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“May God keep us steadfast as He kept them steadfast, and in joy or in sorrow, may we know, as they knew, that underneath are the Everlasting Arms”.

CURRIER & IVES

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ACROSS THE CONTINENT.

“WESTWARD THE COLDS OF WINTER TAKE THEIR WAY”



CENTRAL-PARK. WINTER

THE SKATING POND.

COVER FEATURE:**JAMES MERRITT IVES OF CURRIER & IVES,
A HUGUENOT DESCENDANT**

By Janice Murphy Lorenz

Cover Images: *Central-Park Winter, The Skating Pond, and Across the Continent, Edits*©2021 Janice Murphy Lorenz. Credit to James Merritt Ives imprinted at the lower left (currently illegible due to the age of these images) of each. Courtesy The Cleveland Museum of Art.

At Christmas-time, Mary Alice Beauclair, my husband Patrick's sister in North Dakota, sent him a Currier & Ives book dated 1942, the year of Patrick's birth. The book was special for that reason, but even moreso because it had belonged to their late mother, a Casey whose Irish Protestant ancestors were straight from County Cork. She was raised as a Protestant with a keen interest in educational and cultural matters, and converted to Catholicism to comport with her husband's religion. Our beloved Catholic relatives can certainly be inspirational to us in unexpected ways. To wit: The book was lovely and contained numerous color images of nineteenth century scenes of American life and landscapes that made the printmakers' work iconic in American culture in their day. Naturally, my first thought was, if I can prove Huguenot descent of Currier or Ives, one of these pictures would make a beautiful cover for *The Cross of Languedoc* magazine! So I immediately began to investigate whether either Nathaniel Currier or James Merritt Ives could be of Huguenot descent. Joy! I learned that James Merritt Ives was indeed of Huguenot descent. His mother, Hannah Augusta Storer, was a descendant of the Huguenot Pierre Bontecou, who emigrated to America from the Ile de Ré in 1689, via England. Hannah's mother was Polly Augusta Bontecou, and her father was Capt. Nathaniel Storer, who fought in the Revolutionary War. [*The Ives Family. Including a History of the Early Settlements and the movement from Quinnipiac to the Black River Country.* Arthur Coon Ives. Watertown, NY: The Hungerford-Holbrook Company (1932) at 130.]

Pierre Bontecou was a Protestant merchant who emigrated from France in 1684 and eventually settled in the New York City area. He and his wife were initially buried at the Eglise du Saint Esprit; then their remains were moved to St. Mark's churchyard, Stuyvesant Place and Second Avenue, to make room for city land development. [*The Bontecou Genealogy; A Record of The Descendants of Pierre Bontecou, A Huguenot Refugee from France, In the Lines of His Sons.* Compiled by John E. Morris. Hartford, Conn.: The Press of the Case, Lockwood & Brainard Company (1885) at 114.] As many of you may be aware, Bontecou is a very well-established Huguenot genealogy, and Pierre Bontecou is one of the primary ancestors contained in the National Huguenot Society's *Register of Qualified Huguenot Ancestors, Fifth Edition, 2012.*

James Merritt Ives was born in New York City in 1824, to a middle class family with seemingly no particular interest in art; whereas James exhibited an avid interest in studying art from childhood onward. He studied art techniques by visiting the art available to the public at museums and art galleries in New York. James' big break into art occurred rather circuitously, but nonetheless providentially, after he married Caroline Clark; and then Caroline's sister, Elizabeth Clark, married Charles Currier, the brother of the already-popular printmaker, Nathaniel Currier. James obtained a job working for Nathaniel Currier, not as an artist, but as an accountant. The Currier company was a prolific producer of hand-drawn, hand-colored lithographs depicting many aspects of American life and culture. Each piece of artwork was created in a collaborative, assembly-line style effort by various artists on staff or on commission, each of whom had a specialty. Most works were not attributed to any particular author on the team which produced the piece.

It was fairly quickly discovered that James not only contributed just the right touch as a businessman, he also had a strong artistic talent for composition, both of which became invaluable to the growth and prosperity of the firm. And the rest is history. Pictured on this cover are two lithographs which were attributed specifically to him. In addition to becoming a named partner in the firm, "Currier & Ives, Printmakers to the American People," James also served in the New York State National Guard, and in Pennsylvania during Lee's invasion there. He died in Rye, Westchester County, NY in 1895.

NOTICE OF FEES AND DUES INCREASES PASSED AT CONGRESS 2020

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that various fees and dues increases were approved at the Congress meeting in October 2020, which was held online. A Dues and Fee Schedule can be found in the Members Only section of our new website, at www.nationalhuguenotsociety.org. The effective date for the new/increased member Fees to begin is in Fall 2021.

THE PRESIDENT GENERAL'S MESSAGE



*Janet B. Walker,
President General*

My Huguenot Friends:

I have been thinking a lot about membership lately. As you remember, my administration's theme is our three "ships" and **membership** is certainly critical to our organization.

In reading my July/August issue of the DAR magazine, I was intrigued by the article by Kim Chandler, National Chair of Public Relations and Media. Of course, our Society is different and smaller than the NSDAR but her points were well made for public relations of any lineage group. Let me get you to think about two of the questions she asked: "What does it mean in your community when someone mentions your chapter? When they see a DAR logo?" She then went on to state three goals for Public Relations. Two were "getting noticed" and Community Relationships." She reminded us that PR formerly meant waiting to see if your article and photos got printed in the local paper. Now, some of us still get news from the paper and TV but the internet is bursting with news about various groups. We want our NHS news and events on social media, too. I have had several people this week reach out to me on Facebook wanting to join our Society. Our prospective members are out there and want to join us! We must do a better job making our presence known by talking about our Society at other meetings,

discussing Huguenot genealogy, posting items of interest on the various Facebook genealogy and lineage society pages and groups, and promoting our Society at libraries, genealogy fairs, etc., when COVID is finally over. Many prospective members do not think they have a Huguenot ancestor. Encourage them to check our website for resources. Does your local genealogical library have copies of our Registry of Qualifying Ancestors and the Updates? This is a great project for your State Society to make sure your state libraries have copies of these important books which are tools for recruiting new members!! Back to Ms. Chandler's second question regarding a DAR logo, did you know there are National Huguenot Society oval stickers for your car window? I recently ordered one and will proudly show it off everywhere I drive! Look under the store items on our *NEW* website!!!

Speaking of our new website: Have you seen it? Explored all the drop-down menus and great information? Gone to the Member's Only site and found important forms, guidelines, deadlines, and such? Our Website Search Committee did a great job finding someone who was proficient...we owe a huge debt of gratitude to Steve Gerth, one of our own who chaired this important committee and has been our Webmaster for more years than most of us know about.

One unintended consequence of the COVID pandemic has been a surprising one to me. When I said back in October at our Congress in Orlando that I was happy to travel to see the State Societies of our NHS, I envisioned happy fellowship and new **friendships** in person around our country. What a surprise to find out that I can reach just as many of you, probably more, by Zooming than in person! We had so many States represented at our virtual Congress this year than would ever have been there in person. I have attended State meetings by Zoom and even got to "see" our MAL members, thanks to a Zoom meeting set up by 3rd VPG Marjorie Wilson. I am already getting invitations to join State Society Zoom meetings in 2021. And I am looking forward to the fellowship in these future Zoom meetings. Not ideal, by any means, but better than not being together at all. I am still able to say: I am here for you! Your Board of General Officers genuinely care about your State Society...and for you MALs out there, too!

As a last thought, I was immensely proud of the Arizona State Society recently after they tragically and suddenly lost their State President (and our Corresponding Secretary General) Kathy Machmer. They struggled to decide what to do, how to do it, who would take over as President, etc. The precious Vice President John Thorne stepped up to say that he would take the Presidency and continue the good work of that great State Society. That is **leadership**, friends!

In Your Service,

Janet Butler Walker, President General

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE WEBSITE COMMITTEE

The Website Committee of The National Huguenot Society hereby announces the new website for our Society, which contains a Members Only Section containing important documents such as the updated Bylaws and Fee Schedule. Our new website address is: www.nationalhuguenotsociety.org

Contact your state president, the webmaster: webmaster@nationalhuguenotsociety.org or Janet Walker: president_general@nationalhuguenotsociety.org for the password to the Members Only section.

SAVE THE DATE**2021 Annual Congress of the National Huguenot Society****Farmington Country Club, Charlottesville, Virginia****October 4th to 6th****AT MONTICELLO**
Event Schedule

Welcoming words from Dick Wright, President of the Huguenot Society of Virginia, 10/4, 5:30 pm in the Blue Ridge Room at the Farmington Country Club

Tasting of wines from the Huguenot regions of France and Dinner 6:00 pm, Blue Ridge Room

NHS Board Meeting, 10/5, 9:00 am

Tour of historical Farmington Clubhouse, 10/5, 10:00 am

NHS Annual Congress convenes: 10/5, 10:30 am

Luncheon and Memorial Service, 10/5, noon, Blue Ridge Room

Tours of Monticello, 10/5, 2:00 pm

Banquet in Jefferson Room, Farmington CC, 6:00 pm, Speaker: Susan Stein, Richard Gilder Senior Curator, Special Projects, Monticello/Thomas Jefferson Foundation, Inc.

Susan Stein is Senior Curator and Vice President of Museum Programs at Monticello. Her accomplishments include the landmark 1993 catalogue and exhibition *The Worlds of Thomas Jefferson at Monticello*, which returned over 150 works of art to Monticello. Her research interests have focused on the culture of Monticello, especially the decorative arts and the art acquired by Jefferson in France. She is working on an exhibition about Jefferson's important influence on American art and architecture.

Susan Stein will present: Thomas Jefferson, Francophile.

SUSAN R. STEIN



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SAVE THE DATE

2021 Annual Congress of the National Huguenot Society 4-6 October 2021 Farmington Country Club, Charlottesville, Virginia

Our Huguenot Society of Virginia has organized a remarkable 86th Congress for us in gorgeous Charlottesville, Virginia, Thanks to our Chaplain General, Joel Strauch (VA), we will be staying at the beautiful and charming Farmington Country Club. The meetings and organized activities will span 4-6 October 2021. **WARNING:** The fall foliage should be beautiful, and the area is blanketed with historical sites of great interest to American history, so you will probably need to stay for an extended visit! Here is a summary of planned events

4 October	5:30 pm	Welcoming words from Dick Wright, President of the Huguenot Society of Virginia in the Blue Ridge Room
	6:00 pm	Tasting of wines from the Huguenot regions of France and Dinner, Blue Ridge Room
5 October	9:00 am	NSH Board Meeting
	10:00 am	Tour of the Historical Farmington Clubhouse
	10:30 am	Congress meeting convenes
	12:00 pm	Luncheon and Memorial Service
	1:30 pm	Tours of Monticello
	6:30 pm	Banquet in Jefferson Room, Speaker: Susan Stein, Richard Gilder Senior Curator, Special Projects, Monticello/Thomas Jefferson Foundation, Inc.



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CALL TO APRIL 2021 ZOOM MEETING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of The National Huguenot Society regretfully announces the cancellation of the in-person Wednesday, 14 April 2021 Semi-Annual Meeting and Luncheon at The Army Navy Club in Washington, DC due to the Coronavirus.

WE WILL INSTEAD HOLD a Zoom Semi-Annual General Council Meeting, open to all members, on Wednesday, 14 April 2021 at 10:00 am EST, as a creative forum to exchange ideas; and

FURTHER, WE WILL HOLD a Zoom Board meeting for any business immediately following, at 11:30 a.m. EST.

SAVE THE DATE: THE NATIONAL HUGUENOT SOCIETY PLANS TO MEET IN PERSON on Wednesday, 13 April 2022, at the Army Navy Club in Washington, DC.



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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF NATIONAL OFFICERS MEETING 5 October 2020 By ZOOM Virtual Meeting

Call to order

Call to order and welcome by the President General Janet Walker to the regular meeting of the Board of General Officers at 10:41 am via Zoom. The Zoom meeting host was Steven Gerth.

INVOCATION – REV. JOEL STRAUCH, CHAPLAIN GENERAL

WELCOME – The meeting attendees were given a warm welcome by the Society President General Janet Walker and thanked everyone for attending the Zoom Virtual Regular Meeting of the Board of General Officers.

The President General appointed Barbara MacManus and Nancy Brennan to proof read the meeting minutes.

The Parliamentarian General position is open. The President General proceeded to appoint the Counselor General Cathy Paunov as Parliamentarian Pro Tem for this meeting and the 85th Congress Meeting tomorrow.

The Recording Secretary General Noella Oberlin was unable to attend the Board Meeting or the Congress. The President General proceeded to appoint the 2nd Vice President Jo Lee Potts as the Recording Secretary Pro Tem and Timekeeper for the Board Meeting and Timekeeper with the additional responsibility as Timekeeper for the Congress tomorrow. The President General appointed the Florida State Recording Secretary, Peggy Stottmann and the Florida State Corresponding Secretary, Judi Adams and Co-Recording Secretary *Pro Tems* for the Congress Meeting tomorrow.

ROLL CALL – General suspension of the call of names since we could see on the video screen who was present and who was absent. Please see the Meeting Minutes “IX Appendix” for details. It was confirmed that a quorum of officers and states were present for the meeting and business could occur.

Approval of minutes from last meeting

The President General noted that the Minutes of the October 5th, 2019 were approved by committee and published in the Spring 2020 issue of the Cross of Languedoc Magazine. Virtual WebEx Board of Management Meetings were held May 15, 2020 and June 4, 2020. The minutes of these meetings were approved by committee and published in the Fall 2020 issue of the Cross of Languedoc Magazine.

TREASURER GENERAL REPORT – Christine Crossan – Treasurer General

As of October 2019, the Society books were reconciled and completely moved to the Intuit-Mint electronic bookkeeping program. This allows for information to be downloaded from the accounts at Wells Fargo Bank. This Board member was in attendance at the May 6, 2020 and Sept 22, 2020 Finance Committee Meetings and the May 15, 2020 and June 4, 2020 Executive Board Meetings. (Please see the Treasurer Generals 2020 Report for details). Report forms have been updated and are available with the help of Steve Gerth on the website.

Proposed National 2021 Budget has been approved by committee to be presented in the committee report today and to the membership tomorrow.

AP205-2 forms have been filed and approved for the Society and the applicable States and Chapters. Sales tax exemptions were approved for National in the following areas: 1) Franchise Tax 2) Sales & Use Tax. We are not exempt from Hotel Occupancy Taxes.

99E Post Cards have been filed. All states are now aligned on a budgets January through December calendar year to coinciding with National. Some were out of sync, but this is no longer true.

PRESIDENT GENERAL REPORT – Janet Walker – President General

Report key information will be given tomorrow during Congress.

OFFICER REPORTS AND GENERAL BUSINESS – AS NOTED

Since the Recording Secretary General is unavailable, The President General Stated that motions being presented at the Congress will be made by the Present General. There were no issues with this notation. Bylaws change motions will be made by the Bylaws Committee Chair Barbara MacManus.

1st VP Report: Mary Margaret Buck – 1st VP General – Saved for Congress

The President General thanked Organizing Secretary General for her work as Organizing Secretary General to re-establish California as a society. The right of motion to enter California back as a viable society tomorrow will go to Organizing Secretary General because of her efforts.

2nd VP Report: Jo Lee Potts – 2nd VP General – Saved for Congress

3rd VP Report: Marjorie Wilson – 3rd VP General – Saved for Congress

Chaplain General Report: Joel Strauch - Chaplain General – there are a number of members who have passed. Joel is keeping up on them in the Cross of Languedoc Magazine. He will do a full memorial service when we are able to gather at a later date.

Comments were made by the Chaplain General and the President General on how important it is to the families when loved ones pass and how it makes them want to “join the Society” knowing that we care.

Recording Secretary General Report: officer absent and no report filed

Corresponding Secretary General: Kathy Machmer – Corresponding Secretary General – present and no report to share.

Organizing Secretary General: Nancy Schultz - Organizing Secretary General – present and no report to share.

Treasurer General Report: Christine Crossan – Treasurer General – Presented earlier. Discussion today included with the Registrar General making sure that tomorrow we have an updated New Proposed Fee Schedule. Bylaws Chair was going to update the New Fee Schedule and make it is Congress Attendee Friendly.

Historian General Report: Ann Whitt – Historian General - Saved for Congress

Genealogist General Report: Nancy Brennan – Genealogist General

Registrar General & I have been working on an updated “Consolidated Registrar for 2020”. It includes everything in the 2015 update, plus new information and maps.

Nancy Brennan: “I move for the Board approval to publish to the “Consolidated Register Update for 2020”. The price specifics will be given in the report of the Publications Chair”. The President General called for a second. Second to the motion was received from the Registrar General.

The President General called for discussion. There being no discussion, the President General called for a voice vote. The “I” vote was unanimous. And the motion carried.

The President General asked if the picture of the covers could be sent to the 3rd VP General and 2nd VP General so they can be displayed on screen at Congress tomorrow. Website Chair was confident that we would not have sharing issues tomorrow at the Congress.

The Publications Chair was able to send the cover pictures to the Counselor General. Counselor General was able to override the Web Site Chair’s Zoom and share the front and back covers for everyone to view. It was a common agreement that the covers are nice in color. The Publications Chair feels that the color provides an updated feel and this update also includes historical maps. With the maps, the update will be about 70 pages verses 60. The President General thanked Nancy, Bill, and Janice for all of their efforts on this project.

Counselor General Report: Cathy Paunov - Counselor General

We are one of the few lineage societies with a net gain this year. Counselor General mentioned that the State of Florida is the number one State in membership. Florida has added 18 new members this year, 16 of those belong to the Counselor General’s chapter.

2nd VP General mentioned several topics;

- The success of the distribution of the new National Trifold Brochure
- Have goals and objectives for States and Chapters
- Getting members to the meetings with programs
- Let members know we are an active and viable Society.

Counselor General offered that her Chapter has been so successful because of the programs and members bringing friends and guests. Chapter and State program on the “Translation of the Bible into French and its Impact of the Rise of Protestantism”. Counselor General shared the success her Chapter had with their joint meeting with the Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims. There was a presentation presented on the “Huguenots and Pilgrim Roots. This presentation brought in two new members into the Chapter.

Treasurer General commented she had created an area on YouTube Channel called “Huguenot Voice” for a couple of Delaware’s programs. “Huguenot Voice” was chosen because it had Huguenot in the title, and it was search able. As the Treasurer General remembers she had uploaded a program created by Finance Chair / Chaplain General and a second program where she could not remember the author, but the subject of the presentation was John Knox. The Treasurer General said she was willing to try and share the space to members for uploading content. It was created as a repositor/resource for programs for those groups that may not have the resources for a program or speaker.

The Counselor General shared that her presentations were all in PowerPoint, 15 to 20 minutes in length, but they did not have any audio. The presentations are self-explanatory, and she would love to put them in the “Huguenot Voice”. Counselor General feels strongly that good presentations drive a strong chapter.

The Organizing Secretary General shared that Peter Adams, State President from Pennsylvania has several programs and Illinois might be able to use this to access his files. The 3rd VP General and Publications Chair agreed that something should go into the next “Cross” on methods to access programs for members who need such resources. The Historian General would like to have the programs sent to her. She is willing to find ways to create such an access point. Maybe through the new website.

The 2nd VP General recommended that we start a set of programs and projects for 2022 for St. Bartholomew’s Day on a National level. The 2nd VP / Insignia Chair showed the pin designs and the proposed 2021 insignia pins. The Counselor General deferred the remainder of her remarks until tomorrow.

Publications Report: Janice Lorenz – Publications Committee Chair

- i) Her topic for discussion with this group was the publication costs of the new “Membership Directory Fall 2020”. The production cost will run around \$10 or \$11. The Society would need to charge postage. Ready to publish in the next week to 10 days. If we sell it the directory would be \$15 and sold only to members.

Discussion followed.

Directories will not be emailed as it makes it too easy to pass around and too easy to land in non-member hands.

We need a count of the membership who will want the directory before we publish to avoid having a bunch of extra books we do not want.

One copy will go to each “State Administration” along with ongoing corrections and updates. The State copy of the Directory would pass from administration to administration and not belong to State President to keep. The State Keeper of the Directory will be responsible for notifying National of Changes. Publications Committee Chair said it was fine with her. Lightning Source will publish the new Directory since they published the 2012 Ancestor Register and the Consolidated Update 2016. Lightning Source will be contracted to print and mail the initial Directory orders. This avoids the Registrar General or anyone else needing to go to the home office / San Antonio to do the mailings.

The Publications Committee Chair made a motion that “We publish the “**2020 National Membership Directory**”, for members only, have one distributed to State Presidents only, to be directly sent from the publisher to the State Presidents, and to have 25 additional copies sent to the home office in San Antonio for sale by the San Antonio office, only to members for \$15.00 a piece”. The 1st VP General seconded the motion.

There was no additional discussion.

The President General took a voice on the motion. There being no dissenting votes, the motion was approved. The President General thanked the Publications Chair and 1st VP General for their hard work and commented that we were able to get closure for Honorary President General Honorary President General Staley on her final term project.

- ii) Publications Committee Chair, the cost of the *Updated 2020 Supplement Registry Book*.
- Books sold from the San Antonio office would be \$18 for members and National keeps \$13.95 per book.
 - Books sold from the San Antonio office would be \$22 for non-members and National keeps \$17.95 per book.
 - Postage is flat rate for both member and non-member of \$4 per book from San Antonio.
 - Books sold on Amazon would be \$22, but we need to give Amazon a 20% cut or they do not list the book at the top of the listings. National keeps \$13.55 of Amazon sales. She has discussed these with her committee of Registrar General and Nancy Brennan. The committee feels that this is fair and reasonable.

Publications Committee Chair, made a motion that “We sell from the San Antonio office the “*2020 Update to the Register of Approved Huguenot Ancestors, Fifth Edition 2012 and the 2016 Consolidated Update*”, \$18 for members, \$22 for non-members, with a flat rate postage of \$4. Additionally, we would sell the book on Amazon for \$22 with a 20% discount to Amazon, no member or non-member price break, and the purchaser pays the shipping price charged through Amazon. Registrar General gave the second to the motion.

