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2004 Already!

Here we go! It's hard to believe that another year has rolled by. Our very best wishes to each of you as we enter the new year. Since we have all been so busy with holiday plans, we are sending this issue to everyone on our mailing list so that you can keep up with other Reneau Descendants. It costs \$46.00 in postage to send out the *Review*, and we do appreciate the contributions that have been sent in to help cover the cost of postage and printing. We have mulled over setting up a Reneau Website, and think that will be in our future. However, about half of the people on our mailing list do not have an email address, and then I'm not sure if you would like the type of personal information contained in the *Review* to be placed on the web. Let us know what you think, as we continue to publish our *Reneau Review* in this format. Some options would be to have the *Review* available by mail and/or sent as an attachment directly to you by email, or password protected on a website. Let us know your thoughts! Comments may be sent to:

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BOOK REPORT

The Reunion Book is beginning to take shape! The general format will be a short review of the ancestors of our common ancestor John Reno, his wife, Elizabeth Thurman Reno, and their issue. There will then be a chapter devoted to each of their children: Berry Jordan Reneau, Isaac Tipton Reneau, and Jonathan Mulkey Reneau. Included in these chapters will be sections devoted to their children and descendants. The descendants will, of course, concentrate on the information of those who attended the 2003 Reunion, along with those who mailed in information. We hope to include photos and oral history stories, as well. Another branch of Reneaus, descendants of Francis Marion Reneau, will have a similar format. The last chapter will

focus on the Reunion, including Reunion Photos.

If you haven't sent in information, now is the time to do so! We want everyone who was at the Reunion to contribute, as well as those who are on our mailing list, who would like to be included in the book!

As you read this, if you see there is a lineage or family group missing, let me know!

Funds for publishing the Reneau Book stand at \$432.00.

Reneau Review Financials:

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Nov. Newsletter expense	
Copywork/paper	18.90
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Nov. Balance	14.78
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DID YOU KNOW?

In May of 1952 a Reneau Descendant was named **Texas Mother of the Year!** The lady who earned this distinguished title was **Marion Tipton Rowland Blake**. During this time, Marion, her husband William Black and their seven children were living in Cain, Texas. With all of her responsibilities Marion still found time to compose poetry and songs, and to engage actively in cultural, educational and religious activities. All while bringing up six sons and a daughter!. Mrs. Blake attended a luncheon at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York City on May 9 at which all the state nominees were honored.

Marion Tipton Reneau Blake was the daughter of Mary Bitsey Rowland, granddaughter of Mariba Reneau Depp, and great granddaughter of Isaac Tipton Reneau. Marion was born in Glasgow, KY October 5, 1892 and died in Lubbock, Texas December 11, 1964.

Marion's son, Jack Blake and his wife Jody of Midland, Texas attended the 2003 Reneau Reunion in San Antonio, Texas. Joining them at the Reunion was their son Bruce and wife Tina of Liberty, Texas.

Thanks to **Dollye McAlister Elliot** for the following article:

Reynaud, Reneau, Reno

People not acquainted with the many variations of Colonists; names in the 17th and 18th centuries are inclined to feel that the different spellings actually refer to different families. Not so. Researchers on their family lines will find the family name spelled in different ways, often phonetically. These names were usually written by a court official; if a person could not write and sign his name, that was usually the correct spelling.

People in the 17th and 18th centuries, here and in Britain, were not overly concerned about spelling anything. It was not until Samuel Johnson published his Dictionary in the 18th century that even educated people spelled the same word the same way. One can find, as I have, English legal documents where the same word is spelled several different ways in the same document.

Renaud, Reynaud, Renault, etc., are common names in France and considered branches of the same families. Also, it is very possible that the clerk in the English government office recording Lewis Reynaud's" Denization did not ask Lewis how to

spell his name (and assuming Lewis spoke good English), but spelled it as the clerk pleased.

When the Reneaus and other French Huguenots arrived in the English colony of Virginia, the colonists spelled their names as they sounded to English ears. Most of the English colonists would have had trouble with the spelling "Reneau" or "Reyanud" and anglicized the spelling and name to Reno – pronounced Ren-NO', as it can be found spelled Renno and Rennoe in the contemporary county records.

There had become something of a stigma in England on being a Huguenot, as the refugees flooded into London, so Huguenots tended to anglicize their names to assimilate into the populace.

Since Reno, Nevada, was named for Union General Jesse Lee Reno, who was fatally wounded in the Civil War, the pronunciation of Reno popularly become pronounced RE'-no. (The name of my brother Reneau, whom we called REN'-o, was mispronounced by friends and acquaintances alike as REE'-no, and occasionally Bruno!)

A rule of thumb in the spellings "Reneau" and "Reno" appears to be that those of the family who stayed in the environs of Tennessee and Kentucky and those who went farther South changed the spelling from Reno (?back) to Reneau about the time of the American Revolution and the popularity of the Marquis de la Fayette; those of the same family who went North and West retained the Reno spelling.

A HAPPY CORRECTION!

In our first issue of the *Reneau Review* we noted our oldest attendee at the San Antonio Reneau Reunion was Mary Dean Reneau Johnson who would be 91 years old this January. We sure do want to **wish Mary a Very Happy Birthday, who will be 94 years old on the 15th of January!** Mary is the great granddaughter of Isaac Tipton Reneau, granddaughter of John Mulkey Reneau, and daughter of William Elbert Reneau. Mary's sister, Lou Reneau Matson, niece, Ellen Matson, and son, Tom Johnson, also were at the Reunion.

Kudos!

Happy Birthday wishes go out to Walter Park who is 90 years old this month! Also, he and his wife, Rosalee, celebrated their 70th Wedding Anniversary on Oct. 21, 2003! Congratulations to you both! Walter is the son of Mary Compton Park, grandson of Isabelle Reneau Compton, and ggrandson of Jonathan Mulkey Reneau. Walter and Rosalee Park live in Bonham, Texas.

A SNEAK PEAK!

The **2004 Reunion Team of Anna Chandler, Joyce Mann, Linda Moore and Terrell Perkins** are meeting this month to plan for the Reunion this year in Austin. We are sure to hear more about it in future *Reviews*. **Linda** did let us know that the event will have a Silent Auction, and the **Chateau Lafayette Reneau Winery in upstate New York** will provide some of their wine for the auction. The Team is also contemplating a 2004 **Reneau Reunion Cookbook** of delicious recipes from Reneau kin. The cookbook would be for sale at the 2004 Reunion in Austin, and would help pay for Reunion expense. **The Team would like to know if** the group would support this idea, so please email or write to the *Reneau Review* at the address on the first page.

We have heard....

Word has come to us from San Antonio that **Isaac Alexander Reneau Rodriquez** was involved in an automobile accident last month. We are thankful that he is okay. Isaac Alexander is the son of Julienne Reneau Rodriquez, and grandson of William and Maria Reneau, all of San Antonio, TX. Isaac Alexander's namesakes (through his ggrandfather, Meredith Thurman Reneau,) include his gggrandfather, Isaac Tipton Alexander Reneau and ggggrandfather, Isaac Tipton Reneau.

We extend our sympathy...

Our condolences to Erma Thomson and family on the passing of her mother, Mada Campbell Robertson. Mada was the granddaughter of Barton Warren Stone Reneau, and great granddaughter of Isaac Tipton Reneau. She was born February 28, 1904 in Munday, TX and passed away peacefully December 20, 2003 at the age of 99 in Lexington Place Assisted Living Home where she resided for the past year and a half. She was preceded in death by her parents, Laura Reneau Campbell and James E. Campbell; her husband William Pat Robertson; her brother Marvin Campbell and sister, Ila Dobbs. She is survived by daughter, Erma Doris Thomson; granddaughter, Tricia Stammberger and her husband Eric; grandson, Jim Thomson and his wife Susan; great grandson, Dane Thomson and his wife Christy, all of Dallas; great granddaughter, Samantha Thomson of Los Angeles, CA; great great grandchildren, Reagan, Haylie, Jakson, Jordon,

Jaycob Thomson all of Dallas; nieces and nephews in Ohio, Florida and PA, and many cousins in Texas, Washington and Oregon. Mada was a member of the Highland Park United Methodist Church for 37 years. She enjoyed being active in many clubs, including the garden club, antique club, and the Friday Morning Book Club. Mada held offices in The Dallas Woman's Forum, the Woman's Lecture Club of Dallas, and was the chairman and volunteer buyer for the Wadley Institute of Molecular Medicine for many years. She also enjoyed going to the Dallas Symphony Pops series, musicals and art exhibits. Her interests were many and she had a love of life, friends and family. Services were held Tuesday, December 23, 2003 at Restland Wildwood Chapel.

Our condolences to...

We reach out to Pat Madis upon hearing of the death of her husband, George. George passed away suddenly on December 22, 2003 from a heart attack. Our sympathy extends to the Madis family. George and Pat have four children, and two of them live close to the Madis home in Brownsboro, Texas. We so enjoyed meeting both Pat and George at the 2003 Reneau Reunion. Pat is a "Reneau" through Jonathan Mulkey Reneau, son of John Reno. Our sympathy goes out to the Madis family from their extended Reneau Family. George was the Henderson Co., TX 4-H Rifle Team coach for 20 years. He was president for the first 2 years and co-founder of the Winchester Arms Collectors Association and member of the National Rifle Association. George had written 7 books on the Antique Winchesters and was working on his 8th book at the time of his death. Pat will finish his book since she was working on it with him. He was a world renowned author on Antique Winchesters. George and Pat have lived on their East Texas ranch for 20 years.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU...

Please consider **this your newsletter to share with other Reneau Descendants** events or milestones about your family. Birthday, family in the Armed Forces, new job, Baby, Wedding? We also want to hear about illness and from those we need to keep close to heart who are going through a difficult time. Please send any items of interest to Anita Daniels, at the address or email noted on page 1. **Do you have a Reneau Descendant relative** who would like to receive the *Reneau Review*? Please send name and address and we will include them on the mailing list. Keep up with Reneau and 2004 Reunion news! We appreciate a \$5.00 donation to help pay for copywork and postage.

Beautiful Wedding...

Tom Johnson shared this article of the wedding of his daughter, Hilary Leigh Johnson to Patrick Cooper Burnett. Hilary is the granddaughter of Mary Dean Reneau Johnson. Hilary traces her ancestry through William Elbert Reneau, John Mulkey Reneau, and then Isaac Tipton Reneau. Congratulations and best wishes to Hilary and Patrick!



A Blessed Event

Congratulations to **Craig and Shelly Field** of Beaverton, OR on the birth of their son. **Chancellor Robert Field** was born at 2:10 AM on November 18, 2003, weighing 6.4 lbs and 19 ½ inches long. Welcoming baby Chance, the newest Reneau Descendant, is Grandmother, Edwyna Brandle and ggrandmother, Vi Brandle. Going back to our first American Reynaud/Reno/Reneau ancestor, here is Chancellor's lineage: Craig Brandle, Edwyna Brandle, Edward Brandle, Gladys Reneau Brandle, Eugene LaRue Reneau, Barton Warren Stone Reneau, Isaac Tipton Reneau, John Reno, Charles Reno, John Reno, Lewis Reno, Louis Reynaud. Wow, that's a long tag for such a little one! Welcome to you!



