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# COME BACK TO OLD VIRGINIA! BFA Meets Oct. 22-23, 2010

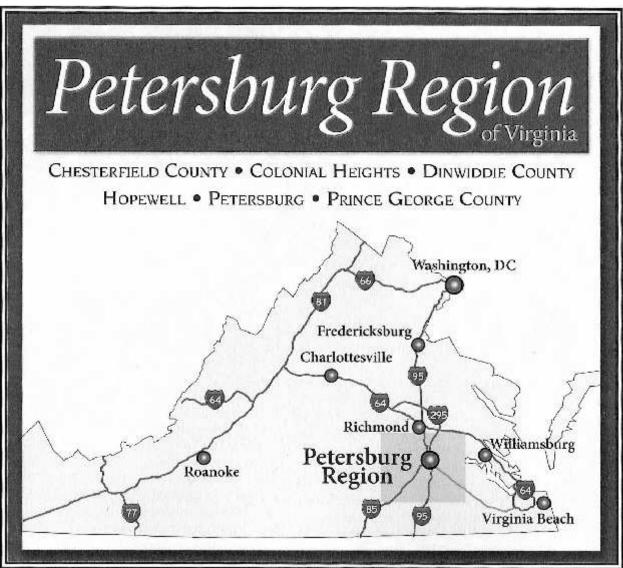
Our next meeting will be at Residence Inn by Marriott Richmond-Chester, 800 Bermuda Hundred Road, Chester, VA 23836, 804/530-5501. Plan to join us, and take the tour down James River on Saturday.

Our hotel offers a number of room plans: studio (\$95 per night); one bedroom (\$109) with a separate living-dining room; and two bedroom suite (\$189) with two separate bedrooms, with full baths, and a living-dining room with a full size kitchen with stove, oven, and refrigerator (dishes and utensils provided). The facility had 8 rooms with handicap access; if you need one of these rooms, <u>please notify the hotel when you register</u>.

Please identify yourself when you book your rooms, for these are special prices for BFA, and good through **15 Sept. 2010.** Hotel telephone - 804/530-5501. The hotel will honor this rate for additional days if you want to come before or after the meeting to sightsee.

For those of you who will fly in, Groome Transportation can provide shuttle service to the hotel (Zone 4). Round trip for a single passenger is \$81.00, but with 3 sharing the cab, the total cost is \$93.50 (\$31.17 each).

Come early or stay late and visit some of the many points of interest while you're here. Ride the free ferry from Scotland Neck to Jamestown, one of the few still in operation. Visit Jamestown, Williamsburg, and Yorktown, site of Cornwallis' surrender. Civil War buffs will find history surrounding us, from the Crater at Petersburg, to the Peninsula Campaign, and surrender. This is where history was made from 1606 onward; our families were part of it!



The program this year focuses on our maternal families who were already in Virginia

when the Huguenots and Jean Pierre arrived in 1700. Jean Pierre's wife Ann's ancestors arrived between 1636 and 1650, and had settled on their own plantations long before the four Huguenot transports docked.

All our group meetings will be held at Residence Inn by Marriott, in their James River Meeting Room. Our meeting schedule:

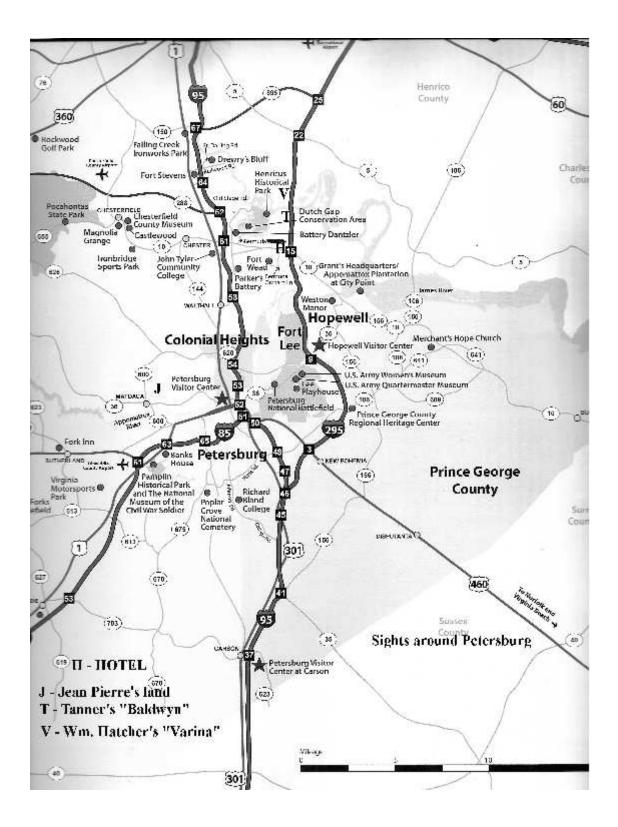
**Friday night - 7 to 10 p.m. "Meet Your Kin"** with our usual show-and-tell. Bring family memorabilia, and photographs to be shared. This will be your last opportunity to sign up for family supper on Saturday night - \$25.00 per person.

