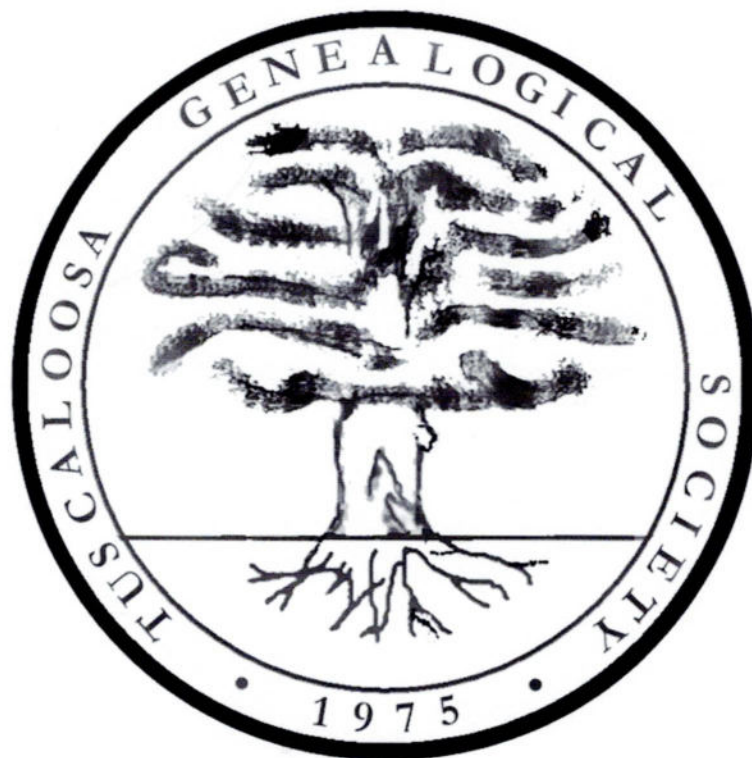


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The West Alabamian

January 10, 1872

Capt. W. H. Jemison passed through our town on Wednesday of last week on his way to his new home, or rather old home. We regret to lose so good a citizen and clever, upright gentleman. Our loss is Tuscaloosa's gain. We wish the Captain and his interesting family prosperity and happiness.

Submitted by Gayle Friday House



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Visitors and prospective members are welcome at all times and their participation in our projects is needed and desired. The only requirement is the expression of a desire to enhance their genealogical and historical knowledge.

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PROGRAMS

3 April 2008 PROGRAM: "A visit with Abigail Adams" an original dramatization

PRESENTER: Sybil Durrett Banks

INTRODUCTION: Betty Jean Weaver

1 May 2008 PROGRAM: "The American Village in Montevallo, Alabama"

PRESENTER: Cathy Randall, Ph. D

INTRODUCTION: Mark Scogin

5 June 2008 PROGRAM: Land Record Basics

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INTRODUCTION: Charlotte Tucker

3 July 2008 PROGRAM: Using GenSmarts

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7 August 2008 PROGRAM: Alabama Civil War and Reconstruction Records

PRESENTER: Elizabeth Wells

INTRODUCTION: R.L. Guffin

4 September 2008 PROGRAM: Non-Population Censuses: Agriculture, Industrial and
Manufacturing, Mortality, and Slaves

PRESENTER: Joan K. Mitchell, Ph. D

INTRODUCTION: Sybil Durrett Banks

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Early Pickens County Marriages
taken from the
Pickensville Reporter, Pickensville, AL

All early records stored in the Pickens County Courthouse were destroyed by the last courthouse burning in 1876. These records are from early newspapers beginning in the 1840's.