Stacey Brandle, daughter of Ken Brandle of Salem, Oregon, is shown holding her new cousin, Chance Field. (actually 1st cousin once removed!)

From the Midland Reporter-Telegram, Sunday, November 22, 2003:



Mrs. Patrick Cooper Barnett

JOHNSON-BARNETT

Hilary Leigh Johnson and Patrick Cooper Barnett, both of Arlington, VA, were married at 5 p.m., November 8, at St. Ann's Episcopal Church in Annapolis, Maryland. The Reverend John Price and Mr. William Haley officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom E. Johnson of Midland, TX, and the granddaughter of Mrs. Edwin Johnson of Austin, TX. Ms. Johnson is the granddaughter of the late Edwin Johnson of Austin and the late John Henry Johnson and Ada Cordia Johnson of Crowell, TX.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Barnett of Atlanta, Georgia. He is the grandson of Mrs. Max Milligan and Mrs. Carl Barnett of Atlanta, Georgia. He is the grandson of the late Reverend Max Milligan and the late Carl Barnett.

Hollen Wheeler of Arlington, VA, and Heather Watts of York, England, sisters of the bride, served as the matrons of honor.

The bride was also attended by the groom's sisters, Sally Pickren and Leigh Barnett, both from Atlanta, GA. Also attending the bride were Helana Pedregon of Fredricksburg, TX, and Laura Hoag of Dallas, TX.

Junior bridesmaids were Nicole Dale, Stephanie Gordon, Lakia Hart, Diamond Lee and Keana McDuffie.

John Barnett, father of the groom, and Josh Drexler of Arlington, VA, served as best men. The groom was also attended by the bride's brother, Tom H. Johnson of Los Angeles, CA, Jeff Pickren, brother-in-law of the groom, and Todd Johnston of Atlanta, GA.

Ushers were Brady Birdsong, Rob Forrester, Andrew Kentz, Todd Kice and Geoff Wheeler.

The bride's godchild, LeAnn Dale of Washington, D.C., served as flower girl. Harley Pedregon of Fredricksburg, TX, served as ring bearer.

After a wedding trip to Naples, Florida, the couple will live in Arlington, VA.



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Greetings!

We hope that the *Reneau Review* finds each of you in good health and enjoying the change of seasons. Looking across the United States, some still have snow, others are in the midst of more rain, and still others are in the warm sunshine. Did you know that the *Reneau Review* is sent to Reneau descendants in 24 states? They are: AR, CA, CO, FL, GA, ID, IL, IN, KY, LA, MD, MI, MO, MS, NM, OH, OK, OR, PA, TN, TX, VA, WA, and WV!

This got me to thinking...how come we all ended up where we are? The first Reneaus (or Renos) came to this country mostly through Virginia. Do you know the reason that your ancestors moved? My grandfather, Eugene LaRue Reneau, (son of Barton Warren Stone Reneau, son of Isaac Tipton Reneau, son of John Reno, son of Charles Reno) came to Oregon in the late 1920's, after trying life on the frontier of New Mexico. We find him in Prairie Precinct, Lane Co., Oregon in the 1930 census, and then later moving to Portland to work for the Kaiser Company at the Swan Island Shipyard. This company played a vital role in building and repairing ships during WWII. I guess if things had turned out differently for Eugene, I could be writing this in New Mexico or Texas! But here I am, in Vancouver, WA—just across the river from Portland, OR, the town where I was born.

I'm sure there are some great stories out there, about how you landed where you are! Send us your story and we'll print it in the *Review*.

Anita Reneau Daniels

Thank You!

Thanks to you who sent contributions in to keep our newsletter going. We have asked for a \$5.00 contribution to receive the newsletter, and yet we want to continue to send to all of those on our mailing list, even if they are unable to contribute for one reason or another. Several have gone above and beyond the \$5.00, and we want to especially thank you, as it keeps this method of communication in

“Business.” When I say “business,” I mean it is a “labor of love.” We don't make any money from the *Review*, just the right amount to keep the issues coming to Reneau descendants! So, it is your newsletter, and we'll print an issue as often as we have the materials and the funds, which, so far, appears to work out sending an issue every other month.

Welcome New Readers!

This month we have increased our readership by two! Welcome to:

Leigh Reneau Wimberly of Leesville, LA. Leigh is a Reneau descendant of the William Tipton Reneau line. William was the son of Charles Reno and Alice Tipton. Leigh's line runs from Charles Reno, William Tipton Reneau, Charles Francis Reneau, George William Reneau, Thomas Tillman Reneau, and Woodrow Wilson Reneau.

Leigh is an experienced genealogist. Welcome, Leigh, to our group!

Caroline Reneau Shepler of Elkins, WV. Carolyn is the oldest daughter of Oren Neathery (Ned) and Florence Reneau. Her line then traces: Oren Neathery Reneau, Isaac Oren, Reuben James Shannon, Isaac Tipton, John Reno, Charles, John, Lewis, Louis Reynaud, Louis.

CORRECTION TO LAST ISSUE....

If you have your January 2004 issue of the *Reneau Review*, please go back to the article by Dollye Elliott to make a correction to the sentence: “These names were usually written by a court official; if a person could **not** write and sign his name that was usually the correct spelling.” (The word “**not**” should not be in there.)

The sentence should read: “These names were usually written by a court official; **if a person could write and sign his name, that was usually the correct spelling.**” Thank you, Dollye for catching that!

Book Report

The Reneau Reunion Book is beginning to take shape! Thank you to all who have sent in their family memories and pictures. We still have time for more! There are close to 60 pages now. The book is loaded with photos and snapshots, from the past and present! I hope to have the first draft completed in the next couple months, and then will ask for help from some to review for accuracy. I also return to the writer a copy of the first draft, so it can be reviewed and approved! Photos or snapshots can be scanned and emailed to me, or sent by regular mail. If you send the photos by mail, I will be sure to return them. Please think about getting your story in, and then taking the time to do it!! After the book is printed it will be too late, and we just don't want anyone to be disappointed that their family story and pictures were not included.

Churches in our Family History



Sinking Creek Baptist Church
Old and New Buildings

Gary and Brenda Payne Rose and family recently visited their son, Jonathan, and his family in Elizabethton, TN. They had the opportunity to visit the Sinking Creek Baptist Church near Elizabethton, where the Tiptons and Reneaus went to church. Since churches were often used as school, it is possible that Charles Reno taught school there, as the school was in the Sinking Creek area.

The sign on the old building reads: "Oldest Church in Tennessee, Sinking Creek Baptist Church, 1783-1924." Last year, Brenda and her family traveled to Albany, KY. They visited Betty Reneau, great-granddaughter of Isaac Tipton Reneau. As well as learning family history, there were visits to several churches which our ancestors attended, among them, Clear Fork Baptist Church, and the First Christian Church in Albany, KY. Brenda has sent in the pictures for our Reneau Book.

Are there special churches in your family history? Send us a picture, along with a short write up about it, who attended, etc. We will have a **special chapter** in the book, dedicated to churches we attend and/or our ancestors attended! I know that we have some ministers in our group. It would be wonderful to have a snapshot/drawing/photo of your church, and how you fit into the history.

Some years back, Mada Campbell Robertson (1904-2003) sent my father, Marion James Reneau a copy of a bulletin with a picture of the First United Methodist Church in Fort Smith AR. Mada wrote, that even after 21 years in Dallas, TX, the family still received the Church Bulletin. Mada and Pat's daughter, Erma Campbell Thomson, was married there, and the children were baptized there. Mada was the daughter of Laura Reneau Campbell, great-granddaughter of Isaac Tipton Reneau. In memory of Mada, we'll place the drawing of the church that is in the bulletin into the chapter of **Churches in our Family**.

When my father, Marion James Reneau, married my mother, a Danish girl, Phern Anna Hansen, he joined the Lutheran Church. Since then we have had three "Reneau" generations who have attended there. Of course, the Danes go back a long way!

There are so many churches that mean much to us. Please share yours! And, thank you, Brenda, for the great idea. By the way, Brenda's line is Charles, John, Isaac Tipton, Margaret Eunice Reneau Stillings, Lula Belle Stillings Bennett, Martha Eunice Bennett Greene, Margie Kathleen Greene Payne.

WE ARE THINKING OF....

Janice Blake Anderson, of Stockton, CA, who recently had hip replacement surgery. We hope that you are well on your way to recovery, Janice. Janice traces her ancestors from Charles, John, Isaac Tipton, Mariba Elizabeth Reneau Depp, Mary Pitsey Depp Rowland, Marion Rowland Blake.

Vi Ellis Brandle, of Salem, OR, who is not feeling well due to a reaction to medication. We hope that the doctors have figured things out, Vi. Vi's husband was Edward Brandle, who passed away in 1999. Ed's Reneau line traces from Charles, John, Isaac Tipton, Barton Warren Stone, Eugene LaRue, Gladys Reneau Brandle.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Virgil and Gladys Commons will celebrate their **66th Wedding Anniversary on April 24, 2004.**

Virgil Wallace Commons married Gladys Gilbert on April 24, 1938, in Oklahoma. They are members of the Church of Christ and live in DeSoto, TX. They have two sons: Michael Wayne and Earl Wallace. They have five grandchildren: Mike Jr. and Chris Commons, Wendy Horn, Lori Rutledge, and Chad Commons; nine great-grandchildren: Brandi, Trevor, Calab, Abigail, Lilli, Brennon, and Ryan Commons, Kaitlyn and Austin Horn; and two great-great-grandchildren: Aston Commons and Angel Rutledge. Congratulations, Virgil and Gladys!



Virgil and Gladys Commons
2000

CALLING ALL YOUNG INTERVIEWERS!

It happens fairly often. The kids bring home a school assignment to interview Grandma, Grandpa, or some older person to learn what life was like in their day. These are just cute little assignments to us, a learning experience for the interviewer, and the interviewee enjoys telling about back then. In later years these become precious memories and clues to the past! We would like to include these interviews in the Reneau Book. So if your budding writer had done an interview with a Reneau ancestor, send it in and we will include it in the book!

The following “junior interview” was done in 1994.

NOTES FROM SARAH COOK WHEN SHE

INTEVIEWED HER GREAT GRANDFATHER MARION RENEAU

“When I was a kid”...interview with Great Grandpa Reneau on 2-21-94 (Questions were to guide the student to ask about what it was like when a grandparent was little.)

(Article typed verbatim from Sarah Cook’s writing.)

Q: What was your grandparents’ school like?

A: A 1 room schoolhouse with all 8 grades in it. He went there for 4 years, a total (total) of 12 kids in the school was Riverview west of Eugene, Oregon. He went to High School in Junction City, Oregon. It was a 4 room school, 16 kids were in his graduating class.

Q: What did your grandparents do for fun?