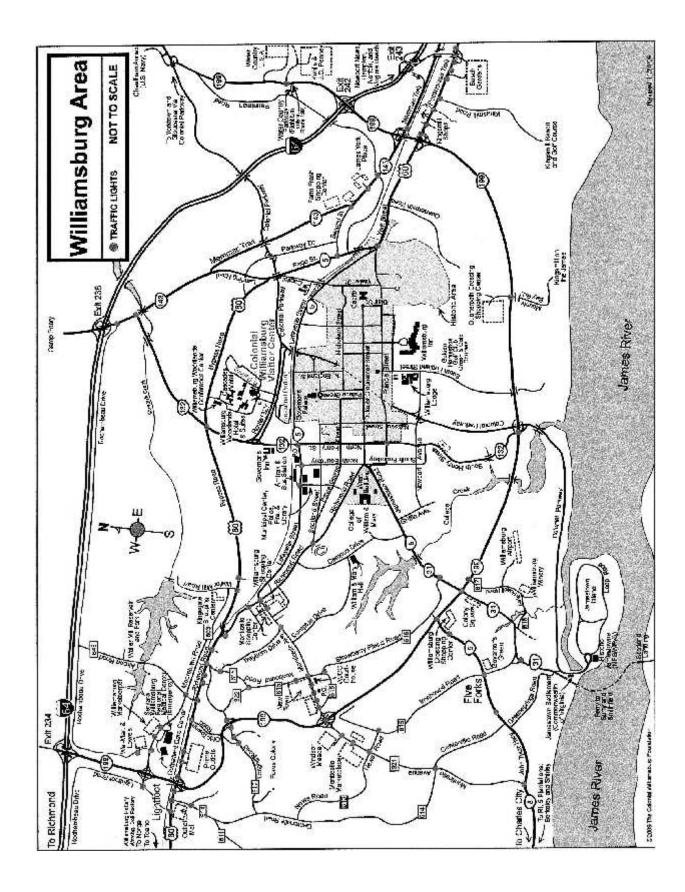
Saturday - 9 a.m. Meet in hotel lobby. Get map and tour handout.

During the day visit Henricus Historical Park, Merchants' Hope Church, Smith's Fort Plantation, and Bacon's Castle, stopping for lunch at Surrey Inn Restaurant. Group admission tickets - \$20.00 per person.

Driving distance is about 150 miles round trip.

Saturday, 6:00 p.m. Family Supper at Residence Inn.
7:30 p.m. Our annual business meeting, and selection of meeting site for 2011.
In our next issue will be reservation forms for tour, supper, and rides for the tour.





# THE BONDURANT FAMILY ASSOCIATION OUR DNA PROJECT REPORT

When we began the project two commercial testing facilities Ancestry.com, and FamilyTreeDNA.com offered this service. From a sample of spit, tests are run for 12, 25, 37, or 67 markers, with cost increasing the more detailed the test. This is our interim report.

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Thanks to all of these men who have already tested: A.J., Jr., C.E., C.I., C.P. II, E.T., Emmet J. II, J.L., J.S., John P. III, R.L., Shane Edward, T.J., Jr., Walton G., Jr., and W.I. Bondurant.

Other surnames: W.E. Baillie. George William Bundrant, Brad Cummings, Harry Greene, R. Clifton Jones, Jr., R.L. McDaniel, Michael Patrick Moore. Radford, J.K. K.D. Reynolds, J.A. Robinson, J.G. Russell, Ralph William Sallee. Richard Pierson Sallee, E.S. Stonerock, and Mark S. Warren. Two Ladies. Vicki Sallee and Joan Stonerock Pitstick, sent

test results. Vickie shared the test of an unnamed male relative, and Joan her mtDNA test.

