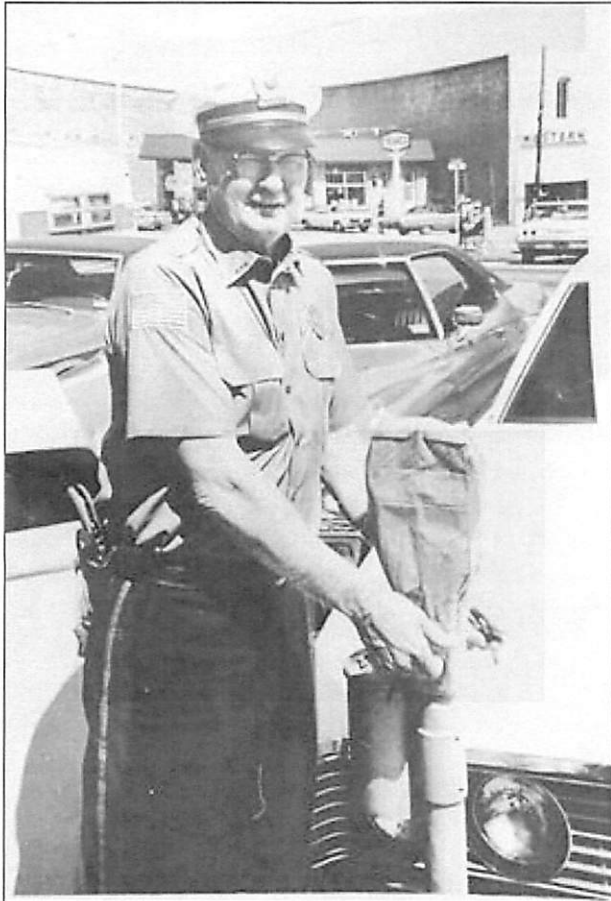
Expenses:	
December Newsletters Printed	\$264.60
Postage for Mailing December Newsletters	\$ 82.13
Post Office Presorted Rate Permit #503	\$225.00
Total Expenses:	\$571.73

Income:	
Membership Dues Paid:	\$0
Book Sales	\$111.00
Total Income:	\$111.00

January 2016 Treasurers Report

Expenses:	
January Newsletters Printed	\$178.20
Postage for Mailing Newsletters	\$ 82.49
Total Expenses:	\$260.69

Income:	
Membership Dues Paid:	\$1,119.00
Donations	\$1,225.00
Total Income:	\$2,455.00



Thank you, Judy Ballard for identifying this picture.

This is a picture of Chief Stone of the Pickens Police Department.



Saturday, February 27th
Hagood Community Center
129 Schoolhouse Street, Pickens

REGISTRATION FORM

one form per person

*register online at www.cityofpickens.com/goal *

Name:

Organization (if applicable):

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone:

Email:

Select all that apply:

- Attendee
- Presenter at Opening Session
- Workshop Leader/Instructor
- 2-4 Hour Volunteer
What hours can you work?
- 4+ Hour Volunteer
What hours can you work?
- Information Table
What organization/individual/venue are you promoting?

Registration Options (select all that apply):

- Early Bird Registration until January 31st: \$15
- Full Day Registration February 1st - February 27th: \$20
- Full Day Registration on February 27th: \$25
- Kids 5-12 (*must be accompanied by adult*): \$5
- Kids Under 5 (*must be accompanied by adult*): Free
- Half Day 8:30am - 11:15am: \$10
- Half Day 12:30pm - 4:15pm: \$15
- Presenter/Instructor: Free
- 2-4 Hour Volunteer: \$5
- 4+ Hour Volunteer: Free
- 4+ Hour Volunteer/Instructor Lunch: Free
- Lunch: \$5

Total Registration Cost (add up total cost of selected items)

Checks payable and sent to:

Pickens Revitalization Association
Attn: GOAL
222 West Main Street, Suite A
Pickens, SC 29671



Saturday, February 27th
Hagood Community Center
129 Schoolhouse Street, Pickens

Choose the workshops you would like to attend (one workshop per session):

★ off campus

Session One (10:15am - 11:15am):

- Moonshining*
- Petroglyph Center*
- Planting in the Mountains
- Gospel & Shape Note Singing
- From Pickens to Pumpkintown
- Tour of Pickens County Art & History Museum*
- Tour of Pickens (self-guided with map)*
- Browsing Info Tables

Session Two (12:45pm - 1:45pm):

