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Heritage Library News

President's Column

Bill Altstaetter

Heritage Library Begins Tenth Year

Nine years ago last month, Betsey Wolf, Randy Holcombe, and I signed the Articles of Incorporation and sent them off to the Office of the Secretary of State of South Carolina. The Certificate of Incorporation came back dated July 23, 1997.

That day, Hilton Head Island and the Lowcountry had a brand new research center and library dedicated to the study of history and family heritage. It started with three

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2006 ANNUAL FUND CAMPAIGN UNDERWAY

YES, it is that time of year again. As we begin the Tenth Year of The Heritage Library on Hilton Head together, your Board is once again asking you to contribute to the ANNUAL FUND CAMPAIGN.

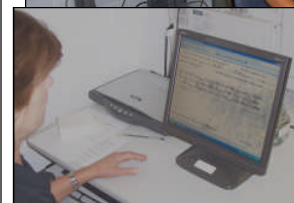
Our goal this year is set at \$50,000. If each member gave \$200, we would easily exceed our goal. In reality not all of us can give that much. A few provide a great deal more, many can spare but a little. *We are deeply appreciative of each gift.*

In arriving at your decision about a gift to the work of the Foundation, think about what the Heritage Library means to you personally, even if your personal genealogy searching is complete. Consider what the knowledge of your past is worth to you *and to your "off spring."*

Then think also of the significance to us all, of our American heritage. Take a moment or two away from your hectic travels about our island home to visit Zion Cemetery. Stroll through the last resting places of some of our earliest

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LIBRARY TEAM STUDIES MICROFILM TO DIGITAL IMAGE PROCESS



New volunteer, Cassie Sanders evaluates state-of-the-art digital

microfilm reader/printer as part of ongoing Civil War microfilm records project.

The rather large piece of equipment together with its desktop unit and screen occupying one corner in the Holcombe Computing Center is here temporarily while Library researchers and patrons evaluate its capabilities and potential benefits.

Traditional microfilm reader/printers produce only reproductions on paper of the microfilmed images with results of varying quality and readability.

The advent of computers bringing to researchers the wonders of digital imaging have produced advances to family heritage searching

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Hilton Head islanders and think upon the sacrifices of the Revolutionary War patriots sleeping there.

Visit Fort Mitchel. Explore the remains of the 1862 Union Battery site. Gaze across Skull Creek and consider what it must have been like for the young men and boys standing guard so far from home, in a strange land; and for the former islanders watching from across the water who could no longer come home to their island.

The author Willa Cather has written,

"The history of every country begins in the heart of a man or a woman."

If all this means as much to you as I believe it does, I know you will find it in your heart to join your fellow members and friends of The Heritage Library Foundation with a generous contribution to the 2006 Annual Fund Campaign.

Please do it now. Complete the response form included in this newsletter and return it to:

The Heritage Library Foundation – 2006 Campaign
32 Office Park Road, Suite 300
Hilton Head Island, SC 29928-4640

Then, take two other positive steps in support of your foundation.

First, make a decision to share your talents by joining your fellow members, at least one day a month, volunteering at the Heritage Library and second, encourage a friend to join with you in this important work, for a nation which loses it "Past" surely will have no "Future."

Thank you, in advance.

Sincerely,

E. W. Altstaetter, President

Voices from the Past—

*"Every man's life is a fairy-tale written by God's fingers."
-Hans Christian Andersen*



Library News

By Isobel Bitner

New Additions to the Library

Since the beginning of May, over 100 books have been added to our shelves, and listed in our catalog. The following are titles of just a few, giving the collection in which they can be found.

South Carolina

283 DAL *A Historical Account of the Protestant Episcopal Church in SC.* Dalcho, 1820.

This is a classic work, often cited in later histories, relating history from the founding of the Province to the Revolutionary War.

509 CAT *Natural History of Hilton Head Island.* Cathcart, 1981.

A field guide to flora and fauna by a well-known local naturalist, Nancy Cathcart

728.8 STO *Plantations of the Carolina Low Country.* Stoney, 1977.

A profusely illustrated book on the architecture of estates.

975.702 SAL *Narratives of Early Carolina, 1650-1708.* Salley, 1911.

Selections of original documents from this period.

