

# CHENAULT FAMILY NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER



Dear Cousins,

Greetings and a warm welcome to the Chenault Cousins and their families. I take this opportunity to wish each of us the best for a new year of 2011. To say the least, for some of us cuz's this new year has been a winter of snow and more snow than one can imagine. I do hope that the Christmas holidays were of Joy and Glee for each family and all their loved ones. We all look forward to that first "butter cup" and Mr/Mrs Robin to appear on our front lawns! For those who can only share the TV Weather from a sunny point, we wish you the best of Sand and Sun.

Our sights are set on meeting this year in St. Louis, Missouri, July 15-17, for our 62<sup>nd</sup> family reunion. St. Louis is just packed with places to go and see, and we all look forward to meeting a slam-packed bunch of Chenault Cousins! I do look forward to seeing all of our cousins and their families this July for a wonderful gathering of our past, present, and, of course, our future.

Stay safe.....live, love, and laugh!

Your cousin,  
*Ed Chenault, Sr.*



## 2011 REUNION INFORMATION

DATE - Friday, 15 Jul through Sunday, 17 Jul, 2011

PLACE - St. Louis, MO

HEADQUARTERS HOTEL - Holiday Inn  
St. Louis Airport

LOCATION - 4505 Woodson Road  
St. Louis, MO 63134  
314-427-4700

### REGISTRATION INFORMATION -

Hotel reservation information is covered below and is the responsibility of the individual attendees. A registration form for the reunion should be completed and forwarded to Barbara Chenault MacManus at the address shown on the form. A blank form is included at the end of this newsletter. The registration fees are as follows: \$65 per adult and children 12 years and older; \$12.50 per child under 12 years of age. Reunion registration must be received by Ms. MacManus by no later than SATURDAY, JULY 9, 2011, as the hotel requires a guarantee on the meals for the banquet. The registration fee covers the banquet meal, meeting space, refreshments served during meetings, and other miscellaneous reunion expenses.

### HOTEL INFORMATION -

The Chenault Family National Reunion special rate is \$89 plus tax for a room with two double beds or one king bed and \$119 plus tax for a suite. This rate includes a continental breakfast for up to 2 guests per room in the hotel's restaurant. There is a \$10 charge for a third person in a double room, except children under 17 years of age, who may share the parents' room at no additional charge. When making your reservations, be sure to indicate that the reservation is for the Chenault Family reunion. A credit card is

necessary to guarantee the room.

For those who wish to extend their stay in St. Louis by arriving early or staying later, the rates quoted here are good for the dates July 13-18, 2011.

This hotel does not allow pets.

RESERVATION CUTOFF DATE FOR THE GUARANTEED CHENAULT REUNION RATE IS JUNE 13, 2011. Note: Reservations made after June 30 will be provided on a space available basis at prevailing rates.

#### GETTING THERE –

The hotel provides a complimentary shuttle for airport and local transportation up to a 3-mile radius of the hotel..

However, if you will be driving to the reunion, following are the directions to the hotel:

Unless you are coming into St. Louis on I-70, you may take the I-270 loop to the north and then exit 20 onto I-70 toward St. Louis. From I-70, take Exit 236 toward the airport, and turn left onto Pear Tree Drive. Stay straight onto Natural Bridge Road. Take 3<sup>rd</sup> right onto Woodson Road. The hotel will be on your right.

#### PROGRAM –

Registration check-in will begin at 1:00 p.m., Friday, July 15 in the hospitality room. The hospitality room will be open for visiting and display of silent auction items and memorabilia after 1 p.m. It will remain open until 11:00 p.m. Friday night and Saturday night except during the Friday night activities, the Saturday meeting, and the Saturday evening banquet.

Friday night from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m., our customary get-acquainted gathering will include the children's program, refreshments, and an informal program.

Saturday's activities will include special interest programs with guest speakers and the annual business meeting. Following the business meeting, attendees will be free to select their afternoon activities, go site seeing, or relax in the hotel. The hospitality room will be open during the afternoon following lunch. Lunch is not provided as part of the reunion package.

Saturday evening at 7:00 p.m., the customary "dress-up" banquet will be held in the ballroom at the hotel. A special program is planned including officer induction and a guest speaker/entertainer.

Sunday morning is the traditional Memorial Service at which we gather to honor and celebrate the lives of those who have passed on to their Heavenly reward.

