



Ogling for Ogles

6th National Convention Smoky Mountain Memories

Gatlinburg, TN: This exciting resort town in the heart of The Great Smoky Mountains National Park is primed to accommodate over 100 members who will attend The Ogle/Ogles Family Association's Sixth National Convention, Sept. 21-23, 2000!

The beautiful Holiday Inn SunSpree Resort, our Convention hotel, is awaiting your telephone call to reserve your room at a special rate, if you call before Aug. 21. Waiting to greet and brief you are executives of: The Great Smoky Mountains National Park; Gatlinburg Chamber of Commerce; Friends of The Great Smoky Mountains National Park; The Smoky Mountain Historical Society; authors of books about "mountain folks" including the large local Ogle clan; and other organizations.

The Knoxville Airport, located about an hour from the hotel, is preparing for those who

will fly in. Delta Airlines, our Convention airline, is providing discount prices for those who plan to fly. Rocky Top Tours will provide reasonably priced, round-trip shuttle service for air travelers who make special arrangements.

Kathy Ogle, who is serving double-duty as O/OFA Secretary and Convention Director, was reared in Sevier County, Tenn. She has worked long and hard to arrange meeting facilities, tailor special activities, and design exciting tours to help members enjoy the best O/OFA convention ever.

Sept. 23 is also Homecoming Weekend at the University of Tennessee in nearby Knoxville. Thousands of fans will fill the stadium for the football game. Many of these fans will arrange to stay in Gatlinburg, adding to the influx of visitors.

Consider going a few days prior to the Con-

vention and enjoy a longer vacation. Several members are arriving early to attend a fun-filled 1:00 p.m. picnic on Sunday, Sept. 17, at Twin Creeks Picnic Area, held jointly by the Smoky Mountain Historical Society and the local Ogle Family Reunion. Kathy Ogle will be there to assist early arriving conventioners arrange informal get-togethers and visits to some of the many Ogle sites locally.

Don't delay! Reserve your room by calling the Holiday Inn SunSpree Resort today (1-800-435-9201). Emphasize that you are part of the Ogle/Ogles Family Association Convention to get a reserved room at a discounted price.

Then fill out the Convention Registration Application on the back of this newsletter. Send the application and your check to Jean Godwin, as instructed. See you in Gatlinburg!

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O/OFA Officers & Directors

- *President—George W. Ogles*
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- *Treasurer—Jean Godwin*
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- *Board Member at Large—James Engler*

Letter from the President

This spring edition of *Ogling for Ogles* is a special issue about our National Convention, Sept. 21-23, 2000, in Gatlinburg, Tennessee. The information is presented primarily to assist the 100-plus O/OFA members expected to attend the outstanding convention.

Also, we hope that information about our interesting programs, exciting Gatlinburg, and beautiful Great Smoky Mountains National Park will entice some of you "undecided" members to call the Holiday Inn SunSpree Resort and reserve your room, complete the convention registration application and

return it with your check, and prepare to enjoy a wonderful three-four days, or more, in Gatlinburg.

Your officers have been working hard to make this 6th National Convention the most informative meeting we have ever had in one of the most fascinating locales. Be a conventioneer!

Convention Program Highlights

Plan to attend the Convention and learn about past "Smoky Mountain Memories." Create some memories of your own at our Convention. Three days of informative seminars and fact-filled presentations will provide a wealth of information about our early Ogle ancestors in the States and England.

Formal sessions of the Convention begin Thurs. morning, Sep. 21, and conclude Sat. afternoon, Sept. 23. Our banquet Sat. evening will be an enjoyable finale to a memorable convention. Sun. morning is an optional time for visiting, making copies of genealogy records, exchanging family data and meeting with new and former officers.

Among the topics on the Thurs. and Fri. schedules are discussions about: John Ogle, the Immigrant (1648/49-1684), and his wife Elizabeth; Ogle Castle and the Village of Ogle, England; Beautification of Thomas Ogle's (1705-1771) Gravesite In Ogletown, Delaware; Possible Origins of the Name Ogle; The Great

Smoky Mountains National Park; and many other subjects.

Sat. morning, Sept. 23, the program is totally devoted to the people and organizations of The Great Smoky Mountains. For almost 200 years the Ogle families of Sevier County and East Tennessee have been an important part of the history and culture of the region. Many of the presenters and participants of the program will be members of the large, local Ogle clan.

The Sat. morning program will include a presentation about "Early Pioneer Families of Sevier County" by author Donald B. Reagan. Also Glenn Cardwell, President of the highly regarded Smoky Mountain Historical Society (SMHS), which contains several Ogles, is a very knowledgeable and capable speaker. Other SMHS members will participate, including an old-timer speaking the mountain language long since forgotten by most of the older residents of the Smokies.