- 05/8/1841: John **Williams** to Mrs. Harret **Pettigew**, dau. of John M. **Pettigew**
04/29/1841: John **Shepherd** to Miss Eliza **Carson**, dau. of John **Carson**
06/17/1841: Whites **Evans** to Miss Caroling **Wells**, both of Noxubee County, MS
6/19/1841: John **Cobb** to Miss Sarah Ann **Fullerton**
07/20/1841: John J. **Deal** to Miss Rachel J. **Deal** of Noxubee Co. , MS
10/02/1841: Nimrod H. **Dottry** to Nancy **McCombs**, dau. of John **McCombs**
10/23/1841: James **Chalmers** to Eliza Jane **Campbell**, dau. of Jacob **Campbell**
07/07/1842: Dr. John T. **McCune** to Miss Elizabeth E. **Blythe**, formerly of Columbia, SC
01/08/1842: Pharas **Landrum** to Miss Eliza A. **Mansher**, dau. of David **Mansher**
01/06/1842: John R. Williams of SC to Miss Nancy Elliott **McCafferty**, dau. of Wm. **McCafferty**
01/20/1842: Andrew J. **Land** to Catherine Elizabeth **Easterwood**
03/5/1842: Lewis **Ball**, Jr. to Martha Adaline **Belcher**, dau. of Littleton **Belcher**
03/31/1842: Dr. John N. **Nelson** to Mary Jane **Hargrove**
01/Jan/1842: Thomas **Lang** to Elizabeth **McDaniel**, all of Sumpter County, AL
01/27/1842: Abner **Harrell** to Sarah **Lewis**, dau. of Levi **Lewis**, all of Sumpter County, AL
03/7/1842: Robert B. **Lowe** to Laura A. **Cone** of Tuscaloosa, AL
03/25/1842: A. M. **Bradly** to Mrs. P. **Withers**, dau. of Capt. Samuel **Jordon** of Limestone, AL
03/ 19/1842: George W. **Harper** of Macon, AL to Ann E. **Barnett**, dau. of Major **Barnett** of Russell Co.
03/22/1842: Dr. William J. P. **Haughton** to Julia A.S. **Brandon**, dau. of Thomas **Brandon** of Madison Co.
03/22/1842: Hardin P. **Lewis** to Mary O. **Newell** of Madison Co.
03/10/1842: William **Hite** to Etna **Haskins**, dau. of Thomas **Haskins** of Sumpter Co.

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January 10, 1872

The first boat of the season arrived at the Pickensville landing last Sunday evening. She put off an immense freight for Col. J. C. Moorhead, dealer in family groceries and plantation supplies, Pickensville, Ala. Col. M. is prepared to supply everybody with groceries, at very low figures.



Submitted by Gayle Friday House

Early Pickens County Marriages
taken from the
Pickensville Reporter, Pickensville, AL

- 03/22/1842: William O. **Boskin** to Mary Ann **Mitchell** of Green Co.
03/09/1842: Wade Hampton **Nations** of Pickens Co., SC to Mary Ann **Trammell** of Henderson Co., SC
03/15/1842: Jesse **Trammell** of Henderson Co., SC to Margret Marie **Nations** of Pickens Dist., SC
03/23/1842: Dr. John E. **Beck** to Edmonie **Mosley** of Noxubee Co., MS
02/15/1842: John W. **Hawthorn** to Sarah Ann **Oliver** of Memphis, AL
03/24/1842: William H. **Dandridge** of Gainsville to Mrs. Elizabeth **Mosley** of Sumpter Co.
03/29/1842: Thomas **King** to Elmira P. **Plant** of Pickensville
04/12/1842: Capt. James N. **Vail** to Harriet **Johnson**, dau. of Rev. Henry **Johnson**
06/14/1842: John **Briggs** to Agnes **Pollock** of Florence, AL
06/16/1842: James M. **Allen** to Martha J. **Munford** to Green Co., AL
06/17/1842: James **Hastiss** to Nancy **Moss**
06/21/1842: Richard **Whiting** to Martha A. **Harell**
06/21/1842: Maj. Albert Payton **Bush** to Sarah Ann **Williams**, dau. of Curtis **Williams**
09/03/1842: Issac **Taylor** to Matilda Caroline **Barham**
10/15/1842: Green W. **Trimble** to Elizabeth **Barksdale**
11/24/1842: Elizah **Clark** to Mrs. Mary Ann **Chapell**
12/03/1842: Col. William J. H. **Davis** to Frances A. H. **Burdine**, dau. of James T. **Burdine**
07/06/1843: James **Dewese** to Emeline **Sanders**, dau. of Philip **Sanders** of Noxubee Co., MS
06/25/1843: Mathew **Lyons** to Susan **Muscozee**, dau. of Rev. Lee **Comdere** of Tuppah Co., MS
07/11/1843: J. R. **McGurley** to Sephronia **Cummings** of Lounds Co., MS
08/03/1843: R. Miles **Doss** to Elizabeth **Petty**, gr. dau. of Rev. Henry **Petty** of Lounds Co., MS
02/19/1842: Dr. Charles **Montgomery** to Caroline **Shiver** of Green Co., AL
03/01/1842: George W. **Neal** to Ann E. **Malone**, dau. of Nashville **Malone** of Madison Co., AL