- Fair Isle Knitting (Double Session 2&3)
- Language of Appalachia
- Bee Keeping*
- Hearthside Cooking*
- Site of Old Pickens (Double Session 2&3)*
- Tour of Pickens (self-guided with map)*
- Browsing Info Tables

Session Three (2:00pm - 3:00pm):

- Fair Isle Knitting (Double Session 2&3)
- Petroglyph Center*
- Hewing Logs*
- Bobbin Lace (Double Session 3&4)
- Site of Old Pickens (Double Session 2&3)*
- Using Ancestry.com & Historical Room (Double Session 3&4)*
- Tour of Pickens (self-guided with map)*
- Browsing Info Tables

Session Four (3:15pm - 4:15pm):

- Bobbin Lace (Double Session 3&4)
- Pickens Railroad from Hamburg, SC to Chicago, IL
- Appalachian Dance*
- Using Ancestry.com & Historical Room (Double Session 3&4)*
- SC Folk Music
- Blacksmithing*
- Tour of Pickens (self-guided with map)*
- Browsing Info Tables

Reunion of Upcountry Families

March 10, 11, 12, 2016
Thursday, Friday and Saturday
Central, South Carolina



www.100yearreunion.com
www.facebook.com/ReunionOfUpcountryFamilies
youtube.com and search on "Reunion Upcountry"

Thursday, March 10, 2016 (Pickens County Library in Easley, SC) Call 864-850-7077 Extension 112 to register. 304 Biltmore Road, Easley.
1:30-2:15 Speaker: Heritage Quest and Revolutionary War Records
3:00-4:00 Speaker: Proving Your Revolutionary War Ancestor with DAR Resources by Ft. George Chapter of the DAR
5:00-6:30 Open House in Mary Oates Gregorie Historical Room
7:00-8:30 Speaker: All you Ever Wanted to Know About the Sons of the American Revolution

Friday, March 11, 2016
10:00 Tour of McKinney Chapel, and Nimmons-Anderson cemetery, Eastatoe Valley (Check websites for future information)
2:00 Tour of Old Pickens Church and Cemetery
1:00-4:00 Research centers open at Faith Clayton Family Research Room, Anderson County Genealogical Society, Pendleton District Commission
5:00 Tour and dinner at Collins Ole Towne, 228 Lawton Road, Central, SC 29630 (Cost - \$20.00)
6:00 Dinner at Collins Ole Towne
7:00 Speaker at Collins Ole Towne

Saturday, March 12, 2016 (Southern Wesleyan University Campus) (Dining Commons Building)
9:00 Set-up displays and family tables (\$20.00 for a family table) (Check to Central Heritage Soc., 416 Church Street, Central, SC 29630)
10:00 Greetings and Announcements
11:30 Tour of Faith Clayton Genealogical Collection at Rickman Library
12:00-1:00 LUNCH (Dining Commons) (\$7.00) (Pay at door)
9:00-2:00 Coffee & Snacks at Blue Hill Coffee & Tea (Campus Life Center)
2:00 Dr. A. B. Pruitt "Procuring Land in South Carolina"
3:00 Sue Dillon (Genealogist from Carmel, Indiana) *Finding your Revolutionary War Ancestors*
4:00 See you next year!

Map for 2016: Map of Pickens graves of Revolutionary Soldiers
Calendar for 2016: Photographs of Revolutionary War Soldier graves in Pickens, Anderson, Oconee

Family Table: Display genealogical research, pictures, Bibles, old documents, and other ancestral memorabilia. Contact Kenny Blakeney (kblakeney@live.com) for questions. To reserve a table send \$20.00 and the form below to Central Heritage Society, 416 Church Street, Central, SC 29630.

Group Table: Display information about a group that will enhance or contribute to genealogical research or information in the Upcountry. For example: Pickens County Library, Pickens County Genealogical Society, SAR, DAR, UDC, SCV, etc. To reserve a group table, contact Brenda Meyer (bbmeyer76@charter.net). No cost.

Name _____
Address _____
Telephone - _____ E-Mail Address _____
Name/Names on Table Card for Family Table or Group Table _____

Enclose a check to Central Heritage Society, 416 Church Street, Central, SC 29630. Check to Central Heritage Society.
_____ (\$20.00 for Friday night dinner at Collins Ole Towne)
_____ (\$20.00 for Family Table) (Reserve by March 10, 2016)
_____ Total

Motel: The Baymont Inn and Suites, located off Highway 123 North, behind Applebee's on 211 Dayton School Road, Easley, SC. For reservations call (864) 306-9000 or e-mail easley.sc@sphosp.com. \$60.00 Mention Reunion of Upcountry Families
Motel: Comfort Inn, 1305 Tiger Blvd., Clemson, SC 29631. 864-653-3600. \$78.94.