A: He loved to play baseball. He played all 4 years of highschool. He rode horses and he did spelling Bees. He made his own baseballs from twine he wrapped it to 9".

Q: What kind of jobs or chores did your grandparents have to do?

A: Milk the cows, bring the eggs in. He had to get water from the lake because there was no well.

Q: What kind of foods did your grandparents eat? Was it any different from today?

A: He ate dried fruits and veggies, because there were no freezers. They had to butcher a calf for their meat. They caught rabbits.

Q: What do your grandparents think is the biggest change from the "old days" to today?

A: There's a lot more machinery. More control of labor people. There were no phones. The cars have changed a lot.

Age: me 8, Great Grandpa 77



David (3 yrs) and Sarah (5 yrs) Cook with their
Great-grandpa Reneau

February 28, 1991

CALLING MARIBA RENEAU DEPP

DESCENDANTS....

Dollye McAlister Elliott is looking for information about **Elizabeth Ann Hill**, who married Jonathan Mulkey Reneau, son of John and Elizabeth (Thurman) Reneau.

Since Hill is such a common name, it is difficult to make a connection with any particular Hill family. The Hills were apparently from the same area in Kentucky as the Reneaus. Elizabeth is buried on a farm near Tompkinsville, Monroe Co., KY. Please contact the *Review* or Dollye directly at DOLLYEMC@aol.com. Dollye is descended from John and Elizabeth (Thurman) Reneau, via their son Jonathan Mulkey Reneau, and Elizabeth Ann Hill; their youngest daughter was Eulissa Virginia ("Nattie") Reneau (who married William Henry Jackson, Barren Co., KY); Nattie's only daughter was Dove Cleo Jackson who married James Lanier McAlister (Sr.) in Bowling Green, Warren Co., KY, March 23, 1908.

Dollye's mother, Dove Cleo Jackson, lost both her parents, two baby brothers, and two half-sisters between 1892 and 1900. Cleo was 7 years old when her mother died, and 9 years old when her father died. She then went to live for a short time with her older Cousin, Mariba Reneau Depp and her family, until her half-brother, Clarence T. Jackson, took her to live with her older Half sister, Ada (Jackson) Mize in Bowling Green, KY.

Write to the Reneau Review!

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Please consider sharing items that you think will interest other Reneaus, and don't forget articles for the Reneau Book!

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Robert E. Reneau

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Robert writes that he has some of his grandfather's, Isaac Alexander Reneau, papers with family history, and he may be able to help someone out with lineage. Robert is a descendant of Charles, John, Isaac Tipton Reneau, Isaac Tipton Alexander Reneau, Meredith Thurman Reneau.

If you would like to have your name included for others as available to correspond with others about Reneau history, please let us know.

Reunion 2004

The Reunion Team: Ann Chandler, Jackie Mann, Linda Moore, and Terrell Perkins are planning our 2004 Reunion in Austin, Texas. Thoughts are to have the Reunion in one of the first three weeks of October. The way it works for large group reservations in the park facilities is to have a drawing for the various sites. The drawings will be held in late March. So, 2004 Reneau Reunion information will be available in our next issue. Go Reneaus!!!



Looking at photos

l-r: Patty Bates Reneau,
Mackie Lee Reneau Maples, and Douglas Maples
2003 Reneau Reunion
San Antonio, TX



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Home for Sale!



Moor Green

You may be asking, why publicize a home for sale in the *Reneau Review*? Well, this is a special place for all of us! This site has been written about before. Genealogist and author Dollye McAlister Elliott mentions Moor Green in her article, "The Reneau-Reno Family of Virginia, Tennessee, and Kentucky," in Vol. IV, Number 4, of *The Colonial Genealogist*.

Genealogist Leigh Reneau Wimberly has recently been researching this area, finding copies of the Works Progress Administration of Virginia Historical Inventory paperwork, listed as "More Green," (sic) on the Library of Virginia website: www.lva.lib.va.us.

It's amazing what you find by searching the internet. After hearing from Leigh, that is what I did...and I found Moor Green for sale under Virginia Antique Real Estate.

Moor Green sits on 10 acres which is part of the original 968 acres that was patented in 1711 by Clemond Chevaelle and "Louis Renoe." Lewis Reno, French Huguenot, is our ancestor who was granted Denization in England in 1688. "Denization" meant permission to settle in England. After denization was granted to Lewis Reynaud and family, Parliament changed Denization to Naturalizations. Lewis went into Court in Virginia in October, 1688, and swore he was Naturalized. If he had not been Naturalized, he could not have patented land in Virginia. The Renos/Renoes went directly from England to Old Prince William Co., VA, taking advantage of Nicholas Hayward's offer to lease/buy land there.

Now, about the house: Moor Green is listed as an

five bay, three story federal residence built in the late 18th century." It is listed both on the National Historic Register and the Virginia Historic Register. The original foundation dates 1711. It appears here could be the original home site of Louis Reno and family! It is wonderful that history is being preserved here, and that our ancestors were part of it!

Mystery Photograph



Tipton Moore Reneau and ??

This photo was sent in by Marie Reneau Knight, to see if any of the Review readers would know who is in the photo with her grandfather, Tipton Moore Reneau. If you know, please write or email the Review at apdaniels1@msn.com and we will solve the mystery!

Welcome New Readers....

We would like to welcome **Judy Reneau** and children, **Charles and Kathleen** to our list of readers. Judy Reneau lives in Albany, KY. Judy's husband, Ulysses S. "U.S." Reneau passed away in 2001. "U.S." was the son of **Raymond and Ruth Reneau** of Albany, KY. Raymond is a descendant of Ulysses Simpson Grant Reneau, Berry Jordan, John Reno, Charles, John, Lewis, Louis Reynaud, Louis.

Reneau Books

Mary Walker from Lubbock, TX suggested that we have a section of the Reneau Review dedicated to books that are available about Reneaus/Renos. Here is our first group of suggested reading. Please let us know if you have a book that you would recommend!

Genealogy of the Reno/Reneau Family in America, 1600-1920 by Steven G. Fancy and Sue Reneau Damewood. The latest edition will be available in approximate two months. Cost: \$40.00, includes shipping.

Dr. Steven G. Fancy
PO Box 270534
Fort Collins, CO 80527
email: sfancy@verinet.com

Landmarks of Old Prince William (VA), by Fairfax Harrison, published by the Prince William County Historical Commission, contains information about some of the Huguenots who settled in Prince William Co., VA, including the Renos/Rennoes. This book may be found in major libraries or genealogical societies and used book stores. **Dollye McAlister Elliott of St Louis, MO**, in her article, "Nicholas Hayward of London and the Huguenot Emigration to Virginia", refers to Fairfax Harrison's book, explaining the entries on this family in King James II's Bounty Papers, which shows Nicholas Hayward's help in bringing the Reno family to Old Prince William Co., VA. Dollye's article may be found in *The Colonial Genealogist*, Vol. IX, Number 2, 32nd Issue. *The Colonial Genealogist* may be found in any large library with a genealogical reference section, or a copy may be purchased for a nominal sum from The Augustan Society, P. O. Box 75, Daggett, CA 92327-0075. For more information you may also view The Augustan Society website: www.augustansociety.org.

Biographical Sketches of Gospel Preachers by H. Leo Boles. Information about Isaac Tipton Reneau is in this book, along with other gospel preachers of the times. This reprint is available at:
Faith and Facts Bookstore
6530 N. Michigan Road
Indianapolis, IN 46268
Tel: 1-800-423-2484
Cost: \$17.95 plus tax (if applicable) & shipping.

Faint the Trumpet Sounds by John Upton Terrell is recommended by **Julienne Reneau Rodriguez of San Antonio**. This book is about the life of Major Marcus Albert Reno, who was at the battle of Little Big Horn under Custer's command. Julienne notes that Reno's life is one of tragedy and misfortune. His personal life and early death of his wife, Mary Hannah, was only a part of this sadness. His military career was in ruins after Little Big Horn. Major Reno tried to clear his name up until his death in 1889. It took many years of work by his descendants to finally right this wrong. Marcus Albert Reno's lineage is: James Madison Reno, Aaron, John David, John, Lewis, Louis Reynaud, Louis.

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Balance on hand for April Review: \$84.86

*increase due to copying 4 pages instead of 3.

**increase 4 pages and charge for envelopes for March issue. (I had donated the envelopes in earlier issues)

Reneau Revenue

Many Thanks to the following:

October: Gene Reneau, Pat Madis, Betty Reneau, Louise Wisener, Marie Knight, Brenda Rose, Anita Daniels, Ned Reneau,

November: Laurie Cook, Linda Moore, Janice Woods, Alvin Chandler, Mary Walker, Charlene Welch, Susan Daniels, Bill Reneau, Willie Reneau, Ann Chandler.

December: Jerry Telford, Lou Matson, Jana Wojenski, Loyce Magnum, Virgil Commons, Dorothy Taylor, Edwyna Field, Clyde Day, Charlie Reneau, Jack Blake, Dollye Elliott,

February: Scott R. Campbell, Lou Matson, Ellen Matson, Robert E. Reneau, Ned Reneau, Carolyn Shepler, Julienne Rodriguez.

March: Randall M. Campbell, Koleta Moad, William Schrom, Margaret Day, Leigh Wimberly.

Thanks to all who support the Reneau Review!

Calling Wood Descendants....

Isaac Tipton Reneau married Mary Gipson Wood in Aug. 1838. Descendants of this union are invited to join other Wood descendants at the Annual Wood Reunion on Sat., Aug 7, 2004 at the Clinton Co. Community Center, Albany, KY. Please contact **Betty Reneau** (314 Tennessee. Rd, Albany, KY 42602) for more information.

Baby News!



Welcome to Sarah Grace Wisener

Fred and Louise Wisener have a new granddaughter, who was born Tuesday, March 2, 2004 in Houston, TX! Her name is **Sarah Grace Wisener**. She weighed in at 8 lb. 5 oz and was 19 inches long. Sarah Grace's parents are **Jeffrey and Kelli Wisener**. She joins her two older brothers, **Zane and Britt**.

Sarah Grace's Reneau ancestry is: Jeffrey Lane Wisener, Helen Louise Compton, Louie Henry, Luther Savage, Isabel A. Reneau, Jonathan Mulkey, John Reno, Charles, John, Lewis, Louis Reynaud, Louis.

Welcome, Sarah Grace !

In Front of the Camera...

In addition to being part of the Lubbock, Texas Police Force, **Chuck Moad** is spending a little time in front of the movie camera. Chuck will be an extra in a new football movie being filmed at his son, Michael's high school and at the stadium in Lubbock. Chuck is the son of **Wayne Moad and Koleta Bauman Moad**. Chuck's Reneau lineage is Koleta Bauman Moad, Esther LeeJeanne Reneau Bauman, Eugene LaRue Reneau, Barton Warren Stone, Isaac Tipton, John Reno, Charles, John, Lewis, Louis Reynaud, Louis.

Adrienne Marlene Reneau of San Antonio, TX, who underwent surgery a few months ago. We hope you are feeling better, Adrienne!