#### SILENT AUCTION -

Items donated by family members will be auctioned to help defray association expenses. Handmade crafts are especially welcome, as are artifacts, books, copies of photos, news articles, etc., especially those having historical and/or Chenault connections. These are displayed in the hospitality room. The auction will close at 6:00 p.m. Saturday, with the winning bids to be announced at the banquet.

#### MEMORABILIA -

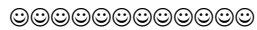
Members are invited to bring photos, books, and other family mementos to share with others. These items are not for sale. Place a descriptive label and owner's name on the items before leaving them on display. Also, on display will be mementos from previous reunions and several collections of correspondence, news clippings, and other items from the Association's historical files.

#### ENTERTAINMENT -

Volunteers are encouraged to participate. Vocalists, especially light music like Broadway, Country, Oldies, guitar, banjo, violin, barbershop, or yodeling are always welcome. And, if you prefer to have company on stage when you perform, join the Chenault Family National Choir. Their performances at recent reunions have been wonderful.

#### **NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOUR OFFERING**

City Museum has offered a special group tour to our reunion attendees who are interested. Saturday afternoon during our "free" time, if we can get a group of at least 15 who would like to take the tour, we can pre-book at a rate of \$8.00 per person. This is a substantial savings compared to the usual admission of \$12.00 per person otherwise. If you would like to join us on this tour, please note your reservation form in the area provided and include the proper amount for those in your group who will join the tour. For more information about what the museum offers, see the brief description under "Things To See On Your Reunion Visit" or check their website at [www.citymuseum.org](http://www.citymuseum.org).



### **THINGS TO SEE ON YOUR REUNION VISIT**

As you are planning your trip to St. Louis for the reunion, you may want to consider a little extra time to visit the wonderful attractions that the area offers. A few of them are briefly described below. Whether young or old, historian, art connoisseur, gardener, car enthusiast, or fun seeker, everyone should find something of interest nearby. And, for those who just enjoy savoring the tastes of great food and locally produced wines, you will not be disappointed with what the local establishments offer.

**Anheuser-Busch Brewery/Clydesdale Stables** - Free tours of the brewery are available for visitors to see the state-of-the-art techniques used in the brewing process and, if they are 21 years old, enjoy a sample of the product in the Hospitality Room at the conclusion of the tour. There is also a gift shop to tempt visitors to get a little souvenir of their visit.

**Busch Stadium** - Officially opened in 1966, the stadium is the home of the St. Louis Cardinals professional baseball team. Try to catch a game while you are in town.

**Cathedral Basilica** - The Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis, also known as the Saint Louis Cathedral or the New Cathedral, was completed in 1914 as the archdiocesan replacement for the Cathedral of St. Louis, King of France. Outwardly constructed of granite, the interior of the church is rich with black marble and a large mosaic installation, said to be the largest in the world, that covers 83,000 square feet. Tiffany designed and installed the mosaics in the side chapel and sanctuary walls, but those in the main cathedral were the work of many artisans. It is quite an awesome work of art for visitors to take in.

**City Museum** - Opened in 1997, this is a unique museum established in the 600,000 square foot former International Shoe Company building and includes a children's playground, funhouse, and architectural marvel made from reclaimed building materials which include old chimneys, salvaged bridges, construction cranes, and two abandoned planes. Unbelievable! Admission for visitors 3

years and older is \$12.00 each.

**Gateway Arch** - Standing 630 feet into the sky over St. Louis, the arch, designed by architect Eero Saarinen, is the tallest national monument in the country. The 1 million or so visitors to the arch each year, find it an imaginative tribute to the hardy pioneers who outfitted their wagons and headed westward across the Great Plains in the 1800's. The Museum of Westward Expansion below the arch offers a wonderful opportunity for visitors to be entertained and view interesting exhibits, as well as ride to the top of the arch via train to get a fabulous view of the structure and the city.

**Grant's Farm** - The 281-acre ancestral home of the Busch family, named for President Ulysses S. Grant who founded and farmed part of the acreage in the 1850's, has been preserved in tribute to the Busch family who loved animals and had a strong commitment to wildlife conservation and preservation. Admission is free so tourists can enjoy seeing more than 900 animals representing more than 100 different species of wildlife. Perhaps getting your photo with a Clydesdale would be a nice memento of your visit. The farm is a St. Louis treasure located just south of the city and easily accessible.

**Kemp Auto Museum** - The museum has more than 40 rare, classic European automobiles on display. Some are from the turn of the century, some from more modern day. It has "one of North America's finest private collections of Mercedes Benz ever displayed in one location." The museum is located in Chesterfield, in west St. Louis County, and is open Wednesday through Sunday, 10am to 5pm.