Through your cooperation we have begun to see patterns of kinship in the test results. There are now tests from descendants through both male, and female lines, father-andson, uncles-and-nephew, brother-and-sister, for comparison.

On the previous and this page are reproduced charts showing test results of a group of Bondurant men who have the closest matching charts. Only two of them have done the full 67 marker test, most the 37 markers, and a few the 12 marker tests. Here you can see how similar the results are for men who are very distant cousins, but descendants of Jean Pierre.

There will be additional charts showing other groupings among descendants published in later issues of the newsletter.

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**DEATH** 

## Our sympathy goes out to the bereaved family.

EDWARD PEYTON "Ed" BONDURANT, 41, of Dwight, KS, died 4 April 2010 at U Kansas Medical Center. He was born 9 Aug. 1968, the son of Robert P. Bondurant and Carol A. Baxley of Sabetha, KS.

Ed graduated from Council Grove High School in 1987. His service included active duty on the USS Wisconsin as a Gunner's Mate during Desert Storm. He later joined the Army National Guard, Detachment 1-778th, and served a year in Iraq as a HET truck driver.

He married Lisa Ratliff in 1992, and had two children. They later divorced. Ed is survived by son Robert Matthew Bondurant, and daughter Kristina Ann Bondurant, both of Abilene, KS, and his parents Robert P. and Carol Bondurant of Dwight, KS, and brother Robert W. Bondurant and wife Ana of El Cajon, CA.

Ed had numerous friends. "Doing things for others" was one of his best attributes. He truly loved spending time with his children and family. A private family inurnment will be held at a later date at the Kansas Veterans' Cemetery at Fort Riley, KS.

#### **UPDATE ON ALAN BROWN**

We always are glad to hear of his progress from his parents Betty and Wayne Brown, former BFA co-presidents. On April 19th they wrote:

We are so grateful and pleased that Alan has shown much improvement in the last three weeks, and he was able to return home to Alabama for a ten-day visit. We drove down with him.

He will be back in Ohio in another 6 to 9 weeks to get his medicines balanced.

We thank all of you who have faithfully prayed for him and us, as we have truly seen and felt God's hand and power at work, keeping us strong and healing Alan.

Betty and Wayne

#### **CHANGES OF ADDRESS AND E-MAIL**

Rev. & Mrs. Wayne L. Bondurant, from bndrnt@aol.com to bndrnt@comcast.net Mrs. Helen Kent, 1550 El Camino Real #503, The Villages, FL 32159

#### CORRECTION

Ruby Talley Smith, rubygem3@verizon.net, sent this correction to information

published on page 14 of newsletter #85.

Ruby and Carolynn Knauff Waldon both have Jerome Ayres Bondurant married twice, but neither wife was Phebe Ford.

James Agee Bondurant married Phoebe Ford first, and then Sarah Josephine (Sallie) Watson. We have never really found documentation on the Phoebe Ford marriage. It has just been handed down. We do not know the parents of Phoebe Ford, but since I am into the Fords, I would very much like to know, though probably never will.

Jerome Ayres Bondurant married 1st Anna Ivy, and 2nd Lula Parke.

Carolynn's notes on Jerome Ayres Bondurant:

Birth date and place: Prince Edward Co., VA, birth records 1853-1896 (FHL 0033257) Jerome Bondurant born Apr 6 1861 to Jerome W. Bondurant and Sarah Bondurant. Marriage dates. From the family Bible of Jerome Wellington Bondurant and Sarah Malloy Garrett, published in BFA newsletter #6, Winter 1989. Jerome A. and Anna Ivy in 1883 or 1884.

Census: 1870 Prince Edward Co., VA, Hampden Township, Farmville post office, page 12, household 94/102. JEROME W. BONDURANT age 55, farmer, \$5000/\$1000; Sarah M. age 45; Sallie E. age 14; Rosa I. age 12; Jerome A. age 8; all born in Virginia

Census: 1880 Prince Edward Co., VA, Hampden Magisterial District, E.D. 190, page 304A, household 315/315: J.W. BONDURANT, age 66, farmer, wife Sarah age 56, son Jerome age 19, laborer; all born in Virginia, all parents born in Virginia.