Parks: Mile Creek County Park, Table Rock State Park

Funding from the Pickens County Accommodation Tax. Sponsored by the Birchwood Center for Arts and Folklife, Old Pendleton District Genealogical Society, Southern Wesleyan University, Central Heritage Society, Clayton Family Research Center, Pickens County Historical Society, Pickens County Museum of Art and History, Pickens County Library System, Anderson County Genealogical Society and Pendleton District Commission.

Ancestry to Retire Family Tree Maker Software

If you are using Family Tree Maker, you probably need to start looking for another genealogy program. Kendall Hulet, Senior Vice President of Product Management at Ancestry, posted an article to the Ancestry Blog today stating, "We've made the tough decision to stop selling Family Tree Maker as of December 31, 2015."

This announcement shouldn't surprise anyone. For several years, Ancestry.com has supported TWO interfaces: a web interface at <http://ancestry.com> that looks at the company's online databases plus the Family Tree Maker software installed in Windows and Macintosh computers that looks at the same online databases plus allows the user to add more information with the option to keep the new information private or to share it online. In effect, Ancestry.com's biggest competitor for some time has been Ancestry.com!

Of course, the entire computer industry is moving away from software and databases installed in desktop and laptop computers. The trend is to iPads, Android tablets, Chromebooks, and other devices that store both data and programs in the cloud. Such storage typically is more secure and more reliable than keeping programs and data in a free-standing computer where it is sensitive to hard drive crashes, user errors, and other problems.

The cancellation of desktop and laptop programs isn't new. Adobe already has switched many of its products to cloud-based equivalents. (Details may be found at <https://www.oracle.com/cloud/index.html>.) Microsoft's Office Suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint) has been available for some time in two versions: the traditional desktop and laptop version and the cloud-based version called Office 365. (See <https://www.office.com>.) I suspect the desktop/laptop version of Microsoft's Office will go away one of these days. Google Docs has already become a strong competitor of Microsoft Office and is free for personal use.

Email software used to always be installed in the computer. Email programs including Eudora, Thunderbird, Pegasus, and others used to be installed in almost everyone's personal computer. Now those programs have largely disappeared, replaced by cloud-based programs (Gmail, HotMail, Outlook.com, Yahoo Mail, and others).

In the genealogy world, Personal Ancestral File was canceled years ago and The Master Genealogist also disappeared some time ago. Now Family Tree Maker is suffering the same fate. I doubt if today's announcement will be the last one we read of a Windows or Macintosh genealogy program being canceled by its producer.

Another sign is that almost no new, full-featured genealogy programs for Windows or Macintosh have appeared in recent years. All the programming efforts now seem to be devoted to mobile apps for tablets and cell phones or cloud-based applications. I suspect we will see more Windows and Macintosh genealogy programs disappear within the next few years.

I see this as a positive step. Cloud-based applications open up possibilities of collaboration with other genealogists as well providing safer and more reliable databases that don't disappear with a hard drive crash. Of course, changes always make many people uncomfortable. Users of Family Tree Maker are now facing discomfort.

The fact that Family Tree Maker is being dropped shouldn't be a major problem for anyone. There are numerous alternatives. In fact, if anyone prefers to stick with a desktop or laptop program, there are many good ones available for Windows, Macintosh, and even for Linux. Changing to a different product certainly will be inconvenient, of course. There will be a learning curve to overcome. However, the use of GEDCOM files will transfer the data. Some manual clean-up is usually required after a GEDCOM data transfer, but that should still be a lot less painful than re-typing everything!

Current Family Tree Maker users have three options to choose from:

1. Keep using the current version of Family Tree Maker for some time. It will not stop working any time soon. Perhaps an upgrade of the Windows or Macintosh operating system will break something in Family Tree Maker someday, but that probably won't happen for a while. There is no need to rush to a new product. Perhaps a bigger risk is that support from Ancestry.com for the now obsolete Family Tree Maker will end on January 1, 2017. If you have a problem after that date, you will not receive support from Ancestry.com.
2. Switch to a different desktop or laptop genealogy program. There are many excellent genealogy products available for those systems. I plan to publish a number of articles about available Windows and Macintosh products over the next few weeks.
3. Start transitioning to a cloud-based genealogy service. There are two versions of cloud-based genealogy applications available: one method where you share a database with thousands of other users and the other method where you maintain your own private database in a cloud service where no one else can access it without your permission. Family Tree Maker users probably are already familiar with Ancestry.com's web interface. They may choose to use that. However, that certainly is not the only choice available. MyHeritage.com, The Next Generation of Genealogy Site building, webtrees.org, WeRelate.org, FamilySearch.org, WikiTrees.com, Heredis, and others all have excellent web-based products as well. Again, I plan to write about the cloud-based genealogy services over the next few weeks.

