



# Ogling for Ogles

## Seventh National Convention Was Genuine "Viva Las Vegas" Experience

More than 85 enthusiastic members and guests participated in various activities of The Ogle/Ogles Family Association's (O/OFA) highly successful 7th National Convention at the *Imperial Palace Hotel* in Las Vegas, Nevada, Sept. 29, 30 and Oct. 1, 2003.

Convention Coordinator Myrna Menke and husband Bob, long-time residents of Buena Park, California, are familiar with the multiple charms of Las Vegas. Myrna championed ample free time for conventioners to select from the great variety of Las Vegas attractions.

### Convention Program

Monday's opening agenda saw member J. W. Elder's moving presentation to the Association of two Ogle-related flags. One flag contained the Ogle Family coat of arms in red and white with its familiar three crescent moons. The other flag was the Northumberland, England flag. Both flags were displayed at all meetings.

Program highlights during the three-day conference included an historic overview of the Association and discussion of its future path; a marvelously narrated slide show of J. W. Elder's many trips through Northumber-

land, England, and southern Scotland; a stirring presentation on the "Fiery Border Reivers" by Reverend Harlan Ogle; and a fascinating "show and tell" slide show by James Engler about the 17th and 18th century migrations of Ogle families in the U.S.

Educational programs included useful presentations by Las Vegas' own Mrs. Lida Larkin on the subject of researching via the LDS genealogical website; information about the status and many uses of O/OFA's own internet web site [www.ogles.org](http://www.ogles.org) presented by James Engler; and an update by editor Wayne Ogle on the status of the Ogle Family History and Genealogy book.

One of the most popular segments of the program was the self-introductions on Monday by the conventioners. Each augmented their talk by identifying their place in the popular *Kissin' Cousins* descendancy booklet by Myrna Menke, which included the individual line of each attendee. Further clarifying each conventioner's "place in the Ogle family" was the huge wall-sized pedigree chart developed by Wayne Ogle, depicting all pertinent Ogle lines from John Ogle, the common emigrant ancestor.

On Monday evening, more

than half the group saw the popular Legends in Concert show at the *Imperial Palace*. Tuesday morning and evening were free for members to investigate Las Vegas.

Wednesday evening's excellent banquet featured Katy Buckthought, our cousin from Eilerslie, New Zealand, as guest speaker. She generously donated a handsome percentage of her sale of hand-crafted artwork and souvenirs that she brought with her. Also she surprised many diners with door prizes of her designer Ogle tee-shirts and other New Zealand souvenirs.

A highlight of the banquet was honoring Wayne Ogle, Immediate Past President, Association founder, current archivist, and "godfather" of the organization. Wayne was awarded the honorary title of "President Emeritus" of the Association. President George Ogles presented a specially-designed, engraved plaque outlining Wayne's years of service to the Association and announced his selection as President Emeritus. (see article on page 4.)

Members parted with joyful memories and renewed interest. Many are making plans to attend the 2006 Convention in Fort Wayne, Ind.

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### O/OFA Officers & Directors

- President—George W. Ogles
- Vice President—Paul W. Ogle
- Secretary—Myrna Menke
- Treasurer—Betsy Ogle Montgomery
- Member at Large—James F. Engler, Sr.
- Membership Coordinator—Peggy Higham
- Immediate Past President—Wayne Ogle

# Letter from the President

This is my last letter to you via *Ogling for Ogles*. Having served two consecutive, three-year terms as your president, I will step down January 1, 2004. I am proud to transfer the president's gavel to James Engler, Sr. who will lead the Association the next three years.

## Memorable 7th National Convention In Las Vegas

There are many persons to thank for their outstanding contributions to the great success of O/OFA's 7th National Convention, Sept. 29-30 and Oct. 1, 2003, in Las Vegas, Nevada!

Myrna Menke, our talented and dedicated Convention Coordinator (in addition to serving as the Association Secretary) worked tirelessly before and during the Convention arranging and double-checking scores of logistical and technical details so crucial to the success of the meeting. Also, Myrna and Wayne Ogle each developed beautiful, detailed ancestry charts that were greatly appreciated by conventioners.

Treasurer Betsy Ogle Montgomery and Membership Coordinator Peggy Jean Ogle Higham, seemed to be ever-present, ever-busy in our small meeting room, registering conventioners, selling publications, photos and other items, answer-

ing questions, handing out material, and providing security for the Association's property on display.

Others who contributed to the Convention in various capacities were: Bob Menke, Victor Lewis, Carolyn Ogles, Dale Higham, John and Pat Manning, Gwen Decker, Harlan and Gale Ogle, Jim Engler, Wayne Ogle, Roger Cripe, and DeeAnn Ogle.