**Laclede Landing** - The area is a popular tourist attraction on the Mississippi Riverfront just north of Eads Bridge. It consists of several blocks of vintage brick-and-cast-iron warehouses built between 1850 and 1900 that have been converted into shops, restaurants, and bars. And, the streets are paved with cobblestones. It is a great destination for lunch or a pleasant walk with the arch just a short distance down the riverfront.

**Lafayette Square** - The Victorian neighborhood of Lafayette Square was once known as one of the most fashionable neighborhoods in St. Louis, and its focal point, Lafayette Park, was the most popular recreation spot in the city. In the post-Civil War years, the area was the choice site for several imposing residences for prominent national and local individuals including Louis Brandeis, later U.S. Supreme Court Justice; D.C. Jaccard, noted jeweler; Charles Nagel, Secretary of Commerce and Labor in the Taft Administration; Mrs. Firmin Desloge, widow of the mining magnate; and Joseph LaBarge and Horace Bixby, famed steamboat pilots. Although the neighborhood fell on hard times after a devastating storm hit the area in 1896 and suffered from neglect during the first half of the century, restoration efforts began in the 1960's, and today the oldest city park, named for the popular hero of the American Revolution who visited St. Louis in 1825, is surrounded by a neighborhood that is a beautiful reminder of the "flamboyant years" according to the description of Thomas Keay in "A Walk Around The Square."

**Laumeier Sculpture Park** - The park is an outdoor museum of contemporary sculpture beyond Laumeier's mission is stated to be, "to initiate a lifelong process of cultural awareness, enrich lives, and inspire creative thinking by engaging people in experiences of sculpture and nature simultaneously." The beautiful marriage of sculpture with nature is well worth the time of visitors.

**Missouri Botanical Garden** - Founded in 1859, the Missouri Botanical Garden is the nation's oldest botanical garden in continuous operation and a National Historic Landmark. The Garden is a center for botanical research and science education, as well as an oasis in the city of St. Louis. For information regarding hours and location, see [www.mobot.org](http://www.mobot.org).

**Museum of Transportation** - The museum is located in West St. Louis County and features a collection of railway equipment including freight and passenger cars and locomotives, a collection of

rare and classic American cars and trucks in the Earl C. Lindburg Automobile Center.

**St. Louis Union Station** - Once the world's largest passenger rail terminal, it first opened in 1894. With its Tiffany stained-glass "Allegorical Window," it now houses a festival style marketplace with more than 80 stores, shops, and restaurants.

**St. Louis Zoo** - Located in Forest Park, the zoo, which a leader in animal management research, conservation and education, has many wonderful features including the Zooline Railroad, a small train visitors may find as an enjoyable way to move around the zoo, as it encircles the zoo with stops at the more popular attractions. The walk-through bird cage was constructed in 1904 by the Smithsonian Institution for the World's Fair and then purchased by the city as the first step in establishing the zoo. Other attractions include the Emerson Children's Zoo, River's Edge with Asian elephants, cheetahs, hippos, rhinos and giant anteaters, the Butterfly House built in 2000, the Penguin and Puffin Coast, and the one-of-a-kind Conservation Carousel featuring hand-carved wooden animals representing the various species at the zoo.

**The Hill** - An influx of Italian immigrants during the 1890's to work in the clay plants in the area led to the settlement of the area around the plants which were located on the high ground south of the River des Peres and today's Interstate 44. At that time, the area was remote from the city and facilities for housing were sparse, so many of the immigrants initially lived in very poor housing and tenements. But over time, brick houses appeared along with shops, churches, and schools. By the time the World's Fair was held in 1904, part of the area was well built-up. Today, it is the location of some of the most popular restaurants, markets, and bakeries in the city. If visitors are craving the flavors of old Italy, this is the place to satisfy that craving.

**The Magic House** - This is a children's museum that is nationally acclaimed and has hundreds of hands-on exhibits for visitors of all ages to explore.

There is a Children's Village, the Star-Spangled Center, and the Jack and the Beanstalk Climber to excite the imagination. Admission for all over the age of 1 year is \$8.50, but parking is free.

### NOW ON FACEBOOK

Check out the Chenault Family National Association page on facebook.com. It is intended to point visitors to our web site for more information about us.

