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**African American Celebration
 “Bertie County Blacks in the Civil War”
 Saturday, February 11, 2012
 Roanoke Chowan Heritage Center
 Hope House Road
 Windsor North Carolina**



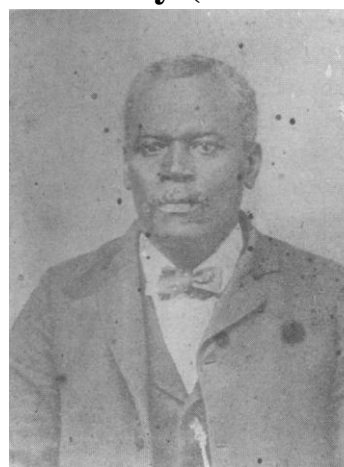
**ADMISSION IS FREE (DONATIONS ARE WELCOMED)
 PROGRAM INTRODUCTIONS - 12:00 Noon**

Stories

Wright Cherry (Union Army)



Benjamin Gray (Confederate Navy)



Documentary Research and Writing Inspired by Ancestral Roots

The Forgotten Legacy: Black Soldiers and Sailors Who Fought in the Civil War, 1862-1866



Willie Cooper, a Bertie County native, received a B.A. in History from North Carolina Central University; M. A. degrees from Brooklyn College and Queens College. He worked as a teacher and administrator for thirty years in public education and retired from the New York City Board of Education. Willie Cooper’s inspiration and motivation for this book was his grandfather, **George Reid**, who fought in the Civil War.

Bertie in Blue: Experiences of Bertie County’s Black Union Servicemen during the Civil War



Gerald Thomas, Bertie County native, is a graduate of East Carolina University, a certified public accountant and a retired federal executive. He is the author of *Divided Allegiances: Bertie County during the Civil War* and *Bertie in Blue: Experiences of Bertie County’s Union Servicemen during the Civil War*. To help commemorate the upcoming bicentennial of the War of 1812, Gerald W. Thomas has written soon-to-be-released *Destitute Patriots: Bertie County in the War of 1812*. He is currently working on another volume about Bertie County during the Revolutionary War.

**Focus Group Report for Bertie Historic Preservation Society’s
 Spring 2012 Civil War Reenactment**

Special Features at Hope

EXHIBITS: Plantation at the Crossroads: a permanent exhibit focusing on areas such as Tuscarora civilization, plantation agriculture, and African American life

TOUR: New Interpretation of Hope Plantation Manor House



Seats at this program are limited.
 Call to indicate your intention to attend.
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