

## Track One

## Introduction to Virginia Research

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
8:00 a.m.	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
9:00 a.m.	Homeroom	Homeroom	Homeroom
9:30 a.m.	<b>Virginia Vocabulary &amp; Researching in Burned Record Counties</b> <i>Marty Hiatt, CGRS</i>	<b>What Happened When a Virginian Died?</b> Examination of records created (or not created) when a person died. <i>Marty Hiatt, CGRS</i>	<b>Despite an Established Church: Religious Diversity in Colonial Va</b> In theory, church and state were one in Colonial Virginia. In reality, convoluted accommodations were often made. To locate and mine the records that survive, successfully, knowledge of the accommodations that were made is essential. <i>Dorothy Boyd-Rush, Ph.D.</i>
10:45 a.m.	<b>Working with Early Virginia Newspapers: It Never Hurts to Have a Confederate Veteran or a Mass Murderer in the Family</b> <i>Dorothy Boyd-Rush, Ph.D.</i>	<b>Grounding History: The Library of Virginia's Map Collection</b> <i>Marianne McKee</i>	<b>Deed Research - Understanding the "Boiler Plate" is Essential!</b> By dissecting a simple deed and other selected land records, the researcher will learn to interpret the record. <i>Mary McCampbell Bell, CLS, CGL</i>
Noon	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1:30 p.m.	<b>Virginia's Military Records</b> An overview of the available records from colonial times through the Civil War. <i>Barbara Vines Little, CG</i>	<b>Understanding Inheritance: Primogeniture, Dower and Entail</b> Understanding these terms is necessary to avoid mistakes when interpreting probate files. <i>Dorothy Boyd-Rush, Ph.D.</i>	<b>Overview of the Virginia Land Office Records &amp; Procedure for Granting Land</b> <i>Mary McCampbell Bell, CLS, CGL</i>
2:45 p.m.	<b>Virginia's Vital Records</b> History of vital record keeping in Virginia (births, marriages, deaths, and divorces) from colonial times to the present. <i>Teresa A. Kelley</i>	<b>County Order Books and Minute Books</b> Use these to find out what was happening, day to day, in your ancestor's neighborhood <i>Marty Hiatt, CGRS</i>	<b>The Library of Virginia: A Collection Overview.</b> Discussion of the collections in the state archives, their finding aids, both printed and electronic; microfilm and original formats; and online databases. <i>Vincent T. Brooks</i>
4:00 p.m.	<b>Chancery – Part I</b> The hows and whys of complaining in court when life wasn't "fair." <i>Marty Hiatt, CGRS</i>	<b>Colonial Tithes and State Taxes...</b> better known as how the treasurer earned his keep! An overview of the taxation practices in Colonial Virginia and after the beginning of statehood. <i>Mary McCampbell Bell, CLS, CGL</i>	<b>Chancery – Part II</b> Examination of papers from actual case files. <i>Marty Hiatt, CGRS</i>
6:00 p.m.	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner

## Track Two

## Virginians on the Move

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
8:00 a.m.	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
9:00 a.m.	Homeroom	Homeroom	Homeroom
9:30 a.m.	<b>Piedmont Virginia Migrations: Sources and Evidence</b> Examines migration patterns and little-known sources of migration information. <i>Barbara Vines Little, CG</i>	<b>The Wagon Road: An All-American Highway</b> <i>Dorothy Boyd-Rush, Ph.D.</i>	<b>Settling the Northern Neck and Moving on to Ohio</b> <i>Marty Hiatt, CGRS</i>
10:45 a.m.	<b>Virginia Suburbs in North Carolina: Special Techniques for Cross-Border Research</b> <i>Helen F. M. Leary, CG, CGL</i>	<b>Grounding History: The Library of Virginia's Map Collection</b> <i>Marianne McKee</i>	<b>Settlers of the West Augusta District &amp; the Virginia/Pennsylvania Border Dispute</b> – A presentation on the history of the dispute and its outcome. Specific attention will be paid to the disposition of records and the search for individuals in the region. <i>Vincent T. Brooks</i>
12:30 p.m.	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1:30 p.m.	<b>The French and Indian War and Its Impact on Migration</b> <i>Barbara Vines Little, CG</i>	<b>Exploring New Ground: Important Eighteenth Century Backcountry Maps</b> <i>Marianne McKee</i>	<b>Migration in South Eastern Virginia</b> Surveys the major migration patterns in the south eastern Virginia counties of Lower Norfolk, Norfolk, and Princess Anne. <i>Donald Moore, CGRS</i>
2:45 p.m.	<b>Scots-Irish in the Virginia-North Carolina Piedmont</b> <i>Helen F. M. Leary, CG, CGL</i>	<b>Traffic Jam on I-81: Migrations from Virginia to Tennessee after the Revolutionary War.</b> Study of veteran's pension records reveal interesting migration patterns! If you are stuck in Tennessee, you may find a clue to your family's Virginia roots. <i>Mary McCampbell Bell, CLS, CGL</i>	<b>Southwest Virginia and the Wilderness Road</b> Who came to and through this area and how to document their existence. <i>Barbara Vines Little, CG</i>
4:00 p.m.	<b>Chancery – Part I</b> The hows and whys of complaining in court when life wasn't "fair." <i>Marty Hiatt, CGRS</i>	<b>Pathways to and through West Virginia: The New River and the Kanawha River Valley</b> A surprising number of people used these lessor known paths to the west. <i>Barbara Vines Little, CG</i>	<b>Chancery – Part II</b> Examination of papers from actual case files. <i>Marty Hiatt, CGRS</i>
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## Combined Sessions

