

THE SLATTEN LECTURES PAST SPEAKERS

The FVSA brings top genealogical speakers to the Library of Virginia each year to share their expertise and provide insights into research methodology. Many of the speakers use the rich resources of the Library in their research, making the annual Slatten Lectures of broad interest to anyone with genealogical roots in Virginia.

In the spring of the year, the FVSA sponsors “Straight to the Source,” a program that features discussions of additions to the research collections, new projects that are underway, in-depth looks at frequently used resources, and innovative research uses of archival records. Now well into its third decade, these presentations are the longest-running series of public programming at the Library of Virginia focused on the archival collection.

The FVSA has worked diligently in the past to supplement the resources at the Library and enhance its already well-deserved reputation as a major research institution. Microfilm copies of military records of Virginians, microfilm copies of early county court records from surrounding states, and copies of published local histories and indexes to useful sources have all been added to the Library’s collections through the support of the Friends.

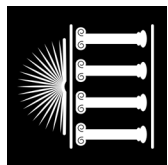
Archives News brings members notices and reviews of programs, along with articles about unusual discoveries from the archival collection.

Membership in the FVSA also supports excellent professional development opportunities that expand the ability of the staff to assist the thousands of researchers who visit the Library each year.

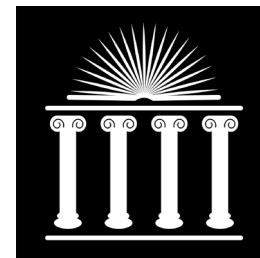
Join with the Friends in these efforts. As Richard Slatten, first president of the Friends, said, “History is too fragile to be left to chance; only dedicated support can preserve it.”

Listed below are the scholars who have addressed us under the sponsorship of Kathleen Littlejohn Slatten’s *The Richard Slatten Lectures*.

2000	Lloyd Bockstruck	2010	Claire Mire Bettag
2001	John Phillip Colletta	2011	Elizabeth Shown Mills
2002	Christine Rose	2012	Lloyd Bockstruck
2003	Elizabeth Shown Mills	2013	John Philip Colletta
2004	Sandra Hargreaves Lueking	2014	Pamela Boyer Sayre
2005	Michael John Neill	2015	Victor S. “Vic” Dunn
2006	Lloyd Bockstruck	2016	Barbara Vines Little
2007	Thomas W. Jones	2017	Dr. Michael D. Lacopo
2008	Patricia Law Hatcher	2018	J. Mark Lowe
2009	Richard Sayre		



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20TH ANNUAL
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FEATURING



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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2019

LIBRARY OF VIRGINIA
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RICHMOND, VA 23219

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20TH ANNUAL SLATTEN LECTURE

The Friends of the Virginia State Archives present the annual Richard Slatten Lecture as part of its annual meeting to be held on Saturday, September 21, 2019, at the Library of Virginia, 800 East Broad Street, Richmond, VA, with registration commencing at 8:30 am. Michael L. Strauss, an Accredited Genealogist and forensic investigator, will deliver four lectures drawing on his many years of research. Michael is a national genealogical lecturer and instructor for military courses at the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research (IGHR), and Virtual Institute of Genealogical Research (VIGR). He was the film historian for the 2015 Academy Award-nominated movie *Finding Vivian Maier*.

The first session of the day, "Researching Your Colonial War Ancestors," focuses on a wide variety of military records with genealogical content from the early colonial period to the end of the French and Indian War. Other armed conflicts discussed include King Philip's War, King George's War, and the War of Jenkins' Ear.

The end of the Civil War was a time to mend sectional differences. Discover many little-known military and civilian records rich in genealogical detail in the second lecture of the day, "Refugees, Claims, and Conscription: Your Ancestors During the Reconstruction Era."

The "War to End All Wars" ushered the United States and thousands of its young men and women onto the world stage. "The Great War: Researching Your World I Ancestors" focuses on ways to reconstruct military service for families in the face of loss of federal records and current privacy restrictions. Draft registration records, troop manifests, war casualty records, and related records will be discussed. The impact of the war at home will also be discussed.

From obituaries, to legal notices, business information, and small-town happenings, newspapers are the fabric of our national identity. The last lecture of the day, "More than Just Obituaries: Genealogical Newspaper Research," focuses on the growing collection of online digitized newspapers available at your fingertips.

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- 8:30 AM** Registration
- 9:15 AM** Welcome
- 9:30 AM** **Researching Your Colonial War Ancestors**
- 10:30 AM** Break
- 10:45 AM** **Refugees, Claims, and Conscription: Your Ancestors During the Reconstruction Era**
- 11:45 AM** Annual Meeting of the Friends
- 12:00 NOON** Lunch
- 1:00 PM** **The Great War: Researching Your World War I Ancestors**
- 2:00 PM** Break
- 2:15 PM** **More than Just Obituaries: Genealogical Newspaper Research**
- 3:15 PM** Questions and Discussion

REGISTRATION

*Please complete, detach, and return by
September 16, 2019 with check made payable to:*

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Name _____

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Registration Fees:

- FVSA member \$35 ____
- Non-member \$50 ____
- Join FVSA, attend as member \$70 ____
- Total enclosed \$_____

NOTES:
 Pre-registration is highly recommended. Registrations will be received at the door, but lunch cannot be guaranteed.

Lunch and beverage are included in registration fee.

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