There was no additional discussion.

The President General took a voice vote on the motion. There being no dissenting votes, the motion was approved.

The 3rd VP General asked a follow up question. If the State of Georgia decided to order 10 books at one time from the San Antonio office, would it still be \$4 per book postage or would there be a discount for the purchase of multiple books? Registrar General commented that when ordering multiple copies, please call him directly. He is able to work out a special rate but the books will ship “insured” due to the weight and prior shipping issues with multiple book orders.

The President General thanked the Publications Chair for her hard work.

Bylaws Committee Report: Barbara McManus - Bylaws Committee Chair Saved for Congress, hopefully near the start of the meeting as several people need to leave by 12 noon. Registrar General will be discussing the Fees and Dues in a separate section. The Publications Chair will be introduced by the Registrar General after his Fees and Dues section to discuss “The Cross” subscription and replacement fees. The President General thanked the Bylaws Chair, Registrar General, and Genealogist General for their hard work.

Website Report: Steven Gerth – Website Chair

Most of report being deferred until tomorrow. A new company has been contracted (Egg Media – out of Macon, GA) to create a new National website. Beta testing will be ready in about three or four weeks. The new website will go live at the beginning of the new year. Once live, The Website Chair will step down as webmaster and the President General will appoint a new National Webmaster / Website Committee Chair at the appropriate time. The President General thanked the Website Chair for his hard work.

Finance Committee Report: Joel Strauch – Finance Committee Chair

The major business will be the Bylaws changes related to asset management of the society and the Asset Policy Management Statement. The specific issue is to make it clear in the Bylaws who has access to the assets, when, and under what conditions they are accessed. [Bylaws Revisions Article IX; Powers and Duties of the Board of General Officers Section H: Treasurer General – was shown.]

Next item shown [Investment Policy Statement of the National Huguenot Society] no change.

Next item shown [Investment Policy Objectives] The Finance Chair requested a wording change. Line 7 under “utilizing accounts of financial institutions which are federally insured. The request was to replace “insured” with “regulated”. “Insured” as defined has just a monetary value attached to the oversight. “Regulated” as defined had a defined / structured control / legalized control in addition to the monetary oversight. This brings the wording in sync with the other Bylaws changes for National Congress tomorrow. Bylaws Chair will make these as a part of the General Congress tomorrow.

Next item shown: [National Huguenot Society Budget Sheet (Operating Income and Operating Expenses) as of 9/30/2020] The spreadsheet was self-explanatory. The President General asked if there were any comments or questions? There were no additional comments or questions.

Next item shown [National Huguenot Society Balance Sheet (as of 9/30/2020)] Per the Finance Committee Chair, the important thing to notice is that the balance sheet Asset categories were set

up to reflect the structure of the accounts: Scholarship, General Purpose, and Operating Funds. Within the Asset Categories, each was then subdivided further to reflect the individual account allocations of the restricted and non-restricted funds. This is following the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP for Not for Profits (GAAP) setup by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB). The sheet showed the liability known to date.

Invested funds are currently with Vanguard in a Federal Money Market Fund that yields some interest. It is very safe, but the interest is just okay. The long-term plan is to follow the “Prudent Person Rule” and “Capital Preservation Rule”. If the vote tomorrow is successful to the Bylaws, the Finance Committee wants to long-term invest, held funds, which are currently in a Vanguard Federal Money Market (balanced portfolio) fund to get a slightly higher interest rate with the intent of capital preservation. The chosen fund to move the “held funds” is 48% fixed income, 8% growth short term, & 43% / 44% invested in various equity funds. Most of this is US large capital with a bias towards value stocks. The intent is to generate more income over a traditional saving account, maintain growth and stability, protect the portfolio.

Next item shown [Bylaws Revisions Article IX; Powers and Duties of the Board of General Officers Section H: Treasurer General] Finance Chair / Chaplain General and Bylaws Chair; Last minute change to the Bylaws for tomorrow to clarify intent under Part 1. *“The Treasurer General shall have charge of the funds belonging to the National Society, and shall promptly deposit these in the name of “The National Huguenot Society, Inc,” in financial institutions that are satisfactory to the Board of General Officers.”* After the word “financial”, Bylaws Chair asked Finance Chair / Chaplain General to add the words “federally regulated” before “institutions”. Treasurer General asked if Vanguard was currently “regulated” and Finance Chair / Chaplain General, Bylaws Chair, and Counselor General said yes, it is FSEC (Federal Securities and Exchange Commission) regulated. Then Counselor General added that Vanguard was regulated under the Securities Act of 1933 & 1934. Honorary President General Staley said it was a good fund group. The President General asked the Bylaws Chair if she was making the clarification to present for tomorrow. The Bylaws Chair confirmed she was making the change to present for National Congress tomorrow. The new wording reads: *“The Treasurer General shall have charge of the funds belonging to the National Society, and shall promptly deposit these in the name of “The National Huguenot Society, Inc,” in federally regulated financial institutions that are satisfactory to the Board of General Officers.”*

President General commented that the Finance Committee has been busy! President General thanked the Financial Committee Chair.

President General asked if there were any other committee reports. There being none, we moved to new business.

NEW BUSINESS

- a) Voting status of the Huguenot Society of Georgia and the Huguenot Society of Tennessee at (the 85th National Congress

[Summary: The Treasurer General worked hard in 2019 to reconcile the membership rolls. In an effort to follow Society Documents and Bylaws, the Treasurer General suspended voting rights for the States of Georgia and Tennessee at the 2020 Congress. In 2020, Georgia thought they paid their dues on time for all their members and they were \$230 short. In the meantime, their State Treasurer has resigned due to family health issues. They failed to have reasonable communications with the Treasurer General. In 2020 Tennessee did not pay dues until after the March 1 deadline. The National President General helped them track down members to reconcile their rolls. Both states send member delegates to Congress. In total 5 States were unresolved March 1, 2020 but three worked with the Treasurer General and were in regular communication. When the rolls were reconciled, the counts were off. In Georgia the scrambling included locating a qualified candidate for State Treasurer, installing the candidate, transferring the files, and doing the reconsolidation by the March 1 deadline. They were 5 weeks late and refused to pay the without a full reconciliation. The situation was not as clean with Tennessee.]

Great discussion occurred.

Counselor General – “I move that we allow Tennessee and George to participate with voting delegates for the 2020 Annual Meeting with the proviso that this is a ONE TIME OCCURENCE and it cannot be repeated.”

The Bylaws Committee Chair gave the second.

The President General asked if there was any additional discussion. There was none.

The President General took a voice vote on the motion. There being no dissenting votes, the motion was approved. The President General announced that the States of Georgia and Tennessee will have voting delegates at tomorrow at Congress.

The Bylaws Committee Chair will put out a notice to all State Societies that they will follow the Bylaws and check their rolls. No special voting provisions exemptions will be granted going forward for lack of payments, bookkeeping, or communications error caused by a State society from the National Board.

Honorary President General Honorary President General Staley, "We do want to remember that all of our members are volunteers. Many of us have more experience than others and we want to bring them along and grow our members and keep them in the fold." "Remembers with what we go to the words WE VOLUNTEER" first and foremost."

- b) President General - We need to elect a member of the Board to serve on the Nominating Committee.
 3rd VP General – I would like to nominate the 2nd VP General. There being no others nominated, the vote was by acclamation, The President General took a voice vote on the nomination. The 2nd VP General is the Executive Board Member serving on the Nominating Committee.
 The Honorary President General Honorary President General Staley is the most recent past President General who automatically serves on the Nominating Committee.
- c) President General – The Treasurer General has suggested that we have a *Document Retention Policy*. The 2nd VP General has accepted the task.
- d) President General announced that we will have 17 of 24 states represented at Congress. We have 50 voting delegates all inclusive.
- e) Counselor General – New 2020 September Robert's Rules of Order is out. Pages 642 and 643. Take those pages and they are being sent to the Bylaws Committee Chair to be added to the Standing Rules to be used now, as is, until they can be integrated into the full Bylaws.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS – DON'T FORGET! WEAR INSIGNIA TO CONGRESS MEETING
 NEXT MEETING – VIRTUAL CONGRESS, ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2020; 10:30 AM EST
 ADJOURNMENT – 1:16 PM EST**

APPENDIX -

List of Members in Attendance at the Board Meeting:

BOARD OF GENERAL OFFICERS: 12/13 present // Total Executive Board of General Officers 16 members present

BOARD OF GENERAL OFFICERS

PRESIDENT GENERAL – JANET B. WALKER - present
 FIRST VICE PRESIDENT GENERAL – MARY MARGARET BUCK - present
 SECOND VICE PRESIDENT GENERAL – JO LEE POTTS - present
 THIRD VICE PRESIDENT GENERAL – MARJORIE WILSON - present
 CHAPLAIN GENERAL – REV. JOEL STRAUCH - present
 RECORDING SECRETARY GENERAL – NOELLA OBERLIN - absent
 CORRESPONDING SECRETARY GENERAL – KATHY MACHMER - present
 ORGANIZING SECRETARY GENERAL – NANCY SCHULTZ - present
 TREASURER GENERAL – CHRISTINE CROSSAN - present
 REGISTRAR GENERAL – BILL BUELL - present
 HISTORIAN GENERAL – ANN WHITT - present
 GENEALOGIST GENERAL – NANCY BRENNAN - present
 COUNSELOR GENERAL – CATHY PAUNOV - present
 PARLIAMENTARIAN GENERAL – open position

HONORARY PRESIDENT GENERALS – 3 present

1993-1995 REV. TRAVIS DUPRIEST - unavailable
 1997-1999 JOYCE BOCKEMUEHL - unavailable
 2001-2003 NEOMA O'BRIEN - unavailable
 2003-2005 NADINE HARDIN-MILLER - unavailable
 2005-2007 SYLVIA McAULIFFE – unavailable; [deceased]
 2007-2011 BARBARA MACMANUS - present

2011-2015 JANICE LORENZ - present
 2015-2017 JEANNINE KALLAL - unavailable
 2017-2019 SANDRA STALEY - present

STANDING COMMITTEES:

AWARDS FOR SCHOLARLY WORKS – KIM BURDICK - unavailable
 BYLAWS – BARBARA MACMANUS - present
 CREDENTIALS – MARJORIE WILSON - present
 FINANCE- JOEL STRAUCH - present
 FINANCIAL REVIEW – ANN WHITT - present
 MEMBERSHIP – JO LEE POTTS - present
 PROGRAMS & ARRANGEMENTS – MARY MARGARET BUCK - present
 PUBLICATIONS – JANICE LORENZ - present
 SCHOLARSHIPS – NEOMA O'BRIEN - present

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

HUGUENOT COLLECTION BOOKS & ARCHIVES – NEOMA O'BRIEN - unavailable
 INSIGNIA – JO LEE POTTS - present
 WEBSITE – STEVE GERTH - present
 YOUTH – NANCY WATSON - unavailable

Minutes submitted by: Jo Lee Brooks Potts – 2nd VP General / Recording Secretary Pro-Tem Board Meeting
 Minutes approved by:

SUPPORT THE PRESIDENT GENERAL'S PROJECT AND THE NHS ENDOWMENT FUND

PRESIDENT GENERAL'S PROJECT: SHIP PINS!

Honor your Huguenot ancestors who bravely crossed the seas for their religious freedoms
and fund the National Huguenot Society's Endowment Account!!

Because our theme for the next two years is
Membership - Friendship – Leadership
this *ship* pin is perfect!

The pin recalls the design of vessels in which our ancestors sailed to the colonies. This handsome pin is trimmed in our colors of French Blue, Gold and White with a unique tassel at the top of the main mast.

I encourage our members to support this project. Members will be able to wear the pin proudly anytime, anywhere off the ribbon; however, these pins are not insignia and can not be worn on the Society's official ribbon. I hope all our members will wear one to their next Huguenot State Society meeting. And, perhaps wearing the pin elsewhere will spark interest and afford us the opportunity to enthusiastically spread the word of our beloved society to prospective members. Buy extras for gifts for family and friends!

These beautiful ship pins are just \$30.00 each. Get yours today!

Mail a check for \$34 each (\$30 pin, \$4 S/H made payable to:
National Huguenot Society, Inc.,
to the National Huguenot Society
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San Antonio, TX 78216-4970





MINUTES
85th CONGRESS of The National Huguenot Society
Tuesday, 6 October 2020 at 10:30 EST
By ZOOM Virtual Meeting

The 85th Congress of the National Huguenot Society was called to order at 11:38 a.m. on Tuesday, 6 October 2020 via ZOOM virtual meeting by the President General, Janet Walker.

Prior to the call to order, the participants signed in and were placed in breakout rooms until the Parliamentarian and all remaining participants had entered for the meeting.

Also prior to the call to order, Marjorie Wilson, Third Vice President/Credentials Chairperson, took roll call of all participants by state with 72 participants in the meeting and a quorum was declared. The Chairperson advised that 17 states were being represented at the Congress. A copy of the Credentials Chairperson's Registration Report is attached.

President General Walker appointed Judi Adams and Peggy Stottmann, Huguenot Society of Florida's Corresponding Secretary and Recording Secretary respectively, as Recording Secretaries *Pro Tem* to take the minutes of the meeting in the absence of the Recording Secretary General, Noella Oberlin.

President General Walker then appointed Counselor General Cathy Paunov as Parliamentarian of the meeting.

Chaplain General Joel Strauch gave the invocation, followed by Honorary President General Sandra Staley giving the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag and Honorary President General Janice Lorenz giving the Huguenot Pledge to the United States Flag.

President General Walker welcomed the participants to the 85th Congress and introduced Honorary Presidents General Sandra Staley, Janice Lorenz and Barbara MacManus thanking them for their continued service and involvement. Other distinguished guests were introduced: Robin Towns of Georgia, President of the National Gavel Society, founder and President General of several other national societies including the Descendants of Early Postmasters; Sandra Staley of Texas, Honorary President General of National Huguenot Society and National President of The Hereditary Society of Teachers; Sumner Hunnewell of Missouri, National President of several groups, including the one that he co-founded with President General Walker, the National Society of Colonial and Indentured Servants, and Descendants of Early Postmasters 1607 – 1900 and Order of First Families of Maine; Shari Worrell of California, well known on the national level as being president of many groups and Organizing President of the California State Society which we will be voting on today; Susan Meer of Pennsylvania is Commander-in-Chief of the Society of the Descendants of Washington's Army at Valley Forge.

Chaplain General Joel Strauch made a motion to adopt the Standing Rules, which had previously been distributed and amended to comply with virtual meetings. The motion was seconded by Sandra Staley. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

The previously distributed Agenda was reviewed and, after correcting the omission of and adding Genealogist General Nancy Brennan to the Board of General Officers, a motion was made by Nancy Schultz to adopt the Agenda as corrected and was seconded by Robin Towns. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

President General Walker appointed Ann Mueller, Hope Sank and Jerrie Townsend to serve on the Minutes Reading Committee to review, correct and approve the minutes of today's meeting upon receipt from the Recording Secretaries *Pro Tem*.

President General Walker advised the 84th Congress minutes had been approved and printed in the Spring 2020 edition of *The Cross*.

Second Vice President General Jo Lee Potts was appointed timekeeper of the reports. A three-minute time limit was given for reports unless additional time is requested by the officer or committee chairperson. Peter Adams, State President of Pennsylvania Society, requested and received a four-minute time limit for his report. National and state officers and committee chairpersons can read or highlight their reports, but must file their reports and provide a copy to Janice Lorenz, Publications Chairperson and Editor of *The Cross of Languedoc* so their report can be printed in the next issue of *The Cross*.

Reports of General Officers

President General Walker thanked Joel Strauch for organizing the 2020 Congress in Charlottesville, Virginia which had to be held virtually. Virginia will host the 86th Congress in 2021. She also thanked Alabama for agreeing to host the 87th Congress in 2022. President General Walker had chosen three goals—Membership, Friendship and Leadership, the life blood and future of the society. She encouraged states to have accounts on social media, mentioning Facebook and Instagram. Next year there may be some competition at our Congress. President General Walker thanked the officers, committee chairs and state presidents for their service.

First Vice President General Mary Margaret Buck stated she had been working with Janice Lorenz on the 2020 Membership Directory, which is nearly complete, although it is a continuing process to keep the information up to date. The First Vice President General's report has been filed.

Second Vice President General Jo Lee Potts gave her report as Second Vice President and Insignia and Membership Chairpersons. She is also involved in work on the new website reset. Second Vice President General Potts introduced a new National Huguenot Society trifold pamphlet which is offered to introduce the society in search of new members. This pamphlet can be placed in local libraries. She also introduced and displayed new pin designs which are (1) the Bartholomew's Day Massacre, to be remembered in 2022, (2) chapter pins, (3) an endowment pin, (4) a state scholarship pin, and (5) a pin for scholarship recipients. Missouri member Sumner Hunnewell advised that his wife designed the Bartholomew's Day Massacre pin. Second Vice President General Jo Lee Potts is encouraging states to set goals and projects. She mentioned that the Historian General is accepting programs chapters might have. The Second Vice President General's combined report has been filed.

Third Vice President General Marjorie Wilson gave her report thanking Barbara MacManus for her assistance in contacting the members-at-large. There are currently 124 Members-at-Large and they are searching information for the remaining 20. The Third Vice President General's report has been filed.

Chaplain General Joel Strauch updated information that was reported in the last issue of *The Cross* and reminded the state societies to keep him up to date on state deaths. He sends a letter of condolence to the family of each deceased member. A memorial service will be given at the 2021 Congress. The Chaplain General's report has been filed.

Corresponding Secretary General Kathy Machmer had no report. Recording Secretary General Noella Oberlin was absent.

Organizing Secretary General Nancy Schultz gave her report and thanked Shari Worrell of California for her help in bringing California to be reorganized. Her goal is to get members-at-large to become a member of a nearby state society and chapter or, in the case of California, reorganizing a state society. Organizing Secretary General Schultz's report has been filed.

Organizing Secretary General Schultz then made a motion that this Congress approve the reorganization of the Huguenot Society of California at this time. The motion was seconded by Barbara MacManus and the motion was passed.

Treasurer General Christine Crossan reviewed her report for the participants. The information will be reviewed in more detail when Finance Chairperson Joel Strauch goes over the Society's finances.

Registrar General Bill Buell advised that during 8 April 2020 through 1 October 2020, 45 new applications were approved, three were rejected, 15 members were reported deceased and two resigned, showing a net gain of 30 members. The current member count stands at 1,514. The *2020 Consolidated Update to the Register of Qualified Huguenot Ancestors* providing 16 new ancestors and 16 revised ancestors is almost complete. In preparation for the approval of the reorganization of the California chapter, six new member applications, 14 transfers, eight reinstatements and two new junior member applications have been reviewed and are ready for approval for a total of 28 prospective members. Subsequently, there have been three additional applications and the total is now 31. Four thousand, one hundred and two Dollars (\$4,102) has been collected and deposited in the NHS treasury for sales, dues and fees. Registrar General Buell's complete detailed report has been filed.

At the request of President General Walker, Registrar General Buell then reviewed the Board Approved Proposal for Fees and Dues Changes revised and recommended at the Board meeting held on 5 October 2020. Joyce Patton made a motion to approve the dues and fees changes at this point in the Reports section of the agenda rather than in the New Business section, which was seconded by Cathy Paunov. The motion passed.

Registrar Bill Buell advised that no fees or dues had been raised since October 2012 and during that time, direct and indirect costs such as printing, certificates, printer ink, paper, certificate mailers, mailers for items purchased and postage have increased. The Board recommends the following fee changes to be effective when approved by the Congress.

Youth registration fee increasing from \$10 to \$20 due to the time, supplies, printing and mailing costs involved. A motion was made by Bill Buell and seconded by Barbara MacManus to approve this increase. The vote was taken with all ayes, except for one nay. The motion passed.

New member application filing fee from \$50 to \$60, due to the time, supplies, printing and mailing costs involved. A motion was made by Bill Buell and seconded by Linda Smith to approve this increase. The vote was taken with all ayes, except for one nay. The motion passed.

Supplemental application filing fee to increase from \$35 to \$50, due to the time, travel, supplies, printing and mailing costs involved. A motion was made by Bill Buell and seconded by Robin Towns to approve this increase. The members were polled with 40 ayes and six nays. The motion passed.

Replacement certificate fee to increase from \$10 to \$25, due to the supplies, printing and mailing costs involved. A motion was made by Bill Buell and seconded by Robin Towns to approve this increase. The vote was taken with all ayes, except for one nay. The motion passed.

Copy of application papers on record to increase from \$5 (members) \$10 (non-members) to \$25 for both members and non-members. Even though it is a search and scan process, applications are filed by member number and most requests are by name and not by member number. The process involves round trip travel to the national office, search through 3 x 5 cards, removal from and return of the document to the archives, scan and send document to the requestor. A motion was made by Bill Buell and seconded by Marsha Stewart. The vote was taken with all ayes, except for one nay. The motion passed.

Dues for regular members and members-at-large. The board recommended raising the national dues from \$20 for regular members and \$15 for members-at-large to \$25 beginning with the 2022 dues. This increase will take effect October 1, 2021. A substantial portion of all dues pay for two issues of *The Cross of Languedoc*, including printing and mailing, leaving little for NHS's increasing operating expenses and those incurred over the past eight years. A motion was made by Bill Buell and seconded by Ann Oppenheimer. There was no discussion, and the vote was taken with all ayes. The motion passed.

The Registrar General advised that Honorary President General and Publications Committee chairperson Janice Lorenz will discuss the proposed cost changes to *The Cross of Languedoc*.

