

Genealogy EXPO

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Savannah River Valley
Genealogical Society
Hartwell, Georgia

Saturday

April 25, 2020

Hart County Adult Learning Center next to the
Hart County Library, 150 Benson Street, Hartwell GA.

TIME 10:00am - 2:00pm

Set up for groups will begin at 9:00 am

Please call and register if your group is planning to come.

11:30 am - Guest Speaker Presentation

The Oconee War: Defending the Beloved Land, 1783 – 1796

“Our land is like the flesh on our bones.” This singular insight was disclosed by Cussita Mico to convey the deep and intimate bond with which the Muskogee/Creek people held their southern homelands. The view had particular resonance over the rolling hills and fertile vales of the Oconee basin. Ancestral homeland for several of the confederated Creek towns, the resource abundant river basin was regarded as “Beloved.” Early attempts to wrestle the region from the Muskogee people was successfully resisted. Their defense of this country lasted the length of the American Revolution, but the conclusion of that conflict brought new “Georgians” to their borders. We’ll bring the war that broke out over this region into sharp focus, and delineate the dramatic consequences emerging from this prolonged struggle in the southern borderlands.

Steven Scurry is a graduate of the University of Georgia. He studied Anthropology at Western Carolina University before completing his degree at U.G.A. A lifelong interest in American Indian culture and history was initiated on learning of his own family ties that criss-crossed the Oconee valley in Georgia’s early years; he’s writing a book on the subject, using the archival sources for the lecture and presentation. Steven is a cofounder of Nowhere Archery, a traditional school of archery in Athens.

DISCOVER:

- How to start researching your family history.
- Pick up handouts about Genealogy.
- Basic resources available in our area.
- Talk with representatives from local historical organizations such as Historical Society, Daughters of American Revolution, United Daughters of the Confederacy, and much more.
- View family histories displayed by local people.
- Sign-up for additional information from the SRVGS.

Groups or individuals may have table space to share their information.

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