



## OGLE "COUSINS" RE-VISIT NORTHUMBERLAND

By OFO Editorial Staff

During the week of July 20th through 26th, 2008, 47 "cousins," American and British, gathered in Northumberland, UK, for the second Ogle Family Reunion. Most were members of the Ogle/Ogles Family Association, Inc. There they met newly-found cousins or re-connected with other cousins already-known, reveled in the joys of walking in their ancestors' footsteps and experienced a marvelous, never-to-be-forgotten week.

Many participants prefaced or extended the tour with side trips to other European destinations. Among the group was J.W. Elder, organizer of the Ogle reunion tour in 2005, a tour so popular that it prompted calls for a repeat. Also among the attendees were George Ogles of Augusta, Georgia, Immediate Past President of O/OFA, and Wayne Ogle of Daytona Beach, Florida, President Emeritus of O/OFA and general guru of all things Ogle.

Tour coordinator, James Ogle of Snellville, Georgia, proclaimed himself extremely pleased with the outcome. "A lot of people helped with the planning for this trip to ensure everybody had the best possible time," Ogle said, upon returning. "I think we accomplished that goal."

The group headquartered at Longhirst Hall in Morpeth, Northumberland. All found Longhirst Hall's services and amenities (including the morning "wake-up call" rooster) to be first-rate and all agreed that they were treated like royalty.

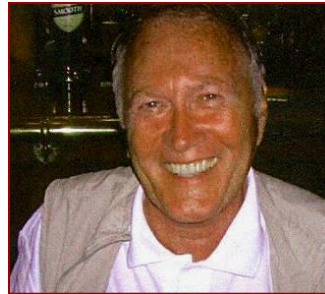
Included in the busy itinerary were visits to many churches and chapels with historic Ogle connections. Tours of individual venues were available, led by local persons knowledgeable in the history and lore of the particular area. Other sites just encouraged the visitors to roam freely and partake of the nostalgia of our ancestors' way of life. Destinations included the sites of Prudhoe, Ogle, Eglingham, Warkworth and Bothal Castles, as well

as the village of Ogle. National historic sites were also on the schedule, among them being Flodden Field, the northern England site of the 1513 battle which still looms large in the collective Scottish memory.

One of the highlights was a visit to St. Maurice Chapel, whose "Re-Ordering Scheme," i.e., renovation project, has been adopted by O/OFA. George Ogles has taken this project under his wing and was pleased that an additional \$2,100 was donated for the project by fellow tour members.

In the evenings, after a recuperative dinner, the tired but happy group was entertained and educated by specialist speakers in particular aspects of Northumberland history, and by musicians who regaled the group with local music, often accompanied by historic instruments and a running commentary on the history of the instrument or song. There was always "down time" for just getting to know one's fellow Ogles better.

O/OFA President, James Engler of Maryland, though prevented by prior commitments from accompanying the group, was pleased that the trip was, "by all accounts," a great success.



**Tour Coordinator Jim Ogle**

Jim Ogle's account of the trip, "The Gathering of the Clan," will appear in the 2008 *The Ogle Genealogist*, due out in 2009. Individual copies of the full journal in spiral-bound format are currently available from Jim. Contact him at (JimOgre@aol.com) for particulars.



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## A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

JAMES F. ENGLER SR.



The Ogle Family had a busy summer, as the article on the 2008 Northumberland Reunion shows, and now it's time to focus on our next Big Event: the 2009 Ogle Convention in Frederick, Maryland. An article in this newsletter will be providing more details, but in short let me say that I am hoping for this to be one of our biggest conventions yet. Frederick is sometimes called the "crossroads of America" and it certainly has been for the Ogle clan, as many of the branches of our family settled and stayed - or settled for a while before moving on - in Frederick County. Many descendants still live in the area and we hope to draw many local family members to our events. Details are still in the planning stage for the sessions and tours relating to the convention, and I'd like to hear your suggestions on what you'd like to see. I'm also looking for additional committee members and speakers.