Honorary President General and Publications Committee chairperson Janice Lorenz advised that the printing and mailing subscription fee to non-members or libraries is currently set at \$5 per year, but the cost of printing and mailing two Crosses a year is close to \$25 per year. The increase in dues will help pay for the printing and mailing fee to the members. Janice Lorenz made a motion to increase the printing and mailing subscription fee to non-members and libraries be increased from \$5 per year to \$25 per year. Nancy Schultz seconded the motion.

Suzanne Sauter asked if using a different type of paper that was not as expensive as the heavyweight, glossy paper for the magazine had been considered. Janice Lorenz stated it was her personal belief that if the quality of the magazine were diminished, it would reduce the quality and presence of the Society. Some libraries that subscribed are international libraries. President General Walker said that idea will be considered, and she also suggested taking your old copies of *The Cross* to one of your local libraries for its information and genealogy section. Robin Towns complimented Janice Lorenz on the quality of *The Cross*, which is a recruiting tool for the membership.

After the discussion, a vote was called, and the motion carried unanimously to increase the subscription cost to \$25 per year for non-members for *The Cross*.

Janice Lorenz advised that *The Cross* is available online on the national society's website, but most people want a hard copy. She then made a motion to increase the cost of a replacement of a copy of *The Cross* to \$15. Bill Buell provided a second and the motion carried.

Historian General Ann Whitt advised she sent programs to three other societies and we are keeping the history of the Huguenots alive. Contact Historian General Whitt if you have programs to share or would like to use.

Genealogist General Nancy Brennan advised the Board approved the *2020 Consolidated Update of the Register of Qualified Huguenot Ancestors* which will, hopefully, be ready by the end of October.

Counselor General Cathy Paunov filed her report with Publication Chairperson and Editor Janice Lorenz. Counselor General Paunov welcomed California back into the Society advising she will work with Shari Worrell to facilitate this re-entry. California has 34 regular members, two junior members and five prospective numbers.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Awards for Scholarly Works, Kim Burdick – no report

Bylaws, Barbara MacManus reviewed the amendments to the Bylaws as follows:

Article III Membership and Other Relationships

- Article III, Section C, 2, Junior Members – The Board of General Officers proposed and recommended changing “less than sixteen (16) years of age” to “(21) years of age or less” in the referenced section. Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt this change and seconded by Linda Smith. A vote was taken and the motion carried.
- Article III, Section C, 4, Life Members - The Board of General Officers proposed and recommended changing the referenced paragraph to remove any indication that there is a different requirement for payment of NHS dues for life members than for all other members of state member societies. Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt this change and was seconded by Nancy Schultz. President General Walker asked for a discussion. Kathy Totten and Suzanne Sauter asked questions and were advised life member dues will be discussed later. Barbara MacManus advised the national society never has had life member status, only the state member societies have had them, which is provided in the bylaws and advised again that the paragraph says the states will pay whatever the dues assessment is that national establishes. Counselor General Paunov then stated that when a state society creates a life membership, they take in enough money to pay the national dues for the remainder of the person’s life. If the state society did not do that, it is still the responsibility of the state society to pay for their life members’ national dues and not the national society. The members were polled for this amendment with 84% voting with 36 ayes, seven nays. The motion carried.
- Article III, Section C, 4, Life Members - The Board of General Officers proposed and recommended changing another portion of the referenced paragraph to delete the words “and Junior Members,” since they cannot remain Junior Members for life because of the age limit. Junior members must convert to regular members or be dropped after age 21. Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt this change and seconded by Joyce Patton. A vote was taken and the motion carried.
- Article III, Section C, 8, Youth Registration - The Board of General Officers proposed and recommended changing subsection a. i. of the referenced paragraph and providing the same rationale as applied to Junior Members and also allows Youth Registrants to participate in the essay contest for students through high school as they do not graduate until well past age 16. Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt this change and seconded by Bill Buell. A vote was taken and the motion carried.
- Barbara MacManus noted that neither the amendment to Article III, Section C 2 nor Section C 4 interferes with a young person becoming a Regular Member of a State Member Society or a Member-at-Large of the National Society after reaching age sixteen (16) if they so desire and are otherwise qualified. (*See Article III, Section C 1.*)
- Barbara MacManus proposed to renumber paragraph 8 of Section C, Article III to paragraph 4 and renumber paragraph 4 to paragraph 8 of Section C, Article III to rearrange paragraphs in more logical order. Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt this change and seconded by John Trussell. A vote was taken and the motion carried.
- Article III, Section D, Specific Provision Applying to Individuals - The Board of General Officers proposed and recommended minor edits for clarification and to eliminate gender specific wording in paragraph 1. Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt this change and seconded by Bill Buell. A vote was taken and the motion carried.
- Article III, Section D, Specific Provision Applying to Individuals – In regard to paragraph 2 c, the Board of General Officers proposed to further clarify that Life Members of State Member Societies are not Life Members of the National Society, Inc. and that the National Society has no responsibility for determining the disposition of Life Memberships or fees paid to State Member Societies or for interpreting the State Member Societies’ obligations regarding its Life Members. Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt this change and seconded by Robin Towns. Barbara MacManus was asked if the funds paid to the original Society are negotiated with the incoming Society and advised they were not, with member negotiating the remaining fee with the original State Member Society and any new fee with the incoming Society. Also, converting a Life Member to a Regular Member is up to the existing State Member Society and the Life Member. The funds are not automatically transferred to the new State Member Society. Again, this is not a national issue, but a state issue. The vote was taken with the majority being ayes, except for approximately three nays. The motion passed.

Article IV State Member Societies

- Article IV, Section D, Duties of State Member Societies – In regard to paragraph 4 c of the referenced section, The Board of General Officers proposed to clarify that Life Members of State Member Societies are not Life Members of the National Huguenot Society, Inc. and that the National Society has no responsibility for determining the disposition of Life Memberships or fees paid to State Member Societies or for interpreting the State Member Societies' obligations regarding its Life Members. The Board of General Officers proposed and recommended deleting existing paragraph "c" from Section 4 and renumber subsequent paragraphs accordingly. Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt this change and seconded by Bill Buell. There are 245 Life Members, but the specific ages are not currently available. Marjorie Wilson suggested that a form be created for the states that have Life Members that will delineate whether they are unable to pay due to age or infirmity. Barbara MacManus said the Board would consider such a form. A vote was taken by polling the participants with 35 ayes and 6 nays, and the motion carried.
- Article IV, Section D, Duties of State Member Societies – In regard to paragraph 7 of the referenced section, the Bylaws Committee proposed and recommended to clarify and simplify provisions for transfer of membership from one State Member Society to another and to further specify payment of National dues of members on the rolls of more than one State Member Society. Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt this change and seconded by Bill Buell. Melva Bartush asked which State Society would have to pay the national dues for a dual member and Barbara MacManus replied that both State Societies are responsible for the dual member's dues since the member belongs to two State Societies and are issued two registration numbers. A vote was taken with all ayes, except one nay, and the motion carried.
- Article IV, Section E, Establishment of Chapters within a State Member Society – Because the word "Council" in paragraphs 1 and 5 of Section E is not defined as used in these instances, it is confusing as to the decision making body to which it refers; therefore, the Bylaws Committee proposed the following amendments to those respective paragraphs to read:
 1. Upon petition of a group of ten (10) members and/or prospective members wishing to form a chapter of an existing State Member Society, the State Member Society shall propose the group as a prospective chapter at the State's general assembly (convention). The voting members at General Assembly (convention) of that State Member Society shall determine whether to authorize the formation of the new Chapter. If authorized, it shall be known as the (whatever name is chosen) Chapter of that State Member Society.
 5. Notice of all General Assembly meetings (convention) shall be provided to all local Chapter Presidents of the State Member Society. Attendance and voting privileges of Presidents of local Chapters at General Assembly meetings (conventions) of State Member Societies shall be in accordance with the provisions of the bylaws of the State Member Societies.

Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt these changes and seconded by Robin Towns. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

- Article IV, Section J, Disbandment, Termination, Dissolution or Inactivity of a State Society – The Bylaws Committee proposed and submitted this change to clarify what happens to Life Membership in a State Society when that State Society disbands. There are frequently asked questions about this because of the assumption by many members that they were Life Members of the National Society and recommended the addition of a new paragraph to read:
 4. When a State Member Society is disbanded, terminated or dissolved, Life Member status of any of its members is likewise ended and, therefore, cannot be carried forward; however, all its members in good standing shall be offered the opportunity to transfer to another State Member Society or to Member-at-Large of the National Society.

Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt these changes and seconded by Robin Towns. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Article V Financial, Reporting, Dues and Fees – in U. S. Dollars

- Article V, Section B, Dues and Payments to National – The Bylaws Committee proposed and submitted a minor edit for simplification of paragraph 1 to be amended to read:
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1. A State Member Society's annual dues shall be a per capita amount as most recently determined by the Annual Congress for all members carried on the rolls of its State Member Society as of 1 January each year. Annual dues are to be collected in advance for the next calendar year before December 31 of the current year and shall be remitted to the Treasurer General by 15 January each year.

Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt these changes and seconded by Robin Towns. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

- Article V, Section E, Application Fees, Reinstatement Fees, Transfer Fees – The Bylaws Committee proposed and submitted a minor edit for simplification of paragraph 2 to be amended to read:
 2. New Regular and Junior Members-at-Large
A new Regular or Junior Member-at-Large shall pay an Application Fee in an amount to be determined by the most recent Annual Congress. The Application Fee and any applicable current year's dues must accompany the application when it is submitted to the Registrar General.

Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt these changes and seconded by Bill Buell. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Article VI Officers and Organizations

- Article VI, Section B, Terms and Procedures Governing Elected Officers – The Bylaws Committee determined it is difficult to find members who are qualified to serve as Genealogist General and who can get up to speed regarding the research required to find and approve new qualified Huguenot ancestors or resolve questions regarding an applicant's qualification. The Bylaws Committee proposed and submitted that the Genealogist General should be among the General Officers who may serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office. Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt this change, which was seconded by Robin Towns. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Article IX Powers and Duties of General Officers

- Article IX, Sections B, C, D, E, F and G – The Bylaws Committee proposed and submitted that Sections B, C, D, E, F and G (Duties of the President General, Vice President General, Chaplain General, Recording Secretary General, Corresponding Secretary General and Organizing Secretary General, respectively) should be edited to clarify and make non-gender specific references where feasible. Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt this change, which was seconded by Robin Towns. A vote was taken and the motion carried.
- Article IX, Section H, Treasurer General – The Board of General Officers approved and submitted to remove the words "provided that all accounts are federally insured" at the end of paragraph 1 to allow flexibility for investment of funds belonging to the National Huguenot Society, Inc. as provided in the "Investment Policy Statement of the National Huguenot Society" approved by the Annual Congress 7 October 2017. Paragraph 1 of Section H shall read as follows:
 1. The Treasurer General shall have charge of the funds belonging to the National Society and shall promptly deposit these in the name of "The National Huguenot Society, Inc." in federally regulated financial institutions that are satisfactory to the Board of General Officers.

Joel Strauch stated that this enables the National Society to manage its resources more effectively. Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt this change, which was seconded by Joel Strauch. A vote was taken and the motion carried. Suzanne Sauter then stated that the reason this was included was due to a period when the National Society found itself having to be more conservative.

The Board also recommended to limit the number of signers to current officers of the Board of General Officers and to amend by adding a new paragraph 2 as stated below and to renumber the remaining paragraphs.

2. Signing powers for accounts shall be limited to the President, Treasurer General and one or two, but no more than two, other current officers of the Board of General Officers. Such officers shall perform such duties subject to the applicable fiduciary duties and responsibilities.

Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt these changes, which was seconded by Joel Strauch. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

- Article IX, Section H, Treasurer General – Since Section H of the Bylaws has been randomly amended several times over the years, the Bylaws Committee proposes the following amendment to reorganize it into a more logical sequence, to more specifically define some of the duties and responsibilities, eliminate gender specific wording and renumbering remaining paragraphs to 3 through 12, with the adoption and addition of the above-stated new paragraph 2.
 3. Shall execute investment transactions in accordance with prudent management of the approved Investment Policy of the National Society, incorporating restrictions specified in bequests and gifts.
 4. Shall promptly, upon request, provide the Committee on Finance such records and documentation as the committee needs in the performance of its duties and responsibilities.
 5. Shall promptly and timely pay bills, vouchers and reimbursements on behalf of the National Society. Those officers, committee chairs and others authorized to expend their own funds for the benefit of the National Society shall be reimbursed immediately upon receipt of documentation.
 6. Shall keep accounting records of receipts, disbursements and investments and all other records up to date with detailed documentation. All accounts and records shall be subject to inspection at any time by the Congress, the Board of General Officers, the President General or a committee duly appointed by one or more of said authorities.
 7. Shall submit to the President General as requested, but no less often than quarterly, a report listing receipts and expenditures and showing detailed financial condition of the National Society for the immediately preceding quarter or for the period of time specified in a request.
 8. Shall make accurate and current financial reports at all meetings of the Board of General Officers and at all Congresses, including a detailed listing of the financial institutions and other entities where the funds of the National Society are being held and the balances of all such accounts and investments.
 9. Shall present a budget for the coming fiscal year at all Annual Congresses.
 10. Shall annually submit all accounts for review by a committee appointed by the President General or for audit by a qualified auditor engaged for that purpose. The committee or auditor shall report the results of such review or audit to the Annual Congress.
 11. Shall, when required, at the expense of the National Society, give bond for the faithful execution of the responsibilities and trusts of the office of Treasurer General in such amount as may be directed by the Board of General Officers and Annual Congress.
 12. Shall, upon vacating the office of Treasurer General or at the request of Congress or the Board of General Officers, deliver to a successor or to the Board of General Officers all books, records, papers, securities, monies and properties entrusted to the care of the Treasurer General.

Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt these changes, which was seconded by Sandra Staley. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

- Article IX, Section I, Registrar General – The Bylaws Committee proposed and submitted that Sections I through N should be amended for minor editing and elimination of gender specific wording. Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt these changes, which was seconded by Sandra Staley. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

It was proposed and submitted by the Bylaws Committee to renumber Article VII Board of General Officers to Article VIII, Article VIII General Counsel to Article IX, Article IX Powers and Functions of General Officers to Article VII and change title of Article VI from General Officers to Officers as these articles are not in logical sequence as currently written. The amended sequence of Articles VI through Article IX would then be Article VI Officers, Article VII Powers and Functions of General Officers, Article VIII Board of General Officers and Article IX General Council. Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt these changes, which was seconded by Sandra Staley. After a brief clarification of the titles, a vote was taken and the motion carried.

Article X Congresses

- Article X, Section F Congress Procedures. As the number of State Member Societies in good standing as members of the National Society declines, the ability to sustain the required quorum at a set number of States represented at Congress diminishes, leading to more frequent need to amend the bylaws to lower that set number. If the quorum is based on a reasonable percentage of the total number of State Member Societies in good standing, the relative number of State Member Societies represented at Congress to achieve a quorum also declines. Note: The current number of State Member Societies in good standing is 24 per the Registrar General. Currently, the number of states represented that are needed to constitute a quorum is 10 or 41.67% of the current State Member Societies. Thirty-five (35%) of 24 states would be eight states and 25% of 24 states would be six states. The Bylaws Committee proposes that paragraph 1 of Section F be amended to read as follows:

1. Attendance at Congress of General Officers, Honorary Presidents General, State Member Society Presidents and delegates representing twenty-five percent (25%) of the total number of State Member Societies in good standing as members of the National Huguenot Society, Inc. shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and election of officers.

Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt these changes, which was seconded by Sandra Staley. James Barr stated that he felt that 25% was a low quorum. Joel Strauch said this provides an incentive for states to be present at a Congress. Marjorie Wilson and Ann Wilkerson also stated you do not want a year to go by without the National Society able to conduct their business because there is not a quorum present. Susan Meer also commented that she enjoyed participating this time and being part of the quorum. Melva Bartush inquired if the meeting could be a virtual and in-person meeting simultaneously. Susan Staley suggested a vote and then after the vote discuss Melva's suggestion later. President General Walker agreed that would be something to consider. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Article XI Committees

- Note - Article XI, Section B Duties of Standing Committees – Some of the articles in the Bylaws are not in logical order and over the years, some of the amendments have been inserted into inappropriate articles and in some cases the wording is unclear. This amendment would give the Bylaws Committee authority to clean up the presentation of the bylaws without changing the substance.
- Article XI, Section B Duties of Standing Committees, paragraph 2 Committee on Bylaws – It is proposed and submitted that paragraph 2 Committee on Bylaws is amended to add new subparagraph b to read as follows:
 - b. This committee shall be authorized to make editing changes to the published bylaws regarding punctuation, grammar, formatting, arrangement and number of articles and paragraphs so long as the content, purpose and application of the bylaws are not affected by the changes.

Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt this change, which was seconded by John Trussell. Sandra Staley commented that she did not think this type of change needed to be in the Bylaws, but Barbara MacManus said she felt more comfortable with this section being part of the Bylaws. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

- Article XI, Section B Duties of Standing Committees, paragraph 4 Committee on Finance – It is proposed and submitted that, as a disclaimer to avoid any potential appearance of conflict of interest or over-reach of authority, paragraph 4 Committee on Finance is amended to add subparagraph f to read as follows:
 - f. The Committee on Finance acts as a supervisory and advisory committee and neither the Committee nor its Chairperson shall have control of the funds or accounts of the National Huguenot Society, Inc. Any necessary changes of current signatures on financial accounts of the National Society needed to implement this provision shall be accomplished within seven (7) business days after the need arises.

Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt these changes, which was seconded by Sandra Staley. Joel Strauch questioned the second sentence regarding “changes of current signatures . . . shall be accomplished within seven . . .” Barbara MacManus stated that bylaw changes usually take effect at the conclusion of the meeting in which they are adopted. There is the possibility that it would be necessary to change a signatory on the account which might take up to seven days from the date of adoption. Barbara MacManus stated this section will take care of anyone being in violation of the Bylaws. Ann Wilkerson voiced her concern since many banks are closed to inside banking, but Barbara MacManus advised that banks are making accommodations for issues such as this. Nancy Schultz asked how this impacts the vote on the signatures. Barbara MacManus advised this is basically a disclaimer. Joel Strauch said this can run into problems with transition from old to new officers unless you have a third person being a signatory during the transition who is able to sign on the accounts.

Cathy Paunov advised that you need to take a copy of the approved minutes, which need to be provided to the bank for the transition, which can take a little longer. The bank rules take precedence over National Society Bylaws, allowing past officers listed on the account to still have authority until the minutes are received and accounts changed. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

- Article XI, Section B Duties of Standing Committees, paragraph 10 Committee on Scholarships – It is proposed and submitted that to more specifically describe the duties, responsibilities and function described in paragraph 10 Committee on Scholarships, that paragraph is amended to read as follows:

10. Committee on Scholarships

The Committee on Scholarships shall:

- a. Develop recommended criteria, applications forms and guidelines for the process of administering the General Scholarship Fund and will report its recommendations to the Board of General Officers for final approval.
- b. Determine amounts and timing of General Scholarship awards in collaboration with the Board of General Officers and select qualified recipients for General Scholarship awards.
- c. The Jacqueline Wells Dickey Scholarship Fund shall be administered in accordance with criteria specified in Article XII, Section A.1.

Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt these changes, which was seconded by Judi Adams. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

- Article XI, Section C Special Committees – The Bylaws Committee proposed and submitted to insert a new paragraph 1 to provide for a committee to work with the Board regarding insignia and other specialty items without adding a new Standing Committee, and subsequently renumber succeeding paragraphs. Paragraph 1 is amended to read as follows:

The special committees of the National Society shall include:

1. Committee on Insignia and Special Purchase Items.

- a. It shall coordinate, monitor and develop proper use of insignia and specialty items in collaboration with the President General and Board of General Officers.
- b. It shall design and maintain, with updates as needed, a pamphlet containing the proper use of insignia and related items and special purchase items with photos of available specialty pins and their proper placement for wearing.

Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt this change, which was seconded by Marjorie Wilson. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Article XII Scholarship Funds and Other Special Funds

- Article XII, Section A Scholarship Funds, paragraph 2 b – The Bylaws Committee proposed and submitted that paragraph 2 b is edited to correct reference to Article XI from Section B 9 to Section B10. Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt these changes, which was seconded by Bill Buell. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Article XIII Colors, Seal, Insignia and Flag n/k/a Colors, Seal, Insignia, Flag and Logo

- Article XIII Colors, Seal, Insignia and Flag shall be amended to add “Logo” to the title. The new title shall read Colors, Seal, Insignia, Flag and Logo. Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt this change, which was seconded by Bill Buell. A vote was taken and the motion carried.
- Article XIII Colors, Seal, Insignia, Flag and Logo, Section C - National Society Insignia – The Bylaws Committee proposed and submitted, as recommended by the Special Committee on Insignia, that paragraph 3 of Section C shall be edited for clarification of who may wear the insignia on a neck ribbon with officer rectangular bar and shall be amended to read as follows:

3. May be worn, suspended by a regulation ribbon around the neck, with an Officer Rectangular Bar properly engraved, by members who are a. Current or Past General Officers of the National Society.
b. Current Presidents of State Member Societies.

Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt this change, which was seconded by Linda Smith. Nancy Brennan pointed out that subparagraph b should read Current and Past Presidents of State Member Societies. Jo Lee Potts commented that the sunbursts that the State's wear are passed to the Presidents and past State Presidents are no longer allowed to wear the sunburst. The sunbursts for past officers are only allowed for the Board of General Officers. Past State Presidents can wear their sunburst on a President's Bar, but not on a ribbon. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

- Article XIII, Section D - National General Officer Insignia – The Bylaws Committee proposed and submitted, as recommended by the Special Committee on Insignia, to specifically designate the approved use of the Sunburst Insignia and Section D be amended to read as follows:

Section D National General Officer Insignia

The Sunburst Insignia, with neck ribbon and Officer Bar properly engraved, may be worn by the General Officers of the National Society, current Presidents of State Member Societies and Past National Officers.