### RED BOOK NEWS



The 2008 edition of 'The Red Book' is available. If you would like to purchase the new book, ordering instructions are available online at [www.chenault.org](http://www.chenault.org). Or, you may notify Barbara

MacManus by simply completing an "Activity Request" form (copy included on the back of this newsletter), marking it "RED BOOK ORDER," attaching your check for \$95 per book, and mailing it to Mrs. MacManus. Please allow 2-4 weeks after our receipt of these paid orders for shipping of the books.

Note: The supply of the 1991 edition of the book is sold out.

### 1<sup>st</sup> SUPPLEMENT TO RED BOOK

As intended, the 2008 edition of the book has generated interest in adding details of more recent generations in many of the branches of the family tree. Also, some have indicated that information shown for their ancestors appears to be in error. Thus, the first supplement will be compiled and published in 2012 to include the changes and additions. Details for submissions will be released at the reunion in 2011. If you are unable to attend, but would like to include information in the supplement, you may contact Carolyn Sue Chenault either by email at [cschenau@swbell.net](mailto:cschenau@swbell.net) or by phone at 972-418-6623 for details regarding submissions.

## CHENAULT FAMILY NATIONAL ASSOCIATION 2008-2009 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Ed Chenault, Sr., President  
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John Blackwell Chenault, Second Vice President  
Barbara Chenault MacManus, Secretary/Treasurer

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Barbara Chenault MacManus

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### HISTORIAN & NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Carolyn Sue Chenault

### DIRECTORY

Barbara Chenault MacManus, Editor

## YOURS TRULY



What a glorious day we are having in the Texas Hill Country today. Of course, we are short of rain, but what else is new??? Certainly not that. After the most severe winter here in many years, this lovely warm sunny day is most welcome.

I am still reminiscing about our 2010 Reunion in Richmond, VA, and how great it was to meet so

many of our Virginia cousins that we had not known before. What a good time we had! Sorry so many of you could not be there. Cabell and Rev. John C. were marvelous hosts and the folks at the Capital of the Confederacy and Confederate Museum were most hospitable. That is a really fine facility and most interesting to visit.

Our reunion in St. Louis is shaping up to be equally as entertaining and interesting. An outing to the museum there is being planned as well, and from what I hear it is a fascinating place for the whole family. The programs being planned also promise to be outstanding, so make your arrangements, pack you bags, and “Meet Me In St. Louie, Louie.” Hob nob with the most wonderful bunch of people in the world, the Chen(n)aults, Shinaults, Shinalls, etc., etc., including their “better halves.”

On a personal note, many of you are aware that my husband, Jay, was to have reconstructive surgery on his foot after I returned from last year’s reunion. He did, and after many months of recovery from that and some other medical problems, he is walking again with no pain in his foot. Of course, that did not cure the Rheumatoid Arthritis that caused the foot problem, or the effect of RA on all his joints, but thankfully, it did solve one of those problems. It has been a long year for us dealing with health issues, and we are grateful for all your prayers. We know they were the primary reason for the blessing of recovery from our ordeal. To quote the tag line of Robin Chenault’s emails, “God is Good . . . All The Time.”

Now, once more, we ask for your prayers. This time, for my brother, B. J. Many of you remember him from his leadership of the Memorial Services for several years at the Annual Chenault National Reunions. I recently learned that he has the “big C.” He underwent surgery and came through it very well, and is quite optimistic for his future. Never-the-less, our prayers are with him and Evelyn and the family, and please pray with us for his full recovery.

Now, back to more pleasant things: I plan to fly up to Dallas and drive from there to St. Louis and back with Sue, our Historian, web master, and “go

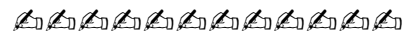
to” person for anything we need. Don’t you know that we will have a ball on that trip! Especially, coming back. We won’t have to be back at any certain time, and who knows what side trips we may decide to take, or what stops we may make along the way. Anyway, you can bet it will be a ball!

Look forward to seeing you soon -

Yours truly,  
*Barbara Chenault MacManus*  
Secretary/Treasurer

**CHENAULT FAMILY NATIONAL ASSOCIATION  
2011 DIRECTORY**

The 2011 edition of the Chenault Family National Association Directory will also be available at the reunion or by mail order from Barbara. It contains information that has been provided by those who have sent in completed Directory Information Forms. The cost of the Directory is \$26.00, which includes shipping and handling.



