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Remarks from the President  
Lloyd Hungate, ABBIAFFB

It is now several weeks from the 15<sup>th</sup> National Reunion and I trust all who attended the event are back to their usual routine. Summer has come and gone we are facing Fall and Winter with renewed vigor, determined to make the future a more productive time.

First, I'd like to start off by thanking Ted and Phyllis Kolb for the wonderful reunion that they organized and pulled off. It indeed was a very meaningful time for ever one that attended. Some of us experienced travel problems to and from St. Peters. Flight delays, rescheduling, transportation difficulties, security problems etc. However, even with those problems there were rays of sunshine along the way.

For example, during our delay in Charlotte, NC, Pat and I encountered 3 other travelers on their way to the reunion in St. Peters. Catherine Hill, Salem Virginia and John & Maggie Jones from the Richmond, Virginia area which made our lay over and subsequent travels bearable. We were grateful for their company during the long hours of rescheduling and rerouting our flight.

Secondly, I am deeply honored by the confidence that the society has placed in me as your President for 2004-2005. It is with a great deal of humility and nervousness that I accept the position. I'm mindful of the shoes that I must step into. I have no illusions that I am big enough to fill those shoes in and of myself, however with the help of the faithful members, and particularly of Charles, or past President; I shall do my best to make The Hungate Family Historical Society proud of itself. Thank you for the honor you have placed upon me.

Thirdly, your society is made up of good folks from all around this country and from other countries as well. These are a diverse people from all walks of life. We all have issues that carry emotional consequents. And so, I'm asking you, please be sensitive to the feelings of all our members how ever they may differ from our own. Do not attempt to make the society a sounding board for pet issues. The society is not the place for controversial matters. Thank you for keeping this in mind when supplying articles and material for the newsletter and journal.

And last, but not least, this newsletter contains your dues notice for 2005 and order blank for next spring's Journal. (Your 2005 Journal will have a new look this year. Most of the pictures will be in color and it will be considerably less expensive.) Other items are also offered for sale by the Society. Your dues and contributions keep us going financially. Your support of the scholarship fund enables us to assist one of our own to further their education. We are a regular contributor to the maintenance of the Saxton Church bells, and many other things. Please be mindful of this and don't delay sending in your envelop with your dues and contributions. Thank you!

## Eastern States Reunion News

The Eastern States Reunion was held June 27, 2004 at the Smart View Picnic Area on the Blue Ridge Parkway. There were 42 people in attendance. Those attending for the first time included Maggie Myers Jones (ABAACBAFD), Richmond, Va., Donna Tomlin (ABBIAFFBA & Matthew Tomlin (ABBIAFFBAA), both of Charlottesville, Va. Also, attending for the first time was Matthew's friend, Alaina Parham, Greensboro, NC. The oldest Hungate attending was Clara Payne and the youngest was Elijah St. Clair. Watch for the 2005 Journal for more news on the Eastern States Reunion with pictures and a list of all those in attendance. There was good fellowship and good food enjoyed by all. Thanks to Catherine Hill, Area Vice President, Salem, Va. for the fine job in organizing and putting on this reunion.

We are glad to have made contact again with Marcia Fowler Mensing (ABCEEBCCA), Charlottesville, Va. Marcia visited with Catherine Hill by telephone and a follow up letter indicating she wanted to be re-instated as a member of the Hungate Family Historical Society. Thanks for your interest, Marcia, this newsletter will contain a dues envelop with information on how to resume membership. We'll see that your personal profile is updated.

## 15<sup>th</sup> National Reunion

Our appreciation goes out to Phyllis and Ted Kolb for hosting the 15<sup>th</sup> National Reunion in St Peters, Mo. There were 48 Hungate's in attendance coming from the East and West coasts, from Washington and Florida and points in between. What a wonderful time we had meeting new Hungate's and reacquainting ourselves with our old friends from past reunions. Be sure to order the 2005 Spring Journal to see all the pictures and events of the occasion.

This year was the Bicentennial of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. Dubbed the "Corps of Discovery" President Jefferson commissioned Lewis and Clark to find a route to the Pacific Ocean. The plan approved by Congress, President Jefferson appointed his Secretary, Meriwether Clark to lead the expedition.

Experiencing incredible difficulties they managed to journey through 11 States from Illinois to Oregon And back again. The expedition left St. Louis May 14, 1804 and returned to the point of departure on September 23, 1806. The Hungate family was able to relive this expedition at The Gateway Arch and the Missouri Historical Museum.

I invite those of you who attended the National Reunion to submit your articles and pictures for the upcoming Journal.