1. The 3-inch Sunburst Insignia is reserved for the President General and Past Presidents General of the National Huguenot Society, Inc. The President General and Past Presidents General may also wear their Sunburst Insignia on a regulation "President's Sash."
2. The 2-inch Sunburst Insignia is reserved for current and past National Officers and current and past State Presidents.

Barbara MacManus said we need to offer an amendment to the amendment that would include "and past" before State Presidents in Section D, 2 and so moved. Suzanne Sauter seconded the motion.

Jo Lee Potts, chairperson of the Insignia Committee, advised the Insignia Committee was discussing how to delineate between a National Officer and State President. Robin suggested wearing a sash would eliminate the problem. President General Walker said that ideas and concerns should be taken to Jo Lee and the committee.

Suzanne Sauter seconded the motion, and the vote to add "and past" to the wording of the amendment (to the amendment) passed.

There was much discussion about Section D. Sandra moved that we "postpone" the discussion of Section D until the next October meeting. Suzanne Sauter seconded the motion. Suzanne suggested including a section on past insignia. It was voted to postpone this discussion and vote to next October 2021.

After some discussion for clarification, Sandra Staley made a motion to postpone discussion on Section D until the October 2021 Congress. That will give the Insignia Committee some time to formulate new guidelines. Nancy Schultz seconded the motion. A vote was then taken on the prior motion to add "and past" to subparagraph 2 and the motion carried.

President General Walker then asked for a vote on Sandra Staley's motion to postpone the vote on clarification of subparagraph 2 until October 2021 with discussion to occur in April 2021 at the Board meeting. Suzanne Sauter suggested there is a need to add a third paragraph for the return of the sunburst or insignia by encouraging family members to return the sunburst or insignia of their deceased family member. Suzanne Sauter suggested that there be a suggestion added for those who already received the insignia in the past. President General Walker asked Suzanne Sauter if she was suggesting that the Insignia Committee reach out to each State on how their state has been handling this issue and their opinions on this matter, which Suzanne Sauter confirmed. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

- Article XIII, Section E Control and Management of Insignia – The Bylaws Committee proposed and submitted, as recommended by the Special Committee on Insignia, to more fully describe the management process regarding provision for items to supplement the standard insignia and Section E is amended to read as follows:

Section E Control and Management of Insignia, Related Items and Special Purchase Items

1. The availability of the insignia, related items and special purchase items to the members shall be controlled by the National Society as the Board of General Officers or an Annual Congress may direct.
2. The Special Committee on Insignia and Special Purchase Items shall, in collaboration with the President General, the Board of General Officers and suppliers, determine feasibility and design for additional special purchase items and modifications as appropriate.

Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt this change, which was seconded by Suzanne Sauter. Suzanne Sauter said that a third subparagraph was needed for the return of the sunburst or other insignia by encouraging family members to return the sunburst or insignia of their deceased family member to the National Society. President General Walker asked Suzanne Sauter if she was suggesting that the Insignia Committee reach out to each State on how their state has been handling this issue and their opinions on this matter. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

- Article XIII - The Bylaws Committee proposed and submitted, as recommended by the Special Committee on Insignia, to document the National Society's official logo and some of its various applications and to add a new section to Article XIII, Section G Logo which shall read as follows:

Section G Logo

The Logo of the National Huguenot Society, Inc. as approved by Congress and commissioned by the Board of General Officers in 2014, is

1. A Registered Trademark of the National Society.
2. To be used on stationary and other forms of public communication where the use of the Cross of Languedoc insignia is either prohibited or not preferred.
3. Applied to items such as jewelry and other promotional items.
4. Used for other corporate applications.

The logo is in the shape of a shield, is bordered in gold and is quartered with the top two quarters having blue backgrounds with a white fleur de lis in each, the lower left quarter is representative of the flag of the United States of America, the lower right quarter is representative of the flag of France. Superimposed in the middle of the upper half is a gold Huguenot cross with descending dove. The full logo in print includes, below the shield, the words, "The National Huguenot Society" and below that are the words, "Liberty Faith."

Barbara MacManus made a motion to adopt this change, which was seconded by Sandra Staley. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Standing Committee Reports

Credentials, Marjorie Wilson – report previously given and filed.

Finance, Joel Strauch – reviewed Financial Committee Reports, including but not limited to the budget and income statement, discussion of financial review of books. The Financial Committee Reports have been filed. James Barr asked what provisions there are for an outside audit. Barbara MacManus advised the Bylaws has a section that indicates that the President General and Board of General Officers can employ a CPA for audit as they see necessary. There is also a committee for financial review. Sandra Staley recommends a financial review committee instead of a CPA and for the committee to be able to keep track of all the financial information, especially at the time of a transition of officers.

A five-minute break was taken at this time.

Financial Review, Ann Whitt – no report

Genealogy, Nancy Brennan – no report

Membership, Jo Lee Potts – report previously given

Programs and Arrangements, Mary Margaret Buck – no report

Publications, Janice Lorenz - spoke about the 2020 Ancestor Update book, which will include color maps, revisions and new ancestors. The ancestry update will be available at the San Antonio office to members for \$18 and for \$22 to nonmembers, plus \$4 mailing for all. Also, the national Membership Directory Fall 2020 is almost finished. The Membership Directory will be available to members only at the San Antonio office for \$15 each plus \$4 mailing. Also, many other NHS publications are available on Amazon, as well as at the San Antonio office. Janice Lorenz also publishes *The Cross* twice a year. A Directory will be sent to all State Presidents with the request that it be passed along to the next State President.

Scholarships, Neoma O'Brien – report on file

Special Committees:

Huguenot Collection Books and Archives, Neoma O'Brien – no report

Insignia, Jo Lee Potts – report previously given

Website, Steve Gerth – reported that the website is being updated and will have a members’ only portion and a store for purchasing Huguenot items. Steve Gerth also reported he will be retiring as webmaster after the update of the website.

Youth, Nancy Watson – no report

Reports of State Society Presidents

Alabama, Ann Whitt – no report

Arizona, Kathy Machmer – no report

Arkansas, Jerrie Townsend – will file report

Delaware, Kim Burdick – no report

Florida, Jo Lee Potts – gave report and will file report

Georgia, Marjorie Wilson – will file report

Illinois, Nancy Schultz – gave report and will file report

Indiana, Sarah Lavorgna – no response

Kansas, Kim Kincaid – no response

Kentucky, Ray Hughes – no response

Maine, Edwin Garrett – no response

Mississippi, Mary Margaret Buck – gave report and will file report

Missouri, Blair Pickard – report given by Sumner Hunnewell

Nebraska, Thomas Masters – no response

Nevada, Kit Bowser – no response

New Hampshire, Marsha Stewart – will file report

New Mexico, Virginia-Kay Massara – will file report

North Carolina, Ann Mueller – will file report, but their state scholarship winner was also a co-winner of the national scholarship

Oklahoma, Donna Gantt – no response

Pennsylvania, Peter Adams – will file report, but invited the Society to two celebrations – Pennsylvania’s annual reformation service scheduled for 25 October 2020 at 3 p.m. and open to all state society presidents or representatives and national officers. It will be Zoom format and use the text from the 1723 Huguenot Church, Charleston, SC service. Second event is Pennsylvania’s educational Zoom meeting entitled Huguenot History in Pennsylvania. It is scheduled for 21 November 2020 at 10 a.m. and open to all state society presidents or representatives and national officers. It will be broadcast from Washington Memorial Chapel, Valley Forge, PA. Contact Peter Adams to register for either event.

Tennessee, Noella Oberlin – will file report

Texas, Nancy Watson – no response

Virginia, Dick Wright – no response

Washington, Marissa Goldenman – no response

New Business:

Election of Nominating Committee – will consist of most recent Honorary President General, Sandra Staley; office of the Board elected at 10/5 board meeting, Jo Lee Potts and State Society President chosen by State Presidents, Ann Mueller. Sumner Hunnewell of Missouri and Virginia-Kay Massara of New Mexico were nominated as the member from West of Mississippi River. After a poll of the members, Sumner Hunnewell from Missouri was chosen. For the member from East of Mississippi River, Nancy Schultz of Illinois and Joyce Patton of Georgia were nominated. Sandra Staley moved for the nominations to be closed with a second from Mary Margaret Buck. The participants were polled and Joyce Patton was chosen. The Committee elects its own chairperson.

Other New Business:

Janice Lorenz spoke of two long-standing members who are current officers of one sort or another that have served for many years, consistently, year after year. Janice Lorenz advises the Gold Award has not been given out since, at least, 2004 and she nominated Honorary President General Barbara MacManus and Genealogist General Nancy Brennan, both of Texas, for the Gold Award. Peter Adams seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

President General Walker sent thanks to Steve Gerth for his hard work and dedication on the website and presented the National Huguenot Society’s Distinguished Service Silver Medal to Steve in appreciation for his contribution to the Society.

President General Walker also expressed her gratitude to Bill Buell for his hard work as Registrar General in getting all the applications reviewed, completed and approved, answering constant questions, working with California on reorganizing that Society and all other unknown duties he performs on behalf of the National Society. She presented Bill Buell with The National Huguenot Society Special Award certificate in recognition of valuable contributions as Registrar General.

Barbara MacManus thanked President General Walker, Janice Lorenz, and all the members of the Congress for the wonderful honor bestowed upon her with the Gold Award.

Announcements

President General Walker advised the next meeting will be held at the Army-Navy Club in Washington, DC on 14 April 2021. Sandra Staley shall confirm the date.

Remember to e-mail all reports to Janice Lorenz for publication and, also, any photos of your state's activities so the Society can show its activities.

President General Walker thanked those members who facilitated the Zoom meeting today, Marjorie Wilson, Jo Lee Potts and Steve Gerth for their invaluable service and Judi Adams and Peggy Stottmann for being Recording Secretaries *Pro Tem*.

President General Walker also announced that two members are first time grandparents. They are Joel Strauch and his wife, who have a new grandson, and Jo Lee Potts and her husband who have a new granddaughter.

There being no further business, President General Walker adjourned the 85th Congress of the National Huguenot Society at 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Recording Secretaries *Pro Tem*
Judi Adams
Peggy Stottmann
15 October 2020



Dear Huguenot Society of CA,

It is with great happiness and gratitude that I, Celeste Boyas, am writing this letter to you. I am double majoring in Psychology and Christian Studies and Lord willing graduating in Spring 2020. My education has been a longer road than others as this is now my 6th year of college, but I am very close to the finish line and will be able to finish well courageously with the support and help I am receiving from you. You have made this possible for me and my family to study in a school where not only is their priority to provide the best curriculum but also do so in a way that is in faith and glory to God. For this, I thank you with everything I can and can not express how much this means to me. God bless you.

Sincerely,
Celeste Boyas

Editor's Note: This beautiful note was written to our reinvigorated Huguenot Society of California in gratitude for a scholarship it awarded to Celeste Boyas.

NOTICE OF NEW DUES AND FEES

Approved at Congress 6 October 2020

APPROVED FEE SCHEDULE TO BE EFFECTIVE 6 OCTOBER 2020

APPLICATION FEES - Payable with submission of application

Regular Member* Application Fee	\$60.00 (up from \$50.00)
Plus Current Year Dues	
Junior Member Application Fee	\$60.00 (up from \$50.00)
(21 years of age or less)**	(up from less than 16 years of age)
Youth Registration Fee	\$20.00 (up from \$10.00)
(21 years if age or less)	(up from less than 16 years of age)
Supplemental Applications	\$50.00 (up from \$35.00)
Interstate Transfer Application Fee	\$15.00
Reinstatement Application Fee	\$15.00
Plus Current Year Dues	<i>(and one past year's dues if dropped for nonpayment)</i>

OTHER FEES

Replacement Certificate	\$25.00 (up from \$10)
Copy of Application Papers on Record	\$25.00 (up from \$5)
Genealogical Queries in <i>The Cross</i>	\$10.00 + postage
Subscription to <i>The Cross</i> (2 issues)	\$ 25.00 per year (up from \$5)
<i>(All members for whom dues are paid still receive the Cross as part of their dues)</i>	
Grave Marker Processing Fee	\$10.00

APPROVED DUES SCHEDULE TO BE DUE AND PAYABLE 1 OCTOBER 2021 FOR 2022

DUES - Payable in advance 1 October - 31 December

Remit to National by 15 January; Delinquent after 15 January

Loss of Representation at National if not paid in full by 1 March and may result in members being terminated

Regular Member	\$25.00	(up from \$20)
Life Member if before 18 Apr 2001	\$25.00	(up from \$5)
Life Member if new after 18 Apr 2001	\$25.00	(up from \$20)
Dual Member***	\$25.00	(up from \$20)
Member-at-Large	\$25.00	(up from \$15)

(Member-at-Large status not available where there is a State Member Society.)

(No annual National dues for Junior Members)

(No annual National dues for Associate Members)

(Friends of The Society pay only for subscription to The Cross)

Above schedule is in addition to, and does not include State Member Society fees and dues, nor Local Chapter fees and dues. State and Local Chapter fees and dues **are not** to be sent to National.

*State Member Society Members and Members-at-Large.

**State Registrar must notify National Registrar if Junior Member elects to become Regular Member upon reaching 16 years of age. Junior Members must convert to Regular Member status after reaching 21 years of age or be dropped. (Changed from 16 years of age)

***No National Fee to become Dual Member; however, National dues are to be paid from each State Society to which Dual Member belongs, and a State number is to be issued by national for each State.

See form on nationallhuguenotsociety.org, our new website.

OFFICER REPORTS

First Vice President General (October 2020)

As First Vice President General I have been working with Honorary President General Janice Lorenz on the 2020 Membership Directory. Please remember that membership directories are never complete, since there is always an addition, a subtraction, or a correction to be done. This being said, I am happy to say our task is nearly completed.

In Huguenot Faith,
Mary Margaret Buck, First Vice President General

Second Vice President General Report; Membership and Insignia Chair Report (October 2020)

It is an honor to serve this Administration as the 2nd Vice President General. Instead of three reports, I chose to submit one report to the membership.

In my capacity as 2nd VP General, I serve as the automatic chair of the Membership Committee. I have accepted the roll of chair of the special Insignia committee. I helped with the new By-Laws, Standing Rules, being presented today, and I am involved with the new website refresh. Each of these minor rolls contribute to membership engagement and development. I have also provided minor support with the reopening of California.

I am involved in supporting the National Huguenot Facebook Page and “comment engagement”.

When members join our society, they have a reason for coming. Some join for the swag. Some join for the engagement. Some join for the history. As a viable society, we need to touch each of these needs. To grow the society, we need to fill the needs, reach an audience.

Many family genealogist and historians do not know who we are or why we exist. We need to change this issue. Why are we relevant in 2020? I can't speak for you, but I am very relevant. I teach, I learn, I contribute, I collect, I share, and I carry forward those traits and values that make me who I am to the next generation. How about you?

The first part of the 2020 Membership Program was the completion of the new National Trifold Huguenot Pamphlet refresh. With the new logo, the new trifold brings the information forward connecting the current generation to the past. Phase two of the program is to get the trifold into genealogy “hot spots” like libraries and heritage research societies.

Another portion of the outreach has been the National Facebook Page. Having the National Board Members responding to inquires and posting pieces to the site has helped direct prospective members to State sites.

The National Site Refresh being led by Steve Gerth. It is a pleasure to work with Steve. His skill and eye for design with communication has served us well in the past and is serving us well as he sets us up for the future.

The new Insignia Committee is an honor to chair. The group has designed seven pins. Five insignia designs are with City Pride for quotes. These designs will be gold plate over brass or zinc and be priced about the cost of the current prints. They will be an extension to the current insignia state and national insignia offered by Hamilton Jewelry Insignia. We will not move the current insignia from Hamilton but will instead take all new insignia designs to City Pride. These insignia and future designs are intended to encourage chapter growth and other membership engagement activities.

Finally, chapter growth, education, and development at the individual chapter level and in smaller states. Grow and develop does not occur without goals, meetings and programs. These start at the National and State levels. Each State must set goals that cascade to their chapters. i.e. (1) place the new trifold in one location in 2020. (2) collect money for Wreaths Across America (3) collect socks for a local.... No goal is too big or too small. Work as a team to go something good in 2020.

DO SOMETHING. DOING NOTHING IS NOT AN OPTION.

National is developing programs, in cooperation with several of the states and our Historian General, for programs that can be given at the meetings. They can be virtual or digital overhead. You can donate programs and receive credit or draw from the presentation bank. The Historian General is accepting the programs for review. More will be coming in the next several months, stay tuned. The Huguenots had and still have an impact today. We need to wear, own it, it loud and proud.

It is an honor to serve and to continue to serve.

Regards,
Jo Lee Potts, Second Vice President General

Third Vice President General

It is an Honor to Serve in the Walker Administration.

Members at Large:

This officer thanks Barbara McManus for her 8 years of service to our Members at Large. She mailed the dues forms to all the members as her last act serving the Members at Large.

Dues were mailed to this officer and then deposited into the NHS Wells Fargo Account. The Society currently has 124 active Members at Large and 20 we are searching for contact information. Many of these members were active leaders in their earlier days in the National Huguenot Society but for some reason have lost their connection.

This officer mailed initially 156 Postal Service letters introducing herself to the membership and sharing the current news of the Society and our President General Janet Butler Walker. This officer has reached out through emails and phone calls. An additional Postal Service letter was sent to the members that had not responded to the first contact. The last dues payment received for this year was in September. Our Treasurer General set up a PayPal button on our National Website for MAL members to pay their dues without having to go out to get stamps and for some like our Canadian Members to get a Money Order or Draft from the bank. This saves time plus it brings more traffic to the website.

This officer is thrilled that so many of the Members at Large are part of the formation of the California Society. They are quite an excited bunch in which we expect great things.

Credentials:

A work in progress using the Zoom program, this officer set up a pre-registration link which would provide information for the Credentials Reporting Form. After members completed that form, they received a link for the day of the Congress. This procedure helps create a digital report showing the attendance. This is a great help for the final Credentials Form.

Finance Committee:

This officer served on the Finance Committee.

Website Committee:

This officer recommended the web developer Steve Allen that created the Huguenot Society of Georgia website. He had previous experience with Janet and Billy Walker improving the web traffic and improving the bottom line on their business website.

Respectively submitted,
Marjorie Nolan Wilson, Third Vice President General

Chaplain General (October 2020)

Chaplain General Report to the National Huguenot Society, submitted to the Annual Congress, October 6, 2020

We are glad to continue to serve as Chaplain General of the National Huguenot Society and to keep our fellow officers informed of our activities. I recently provided a more complete report for the Fall issue of *The Cross of Languedoc* and subsequently our activities have focused on receiving Reports of Deceased Members from state and chapter officers and sending condolence letters to the next of kin.

Since the publication of the List of Deceased Members, we have received notice of the following deaths:

Mary Ann Webber	TX
Mary Katherine Wood	IL
Alice Hornback	FL
Carol Wendell Wandschneider	IL
Cynthia Van Buren	FL
Alvan Markle, III	PA
Maurice Theodore Bolmer	MAL
Elizabeth Theroux (Betty)	MAL
Betsy Warren-Davis	MAL
Novella "Joyce" Howerton	FL

We plan a memorial service for these members and the following, who have been reported in *The Cross*, but we have not yet honored them in our semi-annual worship services:

Susan Tukey	NH
Terry Irene Downs Nelson	TN

Edward Delano Sullivan	FL
Charles Garrison	FL
Charlotte Elizabeth Jolliffe Fetterman	NC
John Cortelyou Duryea	MAL
George Cooper	TN

We continue to urge state and local chapter officers to notify us of their deceased members, so we can include them in our services, and we stand by to support state society and local chapter chaplains in carrying out their responsibilities.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Joel E. Strauch, Chaplain General

Counselor General

Madam President:

I am honored to serve as the Counselor General of the Society. I attended the annual meeting in October 2019 in Orlando and served as the co-chair of the event. Since my installation at that meeting, I have responded to the National Society's officers on legal issues, including non-profit status, incorporation in various states, Internal Revenue Service Form 990, and the need to maintain or revive 501(c)(3) status. I have responded to enquiries from committees and have served as an ex officio member of the Finance Committee. As I have done for the last three years, I attended the State Bar of Texas annual Non-Profit Governance course in August. This year, the program was on Zoom, rather than a visit Austin. Much of the material presented has application to our Society, a "foreign" corporation in Texas, as we are incorporated in Maryland. I also receive updates from the Maryland Secretary of State to ensure compliance in both states.

Although most are already incorporated, I urge other State societies to become such as a not-for-profit corporation. Advice of local counsel is recommended.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the National Society.

Submitted,

Catherine A. Paunov, Esq., Counselor General
Member, State Bar of Texas

Historian General

This officer was installed as the Historian in October of 2019 at the meeting in Orlando, Florida. We all had a wonderful time with many plans that we had to change because of the Covid Pandemic. This officer has attended all of the National Society meetings since being installed including the Webex meetings May 15, and June 4, 2020.

This officer has presented programs to three other societies with emphasis on how LaFayette came to America and his influence and the French soldiers who fought with the colonies to win the American Revolution. I have large pictures that are displayed as the story is told. By sharing programs we are keeping the history of the Huguenots alive so that we never forget our heritage and the contributions our French ancestors made establishing the United States of America and the religious freedom we continue to enjoy.

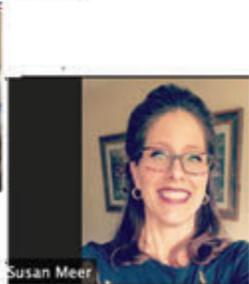
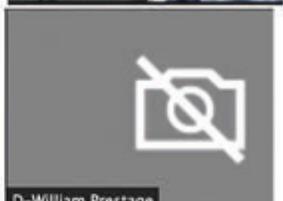
At our Zoom meeting in September, The Huguenot Society of Alabama was honored to have our National President, Janet Walker as our guest speaker. She shared historical information about a small Huguenot community in Georgia and another one in South Carolina. These do not exist now, however they are in our historical records for us to explore. She was very informative and her program was enjoyed by all who attended the zoom meeting.