The 2009 Convention will usher in the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our Association – I still find that hard to believe that I've been a member almost that long (I think I just missed being a charter member). At around the same time we will celebrate the 345<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Nicolls expedition that brought John Ogle to America. How should we celebrate these twin milestones? LET ME KNOW!!!! While this will be a topic for discussion among the Board of Directors, I'd like you our members to provide me as much input as you can. Don't be shy – e-mail me, send me a letter, or call me: my information is in *The Ogle Genealogist*.

On a sadder note, with regret I announce that our long-time Secretary, Myrna Menke, has decided to step down. I want to thank her for all the tremendous effort she has given over the years, particularly to me in many situations. I truly appreciate all she has done to keep our Association on an even keel, and her contributions will be missed. I am able to report, at the same, that the policy I instituted several years ago of establishing assistants to all of our positions was successfully put to the test in this situation. Therefore, it is my pleasure to report that our Assistant Secretary, Jan Fendley, has consented to accept the position of Secretary.

The recent transition has happened seamlessly and proves that we need assistants. Several of our positions remain without persons in these roles, and Jan's recent appointment leaves open the position of Assistant Secretary. Our Association can only provide the services you've come to expect if we have volunteers filling all our organization's roles. Please consider coming forward to serve as one of our assistants.

### — COMPETITION ANNOUNCED —

Get your thinking caps on and your creative juices flowing! A commemorative pin will be struck to mark our Thirtieth Anniversary as an Association, and **YOU** could be its designer. The pin, suitable for wearing on hats and clothing, will be enameled metal, around an inch or so in size. The rules are:

1. Designs should incorporate the theme of the Ogle Family, Ogle Family Association, and/or the 2009 Frederick Convention.
2. Designs full size should be no larger than 1 inch in diameter or on a side.
3. Designs can be drawn at larger than full scale, but it is recommended that the submittal include a full scale copy, each clearly identified with dimensions.
4. If there is no dimension shown, full scale will be considered 1 inch for the **larger** dimension.
5. Submittals can either be on paper or electronic. If electronically submitted, please provide in a standard graphics format (.bmp, .jpg, .gif, .tif)
6. Do not put your name and contact information on the drawing itself, but provide it separately in your submittal.
7. Submittals are to be by members only. A member can, however, submit on behalf of a non-member.

8. Members may submit more than one design.
9. Submittals must be received by 31 Dec 2008.
10. Submittals are to be sent to President Engler (j\_f\_engler\_sr@att.net).
11. Winners will be announced in the Spring 2009 *Ogling for Ogles* Newsletter.
12. There is no prize for winning, but the winning designer's name will be listed with the pin.
13. If you want your design returned to you at the end of the contest, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.
14. The Ogle/Ogles Family Association will retain one copy of all designs for archival purposes only. If not submitted electronically, the design will be scanned prior to returning the design to the submitter in the SASE.



The Evangelical Lutheran Church where Stonewall Jackson worshipped during the Confederate occupation of Frederick is on the self-guided walking tour of Frederick.

# Frederick, Maryland

## 2009 CONVENTION

### THE TOWN

Frederick, Maryland: County seat of a crossroads of Ogle and American history! Founded at the very time the Ogle family entered the area, Frederick and its surroundings have modern amenities and a historic charms. As an example, in your free time, you might want to consider taking the Downtown Frederick Self-Guided Walking Tour: in an eight-block area, sites of interest include the Barbara Fritchie House, the National Museum of Civil War Medicine and the Historical Society of Frederick County, Inc. To help with your planning, please see the following information:

**Historical Society of Frederick County**  
**301-663-1188**  
**[www.hsfcinfo.org](http://www.hsfcinfo.org)**

**Frederick County Genealogical Society**  
**[www.frecogs.com](http://www.frecogs.com)**

**Tourism Council of Frederick County**  
**800-999-3613**  
**[www.fredericktoursim.org](http://www.fredericktoursim.org)**

**City of Frederick**  
**301-600-2228**  
**[www.cityoffrederick.com](http://www.cityoffrederick.com)**

### CONVENTION VENUE

Mark your calendars! The 2009 Ogle Convention will be held from Thursday 24 SEPT 2009 to Saturday 26 SEPT 2009 in Frederick, Maryland, at the Quality Inn located at 999 West Patrick Street in Frederick. The Quality Inn is conveniently located in the heart of Frederick, Maryland, just off US 15 & US 40. We have arranged for a block of 40 of their 158 spacious guestrooms (which include free high-speed wireless internet) and reserved a large meeting room and banquet facilities. Other amenities include an outdoor pool in a garden courtyard and a full, hot complimentary breakfast buffet in J.T. Ashley's All American Restaurant & Bar.

