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Fall 2011 Workshop

Researching Our Industrial Past

*Friday, Nov. 18, 9 a.m.-11 a.m.
Archives and History Building, Raleigh*

The Federation of N.C. Historical Societies invites you to this hands-on workshop, designed for historical organizations interested in learning more about industries that once operated in their area as well as for people simply interested in researching what their ancestors did for a living.

As noted by Bob Crowley, the curator for the N.C. Railway Museum who will lead the workshop, “The most popular research subject for most people may be their own genealogy, and while that is important, we should also look into the institutions and industries that formed the economy and community of our forebears. How can we do that? Suppose you knew your great-great-grandfather worked at an ‘offals processing plant’ in town. Could you find more about that? Where was that mill located? How big was it? Who owned it? And what is an ‘offals processing plant’ anyway? This workshop will discuss those subjects and more in a hands-on manner. You will learn the best way to begin such research, the obvious and not-so-obvious sources of information available, and even how some basic archaeological activities can provide information.”

The workshop will be held at the Archives and History/State Library building at 109 East Jones Street in Raleigh; registration costs \$10. The workshop is being held as part of the Federation’s joint annual meeting with the N.C. Literary and Historical Association.

To learn more and to download a registration form, please visit www.fnchs.org/fund/news.htm or call (919) 807-7395.