

The GSOC Newsletter

**The Genealogical Society of Okaloosa County, Florida
November 2020**



GSOC PRESIDENT'S CORNER

GSOC is going to survive another year because members new and old stepped forward to carry on! The November Meeting is **VERY IMPORTANT** because that is when the membership elects the new board. Please make sure you attend the meeting!

Christmas Party - Cancelled. If it is not safe to gather as a family, it sure is not safe to gather as GSOC.

The new board will be sworn in via Zoom sometime in December. We'll announce that after Thanksgiving!

The new board is:

Margaret Harris - President
Jodie Biles – 1st and 2nd VP
Donna Elliot - Corresponding Secretary
Barb Bethea - Recording Secretary
Phil Hoge - Treasurer

I hope everyone has the happiest Thanksgiving possible this year. Socially distance, wear your mask, and wash your hands!

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**GSOC Monthly Meeting
Saturday, Nov. 28, 2020
6:00-7:00pm – on Zoom**



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Help Wanted

Newsletter Editor

Part time - a few hours, 3-4 days a month

Word Processor Knowledge Required

Start by January 2021

Email Cindybarber2@gmail.com to apply



Photo Restoration

By Jodie Biles

I recently decided to have a few of my pictures restored. I was hoping to use a service completely online that restores the picture and sends you a JPEG. I began by researching the best services. I came across this article: <https://icons8.com/articles/best-photo-restoration-services/>. I went to each website and read what they had to offer. I also read the reviews and looked in their gallery. Funny thing was, there were some of the same photos on several sites. This could be due to some review sites sending the same picture to different services to see who was best. Whatever the reason, I found it suspicious. I also contacted a restoration service that was not a completely online service, My Timeless Photo Restoration. They are a female owned business. I thought the price was a little steep, but my grandparents' picture was priceless. Now back to the process. I picked the top two online services from the list. I sent them a JPEG of the scanned image. They told me it was too damaged to repair. I didn't see how that is possible if they actually restored the photos in their gallery, but I still had My Timeless Photos to fall back on. You see, I had sent them a scanned photo also. They told me they could fix it, but they would rather have the original photo to work from. They emailed me a shipping label with instructions on how to prepare the photo for mailing without damaging it further. I prepared the package and dropped it off at the UPS store where I received a receipt and shipping info. Timeless Photo notified me when they received the photo. In fact, they kept me in the loop every step of the way. They emailed me a copy of the finished photo with watermarks so that I could not download it, then reject it, lol. I found the restoration to be amazing. I am more than pleased with their work. Here is their contact info: <https://mytimelessphotos.com/restore@mytimelessphoto.com>, (888) 987-4686. Here are the before and after photos. The original picture was only 2.5 x5. When you have the photo restored, you have the option of having it made into an 8x10, which I did.



Zoom Meetings



Special Interest
Group Meeting
1st Monday
6 PM



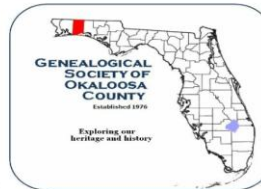
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1st Wednesday
6:00 PM

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DIG
The DNA Interest Group
2nd Tuesday
6 PM CDT

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Special Interest
Group Meeting
3rd Wednesday
6:30 PM





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