

James Dent Walker Chapter Events Archive: 2017-2020

2017-2018 Calendar Year, archived, for your information

September 16, 2017

11:00am

Antebellum Free-People of Color
Anthony Smith, Federal Depository Library Program
will discuss his research on Free People of Color

October 28, 2017

11:00am

(Note change of date..this is the 4th Saturday instead of the 3rd Saturday.)
Discussion of AAHGS National Conference
[Link to National Conference Brochure](#)

November 18, 2017

11:00am

How the US government dismantled a community to establish a Naval Weapons Station
after World War 1 in Yorktown, Virginia?
Presented by DC Chapter member Rosa Lee

December 2, 2017

11:00am

Yearly Chapter Holiday Celebration
This year our celebration will feature a bus trip to the Harriet Tubman Museum!
Bus Trip to Harriet Tubman Museum information
Family and Friends are invited...Please join us!!

January 20, 2018

11:00am

The Movement and the “Magic of the Great Migration”
Presenter: Judy Collins

February 4, 2018

Joint Black History Month Conference
The Prince Georges County, Montgomery County and Central Maryland Chapters of AAHGS
collaborate with the Church of Latter Day Saints for this all-day program!
REGISTER HERE!!

Note that AAHGS DC will not hold it's regular monthly meeting.

February 24, 2018

One of our sister organizations, ASALH, is hosting their annual
Association for the Study of African American Life and History
Annual Black History Month Luncheon

See the website for more information!!

March 17, 2018

11:00am

"The Courtship and Marriage of Fred Smith and Harriet Bell, 1884-1886"

Presenters: Carol Ubosi and Alesia McFadden-Williams

Montgomery County, MD Educator and AAHGS member Carol Ubosi

"inherited" letters that were exchanged by her ancestors who lived in Westchester County, NY in the 1880's. Carol was able to collaborate with Alesia McFadden-Williams to write and publish an article that appeared in the Winter 2016 issue of the "American Ancestors" Magazine--the publication of the New England Historical and Genealogical Society.

April 21, 2018

Coming to the Table

"The Legacy of Slavery in Rockville: Two Families, One Farmhouse, Six Generations." Author Hannelore Quigley presents photos and artifacts that stirred curiosity in her as a child and led her to search for the descendants of the Black families in historical family photographs passed down through her family. Hannelore offers us a model for healing in the present by uncovering the past.

May 19, 2018

Using the DC Library Research Database

This will be a genealogy database class with Kenneth Desperett from DC Public Library's Special Collections. Kenneth will present the resources the library provides you access to, such as Heritage Quest and newspaper obituaries. He will also provide suggestions for other, free genealogy resources that could be of use in your search.

June 16, 2018

We will NOT have a June meeting. However, we will be celebrating "Juneteenth Genealogy Workshop" at the Walker Mills Regional Park. 8840 Walker Mill Road, District Heights, MD 20747. There are also activities at Watkins Regional Park and a shuttle will be provided between the two parks every 15 minutes.

There will be:

Children's Activities

Vendors

Lectures

Workshops

June 16, 2018

8:30am-4:00pm

Prince Georges County, MD AAHGS

13th Annual Juneteenth Celebration & Seminar
Saturday, June 16, 2018, 8:30 a.m. -- 5:00 p.m.
Walker Mills Regional Park. 8840 Walker Mill Road, District Heights, MD
and

Watkins Regional Park
301 Watkins Park Drive
Upper Marlboro, MD 20774

There will not be July or August meetings. However, we encourage you to visit local historic and national historic sites...and continue to work on your family genealogy.

2020 Monthly Schedule of Meetings & Events

January: How I Created My Fan Chart Family Tree

Adrienne Fikes

In keeping with the collaborative sharing that is characteristic of our chapter, this will be an interactive discussion about the variety of tools to create a family tree. Please come prepared to share the benefits and challenges of online and offline tree mapping tools you are using in your own research. Adrienne will talk about how she got started researching her genealogy, and will share a demonstration of her fan chart family tree in Family Search. If you bring laptops, tablets or smartphones, you can work on your tree in Family Search.

Bio: Adrienne, M.Ed, PCC, is the creator of the #16Greats Challenge <https://www.facebook.com/groups/SquadGoals16GreatsChallenge/>, a fifth generation Virginian, TEDx speaker, associate coach trainer, civic advocate, author of the mindfulness workbook Finding Your #UnspeakableJoy: Right There Where You Are, and the Soul Power Coach™ of SoulPowerCoach.com. Follow @SoulPowerCoach on Twitter and Instagram.

February

Reservations are required. Please email membership@CityTavernClubdc.org to secure a place.

For more info: <http://www.thegeorgetowndish.com/thelatest/enslaved-georgetown-hotel-three-generations-clarke-family-feb-27th>

Black History Month Genealogy Conference, Church of Latter-Day Saints, Laurel, MD

March: Washington, DC Historical Society 801 K Street, NW, Washington, DC

NOTICE OF SCHEDULE CHANGES!!!

Because of the Corona Virus closing of Libraries and other venues, our monthly meetings have been canceled until further notice. Stay tuned for updated information. Practice your Zoom

skills in case we move to a Zoom platform!

<https://zoom.us/home?zcid=2478>

April: Gail George will discuss her connection to the short film Railroad Ties. The film documents six descendants of fugitive slaves and abolitionists who come together in Brooklyn, NY to discover their lineage.

May: Julie Seely, author of Skinny House, the story of her grandfather, Nathan Seely, an ambitious carpenter who establishes a company in 1923 for “building homes for colored people” and takes part in The Great Migration.

June: A SPECIAL ZOOM MEETING

Normally we would attend the

Prince George's County Juneteenth Genealogy Conference but that has been pre-empted because of Covid-19.

Based on special interest expressed at our May meeting, we will have our own June meeting as follows:

How to Get Your Story Published
with AAHGS member-presenters

Bernice Bennett
Our Ancestors, Our Stories (co-author)
Tracing Their Steps is a Memoir

James Morgan
The Lost Empire, Black Freemasonry in the Old West 1867-1906

Dr. Cynthia White and Brenda Kinsler
A History of the African American Kinslers

July & August: Summer Recess