

OKTOBERFEST 2013 PROGRAM SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2013

A. S. Salley Archives open for research.....	9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Registration – Church of the Redeemer.....	4:00 – 5:45 PM
Family tables.....	4:00 – 5:45 PM
President’s Dinner (reservation required).....	6:00 PM
The Reverend Dr. Frank E. Larisy, Rector, Church of the Redeemer	
<i>The History of the Church of the Redeemer</i>	

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2013

Registration (coffee & pastries).....8:30 AM

Annual Business Meeting

Vote on by-laws change.....9:00 AM

Orangeburgh District DNA Report

Margaret Waters9:30-9:45 AM

First Families of Orangeburgh District

Pam Johnson.....9:45-10:15 AM

Faith on the Frontier: Religion and Community in Early Orangeburg

Lynn Teague.....10:15-10:45 AM

Break10:45-11:00 AM

Some Sources for Vital Records in South Carolina

By Brent Holcomb.....11:00-11:30 AM

The Internet: Surfing for Genealogy.....Without Wiping Out

Learn to read the waves of bad information and finish on top of your family history.

Eric Powell.....11:30-12:00 PM

Lunch (*reservations required).....12:00 PM-1:00PM

Family Tables.....12:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Vendor Tables.....9:30 AM – 3:00PM

(Some vendors may not be available for entire stated time)

*Meal reservation deadline October 14, 2013,

*Note: program is subject to last minute additions and changes

Revised 08/25/2013

BY-LAW AMENDMENTS

Several amendments to the OGSGS By-laws have been approved by the Board for submission to the membership at the 2013 Annual Meeting, on Saturday morning, October 19, 2013.

AMENDMENT 1:

The first amendment eliminates the position of Executive Secretary. The Recording Secretary will become, simply, the Secretary. When the position of Executive Secretary was first established OGSGS received quite a few queries from family history researchers, which the Executive Secretary either answered or referred to someone more familiar with the family in question. The Orangeburgh SC email list at Rootsweb and other on-line forums have almost entirely taken over the function of making contact between researchers working on the families, and so the position is no longer needed.

ARTICLE VII – DUTIES OF OFFICERS

*The **President** shall preside at all meetings of the Society, Board, and Executive Committee; shall call special meetings of these bodies as needed; shall be ex-officio member of all committees except the nominating committee; shall serve as chief executive officer of the Society and shall perform all other duties specific by parliamentary authority.*

*The **Vice President** shall preside in the absence of the President, shall assist the President in carrying out the activities of the Society; and shall fill the office of President in case of vacancy in the Presidency.*

~~*The **Executive Secretary** shall receive mail, respond appropriately, forward all financial matters to the Treasurer, and perform any other duties designated by the President.*~~

*The **Recording Secretary** shall keep a record of all proceedings of the Society, distribute minutes of Board meetings and Executive Committee meetings to the members of each group, preserve documents associated with proceedings, preserve a copy of all material published by the Society, respond to mail as necessary, and perform any other duties designated by the President.*

AMENDMENT 2:

The second amendment restores an earlier provision that directs OGSGS assets to be given to the Orangeburg County Historical Society in the event that OGSGS disbands. This has always been the intent of the OGSGS board, because the two societies have worked together closely for many years. The explicit provision is now required to satisfy an IRS requirement that organizations identify a successor in their constitution or by-laws.

ARTICLE XII – DISSOLUTION

~~*In the event of dissolution of the Society, the Board of Directors shall determine the organization or organizations to which all residual assets would be given.*~~ *all residual assets shall be given to the Orangeburg County Historical Society, located in Orangeburg, South Carolina, or in the event that organization has ceased to exist, to its successor organization.*

OKTOBERFEST SURVEY 2013

1. Have you attended Oktoberfest before?
2. What do you like best about Oktoberfest?
3. What do you like least about Oktoberfest?
4. Were the speakers interesting and informative?
5. What kind of speakers would you like to have?
6. Were the meals satisfactory?
7. Were the vendors satisfactory?
8. Were the family tables satisfactory?
9. Was the venue satisfactory?
10. Would you like to see more tours? If so what type? If not what kind of activities would you like to see at Oktoberfest next year?
11. Are you interested in volunteering to help next year?
12. Are you interested in volunteering for a committee?
13. Please give us your comments, suggestions and concerns below.

**THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THIS SURVEY
PLEASE PLACE IN SURVEY BOX AT REGISTRATION TABLE BEFORE
LEAVING**

ABOUT US



The Orangeburgh German-Swiss Genealogical Society

Our Society is a family history organization which promotes the collection and preservation of early records of the people of Orangeburgh Township, South Carolina, and their descendants. It is an eleemosynary, non-profit, non-political, and non-sectarian.

Other objectives are to serve, through publications and meetings, as a medium of exchange of Orangeburgh genealogical information; to acquaint members with available sources of genealogical materials; and to enjoy the fun and fellowship of sharing records and research.

Membership is open to all who are interested in Orangeburgh genealogy, professional or amateur, and who are interested in supporting the objectives of the Society.

Individual membership is \$18.00 per calendar year, or \$24.00 for two or more members residing at the same address. Life memberships, both Individual and Family are also available. (See application for life membership prices which vary with age of applicant)

All OGS GS Members receive the OGS GS Newsletter published four times per year. The newsletter covers such topics as: ancestry charts, family group sheets, family bibles, cemeteries, personal diaries, queries, book reviews, courthouse records, surname lists, surveys, memorials, plats, deeds, etc.

OGSGS Members also have access to the OGS GS Archives, the Society's Collection of printed and manuscript material. This collection was donated to the A. S. Salley Archives in 2009 and has been incorporated into the archives collection. All materials are stamped and acknowledged as OGS GS donation.

All OGS GS Members receive a personal invitation to OKTOBERFEST, our annual meeting of the membership. It is a yearly celebration in Orangeburg when researchers come together to share sources of genealogical materials and have fun.

If you share our goals and are interested in genealogical research in the Orangeburgh area we invite you to join our Society today by filling out our membership application located on the website www.ogsgs.org.

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