Delia Reneau of Ferris, TX, who has had some health problems. We hope that you are doing much better, Delia.

Wayne Arnold Moad of Odessa, TX, continues to improve from heart surgery complications last year. We are glad to hear you are feeling better, Wayne. It's been a long road!

Reneau Book Report

We have now over 70 pages in our Reneau Reunion Book. There are still about a dozen people who said they would send information and we haven't received it yet. If this is you, please get your photos and information to me as soon as you can! The deadline to have articles in the book is **July 15, 2004!** If you can beat that deadline, it will help me out a lot, as it takes time to get the information and pictures into the computer and formatted for printing.

Don't forget, if you have a special church in your family, please send a picture of the church with a write-up. And, also, any junior interviewers who have interviewed Grandma or Grandpa, etc, please get your interview in so we can include that as well! Last, we are having a section on general Reneau History, which will talk about Louis Reynard, Lewis Reno, John Reno and others. If you would like to submit an article about one of our early ancestors, I would encourage you to do so.

Reneau Book Deadline is July 15, 2004

Don't be left out. I think you will be pleased with the book. Send your information and pictures to:

Anita Reneau Daniels
17617 SE 34th Circle
Vancouver, WA 98683
apdaniels1@msn.com

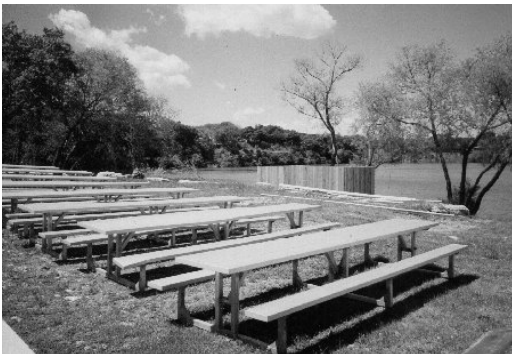
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Reunion 2004 News!!

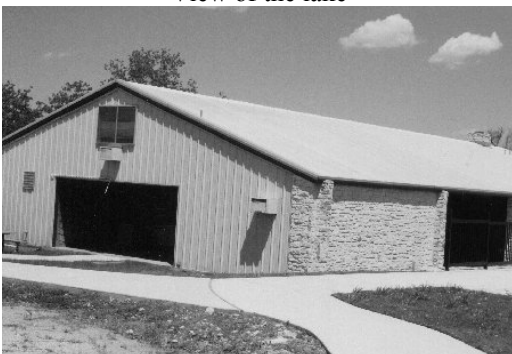
The reunion team of Linda Moore, Ann Chandler, Jackie Mann, and Terrell Perkins report that the 2004 Reneau Reunion will be held at a local Austin, TX Baptist church campground of 50+ acres that has been reserved for **October 16th, the third Saturday in October.** Thankl you to **Dr. Joe Reneau** for securing this beautiful park for us. Remember, this is a **Nation-Wide Reneau Event** for anyone associated with Any Reneau family line, so put the word out! More details will follow in the next issue of the *Reneau Review!*



2004 Reunion Planning Team
l-r: Anna Chandler, Jackie Mann, Linda Moore and Terrell Perkins



View of the lake



Pavilion
Picnic tables inside

RENEAU RECIPES!

The 2004 Reunion Team is **putting together a cookbook!** Ann Chandler is looking for a typist to compile all the recipes in the same format. Of course, this all depends on whether there are enough recipes sent in. We need at least 100 recipes. They would need to be to Ann Chandler **by September 1st**. Please send recipes to:

Ann Chandler
404 Spiller Lane
Austin, TX 78746

or you may email your recipes to:
annalchandler404@yahoo.com.

Reunion 2003 San Antonio, TX A Great Get-Together!



l-r: Mary Dean Johnson, Jack Evans Blake, Tom Edwin Johnson.



l-r: Willie Reneau, Cindy Reneau, Gene Reneau

**Mark October 16, 2004 for this year's
Reneau Reunion!**



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Reneau Reunion 2004!

Start making your plans! The 2004 Reunion will be held in Austin, Texas on October 16th! Included in the *Reneau Review* is a flyer with all the 2004 Reunion News. Please share this with all your Reneau cousins, so the word will get out to as many as possible!

New this year is a website that will have our 2004 Reunion

News....<http://www.geocities.com/annalchandler404/index.html?1085533135312> Check it out often, as there will be updates and up to the minute news about what's happening from the 2004 Reunion Team. Kudos' to Jackie Mann, Anna Chandler, Linda Moore, and Terrell Perkins, our 2004 Reunion Planners!

A Letter from the Past...

On January 26, 1883, **Mary E. Clark**, daughter of **John Pleasant Thurman Reneau**, wrote a letter to her uncle **Isaac Tipton Reneau**. John Pleasant was obviously named for the large Pleasants family of around Surry Co., VA, many generations of John Pleasants, all prosperous settlers. They lived near the Jordans, Wrights, and Washington families of that area. (Joseph Wright Reneau, Berry Jordan Reneau, Nathan Washington Reneau et al.)

The original of this letter is in the West Virginia University Charles C. Wise, Jr., Library, and the following are excerpts of the letter, telling her uncle Isaac news of various members of the family in 1883.

Thanks to **Dollye McAlister Elliott** for providing us a transcript of the letter. Mary Clark provides some interesting information, giving a vivid picture of life during her time. Especially interesting is her comment about a Washington connection to the Reneau line.

It will help a bit to understand the letter with the following information:

Polly was a favorite name of Mary Gipson Wood Reneau, Isaac Tipton Reneau's wife.

Mary and Samuel Clark had four children: Flora Mae (Clark) Young, Eugenia (Clark) Clough, Henrietta Eola Clark, and Augustin Clark.

John Pleasant Thurman Reneau and Susan Elizabeth Watson Reneau were parents of nine children: Mary Elizabeth (author of this letter), Lee Ann, Amanda, Sallie, Mattie, William, Abner, Corrine and an infant who died young. Mary Clark refers to some of her siblings in the letter.

"We have had a great deal of sickness in the family; until this summer and winter I have not known hardly a well day. I was in miserable health for four or five years until I went to Hot Springs five years ago. that improved me so much that I felt a new person two years. . . . But since then I have gradually fallen back until I am almost as bad as before I went.

*** Tell Aunt Polly that Gussie is the largest boy to his age she ever saw. He will be fourteen the last day of March and is as large as most boys of 16 or 17. Eugenie, my eldest, is in her nineteenth year. She graduated in June '81, is not going to school now, but I would send her off to boarding school if I was able. I have

two other children, Henrietta Eola, eleven years of age, and Maie, my baby, four. She is the very image of Gussie, as you saw him, same skin, hair, and eyes. *** Tell Aunt Polly that I say please send me a piece of the silk dress she made. And tell me just how long she was in raising the worms, spinning, weaving, making, and all. And how long ago it was. I think it was the first silk dress, made under the circumstances, in America. ***** Uncle Isaac, I want to ask a favor of you.

Tell me all you know about our family connections. Write it in the shape of a chart. I know that our connection is illustrious & that Grandma Reneau [Elizabeth (Thurman) Reneau] was Washington's cousin. On what side, I do not know. As Washington's kinsmen we are allied to the Duke of Buckingham and Lord Sulgrave, Earl of Southampton, the latter being [Col. John Washington's Grandfather. Such a connection should never be forgotten, but handed down from father to son, through generations. I would be more obliged than I can tell if you will be so kind as to do as I have asked.

You know we once had a chart of the family, but it was destroyed during the [Civil] War. *** Give my love to all. I got a letter from Cousin Eunice in the fall, was very glad to hear from her but sorry to hear of her ill health. I addressed the letter to Horse Cave [KY]. They had been gone from there ten years. I wonder at its ever reaching her. *** What has become of Cousin Mary? has she ever married? Give her my love. How is Mrs. Harrison's family. I have not heard from them in a long time. Give them my love also. Could any of you come to Paducah I would be most happy to see you. ***

Lee was over just before Christmas. She has four children. Their eldest girl Lillie is eleven years of age. She spent Christmas week with [?Heinri.] She looks very much like Lee. [?Young] is running a train. Will is not doing any thing at present. He has not been doing any thing regular since he went out of the Grocery business. Matt is dead. She died in Memphis with the Yellow fever four years ago. Cousin Sallie [Sarah Eola Reneau], Uncle Nat's daughter, I suppose you know, is dead. Died in '78 of Yellow fever. [The 1878 Yellow Fever Epidemic hit the country and destroyed hundreds of thousands of people. DME has a copy of a letter Sallie, in Germantown, TN, during Epidemic wrote to her father, Nathaniel Smith Reneau in Washington D.C., as well as a newspaper clipping telling about Nat, en route to her bedside, finding that Sallie had died.]

Corinne is still living with me; she is not married yet. She is in her 24th year [age 23]. She could have married several times, but she did not care to. She is perfectly satisfied to remain as she is. She says when the right one comes along, maybe she will have him. *** Give my love to all. Your Affectionate Niece, Mary E. Clark.
Address to Mrs. S. H. Clark, Box 68, Paducah, Ky.”

Welcome New Readers...

We would like to welcome **Dan and Gina Day, Terri and James Hardin, and Linda and James Adams** to our list of readers!

Dan Day's Reneau lineage is: Howard Day, Lorenzo Day Jr., Mary Elizabeth Reneau Day, Joseph Wickliffe Reneau, Isaac Tipton Reneau, John Reno, Charles Reno, John Reno, Lewis Reno, LewisReno/Reynard.

Terri Hardin is descended from: James Eli Swindall Jr., Selins Olive Reneau, John Mulkey Reneau, Isaac Tipton Reneau, John Reno, Charles Reno, John Reno, Lewis Reno, Lewis Reno/Reynard.

Linda Adams' Reneau line is: Anna Lee Eisen Crawford, Courtney Royal (Rall) Eisen, LeeAnn Reneau Eisen, John Pleasant Thurman Reneau, John Reno, Charles Reno, John Reno, Lewis Reno, Lewis Reno/Reynard. Linda's great grandmother, Lee Ann Reneau Eisen was a sister of Mary Reneau Clark, who wrote the letter that is in this month's *Reneau Review*.

Reneau Revenue

Many Thanks to the following for their contributions to cover costs for the *Reneau Review*:

April/May/June: Jean Cornett, James Parks, Benton and Delia Reneau, Bill Reneau, Louise and Fred Wisener, Dollye McAlister Elliott, Alvin and Linda Chandler, Kathrine Mason Moore, Lorenzo Dow Day, Lisa and Terry Lapsley. THANK YOU!

CONTACT CORNER!

The following are names and contact information of those who would like to correspond with other Reneau Descendants:

Lisa Reneau Lapsley

5376 Saunders Rd.

Jacksonville, FL 32277

Tel: 904-745-7994 Call **after 4PM Eastern Time!**

Email: laps9633Abellsouth.net

Lisa's Reneau lineage is Harold Edwin Reneau, Alden Reneau, Tipton Moore Reneau, Barton Warren Stone Reneau, Isaac Tipton Reneau, John Reno, Charles Reno, John Reno, Lewis Reno, Lewis Reno/Reynard.