Frederick is just 50 minutes from both Baltimore/Washington International and Dulles International Airports. The Quality Inn is convenient to downtown Frederick and the Monocacy Civil War Battlefield (2 miles away), Emmitsburg (20 miles), Antietam (22 miles), Gettysburg (30 miles) and the outlet malls in Hagerstown (28 miles). Shopping and dining options abound throughout Frederick with nationally known as well as local restaurants and shops.

Until 24 AUG 2009 conventioners will be able to contact the hotel directly at 301- 662-5141 and mention the room block for the 2009 Ogle Convention. We've reserved the rooms and room rates for up to two days before and after the convention, so that members can take full advantage of their visit to the Maryland area. Room rates for our members will be \$84 excluding surcharges in effect at check-in time and the current 9% state and local taxes per room per night. Look for a convention registration form in the next *Ogling for Ogles*, as well as details of the convention itself, including tour information (date and details being determined) and the banquet on Saturday evening, 26 SEPT 2009. **SEE YOU IN FREDERICK!**



## SEAMLESS TRANSITION



## O/OFA NOTEWORTHY



The Association's staffing policy provides assistants for several officer and staff positions. These assistant volunteer positions are crucial as President James Engler says for "the seamless transition" of the services provided to Association members.

**Jan Fendley**

In keeping with this practice, Jan Fendley, appointed assistant to Secretary Myrna Menke in 2007, has assumed the position of Association Secretary. Myrna, who served from January 2001 to mid - 2008, has regretfully resigned her secretarial duties due to poor health. Myrna will continue as an active member of the Association.

Reprinted here is the biographical sketch of Jan appearing in the Summer 2007 *Ogling for Ogles*.

*Jan Fendley is a member of First Families of the Twin Territories based on her great grandparents, Seth and Libby Ogle, entering Indian Territory in 1884 from Missouri. They participated in two land openings, the first in Canadian County in 1889 and the second in County G (Custer) in 1897. After retiring from U. S. Air Force civil service in 2001, Jan started genealogy research using her mother's computer file. She is a Board Member of the Oklahoma Genealogical Society and their Workshop/Seminar Chair. She is a member of the National Genealogical Society. Jan coordinates volunteers at the Oklahoma History Center Research Library. She volunteers at the Oklahoma Historical Society Research Library and at Norman Regional Hospital. Jan and her husband, Derald, have been married for 40 years and have three children and six grandchildren. They were stationed in Mildenhall, England, for four years during Derald's military career, but were unaware of the Ogle - England connection at the time. They plan to join next year's trip to England. Jan has compiled a book of the David P. Ogle family who migrated from Tennessee to Missouri to Oklahoma. (Note: Jan and Derald were among the group enjoying themselves this summer at the second Ogle/Ogles Family Association Reunion in Northumberland, UK.)*

**Myrna Menke**

- **2009 Convention Committee...**The committee now stands at two! President Engler volunteered at the 2006 Convention to serve as chairman for the committee. Please welcome Tim Gallagher to the committee. Tim put in a majority of the leg work that led to our final selection of a venue for the convention, and his effort is greatly appreciated. There is still much to be done, so whether or not you live in the Frederick area, if you are interested in helping out, please contact President Engler.
- **O/OFA DUES...** need to be paid by 31 DEC for 2008 membership. Renewals after the deadline date of 31 DEC 2008 will not be included in the 2008 membership list in *The Ogle Genealogist*. The mailing label on your *Ogling for Ogles* has the membership expiration date on it. If there are any questions about your membership, contact Peggy Higham (peggy@higham.com).
- **Volunteers Still Needed...**O/OFA depends on dedicated volunteers to lead in the execution of organizational activities. Through the years, the Association has been fortunate to have talented and willing members who have answered the call. President Engler calls upon all Association members to consider volunteering for one of the following position openings:
  - Assistants to Secretary, Membership Coordinator, Librarian, Distribution Manager, Web master, Editor of *Ogling for Ogles*.
  - 2009 Convention Committee Members

