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**Virginia Genealogical Society
Spring Conference
1900 Byrd Ave, Suite 104
Richmond, VA 23230-3033**

Web site: <http://www.vgs.org>
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Be sure to join VGS on Friday, 16 April 2010, as VGS celebrates 50 years. Activities include guided research at the Library of Virginia, a Leadership Summit, and the Anniversary Banquet.

On Saturday, 17 April 2010, VGS invites you to spend the day with **Victor S. "Vic" Dunn, CGSM** as he shares his knowledge of research strategies for dealing with burned Virginia counties.

Don't have ancestors from burned counties? You will still benefit from these lectures as all of the sources discussed in Mr. Dunn's lectures are useful even in counties that have not lost records. These sources can be used if the answers don't show up in the county records as well as augment information already found in courthouse records.

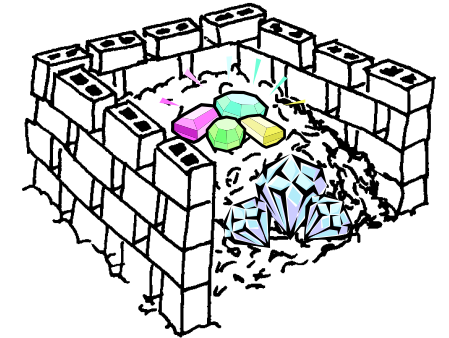
Details on times, places, and prices for the above activities are included in this brochure.

Vendors of books, software, forms, and other items of interest to researchers will be available all day on Saturday. Be sure to visit them during the breaks. There will also be a Freebie Table with catalogs and brochures from genealogical businesses and organizations as well as door prizes.

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Virginia Genealogical Society's 50th Anniversary Celebration and Spring Conference

16-17 April 2010



Burned Virginia Counties: Sifting for Gems in the Ashes

Library of Virginia
800 East Broad Street
Richmond, Virginia

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ABOUT VGS

The Virginia Genealogical Society (VGS) was formed 7 October 1960. Our mission is to promote and foster family history education and research, publish genealogical information, and share accumulated knowledge.

VGS fulfills this mission through its publications, its twice yearly conferences, and its website <<http://www.vgs.org>>.

The *VGS Newsletter*, published six times each year, contains feature articles; announces meetings of interest to researchers in Virginia genealogy, both those sponsored by the society as well as by other organizations; reviews books; carries news of local Virginia historical societies, libraries, celebrations and points of interest; and publishes members' queries. The *Magazine of Virginia Genealogy*, published quarterly, contains abstracts and transcriptions of Virginia records.

VGS has also published numerous special publications. A list of these publications is available on the VGS website. Also on the VGS website are many of the back issues of the *VGS Newsletter*, a searchable database of queries published in the *Newsletter*, and links to genealogical websites for each of the counties and cities in Virginia.

Members of the society receive the *Magazine of Virginia Genealogy*, the *VGS Newsletter*, discounts to society conferences, and a 20% discount on most society publications. Membership in the society is \$35 per year for individuals (\$65 for two years and \$95 for three years) or \$40 per year for a family (\$75 for two years and \$110 for three years). For more information about membership, please visit our website.

We look forward to seeing you at the VGS 50th Anniversary Celebration!

FRIDAY PROGRAM

16 April 2010

Guided Research at the Library of Virginia

1:00-5:00 p.m.

Experienced researchers will be available in the Conference Room on the 1st floor of the Library to answer questions, provide assistance to beginners, and offer strategies for difficult genealogical problems.

Leadership Summit at the Library of Virginia

3:00-4:30 p.m.

A time for society leaders to discuss and exchange ideas on issues important to genealogical societies. All interested parties may attend.

50th Anniversary Banquet

6:30-9:00 p.m.

Join VGS at a Banquet to celebrate 50 years of serving the genealogical community.

**Omni Richmond Hotel
100 South 12th Street
Richmond, VA
804-344-7220**

Cash bar from 6:30 until 7:00 p.m., followed by a buffet dinner, awards and recognitions, and guest speaker Conley L. Edwards, III, former Virginia State Archivist.

Seating is limited. Please reserve your seat early.

SATURDAY PROGRAM

17 April 2010

Featured Speaker

Victor S. "Vic" Dunn, CGSM is a native of the Shenandoah Valley and descended from many of its early settlers. Dunn is a professional genealogist and the proprietor of Virginia Ancestry. He is an instructor for the Virginia track at the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research, current treasurer of the National Genealogical Society (NGS) and past vice-president of the Shenandoah Valley Genealogical Society. He is a contributor to major genealogical publications including feature articles in *NGS Quarterly*, *NGS NewsMagazine*, *Magazine of Virginia Genealogy* and *Virginia Genealogical Society Newsletter*.

8:30 a.m.

Registration

9:00-9:15 a.m.

Opening Remarks

9:15-10:15 a.m.

**Burned County Research
Methodology**

When county records are destroyed learn how to make the most of surviving county records as well as Federal, state and non-government sources.

10:15-10:45 a.m.

Break

10:45-11:45 a.m.

**Newspapers: An Excellent
Research Alternative**

In addition to vital records, newspapers contain much more important genealogical information often not found in other sources.

11:45-1:00 p.m.

Lunch

1:00-1:30 p.m.

VGS Annual Meeting
Shirley Langdon Wilcox, CGSM, Pres.

1:30-2:30 p.m.

**Sacred Sources: Church and
Bible Records**

Pre and post-colonial church records can help fill in the blanks when court records are lost. Also examined is Virginia's vast collection of Bible records available to the public.

2:30-3:00 p.m.

Break

3:00-4:00 p.m.

**Magic in Manuscripts and
Business Records**

Researchers frequently overlook the wealth of data found in manuscripts, particularly in business records, that identify family relationships within households and throughout the community.

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CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

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Attending Leadership Summit on Friday.

Yes No

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