Another Interesting Reneau Book

In the April 2004 *Reneau Review* we started a section on Books about or by Reneau's. This is a fine book to increase your understanding of the "Battle of Little Bighorn."

Reno and Apsalooka Survive Custer by Ottie W. Reno. (c. 1997 Rosemont Publishing) Marcus Reno and the author, Ottie Reno are fourth cousins twice removed. Their common ancestor is Lewis Reno (1676 – 1755). This is an especially interesting book since the author met with descendants of Crow Indians, whose ancestors had served as Crow Scouts under Reno. They, too, wanted to add their perspective. Ottie W. Reno delves into the decision making process as to why it took 78 years after Marcus Reno's death for his name to finally be cleared.

DON'T BE LEFT OUT!!

The deadline for sending in your Reneau family history and/or pictures is **July 15, 2004!**

We have had great response and estimate that we are now well over 100 pages!

Remember, if you attended the 2003 Reneau Reunion in San Antonio, you will receive a Reneau Book. If you did not attend, but send in information to place in the book you will also receive a book. The funds we have to publish the book will be covered by the monies collected for the book at the reunion; contributions that have been sent in to help defray the cost; and monies from the auction after other costs were expensed out. If you would like to contribute to the Book Fund, please send your contribution to Anita Daniels, 17617 SE. 34th Cir., Vancouver, WA. Any overage will be used for the 2004 Reunion in Austin.

Please, if you haven't sent in your information, do it as soon as possible! By the way, if you don't feel like writing an article, give me a call at 360-944-7831. I'll take notes and send you a copy of the write-up for your approval!

New Fourth Cousins
Hayden and Christina

NEWBORN NEWS!!+++++

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Welcome to Hayden Howard White!



Welcome to Christina Jean Gonzales

Congratulations to Jennifer Moad White and Jimmy White on the birth of their son, Hayden Howard. Hayden was born in Odessa, TX on April 14, 2004, weighing 5 lbs 9 ozs, and 18 inches long. Congratulations also to Haylee on becoming a big sister! Hayden is a Reneau descendant through: Jennifer Moad White, Chuck Moad, Koleta Bauman Moad, Esther Reneau Bauman, Eugene LaRue Reneau, Barton Warren Stone, Isaac Tipton, John Reno, Charles, John, Lewis, Lewis Reno/Reynaud. Proud Great-Grandma Koleta Moad says Hayden, at one month old, knows sounds of different voices!

Congratulations to Amber Dixon Gonzales and Victor Gonzales on the birth of their daughter, Christina Jean. Christina was born in San Antonio, TX on May 8, 2004, weighing 7 lbs 4 ozs, and 20 inches long. Christina's Reneau Ancestry is: Amber Dixon Gonzales, Jannetta Mote Lambert, Dorothy Reneau Mote, Rex Raymond Reneau, Barton Warren Stone, Isaac Tipton, John Reno, Charles, John, Lewis, Lewis Reno/Reynaud. This is the second great grandchild for Dorothy and Al Mote! Such a sweetheart!

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Who is it with Tipton Moore Reneau?



In the last issue, Marie Reneau Knight had sent in this picture, wondering who the man sitting by her grandfather, Tipton Moore Reneau. Anna Reneau of Greenville, TX and Alvin Chandler of Rowlett, TX think it looks very much like Edward Gipson Reneau!

Should we continue?

This is your newsletter, so please feel free to send in any Reneau related information—whether is be a birth, illness, graduation, a tribute, Reneau related news clippings now or from the past, or any interesting Reneau history. Please share with your near and distant cousins through the *Reneau Review!*

Call, email, or send a letter to:
Anita Reneau Daniels, 17617 SE 34th Circle,
Vancouver, WA 98683-8200. Tel: 360-944-7831. Email:
Apdaniels1@msn.com

At the next Reunion we will decide if there is enough interest to continue the Reneau Review. So, please give it some thought!

Kappy 50th Wedding Anniversary!



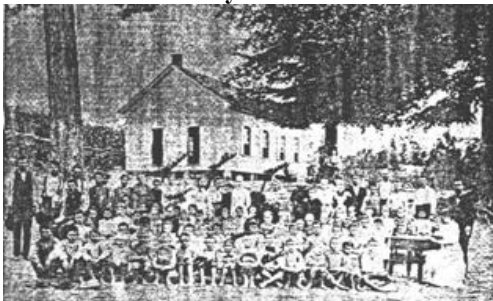
Dorothy and Al Mote
1954 and 2004

Congratulations to Dorothy Jean Reneau Mote and Arthur Lanier Mote on their 50th Wedding Anniversary on June 6, 2004. Al and Dorothy were married on June 6, 1954 in Pampa, Texas. Dorothy’s Reneau lineage is: Rex Raymond Reneau, Eugene LaRue, Barton Warren Stone, Isaac Tipton, John Reno, Charles, John, Lewis, Lewis Reno/Renaud.

The couple now resides in San Antonio, TX. They were the hosts of our first Reneau Reunion in October 2003.

The Motes have four children: Johnny Dale, Karl Way, Jannetta Lynn Lambert, and Katrina Marie Dolotina. They also have eleven grandchildren: Michelle Mote Winsett; Jason, Kevin, Clinton, Christopher, and Casey Mote; Amber Dixon Gonzales; Charles, and Kathryn Lambert; and Alana Dolotina. Dorothy and Al are now great grandparents, as well: Elissa Winsett and Christina Jean Gonzales! Congratulations!!

“Bare Feet” Was the Style at Beech Grove in 1894”



The photo above is a news clipping provided by Kathryn Mason Moore. It was printed in the Ivanhoe, CA newspaper under the “old photo” feature. It was noted that Mrs. Maggie Reneau Miller, daughter of Joseph Wickliffe Reneau, submitted the photo of the Class of 1894 at Eighty-eight, KY. After 71 years, Maggie Miller said she had done her best to identify each person in the photo, as she was 10 years old at the time! It was noted that she could name all but one face, without help.

We would like to place this in our Reneau Book. Does anyone have access to the photo (rather than a news

clipping copy) that we could copy? It would be clearer if we copy a photo! Let me know at apDaniels1@msn.com or 17617 SE 34th Circle, Vancouver, WA. Thanks!

All in a Days Work!



Alden and Harold Reneau

Alden Reneau, his wife Rachel, and son, Harold, owned and operated **Reneau Grocery Market** for 24 years in Dallas. The above picture shows Alden and Harold stocking shelves in 1947, the year the Market opened. Alden was the youngest son of Tipton Moore Reneau and Jeanette May Russell Reneau.

Compare! Compare! Compare!

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RENEAU GROCERY
4350 HARTFORD LAM230
June, 1971

June, 1971

Last Marketing Flyer for the Store

Thanks to Lisa Reneau Lapsley for sharing this piece of family history! See more in our Reneau Book! Be sure to share your family history with



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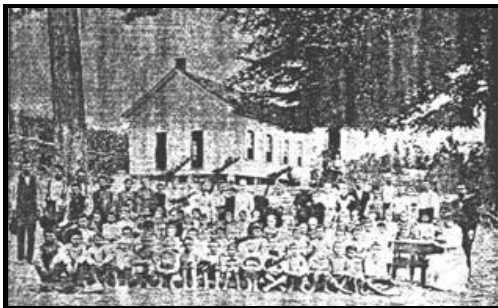
SO LITTLE TIME!

The deadline to send in your information for the Reneau book is approaching fast. I have asked that you have your information to me by July 15, 2004. There has been a great response, and I am busy working on finalizing the articles and/or pictures that have just come in. If you are in the midst of getting your photos and/or stories together, and will miss the deadline a few days, PLEASE LET ME KNOW, either by email, phone or mail. If I do not hear by July 15th that you are sending information that will get to me the following week, I will assume that everything is in! And it will be a done deal!

My email address is: apdaniels1@msn.com; regular mail: 17617 SE 34th Circle, Vancouver, WA, 98683; and telephone: 360-944-7831.

I want to do the best I can to be sure everyone is included who wants to be! Thank you for your help and cooperation.

“Bare Feet” Was the Style at Beech Grove in 1894”



In the June issue we showed this news clipping sent in by **Kathrine Mason Moore** showing the children and teachers of the Beech Grover class of 1894 at Eighty-eight Kentucky. Thanks to **Terri Swindell Hardin**, who called to say she had an original that we can copy for the book. Thank you Kathrine and Terri.

Welcome New Readers....

Valerie and John Ralston: Valerie is the daughter of **Mary and Wilford Walker**. Valerie's Reneau lineage is: Mary Ellen Day Walker, Lorenzo Dow Day Jr, Mary Elizabeth Reneau Day, Joseph Wickliffe Reneau, Isaac Tipton Reneau, John Reno, Charles, John, Lewis, Lewis Reno/Reynard. Valerie and John live in Carrollton, Texas. Welcome to our group, and we hope to see you at the 2004 Reneau Reunion on October 16th!

Mystery Photo



This is such a beautiful photo! Unfortunately, we are not sure who it is. **Betty Reneau** has an original with the name **Clarissa Blowers** and **Thomas Henry** written on the back. Clarissa was **Isaac Tipton Alexander's** wife, however, they had two sons, and neither named Thomas Henry. We think the photo was mislabeled...Does anyone know the identity of this lovely lady and child?

Kaylee Winter Winsett



Richard Winsett and Michelle Mote Winsett, along with big sister, Elisa, welcomed Kaylee Winter Winsett to the family! Kaylee was born on June 1, 2004, in Fort Worth, Texas. She weighed 6 lb and was 18 ½" long. Kaylee's Reneau heritage is: Michelle Mote Winsett, Johnny Dale Mote, Dorothy Reneau Mote, Rex Raymond Reneau, Eugene LaRue Reneau, Barton Warren Stone Reneau, Isaac Tipton Reneau, John Reno, Charles Reno, John Reno, Lewis Reno/Reynaud. That is a long list for such a little one! Congratulations to the Winsett family!

Who Gets a Complimentary Reneau Book?

1. If you attended the 2003 Reneau Reunion in San Antonio, Texas.
2. If you sent in information/an article/photos for the Book. (One book per couple.)

