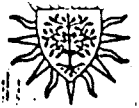




# ANDERSON RECORD



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## MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR

### ISURPRISE DINNERI

**It was a total surprise!** ... Usually when fifty or more people are planning something that is to be a surprise, somewhere along the way the individual manages to find out or suspects that everything is not what it should be, but the Anderson Chapter managed to surprise its outgoing president, Jim Harper, with a surprise dinner at Shoneys Restaurant in Anderson. The 6 P.M., Monday, November, dinner was held to pay homage and to express our thanks to Jim Harper who has been Chapter president for the past three years, and is primarily responsible for the founding and organization of the Anderson County Chapter of the S. C. Genealogical Society.

The dinner was a huge success. I do not have a total on the number of members present, but the private dining room that was reserved for us did not hold everyone and we spilled out into the adjoining dining area. After the meal, Mr. Carl Lund expressed the Chapter's appreciation for Jim's hard work and dedication in leading the Chapter for the past three years. Then he thanked Bobbie Sickler and her committee for planning the appreciation event and turned the program over to Thelma Wilson, who presented gifts to Jim ---- a brief case, with a pen and pencil set, and a scrapbook that Thelma put together covering the activities of the Chapter's first three years.

A short business meeting was conducted following the dinner and gift presentations. Jim has left the Chapter in good financial shape. We have a balance of \$762.84 in the treasury and a cool \$10,674.13 balance in the printing fund.

The new officers proposed by the nominating committee for 1991 were elected unanimously, and Jim thanked everyone who helped last year.

### NEW OFFICERS FOR 1991

|                      |                            |                               |                       |
|----------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| President .....      | <b>Carl Ellison</b>        | Corresponding Secretary ..... | <b>Ronald Kay</b>     |
| 1st. Vice Pres. .... | <b>Margaret Cole</b>       | Newsletter Editor .....       | <b>David Thompson</b> |
| 2nd Vice Pres. ....  | <b>Ed Hillhouse</b>        | Publication Editor .....      | <b>Jim Harper</b>     |
| Recording Sec. ....  | <b>Carrie Sue Charming</b> | State Representative .....    | (to be announced)     |
| Treasurer .....      | <b>Pansy Julian</b>        |                               |                       |

A special thanks to Mary Szabo, chairperson of the nominating committee, and the members of the committee, Lib Meehan and Sara Jean Morris. This is an extremely important and very hard task to perform and they are to be commended for a fine job.

**Thanks to the outgoing officers for a job well done and a very successful year!**

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## OCTOBER MEETING

The October meeting was held on Monday, Oct. 1, at the Coleman Recreation Center in Anderson. There were 37 members present along with eight guests, including guest speaker, Bob Cartee from Spartanburg.

Jim Harper, president, presided over the meeting and after opening formalities, reports were given by individuals on the following projects:

- 1) - Abstracting of early newspapers.
- 2) - Printing of cemetery records - Carl Ellison has completed one volume of the records donated by Wayne Bratcher, but indexing, a major task, still has to be done.
- 3) - Courthouse records - Mrs. Lund reported that the records had been moved to the old Revco Building and that there would be an organizational meeting of volunteers held October 2, at 9 A.M.

Mary Szabo, chairperson for the nominating committee, reported the slate of officers for 1991. .... Members were again reminded that beginning in January we will begin meeting at the United Way Building on the corner of Murray Avenue and Greenville Street.

Bob Cartee, our guest speaker, gave a slide presentation and talk on the Old Wagon Road and other migratory routes from Pennsylvania and Virginia to North and South Carolina.

One of the "guests" attending our meeting was Mrs. Janice Westbrook Healy, a member of our Chapter, from Melbourne, Florida. Janice manages to attend one meeting a year, in the fall during football season when she is visiting her mother who lives in Anderson. Janice enjoyed the meeting and says she spends a lot of time doing ancestral research. Most of her research is done in Orlando, Fla.. Some of the lines in S. C. she is researching are: Whitfields, Corns, Burdin, & Dove. Good luck in your research and look forward to seeing you again next year.

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## SEPTEMBER MEETING

Since the first Monday in September was Labor Day our September meeting was held on the 27th of August at the Coleman Recreation Center. There were 43 in attendance, including new member Patsy Mills and visitors Amanda Byrd, Joe and Louise Burton, Elsie Fields, Margaret Hayes, and Dorothy Weiss.