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Died: Miss Matilda A. Berry departed this life at the residence of her niece, Mrs. S. M. Pannell, in Pickens County, Ala., on the 12th of December, 1871, aged 73 years, 7 months and 22 days. Miss Berry was born in Natchez, Miss., April 20th, 1798. In the Fall of 1828 she professed religion and joined the Baptist church, of which she remained a consistent and pious member to the day of her death. Two older sisters and many relatives survive her.



A Brief History of the James H. Taylor Family

Submitted by Gayle Friday House

James Henry TAYLOR, born 18 June 1820 in Raleigh, North Carolina married December 1846, Laura Ann ELLIS, born 22 December 1831 in Pickens County, Alabama. Laura Ann ELLIS was the daughter of Underhill ELLIS, Jr. and Martha MAYFIELD. James H. TAYLOR was an overseer for Underhill ELLIS, Jr. James H. TAYLOR died 11 February 1891 and is buried in Crossroads Cemetery, Carrollton, Alabama. He served in the CSA (no dates on marker). Laura Ann ELLIS TAYLOR died 12 September 1885 and is also buried in Crossroads Cemetery, Carrollton, Alabama.

Children of James H. TAYLOR and Laura Ann ELLIS are:

- (1) Zachary Underhill TAYLOR, born 07 February 1850, died _____, married Americus Jane LANCASTER HICKS.
- (2) James Samuel TAYLOR, born 18 September 1851, died 09 May 1852.
- (3) Sarah Elizabeth TAYLOR, born 09 May 1853, died 12 September 1885 in Texas, married Tab LINNARD.
- (4) William Henry TAYLOR, born 12 October 1854, died 07 March 1857.
- (5) Oliver Reddin TAYLOR, born 19 August 1856, died 27 August 1917.
- (6) Eliza Saphronia TAYLOR, born 28 May 1858, died 27 August 1917. "Fronnie" never married. She is buried in Crossroads Cemetery, Carrollton, Alabama.
- ** (7) **Amanda Adella (Qdella) TAYLOR**, born 26 February 1860, died 27 March 1922. She married David Carr MOORE, son of John Wilson MOORE and M. Katie MOBLEY on 26 January 1882. "Dave" and "Della" MOORE are buried in Crossroads Cemetery, Carrollton, Alabama. John Wilson MOORE is buried in Bethel Cemetery, Hwy 17 between Reform and Carrollton, Alabama. He served in Co. D. 26th Ala. Inf, CSA. M. Katie MOBLEY is buried in Ridge Beat.
- (8) Adora Ann Isibell TAYLOR, born 30 October 1861, died 26 August 1896. "Dora" married Lemuel Harrison BREWER about 1892.
- (9) Nancy Henry TAYLOR, born 28 December 1863, died 09 February 1891. She married Adolphus BRUNN 26 March 1883. Note: In her obituary on page 5 of this newsletter, she is listed as Nannie H. TAYLOR. I don't know if this is just an error on the part of the individual submitting the information or if there is another explanation as to why she is not listed with her married name.
- (10) Celestral Lee TAYLOR, born 09 April 1866, died 13 October 1915. "Lessie" married S. Lyhue HARRELL on 20 January 1887.
- (11) Harriet Rebecca TAYLOR, born 30 May 1868, died 03 July 1947. She married Simpson S. BRANDON. "Hat" and "Simp" are buried in Crossroad Cemetery, Carrollton, Alabama.