**MINUTES OF THE 61<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL REUNION  
CHENAULT FAMILY NATIONAL  
ASSOCIATION**

July 16-18 2010 Richmond, VA

Registration for the 61st Annual Chenault Family National Association Reunion commenced at 1:00 p.m., Friday, July 16, 2010, at the DoubleTree Downtown Richmond Hotel, Richmond, VA. The Hospitality Room opened providing hospitality and informal visiting during the reunion, as well as displays covering both family and reunion history, silent auction items, and souvenirs.

**Friday Evening, July 16, 2010---**

The Reception and Informal Get-together convened at 7:30 p.m. Friday with President Jerry Chenault calling the meeting to order and making a few brief announcements. He then called on association historian Sue Chenault to introduce the speaker for the evening’s special program. Cathy Wright, Manager of Collections at the Museum of the Confederacy, presented a program entitled, “Civil War Artifacts and Oddities.” It was an enlightening and entertaining

presentation about various items from the Civil War era donated to the museum. Included in the items shown were vintage buttons, dolls, shoes, jewelry, candles, aprons, plates, prosthetic arms, and other items including POW jewelry, boxes, toys, and games.

Following the presentation, James Logue led the attendees in reading the Chenault Prayer, composed by Mrs. W. W. (Elizabeth) Chenault in 1960. President Jerry covered arrangements for those planning to go on the specially arranged tour of the Museum of the Confederacy and Confederate White House Saturday afternoon and then called on Secretary/Treasurer Barbara Chenault MacManus for a special announcement. Barbara reminded everyone to check for their meal tickets in the registration packets and asked attendees to take a moment to review their directory listings in the display area of the hospitality room to ensure the accuracy of information shown for them in preparation for publishing the new edition of the directory. She then announced that a special proclamation had been drafted dedicating the 2010 reunion to the memory of Ovie “Granny” Chenault, who passed away in January. The proclamation was approved and presented to President Jerry Chenault and historian, Carolyn Sue Chenault, who are the son and daughter of Granny Ovie. It was noted that Granny Ovie was responsible for embroidering many of the signatures on the reunion tablecloth before having to pass it on due to her failing eyesight. It was suggested that a picture of the tablecloth and its history be added to the web site. Sue Chenault agreed to pursue the suggestion.

President Jerry then invited Elizabeth Ann “Libby” Chenault, Jean Chenault Logue and Howard Logue to come forward and handle the introduction of family groups. Following the introductions and a few stories of family interest, the session was adjourned, and everyone was invited to move to the hospitality room for visiting.

#### **Saturday Morning, July 17, 2010—**

President Jerry Chenault opened the Saturday morning session with the call to order at 8:30 a.m. The invocation was given by Rev. Nan Cushing. President Jerry made a few announcements regarding the afternoon tours and the Sunday memorial service before calling Libby and Jean to introduce attendees who were not present for introductions Friday evening.

President Jerry then introduced the first speaker for the session, Cabell Chenault, son of Rev. Dr. John Cabell Chenault, welcomed everyone to Richmond as he was

serving as our local host. He explained that while his early roots were in Kentucky, he had lived in Richmond for several years and now has his dad living with him. They have in recent months been able to explore the area where our Chenault roots in America began along Occupacia Creek. The area is where Stephen Chenault (II) lived and where documents were discovered that were the result of Anvester Chinault purchasing various items from a local merchant, Ninian Boog. He also told of locating an original of a document previously thought to bear only the mark of Stephen Chenault (I), but which actually bears his signature. This appears to confirm that he was indeed literate as believed as a result of his signature appearing on the 1707 Manakin petition located prior to the publishing of the 2008 edition of the Red Book.

The second speaker for the session, Carolyn Sue Chenault, presented the results of her exploration into the benefits of using DNA results in genealogical research. Following a brief explanation of DNA and the differences between tracing male versus female DNA, called mitochondrial DNA, she presented a chart which promoted greater understanding of the importance of selecting candidates to ensure the desired results or findings. She also covered the different types of tests and the associated costs as indicated on the web site for Family Tree DNA.

Libby Chenault, the third speaker for the session, presented another well-received slide presentation entitled, “Advertising the War: Poster Art of World War II.” While her presentation last year focused on WWI posters, this year she presented posters from both the government and private sectors publicizing the need for caution, volunteers, food, military recruitment, and manufacturing during WWII. It was interesting that there were Dr. Seuss posters, Philco ads, “Rosie the Riveter” posters, and Red Cross posters encouraging blood donations and other services. The Norman Rockwell art posters shown are still under copyright. The themes of many of the posters were “War needs come first!”; conservation of resources; and “Watch your speech!” Ironically, these might well apply today, too.

