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Volunteers Make the Difference

Ezra Callahan, President

Every year in April The Heritage Library celebrates Volunteer Appreciation Month. This is when we usually announce the winners of our Volunteer of the Year and President's Award. We were unable to bring our volunteers together in April and showcase their talents and accomplishments because our doors were closed as were many others.

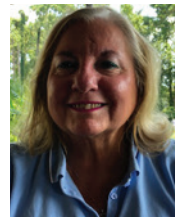
We are not going to let Covid-19 stop us from recognizing three of our best volunteers, their knowledge and skills. This year we are announcing our winners on Zoom on September 9th and bringing the announcement to you here in the Observer. We hope you will join us in applauding the gifts they bring to The Heritage Library.

We refer to these three volunteers as our "quiet warriors." They are not usually in front of patrons or volunteers but they are hard at work supporting all that we do and delivering an expertise in their fields that leaves us speechless. Thank you Laurette, Robert, and Jennifer – you are truly special to The Heritage Library.

And, one more thank you goes out to all our volunteers – every volunteer brings a unique talent to the Library and we are strong because your contributions have made us strong. We can't do it without you – all of you – thank you very much.

PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Laurette Doscher-Benfante



Laurette is being recognized for her work as our Membership Chair. She has worked with the Library for more than eight years – six of those years, side-by-side with her late husband, Lou Benfante. Laurette tirelessly tracks memberships for renewal, welcomes new members, updates data bases, answers countless questions, and encourages membership in the Library with everyone she meets. When Laurette is not in the Library she stays active with tennis, mahjong, canasta and family and friends. She is someone who loves travel, theatre, orchestra and opera. Her commitment to the community extends beyond the Library and includes membership in the Women's Association of Hilton Head Island, Liberal Ladies of the Low Country, Leadership Hilton Head, Leadership Beaufort, World Affairs Council of Hilton Head Island and 100+ Women Who Care Hilton Head Island. She also volunteers with Hospice of the Lowcountry and Red Cross. And if all that does not fill up her day – she is serving as Secretary for our local League of Women Voters.

VOLUNTEERS OF THE YEAR

Robert Carpenter



Robert is being recognized for his work updating and maintaining our donor bases, mailing lists, email lists and all other data bases. This job requires a real attention to detail and Robert's work history will tell you why he is so good at what he does. He worked at General Electric, Advanced Nuclear Testing; Grumman Aerospace, several

technical projects; and Gulfstream Aerospace, Flight Test Instrumentation. His last career position was manager of 85 engineers and technicians at Gulfstream involved in designing, developing and outfitting test aircraft with instrumentation for FAA certification testing. Robert retired in 2015, it was an exciting career to say the least. Robert was born in Richland, Washington and spent most of his youth in upstate New York. He met his wife, Rosemary, in college and they have lived in many places; now in Bluffton. He tells us that he dragged his wife away from several successful careers while pursuing his own career. Robert enjoys continually learning about genealogy from the volunteers he works with at the Library.

Jennifer Hall



Jennifer is our accounting wizard. She tracks invoices, pays bills, prepares financial statements, and keeps us on the straight and narrow. She has a keen sense and understanding of non-profits and spends countless hours helping to make the Library a financially strong organization. Jennifer is a Certified Public Accountant. She decided that giving back to the community had to be a part of her professional goals. The Library is more than lucky to have made the cut when she decided what organizations she would support with her knowledge, education, skill and dedication. As a teenager, Jennifer vacationed with her family on Hilton Head. On one trip she spent time learning about the Gullah Culture and was fascinated with that piece of our history. It was one of the deciding factors when she and her husband made the lowcountry their home. She takes time to explore with their son, Isaac – our local community, the region, state and country. She is determined to take Isaac to visit all 50 states before he graduates from high school. To date, they have visited 20 states.

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From the Executive Director



By Barbara Catenaci
Executive Director

It has been some time since our last issue of The Observer so I just want to take a few minutes and update you on what has happened and what we are planning.