It is the goal of this officer to contact the historians in our established Huguenot Societies in other states to explore the different programs they have and how this can benefit all of us by sharing information.

Some examples of the speakers and program topics are:

1. History of Silver and Huguenot Silversmiths entitled "The Three Pauls: Paul de Lamarie, Paul Revere and Paul Storr, guest speaker Harry Robinson of Atlanta Georgia.
2. "The Nation's Guest" guest speaker Beverly Baker of Atlanta, GA.
3. Buell Cobb of Birmingham, AL. has a wonderful program on the Sacred Harp Music.
4. Jim Herod, one of our members shares his program "Heretics or Heroes". This is a story of his ancestor.

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V-Janet Walker



V-Joel Strauch



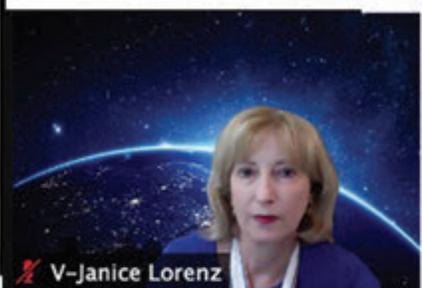
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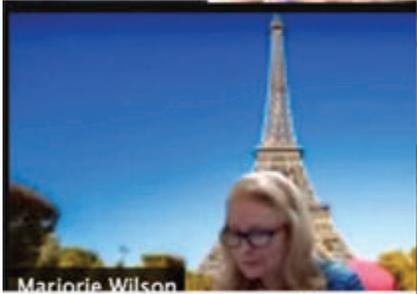
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V-Barbara C MacManus



D-PETER ADAMS



Marjorie Wilson



V-William Buell



V-Martha Whitt



Elias Simons



D-Mary Hepler



O-Marsha "Penny" Adams-O'Neill



Nancy Schultz



D-Marilyn Holmquist



O-Bernard Hugus



Elizabeth Breithaupt



D-Darcy Juraska



D-Carolyn Marvil



D-Robin Towns



D-Linda Smith



Glen Bower

If you are interested in having one of these speakers I will give you their contact information.

Please contact me, Martha Ann Whitt jameswhitt11@msn.com if you have programs you would like to share with our members.

This officer looks forward to learning more about our Huguenot ancestors and being a part of Janet Walker's administration.

Submitted by:

Martha Ann Whitt, Historian General

Organizing Secretary General (October 2020)

This National Officer has been busy coordinating the reorganization of the Huguenot Society of California. After talking with many of the Members at Large in this recently disbanded state, it was clear that every effort should be made to assist with this project.

With the travel restrictions due to COVID 19, it was not possible for an in person meeting with the Huguenot in California. Through the MAL in California, Shari Worrell, we were able to be successful. Thanks go to the President General Janet Walker and the Registrar General William Buell and especially Shari in paving and smoothing the way for this important action which strengthens the National Huguenot Society as a whole.

Additionally, this Organizing Secretary General had worked closely with the Wisconsin Society for at least two years in conjunction with the Illinois Society. Being unable to recruit the Wisconsin members to take an officer position, President Ruth Anderson and Registrar General William Buell did an outstanding job to place members either in the Illinois Society or to Member at Large.

Thanks go to Barbara C. MacManus for her effort to reorganize the LaRochelle Chapter in the great state of Texas. The chapter at last check had 49 members.

It is important for the State Societies to strengthen their collective *raison d'être* perhaps through a joint project. The State Society of Pennsylvania has provided such an opportunity at the Washington Memorial Chapel at Valley Forge. Under the leadership of State Society President Peter Adams, the public display of Huguenot parade flags needs support as well as the development of important information handout brochures for the multitude of guests to this iconic and sacred chapel at Valley Forge with a significant Huguenot footprint.

It has been personally rewarding to serve in the capacity Organizing Secretary General.

Merci beaucoup,

Nancy Schultz, Organizing Secretary General

Registrar General ((6 October 2020)

Editor's Note: The Registrar General presented two reports; one to Congress; one a 2020 year-end report.

This report covers the period from 28 April 2020 to 1 October 2020. During the reporting period:

45 New Member applications were approved and 3 rejected.

15 Members were reported Deceased, and

2 Members were Dropped or Resigned,

for a net gain of 30 Members.

The current Member count stands at 1514.

8 Insignia orders were approved.

107 queries and requests were responded to.

The 2020 Consolidated Update to the Register of Qualified Huguenot Ancestors is in the final stages of preparation for publishing. It has been reviewed, edited and indexed by Genealogist General Nancy Brennan and is being formatted and finalized by Honorary President General Janice Lorenz. This Update contains 16 new Ancestors and 16 revised Ancestors.

In preparation for the approval of the reorganization of the CA Chapter, the following have been reviewed and are ready for approval: 6 new Member applications, 14 Transfers (MAL to CA), 8 Reinstatements, and 2 Junior Member applications, for a total of 28 prospective members.

Thirty two items were sold, packaged, and mailed:

2012 Register of Qualified Huguenot Ancestors: 2

Consolidated Updates: 5

Charms: 2

Scarves: 2

Ship Pins: 17

Neckties: 4

\$4102 has been collected and deposited to the NHS Treasury by the Registrar General for sales, dues and fees.

Registrar General (12 January 2021)

During the year, 109 New Regular Member Applications, 31 Transfers, 12 Reinstatements and 6 Supplemental Applications were approved.

26 Members were reported Deceased and 46 Members were Dropped or Resigned, for a net gain of 17 Members. The current Member count stands at 1475.

5 Junior Members were added and 8 Youth Registrations were approved.

The State Member Society of California was reorganized and elected to membership in the National Huguenot Society on 3 October.

The 2020 Consolidated Update, containing 17 new ancestors and 21 revised ancestors, has been prepared and is receiving its final review for printing.

19 Insignia orders were approved, and 14 Search & Copy/Scan orders were filled, and 163 queries were responded to.

During the reporting period, the following items were sold:

5 2012 Register of Qualified Huguenot Ancestors

7 Consolidated Updates

11 Charms

3 Guidelines

3 Tote Bags

6 Scarves

66 Ship Pins

2 CDs, Huguenot France

1 Note Card Sets

1 Small Napkin

\$13,031.79 was collected and deposited to the NHS Treasury by the Registrar General for sales, dues and fees.

Treasurer General (September 2020)

This officer has kept account of the finances of the National Society, with all bills paid promptly, using Intuit *Mint* to download and categorize transactions from Wells Fargo Bank. This is compiled into reports using Excel.

I have attended virtual meetings of the Finance Committee, held May 6 and September 22, 2020; Executive Board meetings held February 17, May 15, and June 4, 2020 to discuss bylaws and fee schedule changes.

The proposed Budget for 2021 has been reviewed and approved by the Finance Committee.

With the help of our webmaster, Steve Gerth, I have created forms for requesting reimbursement and making deposits, as well as the Treasurer's Membership Summary Report form, which will be updated for reporting year 2020 and will be available from the National Huguenot Society website, as before.

I have worked personally with state treasurers on dues collection and reporting. This has led me to propose several changes to our bylaws regarding the dues structure for all member categories, both to eliminate confusion and assure a stable cash flow for anticipated expenses.

Since my last report of May 8, 2020, I submitted the *Texas Application for Exemption – Charitable Organization, Form AP-205-2* and received an Exemption Verification Letter noting that our Texas taxpayer identification number is **32002711474** and we are exempt from:

- Franchise tax, as of 01-01-2008
- Sales and use tax, as of 08-29-1977 (provide Texas sales and use tax exemption certificate Form 01-339 (Back) to vendor).
- The entity is not exempt from hotel occupancy tax.

I have applied for Tax Exemption to Bexar Tax Assessment and await their response.

I have acquired a new **IRS Letter of Determination** that includes our Group exemption number, **1558**.

The National Society and all state societies have filed their IRS 990-e-postcard for 2019.

The accounting periods within some state filings were found to be out of sync with the National organization. The accounting period for the National Huguenot Society, Inc. EIN 22-6064536 is January 1 – December 31. Delaware, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Maine, New Hampshire, and Illinois were advised to align their accounting period to match these dates by filing **IRS Form 1128**. All states affected have responded that this has been done.

Honorary President General and Bylaws Committee Chairman (October 2020)

This officer attended the virtual meetings of the Board of General Officers 15 May and 4 June 2020. She was unable to attend the Annual Assembly of her State Member Society, the Huguenot Society of Texas, in Dallas in February due to a minor health issue.

This officer serves as Chairman of the Bylaws Committee of the National Huguenot Society, Inc., and as such, has worked closely with the President General, Board of General Officers, and Bylaws Committee members in the development of amendments to be proposed during the virtual 85th Congress 6 October 2020.

The Bylaws and Standing Rules of the reorganizing Huguenot Society of California seeking readmission as a State Member Society of the National Huguenot Society, Inc., were submitted to the National Bylaws Committee for review. They were not found by this committee to be in conflict with the National Bylaws. In the event of adoption of proposed amendments to the National Bylaws, they will subsequently need to be updated.

As a member of the Finance Committee of the National Society, this officer attended its virtual meeting 22 September 2020. In preparation for the report of the committee to the annual Congress, the committee reviewed and approved the financial reports and the 2021 budget prepared by the Treasurer General as well as the proposed investment plan, with minor adjustments.

This officer has had the pleasure of communicating with a number of officers and members of State Member Societies from across the country who were seeking information about various aspects of the operation of their state societies. She also fielded questions about current situations and past developments in the policies and procedures of the National Society. It is always good to visit with fellow members of our beloved Society.

Otherwise, as with everyone else, staying safe from Covid-19 has been the primary focus of this officer for the past six months of so. Praying that “in person” meetings will be possible in the not too distant future.

Barbara C. MacManus, Honorary President General; Bylaws Committee Chairman

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Bylaws Committee (December 2020)

The Bylaws Committee was charged with developing appropriate proposed amendments to the Bylaws of the National Huguenot Society, Inc., and with presenting them, together with proposed amendments originating with the Board of General Officers to be considered for adoption at the 85th Annual Congress 6 October 2020.

The amendments adopted by the Congress were prepared by the Committee in appropriate form for publication and submitted to the President General and members of the Board of General Officers. The Committee is pleased to announce that the Bylaws of the National Huguenot Society, Inc., as amended 6 October 2020, will be published on the Members Only page of the National website and available to the members.

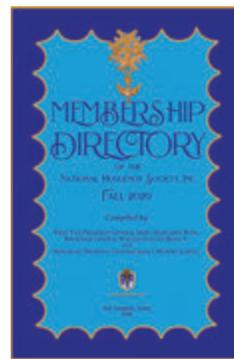
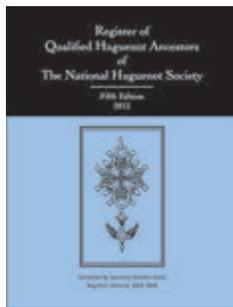
Barbara Chenault MacManus, Honorary President General, Bylaws Committee Chairman

Janice Murphy Lorenz, Honorary President General, Publications Committee Chairman

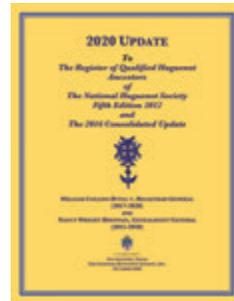
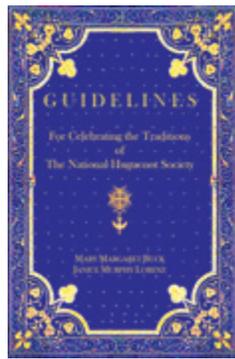
Nancy Wright Brennan, Genealogist General, Genealogy Committee Chairman

Publications Committee (January 2021)

We currently have four books offered for sale through our San Antonio Office, Amazon.com, and other online outlets. They are: *The 2012 Register of Approved Huguenot Ancestors, Fifth Ed.*; *the 2016 Consolidated Update*; *the 2017 The Puritans of France: Huguenot Memory and Identity in 19th Century America*; and *2019 GUIDELINES: For Celebrating the Traditions of The National Huguenot Society*.



The Membership Directory Fall 2020 contains member names, member number, addresses, contact information, and ancestor name(s), for all members except a few who wanted their contact information kept private.



Our other big announcement is that the 2020 Update to *The 2012 Register of Approved Huguenot Ancestors, Fifth Ed.* and the 2016 *Consolidated Update* is now available for sale from the San Antonio Office (members \$18 plus \$4 shipping; non-members \$22 plus \$4 shipping; bulk orders contact the Registrar General for pricing). It will also be sold on Amazon.

Authors Mary Margaret Buck, William Collins Buell V, and I are pleased to announce that the NHS Membership Directory Fall 2020 is now available in the San Antonio Office and on our new NHS website, nationalhuguenotsociety.org, for sale to our members only. The cost is \$15. We have shipped free copies to the current state presidents for the use of their state societies; they are to be passed along to their successors, or a new one purchased from the San Antonio Office.

Published in color to take advantage of the historical maps it contains, there are now 17 new ancestor entries and 21 revised ancestor entries, all of which have been approved by authors Nancy Wright Brennan, Genealogist General, and William Collins Buell V, Registrar General.

Janice M. Lorenz, Chairman

Finance Committee (2019-2021)

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Finance Committee Report

The Finance Committee has been busy over the past nine months, preparing the financial reporting and budgeting as well as for the prudent management of the resources of the Society. In discussions and virtual meetings the following progress has been made:

- 1) The Treasurer General has generated financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2020, using systems to interface with our bank, Wells Fargo, to enable her to maintain a ledger of receipts and expenditures and effectively generate quarterly financial statements and annual budgets.
- 2) The Treasurer General generated a 2021 annual budget using the receipts and expenditures for the last twelve months, adjusted for anticipated differences, which were amended in the budget and, in turn, discussed and approved by the Finance Committee.
- 3) The Treasurer General and the Chair of the Finance Committee established accounts for the balance sheet of the Society, reflecting the purposes of our resources: 1) Scholarships, 2) General Purpose and 3) Operations/Investing. Accordingly, three accounts were established at Vanguard which enable us to properly restrict the use and to account for the funds to reflect the gifts and bequests that we have received. The December 31, 2020, balance sheet and income statement were reviewed and approved by the Finance Committee.
- 4) At the October Board of General Officers the Chair of the Finance Committee presented an Investment Plan for implementation when the Investment Policy was adopted by the Board and the bylaws were approved by the Annual Congress.
- 5) The Plan was implemented in October of 2020 by the Treasurer General as long-term investments and short-term reserves were invested, following the investment plan;
- 6) The results for the year are incorporated into our year end income statement. Through the end of last year the investments of the Society provided attractive returns through a diversified portfolio invested in equity, fixed income and short-term funds. Since the inception of the investment accounts at Vanguard and earlier at Wells Fargo Advisors, these have generated \$7,216 of dividend, interest and capital gain distributions and \$21,430 of market gains for investment returns of \$28,464; for Vanguard accounts the investment returns were 5.4% from March to year end.



The financials, including our 2021 budget are attached. The Treasurer General and the Finance Committee expect to generate quarterly financials to report the development of the resources of the Society to the Board of General Officers.

Respectfully submitted,

Joel E. Strauch, CFA®, Chair of the Finance Committee

Attachments:

- 1) Statement of Operating Income and Expenses, including Budget for 2021
- 2) Balance Sheet for the Society as of December 31, 2020

2020 NATIONAL HUGUENOT SOCIETY BUDGET AND INCOME STATEMENT				
9/30/19 to 9/30/2020, Christine B. Crossan, Treasurer General				
OPERATING INCOME		Budget 2020	Proposed Budget 2021	Income Actual 9/30/19 - 9/30/20
Dues	State Dues	\$ 20,435	\$ 27,120	\$ 24,610
	MAL Dues	\$ 3,500	\$ 2,265	\$ 2,629
Fees	Fees Income	\$ 2,000	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,215
Sales	Book Sales	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,037
	Store Sales	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,006
	Lightning Source	\$ 300	\$ 400	\$ 376
Donations	Donation income	\$ 250	\$ 100	\$ 86
	Pin donation	\$ 3,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 3,347
Events	Board Mtg In	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 110
	Congress Income	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,000	\$ -
	Investment Income	\$ 7,500		\$ 1,671
	Transfer In			
	TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	\$ 46,485	\$ 43,285	\$ 39,086
OPERATING EXPENSES		Budget 2020	Proposed Budget 2021	Expenses Actual 9/30/19 - 9/30/20
Overhead	Office Rent	\$ 7,896	\$ 7,896	\$ 7,896
	Internet	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 701
	Office Supplies	\$ 200	\$ 1,000	\$ 799
	Shipping	\$ 200	\$ 1,000	\$ 956
	Liability Insurance	\$ 325	\$ 325	\$ 325
	D&O Insurance	\$ 1,540	\$ 1,540	\$ 1,539
	Bank Fee	\$ 30	\$ -	\$ 22
	Website	\$ 250	\$ 300	\$ 2,100
	Local Tax	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200
Awards	Youth Contest	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 800
	Scholarly Works Award	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ -
	Scholarship Award	\$ 5,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
Publications	Printing	\$ 11,000	\$ 11,500	\$ 11,531
	Cross Postage	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,918
Store	Store Inventory	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,782
Events	Board Mtg Exp	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 360
	Congress Expense	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ -
	Speaker fees	\$ 400	\$ 400	\$ -
	Donation Expense	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 200
Travel Allowance	President	\$ 1,500	\$ 3,000	\$ -
	Registrar		\$ 500	\$ 18
	Transfer bet Banks			
	TOTAL OPER EXPENSES	\$ 39,141.00	\$ 48,261.00	\$ 41,145.95
	NET INCOME/(LOSS)	\$ 7,344.00	\$ (4,976.00)	\$ (2,059.46)

¹Investment income included in Income Statements, but not in 2021 Budget, which is limited to operating income & expenses

NHS Balance Sheet 9/30/2020

Assets	-----9/30/2020-----			Liability ²
	Restricted ³	Unrestricted	Total	
1. For Scholarships:				Scholarship Reserve
Dickey Fund	\$ 226,991.00		\$ 226,991.00	\$ 228,096.61
General Scholarship Fund ¹		\$ 1,105.61	1,105.61	
2. For General Purposes				General Purposes Reserve
Endowment Fund		5,004.17	\$ 5,004.17	\$ 30,056.51
Lewis Fund	20,000.00	5,052.34	25,052.34	
General Fund				
3. Operating funds				\$ 277,181.85
Investment fund		\$ 244,773.42	\$ 244,773.42	Dissolved State Society
Liquidity fund		32,408.43	32,408.43	Capital and Surplus
				227,181.85
Total assets			\$ 535,334.97	\$ 535,334.97

¹Net 2020 scholarship awards
²Fund balances
³Designated as Permanently Restricted
 Restricted funds are defined by the legal granting documents, whether from a foundation or individual donor.

Scholarship Committee (report to Congress October 2020)

Note from the Editor: This report was inadvertently omitted from the Fall 2020 Cross of Languedoc; and it is appropriate for it to be published now, along with many other reports to the 2020 Congress.

The Committee has reviewed all applications submitted for our Scholarship Award for 2020. This year we have selected two well qualified students who meet all qualifications. They are:



*Malcolm Scott
MacDonald*

Malcolm Scott MacDonald, a member of The Huguenot Society of Illinois since 30 January 2014 is currently pursuing a degree to become an Audiologist at Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ and is beginning his third year there. His career goal is focused on clinical research. Our scholarship would help him continue to pursue a dual, clinical/research degree, a program which is offered at Arizona State University. Malcolm has a degree from Colorado University, Boulder, CO, including abroad study at the University of Glasgow, Scotland. His present grade point average at Arizona State University is 3.99. His Huguenot ancestor is Gabriel Bernon.



*Sarah Elizabeth
Deacon*

Sarah Elizabeth Deacon, a member of The Huguenot Society of North Carolina since 30 August 2016 is a third year student at Liberty University, Lynchburg, Virginia. Her major is Music and Worship, with a present grade point average of 4.00. Sarah tells us that she is pursuing a degree in Choral Music Education. She hopes to graduate with honor and to attend graduate school, otherwise she will take an academic absence in order to reduce her debt before pursuing her graduate studies. Her Huguenot ancestor is Louis Dupree.

It has been a pleasure to serve on this committee for nineteen years now and in particular to serve with other dedicated members of the committee, some of whom are no longer with us. We have been fortunate to have worthy applicants and blessed by the generous bequest left for the express purpose of “scholarships” by Jacqueline Wells Dickey. The National Huguenot Society gave much thought and effort to protect the bequest in the manner it was offered and set forth in our Bylaws those protections. All funds resulting from the Dickey bequest are to be held in U. S. insured accounts. The Scholarship Awards program is one of two projects that have allowed our Society to qualify for tax exemption as a non-profit organization.

Neoma O’Kelley O’Brien

Honorary President General and Chairman NHS Scholarship Awards Committee

Scholarship Committee Members:

Bernard W. Hugus

Alice Johnson Sweeney

Website Committee

The Website Committee PROUDLY ANNOUNCES that a beautiful and highly useful new website for The National Huguenot Society has been launched! The new website address is: www.nationalhuguenotsociety.org. There is a Members Only Section, where our members may find important documents and information. It is password-protected. To obtain the password, please contact the President General, Janet Walker, at jbw81574@gmail.com, or your state president.

Youth

The Annual Youth Contest is an important way to include our youth in our society and encourage them to learn about their courageous Huguenot ancestors. We encourage all of our state presidents to send out the guidelines to their members so that next year we will have many applicants. This year we only had four applicants. It was interesting reading and it was an honor for me to be a part of this youth program.

This was my first year working with this contest and I have not known what has been acceptable in the past. Because of this there were some guidelines that were not followed and this year we will not count these against the applicants, however, these will not be overlooked after this year.