**Children of Amanda Adella TAYLOR and David Carr MOORE

- (1) James "Jim" MOORE, married Nannie (Unknown last name)
- (2) William "Bill" MOORE, married Lucille ROOKER
- (3) Iva Mae MOORE, born 29 June 1888 in Pickens County, Alabama; died 01 December 1975. Iva married 15 December 1909 Archie Hugh FRIDAY, born October 26, 1887, died 23 August 1923. "Hugh" was the son of Thomas FRIDAY and Mary Ann CLARDY.
- (4) Velma Ann MOORE married Earl WINBORNE.
- (5) Katie Lee MOORE married Preston TRUELOVE.
- (6) Hattie Irene MOORE married Vaughn TRUELOVE.
- (7) Thomas "Tom" M. MOORE married Pearl HESTER.
- (8) Joseph "Joe" Earl MOORE married Cliffie NORRIS.



Dave and Della Moore



“Name Your Disaster”

There are three primary variables to consider when thinking of how best to protect your data:

1. Probability of loss
2. Consequences of incurring a loss
3. Cost / effort to protect against loss

Years ago I was responsible for Disaster Recover of the mainframe and applications for a Fortune 500 company that had thousands of online users spread around the world. We had a Director of Telecommunications that had one famous quote that I still use today: "Name your disaster". That phrase -- plus some unpleasant personal experiences -- has driven my actions for trying to preserve my data.

Comparing my situation to many acquaintance's, I would think that I fall somewhere in the middle when considering the types of data to be protected, and at the lower end when considering volume.

- a) I have data from years of reviewing public records, but all of that should be fairly easy to replace (excluding the "time" factor).
- b) I have many old photographs, some 100+ years old, that could never be replaced, but I have made copies that will do in a pinch.
- c) There is a family bible that dates back to 1781 that falls into the "can never be replaced" category. I have photographs of it and all of the handwriting contained within, and could place it in a safe deposit box.
- d) I have many family stories, from people that are now long gone, that are all on my computer.
- e) Emails from people from years ago that fall into the category "not related today, but possibly tomorrow" are in various places.
- f) Books / documents that have been acquired that range from "major publications" to "Uncle Jim made only these two copies".
- g) Other reference materials (Census CD's, Marriage CD's, etc.) My approach to preserving my data is a compromise between protecting everything and protecting those things that I really care about.

I have created a "special" folder on my computer, which in turn contains a sub-folder for each product or class of information. There are folders for all my word processing, digital pictures, financial data, plus many more. I then have all my software products use those folders as their default path. This approach allows me to create a backup of the main folder and know that I am saving everything I truly care about. I have my reasons why I don't worry too much about backing up the software products.

I also have a second hard drive installed in the computer. On at least a monthly basis I copy my main folder to the backup drive -- just in case there's a crash. The odds of both drives having a crash at the same time are slim (UPS).

Then every couple of months I would create CD's as backups. Sometimes I would take them to my neighbor's house; sometimes I would stick them in the safe deposit box. Since I have been through a number of computer upgrades over the years, I also have three or four older hard drives that I sometimes make backup copies to.

Since I don't have an off-site storage plan for my non-computer data, that is what's really at risk.

Now when you consider the quote from above, "Name your disaster", you quickly realize that the tornado that takes my house, my neighbor's house, plus the bank with the safe deposit box, it has truly exceeded my "probability" expectations. On the other hand, when my hard drive crashes, I can take comfort in knowing that at the worst it only cost me a month -- not a lifetime of research.

Hope someone finds this helpful.

Wayne Dunn
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January 13, 2006



**Taken from an article in
The West Alabamian, November 29, 1865, Number 45**

**“List of Marriages which have occurred in Pickens County since the Surrender.
There were many other marriages but the person who performed the ceremony has not returned the
license to the Probate Office.”**