975.799 MIT *Scrapbook of a Native Islander.* Mitchell, 2002.

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A Word to the Wise

Thanks to charter member Mark Swetland, past Board member, and retired president of The Hilton Head Island Genealogical Society for these words of genealogical wisdom:

Things I wish I knew when I started –

Your relatives may not be here when you want them.

Use all the sources you can find.

Record the sources of each piece of data.

Organize your records.

Capture every scrap of information.

Happy Hunting—

If I could see my ancestors

All standing in a row

Would I be proud of them or not

Or don't I really know?

Now there is another point of view

As you can plainly see

If they were standing here today

Would they be proud of me?

Anonymous

TRANSLATORS NEEDED

Sprechen Sie deutsch?

Parlez-vous Francais?

Talar ni suedois?

The above phrases were taken from an old Encyclopedia Britannica and may not be in the modern language so, as you can see, we do need help.

From time to time researchers in the Library find records, letters and newspapers that are linked to their ancestors but are written in what is to us a foreign language. We would like to build a base of translators who could be called on to give an assist to this. It would be strictly an on-call type of volunteer position. If it turned into a more complicated work a fee could be worked out between the patron and the person who has the skills needed.

So far German, French and Swedish are the languages for which we get the most calls for help. If you have this skill or know of someone who might be interested in offering their expertise please call Gwen either at the Library or at home 689-9558.

Did you know?

***More than 8,000 visitors
toured
Fort Mitchel
in 2005***



HERITAGE LIBRARY

Workshops

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HERITAGE LIBRARY WORKSHOPS ANNOUNCES PROGRAMS LINEUP FOR 2006-2007

NEWSLETTER FOUR CENTER PAGES CONTAIN FULL YEAR WORKSHOPS CATALOG

For the academic year beginning in September 2006 and ending in May 2007 The Heritage Library will be presenting a full line of classes, lectures, workshops and seminars on a wide range of genealogical and historical topics.

There will something to appeal to every level from the newest beginner at family ancestor searching to the most experienced genealogist.

For the general historian or those merely interested in knowing a little more about the locale in which they are living, Heritage Library Workshops has something for them.

The complete 2006-2007 listing of programs with prices, dates, times and location spelled out can be found on the center four pages of this issue of Heritage Library News.

The same information will appear on our website at www.heritagelib.org under the heading Education.



"HISTORY AT THE HERITAGE" KICKS OFF ACADEMIC YEAR IN SEPTEMBER WITH TWO MAJOR PROGRAMS

SUNDAY WITH YOUR ANCESTORS—

An American History Sampler

Attendance is FREE OF CHARGE,
however,

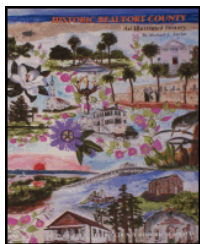
donations to help defray program expenses are always appreciated.

Reservations are suggested to ensure seating as space is limited.

Spend a quiet Sunday afternoon
visiting an earlier America.

Sunday, September 17, 2006

3:00 to 5:00 PM



*Historic
Beaufort County
in Word and
Picture*

Guest Lecturers—Michael C. Taylor, Executive Director, SC Battleground Preservation Trust; Mira Scott, Hilton Head Island Artist; Stephen R. Wise, Director, Parris Island Museum; and Dr. Larry Rowland, USCB Professor Emeritus and local historian

A special program of The Beaufort County Historical Society in cooperation with The Foundation's Hilton Head Island Historical Society Division will explore the significant place of Beaufort County in the march of South Carolina history.

Book signing and refreshments will follow the formal program.

3 Part History Lecture Series "The Americas Before Columbus"

A new series of lectures will be presented Wednesdays September 20, 27 and October 4 at The Heritage Library the Lowcountry's history and genealogical research center. Bill Altstaetter, President of the Heritage Library Foundation will explore three major themes from the work of Charles C. Mann: *1491 – New Revelations of the Americas Before Columbus*.

Opening the series will be "Origins – They came for where?" Followed by – "Genetic Engineering – Environmentalists Par Excellence" and concluding with "The Empty Land—Where Did They Go?"