Sunday	Thursday
Sunday Afternoon 3:00 p.m. <b>After You Find the Record, the Work Begins: Deciphering Early Virginia Handwriting</b> <i>Dorothy Boyd-Rush, Ph.D.</i>	<b>Breakfast 8:00 a.m.</b> <b>Homeroom 9:00 a.m.</b>
Sunday 4:30 p.m. <b>Hening's Statutes at Large</b> A first-hand experience with colonial Virginia law. <i>Marty Hiatt, CGRS</i>	Thursday 9:30 a.m. <b>A Virginia Reference Shelf</b> Discussion of indispensable sources by time period and geographic location <i>Barbara Vines Little, CG</i>
<b>5:00 p.m. Registration &amp; Orientation</b>	Thursday 10:45 a.m. <b>Imaginative Leaps and Alternative Routes: A Case Study in Tracking the Unexpected</b> <i>Helen F. M. Leary, CG, CGL</i>
Sunday 7:30 p.m. <b>Another England in the New World: The Tidewater Colonies</b> <i>Helen F. M. Leary, CG, CGL</i>	

## General Information

**Course selection** — Track I is designed for the novice *Virginia* researcher. Track II is for the more experienced *Virginia* researcher. Neither track is recommended for a beginning genealogist.

Registration will be accepted as long as space is available, but classroom seating is limited. Late registrations cannot be guaranteed a syllabus notebook, or overnight accommodations.

VIGR has a non-discriminatory policy toward enrollments, and applicants are accepted on a first-come basis without regard to sex, race, creed, color, and national or ethnic origin.

**Registration info: Our program begins on Sunday afternoon, and ends Thursday after lunch.**

**Commuters will enjoy the Sunday welcoming dinner and lunch at Roslyn each day.**

**Roslyn** — This quiet retreat (a walking campus) offers the perfect setting to study and learn about Virginia's history.

Classes on resources and techniques will be taught by noted Virginia researchers. In the evenings, you are invited to join discussion groups, enjoy the recreational opportunities, or just relax.

Single or double rooms are available. Meals are served cafeteria-style in the dining room.

**Lodging** — In order to accommodate everyone, several rooms must be assigned as doubles. This is a great way to make a new genealogy friend. We will match

you with a roommate if you don't have a preference.

The conference center rooms do not have telephones or televisions. If you need hotel amenities, please contact the VGS office for a list of nearby motels.

If you are arriving by air, and your flight arrangements require a Saturday arrival, our office manager will be glad to consult with you regarding Richmond accommodations and transportation to Roslyn. Call or email the VGS office if you need assistance.

**Special Needs** — Cafeteria-style meals are included in the fees. Participants requiring special dietary needs or special attention as outlined in the ADA must detail these needs in writing and submit with their registration.

**Cancellation** — Cancellation and a request for refund must be submitted in writing before 1 May. A \$20 administrative fee will be assessed. Refunds cannot be issued after 1 May 2002.

The VGS office is not staffed full time, but emails are responded to daily Monday through Friday. If you would like to speak with our office manager, call between 9:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Eastern time, Tuesday or Wednesday.

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