From a letter written by Jerome A. Bondurant's aunt Marie Louise (Bondurant) Atkins in 1877 to her nephew John Wellington Knauff: "Jerome's son is at Blacksburg College, very smart boy. I think he will be like Samuel James, very keen, manage not to work with his hands, but the head."

children are married. (well only Jerome the youngest is left and he is engaged to a rich mountain lady.) Uncle Joe and Aunt Sarah are in to take life easy."

Census: 1900 Erath Co., TX, E.D. 67, Precinct 2, page 86A, household 113/116. JOE BONDURANT age 39, born Apr. 1861, married 15 years, farmer, born VA, both parents born VA, wife Annie age 33, born Aug 1866, married 15 years, mother of none, born Louisiana, both parents born Louisiana.

Census: 1910 Hardeman Co., TX, E.D. 33 Justice Precinct 3, Sheet 9A, household 148/148. JEROME A. BONDURANT age 49, 2nd marriage of 8 years, farmer born VA, both parents born VA. Wife Lula age 30, first marriage of 8 years, mother of no children, born TX, both parents born TX.

Census: 1920 Pushmataha Co., OK, E.D. 236, Tuskahoma Township, page 86, household 224/227. JAMES A. BONDURANT, age 59, farmer, born VA, both parents born VA;

wife Lula age 39, born TX, both parents born TX. Boarder Ruby Billy, female, white, age 10, born OK, both parents born TX.

Census: 1930 Pushmataha Co., OK, E.D. 64-16. Tuskahoma Township, page 130, household 249/249. JEROME BONDURANT, age 69, farmer, age 25 at first marriage, born VA, both parents born VA; wife Lula, age 49, age 22 at first marriage, born TX, both parents born TX. Foster child Marie Clarke age 3 6/12 born OK, both parents born OK.

Ruby added that Jerome married Anna "Annie" Ivy in April 1883, and Lula Parke, who was born about 1880 in TX.

## DR. ALEXANDER LEE BONDURANT (1865-1937) Thanks to Si Bondurant.

This beloved professor of Latin "Ole Miss," University of Mississipi, for whom a stately old building was named, and dean of its graduate school. He also brought football to the school, and served as its first coach.

At Missippi Archives in Jackson, Si copied the biographical information submitted by Dr. Bondurant's widow, for inclusion in *Encyclopedia of Mississippi*. It contained a good deal of family history as well. The Bondurants on tour in Buckingham Co., VA, several years ago had lunch at Dr. Bondurant's birthplace "Col Alto," home of Alexander J. Bondurant.

The obituary:

#### DR. BONDURANT DIES TUESDAY

After Services Today, Body Goes To Virginia For Last Rites.

University, Jan. 12, 1937 (AP) - Dr. Alexander Lee Bondurant 71, dean emeritus of the graduate school at the University of Mississippi, died today from a heart attack. He was professor of Latin languages and was senior member of the University faculty in pont of service.

Dr. Bondurant was a colonel on the official staff of Gov. Hugh White; the governor was a former student under Dr. Bondurant at the university.

His [ALB] education career was wide and varied, and he served overseas in the World War (I) as director of education for the Second Combat Area. He was decorated with the Order of the Crown of Italy in 1930, and held memberships in many American and British classical, an educational associations. In addition to his American degrees he studied in the universities of Berlin, Munich, and Rome in 1910-11.

Dr. Bondurant spent his early life on Col Alto plantation in Buckingham County, Va. Memorial services will be held in the Presbyterian church here [University, MS] tomorrow, and his body will be taken to Virginia for burial. Dr. Bondurant is survived by his widow, the former Miss Gabriella M. Means, of Natchez, Miss. They were married June 11, 1907.

He came to Ole Miss in 1889 as an assistant professor in Latin and Greek. In 1894 he was made head of the department and when the graduate school was founded in 1927 he became its first dean. At the beginning of the present session the title of dean emeritus was conferred on him.

He arose as usual this morning to attend classes. But feeling ill and due to bad weather, decided to stay at home. While resting on a couch the heart attack proved fatal before members of the family could reach his side.

Born on a southern plantation, the son of Capt. A.L. and Emily Morrison Bondurant, the educator was truly symbolic of southern manhood. After spending his boyhood in Virginia, where he was born, he attended Hampden-Sidney college, where he received his A.B. and A.M. degrees. He served as instructor in Latin and Greek at Round Rock Institute, Texas, and was a graduate student at the University of Texas, University of Virginia, and Harvard before coming to the University of Mississippi.