Guidelines must be followed. Read the instructions and follow them. If you do not send your address, your age, title your essay, misspell words, fail to capitalize words, and fail to give a correct word count then your essay will be judged accordingly. Just to be the only applicant in level 1, 2, or 3 will not warrant a prize if guidelines are not followed. An applicant has from January to November 20, of each year to prepare for this contest giving everyone plenty of time to read

instructions and prepare papers. We need to know the state society you are representing and the names of your parents.

We look forward to our Huguenot Youth Contest next year, and please encourage our youth to participate.

In Huguenot Faith,
Martha Ann Whitt, Chairman

BOOK REVIEW

By Sumner Hunnewell (MO)

E. T. Fisher, trans., *Report of a French Protestant Refugee, in Boston, 1687* (Brooklyn: the author, 1868), limited to 125 copies, 42 pages. Online: <https://archive.org/details/reportoffrenchpr00fish>

Imagine that you are from Languedoc, safely in Boston in 1687, having fled Huguenot persecution. Your brothers and sisters in the faith want to know if they should emigrate there. So, they send you a list of questions, trusting in your advice, which you answer to the best of your knowledge. (At this time in Boston, much of the mid-Atlantic states and New England were under the government of Sir Edmond Andros, a man particularly odious to those living in Boston.) 180 years later two of your letters are found in France and published there. This is the background of the book published in 1868.

There were at least three letters written. One about travels and a fact-finding trip to Rhode Island lamentedly has been lost. Also, not extant are the letters from France with all of the questions, so you only see one side of the conversation. It is not uncommon to see within the numbered list "to be answered."

First was the trip over. The advice was to leave from London, especially if you wanted to do business, as you had to registered. The voyage took the writer only 53 days, which was considered short. The time to leave was at the end of March or late August / early September for favorable wind and weather.

What about money? Your money was worth 25% more in Boston than in London. However, you were better to bring goods over (after paying duty in London) than money, because the items would be worth double in Boston. Do not arrive without money as there was no help from the government for refugees.

What was the weather like? The winter was not bad but, according to locals, evidently mild in compared to the past. Stay away from the Carolinas. The weather was awful and many people who moved there died of disease.

How much does land cost? Land was inexpensive, if not free. (At this time, land under Andros had to be granted or reconfirmed through his office.) In Boston, houses were to be made of brick for fear of fire.

What kind of work is available? Any vocation could be profitable. "If our poor Refugee Brethren who understand tilling Land, should come hither, they could not fail of living very comfortably and getting rich, for the English are very inefficient, and understand only their Indian Corn and Cattle." Not everything from Europe grows in Massachusetts, but there is encouragement for the cultivation of grapes.

Can laborers be found? Yes, but not cheaply. Natives can be employed but expect board with their labor. Every house in Boston had one or more slaves.

Are there Huguenot churches? Yes, M. Bondet was the minister in Nipmuck country to the West and M. Carré was in Narragansett country in Rhode Island. He was surprised that there are so many souls in Boston who were unbaptized or baptized late in life.

Is it dangerous? There were wolves, bears, and rattlesnakes. The natives were at peace. There was a fear of war between New France and the English colonies, but very few Roman Catholics in Massachusetts Bay.

On the way to Boston, his vessel met a ship from La Rochelle. "...almost all the Protestant Inhabitants of the French Islands have gone. . . .May God pardon these cruel Men, who are the Cause of these Sorrows, and convert them!" Amen.

I've only touched on a few of the details. This is definitely worth reading!

STATE SOCIETY REPORTS

Note from the Editor: Where a state submitted both a report to Congress and a year-end report, we are unable to publish both this time, due to space constraints.

Alabama (October 2020)

Our current membership of the Huguenot Society of Alabama is 50 members. We meet at the same time as the Huguenot Society of the Founders of Manakin in the Colony of Virginia. We meet twice a year and we have had our first zoom meeting September 24, 2020.

At this meeting we were honored to have as our guest speaker Janet Walker, our National Huguenot Society President General. We enjoyed her program with historical information on two small communities established by some Huguenots in Georgia and South Carolina. It made us want to research for more information as we had not been aware of these little communities that were formed by the Huguenots. These two places do not exist anymore but we are left with their history for us to explore. President General, Walker focused on these two communities established by our Huguenot ancestors. We really enjoyed her program.

After the Huguenot meeting, we also enjoyed Olivia Chandler who is the National President of the Founders of Manakin in the Colony of Virginia. Olivia lives in Tennessee and this officer shares an ancestor with her husband, Robert Chandler. Olivia was the guest speaker for our Manakin Society.

Our Alabama Society plans to have our church service in March of 2021. This was scheduled for this past March, however, we had to cancel that service because of Covid-19.

We are anxious for our activities to get back to normal and are looking forward to October 2021 activities in Virginia.

Martha Ann Whitt, President, The Huguenot Society of Alabama



Arizona (November 2020)



Note from the Editor: The Arizona Society as well as The National Huguenot Society suffered the tragic loss on November 30, 2020, of Kathy Machmer, the AZ Society President, and the Corresponding Secretary General of The National Huguenot Society. Her death followed complications from heart surgery. Her maiden name was Foley, and she grew up in Hartley, Iowa. She was a beauty salon owner, avid genealogist, and was active not only in Huguenot groups, but also in the NS Daughters of the American Revolution, the Mayflower Society, and Veterans Voluntary Service organizations. She will be sorely missed by all.

Arizona Vice President and former state president, our beloved Lee T. Nelson, was able to coordinate with our many active Arizona Society members to formulate a new slate. Reporting to National:

It is with GREAT pleasure that I'm writing to you that a new slate of Arizona Huguenot Society Officers has been approved and elected by a majority to serve the 2021-2023 term. This is happy news, that we are again a viable and working society here in the great state of Arizona.

President: John Thorne

Vice President: Lee T. Nelson

Secretary: Rene Crane

Treasurer: Ann Curry

Registrar: John Thorne

Chaplain: Dusti Ide

Historian/Librarian: Lee T. Nelson

Arkansas (December 2020)

Currently serving as our state officers:

President – Jerrie Townsend

Vice President – Frankie Ochsner

Chaplain – Betty Harp

Recording Secretary – Priscilla Davis

Treasurer – Marie Dugan

Registrar – Carol Hartman

Historian/Curator/Librarian – Shirley Barham

Our society has been able, though on a modified approach, to meet during this past year. The challenges of COVID have impacted participation on the part of our members. However, we continue to look forward to the time when we can greet each other in person and further the goals of this Society.

Our state was represented by Jerrie Townsend at the October 6, 2020 virtual meeting of the 85th Congress of the National Huguenot Society. The session was packed with information and business that was successfully conducted. Our national officers did an excellent job of preparing for the meeting and involving those in attendance from all across the country.

Our state organization has several items for review. A big thank you to Nancy Askew and Betty Harp as they work to update our local bylaws and incorporate those changes approved at the national level. Recruiting new members is vital for us to continue to grow and share our heritage. I am interested in selecting a project for us to support here in Arkansas. Several ideas are under consideration with plans to implement at our next meeting.

We all look forward to 2021 and the promise of a new year. It is my honor to serve my state.

Jerrie Townsend, President



California (November 2020)

On 19 July 2020, Organizing Secretary General, Nancy Schultz, contacted Shari Kelley Worrell asking if she would be interested in reorganizing the Huguenot Society of California that had dissolved on 14 Sep 2018. Ms. Worrell said she would contact former and prospective members to see if there was interest.

Worrell asked for a list of MAL members from President General Janet Butler Walker and a list of former members from David Grinnell. She sent an email to all those with an email, sent letters to those without and sent an email to those non-members she thought might be eligible.

She asked for volunteers to serve as officers if the decision was to reorganize. Shirley Arendt was the first to respond saying she would serve as Registrar and Betty Breithaupt offered to serve as Historian. Shortly after many said they would join NHS and/or serve; Penny Adams-O'Neill as Vice President; Ellie Burnaford as Chaplain; Shirley Vanderbeck as Secretary; Liz Crow as Treasurer; Carole Vercellino as Parliamentarian; Gail Gates as PR Chairperson; Carole Vercellino and Penny Sandy as Scholarship Chairpersons; Shirley Vanderbeck as Bylaws Chair; Shirley Arendt as Financial Reviewer; Shari Kelley Worrell as Yearbook Chair.

The proposed bylaws and standing rules were sent to the National Bylaw Chairperson, Barbara MacManus, prior to the October 6, 2020 meeting. Both were approved.

By September 1st we had 11 who submitted a Transfer from MAL request, Reinstatement form or an application for membership. Arendt and Worrell worked closely with the Registrar General, Bill Buell. At the time of the 85th Congress on 6 Oct 2020 the Huguenot Society of California had 37 members (12 new members, 2 Junior members and 23 transfers from MAL or reinstated members). We also had eight prospective members.

On October 6th the National Huguenot Society 85th Congress 2020 met virtually because of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Huguenot Society of California was unanimously approved to reorganize.

The Organizational Meeting via Zoom was held on 29 Oct 2020. The Huguenot Society of California installed the members, elected the Executive Board, installed the officers and approved the Bylaws, Standing Rules, fees, number of meetings per year, Order of Business, etc.

Welcome packets including a welcome letter, Huguenot Society of California certificate, NHS brochure, approved applications/forms and a yearbook were sent to all the members.

The Huguenot Society of California is happy to report they support five scholarships. This year a total of \$8,700 was distributed to deserving students. Golden Gate University Scholarship Chairperson, Carole Vercellino, reported Sihua Chen received a \$2400 scholarship, Hafeez Kanani received a \$1200 scholarship, Nicholas Seibel received a \$2,000 scholarship and Ping Yang received a \$2,000 scholarship. Penny Sander, California Baptist University Scholarship Chairperson, reported Celeste Boyas received a \$2,000 scholarship.

The Huguenot Society of California is happy to report we have 35 members, 2 junior members and 10 prospective members. We are proud to be “back in the fold” as part of the National Huguenot Society!

Shari Kelley Worrell, President
Gail Cates, PR Chairperson
The Huguenot Society of California



Delaware (December 2020)

The Delaware Huguenot Society gained two new members and two new Youth Registrants in 2020. Unfortunately, we also lost three long-time members to death.

Four of our Youth Registrants entered and won various levels of the National Society’s Youth Contest. Congratulations to David Crossan Jr., William Crossan, Jack Ryan Crossan, and Jane Criscuolo.

Although our scheduled wine and cheese event celebrating South African Huguenots’ contributions to viniculture was postponed to spring of 2021, we were able to meet in October 2020 in a combined meeting with the Liberty & Independence Colony, National Society New England Women, at beautiful Chanticleer Gardens in Wayne, Pennsylvania.

Christine Crossan, Treasurer



Florida (October 2019)

The Huguenot Society of Florida is working hard to increase awareness of its State and individual Chapters and to tell the story of our Huguenot ancestors who were forced to leave their homes in France.

For 2020 the State awarded four Allen Parker Scholarships. These went to

Douglas Poole - a new recipient - who is attending Florida Polytechnic University in Lakeland, Florida

Hunter Reilly - a scholarship renewal recipient attending Florida State College at Jacksonville

Olga Godwin-Intriago - a scholarship renewal recipient attending the University of Central Florida and

Marcus Dangl - a Huguenot member of the Admiral de Coligny Chapter and a scholarship renewal recipient attending Florida State University.

As of 1 October 2020, the State of Florida had 153 members. We have had 3 resignations, 17 new regular members, 2 new junior members, and 7 members who have passed, and 1 honorary member. We have 1 member pending and 1 dual member pending. This total increase in membership of 11 is due in large part to the growth in the Admiral Gaspard de Coligny Chapter with 16 new members. As a result of their efforts, Admiral Gaspard de Coligny was awarded the 2019 Chapter of the Year, over taking the Jean Calvin Chapter which had been the Florida Chapter of the Year Award winner for four consecutive years.

Although National dues are expected to rise for 2022, the Florida Executive Council voted at the Executive Council Meeting in August 2020 to maintain the Florida State dues and other State fees at current levels through 2022.

Currently the State of Florida has five chapters. This is down one chapter from our report in April 2020. The members present of the Fleur De Lis Chapter of Miami voted in March 2020 for approval by the Florida Executive Council for dissolution. 18 July 2020 the Florida Executive Council approved the Fleur De Lis Chapter to move into an inactive state for a period of 5 years. After 5 years of inactivity, the disillusion of the Fleur De Lis Chapter will become final. There are several contributing factors that necessitated this decision. Most Chapter members transferred to the Louis DuBois Chapter in West Palm Beach, FL. Remaining members moved to chapters within the State and one transferred by choice to Virginia.

In March 2020, the Louis DuBois Chapter in West Palm Beach, FL lost a beloved member Cynthia Van Buren. Cynthia had a prominent attorney with a law practice in West Palm. Cynthia was a generous philanthropist to many worthy causes. For several years Cynthia had been the Historian of the Chapter. With her passing she left the Louis DuBois Chapter \$100,000 (One hundred thousand dollars), no strings attached. The Chapter will be using the funds for a chapter scholarship program, genealogy research to help grow their chapter, and for presentations for their chapter meetings. It is an exciting time to be a member of the Louis DuBois Chapter.

The State and each of the Chapters are on solid financial footing with tight oversight. We are truly blessed in this manner.

Each chapter has a set of goals for 2020.

1. Distribute the new National Trifold Huguenot Pamphlet to a minimum of one location for each Florida Chapter and keep it stocked.
2. Recruit one member to each Chapter
3. Create a member's only tab on the State website
4. Create a database of Huguenot programs that the chapters can use for their Chapter Programs
5. Create Member and Officer Workshops to help encourage the research and preparation of papers and manuscripts relating to the settlement of the Huguenots in the United States of America, their biographies, public acts and influence upon society, and to present these papers and manuscripts at meetings
6. Minimize the negative impact of the disbandment of the Fleur de Lis Chapter

Most fall meetings will be virtual with plans to have mixed or distance / in person meetings starting in January 2021.

Our Spring Conference will be February 6th, 2021 at the Double Tree Airport in Orlando, FL. Hosted by the Ernst d'Erlach Chapter.

It is an honor to represent the State of Florida as its State President and State Chaplain.

Respectfully Submitted – October 6, 2020 – Jo Lee Potts



Georgia (December 2020)

It is an honor to serve the State of Georgia under the Walker Administration.

Due to health concerns the meetings of the Huguenot Society of Georgia were switched to Zoom meetings. The Society had 3 Zoom Board Meetings. What an efficient way to conduct the Society business. Zoom has opened the possibility of members unable to drive to attend meetings. Fees for speakers are reduced because the speaker does not have to travel.

The Society gave one scholarship from the Zada Bird Brannen Scholarship Fund for \$1,000.

The Society donated \$2,000 to the Georgia Archives to purchase the software and train the staff for a scanner that will digitize microfiche. The software removes the black on the film that makes it difficult to read.

Every member received a Christmas email from the Society which included the poem, "A Christmas Star" by Tom Krause. Each member was asked, "As we look to the heavens to view Jupiter and Saturn, let us remember the Christmas Star of our Savior."

John Trussell, our 2nd Vice President is continuing his research on Huguenot, GA. We hope to place a marker in the near future. Please read his article published in this Cross.

Registrar Tina Peavy increased our membership by 10 for 2020. She is currently working to set up a genealogy committee to work with the Registrar on new applications. Volunteers are welcome.

Corresponding Secretary Lynne Tate has developed an amazing newsletter for our members to keep them informed of our activities and events. This newsletter may be viewed on our website-- <https://huguenotga.org/>.

Treasurer Joyce Patton has worked diligently updating the membership list with corrected addresses and emails, as well as, collecting dues.

Our Fall Meeting speaker, Tom Poland is from Lincoln County, Georgia but lives in South Carolina. While working on his program "Huguenots in the Up Country of South Carolina" for our Society, he developed an interest in the Huguenots and could possibly be working on a new book. Tom rediscovers and shares forgotten places in his travels saving a heritage that may be lost. He is a member of Authors Around the South. He has been awarded the Order of the Palmetto, the highest civilian honor in the State of South Carolina. This award recognizes a person's lifetime achievements and contributions to South Carolina. He is currently residing in South Carolina.

Tom has published several books including:

Carolina Bays—Wild, Majestic and Mysterious Landforms, December 2019

South Carolina Country Roads, April 2018

Georgialina, A Southland As We Knew It, Nov. 2015

Classic Carolina Road Trips, 2014

Joyce Patton's registration number was selected by Tom as the winner of the "door prize," a beautiful crystal Cross.

In Huguenot Faith,
Marjorie Nolan Wilson, President



Illinois (6 October 2020)

Last year at this time, this President had flown down to Orlando, Florida for our 84th Congress. This year our National Huguenot Society will have its 85th Congress as a Virtual Event in anticipation of reinstatement of plans to convene next year in Virginia. Our President General, Janet Walker, was to visit our members at the November meeting. This has been postponed until May of 2021, God willing. May almighty God give us strength to resume our daily lives in the face of COVID 19 as we take precautions to return to a normalcy of American proportions.

The Huguenot Society of Illinois currently has 109 members. We have experienced growth do to exposure at the Illinois Heritage Alliance weekend held annually in September with a multitude of other societies in attendance. Also we have had excellent recruitment at State Genealogy meetings. Our registrar is dedicated to submitting properly documented applications in a timely manner.

Our Scholarship Committee chaired by Mr. James Barr, duly recommended three well qualified recipients being Morgan Meer, Jackson Barr and M. Scott McDonald.

Congratulations to all three.

This President has a President Project approved for the support of the Huguenot Society of Pennsylvania's initiative at the Washington Memorial Chapel at Valley Forge. \$1,000.00 will be earmarked through Mr. James Barr's generous donation to this end. Pennsylvania Society President, Peter Adams, has explained the project on page 23 of the Fall 2020 edition of the Cross of Languedoc. The entire collection of full-size parade flags will be on public display providing the outstanding opportunity of sharing the important contributions of the Huguenots during the American Revolution. Additionally, Illinois has reached out to support the Mayflower II Project as a very worthy endeavor with a contribution.

This President would like to thank so many of our members who are generous with their time, commitment and donations to keep this venerable society viably preserved and never to be cancelled. We pray for our future and are strengthened by our past. We pray for our citizens who have lost their way.

Nancy Schultz, President



Indiana (December 2020)

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic we were unable to meet for our regular meetings in April and October. However, the Indiana Chapter has some sad news to share about one of the National Huguenot Societies' long term members. I included the obituary for Allen Moore in this email, as a member of The Huguenot Society of Indiana, he served two terms as President, Treasurer, and Registrar. He was also a Vice-President General of the National Huguenot Society for two terms. I thought it might be nice to include some or all of his obituary in our state report since his passing was a very sad loss for our chapter in an already difficult year.

Allen Wendell Moore, 91, Kokomo, passed away at 3:08pm, Monday, December 14, 2020 at St. Vincent Hospital in Kokomo. He was born October 26, 1929 in Anderson to Allen Wayne and Jessie Mae (Whitehouse) Moore. He married Barbara E. Tiley on October 12, 1951 in Anderson. She preceded him in death.

Allen was a 1947 graduate of Anderson High School. IN 1951 he graduated from Ball State University with a B.S. degree in business education and English. In 1952 he received his M.A. degree from Ball State University in business education and later completed one year of post-graduate work at Ball State.

For 40 years he was a business education and English teacher at Goshen, Kokomo, Haworth and North Central High Schools. He was the only chairman of the business education department of Haworth High School during the 16 years of existence and later served as business education department chairman of North Central High School.

He was a member of South Creek Church of God and served on the Board of Trustees for three years and the Board of Elders for six years. He had authored the church history and for many years was the church pianist.

He was a life member and former president of Delta Pi Epsilon at Ball State University. For many years he was very active in historical and hereditary organizations. In the Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War, he formed the Orlando A. Somers Camp No. 1 of Kokomo in 1982 and later served as its commander, as state commander, and as National Commander-in-Chief in 1993-1994. He was a life member.

He was also a life member and past-president of the Society of Indiana Pioneers, and he had served on the Board of Governors for 18 years. He designed and implemented its membership certificate. He was a member of the Order of Colonial Physicians and Surgeons. He had served as state president and state secretary of the Sons of the American Revolution as well as chaplain, secretary, and treasurer of the Society of Colonial Wars in Indiana. He was also a member of the Society of the War of 1812 and the Sons of the Revolution, the National Gavel Society, and the First Families of Kentucky.

As a member of The Huguenot Society of Indiana, he served two terms as President, Treasurer, and Registrar. He was also a Vice-President General of the National Huguenot Society for two terms. IN 2003 he was commissioned a Kentucky Colonel.

One of his great loves was classical music, which he called "good" music. For over 30 years he served on the Board of Directors of the Kokomo Community Concert Association and as a past-president. He had also served as secretary and treasurer of the Creative Arts Council of Kokomo. He was an accomplished pianist.

Allen is survived by his daughters, Colleen (Colin) Craig, Dione (David) Williams, Malinda (Jay) Johnson, and Martha (Michael) Pearson; sister, Jeneva Moore; grandchildren, Holly, Hannah, Ivan, Lauren, Christen, and Matthew Williams, Gabriel Johnson, Lydia Dohrmann, and Jessie Johnson, Sarah Jane Coleman, Erin Pierce, and Isaac Pearson; adopted grandchildren, Megan, Ryan and Riley Craig; and great grandchildren, Jubilee, Benaiah, and Abel Coleman, and Sebastian Dohrmann.

Along with his wife, he was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, James Moore.

Public visitation was held from 12-1pm Friday at the church. Burial followed the visitation at East Maplewood Cemetery in Anderson. A private family service was held and recorded and is available for viewing online at www.shirleyandstout.com. Shirley & Stout Funeral Home & Crematory is assisting with the arrangements. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Allen's honor to Kokomo Rescue Mission Open Arms. Messages of condolence may be left at www.shirleyandstout.com.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah LaVorgna, President



Maine (December 2020)

The Maine Society, in common with many rural societies not close to significant centers of colonial period Huguenot settlement, struggles along. Among our major problems are that a majority of our members are elderly life members, most living out of state, and that their grandchildren, great-nephews or great-nieces are uninterested in joining. Hence, it is extremely difficult to have any meetings.