## 2006/2008 National Reunions

As of this writing we do not have any one to host the next reunions. This is an appeal for some one to come forth and volunteer to do it. There are guides available to help you if you have never hosted one before. Many of us will assist you in making the necessary arrangements. So, anyone willing to host one of these reunions please contact me or one of the other Directors.

## Hungate Keys and Crests



We have on hand **Silver Hungate Keys** that will sell for \$15.00 each including postage and shipping. The **Gold Hungate Keys** are temporarily out of stock but can be ordered should you desire one. The last ones sold for \$100.00 including postage and shipping. That price may vary depending on the cost of gold. There are currently ten (10) **Hungate Coats of Arms** on order from the supplier. They are ordered from England and I am not able to set a price on them until I know what our cost will be. The last ones were sold for \$60.00 each. The new ones will be very close to that price. If you would like to reserve one please contact me by email, phone or letter.

## Future Newsletters

At our Board of Directors meeting in St. Peters, it was agreed that we would ask those of you who have Internet access whether you would like to receive the Newsletter via email. For those of you who prefer the old fashion way, we will continue mailing them to you. If, however, you'd sooner have it by email, please indicate your preference by marking the appropriate box when you return your dues envelop.

## Annual Journal

In order to keep our family updated, please furnish me or one of the Officers of the Society with information of interest. Wedding announcements, birth announcements, death notices and upcoming events. We need the information to be able to acknowledge these events in our publication. Send pictures and newspaper articles of special events. Children of members, who have made accomplishments in school or athletics, make sure we get those pictures. We will do our best to see that the information gets in the Journal. And, we will return your pictures if you indicate you'd like them back.

## H. Gail Hungate Scholarship

Each year our Society awards a \$1000.00 Scholarship in memory of our past President H. Gail Hungate. This year the award went to Amanda Snyder ABCCEHAAGC of Chicago, Illinois. Amanda is the daughter of Joyce Hungate Snyder of Colona, Illinois. The announcement was made July 24, 2004 by Judy Werbach, Chairperson Awards Committee. Congratulations, Amanda, for being this years Scholarship recipient.

For those who are eligible you should think about submitting your application now. The requirements for the applicant are that they must be a direct descendant of a Hungate (natural born or adopted), a current member or minor child of a current member of the Hungate Family Historical Society. They must have completed at least one year at an accredited college or university. Their grade point average must be at least 3.0 out of 4.0. Include with your application a copy of your transcript and a 500 word essay giving your goals and aspirations. Please contact Judy Werbach, Scholarship Chairperson, 4228 E. Kiowa St. Phoenix, AZ 85044 for details and an application.

Other Awards Presented at the  
Celebration Dinner  
July 17, 2004

**Patty Atkinson** – For twenty (20) years of service as Secretary, organizing and conducting tour to England and Authoring the book “Guide to Hungate Family Historical Sites in England”.

**Cheryl Files** – For twelve (12) years service as Treasurer.

**Phyllis Kolb** – As Chairperson of the “Outstanding 2004” Hungate National Reunion at St. Peters, Missouri.

**Megan Werbach & Sarah Files** – For adding a spark to the Hungate tour to England, for contribution to this Year’s Journal and providing additional verses to the Hungate song.

**Charles E. Hungate** – For Twelve (12) years of service as President, plus filling positions as Historian and And Editor-in-Chief and other positions as needed.

**Lloyd Hungate** – For many years of devoted service to the Hungate Family Historical Society, Church and Community.

New Officers Elected  
At the  
15<sup>th</sup> National Reunion

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At the conclusion of our General Business meeting, President Lloyd Hungate announced the appointment of a Steering Committee to consider revisions to the By-Laws, to help improve the Hungate Historical Society in its efforts to involve more participation. It is vitally important that we get the younger generation of Hungate's involved so they can carry on the responsibilities of our society. This committee is encouraged to "thank outside the box". Just because we have never done things that way before is no reason to trash the idea. Many of us that have been in the society for a lot of years are getting to point where we need to "pass the torch" to a more vigorous generation. Let's help this committee to do its job and bring before the membership recommendations that will perpetuate the work that was begun by those that went before us.

Many of you have ideas that are worth consideration. Please pass these ideas, no matter how far fetched they may seem to the committee, so that they may be evaluated.