Another talented person who will lead a Sat. morning session is Mrs. Loy Wesley Jones, Founding President of the John Ogle Chapter of the National Society Colonial Dames XVII Century. More than one-third of the thirty-five ladies who signed the charter establishing the chapter in October 1996 are Ogle descendants.

Mrs. Veta Wilson King, a popular and respected author and columnist in Sevier County, is the guest speaker for the Sat. evening banquet. She is an Ogle descendant via her mother Vera Ogle Wilson of Oldhams Creek Community near Pigeon Forge and Gatlinburg.

Veta writes a well-read column "Mountain Folks" about local history and culture of Sevier County for *The Mountain Press* newspaper. She will have available copies of her book *Mountain Folks of Old Smoky*.

Altogether, a very interesting and informative program. Plan to be there!!

Travel Arrangements

Special Airline Rates

Delta Airlines is the "Official Carrier for O/OFA's Convention." You can receive an additional 5-10 percent discount, depending on restrictions, when you identify yourself as part of our group and book your reservation through the Delta Group Travel Desk. Also, you can receive an extra 5 percent discount if you book your flight reservation at least 60 days in advance.

You must provide O/OFA's group number 127257A to obtain the discount. Some discounted fares are often nonrefundable, on a seat available basis and must be purchased very soon after the reservation is made. Call Delta at 1-800-241-6760 to make reservations.

Recreational Vehicles

For members driving RVs to Gatlinburg, Kathy Ogle recommends Twin Creek RV Resort, which has 71 sites with rates of \$30-\$35 per site, up to two persons. You can take the trolley from the RV park to our hotel. The RV spaces fill up early, so make your reservation now.

Call (423-436-7081) or write to PO Box 1395, Gatlinburg TN 37388. The manager will try to position your RV as near as possible to others with our convention.

Sugarlands Visitors Center

In keeping with our "Smoky Mountain Memories" theme, we encourage you to visit Sugarlands Visitors Center in The Great Smoky Mountains National Park. There you can view a 20-minute orientation movie containing some footage of our longtime member Lucinda Ogle, who is 90 years young.

Lucinda's extensive research among the numerous Ogles of Sevier County, plus her wit, knowledge and seniority make here one of the genealogical matriarchs of the Ogle clan and a true treasure of the Smoky Mountains and O/OFA.

Convention Registration Fees

The official convention registration application is listed on the back page of this issue. Also, our Internet web site www.ogles.org will soon contain a convention registration application.

In order to take advantage of reduced fees for the Convention, your completed convention registration application and check must be received by Jean Godwin, O/OFA Treasurer, by Aug. 1 (charges for rooms must be paid to the hotel, not O/OFA). Here is a list of the registration fees for the Convention, excluding rooms:

Single person registering before Aug. 1 (banquet included) \$47; Couple registering before Aug. 1 (banquet included) \$75; Single person registering after Aug. 1 (banquet included) \$52; Couple regis-

tering after Aug. 1 (banquet included) \$80.

Several additional options are available: Single person only one day (without banquet) \$10; Single person only one day (banquet included) \$37; Couple only one day (without banquet) \$15; Couple only one day (banquet included) \$70; Single ticket to banquet only, \$27; Optional: Tour ticket for one person regardless of age, \$15; Optional: Musical production ticket for one person, \$22. **Note: Prices slightly higher after August 1.**

For registration purposes, a couple is defined as two persons living in the same household, or immediate family members (brothers, sisters, parents, grandparents; excludes aunts, uncles,

and cousins).

Anyone interested in Ogle family genealogy can attend the Convention by becoming a member of O/OFA, and by paying the Convention registration fee. The O/OFA web site www.ogles.org provides means for joining the Association and for registering for the Convention.

Note: Only O/OFA members with dues paid for the year 2000 (and their spouses) may attend the Convention meetings. Non-member guests may attend the banquet. Any person having ancestors with the surname Ogle or Ogles is encouraged to join O/OFA, attend the national meeting, and have fun learning about "roots."

O/OFA Convention 2000 Registration

NAME		SPOUSE		EMAIL ADDRESS	
ADDRESS				PHONE	
CITY		STATE		ZIP	
Planned Arrival Date		Planned Departure Date		COMMENTS	
Convention (Base)	# of Tickets Requested	Description	Rate Before August 1	Rate After August 1	Amount Tendered
		Single (Package)	\$47	\$52	
		Couple (Package)	\$75	\$80	
Daily Rates		Single Day (no Banquet)	\$10	\$12	
		Single Day (w/ Banquet)	\$37	\$40	
Options		Banquet Only	\$27	\$30	
		Optional Tour	\$15	\$17	
		Optional Musical	\$22	\$24	
		Total			

