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Cemeteries of Prince Edward & Surrounding Counties with Special Emphasis on Civil War Graves

Presented by Dr. Ray Gaskins

Tuesday, July 20, 2009 7:00 p.m. PE Co Agricultural Center Hwy 15 South, 100 Dominion Drive Farmville, VA

Board Meets at 6:00 p.m.

## July program features 3 cemeteries

Dr. Ray Gaskins will be speaking primarily about three cemeteries:

- Y A Revolutionary War cemetery that doesn't exist,
- Y Westview Cemetery: Confederate Square, unmarked graves, etc.,
- Y A Civil War cemetery where at least 824 Confederate soldiers were buried, but no one knows for sure who is still buried there.

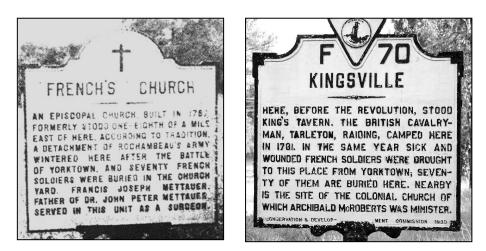


Westview Cemetery Confederate Square

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Cemetery Monument



French's Church

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## This Day in July in Prince Edward County History

- 7-1-1900 Leslie Fogus joins Farmville police.
- 7-1-1934 Craddock-Terry commences manufacturing shoes.
- 7-1-2000 Longwood College assumes new designation as Longwood University
- 7-2-1896 Solomon Marable hanged for the murder of Mrs. Pollard
- 7-3-1902 The first automobile makes its appearance in Farmville; it was driven by Mr. A.F. Herman of Richmond on his way to Lynchburg
- 7-4-1776 George Walton (born near Farmville, ca 1741) signs Declaration of Independence as delegate from Georgia
- 7-6-1901 Lightning strikes the Presbyterian Church steeple causing fire and \$300 in damage
- 7-7-1901 Bottling house at Lithia Springs burned
- 7-10-1927 Amandus Cox, livery stable operator, died
- 7-10-1928 First traffic light installed at Third and Main streets
- 7-11-1861 "Hampden-Sydney Boys" military company surrenders after battle of Rich Mountain in presentday West Virginia
- 7-12-1864 Birth of Henry R. McIlwaine at Hampden-Sydney (Virginia State Librarian, 1907-1934)
- 7-13-1781 Notorious British calvaryman, Colonel Banastre Tarleton, raids area around Prince Edward Court House village
- 7-16-1832 Hampden-Sydney literary society requests that Bible be taught as a college course
- 7-17-1825 James T. Gray, Farmville tobacconist, born
- 7-17-1843 First class meets at Farmville Female Seminary, which was founded in 1839
- 7-18-1955 A three-judge Federal Court rules the Prince Edward County will have to desegregate its public schools
- 7-22-1903 Southside Telephone Company chartered
- 7-23-1864 Dr. J.R. Spencer born
- 7-23-1836 The Mineralogical Society of Virginia formed in Worsham
- 7-26-1940 Farmville is the nation's hot spot. Thermometer tops 135° and then explodes!
- 7-27-1896 The Pythians reorganize their lodge here.

## Programs set for remainder of 2010

Be sure to mark the remainder of your 2010 calendar for the third Tuesday of each month through November at 7 p.m.

On August 17, Robert Winthrop will be doing a presentation about the architecture of downtown Farmville.

Jim Cooke will speak on September 21 on genealogy and DNA.

As a good follow up to our August program, Kristin Kirchen, architectural historian for the Virginia Department of Historic Resources, will talk about historical preservation on October 19.

Our meeting year will end in November with our once annual business session.

