



Greenwood County Historical Society

P.O. Box 49653, Greenwood, SC 29649

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President's Message

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It has been a while since we have been together! A big THANK YOU to those that supported us and travelled to Troy in March to attend the rededication service. A great time of remembrance was held. We partnered with the Abbeville history group, McCormick Historical Commission, Mt. Ariel DAR and Cambridge Chapter of SAR groups. Those in attendance were very appreciative of the program and those attending were pleased. I thank Jenny Kelly, Eric Williams, the Davis family, the Town of Troy, Michael McCleod, and any other person that assisted with this event. Over 50 people ignored the weather and joined us in this special program. We cancelled our regular March meeting and held this event in its place. Please see the future schedule below.

The board has approved an amendment to our by-laws to create a standing committee expressly charged with the plans, upkeep, and future of Tabernacle Cemetery. This group's quest will be to plan, coordinate, maintain and upkeep, and, most importantly, look at future sustainability of this property. Ernest Prewett will direct this group on an interim basis. The group held its first meeting in March and would consider your assistance. If you would like to help please let Ernest or me know.

We will work on a future Greenwood County Historical Marker project. We would like to update the current marker identification in the county and take a look at the plans of the committee in 1930 who made the original decision on what should be marked then. Anyone interested in this project please contact me.

Thanks to Ms. Elizabeth Peele for her donation of several historical documents of Greenwood County history that belonged to her late father, Mr. Ernest Norwood. These documents will be digitized and added to our website so that others may enjoy and use in their study of Greenwood. Thank you for your donation!

Condolences to the families of Dr. Doris Fitzgerald and Mrs. Marjorie Todd, longtime, former members of the GCHS who passed away in May. Also to Tommy O'Dell on the loss of his wife, Mary. Our thoughts and prayers are with all.

Dates for 2018:

June 24 - History of Connie Maxwell Children's Home- Greenwood Library -
Dr. Jay Collins

September 30 - Roundtable Share

November 4 - Local WWI history - Dr. Joe Camp

If you or anyone you know is interested in getting involved with the GCHS please let me know. Either as a board member or as a part of a committee within our organization. We have opportunities...please get involved. Anyone interested in revamping/updating and working with our current website PLEASE contact Missy Lowery or me. This is a great need.

We thank you for your continued support of the GCHS! Financially, we appreciate the renewals, and in attendance of our meetings and support of our mission. Please join and bring a friend.

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GREENWOOD HISTORY: OUR OLD ROADS

By Harry Legare Watson

These sketches about the early travel routes in the area that is now Greenwood County and early families who lived along the old roads were written by the editor of *The Index-Journal* of Greenwood, and were published weekly in this newspaper from August 18, 1940 (with an occasional break) until February 1950, numbered 1-428. They include considerable family history information as well as local and area history. They will be reprinted here in following issues with the permission of the editor of *The Index-Journal*.

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Robert Red, who appears to have been the first purchaser from the original grantee, Edward Rutledge, of the lands now owned by J. L. Williams on the surface treated road from the home of B. B. Rhodes, Epworth, was, as mentioned before, a native of Newberry county. His family were strict Covenanters and Robert Red, after locating in this section, became an elder in Smyrna Presbyterian church located near White Hall. He had to ride a long ways to get to his church, but that did not deter him from attending. His connection by marriage with the Tolberts of Rehoboth has been mentioned. Robert Red and several of his children are buried on this place.

Robert Red or his heirs appear to have sold the place to Solomon DeLaughter and DeLaughter sold to Dr. Thomas Lake who lived here before he removed to the "Brick House" which he built. Dr. Lake sold to James Wilson and Wilson to John O'Neill and the latter to Russel Vaughan in 1852. At one time Thomas Ross owned the place but just when is not known. He and his wife, who was Eleanor Rushton, removed to a new location in Phoenix at the place now owned by his grandson, Will D. Ross.