After opening business, updates on various projects were given

- 1) - Reprinting of Louise Vandiver's, *Traditions and History of Anderson County*, was completely sold out and the printing fund had a balance of \$10,622.00.
- 2) - Printing of cemetery records - persons working on the records donated by Wayne Bratcher are Jim Harper, David Thompson, Carl Ellison, and Sara Jean Morris. Debbie Price donated Iva cemetery records and Margaret Coker donated New Prospect Baptist Church records.
- 3) - Abstracting of early newspapers is continuing.
- 4) - Courthouse records - Mrs. Lund asked for volunteers to help organize the many records stored haphazardly in the basement of the old Courthouse. The Clerk of Courts office was delighted to receive the help of our Chapter.

There was another announcement that books that have been donated to the Chapter will soon be housed on the third floor of the old Courthouse. George Hammett moved that the Chapter purchase a bookcase for the books and the motion passed.

The remainder of the meeting was used as a social time and we had refreshments.

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## QUERIES

### **The HomeTowner**

By Joanne Thrift

#### **Mrs. Meldora Lee Harmon**

1326 Hiway 56

Spartanburg, S. C. - 29302

Is searching for any descendant of the **VanDeVastine "Vandy" Lee** family. Vandy came to the Spartanburg County area in the early 1840's from Orangeburg. His father was **Selah** or **"Celia" Lee**.

Vandy married **Elmina Rakestraw** and they were the parents of 12 children:

**Mary Jane** (married Joseph Groce, then Jacob Wages); **Richard Dixon** (married Amanda Jennings); and **Eliphus, Joshua, Margaret, Tabathia** (married Gilbert Fleming); **Martha** (married Newton Fleming); **Jamison** (married Sarah Taylor); **Austin, Harmony, John C.** (married Louvinnia Hutchings); and **Benjamin Lee** (married Nancy Quinn).

If you are related to any of these descendants, please contact Mrs. Harmon at the above address. She and others are trying to complete the family history. "We are planning a 'first in over 100 years' reunion of all the descendants," she said. The reunion will be held in the Police Club on Floyd Road, Spartanburg, on Sept. 23.

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### **WALLEY - GARDNER - McLEAN/McLAIN - NORRIS - BUNCH - BREWER - DICK STRICKLAND - WATSON - BUCKSTER**

Mrs. Patti F. Collins of Baton Rouge, La. has written our Chapter seeking information on the above family lines. All listed S. C. as places of birth on one census or another, with the exception of the McLain family across the state line in Georgia. .... According to family history the Walleys and Gardners in her lines intermarried. They all came from S. C., possibly through Tennessee to settle in the Mississippi Territory around 1810 or so.

#### **Additional information submitted:**

John Alexander McLain, born 1805 Ga., wife, Matilda Norris, born 1807 Alabama, her father, Notley Norris, bn. circa 1784 Alabama or South Carolina. .... Howell Brewer, bn. 1790 Ala., wife, Patience Strickland, bn. 1794 Georgia ..... John Gardner, bn. 1772 S. C. had four daughters - Elizabeth, Susannah, Sarah, Mary, all born S. C. married Walleys as follows: Gouldsberry Walley, bn. 1787 S. C. md. Susannah Gardner - Thomas Walley, bn. 1790 S. C. md. Elizabeth Gardner. .... George W. Bunch, bn. 1773 S. C. md. Elizabeth, bn. 1780 S. C., had daughter, Harriet Elizabeth Bunch bn. 1817 md., James A. Mills bn. 1805 in S. C. .... Aaron Frierson, Jr. bn. 1751 in S. C. had dau. Sarah Frierson bn. 1771 in S. C. md. Elam James Mills bn. 1771 in S. C. .... Sarah Wooter, md. William Mills bn. 1743 in S. C. .... James Mills and wife Jean had son William Mills (above) bn. 1743. .... Flemmon Shumake, bn. 1818 in Madison Co. Ga., md. Kiddie Teddie bn. 1822 Jackson Co. Ga. Both died Winn Parish, La. W. Edward Porter bn. 1825 in S. C. md. Lucy bn. 1820 in S. C. both lived in Shelby Co. Ala. 1850 and died in Winn Parish, La. .... Benjamin Franklin Barton bn. Oct. 1854, La. md. Parlee Porter bn 27 June 1849 Ala. .... Sally Merchant md. John Fletcher had dau. Miranda bn. 1831 Miss. md. Collier Barksdale Gates bn. 1825 Miss. .... Paul C. Dartton bn. Jan. 1873, La. md. Angeline Trichel bn Dec. 1873 La. .... Lizzie Adams bn. 1885 md. Robert R. Gates bn. June 1885 in La. .... Mary Etta Stone bn. 1867 in Miss. md. Thomas Charles Dick bn. 10 June 1860 La. .... Nancy P. Watson bn 28 May 1835, Miss. md. Elijah Gill Dick, bn. 14 Nov. 1824 in S. C. They married and lived in Claiborne Parish, La.