The following members make up this committee:

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Family News

Leda R. Bishoff (ABBIKBGBB), Wilmette, Illinois, her sister Nina L. Novisoff (ABBIKBGBF), Evansville, Indiana and their brother Charles R. Hungate (ABBIKBGBA), Granite City, Illinois flew to Albuquerque, New Mexico March 30, 2004 for five days. While there they visited with their Aunt Dorothy (ABBIKBGD) and Uncle Pete Cafarelli. They also went to Santa Fe, New Mexico one day and shopped and had dinner in Old Town. All had a great time. Pete and Dorothy are doing great, and still enjoying retirement.

A new Hungate member, Davis Elliott Collins (ABCCGDABAAB) was born April 13, 2004 in Louisville, Kentucky to Chapin and Dana Collins (ABCCGDABAA). Davis is the second great-grandson of Irene and Claude Davis Hungate (ABCCGDAB) of Frankfort, Kentucky.

John Kasky reported that Pleasant Groove United Methodist Church was recently sold at auction. Pleasant Groove Methodist Church is the site of the first Hungate family to settle in Illinois, William and Sarah Hungate. In December 1977 a marker was placed to dedicate this site. Chester B. Hungate (ABBIAEJ) of Huntington, WV enlisted the help of Ralph B. Hungate (ABBIKBGB) of McLeansboro, Illinois, the great grandson of William; the youngest son of William and Sarah. Ralph was able to secure permission to erect the memorial marker on the church grounds. The location of this marker is on Illinois State Route 14, 17 miles East of Benton and 7 miles West of McLeansboro, Illinois. At this writing the disposition of the new owner is not known. We believe, however, that the marker will remain in place. Following is the inscription on the marker:

"Here lived William & Sarah 'Sally' the first Hungate family in the virgin Illinois territory on their Federal Land Grant of Nov. 16, 1866 William born 1782 died 1846 Sarah born 1787 died 186?"

This Newsletter is dedicated to all the Hungate Members who have  
Served faithfully through the years without recognition.  
It is impossible to name all of them, but some who have worked  
Diligently behind the scene are:

Executive VP, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President & Chairman of the Board: Celia Jones, Dunedin, Florida  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Harry Hungate, Bradenton, Florida  
3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President: Barry Vandivier, Harrodsburg, Kentucky

Regional Vice presidents:

Area I: Catherine Hill, Salem Virginia	Area II: Betty Hungate, Columbia, South Carolina
Area III: Claude Hungate, Frankfort, Kentucky	Area IV: Nina Novisoff, Evansville, Indiana
Area V: John Kasky, Murphysboro, Illinois	Area VI: Leda Bishoff, Wilmette, Illinois
Area VII: Vivian Campbell, Lake City, Iowa	Area VIII: Phyllis Sliffe, Puyallup, Washington
Area IX: Judy Werbach, Phoenix, Arizona	Area X: Walter Burnett, Lompoc, California

A word of recognition and thanks goes to **Cheryl Files** who served as Treasurer admirably for 12 years. A note of thanks should also go to Shane, Sarah and Tommy who shared Cheryl with the Society for all those years. The Society appreciates what you have done.

And, what can be said for the work that has been done by our past President, **Charles E. Hungate**, except, a special vote of gratitude for the 12 years of devotion to the Hungate Family Historical Society? Charles, your service has not gone un-noticed. We deeply appreciate everything that you have done over the years to lead the Society and to keep us on course. We are eternally grateful for your tireless service. And, of course, we would surely be remiss if we neglected to mention Jane, who has worked beside Charles for these 12 years.

Thank you, Charles and Jane for your unwavering devotion to the Hungate Family Historical Society. We shall forever be in your debt for your hard work.

And now, Charles;

**By the authority vested in me as President of the Hungate Family Historical Society, I hereby confer upon you the honorary title: *President Emeritus: Charles E. Hungate of the Hungate Family Historical Society.***

**Signed: *Lloyd A. Hungate*, President  
Hungate Family Historical Society**

**This Date: September 20, 2004**

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Would you like to receive a free 2005 Journal published by the Hungate Family Historical Society? You can, you know! In an effort to attract new members into the society, we will be giving away (10) 2005 Journals. All you have to do to be a winner is to be a first time dues payer to the society or a former member who has allowed his/her membership to lapse. If 10 new members signup, each new member will receive a Journal. If more than 10 new members signup, there will be 2 additional Journals awarded for each 5 new members, up to a maximum of 14 Journals\*. Example: If there are 15 new members there will be 12 Journals awarded. If 20 new members signup there will be 14 Journals awarded. To be eligible detach this portion of the newsletter, sign your name and return it with your dues in the enclosed envelop. Eligibility deadline, June 30, 2005.