Russel Vaughan, who was a connection by marriage of Robert Red, lived here until his death. He had the following children: Mrs. John Casey; Mrs. Elbert L. (Corrie) Henderson; Mrs. J. Trapp (Nannie) Henderson; Pickens Vaughan, killed in Confederate service; R. Furman Vaughan, who married Temperance Henderson. J. Trapp Henderson was killed in Confederate service.

After the death of J. Trapp Henderson, his widow, Mrs. Nannie Vaughan Henderson, married Strother Gaines, a brother of Mrs. W. A. Gaines and they had one son, Furman Gaines, who became an architect and lived in New York. Mr. and Mrs. J. Trapp Henderson had two children, a son J. Trapp Henderson Jr., who died single, and a daughter Alice who married a Mr. Brown. The family removed from this section to Florida and Strother Gaines died in that State.

After crossing Cuffee Town creek, lands on the

left here were long owned by Augustus G. Hackett. Also a part of the Rutledge grant these lands appear to have been owned by the Moore family in early days. The family burying ground on the place was used both by the Moores and by the Hacketts. The old place is now owned by Dr. W. A. Barnette.

The Hacketts were originally from Virginia. There is no person by the name of Hackett in South Carolina listed in the census of 1790. The census of Virginia for this period and earlier has Martin Hackett, a resident of Albemarle county in that State. Whether he was the ancestor of the Hacketts who removed to South Carolina is not known.

First of the name of the family living in this part of South Carolina were children of Martin Hackett and his wife Frances Garrett. They had the following children:

Lury Hackett, born Nov. 7, 1779; Robert Hackett born Mar. 7, 1781; William Hackett born Mar. 23, 1783; Martin Hackett Jr., born May 2, 1785; Molly Hackett, born Mar. 28, 1788; Jestin Hackett born May 7, 1790; Elijah Hackett born June 25, 1792; Garrett Hackett born Aug. 23, 1795; Affiah Hackett born Mar. 29, 1798; and Fanny Hackett born April 29, 1800.

How many of these came to South Carolina after 1790 is not known.

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William Martin Jr. and Elijah Hackett were residents here before 1820. William Hackett is noted as a buyer at the sale of the property of the estate of Randall Hagood in 1820 in the present Phoenix section and William Hackett was one of the bondsmen for the administrators of this estate, the widow Rebecca Hagood and Garland Chiles.

Elijah Hackett was one of the buyers at the sale of the estate of Col. John Logan in 1821 near Greenwood.

William Hackett married Anna Freeman, July 4, 1813 and they had the following children: Henry M. Hackett born April 4, 1814 and died Oct. 14, 1834; infant daughter who was born Feb. 27, 1817 and died soon after; Elizabeth F. Hackett April 4, 1818 and died Jan. 17, 1887, and was the wife of Lemuel Bell Sr.; Anne R. Hackett born July 9, 1820; Anna A. Hackett, born March 16, 1822, died Feb. 10, 1847; Elijah Chandler Hackett, (born) April 19, 1824; died Dec. 1, 1853; Augustus G. Hackett born Feb. 13, 1826, died Aug. 13, 1888.

William Hackett, the father of the above children, died Dec. 20, 1825 at the age of forty-two. His wife who was Anna Freeman, born Dec. 20, 1782, died Feb. 15, 1854 at the age of seventy-two.

William Hackett first built a log cabin home near Cuffee Town creek and the present house, known as the old Hackett house was built by his son Augustus G. Hackett, who married Eliza Moore Dec. 19, 1852. She was the daughter of Caroway Moore and his wife Ann Holloway Moore previously mentioned. Eliza Moore was born Jan. 22, 1836 and died Dec. 10, 1925.

Augustus G. Hackett and his wife Eliza Moore Hackett had the following children: William Julian Hackett, Caroway Augustus Hackett, Elijah Freeman Hackett, Anna Sybella Hackett, Minnie America Hackett, Eugene Moore Hackett, John Augustus Hackett, Mary Eliza Hackett, Lula Elizabeth Hackett, Sara C. Hackett, Caroway Smith Hackett and Eliza Moore Hackett.