Mail info to: Mrs. Patti F. Collins

5124 Bluewater Drive

Baton Rouge, La. -- 70817

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## QUERIES

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### GIBSON

From: Frank E. Gibson  
1013 Dunlap  
Lufkin, Texas - 75901

Seeking information on **Richard Gibson** who was listed in the 1800 census of Pendleton District. In 1794 he received a land grant on Eastatoe Creek, waters of Keowee River in what is now Pickens Co. He is believed to have lived in this county about 10 years.

Earliest record of Richard Gibson is with **George Gibson** in a purchase of 200 acres on Beeverdam Creek, a branch of Saluda River in Berkley Co. in 1772. Wit: by **Gilbert Gibson**.

Does anyone have church records that might tell the names of Richard's wife and children? Seems most of his children were born in Anderson Co., although in 1790 he had 2 daughters and a son. **Julius Gibson** lived near him on the Keowee River. There was also a **William** and a **John Gibson**. Would like to know the names of Richard's parents and where they came from. Were they Scotch-Irish? ..... Any help or suggestions you can give me will be greatly appreciated.

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### HEMBREE

From: Dorothy Hembree Pantier  
Rt. 1 - Box 155A  
Danville, Ar. - 72833

Seeking information on the Hembree family that lived in the Anderson Co. region, specifically, **David Hembree** who died in 1809, and **Rev. James Hembree**, who died in 1849. Do you know if there is any published works concerning these men or if there is a history of Anderson Co. in which they or their families are mentioned? If so, how can I obtain it? I would greatly appreciate any information that you can supply.

**Editors Note:** A check of the index of Vandiver's, *History of Anderson*, does not list these individuals. There should be info on this family in other references, however.

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### 1991 MEETING SCHEDULE

All meetings are presently scheduled for 7 P. M. @ the United Way Building (old Social Security Office) - 114 W. Greenville St. in Anderson.

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|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1) - January 7  | 7) - July (no meeting)              |
| 2) - February 4 | 8) - August 26 (this is Sept. mtg.) |
| 3) - March 4    | 9) - Sept. - to be held on 26 Aug.  |
| 4) - April 1    | 10) - October 7                     |
| 5) - May 6      | 11) - November 4                    |
| 6) - June 3     | 12) - December (no meeting)         |
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# MEMBER PROFILE

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## MARGARET ATKIN COLE

Margaret Atkin Cole and her husband, John W. Cole, live at 1480 Rice Road in Belton, S. C.. Margaret, originally from Anderson, is the daughter of the late Clinton Vernon Atkin, and the former Vennie Jeanette Ellison, both were from Anderson.

Margaret and John have two sons; John W., Jr., who lives in the Charleston area, is married and they have two children, and Vernon A. who graduated from Clemson and is now presently working on his PhD at the University of Florida.

Margaret, now retired, was a teacher and guidance counselor at Belton-Honea Path High School.

She is the Chapter's outgoing secretary and will serve as 1st. vice-president for the upcoming year. We all remember and appreciate what a great job she did as secretary. Who can forget those minutes at each meeting.

One of Margaret's ancestors, Charles Allen II and his wife, Lucy Bacon, were one of the original settlers of Laurens Dist. In 1766 he received a grant from the King for 300 acres in what is now, Laurens Co.. Charles Allen was killed in 1783 by Tories near Camden while on his way to Charleston Courthouse.