Spring and summer brought changes to The Heritage Library – everyone is feeling the effects of this pandemic. We are continuing to work on growing a bigger virtual footprint – online classes, video tours, local literature discussions and more instead of bringing folks into the Library. One plus to offering online classes is that members from all over the country can take our classes from the comfort of their homes. We have had members and guests from 18 states take classes on DNA and Family Tree Maker over the past two months. We plan to meet with our partners this month to figure out how to make Historic Holidays on Hilton Head Island, a virtual event this year. Our virtual offerings will continue to grow as we close out this year and move into 2021. We will combine virtual and live so that we can offer more to all of you. The times, they are a-changing, and we are changing with the times.

One the most interesting projects that we are getting ready to kick off is the creation of an electronic time capsule designed to help tell the story of Hilton Head Island's Covid-19 experience. We are all a part of this historic moment and understanding more about how it changed our lives – the good and the bad – will help us to prepare for future emergencies. We will be creating a survey to go out to a wide variety of Hilton Head people so we can capture thoughts, experiences and recommendations about Covid-19. Lindsey Rambow with the Town of Hilton Head Island will be helping us with this project along with members from local Rotary Clubs and the Chamber of Commerce. If you are interested in working with us on the design and dissemination of the survey, please contact me at director@heritagelib.org.

Moving always creates some chaos and when the Library moved to our current location, we became more difficult to find. Hopefully that has improved with the installation of new signage along US 278 and New Orleans Road. We hope that this brings more of you to the Library – we would love to see you.

I want to offer up special thanks to the Heritage Classic Foundation. This year's golf tournament was great. Yes, we watched from our living rooms and we saw some great golf played on a great course. Our Island was a bright star in the midst of the pandemic. The Heritage Classic Foundation still provided us with an opportunity to raise funds through their Birdies for Charity and Champions for Charity programs – your donations were truly appreciated. The Foundation also donated masks to local charitable groups helping us to keep our volunteers and patrons safe. Thank you, Heritage Classic Foundation.

In addition, we give many thanks to the following that have stepped up to help us through the tough times we face. The Gaylord and Dorothy Donnelly Foundation provided us with a grant to help cover the costs and loss of revenue due to Covid-19. This group does incredible work in the lowcountry and we are proud to have received their support. We received a DBC Cares Business Grant that is providing us with funds for radio advertising so we can let folks know that we are open for business and providing services, thanks to DBC and Monty Jett. Let us know if you hear about us on the radio. We also received assistance in applying for and receiving a SBA EIDL grant/loan. The Chamber of Commerce, SCORE, and Sandy Leath, a SCORE volunteer, worked with us as we figured out the process for obtaining this funding. We couldn't have done it without them.

Even in a shutdown, The Heritage Library kept going – we are extremely grateful to everyone for their generosity and support.

Hilton Head Churches

First Baptist Church Hilton Head

The 1950's saw the beginning of development on Hilton Head in what is now considered the modern era. Before the bridge was opened in 1956 homes were being built and a few families had moved to the Island.

Several of the new families with Baptist backgrounds started to meet on Sundays for Bible study and fellowship. With help from Ridgeland Baptist Church a meeting was held on Thursday, July 16, 1956, to organize the Hilton Head Baptist Sunday School and elect officers. The first service of the newly established group was on August 5, 1956, with 56 people in attendance.

The Baptist Church of Beaufort adopted the Hilton Head Baptist as a mission in December 1957. Arrangements were made to construct a building for Sunday School

and worship services on five acres of land on South Forest Beach Drive that was donated by Sea Pines Plantation Company. The building was dedicated on July 6, 1958.

By late 1961 the members desired to organize as a separate church and on February 18, 1962 the mission church formally became the First Baptist Church Hilton Head. Lacking support from the Baptist Church of Beaufort for this change, the new church began meeting at the William Hilton Inn and later at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Frank Wilson while a new building was constructed on Woodward Avenue.

The membership grew and more space was needed than could be added at Woodward



By **Richard Chalk**
Volunteer

Ave. so in March 1976 an agreement was made with the Sea Pines Company to exchange the Woodward Ave. property for the original mission chapel and acreage on South Forest Beach Drive. A new building and renovations to the original mission chapel were dedicated in October 1977 and a new sanctuary in 1979.

The church has held an annual Easter sunrise service on the beach since 1957. In addition to regular Bible study and worship services, the church has been host to summer missionaries and has been active in mission work both at home and abroad.