NEAL, P. T. and Mrs. Margaret L. **ROSE** by H. M. **GLASS**, Nov. 9, 1865
ROZZELL, W. J. and Miss S. F. **GUYTON** by H. M. **GLASS**, Oct. 16
BASKINS, W. C. and Miss Ellen **SHERROD** by Jas. **SOMERVILLE**, 10th Oct.
GOING, Jas. A. and Miss Myrtis E. **BILLUPS** by Jas. **SOMERVILLE**, 25th Oct.
HAMITER, Jno. T. and Miss M. A. **McAFFERTY** by S. F. **HILL**, Nov. 7
BANKSTON, E. J. and Miss L. M. J. **HARPER** by J. B. **NABORS**, Oct. 17th
SHERRER, W. M. and Miss Sarah **LOVE** by J. T. **BURDINE**, 2nd Nov.
JONES, V. W. and Miss Ann E. **POOL** by W. B. **BURGESS**, 8th Nov.
CONNER, John E. and Miss Martha **LANKFORD** by E. **BOONE**, Oct. 30
HENDERSON, A. and Mrs. L. P. **GARNER** by J. **KILPATRICK**, 1st Nov.
CAMERON, Robt. and Miss D. **HUFFMAN** by R. D. **CARVER**, Oct. 31
BURTON, Charles and Mrs. J. **TAYLOR** by M. P. **SMITH**, 26th Oct.
RHODES, P. and Miss Elizabeth **HOGUE** by E. **BOONE**, Oct. 24
ELLIS, V. and Mrs. Eliza A. **ELLIS** by J. T. **BURDINE**, 19th Oct.
CARROLL, J. A. and Miss E. C. **ADAMS** by R. J. **PERRY**, 26th Oct.
LOLLIS, W. H. and Miss Sarah A. **WOODARD** by A. **HENDERSON**, Oct. 19
BRIDGES, J. W. and Miss R. J. **GOING** by J. **SOMERVILLE**, Oct. 17
SHERDEN, W. N. and Miss C. **STUCKY** by E. R. **SHIPMAN**, Oct. 14
HENRY, J. T. and Miss Mary J. **WHORTON** by J. M. **GANN**, Oct. 5
JONES, J. R. and Miss A. **BROWNLEE** by R. J. **HENRY**, Sept. 24
ASHMORE, J. W. and Miss Elizabeth **SIMPSON** by R. J. **HENRY**, Sept. 18
LOVE, Elvin E. and Miss Mary J. **SUGGS**
PASCAL, J. J. and Miss Marselline **GRICE** by M. J. **McLEAN**, Sept. 27
WOOD, W. J. and Miss M. J. **SKIDMORE** by E. **ELROD**, Sept. 21
FOSTER, ____ bot. and Mrs. Mary **McNORTON** by R. J. **PERRY**, Sept. 21
TRACY, Dennis and Miss W. A. **COLEMAN** by R. J. **PERRY**, Sept. 17
MITCHELL, J. A. and Miss Mary J. **HALL** by A. A. **SPILLERS**, Oct. 1
POOL, B. N. S. and Miss Ann **THOMAS** by E. **BOON**, Sept. 15
MITCHELL, R. C. and Miss Jo Ann **CLARKHINES**,
HINES, W. J. and Miss M. D. **PARK** by M. P. **SMITH**, Sept. 13
KERR, Geo. T. and Miss Emma **THOMPSON** by J. **STEWART**, Sept. 7
ADAMS, Josh and Miss Amanda **GANNON** by H. **SHEPERD**, Sept. 5
HORTON, Hollis and Miss Mary A. **GIBSON** by a. M. **WATSON**



