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## NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held **10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 14, 2012** at the **Currituck County Public Library** in the meeting room. Meetings are held at 10:30 a.m. on the second Saturday of January, April, July and October at the Currituck County Public Library (4261 Caratoke Hwy, Barco, NC), so please mark your calendar. Meetings are open to anyone interested in the topic presented or in genealogy in general. Visitors are welcome.

## PROGRAM

Bill **Harris**, AGS President, will talk about the Primitive Baptist Churches of Powells Point and Kitty Hawk. He promises to make it exciting!

At January's meeting the AGS website was revealed. Be sure to check out the site and the index to the Currituck County Library's genealogy collection. It is still a work in progress. The web address is at the top of this newsletter.

Naomi **Rhodes**, the Dare County reference librarian, addressed the members and requested monetary help with the inventory of the Gregory **Williams** genealogy collection. A letter of thanks from Naomi is in this newsletter.

## CONDOLENCES

The Albemarle Genealogical Society wishes to express their condolences to member and Treasurer, Lois **Meekins** on the loss of her husband, Preston Ferel **Meekins**, and mother, Susan Brice **Gaskins**. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

## 1940 U.S. Federal Census

April 2, 2012 the sixteenth U.S. Federal Census will be made available for public inspection. The National Archives and Records Administration have already announced the completion of a digitization project and their plans to place all images online for free browsing via the Internet. Although there will not be an index immediately available to search by name, a little preparation can increase your chances of finding your ancestors in the 1940 census without much trouble.

There is not currently a 1940 census index. Without an index, you would need to know the state, county, city/town, and exact enumeration district for each of your ancestors — something much harder to find for most researchers.

[www.1940census.net](http://www.1940census.net)

This is the best site I could find for information on the 1940 census. It gives you a great overview for the census. I was able to find the enumeration districts (ED) for Currituck and Dare Counties easily.

### CURRITUCK

The following data came from NARA T1224 Film Series for 1940

Year	Series	Roll	State	County	ED	Description	Details	
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Currituck (27)	<a href="#">27-1</a>	CRAWFORD TOWNSHIP E OF TULL CREEK AND BULLFROG CREEK, BARCO, BELLS ISLAND, COINJOCK (PART), CURRITUCK COUNTY JAIL, ISLANDS	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Currituck (27)	<a href="#">27-2</a>	CRAWFORD TOWNSHIP W OF TULL CREEK AND BULLFROG CREEK, CURRITUCK COUNTY POOR FARM, GREGORY, SHAWBORO	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Currituck (27)	<a href="#">27-3</a>	FRUITVILLE TOWNSHIP, KNOTTS ISLAND, MACKAY ISLAND, SEAGULL, WOODLEIGH, ISLANDS	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Currituck (27)	<a href="#">27-4</a>	VOID	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Currituck (27)	<a href="#">27-5</a>	FRUITVILLE TOWNSHIP, WASH WOODS COAST GUARD STATION	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Currituck (27)	<a href="#">27-6</a>	MOYOCK TOWNSHIP, MOYOCK, ISLANDS	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Currituck (27)	<a href="#">27-7</a>	POPLAR BRANCH TOWNSHIP E OF STATE ROAD 34, AYDLETT, COINJOCK (PART), COROLLA, GRANDY (PART),	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>

						HARBINGER (PART), JEWS QUARTER ISLAND, MAMIE (PART), OLDS (PART), POPLAR BRANCH, POWELLS POINT (PART), RATTLESNAKE ISLAND, WATERLILY, ISLANDS		
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Currituck (27)	<a href="#">27-8</a>	VOID	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Currituck (27)	<a href="#">27-9</a>	VOID	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Currituck (27)	<a href="#">27-10</a>	VOID	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Currituck (27)	<a href="#">27-11</a>	POPLAR BRANCH TOWNSHIP W OF STATE ROAD 34, BUCK ISLAND, COINJOCK (PART), GRANDY (PART), HARBINGER (PART), JARVISBURG (PART), MAMIE (PART), OLDS (PART), POWELLS POINT (PART), ISLANDS	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>

## DARE

The following data came from NARA T1224 Film Series for 1940

Year	Series	Roll	State	County	ED	Description	Details	
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-1</a>	ATLANTIC TOWNSHIP, DUCK, KITTY HAWK	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-2</a>	ATLANTIC TOWNSHIP, CAFFEYS INLET COAST GUARD STATION	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-3</a>	VOID	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-4</a>	VOID	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-5</a>	CROATAN TOWNSHIP, MANNS HARBOR, MASHOES, STUMPY POINT	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-6</a>	EAST LAKE TOWNSHIP, BUFFALO CITY, DURANT ISLAND, EAST LAKE	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-7</a>	HATTTERRAS TOWNSHIP, BUXTON, FRISCO, HATTERAS, ISLANDS	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-8</a>	HATTTERRAS TOWNSHIP, CAPE HATTERAS COAST GUARD STATION	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-9</a>	VOID	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-10</a>	VOID	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-11</a>	HATTTERRAS TOWNSHIP, DIAMOND SHOAL LIGHTSHIP	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-12</a>	VOID	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>