SEND REGISTRATION FORM AND FEES TO:

Jean Godwin, Treasurer
 Ogle/Ogles Family Association, Inc.
 124 12th Ave., Indialantic, FL 32903

Welcome New Members (9/1/99 thru 2/20/00)

Burgess	Barbara Ogle	Grandy	NC	Ogle	Gary G.	Duncan	OK
Burgess	Beatrice	Dalton	GA	Ogle	James A. & Nancy	Quinton	VA
Colburn	Judith	Lakewood	CO	Ogle	Jay & Sue	Valparaiso	IN
Davids	Theresa	Valley Park	MO	Ogle	Michael & Stephanie	Skiatook	OK
Denison	Jacqueline B.	Milwaukee	WI	Ogle	Paul	Grimsby DN345JB	ENG
Denny	Linda Huskey	Shiloh	NC	Ogle	Steven W.	Mooreville	NC
Dickson	Janice M.	Napavine	WA	Pooley	Nancy Ogle	Roanoke Rapids	VA
Diffie	Gladys T.	Virginia Beach	VA	Reagan	Rick	Pigeon Forge	TN
Dix	Susan	Colgate	WI	Sears	Evelyn J.	Medford	OR
Dixon	Danny K.	Gatlinburg	TN	Shaw	Lavon & Wayne	Duluth	GA
Hall	Ruby	Townsend	TN	Smith	Kenton	Livermore	CA
Kennedy	Jewell C.	Sulphur	OK	Spidle	James	Omaha	NE
Lilly	Margaret Ogle	Elizabeth City	NC	Straub	Kimberly Ogle	Holtwood	PA
Meyer	Ken	Largo	FL	Swicegood	Andrew M.	Glen Burnie	MD
Ogle	Edward L.	Middletown	IN	Whaley	Michael A.	San Francisco	CA
Ogle	Garrett	Tumwater	WA	Woodrough	Margaret V.	St. Petersburg	FL

O/OFA Membership Application or Renewal

NAME		SPOUSE		EMAIL ADDRESS	
ADDRESS				PHONE	
CITY		STATE		ZIP	
Membership Type				Application Type	
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual		<input type="checkbox"/> Husband/Wife		<input type="checkbox"/> New Member <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal	
Please accept my membership in the O/OFA for the calendar year(s) indicated:		Description		Annual Dues	Amount Tendered
<input type="checkbox"/> 1999	<input type="checkbox"/> 2000	1 Year Individual Membership		\$13	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2001	<input type="checkbox"/> 2002				
<input type="checkbox"/> 1999	<input type="checkbox"/> 2000	1 Year Husband/Wife Membership		\$20	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2001	<input type="checkbox"/> 2002				
<input type="checkbox"/> 1999	<input type="checkbox"/> 2000	1 Year Upgrade to Husband/Wife		\$7	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2001	<input type="checkbox"/> 2002				
Other Years (Please Specify)		Additional Amount		\$TBD	
		Total			
<p>Membership in O/OFA includes the annual publication, <i>The Ogle Genealogist</i>, a newsletter, <i>Ogling for Ogles</i>, published twice annually, and notices, handouts and publicity regarding meetings, publications and other matters of common interest.</p> <p>Note: You may include dues for more than one year. Advance dues may be paid for up to five (5) years.</p>					

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Hotel, Dining, Airport, and Parking Information

The Holiday Inn SunSpree Resort Gatlinburg is close to all the fun, near the entrance to The Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

A clear mountain stream winds through the resort and into downtown Gatlinburg, only two blocks away. Just outside the resort entrance is a convenient trolley stop, making all of Gatlinburg just steps away. Dollywood, music shows, theaters and hundreds of outlet shopping stores are within five miles.

The Resort has reserved a block of 100 rooms in the Towers section for our conventioners at a special price (Sun-Thur. nights, \$65, plus tax, per room; Fri. & Sat. nights, \$75 plus tax, per room). The TOWER section is an 8-story high-rise featuring the warm fireplace lobby setting, all interior corridor guestrooms via elevator access and the Great Hall ballroom (4818 square feet). This section of the complex features a huge indoor pool on the fourth floor complete with whirlpool and sauna. There are 5 suites located in this building and the enclosed pool area is also suitable for entertaining groups.

For photos and additional information, click onto their web site at: www.4lodging.com/sunspree.htm.

Hotel reservations must be made by Aug. 21, 2000, to receive the discounted rate. Members may reserve additional nights (before and after the Convention) at the discounted rate, if rooms are available and if reservations are made soon.

We urge you to stay at the Holiday Inn

SunSpree Resort. We need to fill our block of rooms to facilitate communication and interaction among our conventioners. With the heavy influx of tourists and bumper-to-bumper traffic in Gatlinburg, you will save travel time, avoid frustration and be much better off staying in our Convention hotel. The meeting rooms also are in the Tower section of the hotel. Additionally, the hotel has excellent places to eat and relax.



