




THE 12th ANNUAL FAMILY HISTORY AND GENEALOGY FAIR
“The 249th Anniversary Celebration of the Edenton Tea Party”

	Roanoke Chowan Heritage Center Hope House Road Windsor, North Carolina Saturday, July 29, 2023 9:30 am – 1:30 pm		300th Anniversary
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The purpose of the program is to discuss the diverse origins of families in Bertie County from the late 16th century to their current genealogical connections throughout America.

9:30 am: REGISTRATION AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
10:00 am – 1:00 pm: INTRODUCTIONS AND PROGRAM

10:10 am - 10:55 am: J. Annette Wright *“Bertie County Women and the Edenton Tea Party: The First Recorded Women’s Political Demonstration in America”*


	<p>J. Annette Wright was born in Oregon. She was awarded a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice from University of California at Long Beach. She was a special gent/criminal investigator for 28 years with the Federal Government. Annette is Coordinator of docents and volunteers at the Penelope Barker Welcome Center in Edenton. She received the Edenton Historical Commission’s Volunteer of the Year Award in 2015, 2019, and 2020. In 2022, she was the first recipient of the Penelope Barker Volunteer Achievement Award.</p>
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10:55 am - 11:40 am: James Moore, President, Murfreesboro Historical Commission *“Sally’s Family Place: Her NC Roanoke-Chowan Area Ancestral Tales”*

	<p>Sally Moore Koestler developed a website that presents shared information on her maternal and paternal ancestors as well as the enslaved people of color who lived on their plantations or farms. The following surnames are included: Moore, Ward, Jones, Hill, Bush, Walton, Hunter, Carter, Cording, Whitmel, Parker, Roundtree, Hayes, Gregory, Sanderlin, Riddick, Raynor, Outlaw, Rascoe, Hendricks, Walston, Lawrence, Ashley, Cotton, Browne, Godwin, Wheeler, Wood, Longworth, Foster, Crane, Lyon, Edwards, Bond, and Cherry. This Website is an important source for African American genealogical research. Mr. Moore will present an historical overview of the development of the website and observations on how the website has increased positive results in finding previously unknown relatives and DNA matches.</p>
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11:40 am - 11:50 am: Break

11:50 am - 12:40pm: Dr. Walt Wolfram, William C. Friday, Distinguished University Professor, N. C. State University *“Talkin’ Tar Heel: Celebrating North Carolina’s Linguistic Heritage”*

	<p>Dr. Wolfram has pioneered research on social and ethnic dialects since the 1960s. North Carolina is a proud state that often celebrates its social, cultural, and physical resources. Among his numerous awards is the North Carolina Award, the highest award given to a citizen of North Carolina. This presentation considers its linguistic heritage in terms of regional, cultural, and ethnic varieties of language found in the State. Using audiovisual samples from more than 3,500 interviews and more than a dozen documentary film over the past several decades, we demonstrate why the State should embrace its linguistic heritage as one of its most treasured cultural and historical resources.</p>
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1:00 pm: LUNCH

The registration fee is \$20 per person. Please register by July 24th by calling
[252-794-3140](tel:252-794-3140)