Edwin A Garrett IV, President



Mississippi (December 2020)

December 2020: The Huguenot Society of Mississippi was well represented at the virtual National Huguenot Society Congress in October, 2020 with delegates Vice President William Prestage and Secretary Vicky Pekich and alternates Penny Lotterhos and Randall Chandler in attendance. Also present was NHS First Vice President General Mary Margaret Buck, who is also HSM President.

Although we have not met in 2020 due to COVID-19, three new members were accepted. They are Vince Smith, Jane Winston and Toby Winston. Several prospective members are working on their Application Forms. HSM also has two Youth Registrations. We look forward to meeting in 2021!

Mary Margaret Buck, President



Nebraska (December 2020)

The Nebraska Society started 2020 on a positive note with our February meeting in Lincoln, Nebraska. We were happy to welcome several prospective members to learn about the organization and assist with application questions. A nominating committee was appointed to select a new slate of officers to be presented at the next meeting. It was also decided that a members-only Facebook page would be created as well as a public Facebook page to use as a recruiting tool.

Who could have predicted what would occur a few weeks later when much of the country shut down due to the pandemic, including restrictions in our own state preventing us from meeting in person to conduct the society's business.

In November we held our first Zoom meeting and welcomed everyone to the electronic age of meetings. Although not the same as visiting with everyone in person, it was a wonderful next best way of gathering everyone in the "same" place at the same time. The following officers were elected for 2021-2022: President, Kathy Ocasio; Vice President, Tom Masters; Chaplain, Judy Moore; Secretary/Treasurer, Paul Moore; Registrar, Sande Spicer; Historian, John Reinert; and Librarian, Ann Reinert. We are looking forward to a great 2021 with a focus on increasing our membership.

Kathy Ocasio, President

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A Donation Form can be found on our new website. www.nationalhuguenotsociety.org

New Hampshire (October 2020)

We were saddened to make the decision (due to COVID-19) against holding a meeting this year. Dues were paid on time for all nineteen members; however, we have since lost one life member to death. Three members attended virtual Congress, which we have never been able to do before. We did have four excellent high school seniors as candidates for scholarships. We selected two winners, as the top ones were too close to make a choice. Each successful candidate received \$250. Provided a B average is maintained throughout full time studies in college, the scholarship is renewable three times. We also give an additional \$100 gift at college graduation. Our four candidates were all so excellent that we decided to give a one-time gift of \$100 for the third place runner-up. Due to the disruption of students' senior year, an additional private donation and note of encouragement were sent to all four candidates. We look forward to again being able to meet in person next summer, and possibly to hosting our scholarship candidates.

Marsha Stewart, President



North Carolina (October 2020)

The North Carolina Society has increased to 110 members, thanks to the efforts of our hardworking Registrar, Elaine Baldasare. Elaine has added five new members this year, and has several prospective members working on applications. Sadly, we lost a member due to death. Randy Madry, retired health care executive from Raleigh, passed away on July 29, 2020. Randy had been a member since Feb. 2019, and his ancestor was Louis Bevier.

In happier news, we were delighted to hear that our State Scholarship winner, Sarah Elizabeth Deacon was a co-recipient of the National Society's scholarship. Sarah is pursuing a degree in choral music from Liberty University, a fitting major considering how important music traditions were to the early Huguenots.

Our State Society is hopeful that we will be able to meet in person this spring, but "out of an abundance of caution" we will be amending our Bylaws to permit virtual meetings and electronic voting.

Ann Cope Mueller, President



Pennsylvania (December 2020)

This year the Pennsylvania Society has focused on several strategic initiatives to retain and attract new members. They include: building a new website, officers mentoring and contacting members by mail, phone and zoom, collaboration with other nonprofits such as the DAR to increase our brand awareness, investigating advertising in a national magazine called the "American Spirit", which has over 200,000 readers with many believed to be ideal candidates for Huguenot membership. We continue to explore new ways to promote the benefits of Huguenot membership.

We have improved our social media presence and conducted new research concerning the century old Huguenot-Stained Glass Window discovered by our Society in the Washington Memorial Chapel at Valley Forge.

We are developing an educational brochure detailing the history of our 16 Huguenot Flag Collection - owned and preserved by our Society - and now on permanent public display in the Washington Memorial Chapel at Valley Forge. We have been investigating the cost to repair, renovate and perhaps make new Huguenot Flags exactly replicating those in our collection. The hope is that life sized replicas of our Huguenot flag collection may someday be carried in parades throughout the state promoting our shared Huguenot heritage and increasing our brand awareness. While discussing this exciting project with other National officers during the 85th Congress, Nancy R. Schultz, President of the Huguenot Society of Illinois, committed a \$1,000 donation to our Society - made possible by their member James F. Barr - to be used toward our flag restoration and promotion project. We discussed the possibility of the flag collection someday being exhibited throughout the country promoting our shared heritage throughout the nation. Perhaps this donation might spark interest in other State Societies leading to more contributions toward this collaborative and exciting project to promote our shared Huguenot heritage.

During October we were honored to invite all the National Huguenot Officers and all State Society Presidents as well as other members from all State Societies to our National broadcast of a very sacred Reformation Church Service, conducted by Reverend George Clayton Ames III, Chaplain for our Pennsylvania Society. Reverend Ames used the text from an original 1723 Huguenot Church Service originating from the actual historical archives of the official Charleston, South Carolina Huguenot Church. This exciting event was enjoyed by all. We received many glowing praises from throughout the nation giving thanks to our Society for conducting such a successful national Church service.

We have begun preparing for our next national collaboration that will be made available to all Huguenot members throughout the country. This event is called "HUGUENOT HISTORY IN PENNSYLVANIA" and it will be filmed from the Washington Memorial Chapel at Valley Forge, PA. This upcoming event will feature recently uncovered history and many new colorful pictures concerning the Huguenot-Stained Glass Window in the Washington Memorial Chapel. We will also show for the first time new colorful pictures of the 16 Huguenot Flag Collection owned by our Society. These flags are planned to be showcased to illustrate Huguenot history and its rich significance. We believe we will demonstrate why these flags were so meaningful to our ancestors during the 16th and 17th centuries. Many thanks to our immediate past President, Lydia R. Freeman, and our longstanding member Robert Van Gulick for their diligent efforts to preserve these precious artifacts for all Huguenot descendants to enjoy.

We look forward to the coming year to continue learning and growing the Huguenot Society of Pennsylvania.

Peter Adams, President



Tennessee (October 2020)

After the November 2019 meeting, along came COVID-19, so both the Spring and Fall 2020 meetings were canceled. Tennessee has recently added 3 new members and is 55 members strong. Tennessee had one delegate who attended the Virtual Meeting of Congress on October 6, 2020. Tennessee looks forward to the time we can all be together again!

Lyn Marvil, Recording Secretary



Texas (December 2020)

The La Rochelle and Languedoc chapters of the Huguenot Society of Texas met for the annual assembly on February 1, 2020, in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. The La Rochelle Chapter was the host chapter. In 2021, the Languedoc Chapter in San Antonio will host the annual meeting, which will be a virtual meeting.

Because of the COVID-19 events, all meetings were either cancelled or the chapters held virtual meetings, except for the Languedoc Chapter meeting held 10 February 2020.

Despite COVID-19, the Languedoc and La Rochelle Chapters continue to welcome new members. The Texas Society was organized 2 April 1954 and has remained active for 66 years.

In Huguenot Faith and Friendship,

Ann Oppenheimer, Languedoc Chapter State Recording Secretary

Kathy Totten, Languedoc Chapter State Treasurer



Virginia (January 2021)



Historical East Portico of The Farmington Country Club

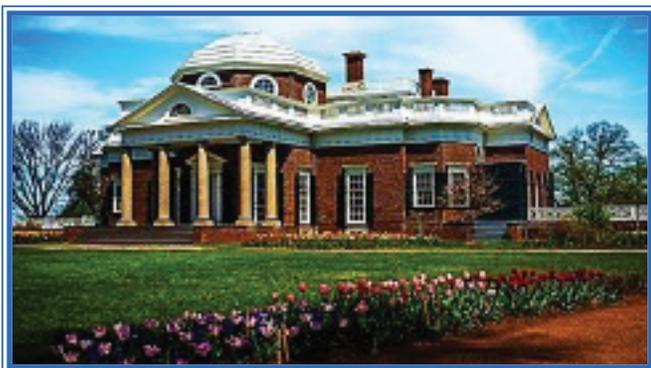
It was reported in the last issue of *The Cross* that the Virginia Society was scheduled to host the 85th National Congress at Charlottesville, VA. Unfortunately, as we all know, that meeting was cancelled due to the ongoing COVID pandemic. However, the Virginia Society is again pleased to announce that it will be hosting the National Congress this year at Charlottesville, VA, on 4-6 October 2021, under the same schedule as last year's meeting. The details of this National Congress, which were published in the last issue, are reprinted here for your information.

The Congress will be held at the Farmington Country Club, a beautiful facility nestled in the pastoral countryside just a few miles west of Charlottesville.

The land on which the country club was built was obtained through a land grant in 1744 from King George II. The property was then acquired by Francis Jerdone in 1758, who built a residence there sometime prior to 1780. The property



Interior View of the Jefferson Room in the East Wing, Designed by Thomas Jefferson



Monticello—the Home Designed by President Thomas Jefferson

On Tuesday evening, following the tour, the banquet will be held in the Jefferson Room of the Farmington Country Club. The Virginia Society is enthusiastic in its welcome to all officers and members of the National Huguenot Society and is looking forward to showing everyone who attends what “Southern Hospitality” truly means.

Richard M. Wright, Jr, President



Washington (January 2021)

Note from the Editor: Marissa Goldenman, Washington President, suffered the loss of her husband just before Christmas 2020.

The Huguenot Society of Washington fortuitously held its Spring meeting on 29 February 2020, just before all meeting spaces shut down in Washington in mid-March. Our Fall meeting was cancelled outright. We will be holding elections during our Spring 2021 meeting.

As NW Colonial Festival State DAR Liaison, 2016-2020 (<https://www.colonialfestival.com/>) the President of the Huguenot Society of Washington created a new Colonial German American research brochure for DAR, in which she also promoted the Huguenot Society.

Marissa Goldenman, President

was again sold in 1785 to George Divers, a friend of Thomas Jefferson, who was asked by Divers to design the octagonal east wing of the building. The estate was eventually purchased by the Farmington Corporation in 1927 and converted into what is now the Farmington Country Club. Much of that original dwelling

consists of the East Portico section of what is now the country club.

The business meeting will be held in the Blue Ridge Room of the club on Tuesday. That afternoon attendees will be invited for a tour of Monticello, the primary estate of Thomas Jefferson, the third President of the United States. In 1769, Jefferson inherited the land upon which the house was built. He then designed the main house in neoclassical style and built it in 1772. Following Jefferson’s death in 1826, his daughter, Martha Jefferson Randolph, sold the property in 1834 to Uriah P. Levy, a Commodore in the U.S. Navy. One can easily see the striking similarities in the architecture of Monticello and the East Portico of the Farmington Country Club.



Dinner at the Country Club Grill

The Editor thanks her old friends Rene Peron (MAL-Canada), Clyde Ross (ME), and Richard DeCoe (CA) for brightening her day with occasional notes and humorous items. Much appreciated!

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

<u>New Member Name</u>	<u>Ancestor</u>	<u>New Member Name</u>	<u>Ancestor</u>
Alabama		Members At Large	
16-245 Nancy Ann Carter Billings	DuBois, Louis	2-123 Julie Ann Carr	Gaston, Jean
Arizona		2-124 Carol Lee Mitchell Olney	DeLannoy, Jean
31-182 Patricia Merle Spowls	Prevatt, Pierre	2-125 Tawny Elaine Godin	Targer, Daniel
California		2-126 James Alexander Daniel Berry	Noël, Jacob
5-709 Elizabeth Colleen Crow	Bobo, Gabriel	2-127 Donna Jean Kargo Santistevan	Flourney, Laurent
5-714 Marsha Prentiss Rudolph Adams-O'Neil	Mallett, David	2-128 Claire Lorrie Christian White	Gustin, John
5-715 Shirley Marie Burgess Vanderbeck	Easley, Robert	2-129 Susan Jane Glasscock Arnold	Rapalie/Ralalje, Joris Janszen
5-716 Eloise Caroline Woolley Burnaford	Cortelyou, Jacques	Missouri	
5-717 Penny J Adams Sander	Maupin, Gabriel	20-230 Kevin Leon Miller	Marchand, Henri
5-718 Jacquelyn Lee Gaumer	Mayzy, Michael	20-231 Pamela Anne Foley Miller	Maneval, Pierre
5-719 Mary Ann Duke Voss	DuVal, Daniel	Mississippi	
5-720 Ann Elizabeth Soppeland Rycroft	DuVal, Daniel	41-81 Vincent Bryant Smith III	Prou, Cyprian
5-721 Heidi Christine Soppeland	DuVal, Daniel	41-83 Jane Whitney Winston	Mahieu, Jacques
5-722 Roberta Gail Nichols Cates	Remy, Jacques/Jacob	North Carolina	
5-723 Lora Anne McLaughlin Peterson	Gerrard, Pierre	8-353 Brenda Jo Eatmon Dorsett	D'Auge/Dozier, Leonard
Florida		Oklahoma	
9-957 Sheree Diane Young Price	Cadet, Francois	43-104 Brenda Anne Biery Harwood	Selover, Isaac
9-958 Carol Susan Wright Wiltbank	Demarest, David	43-103 Penny Louise Pryor Richardson	Gaylord, Nicholas
9-961 Sherry A. Saucerman	LeGrand, Pierre	Tennessee	
9-962 Judith Perrine Smith Meyer	Delano, Jean	21-443 Kathleen Ann Burnett Cress	Mallett, Etienne
9-963 Sandra L. Greene	Renollet, Jean	21-444 Alice Georgetta Yarbrow Holtin	Aydelotte, David
9-964 Connie Elizabeth Dunlap Gage	Bonnell, Daniel	21-445 Janice McGill Wyatt Bynum	Aydelotte, David
9-965 Anne Swicegood Schwanda	Tondee, Pierre	21-446 Nancy Ann Dowell Gilley	Prou, Cyprian
9-966 Joanne Goulet	Melyn, Cornelis	Texas	
9-967 Gail Marie Broadhead-Herrmann	DuBois, Chretien	10-1245 Martha Elizabeth Hunt Hirsch	Loach, Michael de
Georgia		10-1246 Judy Kay Park McKee	Demarest, David
38-416 Susan Lynn Ware Spratling	Brevard, Jean	10-1247 Elizabeth Diane Purcell Dean	Dejarnette, Jean
38-417 Meghan Evelynne Harter	Dupuy, Bartholomew	10-1248 Robert Joseph Weigel	Conde, Jean
38-418 William Otis Walker	Aydelotte, David	10-1249 Kimberly Ann Roe Yuhasz	Chastain, Pierre
38-419 Gail Marie Broadhead-Hermann	DuBois, Chretien	10-1250 Patricia Susan Gailey Johnston	La Chairs, Jean de
38-420 Marsha Ann Montgomery Kraatz Stemme	Perrin, Daniel	Virginia	
38-421 Sandra Lou Montgomery	Perrin, Daniel	28-556 Karen Lynne Pogoloff	Pineo, Jacques
38-422 David Melson Butler	Dumas, Jerome	28-557 Jeremy Brandon Utt	Chenault, Etienne
Illinois		28-558 Connie Irene Harlow Branch	DuVal, Daniel
13-514 Gail Virginia Vallely Meyer	LaRue, Antoine	Washington	
13-515 William Warren Barr	Diller, Casper Elias	14-207 Patricia Loy Weaver Dorr	Broucard, Bourgon
13-516 Jackson Peter Barr	Diller, Casper Elias	OUR NEW JUNIOR MEMBERS	
13-517 William Henry Barr	Diller, Casper Elias	Michigan	
13-518 Robert Lewis Fagaly	Rapalje, Joris Janszen	9-959 Lola Mairae Howes-Solomon	Faure, Pierre
13-519 Rebecca Sue Walker Von Wormer	Cortelyou, Jacques	9-960 Milo James Howes-Williams	Faure, Pierre
Kentucky		California	
17-462 Hamilton Knox Thames	Bonneau, Antoine	5-724 Daniel Brian Andrew Worrell	Houdalette, Charles Etienne
17-463 William Gibbes Thames	Bonneau, Antoine	5-725 Ryan Richard Worrell, Jr.	Houdalette, Charles Etienne
17-464 Elizabeth Roberts Thames	Bonneau, Antoine		
Massachusetts			
41-82 Joseph Edmund Winston	Fontaine, Jacques		

FAREWELL TO OUR DEARLY DEPARTED FAITHFUL HUGUENOT FRIENDS

Since our last publication, we say a fond farewell to the following beloved members.

Arizona

Kathy Foley Machmer

California

James Blauer

Delaware

Leucia Venable

John Robert Denny

Florida

Alice Hornback

Cynthia Van Buren

Novella "Joyce" Howerton

Imogene Weisner

Jeanne Fehrenbaker

Mary Mixon

Illinois

Mary Katherine Wood

Carol Wendell Wandschneider

Eva Mae Lomerson Collins

Frances Allison Bean Rakestraw

Members at Large

Elizabeth Theroux (Betty)

Betsy Warren-Davis

Billie Jean Clark Walsh

Frederick Feicht

Maine

Sylvia McAuliffe

Missouri

Joyce Williams Knight

Elizabeth Weisenborn Fleming

North Carolina

Thomas Lloyd Norris, Jr.

Charlotte Jolliffe Fetterman

Randall Hayden Hathaway Madry

Pennsylvania

Alvan Markle, III

Jean Brown

Tennessee

Theresa Ann Swafford

Texas

Mary Ann Webber

Floy Kroepelin

Virginia

Katherine Carol Williams Clifton

Lavalon Kernon Collie Wall

Virginia Brown

BOOK REVIEW

By Sumner Hunnewell (MO)

Rev. Antoine Verren, D. D., trans. Rev. William Morris, LL. D., *The Huguenots in this Country, In Pine, Franklin, and West 22d Sts. between 5th and 6th Avs.; or, A Discourse, Delivered on the 26th of June 1862, on the Occasion of Laying the Corner-stone of Their New Temple, Finishing in the Above Last-named Locality* (New York: George F. Nesbitt, 1862)

The Protestant Episcopal French Church du St. Esprit in New York has continuously held French language services since its founding in 1687. This address, given by one of its longest tenured ministers of the Gospel, relates how this particular church was founded.

The timing of the laying of the corner-stone was delayed. Planned for December 1860, the weather kept the ceremony from happening. The following April was scheduled, only to be delayed on the news of the firing upon Ft. Sumter. So, in June of 1862, Verren gave this discourse and the cornerstone consecrated.

Verren's address describes the first church building in which he served. Built on Manhattan's Pine Street in 1704 (just beyond Wall Street), it was encroached upon by businesses and industry, so was sold in 1831. The church moved to the south-west corner of Franklin and Church Streets, the building consecrated in 1834. This was a block away from Broadway and considered by some as too far uptown (though only about a mile away). Members hoped for some peace and quiet, but the men from whom they bought their land did not keep their promise and erected an Opera House to the rear of the church. Five years later, the Opera House caught on fire, which spread to the church, leaving only its four walls. By June of the next year, the church was rebuilt...as was the "antechamber of Satan," the Opera House, which, within a year, caught fire again. The church was saved due to construction changes made when it was rebuilt and suffered little damage.

The church's furnaces were the cause of another fire in 1859, which burned the church to the ground. Their neighborhood in a generation's time had "changed its character from respectability to such vileness that even for a residence it was no long to be endured," so they moved further away to West 22nd St., where this discourse was presented.

Verren reflects *in detail* Huguenot history, its triumphs, tragedies, and exiles through time. He holds in highest regards those who traveled to the New World to build Huguenot colonies and escape persecution. He recounts the efforts of Admiral Coligny to settle Huguenots in both Brazil and Florida. He extols those who left France after the revocation of the Edict of Nantes in 1685, who settled a church in an alley in the Battery on Manhattan, before moving to Pine Street.

Of note to genealogists, the discourse includes a footnote of a list of Huguenot families found in the church records between 1680 and 1770.

The church (Église Française du Saint-Esprit), which is Anglican in its confession and affiliation, is now located at 1109 E. 60th St, New York City.