For casual dining there's Louie's Restaurant. Try Sunnycbear's General Store for deli-cafe and convenience items. The hotel has its own Little Caesar's Pizza Express. Sade & Dora's Lounge awaits the Ogle night-set. The Sun-

Spree has three swimming pools, a fitness room, sauna and two giant whirlpools to work out those meeting-room kinks.

There are few daily flights into the Knoxville Airport. The drive from the airport to Gatlinburg takes at least an hour. If possible O/OFA members attending the Convention need to arrive at the hotel Wednesday, Sept. 20, to be in place and rested for the Convention kickoff Thurs. morning.

Rocky Top Tours will provide a round-trip shuttle service for members who arrive at the airport on Wed. and Thurs. and return to the airport on Sun. The cost is \$40 including tax, and applies only for Wed. and Thurs. arrivals and Sun. departures. They will be happy to quote a price for other arrival/departure times. Anyone planning to use the shuttle service must make a reservation by calling Rocky Top Tours (877-315-8687) prior to Sep. 1, and providing your flight data.

The hotel has free parking for registered guests (regular size vehicles) but cannot guarantee free parking for conventioners not attending the Convention. Regardless, there is no hotel parking for oversized vehicles. Public parking is available nearby with trolley service to the hotel.

After the Aug. 21 cutoff date, the hotel will release all rooms not already reserved by our conventioners. After Aug. 21, rooms will be on a "space available" basis only.

Additional Activities

Musical Theatre

Interested conventioners can attend an optional, entertaining, country and western, musical production in the Pigeon Forge area, Wed. evening, Sept. 20. Cost is a discounted, group rate of \$22 per person. Anyone desiring to participate must commit to the optional musical production when submitting the Convention Registration Application prior to August 1.

Bus Tour

An optional tour (\$15 per person) is scheduled for Fri., Sept. 22, from 8:30 a.m. until noon. There will be no Convention program during this time. The tour will include The Roaring Park Nature Trail, William Ogle's cabin, White Oak Flats Cemetery, and other historic and scenic locations.

On Your Own

Gatlinburg is a treasure trove of small shops and interesting sights. Walk along the Little Pigeon River and take in the sights, sounds and smells. Or take one of Gatlinburg's trolleys to your destination. For only 25 cents per ride, you can choose from several routes that will take you to most any downtown location; for a nominal additional charge, you can transfer to outlying areas like Dollywood, the Great Smoky Arts and Crafts Community and other National Park sites.

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"Accept in Gratitude"

Return Service Requested

NOTICE: We have included past members back to 1997 in this mailing to verify the date on the label. This will be the last mailing for anyone without a current membership.

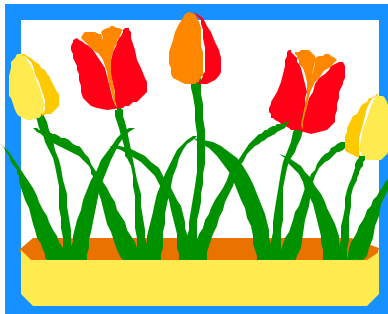
Wanted: Editor for The Ogle Genealogist

Wayne Ogle, our longtime Editor and Publisher Coordinator of *The Ogle Genealogist*, has tendered his resignation from the mentioned positions, effective after publication of Volume 20, which is nearing completion.

In his letter relinquishing the Editor and Publisher Coordinator jobs and role as Curator of O/OFA Records, Wayne said, "Very reluctantly, I must back away from some of the duties I have become so fond of doing." We are fortunate that he will continue to prepare individual ancestral charts, the many obituaries, and writing the annual article "*Notes Concerning Ogles in Early Colonial America*" for *The Ogle Genealogist*.

In addition, Wayne will continue to be active in several important roles such as: the editorial board; Editor-

in-Chief, ogle family history and genealogy; preparation of the O/OFA composite membership list, corresponding genealogist for O/OFA, and as a Member of the Board of Directors.



We very much appreciate Wayne's dedicated and professional handling of *The Ogle Genealogist* and Curator jobs for most of our Association's twenty years. Our wish is that

this reduction in his very heavy O/OFA workload will result in an improved quality of life for him and his wife Lung.

Meanwhile, we are looking for a computer literate, O/OFA member with some journalistic, newsletter and/or printing experience who would be willing to invest some time and effort once a year as editor, to publish an issue of *The Ogle Genealogist*. Several of our officers and members will contribute feature articles and other items for each issue.

Anyone interested in this very important and personally rewarding job, please contact me to discuss the matter further.

- George Ogles
President, O/OFA