1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-13</a>	KENNEKEET TOWNSHIP, AVON, GULL ISLAND, RODANTHA, ISLANDS	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-14</a>	KENNEKEET TOWNSHIP, C.C.C. CAMP NP-1	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-15</a>	KENNEKEET TOWNSHIP, BIG KINNAKEET COAST GUARD STATION	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-16</a>	KENNEKEET TOWNSHIP, CHICAMACOMICO COAST GUARD STATION	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-17</a>	VOID	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-18</a>	VOID	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-19</a>	KENNEKEET TOWNSHIP, PEA ISLAND COAST GUARD STATION	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-20</a>	NAGS HEAD TOWNSHIP, MANTEO TOWN, CAMP WIRTH HOSPITAL, DARE COUNTY JAIL	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-21</a>	NAGS HEAD TOWNSHIP, NAGS HEAD TOWN	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-22</a>	NAGS HEAD TOWNSHIP OUTSIDE MANTEO AND NAGS HEAD TOWNS, COLLINGTON, COLLINGTON ISLAND, DUCK ISLAND, ROANOKE ISLAND, WANCHESE, ISLANDS	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-23</a>	NAGS HEAD TOWNSHIP, BODIE ISLAND COAST GUARD STATION	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-24</a>	NAGS HEAD TOWNSHIP, C.C.C. CAMP BS-2	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-25</a>	NAGS HEAD TOWNSHIP, KILL DEVIL HILLS COAST GUARD STATION	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-26</a>	NAGS HEAD TOWNSHIP, NAGS HEAD COAST GUARD STATION	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>
1940	T627	<a href="#">2897</a>	NC	Dare (28)	<a href="#">28-27</a>	NAGS HEAD TOWNSHIP, OREGON INLET COAST GUARD STATION	<a href="#">view</a>	<a href="#">1930</a>



YES, YOU CAN FIND OUT WHAT EVERYONE IS SAYING ABOUT THE 1940 CENSUS ON FACEBOOK AND TWITTER!!!!

## DARE COUNTY LIBRARY

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February 15, 2012

Bill **Harris**, President  
c/o Albemarle Genealogical Society  
142 Waterlily Road  
Coinjock, NC 27923

Dear Mr. **Harris**,

Thank you for allowing me to make a brief presentation about Dare County Library's recent addition of the **Gregory Williams Collection** during the Albemarle Genealogical Society meeting held January 14<sup>th</sup> at the Currituck Library in Barco.

It was very gracious of your Board to decide during the meeting to help Dare County Library monetarily with the inventory of this important and extensive Outer Banks genealogy collection. I have since learned that Gregory **Williams'** maternal grandfather, Homer Tredwell **Williams**, was a lighthouse keeper at the Currituck Beach Lighthouse 1931-1936 and an assistant keeper at the Hatteras Lighthouse in 1912. He was originally from Trent (now Frisco) and his wife insisted on living with their children in Manteo because the lighthouse stations were "too remote".

I also made contact via email with Kay Lynn Midgett **Sheppard** and she is very willing to answer questions about the collection as they arise. She said that she and Gregory agreed to purchase, at their own expense, as many Outer Banks-related Civil War Pension records that they could and that they also spent many hours photocopying court records in the Dare County Courthouse. These pension and court records are included in this donated collection. (She also wanted me to be sure to say hello to you.) I will keep your Society informed of my progress. I have not been in touch with Mrs. **Meekins** yet, but did send in my individual membership and the Dare County Library membership has also been sent. When I hear about the memberships, I'll work out the details with Mrs. **Meekins** about receiving the Albemarle Genealogical Society's designated funds to the Dare County Library.

Sincerely,

Naomi **Rhodes**  
Dare County Reference Librarian

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## **CURRITUCK COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY GENEALOGY FILES**

We would like to share with you some of the more interesting things we found in the genealogy files at the library.

### **Interesting names found in the genealogy files.**

Olive Green  
Champion Spalding Chase  
Remember Sherman  
Preserved Fish  
Temperence Flowerdieu  
Nickabud Barco, Jr.  
Texas Powers and brother Nashville Powers  
Didybell Zuelan Pegram  
Ulrike Quensel  
Phermelia Halstead  
Marralach Mor

### **What a Background! (from the Wetherington papers)**

Next time you're feeling rather unimportant, try a little arithmetic trick based on the undebatable fact that it took two people, your parents, to get you here. Each of your parents has two parents, so in the generation just prior to that of your mother and father, there were four people whose pairing off and sharing love contributed to your existence.