The lectures will be in the Robert and Cora Peoples Community Room located in The Heritage Library, Suite 300 of The Courtyard Building across from Park Plaza from 2-3:30 p.m. Fee for the 3 part series is \$35. Depending on space available, individual lectures will be \$15 for non-members and \$12 for members of the Foundation. For reservations and more information call 686-6560. Space is limited, reservations are essential.

Heritage Library Foundation On-Line
at
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September 2006

GENEALOGY

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Unless otherwise noted all events are held at The Heritage Library in The Robert and Cora Peeples Heritage Room.

BEGINNING GENEALOGY—(No experience necessary)

Researching at the Heritage Library—FREE OF CHARGE—No reservations needed.

- Monday, September 18, 2006—10:00 to 11:30 AM
- Monday, November 6, 2006—10:00 to 11:30 AM
- Monday, January 29, 2007—10:00 to 11:30 AM

Library staff members will guide short tours of the library and answer questions about the history and genealogy programs and services available at The Heritage Library.

Introduction to Family Research— Fee \$35.00 [\$30.00] for the series. Fee includes textbook, class notes, and use of the library for the class.

- Wednesday, October 18, 2006—2:00 to 3:30 PM—The Who, What, and Why of Family Heritage Research
- Wednesday, October 25, 2006—2:00 to 3:30 PM—Basic Research Techniques
- Wednesday, November 1, 2006—2:00 to 3:30 PM—Effective Use of the Resources of The Heritage Library.

Instructor: Bill Altstaetter, Senior Librarian and Workshops Director, The Heritage Library

Entry level lecture series on getting started with family history research. This three session class introduces the first time researcher to the fascinating field of genealogy, its unique nomenclature and suggests basic research techniques.

INTERMEDIATE GENEALOGY—(Attendance at one or more basic classes or a minimum of 3 months researching desirable)

Genealogy on Line—Lecture—Fee \$15.00 [\$12.00] for each individual session.

- Tuesday—September 19, 2006—2:00 to 3:30 PM
- Tuesday—January 16, 2007—2:00 to 3:30 PM
- Tuesday—April 17, 2007—2:00 to 3:30 PM

Instructor: Robert Smith, Senior Librarian and Internet Research Specialist, The Heritage Library

An overview of genealogical research sites available through the Worldwide Web. Participants should understand the basics of using search engines and web browsers as well as a general familiarity with techniques for family history research.

Using Family Tree Maker Software for Recordkeeping—Workshop—Fee \$15.00 [\$12.00] for each individual session.

- Tuesday—November 7, 2006—2:00 to 3:30 PM—ATTENDANCE LIMITED TO 15 REGISTRANTS
- Tuesday, February 20, 2007—2:00 to 3:30 PM—ATTENDANCE LIMITED TO 15 REGISTRANTS
- Tuesday—May 15, 2007—2:00 to 3:30 PM—ATTENDANCE LIMITED TO 15 REGISTRANTS

Instructor: Bill Altstaetter, Senior Librarian and Workshops Director, The Heritage Library

Participants will use the computing resources at the Library's Holcombe Computer Center to experience the process of entering information into The Family Tree Maker genealogical software and organizing their personal research data. Attendees should bring to the workshop information such as full names; birth, death, and marriage dates; and geographic locations of the events for at least six ancestors.

ADVANCED GENEALOGY—(To get the most from these sessions completion of a basic genealogy class or more than one year of research experience is recommended)

Searching US Federal Census Records On-Line—Lecture—Fee \$15.00 [\$12.00] for each individual session.

- Tuesday, September 26, 2006—2:00 to 3:30 PM
- Tuesday, April 24, 2007—2:00 to 3:30 PM

Instructor: John Griffin, Senior Librarian and Director of Research, The Heritage Library

The lecture will cover recommended techniques for finding and using US Federal Census data available through the Internet with particular emphasis on the resources of Ancestry.com, Genealogy.com and HeritageQuest.com.

Using Origins Network to Find United Kingdom and Ireland Ancestors—Workshop—Fee \$15.00 [\$12.00]

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Contributions By The Gullah Culture in Music and Art

- Sunday, November 5, 2006—3:00 to 5:00 PM

Special Guest Lecturer—Dan Huff, Educator, Historian, and Lecturer on the Gullah Culture

A special program about the influence of Gullah Culture on the art and music of the modern era.

