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New Board Positions, 2005-2006:

Program Directors—Doris Arnold and Floyd Owsley
Secretary—Connie Howard
Treasurer—Sheila Patterson

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Program of Events

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THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 2005

8:30 a.m. Meet in Lobby to carpool to Shaker Village.

3:00-5:00 Early Registration available.

4:00-5:30 OFHS Board of Directors' Meeting.

—————*Dinner on your own with cousins and friends*—————

—————*Visiting after dinner in our OFHS Hospitality Room*—————

FRIDAY, JUNE 17, 2005

8:30 a.m. Registration opens.
Coffee, tea, juice and donuts in meeting room.

9:00-10:00 **OPENING SESSION**—*welcome to Kentucky.*
OFHS Annual Business Meeting
—————Ronny O. Bodine presiding—————

10:00-10:45 **Knights of the Garter Ceremony at Windsor Castle**—Jane and Ray Hanson.

11:00 a.m. Carpool to **Pleasant Retreat**, restored home of William Owsley, Governor of Kentucky 1844-1848, for lunch in carriage house plus house tour and historical video. Floyd Owsley leads us.

—————*Dinner on your own with cousins and friends*—————

SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 2005

9:00-9:45 **Widows' Dowers as a Source of Genealogical Information**—William Gann.
Based on his book written with Gary Toms.

9:45 Break for coffee and tea.

10:00-12:00 **DNA Testing . . . the Good . . . the Bad . . . and the Ugly: When DNA Test Results Are Not What You Expect**—Floyd Owsley and Ronny O. Bodine.

—————*Lunch on your own with cousins and friends*—————

1:00-1:30 **Adventures of a Kindergartner Speaking only German in the U.S.**—Ronny O. Bodine.

1:30-2:30 **Pioneer Coffee Giant Who Kept National Economy Percolating Had Kentucky Owsley Roots**—G. Randle Pace, Historic Preservation Officer for City of Houston, Texas.

—————*Afternoon for visiting in the OFHS Hospitality Room; research in local libraries; or touring the historical homes and other sights in Kentucky horse country*—————

6:30 p.m. **Dinner with cousins at the Ramada**

The Short Version of "The Long Night"
—Jim Griffin retells an Owsley story.
Background by Dr. Frank L. Owsley, Jr.

Saturday night game.

—————*Farewells until 2006 in Chattanooga, Tennessee*—————