

BEAUFORT COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

The Beaufort County Genealogical Society met on 11-4-2008 at Brown Library. At 7:00 p.m. President Gurkin welcomed 17 members and guests. Guest Jane Warren is researching Warren, Sparrow and Foreman with related families.

Albert Everson motioned, Mary Disharoon seconded to accept the minutes of the previous meeting after a correction was made. Louise Cowell needs articles for the June 2009 journal by 1 February 2009 NOT 1 December 2008.

The treasurer's report was given. Mary Disharoon again reminded us of the NCGS Conference in Raleigh in November 2008; the NGS Conference in May 2009; she had the NCGS Journal for November 2008; Tyrrell Tides and other newsletters. She received notification that Augusta County, Virginia, Earliest Will Book Index 1745-1900 will be available 1 December 2008. Addresses and prices are available on the internet.

The Durham-Orange County Newsletter mentioned Familybuilder; the company that created Family Tree Genealogy applications for networking sites such as FaceBook and MySpace has announced low-cost DNA tests and how to go about getting them. Mary presented registration forms for NCGS and Craven County Genealogical Society Workshop to be held Saturday, 14 March 2009 in New Bern, NC. Subject(s) center around Over-coming Brickwalls. Registration forms are available.

OLD BUSINESS: Committee Reports: Jean is progressing with the Cemetery Book. Bible Records: Jean mentioned BCGS will likely print these records in the Journal as opposed to publishing a book. WDN Obituary Project: at a temporary standstill. Jean is still collecting information and pictures for the Schools Project.

Willene reported work has begun on preparing the books for Jo Ross's memorial. A thru C are prepared but we anticipate waiting and publishing them all at one time.

Albert and Jean had promises from their contacts about new Weyerhaeuser maps. Jean's contact will get in touch with David Fields who handles those things for Weyerhaeuser.

Guest Jane Warren spoke to the president about an area where a Rose Mae Jordan and children are supposedly buried and developers are in the area. Jean will get with her and have it canvassed before scraping off and building begins.

Jean reminded us of the ongoing NCDAAH project to record and document cemeteries in NC.

Louise reminded us again she needs articles/pictures for the June 2009 journal in her hands by 1 February 2009. She presented new application form for membership to NCGS.

The nomination committee presented the slate of officers for 2009: President- Jean Gurkin; Vice-president-Willene Brinn; Treasurer-Louise Cowell; Corresponding Secretary-Mary

Disharoon; Recording Secretary-Vernetta Lange. Russell Tyson motioned, Deborah Waters seconded to accept the slate as presented. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: No nominations for 2009 officers from the floor. Willene motioned, Deborah Seconded to appoint Albert Everson to another term as a Board Director for 2009 and 2010. Motioned carried.

Willene has listed the principals for John A. Wilkinson School for 1939-1988. It was known previously as Belhaven High School form 1912-1938; as Belhaven Academy from its inception to 1912. She also presented a copy of a book published for the Belhaven Centennial 1899-1999.

Deborah presented a 10 page listing of Lathams and related families. A reunion was held 25 October 2008.

Nat Jones said his wife located an old book that had apparently belonged to a doctor. It contains names, addresses and illnesses for which each person was treated. The cover is missing, the doctor's name is not listed and it is obviously very old. He will bring it to the January meeting.

Willene invited everyone to the ceremony to be held in Belhaven on Saturday 8 November 2008 for the unveiling of the headstone for "Little Eva" at 1:00 o'clock at the Black Bottom Cemetery.

Deborah mentioned the Pantego Academy will hold a tribute to veterans from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. on Nov. 2009 at the Academy.

The December meeting will be a dinner meeting. Albert motioned, Willene seconded that we meet at Cliff's Restaurant in Chocowinity, at 6:00 p.m. on THURSDAY, 4 DECEMBER 2008. Please note the change of time and date. Participants will order from the menu-self pay. The call list will be activated. Jim Hackney will speak.

The Board of Directors will meet briefly just prior to 6:00 p.m. on 4 December 2008.

There was no program for the evening.

Deborah motioned, all hands present seconded to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Vernetta Lange