



MTGS Messenger



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Our 40 Counties

Bedford
Cannon
Cheatham
Clay
Coffee
Davidson
DeKalb
Dickson
Fentress
Franklin
Giles
Grundy
Hickman
Houston
Humphreys
Jackson
Lawrence
Lewis
Lincoln
Macon
Marshall
Maury
Montgomery
Moore
Overton
Perry
Pickett
Putnam
Robertson
Rutherford
Smith
Stewart
Sumner
Trousdale
Van Buren
Warren
Wayne
White
Williamson
Wilson

It's that time of year again. The annual November seminar will be held on Saturday, November 19, at the Brentwood Public Library. This year's theme is *Judgment, War, Taxes, and Tales: A Day Among the Records* and will feature local speakers Gordon Belt, Allison Griffey, Jim Long, and Chuck Sherrill. Registration deadline is November 12 and the cost is \$40 for members of either MTGS or the Tennessee Historical Society; nonmembers' charge is \$45. Lunch is included.

Doors will open at 8:15, with program beginning at 9:00. Final session will include a question and answer session for the presenters and we'll be finished at 4:00 p.m.

This is always a worthwhile event. If you haven't registered, visit www.mtgs.org to find the full brochure and registration form.

Several helpful online resources have been announced recently. The Virginia Historical Society now has a database called *"Unknown No Longer."* This provides access to the VHS unpublished manuscripts relating to Virginians of African descent. The Society holds more than 8 million processed items in its collection; they can now be accessed at <http://unknownnolonger.vahistorical.org/search/results>.

Another potential resource is *"Book-A-Librarian."* Researchers can schedule a thirty-minute one-on-one consultation with a reference librarian at certain libraries. Complete information can be located at <http://upfront.ngsgenealogy.org/2016/10/neat-idea-book-librarian-service.html>, an archived NGS blog. Although only a few libraries are listed, the blogpost says others are participating. We can only hope that many more decide to make the service available.

Don't forget to check out our website (<http://www.mtgs.org>) and be sure to like us on [Facebook](#).