If you are looking to switch from Family Tree Maker to a different product, I also suggest you stop and consider your long-term solutions. Do you want to switch to a different desktop or laptop application? If so, what is the life expectancy of THAT program? You could switch to a cloud-based program, but I will warn you that those programs have both great strengths and major weaknesses. For instance, most of today's cloud-based programs do not have nearly the variety of printed reports that are contained in most desktop and laptop program

Source: Dick Eastman posted on December 8, 2015 at <http://www.eogn.com>,

Cherokee Research

As with all research for the DAR, SAR, UDC, CSA you need to locate official documents for the first three generations:

Date of Birth: Birth Certificate, Death Certificate

Date of Death: Death Certificate

Marriage Date: Marriage License

For the next generations use the same as above plus other records including census records to prove relationships and dates.

Eastern Cherokee Lineage. (Source: Linda Woodward Geiger, 2005 NGS Conference)

1. Did your ancestor reside in North Carolina, Tennessee, or Georgia between 1893-1906?
2. Is one of your direct ancestors on the 1924 Baker Roll?
3. Locate proof of your blood quantum. Is it 1/16 or better?
4. Are any of your ancestors accepted on the Guion Miller Roll?
5. Check the Miller Roll to the Drennen, Chapman, or other census rolls for the Cherokees.
6. Look in state and county records for Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee, or North Carolina.

Eastern Bank of Cherokee Indians:

[\(www.cherokee.org/Services/TribalCitizenship/GenealogyInformation.aspx /\)](http://www.cherokee.org/Services/TribalCitizenship/GenealogyInformation.aspx/) for further information.

Oklahoma Cherokee Lineage. (Source: Linda Woodward Geiger, 2005 NGS Conference)

1. Did your ancestor live in Oklahoma between 1893-1906?
2. Do you have an ancestor on the Dawes Roll?
3. Check the enrollment packet for each of your relatives—not just grandparents. You need to locate a direct relative.

Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma

<http://www.cherokee.org/AboutTheNation/FrequentlyAskedQuestions.aspx>) for further information.

Native Americans are able to find a wealth of information on their ancestors. Particularly those who were listed on the Guion Miller rolls. There are many resources for Cherokee genealogy, but the Cherokee Nation does not provide genealogy services. A private researcher, libraries and other organizations may be of some help to you. Here is a list of rolls that may list your Cherokee ancestors: (Source: above website for Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma)

Rolls Before and During Removal

Reservation Rolls 1817

Cherokees who chose to accept a plot of land on the Cherokee reservation (in the Eastern homeland).

Emigration Rolls 1817-1835

Cherokee who chose to "emigrate" to Indian Territory west of the Mississippi River in present day Oklahoma and Arkansas (prior to the Trail of Tears.)

Henderson Roll 1835

Cherokees who were to be removed to Indian Territory on what would later be called the Trail of Tears.

Mullay Roll 1848

Cherokees who remained in North Carolina after removal.

Post Removal Rolls

Siler Roll 1851 - Eastern

Eastern Cherokee entitled to per capita payment. **Old Settler Roll 1851 - Western**
Recorded those Cherokee (still living) who had emigrated to Indian Territory prior to removal.

Chapman Roll 1852 - Eastern

Eastern Cherokee who actually received payment from the government (reference to Siler Roll).

Drennen Roll 1852 - Western

Recorded those Cherokee who came to Indian Territory in 1839 on the Trail of Tears.

Swetland Roll 1869 - Eastern

Recorded those Cherokees, and their descendants who were listed on the Mullay Roll as residing in North Carolina.

Hester Roll 1883 - Eastern

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians that provides a great deal of detail about those listed.

Churchill Roll 1908 - Eastern

Additional roll of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians which also include those rejected from the Eastern Band.

Guion Miller Roll 1909 - Eastern and Western

For Cherokees (east and west) excluding the "Old Settlers."

