

# THE HUGUENOT SOCIETY OF THE FOUNDERS OF MANAKIN IN THE COLONY OF VIRGINIA

**GEORGIA BRANCH** 

Georgia Branch President's Report to the 92nd National Assembly held in Charleston, SC September 6-8, 2023

Madam President, delegates to the 2023 Assembly, and guests. I am pleased to announce that the Georgia Branch of the Manakin Huguenots is thriving.

During the past year we have welcomed five (5) new members but unfortunately, we have sadly lost five (5) dear friends. Our Registrar, Mike Sanderson, is currently working with several prospective members and another member has papers under consideration at National.

Our meetings are held in April and October. David Hubert our First Vice President, arranged for two exciting speakers. In October, Dr. Todd Stephenson spoke on "Our Huguenot Heritage", and in April, Mary Williams presented "Huguenot Influence in the American Revolution". Our members are kept up to date by a most informative newsletter created by our Second Vice President, Lena Wiley.

For the past year our branch has been focused on hosting a most enjoyable and memorable National Assembly in Charleston. Our members have met in person and via Zoom to put together what we hope will be a grand occasion. Trisha Mosley and Bitsy MacFarland organized the preparation of the very creative welcome bags (with delicious and delightful contents). Kitty Bosio has worked to provide comfortable lodging.



Charlotte Christian and I with the approval of the National and Georgia Branch are providing a complimentary welcome dinner cruise tonight where David and Lena Wiley will be the greeters. David and Mary Hubert are greeters at a grand low country outing. And a beautiful closing banquet was organized by our Third Vice President, Virginia Cowden.

Susan Shaylor, one of our Branch Advisors was instrumental in orchestrating all our planning efforts.

David Hubert, Mike Sanderson and Ed Hale have worked hard to provide transportation to the various events we have scheduled.

This president has been privileged and honored to lead her branch of devoted and committed members.

"Their nobility, our heritage." Ellen Canup Hale Georgia Branch President

#### **GEORGIA BRANCH OFFICERS 2021-2023**



Front Row: David Hubert, Ellen Canup Hale, David Wiley 2nd row: Lena Wiley, Bitsy McFarland, Howard Canup, Virginia Cowden, Laurie Padgett, Mike Sanderson

#### **EXECUTIVE BOARD**

President Ellen Canup Hale 1st Vice President David Hubert 2nd Vice President Lena Wiley Virginia Cowden 3rd Vice President Recording Secretary Laurie Padgett Corresponding Secretary Bitsy McFarland David Hubert Treasurer Registrar Mike Sanderson David Wiley Past President Past President Susan Shaylor

#### **APPOINTED OFFICERS**

Chaplain Scarlette Moyer
Historian/Librarian Pat Ellinger
Flag Custodian Howard Canup
Auditor Charlotte Christian
Parliamentarian Paglay West

Parliamentarian Becky West



National President Charlotte Christian

National President Charlotte Christian Georgia Branch President Ellen Hale and Georgia Branch Hosted 92nd National Assembly Charleston, South Carolina September 6-8, 2023



GA Branch President Ellen Canup Hale



Front Row: Pat Ellinger, GA Pres. 2007-09; Jack Gibson, GA Pres. 2003-05, Carol Gibson; Ed & Ellen Hale, GA Pres. 2019-2023; Mike Sanderson; Back Row: Susan Shaylor, GA Pres. 2015-17; David Wiley, GA Pres. 2017-19; Lena Wiley, Charolotte Christian, Nat. Pres. 2021-23, David & Mary Hubert; Virginia Cowden, Kitty Bosio

## Welcome to Charleston!







Those Special Touches!

The French Lavendar soap in the goodie bag was hand made by Georgia Branch President Ellen Hale's very talented daughter, Sarah Wells. The name of her business is Lillie Aromatherapy.

# Committee Meetings





## The 92nd Natinal Assembly



Wanda Taylor. Nat. Rec. Sec. 2021-2023

Charlotte Christian, Nat. Pres. 2021-2023

Elner Pettiet Nat. Pres. 2015-2017

Gibson "Beth" McKay Nat. Chaplain 2021-2023









Martha Cummings Nat. Pres. 2017-2019



Olivia Chandler Nat. Pres. 2019-2021



Carolyn "Lyn" Marvil Nat. Pres. Elect 2023-2025



That emotional moment when Dr. Ed Hale heard his name from the podium. He was unamiously voted by Georgia Branch and National to be an Honary Member. Kudos to Georgia Branch President Ellen Hale for keeping it a secret. He was totally surprised!