#### War Service

Serving as division superintendent of education for the Y.M.C.A., Dr. Bondurant enlisted for oversea service in the World War [I]. He was transferred to the Army Education Corps soon after arrival in France. In addition he was exchange professor to the University of Dijon, France, and lectured in Roman archaeology during the war.

He has been on the summer session faculties of George Peabody College [Nashville, TN], University of Iowa, University of Illinois and University of Virginia. Numerous classical organizations carry his membership. Other organizations to which he belonged: Kappa Sigma, Phi Kappa Phi, Sigma Upsilon, Eta Sigma Phi, and *Societe Des Americanistes*. He was a life-long member of the Presbyterian church and is listed in "Who's Who in America."

A gifted writer, his contributions have been frequently carried in outstanding journals. He has written several textbooks now in use in colleges and universities throughout the nation.

Dr. A.B. Butts, University Chancellor, said when told of the educator's passing: "The university has sustained a great loss in the death of Dr. Bondurant -- a loss not to be replaced. He has served the University of Mississippi for nearly a half century and has been identified with its growth. His personality not only made him a man of prestige and influence, but generated the same for the university, which he loved so well."

Classes will be suspended tomorrow in respect to the late dean emeritus, Chancellor Butts announced.

For Encyclopedia of Mississippi, Mrs. Bondurant gave more information.

Alexander Lee Bondurant. Bondurant is a French Huguenot name but has been anglicized from Bon du rant.

His biographies can be found in "Who's Who in America," "Mississippi, the Head of the South" in 4 vols., "Caduceus of Kappa Sigma," "Town and Country Review," London, December 1936, p. 51. Hampden-Sidney Record of Alumni, April 1, 1929. There are

short sketches of him in the records of the various colleges and universities that he attended.

Born at Col Alto Plantation, Buckingham County, Va, June 22, 1865. [One of twin sons; the other son, James Morrison Bondurant, died in childhood.]

Father Alexander Joseph Bondurant born at Variety Shade plantation, Buckingham County, Va., March 18, 1836. Captain C.S.A. War Between the States. Tobacco planter in Virginia, professor of agriculture, Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Ala.

Tobacco expert for Colony of Victoria, Australia, during President Cleveland's administration. Died in Lynchburg, Va., February 1910. [Called "Sandy."]

Mother Emily McFarland Morrison, daughter of Rev. James Morrison, distinguished Presbyterian minister of New Providence Church, Rockbridge Co., Va. She was a grand daughter of Mary Moore, the Indian captive. ["The Captives of Abb's Valley."]

Education: Hampden-Sidney College, B.A., M.A., D. Litt.

Graduate of University of Virginia, Carey Scholar in Latin, Greek, French, Chemistry, Philosophy, and Psychology.

Graduate student at Universities of Texas, Pennsylvania, and Harvard, Morgan Fellow, M.A. 1893. Student in Munich and Rome 1905. Student at University of Berlin Summer of 1907, and 1910-11, spending vacation in Rome and Naples, studying ruins of Pompeii and Herculaneum.

During World War [I] while stationed at Dijon spent weekends studying Gallo-Roman remains at Alesia, Vertillum, Nimes, Avignon, and Arles.

Occupation: None other than professorships, except in looking after [his] own and mother's plantation interests in Virginia.

Books written: [42 publications] He devoted much time and labor to articles for educational, historical, and classical journals. . . . His beloved subject, Latin, has been continually under fire from the materialists, and much of his time was taken up in answering attacks upon the subject.

Activities: Served as Dean of American Students in University of Dijon [France] 1919, and as Exchange Professor to that university, lecturing on Roman and Etruscan Archaeology. Made special study of Gallo-Roman civilization. One of the first in America to give lectures on this subject. Gave courses at Universities of Ia., Ill., Va., and Miss. in Gallo-Roman Archaeology.

Decorated with Order of the Crown of Italy while serving as lecturer on the Vergilian Pilgrimage celebrating the 2000th Anniversary of the birth of Vergil.

Trustee of Mississippi Department of Archives and History for many years.

Military service: Volunteered for overseas service in the Y.M.C.A. in 1918. Was sent to France and assigned to Dijon, and made Division Superintendent of Education in the Advanced Sector. After the War he was transferred to the Army Educational Corps of the A.E.F. and given an officer's commission with the title of Dean of American Students of University of Dijon.