So far, this is the list I have of those receiving a complimentary copy of the Reneau Reunion Book:

Linda Adams, Janice Blake Anderson, Wayne Bauman, Bruce Blake, Jack Blake, Vi Brandle, John T. Campbell, Randall M. Campbell, Alvin Chandler, Anna Chandler, Patricia Chevalier, Virgil Commons, Laurie Cook, Jean Cornett, Sue Damewood, Anita Daniels, Susan Daniels, Clyde Day, Lorenzo Day, Margaret Day, Elaine Dettmar, Amber Dixon, Katrina Dolotina, Dollye McAlister Elliott, Edwyna Field, Wilma Graham, Mary Dean Johnson, Tom Johnson, Marie Knight, Jannetta Lambert, Lisa Lapsley, Mary Catherine Mabry, Pat Madis, Loyce Mangrum, Jackie Mann, Mackie Lee Maples,

Lou Matson, Dennis Means, Koleta Moad, Kathryn Moore, Linda Moore, Clint Mote, Dorothy Mote, Karl Mote, Helen Murphy, Kathy Nightingale, Walter Park, Terrell Perkins, Adrienne Reneau, Anna Reneau, Betty Reneau, BG Reneau, Bill Reneau, Charles M. Reneau, Gene Reneau, Gerald Reneau, Judy Reneau, Loyd Reneau, Ned Reneau, Tom Reneau, Wendell Reneau, William N. Reneau, Julienne Rodriguez, Brenda Rose, William Schrom, Anita Seat, Nettie Shiflett, Dorothy Taylor, Jerry Telford, Mary Walker, Charlene Welch, Michelle Winsett, Louise Wisener, Peggy Wolff, Bennett Wood, Opal Wood, Merle Woods.

If you sent in information and your name is not on the list, please contact me. If your name/your spouse's name is not on the list (one book per couple), and you attended the Reunion, please contact me. My email: apdaniels1@msn.com, Telephone: (360) 944 7831, address: Anita Daniels, 17617 SE 34th Circle, Vancouver, WA, 98683.

Would you like more than one Book? Here's How....

I will order a limited amount of books if you let me know you would like to purchase additional copies. **Each copy will be \$15.00 including the postage.** You MUST order any extra copies by sending a check for the number of copies you wish to purchase. **DEADLINE FOR ORDERING EXTRA COPIES IS AUGUST 2, 2004! Mail to Anita Daniels, 17617 SE 34th Circle, Vancouver, WA 98683**

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***Reservations due by Sept 1, 2004
To: Linda Reneau Moore, 9509 Stone Bridge
Austin, Texas 78758
\$15.00 per person (children under 12 free)
Make check payable to
Linda Moore or Reneau Reunion***

Reunion Reneau Recipe Book

***Recipes due by Sept 1, 2004
To: Anna L. Reneau Chandler, 404 Spillar
Lane, Austin, Texas 78746
Or: email Annalchandler404@yahoo.com
100 Recipes needed to make the book!***



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RENEAU REUNION DATE APPROACHING!

It's hard to believe it, but the Reneau Reunion is just around the corner! To be exact, it is just two months away. I hope that you are making your plans to be in Austin on October 16th, 2004. Take a good look at the Reunion Invitation included with the *Reneau Review*. Some things to emphasize:

1. The deadline for reservations is **September 10th**. Please send names of those attending and \$15.00 per adult to Linda Reneau Moore, 9509 Stone Bridge, Austin, TX 78758.
2. Hotel reservations must be made by October 1st to get the Reneau Reunion rate. Please see the enclosed Reunion Bulletin Info.
3. Bring an item for the Silent Auction and give an approximate value so the Reunion Team can list a minimum bid.
4. Ann Chandler says that she has received only 30 recipes – no where near enough to print a cookbook. So send your recipes to Ann Chandler, 404 Spillar Lane, Austin, TX 78746. Ann will take orders for the cookbook at the Reunion. If there are not enough recipes, then there won't be a book—so please help make the Reneau Cookbook happen, by sending your favorite recipes to Ann!
5. You can get the latest Reneau Reunion News by doing a search in Google, inputting Reneau Reunion in the search box.
6. Don't forget to bring old family photos and genealogy materials!
7. Late Breaking News: We will be treated to some Bluegrass music courtesy of Ann Reneau Chandler, Jackie Reneau Mann, and Dr. Joe Reneau!

Reneau Reunion!
Make your reservations now!
Share Reunion Info with your kin!

Mystery Photo Identified



Do you recall that in the last issue that **Betty Reneau** shared a photo with the names **Clarissa Blowers** and **Thomas Henry** written on the back? Clarissa was **Isaac Tipton Alexander's** wife, but, as far as we knew, none of the children were named Thomas Henry.

The answer came from Robert Reneau of Denver, Colorado and William Reneau of San Antonio Texas. The photo is that of Clarissa and her son, who, in the 1940's changed his name from Thomas Henry to Thomas Wood, as he wanted to identify with the Wood name. His paternal grandparents were Isaac Tipton Reneau and Mary (Wood) Reneau. So the photo was identified correctly; we just didn't know that Thomas Henry Reneau had changed his middle name! Thanks to Robert and William for solving our mystery!

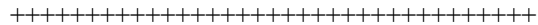
We are thinking of:
Linda Reneau of Russell, Kentucky, recovering from knee surgery.
G. Reneau of Farris, Texas recovering from surgery.



Matthew E. Matula
1983 – 2004



Julie and Matt Matula
2003



Our sympathy, love and prayers reach out to Matt Matula’s family.

Matt was born on July 7, 1983, and killed in action on April 9, 2004, in Iraq, defending our freedom. He earned the Purple Heart, Combat Action Ribbon (in lieu of 2nd star), Presidential Unit Citation, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Operation Iraqi Freedom Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, and Sea Service Deployment Ribbon. Matt is survived by his wife, Julie; their unborn daughter, Mackenzie Marie; brother and best friend, Anthony; parents, Toni and Matt; grandmother, Alice Macalik; and many special aunts, uncles and cousins. Matt joined the Marines on Sept. 24, 2001, and proudly served his Country. He was a field radio operator assigned to the H & S Company, 2nd Battalion, 1st Marine Division. “Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends” John 15:13 NIV.

A fund has been established in memory of Matt that will be put in a Trust Fund for his daughter, Mackenzie Marie, upon her birth. Memorials may be sent to Trinity Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 633, Marble Falls, Texas 78654-0633

Interment was at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery in San Antonio, TX, with full military honors.

Matthew E. Matula’s Reneau lineage is: Toni Jean Houser Matula, Mary Louella Rogers Houser, Annie Belle Park Rogers, Mary Melvina Compton Park, Isabelle “Belle” Reneau Compton, Jonathan Mulkey Reneau, John Reno, Charles Reno, John Reno, Lewis Reno, Lewis Reno/Reynaud.



Rose Marie Ashbury Reneau
October 21, 1934 – August 7, 2004

Our love, prayers, and sympathy are sent to the family of Rose Marie Reneau, who passed away on August 7, 2004 in Albany, Kentucky. Rose is survived by her husband, Luther Ozell Reneau, son Bobby Rural Reneau, and grandchildren, KellyJo, Josh, and Tyler.

Rose was a very special lady, who gave her love and time to her family. Her special joy was caring for her grandchildren.

Rose first worked at a garment factory and then the last few years worked in the dietary department of Clinton County Hospital. She was a member of the Highway Church of the Nazarene in Albany.

Rose’s marriage to Luther Ozell Reneau gave her an extended Reneau family, with Ozell’s Reneau lineage through Granville Artie Reneau, Evans Alexander Reneau, William T. Reneau, John Reno, Charles Reno, John Reno, Lewis Reno, Lewis Reno/Renaud.

August Mystery Photo



This darling baby's photo was taken in Glasgow, Kentucky. The photo was sent to the *Reneau Review* by Peggy Ann Curtis Wolff, a descendent of Joseph Wickliffe, Isaac Tipton Reneau line. Is anyone familiar with this photo? Such a sweet baby deserves a name!

CONGRATULATIONS

Best Wishes to for **Edwynna "Eddy" Lue Brandle Field** and **Gerald "Jerry" Thomas Stewart** on their marriage August 23, 2004. Jerry is retired, and active as a trustee for the Burns (Oregon) Elks. Eddy works at Erickson's Century Market in Burns. She is a descendent of Edward Brandle, Gladys Reneau Brandle, Barton Warren Stone Reneau, Isaac Tipton, John Reno, Charles, John, Lewis, Lewis Reno/Reynaud.

Welcome New Readers....

We would like to welcome **Richard "Rick" and Kara Swindell** in Lubbock, TX, and also, **Mac and Taylora Swindell**, who reside in Oklahoma City, OK. Both Rick and Mac are descended from Selena Olive Reneau Swindell, daughter of John Mulkey Reneau, and granddaughter of Isaac Tipton Reneau. Rick is the son of James Eli Swindell and grandson of Selena Reneau Swindell. Mac is the son of Jesse Reno Swindell and grandson of Selena Reneau Swindell. **Terry Swindell Hardin** of Murchison, TX is Rick's sister, and a cousin to Mac. Thanks, Terry, for

introducing the *Reneau Review* group to your family!

Reneau Book Report

Thank you to everyone who responded to "last call" and sent in information and photos for the Reunion Book. It was overwhelming...and at the same time, absolutely wonderful! I have been working steadily on organizing and inputting the articles and photos into the computer. (Thanks to all of you who have read and proofed the articles!) Also, I invested in the Adobe Acrobat program, which is now installed on the computer, as this is the format that will go on the CD to the printer. I thought that I would be done by now, however, with all the added information, it is going to be into September before the book will be ready to print.

The book will be like a patchwork quilt, with articles about ancestors, article written years ago by our Reneau ancestors, articles of current families, and general articles of interest to Reneaus.

It has been a joy to see the book develop. It is now over 200 pages (100 pages, double sided).

Also, I have received orders for close to 75 books, in addition to the complimentary book to those who contributed information and/or were at the 2003 Reneau Reunion. **If you want TO ORDER A BOOK OR an extra book (or books) at \$15.00 each, let me know NOW – THIS WEEK! Send check amount for number of books to the address at the end of the following article...**

THINK ABOUT THIS...

I will have a sign-up sheet at the 2004 Reunion to see if there is still interest in continuing the Reneau Review for another year. I am willing to keep the newsletter active if Reneaus want it. The expenses have been paid by donations from the group, and when there are enough funds (and information for a newsletter), then I send one out.

Since I now have the Adobe Acrobat program to convert to a format that anyone who has an Adobe Acrobat Reader on their computer (which is a free download), I can send the Reneau Review by email to those who would like it in this format. It would sure save on postage! If you won't be at the reunion, I would appreciate a note with some feedback on whether you would like to continue receiving the Reneau Review. My address is Anita Reneau Daniels, 17617 SE 34th Circle, Vancouver, WA 98683. The *Reneau Review* depends on you! Thank you!



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WE DID IT!

Thank you to everyone who participated in "The Reneau Book of Memories Through the Years." It is now at the printer and will be distributed at the 2004 Reunion in Austin on October 16th. Those who are unable to attend the Reunion will receive their book(s) in the mail.

It is the first time I have ever attempted a project such as this, so needless to say, it was a learning experience for me! I must say that I enjoyed every minute of it, and I want to thank everyone for their time and response in sending information and photos. And, a big thank you to my family, especially my husband, Charles, for letting me "live" in the office! The final size of the book is 251 pages, with over 100 different articles, memories, and/or stories, of Reneaus, about Reneaus, and by Reneaus and their descendants. It reminds me of a beautiful patchwork quilt with many different contributors, making it into something really meaningful!

