

BEAUFORT COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

The Beaufort County Genealogical Society met at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints on 9-1-2009. At 7:00 p.m. President Gurkin welcomed 16 members and 1 guest – Wayne Hodnett.

Jean mentioned that member Nat Jones is seriously ill.

Jim Draper motioned, Ann Basnight seconded to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as read. The Treasurer's report was given. Louise presented thank you notes from two recipients of the 2008 John Oden History Awards: Samantha LeRo from Snowden and Cameron Bowen from Northeast.

Ann reported there were about 1600 in attendance at the Nationals in May. Louise reported Dr. Babits will present a lecture/program on the Battle of Guilford Courthouse at Sheppard Memorial Library at 7:00 p.m. on 9-9-09. She requested all present to consider a replacement for her come January 2010.

No committee reports were given.

NEW BUSINESS:

Albert Everson, Ann Basnight and Russell Tyson were appointed to the nomination committee for 2010 officers. Upcoming meeting/conferences: NCGS Annual meeting November 7, 2009 in Raleigh. The following events will be at New Bern-Craven County Public Library Auditorium. Free Admission. African-American Genealogy: Challenges and Rewards, lecture by Dorothy Redford, Saturday October 3, 2009 at 2:30 p.m. Researching your Civil War Ancestors presented by Victor Jones, Special Collections Librarian, Tuesday October 20, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. and Thursday October 22, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. Exhibition: Forever Free, Abraham Lincoln's Journey to Emancipation, November 15, 2009 through January 6, 2010.

Laura Davis presented the program for the evening. A website of special interest for genealogist is www.familysearch.org – scroll to footnote.com. Her presentation gave us excellent insight on the LDS Family Center Program. The local research center at the church in Washington is available at no charge. Evening hours are 5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. The Godfrey Memorial Library in Connecticut is listed as a Library of Genealogy and History and provides many contacts and avenues of research.

Willene Brinn motioned, Deborah Waters seconded to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Vernetta Lange