Baker Roll 1924 - Eastern

The final roll of the Eastern Band of the Cherokee in anticipation of allotment. The land was not allotted and the reservation still exists. This roll is the basis for tribal membership in the Eastern Band.

The Dawes Rolls 1898-1914 - Western

The final roll of the western Cherokee. Allotment of Cherokee land to Cherokee individuals was based on this roll. Direct descendency from someone on this roll is required for tribal citizenship in the Cherokee Nation today.

Inquiry on Isaac Simmons

Searching for the parents of Isaac Simmons b. 1770 and living in Pickens District, SC in 1850, age 80. Searching for following: Trying to prove or disprove: Isaac Simmons, father of: George (maybe aka Joel) , b 1791-1800 - maybe m. Neomy Isom (Isham), b 1804, m. Nancy John, b 1809 m. Anna or Annias Jesse, b 1812 m. Matilda Irvin, b 1811-1820 m. ? Andrew J, b 1816 m. Rebecca.

Also trying to prove or disprove: George Simmons is the father of: Andrew R. Simmons, b 1819-1821, m. Elizabeth Leslie Williams, b ca. 1820; Lewis, b ca.1823; Mary, b ca. 1830; Sarah, b ca. 1833; Isaac and George first shows up in the area on the 1820 census.

An Isaac Simmons fought in the War of 1812 with a Pendleton/Abbeville (Nash's) regiment. Records show Andrew R buying George's estate in 1849. Deeds & Plat for land surrounding Andrew R's Dacusville property are listed as bordering the "lands of Isaac Simmons". Isaac is living beside Andrew J. in Oolenoy/Pumpkintown area in 1850.

Isom (Isham) is living a few doors from Isaac in 1830. Jesse is next door to Isham (Isom) in 1840. William is living next door to George (Joel) in 1840. Neomy (George's wife) is living alone with Mary and Sarah in 1850. Andrew J and John are living next door to each other in 1840 with Irvin in the neighborhood. Early deeds show Isaac as owning land in both the Pumpkintown/Oolenoy and the Dacusville areas where both these two groups of Simmons lived during the early to mid-1800s.

Rebecca Simmons (not Andrew J's Rebecca) witnessed a deed from the Oolenoy area in 1804. Could this be the wife of John Simmons? Is John Simmons a brother or the father of Isaac?

Submitted by Jo Ann Gilstrap Brewer
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Obituary for Ann Rogers

Janice Antoinette "Ann" Morris Rogers, 77 of 7948 N. Hwy 11, Walhalla, SC, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Monday, Oct. 19th, 2015 at the Greenville Memorial Hospital.

She was born Dec. 19th 1937 in Richmond VA, to Joseph & Louise Morris. She was married to the late Will John Rogers.

She was co-owner of Roger's Insurance Agency and part-owner of Evergreen Memorial Cemetery in Walhalla. She received the 2013 Sarah Mills Norton Leading Volunteer Award with Oconee Public Library, and awards in Genealogy Research from the Governor and Presidents Volunteer Service Award on the federal level. She loved arts and crafts, as well as knitting and sewing.

She was preceded in death by her parents, spouse, and sister, Shirley Rena Morris. She is survived by her sons, Christopher Stephen Rogers, Gregory Scott Rogers, David Lee Rogers, sister, Betty Louise Schneider of Richmond, VA, grandchildren, Christopher Stephen Rogers, II, Benjamin Ezekiel Rogers, Neil Patrick Rogers, Ethan Zxydl Rogers, niece, Kathy Schneider, great-nephew, Weston Hendrick, great-niece, Danielle Hendrick.

Funeral Services will be held, 4:00 pm Saturday, Oct. 24th, 2015 at the Brown-Oglesby Chapel, with burial to follow in Evergreen Memorial Gardens.

Source: Brown-Oglesby Funeral Home

Obituary for Mrs. Kathleen Dees Willard

Kathleen Dees Willard, 79, of 506 W. North 4th St, Seneca, passed away Monday, January 18, 2016, at her home.

A native of Clinton, SC, Mrs. Willard was the daughter of the late Tracy W. and Verner Jane Prather Dees. She worked as a nurse for the Asheville VA Medical Center. Mrs. Willard attended Westminster First Baptist Church.

Mrs. Willard is survived by her son: Bill Willard and wife Judi; Susan A. Willard, and grandsons Daniel Willard (Marli) and Andrew Willard.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11:00 AM, Monday, January 25, 2016 at Davenport Funeral Home. Committal will follow at 2:30PM at Pinelawn Memory Gardens in Clinton, SC.