The Kirk Family—Beyond Rose Hill

- Sunday, February 18, 2007—3:00 to 5:00 PM

Special Guest Lecturer—Iva Welton, President, Beaufort County Historical Society, Author, Lecturer, and Preservationist

Ms. Welton presents personal reflections of the place in early Beaufort history of the Kirks of Rose Hill Plantation.

Under the Branches of the Talbird Oak

- Sunday, May 6, 2007—3:00 to 5:00 PM

Special Guest Lecturer—Reverend Dr. Robert E. H. Peeples, President Emeritus, Hilton Head Island Historical Society

If the still living Talbird Oak, standing tall on the banks of Skull Creek could only speak, what might it tell about the events of the War for American Independence occurring on and around Hilton Head Island in the early years of the 1780s.

The tree won't talk, but noted historian, Dr. Robert Peeples will. A lifelong student of South Carolina's dynamic past, Dr. Peeples will share his insights of early Hilton Head with the audience.

MUTLI SESSION HISTORY PROGRAMS

A New Look at The Pre-Columbian Americas—A New View — Fee \$35.00 [\$30.00] for the full series

- Wednesday, September 20, 2006— 2:00 to 3:30 PM—Origins—They Came from Where?
- Wednesday, September 27, 2006— 2:00 to 3:30 PM—Genetic Engineering—Environmentalist Par Excellence

At The Heritage Library seating is limited, advance registration is required to ensure seating and the availability of class notes and materials.

Lecture seating is limited to not more than 40.

Workshop seating is limited to not more than 25. unless otherwise noted.

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Genealogical programs of the Heritage Library Workshops are also available through The Osher Lifelong Learning Center at USCB, South Campus in the Winter Term and at the Spring Term of Lifelong Learning of Hilton Head Island. *Persons interested in these programs should contact the respective organizations directly for information on location, fees, dates, and registration.*

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COMING EVENT— Mid February 2007—WATCH FOR DETAILS

**THE ULSTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY RETURNS TO HILTON HEAD
FOR A SPECIAL WORKSHOP ON NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE SCOTS-IRISH**

About Our Members and Volunteers

from the Membership Desk
 By *Gwen Altstaetter*

Since the last edition of the Newsletter we have welcomed six new members. The following have joined us from the Lowcountry: Mary Ann Compher, David and Nancy Nettleton and Donice Krepps. Anne Jones comes from Holmes Beach, Florida and John Kelly from Rockville, Maryland.

Our Premiere Membership group has increased now to include 62 members. We hope those of you who have chosen this category are having success and have not run into too many problems.

Our renewal rate for other memberships has dropped a bit. We thank those of you have renewed in a timely fashion. We do need your support so we can continue to provide top drawer service to individuals as well as to the community.

We have an active program schedule set up for the fall. Remember one of the perks of membership is the special fees for workshops and lectures. We hope many of you will find the offerings interesting and will participate and invite your friends. You do not need to be a Premiere Member to have access to our Events Calendar.

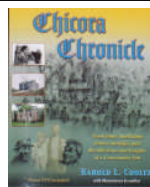
Just come to heritagelib.org and you will be able to see what the upcoming events are as well as learning more about what is

Have you read something recently, worthy of passing along to your fellow members?

Write a review and E-mail to <bill@heritagelib.org>
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 Willing to help?
 Ready to Volunteer?*

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happening with the Foundation. One of the latest features is being able to get our Newsletters online.

As people discover us they say “I didn’t even know you were here”. These are not just vacationers and out-of-towners but Islanders who have lived and worked on the Island for years. You can help us by remembering to mention the Library whenever the opportunity arises – or maybe “making” that opportunity.

VOLUNTEER PROJECTS

Two recent arrivals to the ranks of our volunteer corps are working with John Griffin evaluating the state of the art digital imaging microfilm reader/printer (*See Front Page Story*). so more data will be put on our website for member use in the Library and also from home. We welcome Cassie Sanders and Peter Axene. It is exciting to have some of our younger members stepping up and giving of their time and talents.