Advanced degrees: LL.D. from Mississippi College 1921

Litt. D. Hampden-Sidney College 1926

Religion: Elder in Presbyterian Church for 21 years. Deeply interested in work for Boy Scouts, and in attracting able young men to the call to the ministry.

Interests: A great lover of and believer in the study of Greek and Latin. A lover of mankind, books, hunting, dogs, horseback riding, golf, and God's great out-of-doors.

First Coach and Manager of University of Miss. Football Team.

Marriage: Married June 11, 1907 at Natchez, Miss. to Miss Gabriella McPheeters Means, of Natchez, Miss., daughter of Edward J. Means of U.S. Navy, later of Confederate Navy, and Captain in Army, C.S.A., planter of Fairfield Dist., S.C. [Apparently they had no children.]

Death: Died Jan. 12, 1937 in his home on the campus of the University of Miss. Ancestry:

- 1. Richard Lee of Shropshire, England, came in 1640, and settled on a plantation north of the York River, Va. His wife Anne, last name unknown, emigrated from England with him. All their children were born in Virginia.
- 2. Charles Lee of Cobb's Hall, 1656-1701. Wife Elizabeth Madstead
- 3. Thomas Lee, died 1733. Wife's name lost
- 4. Leanna Lee born 1728, married John Fearn born 1717
- 5. Elizabeth Lee Fearn born 1750, married William Hardin Perkins, a Colonel in the American Revolution
- 6. Sally Perkins (1771-1809) married Arthur Moseley, Capt. in the American Revolution
- 7. Louise Marcia [Marcia Louise] Moseley (1799-1879) married Thomas Moseley Bondurant (1797-1862), Capt. in the War of 1812
- 8. Alexander Joseph ["Sandy"] Bondurant (1836-1910), Capt. in C.S.A., married Emily McFarland Morrison (1837-1926)
- 9. Alexander Lee Bondurant (1865-1937), married Gabriella McPheeters Means of Natchez, Miss.

# Family Line of Huguenot Bondurant

- 1. Jean Pierre Bondurant, arrived in Va. 1700, born 16\_\_, died 1734, wife's name lost
- 2. Dr. Joseph Bondurant, born 1719, died 1806. Wife Agnes Baird [Radford] [an erroneous generation was inserted here]
- 4.[3] William Bondurant, born 1772, died 1802 [1747-1803], wife Judith Moseley [1772-1855]
- 5.[4] Capt. Thomas Moseley Bondurant
- 6.[5] Capt. Alexander Joseph Bondurant
- 7.[6] Alexander Lee Bondurant.

The obituary of **Alexander Joseph Bondurant** was published in *The Presbyterian*, Vol. 2, No. 12, 23 March 1910, pp 380-381, and included in the file.

At the Hygeia Hospital, Lynchburg, Va., on Monday, March 7, Mr. Alexander J. Bondurant, of Buckingham Co., Va., came to the end of his earthly life, seventy-four years of age. From his home, Variety Shade in Buckingham, he was brought to the

hospital about ten days before, very ill, with the hope that an operation for appendicitis would give relief, and his life be prolonged. With some improvement the operation did not seem necessary, and for some days there was much encouragement; but he was taken suddenly worse on Sunday the 6th instant, and nothing could be done to avert the mortal end. He did not, himself, entertain hope of recovery, but said that his life was in God's hands, and that he bowed in humble submission to His will. His faith and courage faltered not, and he feared no evil as he passed through the valley and the shadow of death.

Of an old and well-known family of Huguenot descent, Mr. Bondurant was born in Buckingham in Southside Virginia in 1836. He was educated at Hampden-Sidney College, the University of Virginia, and schools abroad. In the summer of 1859, at Belvue, in Rockbridge County [VA] he was married to Miss Emily Morrison, by her father, the Rev. James Morrison, pastor of New Providence Church, in the presence of her uncle, Dr. William Brown, and her brothers-in-law, Drs. B.M. Smith and R.L. Dabney, Major F.J. Jackson and many friends. [AJB] Enlisted in the Confederate army at the beginning, he served in Mahone's brigade faithfully to the end of the war between the sections [sic].

A well-trained and accomplished scholar, he devoted himself early to educational work. At the State Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Ala., he was a professor of Agriculture, giving valuable service to the Institute and to the State in instruction in the cultivation of tobacco.

