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TENNESSEE GENEALOGICAL

Society



Quarterly Membership Meeting of the Tennessee Genealogical Society

Saturday, October 13, 2018, 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Tennessee Genealogical Society Office
7779 Poplar Pike, Germantown, TN

Please join us for the final Membership Meeting of the year. Members will be voting on a revision to the current TNGS Bylaws. Members will also have the opportunity to discuss and approve the budget for 2019.

President **Gail Braddock's** presentation will cover using the Tennessee Electronic Library.

We encourage all members to attend in order to receive updates on the progress of the Society's 2018 yearly goals and also on upcoming events.



There is still time to register for the TNGS Fall DNA Seminar!

Germantown Church of Christ

8723 Poplar Pike, Germantown

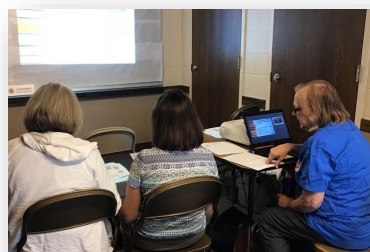
Saturday, November 3, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Blaine Bettinger, Ph.D., J.D., is an intellectual property attorney by day and a DNA specialist by night. In 2007, he started The Genetic Genealogist (www.thegeneticgenealogist.com), one of the earliest blogs on the topic. Dr. Bettinger has been interviewed and quoted on personal genomics topics in *Newsweek*, *New Scientist*, *Wired* and others. He is the author of *The Family Tree Guide to DNA Testing and Genetic Genealogy*, and co-author with Debbie Parker Wayne of the award-winning *Genetic Genealogy in Practice*, the world's first genetic genealogy workbook.

*Doors open at 8:30 a.m. Please register and pay by credit card or Paypal at www.tngs.org by **deadline Tuesday, October 30, 2018**; or checks can be mailed to TNGS at PO Box 381824, Germantown, TN 38183-1824.*

Several of our TNGS Board members taught classes at the Memphis RootsTech Family Discovery Day event of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints on August 18, 2018.

Those participating were: **John Ware** (Advanced Genealogy - Probates and Wills); **Tina Sansone** (African-American Research: Getting Started); **Gail Braddock** (Using Daughters of the American Revolution Resources for Research); **Debbie Atchley** (DNA, Part 1: Which Test Should I Take? and DNA, Part 2: How To Use My DNA Results); and **Jennifer Baker** (FamilySearch Apps).



President's Corner: Gail Braddock, TNGS President

Social Media like Facebook and Instagram keep a person up-to-date on current issues as a Society. TNGS is succeeding on both of these. One photo garnered over 3,000 hits. A video scored numerous hits. Yet when I talk to a great number of Society members, they tell me "Facebook? Not me!" or "I would never go on Instagram," or something similar. Why won't our own membership support us by checking us out on the world's most popular social networking sites?

Let's take a short detour and look at Facebook as a social media, what it is and what it does. According to Wikipedia, an on-line encyclopedia, "Social media are computer-mediated tools that allow people to create, share or exchange information, ideas, and pictures/videos in the virtual communities and networks. For content contributors, the benefits of participating in social media have gone beyond simply social sharing to building reputation."

"Facebook? Not me!" Why not? The whole world is on it. Support our little part of the world by supporting the Tennessee Genealogical Society on our Facebook page. You don't even have to participate with other people on Facebook to do it. It will be painless, I promise.

Check it out on Google. Type in Facebook/Tennessee Genealogical Society. That's it. You will see some photos and videos from the Society that you have never seen before. Check us out on the world's most popular social network: Facebook.

In the next few weeks: Membership Meeting: Oct. 13 at 10
 Veterans Ambassador Program: Oct 20, 9-4 and Oct 21, 11-4
 Fall Seminar: Dr. Blaine Bettinger, Sat. Nov. 3, 2018, 9 -3

See tngs.org.

Living my dream,
Gail Braddock, President
Tennessee Genealogical Society
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Give to TNGS by Adopting A Book



One way to give back to the genealogy community is by adopting a book to be placed in the Germantown Regional History and Genealogy Center. When you adopt one of these books, it will be placed on the shelf with a bookplate showing your name as the donor, or you may adopt a book in honor of someone special to you. Please choose from the titles below for your Adopt-A-Book selection.

- *Runaways, Coffles and Girls: A History of Slavery in Tennessee*, written by Bill Carey, \$34.95
- *Smith Wills and Deeds and Family Histories, Vol. I*, by Linda Cheek, \$50.00
- *1890 Genealogical Census Reconstruction: Tennessee, Volume 1*, by Sherida K. Eddlemon, \$24.00
- *Essex County, Virginia Guardianship and Orphans Records, 1707-1888, A Descriptive Index*, by Wesley E. Pippenger, \$20.00
- *Using Land Records*, by Patricia Law Hatcher, \$41.00
- *Underaged Warriors: Over 600 Stories about the Courage and Hardship of Children Ages 7 to 14 Who Fought in the American Revolution*, by Jack Darrell Crowder, \$57.00
- *Four Families: A Tetralogy, Synopsis of 481 Immigrants to America, With Some of Their Descendants and European Ancestors*, by George J. Hill, \$26.50
- *Marylanders to Tennessee*, by Henry C. Peden, Jr., \$23.00
- *Estate Settlements of Blount County, Tennessee, Naming Heirs Extracted from: Execution Book II, Chancery Court, February 1872-February 1893; Execution Book II, County Court, April 1893-February 1915; and the Workbook of James A. Greer, Clerk and Master, Chancery Court, 1885-1890*, by Albert W. Dockter, Jr., \$18.00
- *Will Book 1, Amelia County, Virginia Wills 1735-1761, Bonds, 1735-1754*, by Gibson J. McConnaughey, \$18.00 plus \$4.00 shipping
- *Will Book 2, Amelia County, Virginia (1771-1780) Amelia, Virginia*, by Gibson J. McConnaughey, \$18.00 plus \$4.00 shipping

Wonderful Progress on the GRHGC Cataloging Project

If you're searching the Germantown library catalog for genealogy items, you may now have an easier time of finding what you're looking for. The purpose of the cataloging project is to repair and update the records for the materials currently housed in our library. The records were added to the catalog using the list that TNGS maintained when they donated the materials to the Germantown library in 2006. The records were not properly formatted at that time for use in the online catalog and did not contain complete subject headings.

In the last 16 months, cataloger **Octavia Ashby** has fixed the records of 1,987 items. These include records for the international books and the states of Arkansas, Oregon, Colorado, Minnesota, and all of the West Tennessee counties. She is currently working on the records for the state of Mississippi with about one quarter of them completed. Also, **Caroline Floyd** has just been hired to assist with the cataloging project. She is working on the records for the state of Virginia.

Please let these catalogers know how much you appreciate them, and give them a big **THANK YOU!**

Meet Wendy Davison

Wendy has served for two years on the TNGS Board as the Director of Social Media, responsible for the TNGS Facebook page and Twitter account. Wendy is currently employed at FedEx where she has served for the past 13 years as a Program Management Advisor in the Customer Services Department.

After an 18-year career in Detroit, Michigan, with a direct mail marketing firm, Wendy moved to Memphis in 2005 to escape the snow and ice of the north and to be closer to her family who reside in Mississippi, Arkansas, and Tennessee. Wendy holds a BS in Business Administration. Wendy has two adult married children and six grandchildren, all residing in the Memphis area.



Volunteers are needed in the library on Mondays from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. to assist visitors with finding materials and research. Please help if you can!