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WILLIAMS, J. F. and Miss A. M. **GLOVER** by W. **BURGESS**, Aug. 30
COOK, J. M. and Miss M. E. **BRADLEY** by J. **COLEMAN**, Sept. 1
BRASSFIELD, W. W. and Miss M. M. **GILMER** by R. S. **KENNEDY**, Aug. 31
ALLEN, J. W. and Miss Mary J. **CLEGG** by J. S. **WOOTEN**, Aug. 24
WRIGHT, J. H. and Miss Mary J. **HERITAGE** by C. T. **GUNTER**, Aug. 24
TURNIPSEED, J. A. and Miss Mary B. **LIPSEY** by M. J. **McLEAN**, Aug. 23
WINDHAM, J. R. and Miss Mary **PRICE** by T. P. **ORYMES**, Aug. 23
McAFFERTY, R. B. and Miss Mary **JONES** by W. F. **SPRAGINS**, Aug. 15
STRATTEN, W. J. and Miss Mary E. **BROWNLEE** by W. **MURRAH**, July 13
KENNEDY, R. M. and M. C. **HUGHES** by A. M. **WATSON**, June 29
COOK, Jno. M. and Mr. Sarah **POTTS** by J. **KILPATRICK**, July 9
MOODY, A. and Miss Henrietta H. **BAKER** by W. **ASHCRAFT**, June 22
WILBURNE, Geo. W. and H. **SUTHARD** by E. **ELROD**, June 7
DUNN, R. F. and P. A. **NABERS** by W. **ASHCRAFT**, July 9?
TALIAFERRO, R. T. and Miss Margaret C. **FIELBIE** by R. **MURRAH**, June ____
WHITE, ____li and Miss Jerusha **FOX** by W. H. **BELL**, May 28
GANN, Geo. W. and Miss Dolly A. **BELL** by J. M. **GANN**, Aug 8
POOL, Wm. And Miss Mary E. **RANDEL** by J. M. **GANN**, Aug. 3rd
HANNAH, T. L. and Mrs. T. E. **HANNAH** by H. M. **GLASS**, 13th Aug.
OATS, P. and Miss Jane **ANDERSON** by L. D. **HARDEN**, 27th July
COLLINS, W. W. and Miss Sarah **MITCHELL** by _____, Aug 3rd or 9th
HARRIS, N. L. and Mrs. D. **COWART** by J. D. **NABERS**, Aug. 8
GRESHAM, Geo. And Miss C. **REYNOLDS** by J. **HOLLINGSWORTH**, July 21
HENLEY, A. T. and Miss Mary C. **MANNING** by W. **MURRAH**, Aug. 10
ESTELLE, Isaac and Miss Matilda **WILEY** by Thos. **RULANT**, June 4
McKEE, David and Miss L. N. **BELL** by E. **ELROD**, Aug. 8
SANDERS, E. D. and Miss A. C. **WELLS** by J. C. **FOSTER**, July 25
WINBURN, J. R. and Miss Anna **SANDERS** by E. **BOON**, July 26
LOYD, R. A. and Miss J. J. **WINBURNE** by J. H. **CASON**, July 21
COX, Jas. M. and Mrs. Martha **McCULLOUGH** by H. Vail, June 28
LEONARD, T. H. and Miss Sarah **WELCH** by R. **WILKINS**, June 25
WELLS, B. F. and M. E. J. **TATE** by J. T. **GREGORY**, June 21
McARTHUR, J. S. and Miss M. E. **LINEBARGER** by J. N. **ACKER**, June 8
DUNCAN, D. A. and Miss Mariah **BEARDLY** by J. M. **GANN**, June 15
DONAHO, E. and Miss E. **PHILLIPS** by J. L. **ESTES**, May 19
GLASS, R. W. L. and Miss Mary E. **FERGUSON** by W. **MURRAH**, May 9
DUKE, J. C. and Miss Lucy **KING** by _____ **ASHCRAFT**, May 11



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A LIST OF MARRIAGES

“Additional to what we published some weeks since, the Probate Judge has kindly furnished us with 26 others.”

W. J. **Jones** and Miss A. **Bailey**, by J. A. **Peebles**, December 12, 1865
 J. T. **Wallis** and Miss A. **Miller** by T. **Rideout**, Nov. 19
 N. J. **Dill** and Miss M. **Ellis**, by T. **Rideout**, Nov. 14
 J. **Cother** and Miss E. **Winston**, by W. **Ashcraft**, Dec. 6
 L. D. **Henly** and Miss L. **Stone**, by A. D. **McVoy**, Dec. 6
 L. P. **Baker** and S. E. **Hanson**, by A. M. **Hanks**, July 17
 J. W. **Hanson** and Mrs. J. A. **Fletcher**, by A. M. **Hanks**, 27th July
 W. H. **Hull** and Miss M. A. **Peebles**, by M. M. **Blalock**, Oct 18
 J. W. **Murrah** and Miss J. J. **St. John**, by R. J. **Henry**, Nov 2
 W. H. **Randall** and Miss J. R. **Youngblood**, by J. M. **Gann**, Nov. 2
 J. H. **Curry** and Miss N. L. **Ferguson**, by J. W. **Taylor**, Nov. 28
 J. T. **Shepherd** and Miss Marietta **Castles**, by J. **Stewart**, Nov. 29
 A. M. **Horton** and Miss N. F. **Mann**, by J. A. **Peebles**, Nov. 30
 M. L. **Thompson** and Miss E. **Easterling** by J. **Stewart**, Nov. 23
 J. L. **Parham** and Mrs. N. C. **Williams**, by J. W. **Taylor**, Nov 16
 R. R. **Hughes** and Miss E. **Somerville**, by J. **Somerville**, 25th Oct.
 J. J. **Funderburk** and Miss H. A. **Blakeney**, by H. **Vail**, Nov. 16
 N. Cooper and M. **Vincent**, by G. W. **Gillespie**, Nov. 16
 J. N. **Bell** and Mrs. M. **Brownlee**, by J. M. **Gann**, Nov. 2
 T. W. **Johnson** and Miss M. D. **Wallis** by J. W. **Taylor**, Sept. 28
 W. W. **Ball** and Mrs. M. A. **Richey**, by J. W. **Taylor**, Sept. 14
 J. V. **Peebles** and Mrs. L. **Hood** by J. A. **Peebles**, Sept. 8
 J. H. **Robertson** and Miss T. A. **Smith** by J. A. **Peebles**, Sept. 6
 H. **Williams** and Mrs. M. E. **Aycock**, by A. M. **Hanks**, June 29
 R. R. **Osborne** and Mrs. E. E. **Joyner**, by A. M. **Hanks**, June 14