Following Libby’s presentation, the session was adjourned for a brief break before convening for the business meeting.

Before calling the business meeting to order, President Jerry invited Barbara MacManus to the podium to introduce a special guest who had joined the group during the first session. Barbara read a letter to the

group from Roger Chenault of Houston, who is the son of Rex Chenault, former President of the Association in 1958. He explained that although he and his wife, Phyllis, could not attend, their daughter, Stephanie Renee, would be there. He explained that they were quite proud of Stephanie's commendations from the Department of Defense for serving as a civilian in Iraq heading up information/intelligence gathering and systems development. Barbara then asked Stephanie to stand and meet the other attendees, who gave her a warm welcome.

**Annual Business Meeting, Saturday, July 17, 2010—**  
The business meeting of the Chenault Family National Association was called to order by President Jerry Chenault.

He invited Secretary/Treasurer Barbara MacManus to give her report. Barbara indicated the minutes as shown on the web site and in newsletter had been made available for everyone's review and asked if there were any changes. She then covered the Financial Report asked if there were any changes or corrections to the report. Motions were made and seconded to approve both the minutes and the financial report as covered. They were approved.

President Jerry then called for the Committee Reports, beginning with the Site Selection Committee, which he chairs. He indicated that his goal is to identify potential sites at least three years out so that hotel accommodations can be properly investigated and the best possible prices negotiated through requests for proposals from hotels in the areas. He recommended that in 2011 the reunion be held in St. Louis, MO. Motions were made and seconded to approve the site for 2011. The motion carried.

John Blackwell Chenault, chairman of the Nominating Committee reported the slate of officers recommended for the coming year. The recommendation proposed and approved included Ed Chenault, President; Cabell Chenault, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President; John Blackwell Chenault, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Barbara Chenault MacManus, Secretary/Treasurer. He indicated that he would be willing to continue to chair the Nominating Committee for the coming year in developing a slate of nominees for presentation at the 2011 reunion.

Carolyn Sue Chenault provided an update on the internet site. The site continues to be a great investment for the association as inquiries for membership, the new edition of the Red Book, and help in family searches continue to be received through the site. Suggestions for changes are welcome and should be addressed to Sue.

President Jerry then asked for other committee reports, but there was no further committee business offered. He asked if there were any changes to be proposed in the membership of any of the committees, but no requests for changes were received, so the committees will remain as currently staffed through the coming year.

President Jerry indicated that he had been made aware of a few new business items to be discussed and asked Carolyn Sue Chenault to come to the podium to explain a couple of new endeavors being proposed. Sue said that a couple of ideas have been proposed to encourage attendance at the reunions, and another has been proposed to encourage the sale of the 2008 edition of the Red Book.

First, it was proposed that a drawing be held during the dinner on Saturday evening where the prize to be given away would be two paid registrations for the next year's reunion. The recipient would have to be present to win and would be able to use the prize themselves or within their family. The association's finances are supportive of this, and it was further proposed that this would be done annually, unless the financial impact becomes detrimental to the association. A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposal. The motion carried.

The next item proposed was a second drawing at the dinner for a copy of the Red Book. This give-away would be funded out of the fund set aside for purchase of copies of the book by the association for gifts to various institutions. It is intended to get some copies out into the hands of family members who will share them in their areas and encourage interest in purchasing additional copies. A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposal. The motion carried.

The next item proposed was a contest for users of the internet site, primarily for children, but open to anyone. A series of questions about the family would be asked to which the answers are only available in the 2008 Red Book. Participants who send entries in the contest with all questions correctly answered would be entered into a drawing at the next reunion for a prize worth at least \$100, which would cover the cost of purchase of a Red Book if the person entering the contest had to purchase a book to enter. A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposal. The motion carried. Carolyn Sue Chenault will head up the effort to develop the contest and get it on the web site.

Libby Chenault proposed that a "scholarship fund" be developed to help members in the proximity of reunions to defray some of the costs of attending the

reunion. With so many people being hit by the economic hard times, it is believed that by helping them cover some of the costs for accommodations and registration, they would be able to attend where they might otherwise be unable to afford it. This idea definitely appealed to the attendees, but further work is needed to develop the guidelines, ideas for funding, and the manner in which applicants for the funding would be reviewed and selected for the scholarships. Libby was asked to head up this effort and present it to the Executive Committee for review.

President Jerry asked if there was any further new business. None was brought forward, so he adjourned the business meeting for 2010.