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## NEW MEMBERS

### JOSEPH CHANDLER BURTON

311 Northlake Drive

Anderson, S. C. - 29625

Surname of families researching: Burton - Chandler - Strickland - Weldon - Harbin - Elgin  
Harrison (Benj.) - Hudson (Cuthbert) - Spruill - Barmore  
Shirley - Howard - Hanks - Dixon (m: Judy Burton)

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### MARTHA A. HOBSON

2053 Willowwick Drive

Columbus, Ohio - 43229

Surnames listed on chart: Webb - Finley - Lytton - Knox - Golden - Johnson - Cline - Hardy.

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### ELSIE McGAHA FIELDS

Route - 5

Anderson, S. C. - 29621

Surnames researching: Smith - Duncan - Campbell - McGill - McGaha - Durham - Fields  
Casey - Partain - Maddox.

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### FRANCES L. GAY

8 King St.

Charleston, S. C. - 29401

Surnames researching: Laurence - Weems - Henderson - de Guerin - Welborn - Martin  
Looper - Price - Alexander - Gen. Benjamin Laurence - Stewart  
Stuart - Baker - Craig.

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Welcome to all new members and my apologies to anyone that I may have missed ... names and information will be published as it becomes available to me. .... Ed.

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# Lineage Chart No. 1

COMPILED BY: Margaret Atkin Cole

(Paternal grandfather)

DATE: March 1990

1480 Rice Road  
Belton, SC 29627

(Your father)

2 Clinton Vernon Atkin  
Born 27 February 1906  
Where Sandy Springs, SC  
When married 21 June 1930  
Where " Belton, SC  
Died 22 November 1986  
Where Anderson, SC

3 Ida Verena Poore  
Born 10 March 1880  
Where Williamston, SC  
Died 4 March 1920  
Where Honea Path, SC

1 Margaret Verena Atkin  
Born 17 July 1931  
Where Anderson, SC  
When married 2 June 1951  
Where " Anderson, SC  
Died  
Where

6 John William Cole  
Married:  
John William Cole

(Your mother)

5 Vernie Jeanette Elliston  
Born 9 September 1910  
Where Belton, SC  
Died 24 January 1984  
Where Anderson, SC

(Maternal grandmother)

7 Margaret Mae Chasteen  
Born 9 June 1893  
Where Greenville Co., SC  
Died 22 July 1955  
Where Anderson, SC

(Great-grandparents)

8 William Benjamin Frank-  
Born 1845  
Where South Carolina  
Mar. 1 Feb. 1866  
Died 1900  
Where Sandy Springs, SC

17 Nancy Arrena Morgan  
Born 1845  
Where Sandy Springs, SC  
Mar. 1 Feb. 1866  
Died 1900  
Where Sandy Springs, SC

18 Nancy Emmaline Shamvell  
Born January 1839  
Where North Carolina  
Died 31 January 1908  
Where Sandy Springs, SC

19 Elizabeth Painter  
Born January 1839  
Where North Carolina  
Died 31 January 1908  
Where Sandy Springs, SC

20 Hugh Clements Poor (e)  
Born 20 Sept. 1807  
Where Sandy Springs, SC  
Died 5 May 1840

21 Anna Mae Holland  
Born 18 Oct. 1809  
Where Sandy Springs, SC  
Died 9 July 1880

22 William Bennett  
Born 28 Sept. 1806  
Where Sandy Springs, SC  
Died 6 April 1867

23 Elizabeth Y. Welborn  
Born 16 Jan. 1814  
Where Canon, Georgia  
Died 10 May 1910

24 Miles J. Lewis Elliston  
Born 17 June 1836  
Where Canon, Georgia  
Died 18 Feb. 1908

25 Mary E. (Ann) Johnson  
Born 6 November 1858  
Where Anderson Co., SC  
Mar. Oct. 1879  
Died 11 December 1944  
Where Williamston, SC

26 Clarice Varina Harris  
Born 16 October 1863  
Where Anderson Co., SC  
Died 31 October 1945  
Where Anderson Co., SC

27 Nancy Clarice Pack  
Born 1820  
Where Anderson Co., SC  
Died 18 July 1890

28 James D. Chasteen  
Born 1828  
Where Greenville Co., SC  
Died 26 Mar. 1895

29 Benjamin Franklin Chasteen  
Born 27 July 1857  
Where Greenville Co., SC  
Mar. 24 November 1911  
Where Greenville Co., SC