August Mystery Photo Remains a Mystery



There hasn't been any response identifying this darling baby. The photo was submitted by Peggy Ann Curtis Wolff, a Joseph Wickliffe Reneau, Isaac Tipton Reneau descendant.

REUNION COUNT

October 16, 2004 is fast approaching! I hope that you have your reservation in to attend the Reneau Reunion that is being held in Austin, Texas this year! At last count, Linda Reneau Moore notes that there are 75 confirmed reservations, with more coming in!

LAST CHANCE RESERVATIONS!

If you have been waiting to see if the Reunion date would work for you, and you find out that you can attend, you are in luck. Linda Moore, of the 2004 Reunion Team, says that she can take some additional reservations after the Sept 10th due date-- if you contact her NOW! The caterer is allowing some flexibility in the final number, so if you have been on the fence about attending, contact Linda:

Linda Reneau Moore
9509 Stone Bridge
Austin, TX 78758
512-836-0160 home
512-345-2100 office

DON'T FORGET

1. Bring an item for the Silent Auction! Please include a note with the approximate value so the Reunion Team can list a minimum bid.
2. Please bring old family photos and genealogy materials that you would like to share!
3. If you would like to wear last year's reunion T-shirt, please do so!
4. No alcoholic beverages – park rule.
5. Deadline for Hotel Reservations with special Reneau Rates is Oct. 1, 2004. See flyer in last month's *Reneau Review*.

DIRECTIONS TO THE PARK

The Reunion Team has made reservations at the 57 acre private park, **Quarries Park**, located on the north end of Austin.

In Austin from 183 North take MoPac Blvd. North (loop one). Take Braker Lane exit, pass Braker Lane. Exit left under the underpass, which is the entrance to the park.

From the Suggestion Box

From Dollye McAlister Elliott: Let's include a Query Column, where we can ask other kinsmen for information they may have on our lines.

Thanks, Dollye, for the great suggestion. Any of our readers who have questions that others Reneau descendants may have answers, please contact the *Reneau Review*, and we will publish your query, and let you know the results!

Query Column

Here are two "queries!"

1. From Dollye McAlister Elliott:

I am looking for a number of answers on our Thurman line. I *think* they were in Hanover Co., VA, just before coming to KY. Hanover is a burned county - no records left after about 1864.

There are various Thurmans all over VA, some John, who have been confused (compare dates) with our "Rich" John Thurman. Elizabeth (Thurman) Reneau was born in VA (census), circa 1783, as I recall. By 1804, she was in Cumberland Co., KY, where she married John Reneau. Her father is supposed to have been Thomas Thurman, who is said to have moved to Knox Co., TN. I searched early Knox Co., TN records - no Thomas Thurman. Later on, I found that some of the Tiptons of that generation moved West to Knox Co., *Illinois*. People in those days did not migrate singly or in couples, so it is likely Thomas Thurman (described as a Commonwealth attorney) went along with Tipton kin to Illinois. Unfortunately I only discovered that when I was no longer able to go to libraries and do research. If there are any Reneaus still doing active research, I would hope one would go to their genealogical library and check, under "Illinois", Knox County for Thomas Thurman. Or maybe they already know what became of him.

2. From Anita Reneau Daniels:

Someone who attended and/or sent Reneau information to the 2003 Reneau Reunion in San Antonio, furnished a copy of **Sallie Eola Reneau's presentation to the Mississippi Legislature in 1856**. I copied pages 1, 4, and 5 (pages 4 and 5 were on the same sheet of paper, copied in landscape, so I think that pages 2 and 3 will be on just one page.) I missed getting pages 2 and 3 of this speech. We have check with the Mississippi Archives, Library and Mississippi University for Women. Neither of these groups

have a copy of the speech. However, they would like a copy if we can find a complete copy! So, if you have a copy of the speech, there are many who would appreciate a copy...and my appreciation in advance for checking this out

September Mystery Photo



This photo was sent in by Neva Alexander Whitley of Bowling Green, Kentucky. Neva is a descendant of the Isaac Smith Reneau, Joseph Wickliffe Reneau, Isaac Tipton Reneau line. Please contact the *Reneau Review* if you have names for these cute children!

Welcome New Readers....

Daine and Martha Harrison, Fountain Run, Kentucky, are both experienced genealogists and are affiliated with South Central Kentucky Historical and Genealogical Society. Martha's daughter, **Davie Reneau**, is a descendant of the Joseph Wickliffe Reneau/Isaac Tipton Reneau branch. Davie is a talented potter of both beautiful and functional pottery. Check out her website at www.grittygurl.com.

Fran Markowski is a descendant of the John Bryant Reneau/Isaac Tipton Reneau branch. Fran and several members of her family will be attending the 2004 Reneau Reunion. It won't be far to travel, as Fran lives in Austin!

Bobby Reneau from Dandridge, Tennessee called our Reunion Team for information. We hope to meet him at the 2004 Reunion and learn about his Reneau ancestry!

Happy Anniversary...

Congratulations to Kathy and Robert O'Donnell, who celebrate their 25th Wedding Anniversary on September 15, 2004. Kathy is the daughter of Dorothy Park Taylor, a Reneau descendant through the Isabel Reneau Compton/Jonathan Mulkey Reneau Branch. Our Best Wishes to you!



Robert and Kathy O'Donnell
with daughter, Michelle
and Dorothy Park Taylor

We are thinking of....

Joyce Hollingsworth Reneau, 81 years young, who is recovering from eye surgery. Joyce lives with her daughter, Jean Reneau Cornett, and family in Seagraves, Texas. Joyce's husband, Scott Reneau, passed away in 1982, and was a descendant of the Barton Warren Stone Reneau/Isaac Tipton Reneau Branch. We hope that you are doing well, Joyce!

Mary Catherine Mabry, of Hubbard, Texas, who is scheduled for surgery in late September. Mary is a descendant of the Mary Catherine Reneau Moss/Jonathan Mulkey Reneau branch. We hope for a quick recovery and that you will be able to attend the Reunion!

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Welcome Little One!



Mackenzie Marie Matula

Mackenzie was born August 12, 2004 at Camp Pendleton, California. She weighed 7lbs 9ozs. Mackenzie is the daughter of Julie Matula and the late Matthew E. Matula, who was killed in hostile action in Iraq. Her paternal grandparents are Matt and Toni Matula of Spicewood, Texas. Little Mackenzie's Reneau lineage is: Matthew E. Matula, Toni Jean Houser Matula, Mary Louella Rogers Houser, Annie Belle Park Rogers, Mary Melvina Compton Park, Isabel Reneau Compton, Jonathan Mulkey Reneau, John Reno, Charles, John, Lewis. Wow, that is a long line, for such a little one! Our congratulations and love to the Matula family on the birth of this very special baby.

If you have not ordered or are not scheduled to receive a complimentary copy of The Reneau Book of Memories Through the Years, I ordered 30 extra copies and will have them for sale at the Reneau Reunion in Austin. Cost: \$15.00 each.

Reneau Revenue
Many Thanks to the following for their contributions to cover costs for the Reneau Review: Judy Reneau, Clyde and Rachel Day, BG and Delia Reneau, Bill Reneau, Fred and Debbie Reneau.



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Reneau Reunion

October 16, 2004

Many thanks to this year's Reunion Team of Ann Chandler, Jackie Mann, Linda Moore, and Terrell Perkins for hosting such a great event! Thanks, also, to Joe Reneau, for his obtaining the perfect venue. The beautiful lake beside the open-air building, and the "mild sunny" weather, made for a very successful reunion, which brought 145 Reneau descendants from across the United States to visit one another and celebrate our heritage!



2004 Reneau Reunion Team
Ann Chandler, Terrell Perkins, Jackie Mann,
Linda Moore

Reneau Descendants from twelve states: AK, AR, FL, GA, KY, LA, NC, OR, TN, TX, VA, WA, enjoyed meeting one another and/or renewing friendships! Having a computer and scanner available, Reneaus were able to exchange photos with other Reneaus. The group was served a delicious Texas Barbeque lunch, and participated in a silent auction, which consisted of such goodies as Reneau Wines from the Chateau LaFayette Reneau Winery in New York, beautiful artwork, a "Reneau" sign, handmade and refurbished clocks, Reno/Reneau Books, and fragrant gift baskets, to name a few.

We believe that Lorenzo Dow Day Jr., (L.D. as he likes to be called) took honors for the oldest attendee. 91 years young, and enjoying every aspect of the reunion, he was a hit with other Reneaus, as he told about knowing some of their parents and grandparents while growing up in Hunt County, Texas. L.D. also enjoyed looking at all the old photos that were displayed, as well as the music group that entertained old and young alike!



L.D. Day
2004 Reneau Reunion
Austin, TX

One great aspect of the Reunion was that there were so many children and little ones attending. Since there were so many, we hesitate to say who the youngest Reneau descendant was. If you think your family brought the youngest Reneau descendant to the Reunion, let me know and we will honor the young one in the next issue of the *Reneau Review*!



Barbeque Line-up!
Can you identify those in the photo?
Let us know!

Reneau Reunion Con't

Several different branches of Reneaus attended the 2004 Reunion, which made it a lot of fun to visit and find out how we are all connected! At the 2003 Reunion in San Antonio there were descendants of **Charles Reno and Elizabeth Tipton Reno**. Descendant branches from Charles and Elizabeth were: 1. Descendants of **Jonathan Mulkey Reneau and Elizabeth Hill Reno**; 2. Descendants of **Isaac Tipton Reneau and Mary Gipson Wood Reneau**. (Jonathan and Isaac were brothers; sons of John Reno and Elizabeth Thurman Reno; and grandsons of Charles Reno and Elizabeth Tipton Reno; great grandsons of John Reno and Susannah Thorn Reno). 3. Descendants of **William Tipton Reneau and Jane Scroggin Reneau**. (William Tipton Reneau was a son of Charles Reno and Elizabeth Tipton Reno; and an Uncle to Isaac and Jonathan.)

In addition to the above branches, The 2004 Reunion added another branch to the gathering! Descendants of **John David Reno and Elizabeth Debolt Reno**. (John David Reno was a brother of Charles Reno,—see above paragraph—John David and Charles were sons of John Reno and Susannah Thorn Reno.) Descendants of two sons of John David Reno and Elizabeth Debolt Reno were represented at the reunion. These were: 1. Descendants of **John Reno and Narcissa Reneau**. 2. Descendants of **Hezekiah Reneau and Ruby Brimer Reneau**. Please let us know if there were other Reneau Families represented! We will talk about those branches in the next issue of the *Reneau Review*.



Reneau Reunion Austin 2004
Can you identify those in the photo?

Next Reunion Info:

At the 2004 Austin Reunion a discussion was held on where and when to hold the next Reunion. Of course, the big issue was who

would host/sponsor the next gathering. **Charles Reneau of Russell, KY** told about the beautiful parks and lodges around Albany, KY, and offered to spearhead plans to hold the next reunion in 2 years from now (2006) in one of these lovely sites. Not only would this venue give Texans a chance to go back to where some of their ancestors lived, it would also bring in those Reneau Descendants in the area who are not able to travel long distances. **Al Mote, Brenda Rose, and Betty Reneau** have offered to help with the planning. I am sure there will be more opportunities to help. Please let us know at the *Reneau Review* if you would be willing to help or sponsor some segment of the Reunion. I will pass your name along.