I am a new member please enter me in the 2005 Journal Give Away. Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ date: \_\_\_\_\_

\* A fair and equitable drawing will be conducted to determine additional winners.

## Obituaries

Larry Lynn Hungate (ABBCBPABB), age 68, of Amarillo, Texas, died on May 6, 2004. He was born March 22, 1936 in Dallas, was a graduate of Canyon High School and received his Bachelors and Masters degrees in Education from West Texas State University. He served in the Army. He taught in the Amarillo public schools for 30 years, retiring in January 1990. He was a life member of NEA and TSTA and the Retired Teachers Association. He was a member of San Jacinto Baptist Church. Survivors include his wife Kay, two daughters, Kristi Kay Steelman and husband Jeff of Bovina and Lorri Lynne Bagwell and husband David of Liberal, four grandchildren, Allison Kaye, Ashley Marie, and Amber Lynne Bagwell and Jeffrey Scott Steelman.

Eva Catherine Hungate, age 84, widow of Frank L. Hungate (ABBCBMAG) of McAllen, Texas died on May 13, 2004. Eva married Frank Hungate in January 1936, a union that lasted 64 years. She enjoyed fishing and hunting. Eva contributed her efforts to World War II by painting battleships at the Vancouver, Washington shipyard. Eva loved to travel, and was able to do so as Frank finished out his career on the Minutemen missiles. Survivors include her daughter Jeanne Ann Hungate Johnson and son-in-law Dean, and her sister Anne Verzani. Services were held on May 22 with burial in the ZCBJ Cemetery, Wagner, South Dakota.

Mary Maude Hungate Buckley (ABBCEIDA), age 96, of Spokane, Washington died on January 22, 2004. She graduated from Washington State College in 1929, where she majored in Physical Education. She was a champion swimmer and diver. She later received a teaching degree from Eastern Washington College and taught at Garfield Grade School for many years. Survivors include a daughter, Betty Swift, a son Jim Buckley, three grandsons and one great-grandson.

Josephine Hungate Gassen (ABCKGDD), age 84, of Ponchatoula, Louisiana died on August 2, 2004. Survivors include two sons, Hollis Gassen Jr., Kingwood, Texas and Charles J. Gassen of Youngsville, four grandchildren; Charles Gassen Jr., Pleasant Valley, NY, Strader Michael Gassen, Youngsville, Michelle R. Gassen, Metairie, and Karen Elaine Gassen, Kingwood, TX and two great grandchildren. Services were held on August 5 with interment in Ponchatoula Cemetery.

Regina K. Hungate, age 75, wife of Max Hungate (ABBIFDAA) of Englewood, Colorado passed away April 7, 2004. Services were on April 13, with interment at Olinger Chapel Cemetery.

### Obituaries (Cont'd)

Martha V. Hungate, age 94, Widow of Glen J. Hungate (ABBDLEBA) of Greensburg, Indiana died on July 21, 2004. Born June 10, 1910 in Decatur County, she was the daughter of William and Dora Hahn Link. She was a former cook for 8 years at the Elks Club in Greensburg and a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church. Survivors include a son, Eugene W. Hungate of Elkhart, two daughters, Carol Lenihan, Indianapolis and Mary Ellen Fife, Indianapolis, 8 grandchildren and four great grandchildren. Funeral service was on July 26 with burial in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery.

Julius Hungate (ABCCEGHB), age 84, of Harrodsburg, Kentucky died on May 12, 2004. Born August 19, 1919 in Mercer County, he was the son of the late Henry and Cornelia Tyler Hungate. He was a graduate of Rose Hill High School, and Eastern Kentucky University; was a retired teacher in the Mercer County School System after 45 years; was an avid artist, musician and fisherman. He was a member of the Bruners Chapel Baptist Church. Survivors include a sister Virgie Vandivier, Mercer County and cousins. Funeral services were held May 15, with burial in Spring Hill Cemetery.

Barbara Ann Flora (ABAAFCDAA), of Marion, Ohio, formerly of Roanoke, passed away Monday, December 15, 2003. She was born on August 29, 1941 to the late Leslie Richardson and Virginia Blackwell Richardson. She is survived by her husband of 40 years, Bobby G. Flora; her son Michael Flora of Marion, Ohio; one half-brother, Glenn Richardson of Blacksburg, Va. She was preceded in death by her half-brother, Tracy Richardson. Memorial services were held Thursday, December 18, 2003 at 7 p. m. at Boyd Funeral Home in Marion, Ohio with the Reverend Daniel Kiger officiating. Burial arrangements were not finalized at the time of the announcement.