30 Susannah Jordan  
Born 2 November 1853  
Where Greenville Co., SC  
Died 4 June 1896  
Where Greenville Co., SC

31 Anna Vincent  
Born 31 Jan. 1834  
Where Greenville Co., SC  
Died 21 Mar. 1904

32 William Atkin

b. ca. 1790 d.  
Sarah Allen

33 Sarah Allen  
b. ca. 1798 d. ca. 1875

34 Nancy Arrena Morgan  
b. d.  
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35 Nancy Arrena Morgan  
b. d.  
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36 William Shamvell  
b. d.  
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37 William Shamvell  
b. d.  
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38 Elizabeth Painter  
b. d.  
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39 Elizabeth Painter  
b. d.  
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40 John Poor  
b. d.  
d. d.

41 Rhoda Clements  
b. ca. 1774 d. 3 Jan. 1843

42 John Holland  
b. ca. 1780 d. after 1850

43 Sarah (Sally)  
b. d.  
d. d.

44 Thomas Bennett  
b. Mar. 1764 d. Jan. 1848

45 Ruth Pepper  
b. ca. 1773 d. Nov. 1863

46 Thomas Welborn  
b. Aug. 1790 d. Aug. 1868

47 Mary (Polly) Martin  
b. Mar. 1793 d. July 1880

48 Miles Elliston  
b. Nov. 1799 d. Feb. 1884

49 Deborah Johnson  
b. Mar. 1796 d. Apr. 1869

50 Mary E. (Ann) Johnson  
b. d.  
d. d.

51 Mary E. (Ann) Johnson  
b. 25 Sept. 1835  
d. 16 April 1916

52 David Harris  
b. 15 Feb. 1826  
d. 30 Dec. 1908

53 Nancy Clarice Pack  
b. 1820  
d. 18 July 1890

54 James D. Chasteen  
b. 1828  
d. 26 Mar. 1895

55 Benjamin Franklin Chasteen  
b. 27 July 1857  
d. 24 November 1911

56 Susannah Jordan  
b. 2 November 1853  
d. 4 June 1896

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65 William Atkin

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91 Elizabeth Oldham

92 Aaron Welborn, Sr.

93 Elizabeth Younger

94 Thomas Martin

95 Hester Roundtree

96 James Ellison, Jr.

97 Sarah

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120 Issac Jordan

121 John Vincent (I)

122 Ezekiel Vincent

123 John Vincent (II)

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## CHAPTER BY-LAWS

Effective January 1991

### 1- MEETINGS

- A - Meetings of the Chapter will be on the first Monday of each month, except July, August, and December, unless changed because of a holiday.
- B - Meetings will be held in the United Way Building (old Social Security Office), 114 W. Greenville St., Anderson, S. C. - 29622.

### 2 - CHAPTER BOARD

The Chapter Board shall consist of the elected officers, the Editor of the Chapter Newsletter, and the immediate past president. Former presidents may act as advisors.

### 3 - COMMITTEES

Committees are approved by the Chapter. The President shall appoint committee members, except the Nominations Committee, which shall be elected from the floor and shall be composed of at least three members. The President is an ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominations Committee.

### 4 - CHAPTER DUES

Dues are for a calendar year:

- \$ 10.00 Individual Membership
- \$ 13.00 Family Membership
- \$ 5.00 Associate Membership

### 5 - EDITOR and OFFICIAL PUBLICATIONS

The editor of the Chapter Newsletter, upon recommendation by the Board, is elected by the Chapter annually.

The official periodical of the Chapter, "*The Anderson Record*", will be published quarterly, March, June, September, and December.

### 6 - REPRESENTATIVE ON THE STATE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

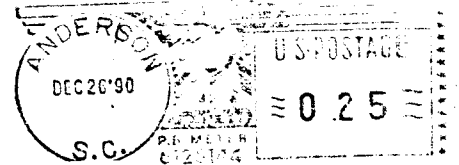
The Chapter President will be the representative to the Board of Directors of the State Society, unless the President is a State Officer. In such case, the Vice President of the Chapter will be the representative.

### 7 - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chapter Officers are elected annually in November for the next calendar year.

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**NEXT REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING  
MONDAY - 8 JAN. 1991 - 7 P.M.  
at  
114 W. GREENVILLE ST.**