From humble beginnings the membership now numbers more than 1,000.

History Department



Okay, I admit that it has been too, too quiet for the History Department. With quarantines, social distancing, and travel restrictions, visitor numbers at our sites are down. Fewer visitors mean that the docents, presenters, and living history characters have been hard at work making tours safe and interesting while promoting local history as only Heritage Library can do.

Scheduled this summer were Zion and Ft. Mitchel Tours. We had a docent and one living history character at the sites each week. Zion tours were on Tuesdays and

Ft. Mitchel tours on Thursdays. Although the numbers were not large, we did have visitors. Some of you that had family visiting scheduled a family tour. Yes, we do offer those, so if you have a group of visitors coming to the Island, please check with us. We would love to plan a fun activity for you at Zion or Ft. Mitchel.

Our tours will continue in September and October. We are preparing a fall schedule of history classes using Zoom. This platform provides us a great deal of flexibility so take note of the schedule in this issue of The Observer and also watch our website – we will be adding classes throughout the fall and early winter. Presentations will consist of some older topics and some new ones including Reconstruction on Hilton Head-Beaufort County, The Revolutionary War, and Slavery. We hope you will join us on Zoom.

Don't forget that Halloween is just around



By **Dee Phillips**
History Dept. Co-Chair

the corner with cooler weather and Ghosts and Myths on the schedule. The witch is ready to greet you as we gather to learn about history and have a little fun. A few new ideas have been added; we can't wait to see you. Thanks to a donation from the Bargain Box, we have some new audio equipment and costumes for our docents

and characters.

Check out our video tour of Zion Cemetery that we did for Coastal Discovery's Family Fun Week—we will be adding videos that feature both of our sites as we continue to improve our website and educational resources.

Promoting Heritage Library will continue to be one our goals, so if you need a speaker for a group, let us know.

Looking forward to seeing familiar faces and some new ones on Zoom.

Stay safe.

Using DNA to Find Living Cousins for Heirs Property Research

by Jan Alpert and Linda Piekut

Researching and solving heirs' property ownership has been a problem to many families all over the country for many years and has become particularly important to the families of the lowcountry. As property values rise and land development in the lowcountry explodes, it becomes more and more important to identify the owner(s) of the land to enable a family to keep or sell it. The most important first step to solving the question of who owns the land is to build a family tree.

Once the latest valid deed for any property in Beaufort County has been located at the Register of Deeds in the Beaufort County courthouse, begin your family research by identifying all the children of that last known landowner of record. Then add each of their children who are the grandchildren of the landowner of record. Continue this process of identifying as many children as possible for each generation until you include as many of the living heirs as you can find. If you are one of the heirs, be sure to build your tree through all the generations to include you, your children and grandchildren. Using your own family knowledge and that of your family members is a start towards your tree.

When it is time to fill in the blanks of your tree, The Heritage Library has multiple online resources available to help your research along, and volunteers available to help you search for the descendants and evaluate the records you find.

A new tool in our toolboxes is DNA. Autosomal DNA has been available to

consumers since 2010. Each person has 23 pairs of chromosomes from their father and their mother. If you are male the 23rd chromosome is called the Y chromosome which you received from your father and if you are female your 23rd chromosome is called X which you received from your mother. Autosomal DNA tests the other 22 chromosomes of both men and women. Approximately 50% of your autosomal DNA came from your father and 50% from your mother. In your father's 50% approximately 25% of the DNA comes from each of his parents who are your grandparents. The same is true for your mother's DNA and her ancestors. The following chart shows the DNA you

The four leading DNA testing companies are: Ancestry, MyHeritage, 23andme, and FamilyTreeDNA. Ancestry has tested 18 million people and many people of African-American descent since sponsoring "Finding Your Roots" hosted by Henry Louis Gates, Jr., PhD for several years. DNA kits can be costly, but they often go on sale. Once your DNA test is completed you need to link your tree to your DNA, and volunteers at The Heritage Library can assist you with interpreting your results. You will see the names of living people on the tree you build but Ancestry will list anyone without a death date as "private." Other DNA testing companies will list anyone without a death date as "living,"

Relative	% DNA Inherited
Parents	50%
Grandparents	25%
Great-Grandparents	12.5%
Great, Great-Grandparents	6.25%
Great, Great, Great-Grandparents	3.125%

inherit from previous generations.