Marie (Molly) Green has been volunteering at the front desk on Fridays and one of our most recent new members Donice Krepps is training to work the desk on Mondays. We need to have that position filled with smiling, efficient people as that is where most of our patrons get their first impression of our Library. In addition they will also be doing a number of projects which can be done at that station.

A special thanks to Board member Iva Welton who has been subbing at the front desk while some of our “snow birds” are taking some well earned vacation time.

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*Many thanks* to all our Volunteers. We hope you are enjoying participating in the continuing work of the Library

## Library News

# 2006 ANNUAL FUND CAMPAIGN

*Needs  
You*

The Goal this year  
is  
**\$50,000**

Funds raised by the Annual Fund Campaign supplement what is received from membership dues, sales through the Bookstore, and payments for library services. They are used to support the on-going activities of The Heritage Library Foundation throughout the year—

*Daily Operations—Programs—The Computing Center—  
Heritage Library On-Line—Data Subscriptions—*

*and*

*Occupancy costs—including Rent and Insurance,  
Heat and Air Conditioning, Light and Power—Office Supplies*

Remember, there are no grants for daily operations this year—

*It is up to us to do it ourselves!*

Complete the enclosed form and return it to the Library with your check made payable to

*The Heritage Library Foundation, Inc.*

*The Heritage Library Foundation, 32 Office Park Road, Suite 300, Hilton Head  
Island, SC 29928-4640  
Attn: Annual Fund Campaign*

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A collection of family tales and memories by the Hilton Head Islander Johnnie P. Mitchell.

### **Revolutionary War**

929.1072073 NEA *Locating your Revolutionary War Ancestors*. Neagles, 1983.

A guide to military records. 973.33 SCH *A great improvisation*. Schiff, 2005.

An examination of Franklin's diplomacy in France and its impact on America.

### **Civil War**

975.7 MOR *Civil War in the Carolinas*. Morrill, 2002.

Extensive new study of military and naval operations.

### **U.S. History**

973.4 ELL *Founding Brothers*. Ellis, 2000.

Examination of the interaction and collaboration of 7 men who founded our Republic.

### **Genealogy**

016.277 KIR *A Survey of American Church Records*. 4<sup>th</sup> ed., Kirkham, 1978.

### **Massachusetts**

929.20973 MAY *Mayflower Families through 5 Generations; Volumes 1,2,3*.

These volumes complete our holdings of all the volumes so far issued.

### **African-American**

220.5 DE *De Nyew Testament*.

King James' version of the New Testament translated into Gullah by the Sea Island Translator Team, which included Heritage Library Foundation Board member Emory Campbell.

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Gifts of Appreciated Securities

Gifts of appreciated securities offer a number of advantages over a cash gift. The Heritage Library has a brokerage account with A. G. Edwards to which a gift of securities can be transferred. Please indicate below that you are interested in making such a gift and we will call you about the arrangements.

Name:

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members in a nine by twelve office without windows on the third floor of the Courtyard Building. Nine years later, with your encouragement and magnificent support, The Heritage Library Foundation is housed in over 2800 square feet, still on the third floor of the Courtyard Building, but with lots of windows.

The activities of The Heritage Library with its collections and computers occupy most of the time, talent, and available resources of some 40 volunteers as it strives to serve the needs of its members and visitors. Over 2200 patrons researched at the Library in 2005, more than a quarter of whom were visitors to our island and express great joy upon finding such a resource so readily at hand.

Heritage Library Press has published six books with four in various stages of production. It is responsible for the quarterly newsletter and our website, Heritage Library Foundation On-Line, our portal to a worldwide audience.

Each year, Heritage Library Workshops reaches out to the

local community through educational programs, lectures, classes, and seminars from September to May. Its presentations are designed to provide a wide ranging cross section of history and genealogical information to audiences from school age to senior citizen.

With the inclusion of the Hilton Head Island Historical Society last year, the responsibility for the preservation of Fort Mitchel and Zion Chapel of Ease Cemetery properties (more than 8,000 persons visited Fort Mitchel alone in the last 12 months) added a significant new dimension to the role of your foundation.

None of this would have been possible without you, the membership. By your encouragement with suggestions and ideas; your support by attendance at programs and use of the Library; your time volunteered at the Library as well as the Foundation's boards and committees; and by your generous contributions each year to the financial wellbeing of the organization, you have made the first nine years of The Heritage Library, great ones filled with achievement.