Special thanks to outstanding briefers J.W. Elder, Harlan Ogle, Jim Engler and Wayne Ogle; panel members Oren Ogle, Alexander Ogle and Pat Manning; and banquet speaker Katy Buckthought from New Zealand. We are grateful to Katy for donating \$80 to O/OFA from the proceeds of the sale of her creations of Ogle-related craft items and tee-shirts!

## Possible Ogle Family Reunion in Northumberland, England, in 2005

J.W. Elder, an O/OFA member from Greensboro, North Carolina, has volunteered to coordinate all planning and lead a group of Ogle/Ogles Family Association members who are interested in attending an Ogle Family Reunion in the spring of 2005 in Northumberland, England.

His professional career as an interna-

tional insurance adjuster has taken him to England and Europe many times through the years allowing J. W. to become personal friends with many of the owners and occupants of Ogle Castle in Ogle Village, nearby Bothal Castle, and many other Ogle-related castles and sites throughout Northumberland, homeland of the ancient Ogle Family in England.

J. W. "pitched" the idea at the Association's 7th National Convention in Las Vegas during an outstanding presentation he gave with beautiful slides about his travels in Northumberland. There were many conventioners who were excited about the possibility of traveling to Northumberland to enjoy (as a family group) visiting many Ogle-related castles, talking with the owners, and spending several days touring Northumberland.

So far the planning is in the early stages. J.W. says the reunion would have to be scheduled between the third week of May, 2005, and the last week of June, 2005. We will have more information available in the Spring 2004 issue of *Ogling for Ogles* and Volume 24 - 2003 issue of *The Ogle Genealogist* which should be in print by late spring, 2004. If you are interested, keep the four weeks listed above free as plans develop.

George W. Ogles

## New Officers To Lead O/OFA Beginning January 1, 2004



**James F. "Jim" Engler, Sr.**  
**President O/OFA**

James F. "Jim" Engler, Sr., of Sykesville, Maryland, was elected President and Harlan Ogle of Monticello, Kentucky, was elected Vice President at The Ogle/Ogles Family Association's (O/OFA) 7th National Convention in Las Vegas, Sept. 29-30 and Oct. 1, 2003.

Three officers were reelected to continue in their positions: Myrna Menke of Buena Park, California, as Secretary; Betsy Ogle Montgomery of Huntsville, Alabama, as Treasurer; and Peggy Jean Ogle Higham of Benton City, Washington, as Membership Coordinator. Paul W. Ogle, Sr., of Cary, North Carolina, changes from Vice President to Member at Large.

The six officers listed above, along with the next Immediate Past President George W. Ogles of Augusta, Georgia,

comprise the Association's Board of Directors. Members of the new Board will assume their roles January 1, 2004, and serve until January 1, 2007, unless a change is necessary.

Also, on January 1, Wayne Ogle relinquishes his position as Immediate Past President he has held for the past six years. However, on Oct. 1 Wayne was affirmed by the officers and members at the 7th National Convention as the Association's President Emeritus, an honorary position he will retain for the rest of his life.



**Harlan Ogle**  
**Vice President O/OFA**

# O/OFA Membership Application or Membership Renewal

Name		Spouse		E-mail Address	
Address				Phone	
City		State		ZIP	
Membership Type:    ___ Individual    ___ Husband/Wife			Application Type:    ___ New Member    ___ Renewal		
Please accept my membership in the O/OFA for the calendar year(s) indicated:		Description		Annual Dues	Amount Tendered
___ 2003    ___ 2004    ___ 2005		1 Year Individual Membership		\$17	
___ 2003    ___ 2004    ___ 2005		1 Year Husband/Wife Membership		\$30	
___ 2003    ___ 2004    ___ 2005		1 Year Upgrade to Husband/Wife		\$13	

**SEND MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TO:  
Peggy J. Higham, Membership Coordinator, P.O. Box 93, Benton City WA 99320**