Some DNA is lost as it is combined from parents at conception so the percentages may vary slightly. If the original landowner is four or more generations back, you probably should test one or two of your siblings because each sibling may have a different amount of surviving DNA from that ancestor and if so, they may have more or different cousin matches than you do.

thus, though the DNA testing companies protect the privacy of those who are living, they provide you with a way to contact them.

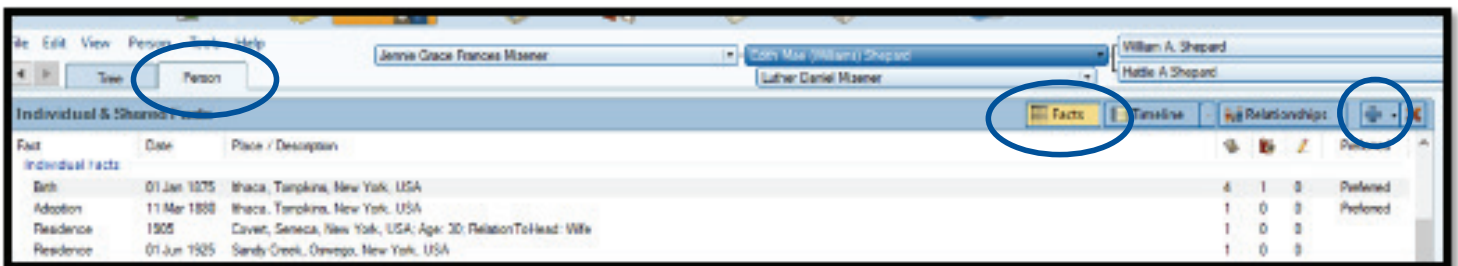
The Heritage Library will be opening an Heirs' Property Family Research Center at USCB's Hilton Head campus in the near future to assist families who are dealing with heirs' property issues and are building their family trees.

Family Tree Maker Tip: How to include birth parents of an adopted child

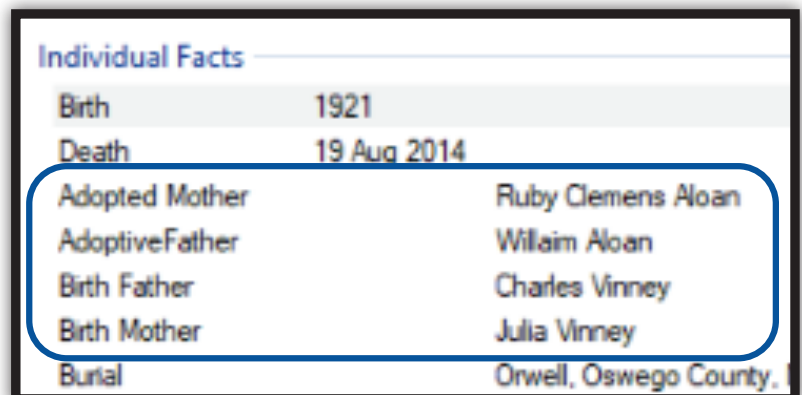
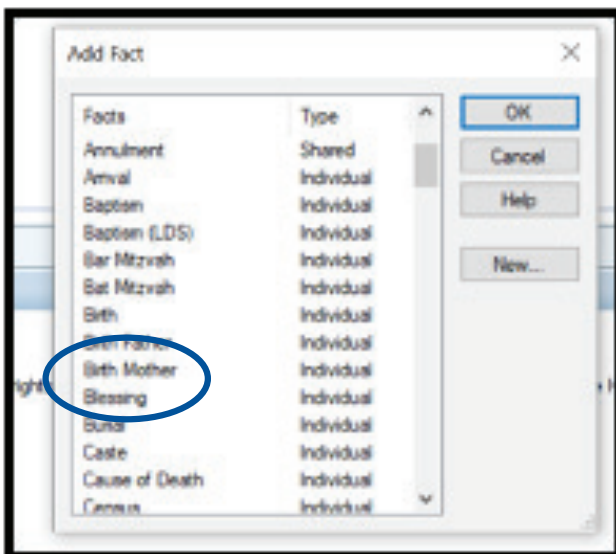
by Carol Clemens

This tip is based on a question I was asked. Is there a way to include the birth parents, if known, for an adopted child? Yes, this can easily be done in Family Tree Maker. While you can always just add the information in a note for the person, you can enter it into the tree facts. Below are the steps.