If you are able to help out in the Association's work in any way, your ideas and assistance are always welcome. Please contact President Engler (j\_f\_engler\_sr@att.net).

- **Call for Articles....**Have a research item on the Ogle family? Compose an account of your research results and submit to ***The Ogle Genealogist***! The editor, Kathy Ogles, is accepting submissions for the 2008 issue planned for publication early in 2009. Deadline for submissions is 31 DEC 2008, and should be sent to Kathy at 3046 W 1050 N Fountaintown, Ind., 46130. Submission guidelines are found in each issue.
- **Reminder.....**We're still looking for your ideas on how we can make our Thirtieth Anniversary truly memorable. Send your thoughts, ideas and concepts to Association President Jim Engler j\_f\_engler\_sr@att.net).

## OGLE DESCENDANTS MAKE LARGE DONATION TO OGLE CHAPEL FUND

By George Ogles  
Immediate Past President

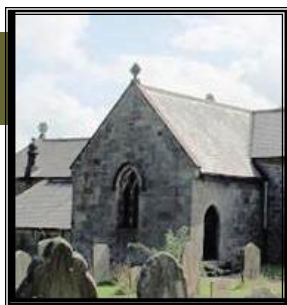
Some fifty Ogle descendants from the U.S., plus a memorable British couple, Colin and Joan Goodman, opened their wallets, purses, and hearts July 24, 2008, when they visited St. Maurice Parish Church located in the ancient Ogle-related, picturesque village of Eglingham, in Northumberland, England.

Beginning with the first visit to Northumberland in 2005, members of The Ogle/Ogles Family Association have been making donations to the Ogle Chapel Re-ordering Scheme. The fund drive is an effort to renovate Ogle Chapel located inside St. Maurice Church and repair other serious deterioration inside and outside the ancient church of Ogle ancestors.

Rev. Rob Kelsey, Vicar of St. Maurice Church, greeted the group in the sanctuary, thanked them for their support, told of recent improvements to Ogle Chapel and other sections of the church.

Next, the Ogle descendants conducted a brief worship service that included singing a sacred song, reading a stirring poem written by Rev. Harlan Ogle (who could not make the trip), reading uplifting verses from the Bible, and joining in a special prayer.

Representing the Ogle group, George W. Ogles then presented to Rev. Kelsey a plain, secure, slotted shoe box containing an unknown amount of donations in English currency. Each of the



Ogle Chapel extends on the north side of Eglingham Church. It is so called because of its links with the Ogle family branch who lived in the Eglingham area for several hundred years.

fifty donors knew only how much he or she slipped into the box in a sealed envelope, but not how much others had donated.

Rev. Kelsey and the Ogle Chapel Steering Group reported the next day that the donations in the shoe box totaled £1,075, which, at that time, equaled a little more than \$2,100.

On 24 JULY 2008, the gift of \$2,100, when added to the \$2,850 donated the past three years by Ogle descendants in the U.S., increased the grand total of O/OFA donations to the Ogle Chapel Fund to almost \$5,000.