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MARRIED

Married on the 25th of Oct. 1865, at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. F. J. **Perry**, Mr. J. A. **Carroll** and Miss E. C. **Adams**, all of this county.

On the 7th of November 1865, by Rev. Dr. **Hill**, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. J. Tyler **Hamiter** and Miss Margaret **McCafferty**, all of Pickens County.



Draft Registration Cards for WWI

The Selective Service Act was passed on May 18, 1917, which gave the President authority to increase the size of our military. Local boards handled the registrations.

Registration was done on three dates. On June 5, 1917 all men between the ages of 21-31 were required to register. The men who turned 21 after June 5, 1917 were required to register one year later. The third registration was on September 12, 1918 and was for all men from age 18-45.

Personal information can be gleaned from these cards such as color of hair, height, occupation, race, and if single or married. Cards from each registration contained different information. Some contain the name of the next-of-kin or wife.

All original cards are on file at National Archives and Records Administration's Southeast Regional Office in Atlanta (center@atlanta.nara.gov).

You can borrow the microfilm through the LDS Church; some libraries and state archives have a set of the cards for their state on microfilm.

Source: Family Chronicles Magazine, April 2005



COMPUTER ASSISTED GENEALOGY GROUP "CAGG"

This group meets the 3rd Saturday of each month at 9:30 am at:

**The Family History Center
2015 3rd Avenue North
Tuscaloosa, AL 35406**

The group gets together to help those of us that use computers and the internet for looking up their genealogical information. The group also offers help with some of the different software programs that are used in storing genealogical information.

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Submitted by Betty Jean Weaver

Friends and family,

When I make contact with family looking for the face of someone, they get out their mother's or grandmother's boxes and no one knows who the people are. This is for all of us who search for that person.

The Strangers in the Box

Come, look with me inside this drawer,
In this box I've often seen,
At the pictures, black and white,
Faces proud, still, serene.
I wish I knew the people,
These strangers in the box,
Their names and all their memories
Are lost among my socks.
I wonder what their lives were like,
How did they spend their days?
What about their special times?
I'll never know their ways.
If only someone had taken time
to tell who, what, where, or when,
these faces of my heritage
Would come to life again.
Could this become the fate
Of the pictures we take today?
The faces and the memories
Someday to be passed away?
Make time to save your stories,
Seize the opportunity when it knocks,
Or someday you and yours could be
The strangers in the box.

Anonymous



Family History and Genealogy

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- **Archives and Historical Societies, by State** State archives and their contact information
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- **Social Security Death Index** There is no "death index" per se, but there are ways to research the Social Security Administration Death Master File, applications for social security cards, and claims folders of deceased individuals.
- **Tracing American Indian Ancestry** How to trace Native American ancestry, from the U.S. Department of Interior
- **Vital Records** Birth certificates, marriage licenses, death certificates, and other vital records

Source: http://www.usa.gov/Citizen/Topics/History_Family.shtml



Records Preservation Committee

Seventh Floor Circuit Court Records

“Train The Trainers”

with Tom Turley and Linda Overman from
Alabama Department of Archives and History



Photographer: Chuck Gerdau
February 20, 2008

Starting with Tom Turley from ADAH in foreground, counter-clockwise around the tables — committee members Janet McElroy, Charlotte Tucker, Warren Spruill, Joyce Lamont, Jim Crowder, Jan Hutchison and Chuck Gerdau behind the camera.