1. Go to the person in your tree for whom you want to add birth parents.
2. Click on the Person Tab.
3. Look for the FACTS tab on the right.



4. Click the + sign to the far right.
5. From the box that opens, find BIRTH Father and BIRTH Mother. If you do NOT see them, click NEW (located in the same box) and create them by typing Birth Father and repeat for Birth Mother. Note that you can create any relationship you might need the same way.



Once you click on one, look to the right and add the info. Repeat for the other birth parent as desired. The information will now be included in the facts for the person along with the adopted parents. You can add details in the notes section for the person if you wish.

Heritage Library Online Classes

The Heritage Library is excited to begin offering ancestry and history classes online. Below is a list of currently scheduled classes. Reservations are required and can be made at heritagelib.org. Class size is limited to provide for questions and discussion. Classes run approximately 1 hour and there is extra time scheduled in for questions.

This is a new adventure for the Library and our team of instructors and we will be using the ZOOM platform. There will be time at the beginning of each class to test your audio and video. If you are not familiar with ZOOM, please check out their website and review their tutorial information. A link to your class will be sent to the email you provide the day before your class is scheduled – that email will come from heritageclasseshhi@gmail.com. Please remember to check your SPAM file if you do not see the link to your scheduled program. We will be adding classes to the schedule throughout the year so be sure and check the website regularly. heritagelib.org

Cost: \$15 non-Library member | \$12 Library member

Registration Required for Online Classes: HeritageLib.org

Monday, Sept. 14 | 10:30am – 12:00 noon

PIECES OF YOUR PAST: A GENEALOGY PROJECT TO SHARE YOUR RESEARCH WITH CHILDREN

Instructor: Carol Clemens



Interested in sharing your family story with youngsters in the family without overwhelming them? This class will take you

step-by-step through a sample project that shares the highlights of your family story.

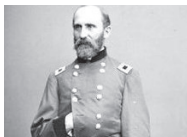
PREREQUISITES: basic computer skills for creating a word document (various programs work); photos and family information to use for the project; basic knowledge of Family Tree Maker is helpful

NOTE: Examples will be done using FTM 2019 software and Word.

Wednesday Sept. 16 | 10:30 – 11:30am

SHEPHERD OF THE SABLE MULTITUDE: GENERAL RUFUS SAXTON

Instructor: Rich Thomas



Examines the life and career of General Rufus Saxton, Military Governor of the Department of the South and Inspector

of Settlements and Plantations under General Sherman's special order creating the reservation for resettlement of the Freedmen. Saxton's determined struggle to resist President Johnson's order to return confiscated land to its former owners allowed the blacks on Edisto and the other sea islands to retain the lands they had purchased from the government following Emancipation.

Monday, Sept. 21 | 2020 10:30am – 12:00 noon

FAMILY TREE MAKER PART 1: OVERVIEW AND THE FIRST STEPS

Instructor: Carol Clemens

Why use Family Tree Maker software - What can be produced with the software? How do I buy the software? How do I begin setting up



and entering data in the program? This class is part of a 4 part series, you will find it most helpful if you take all 4 classes (there is no prerequisite for this class).

Wednesday, Sept. 23 | 10:30am – 12:00 Noon

STARTING YOUR FAMILY RESEARCH

Instructor: Susan Dobbs



This is a class for beginners and those in need of a refresher focusing on the basic concepts of genealogy and where to collect data.

Monday, Sept. 28 | 10:30am – 12:00 Noon

FAMILY TREE MAKER PART 2: GETTING STARTED: PEOPLE AND MEDIA TABS

Instructor: Carol Clemens



Now it's time to add people; set relationships; add and categorize media; set profile pictures; link media to several people at once; back up your files and more. This class gets you started on the process of documenting your family history in this software. *PREREQUISITE: You should have purchased FTM 2019 and installed it on your computer.*

Monday, Sept. 28 | 1:00 – 2:00pm

EARLY FAMILIES OF HILTON HEAD ISLAND

Instructor: Dee Phillips



There are many families of interest and significance during Hilton Head Island's history. The first session will discuss the life and actions of four patriots and their families: James and Charles Davant, Captain John Stoney, and Isaac Baldwin. What talents did they bring to the island? What did they do here? How did they live? What footprints did each of these families leave on this island?

