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for entertaining us with wonderful dulcimer music

Local merchants and museums, and members,  
for donated door prizes

and last, but not least,  
President Ronny O. Bodine  
for boundless patience!

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 Mark your calendar now for the next OFHS  
Annual Meeting: July 8-10, 1999.  
*We look forward to seeing you there!*

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## *Program of Events*

Owsley Family Historical Society

20th Annual Meeting  
Hot Springs, Arkansas

July 9 - 11, 1998  
Downtowner Hotel

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# 1998 Owsley Family Historical Society Annual Meeting

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## Thursday, July 9, 1998

- 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Early Registration available  
*Informal visiting in the hotel lobby or a stroll in the nearby park*
- 1:30 - 4:30 p.m. OFHS Board of Directors meeting  
—Dinner on your own with friends—  
—After dinner, informal gathering in the lobby for more conversation—

## Friday, July 10, 1998

- 8:30 a.m. Registration opens  
9:00 - 10:00 a.m. **OPENING SESSION**  
Welcome & Exciting Announcements
- Owsleys in Arkansas.** Russell P. Baker. Archivist, Arkansas History Commission. Arkansas was one of the 19th century's 'pass-through' states. Many a family, including Owsleys and Housleys, passed through Arkansas on their way West.  
—Morning refreshments break—

- 10:30 a.m. **OFHS Annual Business Meeting,**  
Ronny O. Bodine, presiding.
- 11:45 a.m. *Buffet luncheon* - (included in registration)

**Afternoon free** to sightsee with others in a car pool or go on a stroll... or stay at the hotel and exchange family information... or explore computer and Internet use with Milancie Adams.

- 6:00 p.m. *An optional event... a new idea this year.*

The heart of Arkansas is not where you would expect to find an exceptional German restaurant, but there is one just a couple of blocks from the hotel. The food is excellent and the prices are moderate. We hope you will want to go to dinner there with cousins. *This dinner is optional, and is Dutch treat.* You may walk or drive to the restaurant; directions will be given, and a group of tables will be reserved for us.

—After dinner, informal conversations in the hotel lobby—

## Saturday, July 11, 1998

- 9:00 a.m. **Eleanor of Aquitaine and Several Kings: An Owsley Family Story.** Sheila Patterson. Both historical and humorous, this presentation will give a decidedly different perspective on some early history.
- 9:45 —*another delightful morning refreshment break*—
- 10:00 a.m. **That Old Time Religion: Genealogical Uses for Frontier Church and Religious Records.** Russell P. Baker.  
A discussion of the significance of religion in frontier life and the importance of locating, understanding, and using records created by frontier churches and religious organizations in the solving of difficult genealogical questions.
- 11:00 a.m. **The Luxemburgs & Joan of Arc.** Br. Tom Spalding.  
Historical accuracy and details highlight this presentation, while our speaker vividly recreates the historical setting of this event with the Owsley connection.  
—lunch on your own—
- 1:15 p.m. **Genealogical Software for Family Historians.**  
Milancie Adams. Learn about databases to store all of the clues you have been collecting, map programs, software to organize cemetery information, free homepages and utility programs to produce Web pages from genealogical data.
- 2:15 p.m. **Introducing the Housley Families of Arkansas.**  
Jeanne Housley. This branch of the Owsley family descended from an Owsley who changed his name and moved from Virginia to Tennessee to Arkansas.
- 3:15 p.m. **Genealogical Research on the Internet.**  
Milancie Adams, winner of multiple awards for her Internet site.  
A survey of the various software tools available for recording and sharing your family history: Stepping out onto the Internet; E-mail, the most important tool; Mailing lists and newsgroups; Genealogical gateways; Genealogical and surname databases; Personal webpages, and history webs; and On-line data.

—Break for visiting and exchange of family history—

- 6:00 p.m. *Dinner together with cousins*

*Closing and fond farewells until next year at \_\_\_\_\_ ???*