Of the other sons of William Hackett and his wife Anna Freeman Hackett, Henry M. Hackett went into Confederate service and was never heard from, supposed to have been killed in battle; William F. Hackett, a bachelor, lived not far from Scotch Cross and was killed by parties unknown supposed to have planned robbery; Elijah Chandler Hackett married America Moore, a sister of his brother Augustus G. Hackett's wife. They had no children. After Elijah Chandler Hackett's death his widow became the second wife of W. W. Adams, lawyer of Edgefield, and they had three children,

Elizabeth (Bessie) Adams who married Mr. Musserole, of Texas; Annie Adams, who married J. G. Hilton; and Abram Adams who removed to Texas.

About half a mile back of the house built by Augustus G. Hackett from timber sawed on the place, is the old family burying ground of the Hacketts and the Moores. A number of both families are buried there, including Augustus G. Hackett.

From this place out to the Mathews road near Epworth most of the lands were owned either by the Moores or the Hacketts. Caroway Moore, already mentioned, and his wife who was Ann Holloway before her marriage, lived in a big old house not so far from the family burying ground at one time and later, after his death, Mrs. Moore removed to a site almost exactly where the Bowers place, house built by the late J. W. Bowers, now is. The place was known as the "Ann Moore place" before Mr. Bowers bought the place. Caroway Moore – assumed from the family Bible entry – was J. Caroway Moore who died Mar. 29, 1845. He was related to Wright Nicholson Moore who lived in this section also and who was a brother-in-law of Dr. Thomas Lake of the "Brick House", but what the relationship was cannot be stated. Also related was Mrs. Eliza Moore Williams, the wife of Williamson Williams. They had a son named Caroway Williams. Williamson Williams lived lower down on another road which was a feeder to the old Mathews road and will be noted later.

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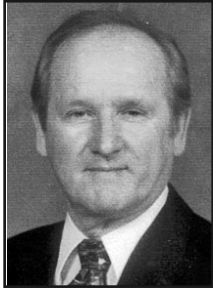
Wyatt Aiken (1863-1923) was the son of David Wyatt Aiken, a successful Abbeville farmer who led the South Carolina Patrons of Husbandry (the Grange), an organization which gave political power and a voice to farmers in the 1870s. After serving in the Spanish-American War, Wyatt Aiken was elected as a Democrat to the U.S. Congress from 1903 to 1917. He is shown here as a U.S. Congressman with fellow Abbeville native, Judge Frank Gary (1860-1922) in 1908. Gary began his political career in the state House of Representatives in 1890, where he served as Speaker from 1895-1900. He was chosen to go to the U.S. Senate in 1908 to fill the unexpired term of Asbury Latimer after the latter's death, but chose not to run for reelection. Instead, he returned to South Carolina at the expiration of his term in 1909, and was elected judge of the Eighth Judicial Circuit in 1912, a post he held until his death.



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**Our speakers for the June meeting are
Rev. Jay Collins & Rev. Doug Kauffman**

Jay graduated from Furman University and holds a Masters of Divinity and Doctor of Theology from Southwestern Theological Seminary. He was the pastor of Connie Maxwell Baptist Church from 1977- 1995 and was chaplain at Self Regional Hospital, Board certified, from which he is retired. He is married to Ruth Collins, a retired teacher from District 50, and the father of two sons, Jason and Cliff, and has 5 grandchildren.



Rev. Jay Collins

Rev. Doug Kauffman will share the history of the Connie Maxwell home and Jay will concentrate on the history of the church. Doug is a history buff and followed Jay as pastor of Connie Maxwell Baptist Church. He is currently retired, but is an adjunct professor at Lander University. He is married to Sally Kauffman and they have two daughters.



Rev. Doug Kauffman



Connie Maxwell Home



Connie Maxwell Baptist Church

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