

HAPPY NEW YEAR

I am writing you now to tell you about the upcoming *Transaction* for 1995. This edition will be the 100th *Transaction* we have published. It will also have in it the full membership roster which will include each member's place of residency and ancestor(s).

If you do not do anything else today, please take a minute and read carefully the following explanation.

We are trying to gather information now for this edition. It is extremely hard and frustrating for us to make sure that all of our information is correct. We have misspellings, incorrect ancestors listed, incorrect places of residency because people have not given us address changes, etc. We want this list of membership to be accurate and consistent.

THEREFORE, WE ARE MAKING SOME CHANGES AND WE NEED YOUR HELP.

First of all, we are standardizing spellings of ancestors' names. Ex: Solomon Legaré will be spelled Solomon L'égare.

Secondly, some families have father and a son of whom both were emigrés. Ex: Francois L'égare and Solomon L'égare. So, the official ancestor for that family will be Francois L'égare.

Thirdly, ancestors with an asterisk will mean that those ancestor lines are unconfirmed and no more applicants will be accepted on those lines until further research and documentation is submitted. Ex: Traillour, dePou, Caldwell, Beauchamp, etc.

Fourthly, the first ancestor printed after your name will be your "look-up" or primary ancestor. That means, whenever you call the office and ask questions, submit new applications, etc., that will be the one under which you will be filed. Many of you only have one ancestor and will not be affected. But there are several (yours truly included) that have bunches of ancestors. If you know your "look-up" ancestor or if you want one particular ancestor to be your primary ancestor, YOU MUST LET US KNOW NO LATER THAN MARCH 1, 1995.

Finally, we are going to have a new method for listing female members. I am sure Emily Post would not approve of our method, but women in genealogy have to be known by their given name not their husband's name. So, the format of the *Transaction* will change to read:

Ex: Mrs. Jesse Stanley Claypoole, III.....Chas., S.C. will now be Claypoole, Barbara Baldock Pringle (J.Stanley, III).Chas., S.C.

WE NEED YOUR GIVEN NAMES. WE MUST HAVE HUNDREDS OF FEMALE APPLICANTS WITH ONLY THEIR HUSBANDS' NAMES!

We are trying to do a good job, so we are asking for you help. We need children's names (members only) spelled correctly, people who

have remarried or divorced with name changes, female given names, your choice of primary ancestors, etc. If you send nothing in that is fine, too, as long as you understand that whatever we have on file in this office will be as it is for the next ten years as we only do this list every ten years! Ten years, a hurricane, two moves, and ten thousand names make it very difficult to be accurate 100% of the time. We want you to go down in posterity accurately!!

PLEASE fill in all highlights on your dues bill and return a copy to us with your payment!!!

HUGUENOT TOUR AUGUST, 1995

We are planning another trip to France for the Huguenot Society as we did this past September. Bertrand van Ruymbeke will again be our historical lecturer on this trip to the home of our Huguenot ancestors. The tentative schedule is as follows:

Fly via Atlanta to Geneva. Spend 2 nights in Geneva, touring the Monument of Reformation and a walking tour of the old downtown area and Cathedral of St. Pierre. Travel by motorcoach from Geneva to Avignon with a stop in Grenoble. Spend 4 nights in Avignon with day trips to Dauphine (visiting poet Laval near Montelimar, the Musuem of Dauphine Protestantism, and the Cevennes to the Musée du Desert); to Nimes (to visit a Huguenot temple, the Coliseum, Roman Temple and the Pont du Gard). Travel from Avignon to Toulouse to spend 2 nights with a day trip out to Albi to tour the old downtown area and the cathedral. Travel from Toulouse to La Rochelle and spend 3 nights, again taking day trips out of La Rochelle. These will include a morning half day trip to Ile de Ré. That afternoon the tour will visit the Musée du Protestantism and the Huguenot church in La Rochelle. A day will be spent in Poitou and a visit will be made to the Musée du Protestantism in Le Bois-Tiffroy. From La Rochelle, the tour heads to Paris where the participants will spend 3 nights with a day trip to Noyon to visit Calvin's birthplace. Tour members will enjoy a free day in Paris before departing for home. Dates: August 14-29th, 1995.

For additional information, please contact Eleanor Simons at McIntosh Cruise Shop, 1890 Sam Rittenberg Blvd., #223, Chas, S.C. 29407 or telephone 803-5717000 or 800 541-7863

Have a great year!

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