Monday, Oct. 5 | 10:30am – 12:00 noon

FAMILY TREE MAKER PART 3: INTRODUCING THE WEB SEARCH AND PLACES TABS

Instructor: Carol Clemens



Follow your ancestors through maps; search web sites through Family Tree Maker, add favorite search sites; and add in-

formation directly to your tree. This is the next step toward creating a finished product. *PREREQUISITE: Completion of FTM Part 2 – 9/28 at 10:30 am.*

Wednesday, Oct. 7 | 10:30 – 11:30am

THE INSTITUTION OF SLAVERY-PART 1: THE BEGINNING THROUGH THE TRIANGULAR TRADE

Instructor: Rich Thomas



Explore the evolution of the practice of enslavement in different parts of the world from primitive man through the English shipment of Africans to the New World. The Native American slave trade as well as the Portuguese exportation of Africans to Brazil is examined as a precursor to the beginning of the African trade with the West Indies and North America.

Monday, Oct. 12 | 10:30am – 12:00 noon

FAMILY TREE MAKER PART 4: CREATING A FINAL PROJECT: FIND AND FIX ERRORS, GET STARTED WITH THE PUBLISH TAB

Instructor: Carol Clemens



Now it is time to create a final project so we will be exploring: how can I find and fix duplicate information and errors; what reports can be created; how can I share my work; and how can I create a book? This is the last step in the process and you will be amazed at what you can create and share. *Prerequisite: Completion of FTM Parts 2 & 3 – 9/28 and 10/5 both at 10:30am.*

Monday, Oct. 12 | 1:00 – 2:00pm
RECONSTRUCTION ON HILTON HEAD ISLAND, SC
– BEAUFORT COUNTY (1862-1877)

Instructor: Dee Phillips



The 1862 date is the beginning of the elements of the Rehearsal for Reconstruction on Hilton Head Island, Port Royal Experiment. Join the discussion, as the class looks at the early efforts to integrate the new freedmen into society, the Amendments that extended civil and political rights to newly freed African Americans, the gain of education, land, representation, and the Trailblazers who led the way.

Tuesday, Oct. 13 | 10:30am – 12:00 noon
FAMILY TREE MAKER 2019 REFRESHER:
MEDIA AND SEARCH REVIEW

Instructor: Carol Clemens



Class will be a brief review of the basics followed by questions and answers.

Have specific questions? Email them to cclemens318@gmail.com at least 1 week prior to the class.

PREREQUISITE: Open only to those who have completed the 4 part FTM Zoom class OR a previous FTM class through the Heritage Library.

Monday, Oct. 19 | 10:30am – 12:00 noon
RESEARCHING YOUR QUAKER ANCESTORS

Instructor: Susan Dobbs



This class focuses on the history of the migration of the Quaker population beginning in the early 1600's, the reason for continuous migration and how this population kept records.

Wednesday, October 21 | 10:30 – 11:30am
THE INSTITUTION OF SLAVERY-PART 2:
COLONIAL DEMAND THROUGH ABOLITION

Instructor: Rich Thomas



The development of the English trade in black African slaves as a response to the changing economy in the South-eastern American Colonies is explored in the context of the conditions of the Triangular Trade and the management and treatment of slaves on Southern Plantations. The rise of the Abolitionist Movement and the path to Emancipation is also examined in light of the revolutionary developments in the Port Royal Sound area in the early 1860's.

Monday Oct. 26, | 11:00am – 12:00 noon
MAXIMIZING THE DNA TOOLS AT ANCESTRY

Instructor: Jan Alpert



This class is a review of the Ancestry DNA website including Shared Matches, Thru Lines, and Common Ancestors.

Within the last year Ancestry has added colors and tags to identify surname groups and indicate adoption, hypothesis, brick wall, and more. New search tools have been added to find and communicate with a cousin match. This class is for people who have tested their DNA on Ancestry and have not taken Jan's DNA classes before.