From 1895 to 1901 he resided in Victoria, Australia, as an expert in tobacco culture, and other agricultural work. Returning to America, and Virginia, he gathered his family in the family home, Variety Shade, in Buckingham, and there spent most happily the remaining years of an active, honorable, and usefully spent life. Last summer the celebration by his family kinsmen and many friends of his golden wedding was a happy and memorable occasion.

Mr. Bondurant was a disciple of Christ all his life, and a ruling elder of the Presbyterian Church for forty years, intelligent, devout, zealous. His life of more than three-score years and ten was marked by fidelity to every obligation and by constant and affectionate devotion to his family, to whom his love was the house-band, and he the husband, the father, and the head. He died as he had hoped, in the harness, managing his business affairs and in the active service of home and church and community.

He is survived by his wife, three sons, Mr. A.L. Bondurant, professor of Latin of the University of Mississippi; Mr. S.R. Bondurant, of Buckingham County, and Mr. George P. Bondurant, Esq., and three daughters, Miss Fannie Bondurant of Buckingham; Mrs. W.G. Harrison, of Birmingham; and Mrs. Clifford L. Hare, wife of professor of Chemistry in the Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

By his sons he was borne to his interment in the cemetery of New Providence Church, Rockbridge Co., Va., where he had been at school when a lad, and where he met and married the wife, who has blessed his life for more than fifty golden years. He has left a name and memory that are a precious inheritance to his children.

**Editor's Note**: Isn't it remarkable how much vital information we've obtained from these lengthy, but detailed obituaries. I appreciate Si's effort to obtain them. MBW

## **DANCER ATTACKED BY LIONESS**

Clint Bondurant couldn't pass this news item up, and neither could we!

#### Seattle Daily Times, 11 Feb. 1968.

Gloria J. Bondurant, 20, an exotic dancer of Rosharon, TX, won't be shaking her hips for a couple of days because a 200 pound lioness Friday took a bite out of her. "Oh God. I'll be scarred for life, and I won't be able to dance," was her worried outlook.

Miss Bondurant, who dances under the name of Shane Nee, inflicted a superficial wound on the lioness in the head with a .22 caliber rifle she was using to kill birds to feed her boa constrictor. The dancer lived in a trailer next to Allen D. Ingalsbe, who deals in animals for zoos.

A sheriff's investigator said the dancer walked past the lioness and decided to pet it. She was bitten on the calf and right leg and clawed on her right hip. A hospital spokesman said Miss Bondurant "will just have to wait and see" about the scars.

#### **BUNDORAN**

I thought I had found a stray Bondurant in northwestern Ireland when I saw this town on an early 1800s map.

Denise Sallee, now living in Ireland, found out the truth, and visited this summer resort. From the local librarian she found that the town's name was composed of two Celtic words:

Bun - the mouth of a river, and doran - a little water. From Denise's description, it sounds like a lovely place to visit, even if it isn't "ours."



# New Photos on BFA Website

Thanks to Thomas Ray Bondurant of Indianapolis, we received pictures of:

- 1. a portrait of Benjamin Bondurant, son of Darby, and grandson of John and Sarah Rachael Taylor Bondurant, and great grandson of Jean Pierre and Ann.
- 2. Wiley Balus Bondurant, son of Benjamin, wife Martha Catharine Mayes and family. 1894
- 3. Edwin Ray Bondurant, grandson of Wiley Balus Bondurant, with his family: wife Mary Hester Moore, and three children Thomas Ray, Jerry Moore, and Rachel Marie Bondurant.1950
- 4. A commercial "Scroll" with the origin of the Bondurant name, etc. Don't be deceived!

I always enjoy hearing from Tom or Jerry, for their letters come embellished with stickers saying "I'm Proud to Be a Bondurant," or other uplifting thoughts!

Web-master David W. Bondurant has put on the site 25 views which he took in and around Genolhac, France, Jean Pierre's home town, on a visit in 1992.

Sarah Emaline "Emma" Bondurant (1853-1926), daughter of Jerome Wellington Bondurant and Sarah Malloy Garrett, is seen in regal splendor in our family picture book.

THE BONDURANT FAMILY ASSOCIATION Share YOUR family photographs by mail (David W. Bondurant, 4025 Becket Dr., Colorado Springs, CO 80906, or by e-mail (dbondurant@mac.com).