Calendar of Deadlines for the National Huguenot Society

**Our Fiscal Year runs from January 1st to December 31st.*

- January**
- 1: MAL dues due to Treasurer General
 - 1: Opening date to receive Youth Contest submissions for current year. See website for more information.
 - 1: Youth Contest Chairman notifies President General of winners in each category for the previous year and sends essays to Editor of *The Cross of Languedoc* for publication.
 - 15: State Societies must pay annual per capita dues with Membership and Dues Summary Report and Roster of Members to Treasurer General.
 - 15: List of Officers (and term of office) of State Societies and Roster of Members to President General, Registrar General, Treasurer General, and Corresponding Secretary General.
- February**
- 1: Submission for winner of the Scholarly Works Award (usually) for the prior year is to be sent to Awards Chairman. The work must have been copyrighted in the year it is considered for the award; then the proposed Scholarly Works Award winner is presented at the Board meeting in April for approval. See website for more information.
- March**
- 1: College & Postgraduate Scholarships Award applications due to Chairman of Scholarship Committee.
 - 1: Dues not paid by the State Society to the Treasurer General by this date are not entitled to representation at Annual Congress.
 - 1: Members-at-Large who have not paid their dues by this date will be dropped.
 - 1: Semi-annual Activity and Status Reports from State Society Presidents due to President General, Recording Secretary General, and Editor of *The Cross of Languedoc*.
 - 1: Semi-annual Reports of Deaths from State Society Chaplains due to Chaplain General for Necrology Report and Memorial Service at Annual Council in April.
- April** Mid-April: Semi-Annual General Council Meeting, Board Meeting and Luncheon in Washington, D.C. Scholarly Works Award winner for previous year, and the Scholarship Award winner(s) for current year, are approved at the Board Meeting.
- May** 15: Deadline to submit articles and reports to the Editor for the fall issue of *The Cross of Languedoc*
- June** 30: Deadline for submission to Chairman of Nominating Committee of applications by letter for consideration as nominees for national General Officer positions. (Even years)
- July** 1: State Societies must submit names, addresses and contact information of your current officers to the Corresponding Secretary General.
- August**
- 1: Any proposed Bylaw amendments must go out to all State Societies in advance of annual Congress
 - 15: The report of the Nominating Committee is due to the President General and Corresponding Secretary General (Even years)
- 24th day of 1572: Massacre of St. Bartholomew's Day*
- September**
- 1: The report of the Nominating Committee is due to be sent by the Corresponding Secretary General to the Board of Officers and all State Society Presidents.
 - 1: Credentials Forms due from State Society Presidents to the Chairman of Credentials Committee naming Delegates and Alternates for annual Congress.
- October**
- 1: Annual membership dues for new members are owed with applications; after the 1st, dues will cover the following year.
- Early October: Annual Congress, place TBD (Even years, Nominating Committee elected; Odd years, National General Officers elected).
- 18th day of 1598: Edict of Nantes*
- 22nd day of 1685: Revocation of the Edict of Nantes*
- November** 20: Closing date to receive Youth Contest essay submissions for the current calendar year.
- 28th day of 1787: Promulgation of the Edict of Toleration*
- December** 15: Deadline to submit articles and reports for the Spring issue of *The Cross of Languedoc*.
- 25th: Merry Christmas!!!*

IRS TAX EXEMPT STATUS

By Christine Crossan, Treasurer General, National Huguenot Society, November 4, 2020

Have you ever wondered how the 501 (c) 3 tax-exempt status of the National Huguenot Society works with regard to each State Society? After speaking with the IRS, I can report the following information.

All state societies, but not Members-at-Large, are incorporated as **National Huguenot Society Inc.** according to the name on their original Articles of Incorporation in the state in which they are incorporated. They all have unique EIN's and should file the Form 990N-e postcard each year, provided gross receipts do not exceed \$50,000 each year. There are 41 organizations listed under the name search 'National Huguenot Society' at the IRS site <https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/tax-exempt-organization-search>

Some of these include an extended name or clarification regarding their state or chapter to distinguish them from each other, but this is not required. Tax exempt status is valuable for local and federal tax exemption and also for donors who wish to have their donations, bequests, legacies, devises, and transfers qualify as tax-exempt for federal estate and gift tax purposes. It also keeps IRS filing simple using the short 990N e-postcard.

1. Following incorporation as a non-profit corporation in their state each state society should apply for and have their own Employer Identification Number. Understand that each state society has its own unique EIN.
2. The National Huguenot Society in San Antonio, TX, EIN 22-6064536, is the parent organization in a **group exemption #1558** as a 501 (c) 3 charitable organization, established 1962. At any time, the parent organization can add subordinates. The degree of subordination is defined by the parent organization.
3. State societies are subordinates of this group. Subordinates inherit the same 501 (c) 3 tax exempt status, but all must be under the same 501 (c) 3 status as the parent group. (See Publication 557 on the IRS.gov site for more information.)
4. Although the parent organization could file a single 990 for itself and all subordinates, that would necessitate declaring the sum of the income of itself and all subordinate state societies; thus, the more typical way is for each subordinate or State Society to file individually. That is what we currently do.
5. If an organization fails to file an annual return or notice for three consecutive years, its tax-exempt status is revoked by operation of law, stated in IRC Section 6033(j)(1). They would then have to file a for-profit return.
6. To correct this and maintain their tax-exempt status, the subordinate society must file form 1023 or 1023EZ to reinstate first; then the National Society would send a letter on letterhead stationery declaring that they are a subordinate under our group exemption ruling. Form 1023 or 1023EZ should be sent by registered mail to:

IRS
1973 N. Rulon White Blvd.
ATTN: EO Entity, MS 6273
Ogden, UT 84404

7. For reference to the National organization, these items and specifics can be found in IRM 21.3.8.12.14.5, subordinates to group organization, which includes a list of items to include in the letter from National. We would send this by registered mail to:

IRS
ATTN: EO Entity, MS6273
Ogden, UT 84201

HUGUENOT GEORGIA

By John Trussell, 2nd Vice President, Huguenot Society of Georgia

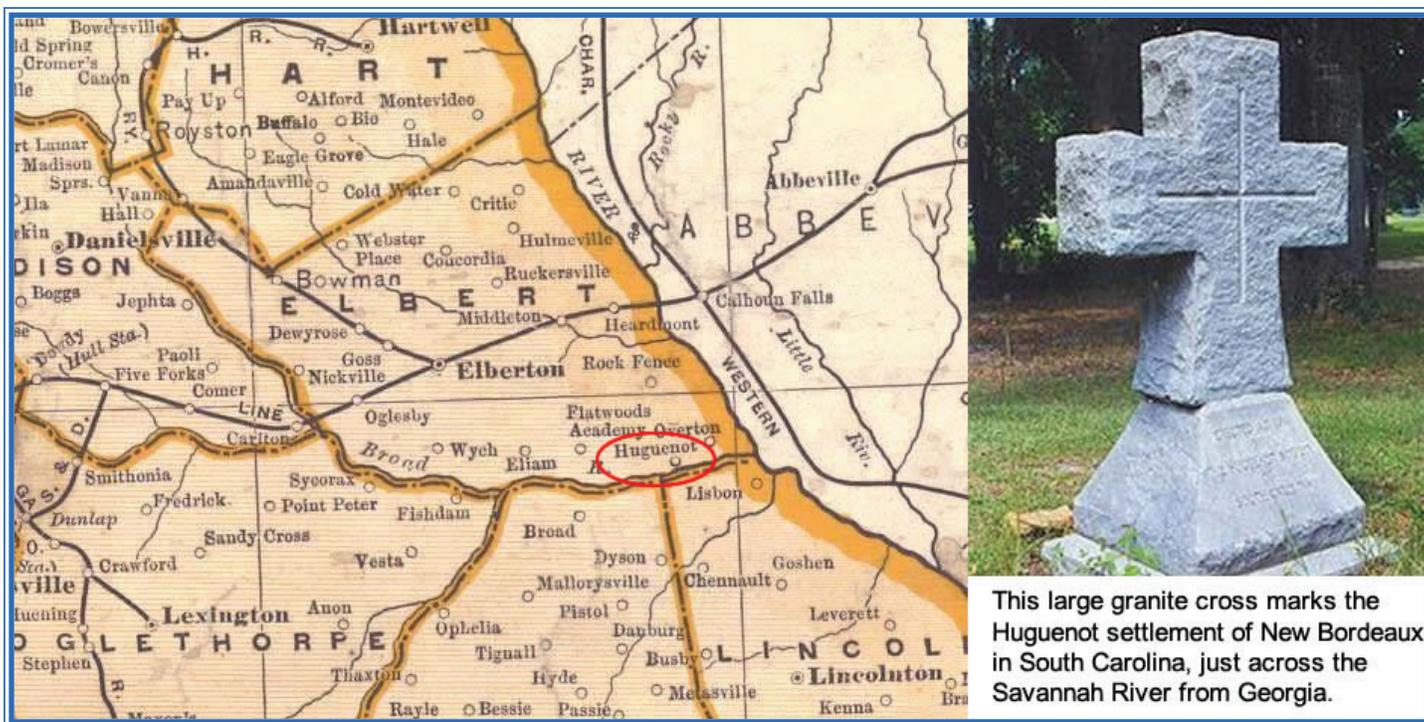
One day while doing some research, Janet Walker, Honorary Past President of the Huguenot Society of Georgia, and current National President, discovered the old dead town of Huguenot, Georgia, located in Elbert County, Georgia. She shared this information with Marjorie Wilson, current Georgia President and wondered who established this historic town and why did the town disappear over time?

Assumptions can easily lead many to believe that settlers established the town to honor their early Huguenot ancestors. They established a town in the late 1800's that had a very active Post Office. The town was active for a short period of time, but the Post office closed in 1915 and soon thereafter the people and town faded away.

Some documentation says the town can be traced to Julia Dubose Smith that "now lives in the little village of Huguenot, the original home of Joshua Wilson Dubose, her father." It is generally understood that Huguenot, Georgia, received its name from Joel Herbert Dubose, years ago when a post office was established which had long ago been abolished". A book, "Beneath these Waters", by Sharyn Kane and Richard Keeton, details the archaeological history of the area before it was flooded by Lake Russell. It says "Pioneers migrated to the reservoir area by different routes. Some traveled by ship to Charleston or Savannah, and then moved inland from there. Perhaps the biggest cluster of settlers arrived in 1764, when 200 French Protestants, called Huguenots, left Charleston and moved inland to a new town named Abbeville, in honor of a town in their homeland."

It is thought that some of these Huguenots later moved into Georgia, across the Savannah River and into Elbert County, Georgia, when it was established in 1803. Although more research needs to be completed, it is thought that the settlers of Huguenot, Georgia are closely related to the early Huguenots that settled in the Bordeaux community, near Abbeville, South Carolina.

The Huguenot Society of Georgia and the Chamber of Commerce of Elberton, Georgia are researching a location to place a monument to honor Huguenot, Georgia. The Society has considered placing the monument close to the actual location, but a roadside monument poses safety concerns to motorists, says the Georgia Department of Transportation. A rural location may also face damage from vandals. This is leading us to research a high traffic area in Elberton where the monument will get more attention in a safe environment. Our Huguenot Society of Georgia will soon consider a vote to fund the monument.



This large granite cross marks the Huguenot settlement of New Bordeaux in South Carolina, just across the Savannah River from Georgia.

CONGRATULATIONS, YOUTH CONTEST WINNERS!

The Chairman of the Youth Committee, Martha Ann Whitt (AL), proudly announces the winners of the 2020 Youth Essay Contest:

- 2020 Level 1: 1st Place Winner Jane Criscuolo, 2nd Grade—\$100
 - 2020 Level 1: 2nd Place Winner Jack Crossan, 2nd Grade—\$50
 - 2020 Level 2: 1st Place Winner William Crossan, 5th Grade—\$200
 - 2020 Level 3: 1st Place Winner David Crossan, Jr.—\$500
- In addition, she proudly announces our 2019 Essay Contest Winner, William Crossan, at the time in Level 1, Grade 4.

We are quite pleased to publish all of the winning entries, below:

2020 Level 1 1st Place Winner Jane Criscuolo



Paul Revere was a silversmith and a printer. He was a huguenot too. His dad died when Paul was 19, so Paul took over as a silversmith. He was famous for his midnight ride. He was telling the people that the British were coming.

2020 Level 1 2nd Place Winner Jack Crossan



2019 Level 1 Grade 4 Winner William Crossan, on Francis Marion

Francis Marion was a descendant of Huguenots, just like me! He was born in South Carolina and was a big part of the Revolutionary War. I made a Lego scene (inserted below) of Marion in the swamps. He was nicknamed "The Swamp Fox" because he used guerilla warfare to fight the British from the swamps. This helped America win the Revolutionary War in the South. Marion was an important leader in gaining our independence from Britain.



2020 Level 2 1st Place Winner**William Crossan**

November 17, 2020

Huguenot Garden Review

If you were being persecuted for what you believe in, would you take it back? Thankfully, we live in a society where we are not persecuted for our faith. *The Huguenot Garden* is a historical fiction book which serves as an example of standing up for what you believe in, even when life gets hard. I enjoyed reading this book because I am a descendant of the Huguenots, and this story helped me to learn more about my ancestors and the trials they faced. The Martineau family was courageous and had to sacrifice everything for their faith.

This story is about two twin girls named Renee and Albret Martineau and their family. The story begins in La Rochelle, France in 1685. King Louis XIV persecuted the Huguenots because he wanted France to be Catholic. Huguenots were French Protestants. If you were a Huguenot who would not recant your faith, you were risking being whipped, put in jail, or burned at the stake. The Martineau family found their church in ruins one Sunday morning. They had to secretly meet in the woods to worship God. Eventually, the Martineau family is forced out of their house by dragoons, and they have to sneak away to live on their cousin's farm. Later, both families are forced out of the farm, and they take a ship to England and start a new life there.

The Martineau family bravely faced difficulties and hardships. They never gave up on God, even when things were difficult. When things got hard and there was a hard question, they always turned to the Bible for help. For example, when Renee and Albret go to run an errand, they hear the soldiers announce that they will be staying in people's houses. The children immediately go home and ask why the soldiers are doing this. Father picks up the Bible and reads to them the story of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego. After the story, Father shares, "Our attitude must be the same as those young men that we read of in Daniel. If our French King threatens us with death, we will fear God and not man and even if God should increase our persecution, we will not bow down to the idles that the French King seeks to force on us." (Pg. 19)

Reading this book makes me feel thankful that they went through persecution so that the future generations could have an easier life. I am inspired by the Huguenots and hope that I have the same level of courage they had. When I face hardships, I want to be able to turn to the bible and ask God for help.

2020 Level 3 1st Place Winner**David Crossan, Jr. Huguenot Essay**

Huguenot's migration to other lands was a remarkable event in history. A mass exodus over the course of decades because of the need for religious freedom is an event that does not take place often in the course of history at least to the scale seen in Huguenot migration. Some scholars estimate that up to 2 million Huguenots migrated from France to other lands. In this essay, I will touch on, why the Huguenots left France and the two waves in which they left, where they went to, and how they contributed to the countries that they fled to.

The reason that Huguenots left France was because of the suppression of the rights of religious freedom put in place by the king at that time. One of the things that spurred this on was the St. Bartholomew's Day Massacre. This was a horrific event of Catholic mob violence directed against Huguenots. These two things created the first wave of migration to other lands in the 16th century. Then the Edict of Nantes was revoked in 1685 and this created a mass exodus that would become known as the second wave of Huguenot migration. At this time and throughout the second wave, King Loius XIV made a law that dictated that none of the reformed could leave France.

But the Huguenots continued to leave and create a new life in other countries. Such countries and provinces include Switzerland, the United Provinces, England, and Germany. Switzerland especially set up government structures to help the immediate needs of Huguenots coming into the country. These aids included shelter, transport, and money. Many countries had outstretched arms to incoming Huguenots because of their shared religious beliefs. Leaving France was not an easy task at this time due to the law that said the protestants could not leave. They were smuggled out by fishermen often but not for free. It was expensive to get smuggled out and escape was not guaranteed. But what was guaranteed was the hardship that leaving brought. Death from hunger and cold were not uncommon. If caught, men were sent to the galleys and women to prison. Getting caught was not uncommon either as the king set soldiers to guard the commonplaces of exit.

Once in their destination countries, Huguenots contributed greatly to the economy of the countries. They also brought along their rich culture from France. Their clock and textile work contributed greatly to the economy. Though some were not happy about this because it took away jobs formerly occupied by native citizens. Huguenots, when in their refugee countries, printed Protestant papers that were later smuggled into France illegally.

All in all, Huguenots were driven from their homeland due to persecution from the Catholics and Louis XIV. They went to Switzerland, the United Provinces, England, and Germany but getting there was not easy and if caught, Huguenots would be punished. Huguenots contributed both to the economy and the culture of countries that would take them in.

ANNUAL YOUTH CONTEST GUIDELINES

Everyone, we have slightly modified these Youth Contest rules since they were last published.

The NHS youth contest is designed to invigorate our state societies, raise Huguenot awareness among our youth, and strengthen family ties between members and their children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews by sponsoring a contest for students. We aim to encourage our eligible young relatives and friends to register as youth or to join as an NHS member.

Program Timeline:

January 1: Opening date for current year Youth Contest Candidate Submissions;

January 1: The Committee Chairman notifies the President General of the prior calendar year's proposed Youth Contest winners. Once the President General has approved those winners, the Committee Chairman notifies the winners. The Chairman should forward the winning submissions along with the winners' names and state to the Editor of the Cross of Languedoc for publication. The President General should notify the Treasurer General to promptly issue checks to the winners in accordance with the amounts promised in the Youth Contest Guidelines.

November 20: Closing date for the current year Youth Contest Candidate Submissions

Program Requirements:

1. Candidates must be students in elementary or high school and must be eligible for and either registered with National as a Youth or have applied for membership. Candidates must pay the applicable fee and have a relative submit an Application for Youth Registration for the Candidate, or enroll the Candidate as a Junior Member of the National Huguenot Society. Youth Registration costs \$10.00 per youth. Forms available on the NHS webpage: www.nationalhuguenotsociety.org
2. ALL SUBMISSIONS SHOULD CONTAIN: The Youth's Name, Grade, Age, Address, and State Society, a title, and Parents' Names. Attention should also be paid to spelling and grammar.
3. Prepare your submissions in Microsoft Word format (or JPG format for the Level 1 submissions) whenever possible; if not possible, use PDF. Email them to Martha Ann Whitt at jameswhitt11@msn.com between January 1st and November 20th.

Contest Topics and Prizes:

Entries will be judged on originality, creativity, and thoughtful handling of the topic.

Level 1 – Grades 2-4: Each student will submit an art piece to illustrate contributions of Huguenots or Huguenot descendants to America. Each submission should have an accompanying title or short statement to explain the relationship of the artwork to the theme. Artwork should be scanned into a computer or digitally photographed so that it can be emailed. Please submit in JPEG format if possible; if not, use PDF. Prizes: 1st Place=\$100; 2d Place=\$50; 3d Place=\$25.

Level 2 – Grades 5-8: Each student will either: (1) submit an essay on "What it means to me to be a descendant of a Huguenot;" Information about their specific ancestor may be cited. Visual images may also be included; OR (2) Students will read and submit a review one of the books listed below. Essays should be at least 300 words in length, contain a title, and be composed in proper form with attention to correct spelling and grammar. Please submit in Microsoft Word format; if not, use PDF. Prizes: 1st Place=\$200; 2d Place=\$100; 3d Place=\$50.

Level 3 – Grades 9-12: Each student will submit an essay on "What I've learned about the migration of Huguenots to other lands." Visual images may be included, such as maps or other types of illustrations. The essay should be at least 500 words in length, contain a title, and be composed in proper form with attention to correct spelling and grammar. Please submit essay in Microsoft Word, if possible; if not, use PDF. Prizes: 1st Place=\$500; 2d Place=\$250; 3d Place=\$100.

Some Books About Huguenots for Young Readers:

1. The Escape: Adventures of Three Huguenot Children Fleeing Persecution. A. Van Der Jagt.
2. Huguenot Garden, Douglas Jones.
3. Escape Across the Wide Sea, Katherine Kirkpatrick.
4. The Refugees: Tale of Two Continents, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle (better for slightly older kids)
5. Francis Marion & The Legend of the Swamp Fox, Kate Salley Palmer.
6. Hammer of the Huguenots, Douglas Bond.

Sample of Famous Americans with Huguenot Ancestors:

- Audubon, John James (1785-1851) Ornithologist, naturalist, and painter of birds
- Cassatt, Mary (1845-1926) American's most famous impressionist artist
- Chennault, Claire Lee (1890-1958) Air Force general, Flying Tigers in W/III
- Cody, William Frederick (1846-1917) Heroic Army scout, "Buffalo Bill" showman
- Crockett, Davy (1786-1836) Battle of the Alamo hero
- Custis, First Lady Martha Dandridge (1731-1802) 1 First Lady
- Dana, Richard Henry (1815-1882) Author of *Two Years Before the Mast*
- Decatur, Stephen (1779-1820) Heroic naval officer
- Depp, Johnny (1963-) American film actor
- Dewey, Admiral George (1837-1917) Admiral in Spanish-American War
- Dulles, John Foster (1888-1959) U. S. Secretary of State
- Du Pont, E.I. (1771-1834) American industrialist
- Edison, Thomas Alva (1847-1931) Inventor, especially electrical & communication devices
- Eisenhower, President Dwight David (1890-1969) WWII Commander of Allied Forces, 34th President of the United States
- Faneuil, Peter (1700-1743) Built Faneuil Hall "Cradle of Freedom" in Boston
- Hamilton, Alexander (1757-1804) 1st Secretary of the U.S. Treasury
- Howe, Julia Ward (1819-1910) Author of "Battle Hymn of the Republic," social reformer
- President Ulysses S. Grant (1822-1885) Civil War Commander of Union Forces, 18th President
- Grimké, Angela & Sarah, 19th century civil rights activists
- Jay, Chief Justice John (1745-1829) 1 Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court
- Lee, General Robert E. (1807-1870) Civil War Commander Confederate Army
- Lindbergh, Charles (1902-1974) Aviator who made 1st nonstop solo flight from NY to Paris
- Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth (1807-82) Poet
- Robert, Henry Martin (1837-1925) General who wrote *Robert's Rules of Order*
- Minuit, Peter (1580?-1638) 1st Deputy General of New Netherlands
- Poinsett, Joel Roberts (1779 - 1851) Christmas flower named for him
- Rockefeller, John D. (1839-1937) U.S. industrialist and philanthropist
- Revere, Paul (1735-1818) Gold & silversmith; Ride immortalized by Longfellow's poem
- Roosevelt, Eleanor (1884-1962) Instrumental in U.N. *Declaration of Human Rights*; 1st Lady
- Roosevelt, President Franklin Delano (1882-1945) 26th President of the United States
- Roosevelt, Theodore (1858-1919) 26th President
- Thoreau, Henry David (1817-1862) Author of *On Walden Pond*
- Tiffany, Charles (1812-1908) Jeweler
- Truman, Harry S. (1884-1972) 33d President of the United States
- Washington, George (1732-1799) Revolutionary War general and 1st President
- Wittier, John Greenleaf (1807-1892) Poet
- Williams, Thomas Lanier (1911-1983) Tennessee Williams, major American playwright



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