**Annual Banquet and Installation of Officers,  
Saturday, July 17, 2010—**

The Annual Banquet began at 7:00 p.m., Saturday, July 17 2010 with President Jerry Chenault presiding. Following the Pledge of Allegiance led by Ed Chenault, the invocation was given by John Blackwell Chenault.

President Jerry Chenault introduced the people seated at the head table, and then called on Cabell Chenault to introduce the keynote speaker, William A. Young, Jr., who entered the room in period dress as Capt. Gabriel Archer. His historical interpretation was both entertaining and educational. Capt. Archer, educated at Cambridge, first came to America in 1607, as part of an exploration of the James River. On his second trip in 1609, it is said that he likely perished with other settlers during a period of great starvation. As part of the first exploration, he proposed a settlement on land further inland from the mouth of Chesapeake Bay. That land became known as Archer's Hope. The settlement, however, was not undertaken at that time, as the site of Jamestown was chosen because of its deeper off-shore waters for closer mooring of ships. Mr. Young recommended reading of a book by Connie Lapallo entitled, Dark Enough to See the Stars in the Jamestown Sky."

Carlisle Chenault announced the results of the Silent Auction and the Candy Challenge, which was won by Becky Caldera.

President Jerry Chenault presented the Certificates of Appreciation and Special Awards, assisted by the Secretary/Treasurer, Barbara Chenault MacManus. Then, in a drawing approved during the business meeting earlier in the day, two prizes were awarded. Two paid 2011 reunion registrations were won by Nan Cushing, and Dot Chenault won a copy of the 2008 Red Book.

Following the "Passing of The Bread Basket," the newly elected officers were installed by Judge Jean Chenault Logue, assisted by Barbara Chenault MacManus. Out-going President Jerry Chenault expressed appreciation to those who had helped him during his term and said he would continue to serve the association to the best of his ability as Site Selection chairperson. He then passed the gavel to the newly installed President, Ed Chenault, and invited him to address attendees. Ed presented a plaque of recognition and appreciation to Jerry before making his remarks.

Barbara announced the results of the bread basket donations and the contribution of sales of T-shirts donated by the Kentucky Chenault cousins and said the hospitality room would open immediately following the adjournment of the dinner session.

The session was adjourned.

**Chenault Family Memorial Service, Sunday, July  
18, 2010—**

The annual Chenault Family Memorial Service began at 9:00 a.m., Sunday, July 18, 2010. Following a greeting from Rev. Nan Cushing, a program of prayers and hymns with a reading from Job 19:21-22 was handled by various attendees. After the reading of a prayer of remembrance, the Memorial Honor Roll was read by Jerry Chenault. Following a period of silent prayer and petitions, the service was closed with a final prayer.

The Reunion was adjourned until the third weekend of July 2011.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carolyn Sue Chenault

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**CHENAULT FAMILY NATIONAL ASSOCIATION  
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS  
AND BALANCE SHEET**

Financial reports are no longer published in the newsletter, but are shared with members in two ways. A copy of the complete report is provided in the reunion registration packet for attendees to review prior to the business meeting. During the meeting, the report will be covered and questions addressed. Anyone who does not attend the reunion is welcome to request a copy of the report be mailed to them by contacting Barbara MacManus, Secretary/Treasurer.

**LOOKING AHEAD →→→→→**  
**Where do we go from here?**

Jerry Chenault, Chairperson of the 2011 Site Selection Committee, continues to research possible sites for reunions the next three years or so. During the business meeting in St. Louis, he will be reporting on what he has found and will recommend a site for the 2012 reunion for approval. Factors considered in determining sites are accommodations, costs, and surrounding entertainment availability. Jerry welcomes site suggestions, as well as volunteers willing to help scope out hotels in the areas suggested

*de Cheneau* **SOUVENIRS**

A limited quantity of souvenirs are available at reunions, but they also may be ordered directly from Secretary/Treasurer, Barbara Chenault MacManus by mail, phone, fax, or e-mail, [barcmac@austin.rr.com](mailto:barcmac@austin.rr.com). Each of the souvenir items is beautifully decorated in color with the family crest. They make great family gifts. With the exception of the Crest Note Cards, the following souvenir prices do not include shipping and handling:

- T-Shirts (XXL Only) \$6.50 *reduced!*
- Red Polo Shirts (M-XXL) \$27.50 *Limited Stock*
- Green Polo Shirts (Adult S-XXL) \$27.50
- Green Polo Shirts (Child S-L) \$20.00
- Green Totes w/crest \$15.00
- Golf Caps \$10.00
- Christmas Ornaments \$10.00
- Embroidered Crest Patches \$ 6.00
- Crest Note Cards (8/pkg) Small \$ 6.50
- Crest Note Cards (8/pkg) Large \$10.00
- Crest X-Stitch Patterns \$ 4.00
- Huguenot Cross X-Stitch Patterns \$ 4.00
- Crest Prints (suitable for framing) \$15.00

The Chenault Family National Association does not assess dues for membership and is dependent on donations, silent auctions and the sale of souvenir items to help offset the operating expenses such as printing, supplies, communication, and postage. We encourage you to support the Chenault Family National Association by participating in fund-raising activities including the sale of souvenirs.

**CHENAULT FAMILY NATIONAL  
ASSOCIATION 2010 MEMORIAL HONOR  
ROLL**

- Richard Everett Chenault; d. 6 Nov 2006
- Duke Meredith Loftis, b. 28 Jun 1933; d. 11 Nov 2007; buried Signal Hill Mem. Park, Hanover Co., VA.
- Demple Chenault Barlow, b. 21 Aug 1936; d. 14 Jun 2008; buried Concord Baptist Church, Ruther Glen, VA.
- Donald Shirley (Bert) Anderson, b. 30 Oct 1931; d. 10 Feb 2009, Richmond, VA.
- Nathaniel Holt Kennedy, b. 5 Apr 1980; d. 28 Sep 2009.
- Kennith L. Chennault, b. 12 May 1935; d. 25 Oct 2009, Highland Village, TX.
- Ovie Mae Pittman Chenault, b. 9 Nov 1911; d. 16 Jan 2010, Dallas, TX.

**HONOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES**

Information regarding deceased relatives who have not previously been included on the Honor Roll, and whom you wish to have included for the Annual Memorial Service to be held at the reunion in Richmond should be sent to the Secretary/Treasurer by July 1, 2010 to be included in the printed program. Include their full name, dates of birth and death, place of residence, where they were buried, and the 2008 Chenault "Red Book" number, if known. Information may be sent by mail, phone, fax, or email shown on various forms contained in this publication and the [www.chenault.org](http://www.chenault.org) website

**VARIANT SPELLINGS OF FAMILY NAME**

Variant surname spellings were provided by "Cousin" Lewis R. Breckenridge in 1996 and updated by "Cousin" Christopher Shinall in 1998. Others have been added since that time and will continue to be added as they are identified.

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REGISTRATION  
2011 CHENAULT FAMILY NATIONAL ASSOCIATION  
ANNUAL REUNION, JULY 1-17, 2011

Saturday Evening Banquet Menu Selection: \_\_\_\_\_Chicken Cordon Bleu  
(Please indicate number of each.) \_\_\_\_\_Ribeye Steak  
\_\_\_\_\_Children's Meal (Under 12 years)\*

\*Includes Chicken Nuggets, French Fries, and Dessert

Names of adults attending:

Names and ages of children attending:

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**REGISTRATION FEES**

Adults & Children 12 yrs. & Older \_\_\_\_\_@ \$65.00    Children 3-11 yrs. \_\_\_\_\_@ \$12.50    Children under 3 yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ \$ FREE

Museum tour (see Newsletter "Registration" for details) \_\_\_\_\_@ \$8.00    Total Paid by Check # \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Registration fees include breakfast, refreshments, Saturday banquet meal, meeting space, and other reunion expenses.)

**PLEASE REGISTER EARLY - MINIMUM BANQUET GUARANTEE REQUIRED BY HOTEL, SO...  
REGISTRATION WITH PAYMENT FOR BANQUET  
MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN SATURDAY, JULY 9, 2011.**

**Check or money order, please, payable to: CHENAULT FAMILY NATIONAL ASSOCIATION**

**Mail to: Barbara C. MacManus, Secretary/Treasurer**

**Chenault Family National Association    Phone: 830-992-3027**

**710 Agave Court    Fax: 830-992-3027**

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**Late Registration by Phone or E-mail Will Be Accepted No Later Than July 11, 2011**

**And Must Be Paid When Registering at Reunion - Late Registration No Shows Will Be Billed**

**THIS WILL BE YOUR ONLY REUNION NOTIFICATION - NO FOLLOW UP NOTICE WILL BE SENT**

**HOTEL RESERVATIONS**

**Must Be Made by June 13, 2011, to receive the Chenault Reunion Special Rates.**

Reservations may be made by calling 314-427-4700.

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