#### **BUNDRENS IN THE NEWS**

#### MARRIED AT THIRTY MILES AN HOUR 2 March 1894, *St. Louis Republic* [MO]

Macon, MO. March 2. James F. Burch and MISS SARAH C. BUNDREN of Calico, Macon Co., were in Macon today and secured a license to marry. They took the 3:28 west bound Burlington passenger train this afternoon and discovered Rev. A.C. Browning of Calico among the passengers.

They were anxious to be married at once. Delay might break up the match. The pair requested Mr. Browning to perform the ceremony on the train, then and there, which he did, while the train was moving between Bevier and Calico at the rate of 30 miles an hour.

# KILLS WIFE; IS KILLED BY SON 1 Dec. 1918, *Lexington Herald* [KY]

Winchester, KY, Nov. 30. A double tragedy occurred this week in Washburn, TN, in which the people of Winchester will be greatly interested. The principal participant, B.B. BUNDREN, known as "Blue" Bundren, has visited here every year for a long time. He was a guest of "Billy" Wills frequently, and also visited other families here.

Bundren was sued for divorce and alimony last week. He wrote a note, which he placed in his pocket, avowing his intention to kill his wife. Mrs. Bundren, accompanied by Monroe Quillen, a son by a former marriage, visited the home, which she had left following her action for divorce, to obtain some of her belongings.

Words passed between them, and Mr. Bundren seized a shotgun and followed his wife to the kitchen, where he shot her. The woman staggered out of the house, and her son, seeing her condition and the shotgun pointed at him, according to the story received here, fired a shot which shattered the wrist of his step-father, and then entering the house, fired five more shots into his father's body. Bundren died instantly. Mrs. William Wills left here to attend the funeral. Bundren was about 70 years old.

# HORACE V. BUNDREN DIED AT NEEDLES 24 Dec. 1895, *Albuquerque Morning Democrat* [NM]

Emporia, KS, Dec. 23. HORACE V. BUNDREN, a pioneer Kansan, is dead at Needles, CA, of hemorrhages. He was returning from the wedding of his son at Los

Angeles, CA. He was taken sick at Bagdad, CA.

## THREE MET DEATH, Fierce Feud Is Settled by Desperate Duel in Tennessee 13 June 1905, *Montgomery Advertiser* [AL]

Knoxville, TN, June 12. Three men met instant death and a fourth was dangerously wounded in a desperate duel fought today in a blacksmith shop at Thorn Hill, four miles from Tate Springs, TN, and sixty miles northeast of this city.

The dead are John and Will Holland, brothers, and WILL BUNDREN, all white, and members of well known families. The wounded man is Clint Winkle, a Negro supposed to have been in the employ of Bundren. Enmity has existed between the Holland and Bundren families for the past four years. It grew out of the killing of Col. John C. Rosiera by [ROBERT] BRUCE BUNDREN, father of the man killed today, for which crime the elder Bundren is serving a life sentence in the penitentiary.

Trouble which was threatened Sunday was avoided, but today Bundren, accompanied by the Negro, entered the blacksmith shop of the Hollands and after a few words firing began. Twenty shots were fired and when the smoke had cleared away three men lay dead on the floor of the shop and the fourth was mortally wounded.

The Hollands used Winchesters, and Bundred and Winkle used pistols. Will Holland and Bundren were married men, aged 35 and 25 respectively. John Holland was 25 and unmarried. The death of the Hollands will wipe out the entire family with the exception of the parents.

# TENNESSEE FEUD SETTLED. Many Men Killed Since Beginning in 1868 7 April 1907, *Philadelphia Inquirer* [PA]

Nashville, April 6. The Holland-Bundren feud, which lasted 30 long years has been waged in this section, and which has cost innumerable lives, came to a peaceful end recently when ROBERT BRUCE BUNDREN and Reuben Holland, the leaders, shook hands and promised to forgive and forget.

This is said to be the only east Tennessee feud that ended before the male members of both families were exterminated.

The feud started in 1868. Bundren was a Confederate and Holland was a Union sympathizer. Personal antagonism between them started the trouble, and before Robert Bundren was sent to prison for life, many men had been killed.

In January [1907] Bundren was pardoned on condition that he would keep away from home; but instead he went back, and yesterday buried the hatchet and shook hands with his old enemy.

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