Source: Davenport Funeral Home.

INTERNET GENEALOGY RESOURCES

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ABBEVILLE COUNTY:

GenWeb Homestead: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scabbevi/>

Cemetery GPS Mapping: <http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scgpps/01-abbeville.html>

GenWeb Tombstones: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scabbevi/cemetery-html/abbeville.html>

Abbeville Probate Wills: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scabbevi/probate%20wills.html>

ANDERSON COUNTY:

ACC SCGS Society: <http://www.andersoncounty.scgen.org/index.html>

ACC SCGS Research Center: <http://www.andersoncounty.scgen.org/library/index.html>

GenWeb Homestead: <http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scandrsn/>

Cemetery GPS Mapping: <http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scgpps/04-anderson.html>

GenWeb Tombstones: <http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scandrsn/cemetery-html/anderson.html>

Ross Smith's Cemetery Survey: <http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scandrsn/ross.html>

OCONEE COUNTY:

OPD SCGS Society: <http://www.oldpendleton.scgen.org/>

OPD SCGS Research Center: http://www.oldpendleton.scgen.org/clayton_rm/index.html

GenWeb Homestead: <http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scoconee/>

Cemetery GPS Mapping: <http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scgpps/37-oconee.html>

GenWeb Tombstones: <http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scoconee/cemetery-html/oconee.html>

Ann Rogers' Cemetery Survey: <http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scoconee/inscriptions.html>

PICKENS COUNTY:

OPD SCGS Society: <http://www.oldpendleton.scgen.org/>

OPD SCGS Research Center: http://www.oldpendleton.scgen.org/clayton_rm/index.html

GenWeb Homestead: <http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scpicke2/>

Cemetery GPS Mapping: <http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scgpps/39-pickens.html>

GenWeb Tombstones: <http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scpicke2/cemetery-html/pickens.html>

Old Pendleton District GEDCOM Database: <http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scoconee/opdgs-db.html>

OPD Society Cemetery Survey Book Surname Index: <http://www.oldpendleton.scgen.org/surnames.html>

SOUTH CAROLINA:

Black Upstate Heritage: http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scoconee/Black_Heritage/

SC GenWeb Project: <http://www.scgenweb.org/>

SC GenWeb Tombstone Project: <http://usgw-tombstones.org/southcarolina/scarolina.html>

Cemetery GPS Mapping: <http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scgpps/>

Searching Around SC: <http://rootsweb.ancestry.com/~scoconee/searching.html>

Old Pendleton District Publications

Family History	Pages	Price - Includes Postage	
Boggs Family (from OPD Database) 3rd edition	330	\$35.00	
Bowen Family (from OPD Database) 2nd edition	513	\$45.00	
Chastain Family (from OPD Database) 2nd edition	626	\$45.00	
Kelley Family (from OPD Database) 3rd edition	344	\$36.00	
Mauldin Family (from OPD Database) 2nd edition	1,301	\$100.00	
Alexanders-Our Family Legacy by Jerry Alexander		\$32.95	
Ole Hopping Billy and His Early Alexander Kith and Kin by Jerry Alexander		\$32.95	
 Cemeteries			
African-American Cemetery, Anderson County, SC	105	\$20.00	
Oconee County, SC Cemetery Survey, Volume I	322	\$15.00	On Sale
Oconee County, SC Cemetery Survey, Volume II	240	\$12.50	On Sale
Pickens County, SC Cemetery Survey, Volume I	294	\$15.00	On Sale
Pickens County, SC Cemetery Survey, Volume II	277	\$14.00	On Sale
Pickens County, SC Cemetery Survey, Volume III	188	\$12.50	On Sale
Pickens County, SC Hillcrest Cemetery	154	\$20.00	On Sale
Greenlawn Memorial Park Cemetery Survey by Robert Dodson	147	\$15.00	
Liberty Memorial Gardens, Liberty, SC by Robert Dodson	38	\$10.00	
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 Census Records			
Pickens District SC 1830 Census	84	\$10.00	
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Pickens District SC 1850 Census: Western Division (Oconee County)	199	\$14.00	On Sale
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Old Pendleton District Chapter Lineage Chart Book, Volume I	560+	\$45.00	
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Twin Springs & A Grove of Trees: A History of Mt. Grove Baptist Church		\$23.00	
Upcountry Inquiry - Pendleton Teachers Write About Places		\$10.00	
Where Have All the Moonshiners Gone by Jerry Alexander	213	\$10.00	
 Old Pendleton District Newsletter			
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