For all of this I and the Board owe each of you a deep debt of gratitude; *we thank you!*

TWO NEW MICROFILM PROJECTS AWAIT WILLING HANDS

- ★ *Copy and index US Civil War Tax Sale certificates numbers 1 thru 64 (includes HHI)—25 Feb 1863 thru 17 Apr 1865.*
- ★ *Copy and index US Civil War Cash Tax Sale certificates numbers 1 thru 105, 21 Jan 1864 thru 16 Jan 1865.*

Contact John Griffin at the Library 686-6560 on Fridays for more info

Microfilm Project

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nothing short of dramatic according to John Griffin, Director of Research for The Heritage Library. Mr. Griffin is currently leading the team of evaluators working on the project.

Cassie Sanders, a recent addition to the Library's volunteer team, in her first major project for the Library is copying and indexing the U.S. Civil War Tax Sale Certificates sold to members of the Army, Navy, and Marines from January 1864 thru March 1865. Peter Axene, also newly joined volunteer is doing the same work with the Civil War Tax Sale Certificates sold to Heads of Families of the African Race dating from December 1863 thru June 1872.

Since many of these documents record land transfers to members of units stationed on Hilton Head with The Department of the South, they are expected to prove invaluable to researchers among the native island Gullah population.

Anyone Have PROGRAM IDEAS?

**Anyone wishing to suggest historic or genealogical subjects they would like to hear presented or wish to present themselves,
Please
E-mail their topic idea with a brief description to:**

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September, October and November Library Events Calendar

Sat & Mon—Sep 2 & 4—LABOR DAY HOLIDAY—LIBRARY CLOSED

Tue—Sep 12—HHI Genealogical Society—9:30 to 11:30 AM—Regular Monthly Meeting

Sun—Sep 17—Sunday with Your Ancestors—3:00 to 5:00 PM—Free—History Lecture—Historic Beaufort County

Mon—Sep 18—Beginning Genealogy—10:00 To 11:30 AM—Free—Intro to Research at the Heritage Library

Tue—Sep 19—Intermediate Genealogy—2:00 to 3:30 PM—\$15.00 [\$12.00] — Genealogy On Line

Wed—Sep 20—History Lecture—2:00—3:30 PM—1st of 3—\$35.00 [\$30.00] — America Before Columbus

Tue—Sep 26—Advanced Genealogy—2:00 to 3:30 PM—\$15.00 [\$12.00] — US Census Records

Wed—Sep 27—History Lecture—2:00—3:30 PM—2nd of 3—America Before Columbus

Wed—Oct 4—History Lecture—2:00—3:30 PM—3rd of 3— America Before Columbus

Tue—Oct 10—HHI Genealogical Society—9:30 to 11:30 AM—Regular Monthly Meeting

Wed—Oct 11—Private Meeting—9:00 AM to Noon—Daughters of the American Revolution Meeting

Wed—Oct 18—Beginning Genealogy—2:00 to 3:30 PM—1st of 3—\$35.00 [\$30.00] — Introduction to Researching

Wed—Oct 25—Beginning Genealogy—2:00 to 3:30 PM—2nd of 3—Basic Research Techniques

Wed—Nov 1—Beginning Genealogy—2:00 to 3:30 PM—3rd of 3—Researching at the Heritage Library

Sun—Nov 5—Sunday with Your Ancestors—3:00 to 5:00 PM—Free—History Lecture—Contributions of the Gullah

Mon—Nov 6—Beginning Genealogy—10:00 To 11:30 AM—Free—Intro to Research at the Heritage Library

Tue—Nov 7—Intermediate Genealogy—2:00 to 3:30 PM—\$15.00 [\$12.00] —Using FamilyTreeMaker Software

Wed—Nov 8—Advanced Genealogy—2:00 to 3:30 PM—\$15.00 [\$12.00] —Using Origins Network

Tue—Nov 14—HHI Genealogical Society—9:30 to 11:30 AM—Regular Monthly Meeting

Thu, Fri, & Sat—Nov 23, 24, & 25—THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY—LIBRARY CLOSED



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