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS 2/28/03 through 11/10/03

Bledsoe, Sharron	Douglasville	OR	Meadows, Georgia	Dale City	VA
Blough, Gwen	Issaquah	WA	Nelms, Janice	Albertville	AL
Bohannon, Diane	Knoxville	TN	Ogle, Barry	Redondo Beach	CA
Buckles, Stan	Mt. Pulaski	IL	Ogle, Benjamin Michael	Palm Beach Gardens	FL
Carter, Ginger	Lomax	IL	Ogle, Dale	Las Vegas	NV
Collins, Darlene	Rochester Hills	MI	Ogle, Richard F.	Marquette	MI
Cripe, Joan & Roger D.	Riverview	FL	Ogle-Dean, Judy	Kaiwaka	ENG
Cusick, Joann	Lenoir City	TN	Ogles, Dee & Scott	Higley	AZ
Dennis-Robinson, Kay	Irvine	CA	Ogles, Elva & James L.	Chandler	AZ
Fendley, Margaret J.	Norman	OK	Ogles, Madeline & Shawn	Chandler	AZ
Huff, Joye	Odessa	TX	Pittman, Roberta	Camarillo	CA
Kueny, Betty	LaVerne	CA	Stone, Brett	New York	NY
Lankin, Howard	Bountiful	UT	Stringer, Deborah	Las Vegas	NV
Lott, Teri	Garland	UT	Winchester, John	Augusta	GA

### Wanted!

A computer literate, volunteer O/OFA member with some journalistic, newsletter and/or printing experience to replace Ed Ogle as Editor of O/OFA's outstanding annual publication *The Ogle Genealogist*.

Ed will answer your questions about the position and will help train anyone who is willing to invest adequate time and effort to serve as the next editor.

Members interested in learning more about this very important and personally rewarding job should contact Edward G. Ogle, Sr. at 2706 Hollyridge Dr., Orange Park, FL 32073-6515; Telephone 904-264-4334; e-mail oghgul@oghgul.org

### Wanted!

A member to volunteer for the job of Distribution Manager for The Ogle/Ogles Family Association (O/OFA).

This person will store in his/her home or office certain publications, photos and other items of value that are publicized for sale by O/OFA in its publications and on its Internet web site [www.ogles.org](http://www.ogles.org)

Orders for sale items, accompanied by appropriate checks, are mailed to the Association Treasurer. In turn, the Treasurer notifies the Distribution Manager which items and how many the Distribution Manager should mail to specific purchasers.

Persons interested in this new position should contact George Ogles, 603 Pebble Beach Ct., Augusta GA 30907; or e-mail: [gwogles111@comcast.net](mailto:gwogles111@comcast.net)

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“Accept in Gratitude”

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## Wayne Ogle Awarded Honorary Title of President Emeritus

An outstanding feature of the banquet at the 7th National Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada, was awarding of the beloved title “**President Emeritus**” on Wayne Ogle by the officers and members of O/OFA.

President George W. Ogles surprised Wayne by asking him to come to the dais where George read the following citation that was etched on a bronze overlay containing an outstanding four-color rendition of the Ogle Family Coat of Arms, all attached to a beautiful cherry plaque:

### ***President Emeritus***

THE OGLE/OGLES FAMILY ASSOCIATION

### ***Richard Wayne Ogle***

FOUNDER HISTORIAN GENEALOGIST

*The Ogle/Ogles Family Association, Inc. (O/OFA), organized October 5, 1979, to preserve the history and genealogy of the Ogle and Ogles families in North America, was forged from the vision and by the determination of one person—Richard Wayne Ogle.*

*His wise counsel and outstanding leadership as President for nine years, Vice President for six years, and editor of the Association’s publications for several years, helped sustain and advance the Association through its conception, infancy, adolescence and teenage years.*

*His indelible imprint is found on all the important decisions made by the Association that have improved and expanded information and services to a growing membership.*

*Without Wayne’s amazing reservoir of Ogle Family genealogy, the Association would have no fountain of corporate Ogle knowledge, no central repository of genealogy records on a myriad of Ogle/Ogles descendants, no one capable of researching and answering the scores of inquiries received annually about various Ogle genealogy lines.*

*When completed, Wayne’s greatest gift will be an eagerly awaited, multi-volume Ogle Family History-Genealogy*

*of more than 100,000 Ogle descendants in North America.*

*Not only is he our “Founder” and “God-father,” but beginning with his vision and during the past twenty-four years, truly he has been the “heart and soul” of the Association.*

*Therefore, Richard Wayne Ogle is uniquely qualified and most deserving of the beloved title “President Emeritus” so gratefully bestowed upon him by the officers and members of O/OFA at this Seventh National Convention, Sept. 29-30 & Oct. 1, 2003, in Las Vegas, Nevada.*

Wayne will remain as the Association’s Immediate Past President and Member of the Board of Directors until January 1, 2004, when he is replaced by George W. Ogles, whose current term ends January 1, 2004.

Congratulations to Wayne Ogle, The Ogle/Ogles Family Association’s first and only **President Emeritus!** Long may he live!