The aim of the Fund Drive in the words of the Fundraising Steering Committee is to:

1. *Breathe new life into the Ogle Chapel. This will be achieved primarily by installing a wood and glass screen between the chapel and the church, thus creating a 'self-contained' space attached to the church. The space will be used to:*

(a) *Accommodate children and young people in the life and worship of the church,*

(b) *Provide a small meeting space for both the church and the wider community,*

(c) *Provide a home for various kinds of displays, encouraging people to visit the church and find out more about the local area.*

2. *Provide a disabled-access toilet in the tower at the back of the church.*

3. *Improve the energy-efficiency of the church's heating system.*

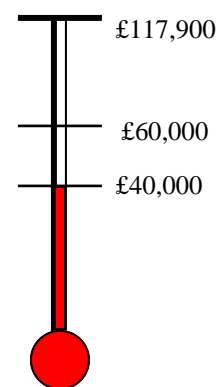
4. *Make roof repairs in order to solve problems with damp in various parts of the church.*

5. *Repoint the church tower.*

Rev. Kelsey told the visiting Ogles that "the church architect has produced drawings of his proposals for the furniture and fittings inside Ogle Chapel. The Steering Group agreed recently that the first stage of work is to install the

screen to Ogle Chapel and the screen to the tower at the back of the church. Plans are to have the screens installed soon after the first of the year."

Fundraising for the Ogle Chapel Re-ordering Scheme is at about £40,000, a little above one-third of the way to the revised goal of £117,900.



Anyone reading this article who has not made a donation to this worthy project is cordially invited to participate. You will be blessed by your donation as we Ogle descendants in the U.S. help renovate this wonderful little church in Northumberland where scores of distant Ogle "cousins" worshipped for centuries and continue to be used by the villagers.

See *How To Donate*, page 6.

## HOW TO MAKE A DONATION



To commemorate the 200th anniversary (2007) of the founding of Gatlinburg, Tenn., Otto Preske (Artist in Wood, Gatlinburg Craft Community) produced this wood-carved rendition of the homestead of one of the first settlers, Martha Huskey Ogle (1807), of what was then called White Oak Flats. The Ogle cabin, a designated Historic Landmark, has been moved from the original homestead and now stands on the campus of Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts in the center of Gatlinburg.

You are urged to make a donation of at least \$100, if possible. Why? Because the devalued U.S. dollar is worth a little less than fifty-seven cents when converted to English pounds. In addition, when your check in dollars is received and placed in the fund account, the English bank deducts another fee of some \$10 to \$12 just for handling the conversion. Therefore, your donation of \$100 results in about \$43.50 actually going into the fund.

Write a check on your bank in U.S. dollars, payable to "Ogle Chapel Re-ordering Scheme." England does not accept money orders. Include on separate paper your full name, complete mailing address (city, state, U.S., and ZIP code), e-mail address and if you are a member of O/OFA. Scheme officials keep an accurate record of Ogle descendants in the U.S. who make a donation. Mail your check and information to: **Team Vicar, The Revd Dr Rob Kelsey, Eglingham Vicarage, Alnwick, Northumberland, NE66 2TX., England.** (Note space between NE66 and 2TX.) Vicar Kelsey can be contacted by email (Robert@josephkelsey.fsnet.co.uk).

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**First Class Mail**

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Address	Phone		
City	State	ZIP	
Please accept my membership in the O/OFA for the Calendar year(s) indicated:	Description	Annual Dues	Amount Tendered
___2007 ___2008 ___2009	1 Year Individual Membership	\$17	
___2007 ___2008 ___2009	1 Year Husband/Wife Membership	\$30	
___2007 ___2008 ___2009	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**

**New & Returning Members 2/15/2008—11/01/2008**

*Samantha DeMont* Eureka, Calif.  
*Elizabeth Freeman* Circleville, Ohio  
*Bob Ogle* Sonoma, Calif.  
*James Ogle* Long Prairie, Minn.  
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*Jamie & Wally Dudiak* Greenbrier, Tenn.  
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*Greg Ogle*, Brisbane, Queensland, AU  
*Michael Ogle & Spouse* Skiatook, Okla.  
*Debra Shuff* Republic, Pa.



**The Ogle/Ogles Family Association, Inc.**

[www.ogles.org](http://www.ogles.org)

**Ogle/Ogles Family Motto:**

**“Prenez en Gre”**

Would you like to submit a photograph or an item of news for possible inclusion in *Ogling for Ogles*? You are encouraged to contact your newsletter editor with your submissions and suggestions.

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