

BEAUFORT COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

The Beaufort county Genealogical society met at Brown Library on 5-6-08. At 7:00 p.m. President Jean Gurkin welcomed 13 members and guests. Guest Kenneth Boyd of Pinetown, in researching Robert Boyd who was tried for Piracy in 1718. Other names he mentioned were James Daniel Boyd and Jesse Lawrence Boyd. Jimmy Taylor's guest, Willie Newton from Wilson, is just getting interested in genealogy and visited for pointers.

Mary Disharoon motioned, Willene Brinn seconded to accept the minutes of the April meeting as read. Mary also gave the treasurer's report in Louise Cowell's absence. Mary said BCGS has received a packet of programs from the Federation of Genealogical Societies Conference in Pennsylvania scheduled for 2-6 September 2008. Registration forms are on the inside back page of the booklet. The August and November 2007 Journals from NCGS arrived – a bite late but are available. She presented the NCGS Newsletter; MCGS Tree Climber reflecting member Russell Tyson as vice-president of that organization; The Durham-Orange County Newsletter for February, March, April and May 2008; Tyrell Tides for February, March and April 2008; The 2008 Winter volume of the Trading Patch, Journal of Durham-Orange Genealogical Society: Old Dobbs Trail; and the Federation of Genealogical Societies Forum for Spring 2008.

OLD BUSINESS: Jean mentioned that Terria Baynor has turned over the Cemetery Book Project to her. Terria's recovery from finger surgery is still a complicated issue and she needs to relinquish the project. There were no reports on the Bible, WDN Obituary or the Weyerhauser "Cemetery Project". Jean is still collecting information for the School Project. The Archives trip is scheduled for 31 May 2008. Louise and Ann Basnight are still trying to get the final name to award the John Oden History Award for 2007. They have begun getting names for the 2008 awards. Jean said we could still use articles/information for the June Journal as well as for the December Journal.

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion surrounded potential information for journals. Perhaps a list of postmasters having served our area; Willene agreed to look into this. Another suggestion was to print a list of school principals; Russell is now preparing a list of sheriffs for future publication.

Willene presented the program for the evening: Details surrounding the trip to Archives-what to take, how to use the facilities; use of the Library on the Mezzanine. Vital information for those going for the first time; a refresher course for the others.

The Board of Directors will meet at 6:00 p.m. proceeding the next regular meeting on June 3, 2008.

Russell motioned, Zelma Singleton seconded to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vernetta Lange