## Memorial Service French Protestant (Huguenot) Church Charleston, South Carolina September 7, 2023

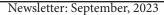






In true Huguenot fashion, members of each state stand as their state's deceased members' names were called. Members are always encouraged to speak on behalf of their friends.

David Wiley is giving a tribute for Dee Redkevitch of Georgia.





The Memorial Service was conducted by National Chaplain, Gibson "Beth" McKay, and the white roses were placed by National President, Charlotte Christian.

### **In Loving Memory**

#### **GEORGIA**

Madge Terrill Tate #3387-Life - Sept. 9, 2021

Rev. George Bull Salley #4796 - Aug. 10, 2022

William Jackson Fuqua, Jr #5356 - Aug. 22, 2022

Diane *Dee* McCranie Redkevich #4680 - Dec. 25, 2022

Barbara Hancock Fain #3057-Life - Jan. 12, 2023

Betty Jo Hargis Peardon #4063 - Feb 24, 2023

#### **KENTUCKY**

Dr. Jack Jones Early #4346 - Jan. 22, 2021

#### **MISSISSIPPI**

Carol Marie Mallette Morris #2611-Life - June 10, 2021

#### TENNESSEE

Dr. Dennis Earl Ward, Sr. #5017 - May 3, 2021

Roger Vernon Logan, Jr. #3052 - April 15, 2022

Mary Ruth Johnson Ward, MD #5077 - Oct. 10, 2022

Bettie Virginia Gustafson #4440 - March 9, 2023

Bennie Kathryn Galbraith #4681 - March 16, 2023

#### **TEXAS**

Beulah Moffeit Reid #4105-Life - Aug. 16, 2021

Julia Eliz. Brandt-Quin Scheibe #4214-Life - Jan. 29, 2022

Eleanor Smith Garrett #4660 - March 1, 2022

Maynie Hart Andrews #2509-Life - March 16, 2022

#### **VIRGINIA**

Marion Dillon George #4678 - Oct. 13, 2021

Vera Carolyn Peterson #4896 - Nov. 25, 2021

Lulu Barry Gibson Webster #4722 - Feb. 14, 2022

> Polly Dixon #4188 - July 9, 2022

Gregory Meredith Reynolds #2293 - Sept, 20, 2022

> Peggy Lynn Wallace #4722 - Oct. 14, 2022

Gwinda Faye Horton #5117 - Oct. 4, 2022

Judy Dell Lester Walters #4999 - Dec. 25, 2022

#### MEMBER-AT-LARGE

Mary Nelle Frazier #3122 MAL - April 2, 2021





Manakin Huguenots French Protastant (Huguenot) Church Charleston, South Carolina





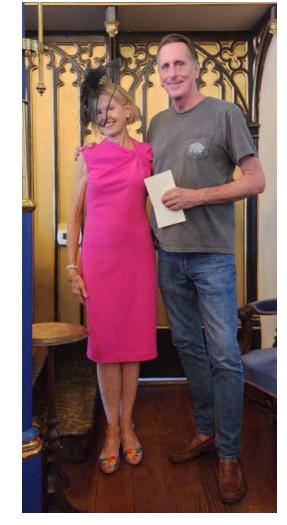
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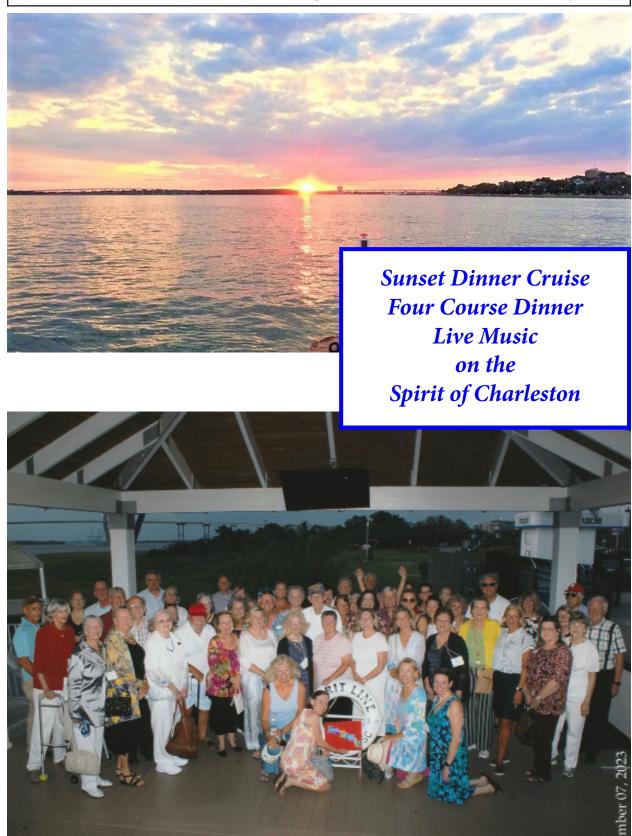


