Tuesday, Oct. 27 | 10:30am – 12:00 noon
FAMILY TREE MAKER 2019 REFRESHER:
FIXING ERRORS AND BEGINNING A BOOK

Instructor: Carol Clemens



Class will be a brief review of the basics followed by questions and answers.

Have specific questions? Email them to cclemens318@gmail.com at least 1 week prior to the class.

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Tours

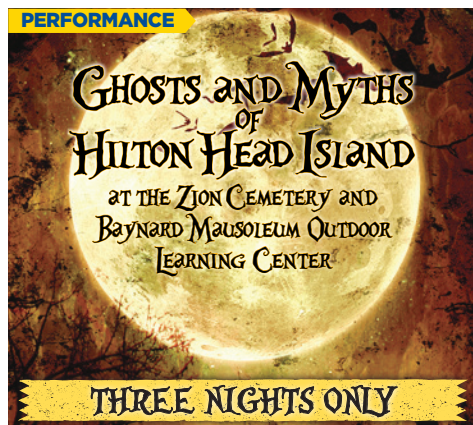
Reservations Required for Tours: HeritageLib.org



TUESDAYS AT 11AM

Visit the gravesites of four Revolutionary War heroes and find out about the bloody skirmish that was fought just steps away.
Corner of Hwy. 278 & Mathews Dr.

\$15/ADULT • \$10/CHILD



THURS., OCT. 22 | FRI., OCT. 23 | SAT., OCT. 24

Experience the chills of the paranormal stories of Hilton Head Island as we bring to life Lydia Davant, Andrew Baynard, Cap'n Jack Stoney, Mary Kirk, Paulson Schwarzer and William Eddings Baynard.
Corner of Hwy. 278 & Mathews Dr.

\$15/ADULT • \$10/CHILD



THURSDAYS AT 11AM

Fort Mitchel contains the remains of a coastal defense battery erected in 1862 to protect the Port Royal Sound by way of Skull Creek from incursions by Confederate gunboats.
65 Skull Creek Dr., Hilton Head Plantation

\$15/ADULT • \$10/CHILD

Heritage Library Membership

Welcome to 16 New and 81 Renewal Members who have joined our Heritage Library Family.



By **Laurette
Doscher-Benfante**
Membership Chair

NEW MEMBERS	RENEWAL MEMBERS		
South Carolina	South Carolina	Louise Bellace Anne Bender Lawrence Bentley Sunni Bond	Judith McCracken and John McLaughlin Sally McGarry Joyce and Patrick Murphy Beth O'Keefe
Beaufort Kate Vermilyea and Steven Torborg	Beaufort Ronald Grindle Ursula Mercier and John Sova	Jo'anne and Ron Bradley Nancy and Bob Breckinridge Audrey and Ezra Callahan Richard Chalk	Dee Phillips Joe Player Mary and William Porter Margaret Rabeor
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Librarian's Corner

The Heritage Library has reopened. The safety procedures that our Executive Director has put in place have provided a safe environment for everyone using the Library.

We had several online classes this summer. Jan Alpert did a terrific job covering the use of DNA results from various companies as well as instructions on how to use the DNA Painter. Carol Clemens broke down her Family Tree Maker Classes into four-parts. Attendance was high. These classes will be offered again in the fall and Carol is strongly suggesting that individuals sign up



Susan Dobbs
Head Librarian

for all four parts, even if they have used FTM for years. Although I have taken all of her previous classes, I took her new classes, did the homework she assigned, and found that I have a better understanding and appreciation of the FTM program.

We have shortened classes to an hour with an additional thirty minutes for questions and answers. The instructors are providing specific handouts you can print before a class. The key to retaining what you have learned in class is practicing the information soon after. This fall our classes will be through Zoom.

Here are some updated features from Ancestry:

- Newspapers.com is creating an obituary index
- All the World War II draft cards are now online. To see the actual record, visit Fold 3
- Hints on Ancestry have been revised, they have removed irrelevant hints
- Ancestry's mobile app now has a map feature
- Ancestry claims they have now tested DNA for over 18 million individuals

We would like your suggestions – what classes would you like to see offered in the coming year. Please email me at: Librarian@heritagelib.org with your ideas.