Tom Turley and Linda Overman (not seen in this photo) go over materials and equipment needed to clean circuit court records from the seventh floor of the Tuscaloosa County Courthouse. After the records are cleaned, they will be cataloged and indexed.

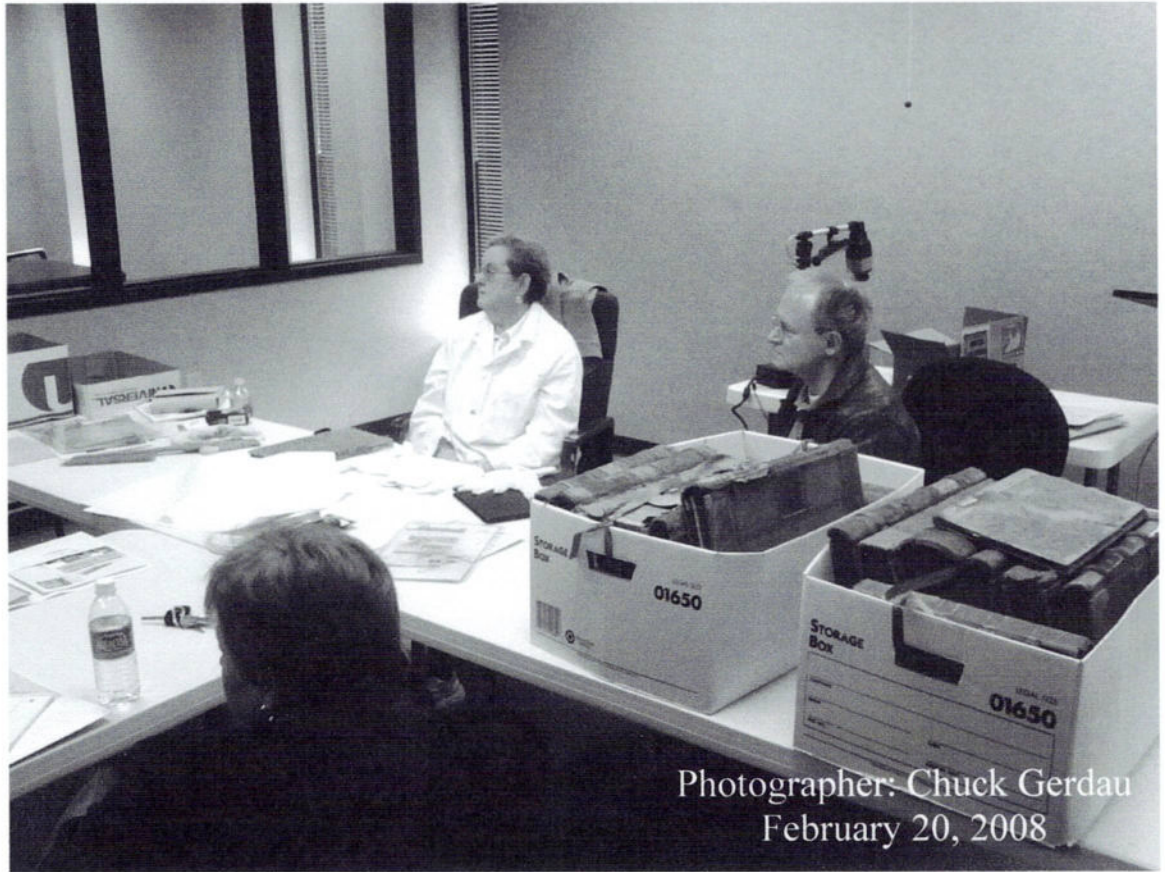
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Jan Hutchison Linda Overman Tom Turley

Linda Overman demonstrates the proper way to wrap records in a protective cover to keep contamination to a minimum.

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We are in need of an archive for these records or they will have to be returned to the seventh floor.



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