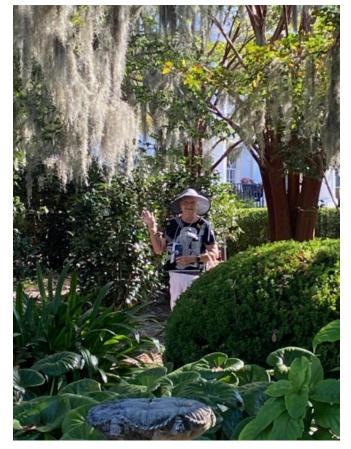






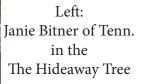
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Above: The Wedding Tree









Boone Hall Plantation









## French Themed Banquet







National President: Charlotte Christian GA Branch President: Ellen Hale



Guest Speaker: Renee LaHue Marshall, Senior Researcher Huguenot Society of S.C.



Installation of 2023-2025 Officers







Carolyn "Lyn" Marvil National President 2023-2025



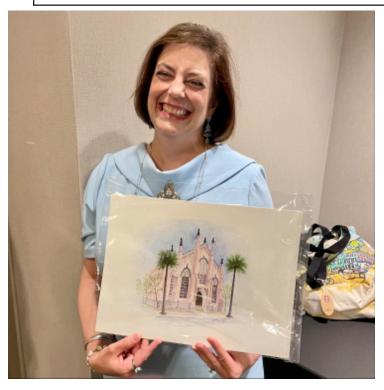




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Lena Wiley, Editor



Carol Gibson was the winner of the Silent Auction. The artist of the beautiful watercolor painting of the Huguenot Church in Charleston was our very own newly elected National President, Lyn Marvil.





Texas Branch



The lovely table arrangements were arranged by GA Branch President, Ellen Hale.





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## **Huguenots convene in Mount Pleasant**

LINDA MCALLISTER
SEP 20, 2023



Wando High School ROTC Members among the featured guests at the 2023 National Assembly of the Huguenot Society of the Founders of Manakin in the Colony of Virginia.



Ellen Hale, Pres of GA Branch; Virginia Cowden. 3rd VP GA Bramch; Renee LaHueMarshall, Sr Research/Interim Director of Huguenot Society of SC, SC Huguenotts in America

The 2023 National Assembly of the Huguenot Society of the Founders of Manakin in the Colony of Virginia was held in Mt. Pleasant at the Hilton Garden Inn on Wingo Way on Sept. 7 and Sept. 8. This Assembly consisted of attendees from throughout the nation.

The Assembly opened with a Color Guard Presentation from Wando High School ROTC. Students Cameron Brodene, Brenna Stone, Anthony Bucalo and Nicholas Neal were outstanding in their presentation of the colors and the Society was so impressed. The National Anthem was provided by Mount Pleasant vocalist, Johnny McAllister.

On Thursday afternoon, the Society participated in a beautiful Memorial Service at the Huguenot Church on Queen Street, followed by a dinner cruise leaving Patriots Point with the Silver Spirits Cruise Line.

On Friday, Sept. 8, members of the Assembly toured

Boone Hall Plantation and enjoyed a Gullah presentation by Minerva King, local Gullah educator. A delicious Gullah lunch was provided by Geechi Boy Food.

The Friday evening banquet featured a French themed dinner provided by the Hilton Garden Inn and guest speaker Renee LaHue Marshall, Sr. Researcher, Huguenot Society of SC and author of "SC Huguenots & Huguenots in America."