You are the product of 8 great-grandparents, 16 great-great-grandparents, 32 great-great-great-grandparents, ect. Keep on multiplying the number by two. If you figure an average of about 25 years between each generation, you'll discover that a scant 500 years ago, there were 1,048,576 people on this planet beginning the production of you.

*"Readers Digest, March 1992"*

### **Family Group Sheets in the Wetherington Papers**

Lillian Wetherington's papers have been indexed and contain a number of family group sheets, many of which contain research she did for others. Among them, the following surnames appear frequently. If you'd like a copy of the index to her family group sheets, email us.

**Anderson Arledge Austin Balance Banks Bass Baxter Bell Baxter Bray  
Brickhouse Burrus Cartwright Davis Dawkins Dennison Denny Dozier  
Duke Etheridge Ferebee Flora Halstead Mathias Phillips Sawyer Walker  
West Williams**

**BIBLE RECORDS**  
(**Ashbee file**)

*(This is another Bible record found in the genealogy files at Currituck Library)*

This appears to have been on a page from a book, probably a Bible, and it is in a beautiful handwriting, the same all the way through. (Eula has it - both **Ashbee** and **Midgett** has several spellings.)

Chronology of offsprings of Abel and Mary **Ashbee**:

Abel **Ashby** son of Solomon **Ashby** and Elizabeth his wife was born on the 20th day of March 1747.

Marye **Midgett** daughter of Samuel and Agelien **Midgett** his Wife was born on 19th day of December 1752.

Abel **Ashby** and Marye his Wife were Married on the 6th day of September Anno Domi 1773.

Sarah **Ashby** daughter of Abel and Mary **Ashby** his Wife was born on the 24th day of July .1774.

Samuel **Ashby** son of Abel and Mary **Ashby** his Wife was born on the 18th day of October 1775.(notice on original this date is marked over in another handwriting 1796.)

Elizabeth **Ashby** daughter of Abel and Mary **Ashby** his Wife was born on the 11th day of March 1778.

The following might be the same handwriting, but note the difference in spelling. This was on a separate piece of paper and the letters below are for the months, I presume.

Choronology of the Ages and Issue of Abel **Ashbee** (Son of Solomon **Ashbee** and Elizabeth his Spouse) who was born the 20th day of March 1747, and Mary **Midyett** said Abel **Ashbee**'s Spouse who was born 19th day of December 1752.

The said Abel **Ashbee** and his Spouse Mary **Ashbee** were Married on the 9th day of September 1773.

J F M A M J J A S O

(The children's dates were torn off this piece.)

ABEL **ASHBEE**'S Will is dated April 1803. It is not recorded in Currituck County Court House. The original will is now in the possession of Eula Griffin **Bibb** of Greensboro, N.C. Abel named wife Nary; daughter Sarah **Cavender**, wife of Joseph **Cavender**; son Samuel; son Solomon and (his wife Elizabeth); daughter Elizabeth **Jarvis**; son William; son Abel; daughter Affee.

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(When I reminded Eula that according to recorded history Abel Ashbee did not write a will, she said she would have it recorded in Currituck County before she loaned the papers to U. of N.C.)

MARY **ASHBEES** Will is in Book 2, p. 354, Currituck Court House. The page is so badly torn I couldn't read all, not sure of the date recorded, the tenth day of January 1810 or 1812.

She gave son William **Ashbee** schooner "Virginia"; son Solomon 1/2 of something--; son-in-law Samuel **Jarvis**; son-in-law James **Etheridge**; Pemlico **Austin**, daughter of Sarah **Austin**; son Samuel's heirs Abel and Washington **Ashbee**; Daughter Polly **Baum**; and daughter Sally **Cavender**. Son Solomon Exr.

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(Who was Sarah Austin in Mary's will?)

SALLY **CAVENDER** Will May 8, 1815. She left "all my property to Brother Solomon **Ashbee** to take care of my child Joseph **Cavender**. On one have anything to do with my beloved baby Jo **Cavender** except Solomon **Ashbee** and his wife Eliza beth **Ashbee**."

## QUERIES

Queries are free and should be submitted by email to Dorothy Hocutt (dhocutt@earlibrary.org) or Jeanne Meekins Murray ([jeannemmurray@gmail.com](mailto:jeannemmurray@gmail.com)). We ask that you also share your genealogy and family stories with us. If you read a query in the AGS newsletter (or website) and can help with information, please contact Jeanne or Dorothy.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Thomas **Ferebee**, who was the bombardier on the Enola Gay, was directly descended from the Currituck Ferebees. There is a section of Mocksville, NC that was called "Little Currituck" at one time because so many Currituck folks had moved there. The Ferebees were one of those groups, and Thomas grew up and died there.

## MEMBERSHIP DUES

We hope you have already submitted your membership dues for 2012. If not, it's not too late to do so. Dues are \$10 and should be mailed to AGS, 142 Waterlily Rd., Coinjock, NC 27923.