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ANNUAL MEETING

Bertrand van Ruymbeke, Ph.D., of the Department of History at the College of Charleston has accepted the invitation of The Huguenot Society to speak at this year's Annual Meeting. His speech, "Who were the South Carolina Huguenots? A Migration Profile" should be most interesting! Again this year, the meeting will be at The Charleston Museum. The date is April 10, 1999; the time is 4:00 p.m. Once the business of the Society has been concluded, a collation will be offered in the courtyard.

SPRING SERVICE

The annual French Service will be held the day after the Annual Meeting at the Huguenot Church in Charleston. The service will begin at 10:30 a.m. And, again, a collation will be offered at Huguenot Heritage Hall, 44 Queen Street. The preacher for this service is The Very Reverend Frederick Northup, retired Dean of St. Mark's Cathedral in Seattle, Washington. Now a resident of Atlanta, Georgia, Mr. Northup is president of Athletes for a Better America.

AUTUMN MEETING

Although it is a little early to be thinking about next fall, it might be worth mentioning that the Autumn Meeting will be held in the Huguenot Church in Charleston on October 17, 1999. The service will begin at the usual time, 10:30 a.m. No other information is available right now, but will be passed on to the membership as soon as possible.

IN THE FUTURE

Huguenot Tour

In August of 1999 Dr. van Ruymbeke, a graduate of the Sorbonne, will conduct a tour of the "Huguenot Crescent" with additional stops in Paris, Geneva, and other cities. For more information, contact the History Department of the College of Charleston, 66 George Street, Charleston, S. C. 29424.

An International Conference

A correction and a reminder: The Huguenot Society of Great Britain and Ireland will present a conference on 5-6 April (the last newsletter had this month as May) as a commemoration of the 450th anniversary of King Edward VI's charter of 1550. This charter granted "strangers" the right to hold Reformed services in England. The conference will be held at Austin Friars church in London. This church was given to the Dutch and French for their worship services. The French soon moved to St. Anthony's Church at Threadneedle Street. The Dutch still worship at Austin Friars. Additional information on this conference, *From Strangers to Citizens: Integration of Immigrant Communities in Great Britain, Ireland, and the Colonies, 1550-1750*, is available at The Huguenot Society of South Carolina office.

TRANSACTIONS

Before long, and maybe by the time this newsletter is in the mail, *Transactions 103* will be sent to the printer. The 1999 volume has been prepared in the usual manner with one exception: it contains the business of the Society for the year 1998 only. And as always, it also contains articles, genealogies, etc.

Just as soon as No. 103 is wrapped up, planning for No. 104 will begin. Please remember that the Huguenot Society encourages the submission of articles, genealogies, and book reviews that focus on Huguenot heritage, history, and craftsmanship. To be considered for publication, items must be submitted by May 1, 1999. Further details can be found in the front matter of *Transactions*.

MEMBERSHIP

New Members

The membership of The Huguenot Society is its mainstay. Without the support of the members, the Society would soon collapse. One way members can offer support is to respond to the invitation sent to the membership last fall. Quite often one only has to look in the direction of children and grandchildren to find qualified applicants. Perhaps some encouraging words to descendants who have not yet applied might prod them to do so. Sponsorship is not limited to family members. Anyone who can trace descent from a qualified Huguenot is eligible for membership, regardless of where they live. Membership is not limited to South Carolinians!

Dues

Bills for dues are running a little bit late this year. We appreciate your concern for their whereabouts, but do not worry, they will be in your mailboxes soon if not already delivered. In the meantime, please remember to respond to the bill so that The Huguenot Society can continue its top-notch operation. As always, The Huguenot Society will accept contributions to the Building Fund and the General Fund.

Life Memberships

Several years ago the Board of The Huguenot Society voted to discontinue offering Life Memberships in the Society. No changes will be made with those who already hold Life Memberships, there just will not be any more members added to this category. As in the past, Life Members do not pay dues, but may do so if it is so desired.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Although the scholarship contest offered by The Huguenot Society of the Founders of Manakin in the Colony of Virginia is not new, it has not been mentioned in this newsletter before now. The contest involves writing an essay for a \$1,000 scholarship prize. Any undergraduate college student or high school senior who has been accepted at a college or university is eligible.

The essay must be on a topic relating to the history of the Huguenot movement in Europe, colonial America, and the Virginia colony, and the settlement at Manakintowne. The essay can be of any length but must be typewritten (double spaced) and must contain a bibliography. A committee of the Society will make the final decision, and the award will be paid directly to the winner for use in further education. The Society reserves the right to first publication of the essay in the annual report. The author will retain all other literary rights in the manuscript. For more information, write to Audrey C. Karlovich, P.O. Box 160, Kingston, Georgia 30145-0160.

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It might be a little late to meet the deadline of April 1, 1999, but this essay contest is something to keep in mind for next year, or some other time in the future.

Two other scholarships are available to college students of Huguenot descent. One, The Marie L. Rose Huguenot Society of America Scholarship is available to American students at a number of colleges and universities. Interested students

should apply to the Financial Aid Office at one of the listed colleges {please call or write us for the list} for the application form for this \$1,400/year scholarship. Applicants must be able to prove descent from a Huguenot who left France for America or other countries before 1787. Additional information is available at the Huguenot Society of South Carolina.

The second scholarship, the James and Charlotte Gignilliat Scholarship, is available from The South Carolina Historical Society. The applicant must be descended from a Huguenot who immigrated to the United States of America from Switzerland or France before November 18, 1787. A monetary award is given to four or more of the applicants. Please contact The South Carolina Historical Society, 100 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401, for more information and an application. Completed applications and letters of recommendation must be postmarked by February 15 for consideration. Again, it is a little late for this year, but is something else to keep in mind for the future.

GENEALOGICAL NOTE

After much research and deliberation, it was decided by The Huguenot Society of South Carolina to close the Thomas Lamar line temporarily. The National Huguenot Society also closed the line based on the information provided by this Society. It is hoped that someone somewhere can shed some new light on this line so that it can be opened again very soon.

CORRECTION

The list of officers in *Transactions No. 102 Supplement* is incorrect. EDWARD Patrick Corrigan, III, should be listed as EUGENE Patrick Corrigan, III. He is Vice President for French Santee. The Editor apologizes for the mistake.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Staff Information

Sometimes it can be a little confusing trying to keep up with who is in the office when. So, to clarify things, a list of *who* is here at the office *when* follows:

Barbara Claypoole	Executive Director	Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
Melissa Ballentine	Librarian/Archivist	Monday, Wednesday, Friday
Dorothy Huff	Registrar	Monday, Thursday, Friday
Susan Hemminger	Publications	Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Communication Information

There are now several ways to get in touch with the Society and the staff by computer. Although not sponsored by The Society, information that pertains to the Society can be found on the Huguenot mailing list at Huguenot-L-request@rootsweb.com. The general Society address is huguenot@cchat.com. To communicate with individual staff members, e-mail as follows:

Barbara Claypoole	director@cchat.com
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Finally, The Society Web Page is in the works. The application for the page has been sent in, but due to a backlog, it will be a while before it is up and running. Pertinent information will be disseminated when it becomes available.

Just to refresh the memory, a quick perusal of Matthew 5: 3-10 will be a reminder that the Beatitudes played a prominent part in the design of the Huguenot Cross—each of the eight points at the ends of the arms of the Cross represents a Beatitude. Pleasant reading!

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