There was some concern about waiting 2 years before the next reunion, yet the venues that were discussed are booked a full year ahead. Also, the *Reneau Review* will provide updates of the upcoming Reunion, and keep the momentum going!

Welcome New Readers....

Gloria and Michael Bashara, Roger Reneau, Round Rock, TX; **MaryAnn Reneau, Paul Snow, Elizabeth Day, and Richard Reneau** Austin, TX; **Lahoma Reneau Davis, Robert Davis**, Tomball, TX; **Mark and Diane Henke**, San Antonio, TX; **Kitty Ruth Marwitz**, Gatesville, TX; **Scott Marwitz and family**, Evant, TX; **Charles Reneau Sr., Charles Reneau, Jr.**, Munday, TX; **Holly Reneau**, College Station, TX; **Georgia Scruggs**, Raleigh, NC; **Elaine Snow**, Tyler, TX; **Sam Terry**, Glasgow, KY; and **Azalea Roos**, Holiday, FL.

If we missed you, or you know someone who would like to get the *Reneau Review*, please contact us!

Reneau Cookbook

Ann Chandler notes we have close to 200 recipes for the Reneau Cookbook. She would love to get more recipes before printing (sometime in March.) About 100 more recipes are needed, especially "Meat, Veggie, and Appetizer" recipes. There are enough baking recipes. The cost of the book is anticipated at \$18.00, which includes shipping and handling.

Send your Recipes to:

Anna L. Reneau Chandler
404 Spillar Lane
Austin, TX 78746

Or email: Annalchandler404@yahoo.com

RENEAU in the SPOTLIGHT

Terrell Perkins, a William Tipton Reneau descendant, has suggested that we include a spotlight on a Reneau descendant in the *Reneau Review*. It's a great idea, and so here is our first "Spotlight!"

Azalea Reneau Roos is in the November 2004 Reneau Spotlight! She attended the Reneau Reunion in Austin this year. Just meeting her at the reunion, one can readily see her positive and cheerful nature. A.Z., as she likes to be called, was born to Virgil Caruso Reneau and Laura Erconbrock Reneau on January 6, 1920 in the area around Waco, Texas. Her Reneau lineage is Virgil Reneau, David Allen, Francis Marion, William Bailey, William Tipton, Charles Reno, John, Lewis. She was born "Baby Girl" and changed her own name to Azalea at some point. A.Z. has one younger sister, Kitty Ruth Marwitz, and one younger brother, Douglas Alvin "Billy" Reneau who both live in Texas. Kitty Ruth also attended the 2004 Reneau Reunion.



2004 Reneau Reunion, Austin TX
Enjoying the Reneau displays!

l-r: A.Z. Reneau Roos, Kitty Ruth Reneau Marwitz, and Anita Reneau Daniels

A.Z. lives in Hollywood, FL. She has been married three times, first to Dick Davis. She has a son from this marriage: Richard Davis, who is retired from the Navy. A.Z. also has two sons from her second marriage to James Lewis Hooper: Jim Hooper, who is a foreign correspondent in London; and Bill Hooper, who has a wholesale restaurant supply business in Florida. Her third marriage was to Rinse Roos, who is now deceased. A.Z. is blessed with three grandchildren, six great grandchildren, and three great, great grandchildren!

A.Z. enjoys writing, and is the author of a yet-to-be published book on the Trail of Tears (the plight of the Cherokee nation vs. the US Government.)

One of her many accomplishments is that on her 80th birthday, she went skydiving! Our hats off to this 84 years young lady, who is November's Reneau in the Spotlight!

Do you have a suggestion for the next "**Reneau in the Spotlight?**" Or you would like to acknowledge an Anniversary, Birthday, etc please contact: *Reneau Review*:

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In Sympathy

Our Condolences to Sue Reneau Charnock and family. Sue's husband, John Richard Charnock, age 50, died in Waverly, TN on September 29, 2004. He is survived by his wife Sue; three sons, Richard and Billy Charnock, and Seth Reneau; two daughters, Lisa Bryant and Aliea Garner. Services were held October 3, 2004 at the Waverly United Methodist Church. Graveside services were held October 4, 2004, 2 PM at Lands Chapel Cemetery in Albany, KY. Bro. Wade Charnock and Bro. David Spencer officiated. Our love reaches out to Sue and her family.

Sue's Reneau lineage is Raymond Bohring Reneau, Ulysses Simpson Grant, Berry Jordan, Isaac Tipton, John Reno, Charles, John, Lewis.

Anniversary Congratulations!

Happy 71st Anniversary Congratulations ago out to Walter and Rosalee Park. The couple live in Bonham, TX. They have two sons, Jerry and Dennis, who are both married, giving Walter and Rosalee grandchildren and great grandchildren to enjoy! Walter is the son of Mary Compton Park, grandson of Isabel Reneau Compton, and great grandson of Jonathan Mulkey Reneau.



Walter Derling Park and Rosalee Victory Park

***Welcome to two Baby Boys--Sixth Cousins!
Micah and Isaac go back six generations and have the same
GGGGG Grandfather,
Isaac Tipton Reneau***



***Micah Joel Integrity Rose
October 19, 2004***

Congratulations to the Rose Family on the birth of Micah Joel Integrity Rose. He was born Tuesday, October 19, 2004 in Johnson City, TN. Parents are David and Amy (Hundley) Rose, brother is Jonathan Caleb Noble Rose. Proud grandparents are Gary and Brenda (Payne) Rose. Micah's due date was Sunday, October 17, and Grandma Brenda was hoping he would be a day or two early so she would have pictures at the reunion. But he came on a great date - Gary and Brenda met on October 19, 1973!

Micah's Reneau lineage is David Jonathan Rose, Brenda Lynn Payne Rose, Margie Kathleen Greene Payne, Martha Eunice Bennett Greene, Lula Belle Stillings Bennett, Margaret Eunice Reneau Stillings, Isaac Tipton Reneau, John Reno, Charles Reno, John Reno, Lewis Reno.



***Grandma Brenda Payne Rose and grandson
Micah Rose***



***Isaac John Bauer
October 21, 2004***

Congratulations to the Bauer Family on the birth of Isaac John Bauer. He was born October 21, 2004 in Lexington, NC. Parents are Joshua and Joy (Doss) Bauer. Isaac weighed in at 7 lbs 5 oz and is 21 inches long. Grandmother Linda Brandle Pasqua and Aunt Katy Bauer Garvey were traveling by plane from California to North Carolina on the day Isaac was born. The little one almost waited for Grandma Linda and Aunt Katy to make his grand entrance, but he came 3 ½ hours before they arrived—the perfect welcome package!

Isaac's Reneau lineage is Joshua John Bauer, Linda Fayone Brandle Bauer Pasqua, Edward Lee Brandle, Gladys Sarah Reneau Brandle, Eugene LaRue Reneau, Barton Warren Stone Reneau, Isaac Tipton Reneau, John Reno, Charles Reno, John Reno, Lewis Reno.



***l-r: Aunt Katy Garvey, Grandma Linda Pasqua
l-r: Joy and Josh Bauer with son, Isaac.***

September Mystery Photo
Still unidentified!



This photo was sent in by Neva Alexander Whitley of Bowling Green, KY. So far, these cute children remain unidentified.

November Mystery Photo



This photo was provided by Terry Hardin, who is a descendant of the Isaac Tipton Reneau, John Mulkey Reneau, Selina Reneau Swindell branch of Reneaus. Terry says that the back of the photo has "Uncle Reneau" written on it. If you know who this is, please let us know, and we will share it with the group!

Thank you....

Many thanks to the following Reneau descendants who have contributed to help with the cost of the *Reneau Review*: Martha Harrison, Marie Knight, Paul Snow, Fran Markowski, Linda Moore, Kitty Marwitz, A.Z. Roos, Elaine Snow, Jack and Jody Blake, and Nettie Shiflett. Thank you!

Happy Birthday Wishes to...

Joyce Hollingsworth Reneau of Seagraves, TX, who turns a young 82 in December! Joyce is the widow of Scott Lewis Reneau, who was a Reneau Descendant through the Isaac Tipton Reneau Branch.

Our Love and Prayers to...

Clara Bell Henson Telford, who is very ill. Clara is the daughter of Lizzie Mae Compton Henson, from the Jonathan Mulkey Reneau Branch. We also reach out to Jerry (Clara's son) and Barbara Telford, Stillwell, OK.

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Old letters, Old Photos, Old Stories...

Please send to the *Reneau Review* to share with other Reneaus. Have you read a book written by a Reneau? Send us your review! You can also send a nomination for a "Reneau in the Spotlight!" This is your Newsletter, and you mentioned you would like to continue this year...we print an issue as soon as we get enough info for a newsletter, so the frequency of receiving newsletters is up to you! It is fun to learn about one another, our ancestors, and our common heritage!

SOLD OUT!

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Reneau Book of Memories, which was begun at the 2003 Reneau Reunion in San Antonio, TX and completed for the 2004 Reneau Reunion in Austin, TX. There were 200 books published,

with 100 of those given as complimentary books to those who attended the 2003 Reunion and/or submitted information for printing. Then, there were 68 books which were pre-sold at \$15.00 each, and the remaining 32 books were sold at the Austin event.

Should additional books be wanted, I will be able to get them printed in lots of twenty, and the cost would be \$20. each (includes pstg.) If you would like additional books, please let me know.

CORRECTIONS...

Since the Reneau Book of Memories has been distributed, we have found areas to correct. Please make a note in your book to insure the accuracy. I do apologize for the need to do this:

1. On second page of Table of Contents, line 25 should read: Katrina Mote Dolotina.
2. Pg. 20 1st column last paragraph: Should read: Elizabeth Thurman was the daughter of Thomas Thurman. Currently, we do not have conclusive evidence of who her mother was.
3. Pg. 90. Photo in upper right should be labeled Lisa Michelle, John Tipton, and Doris Reneau. Also, line 6 on the right column should be "where Lisa works for Maxwell House Coffee."
4. Pg. 104. 3rd line under photo in the upper right should read: Charles Lambert, Kathryn Lambert, Jannetta Lambert, Victor Gonzalez. In this section and the section starting on page 107, Victor and Amber's last name should be spelled Gonzalez.
5. Pg. 121. Photo in the right column should read Carroll, Fannie Lee, and John W.
6. Pg. 128. Right column line 4 should read 1925, not 1935. Sorry, B.G.!
7. Pg. 234. Right column, 9th line from bottom should read: Reneau Sessum McAlister. Also, 3rd line from bottom: If it was your real name it was spelled Dollie.

RENO/RENEAU'S OF THE PAST JOHN RENO & SUSANNA THORNE From the Reneau Book of Memories Submitted by Sue Reneau Damewood

John Reno was the son of Lewis Reno who was born between 1666-1678 in the province of Angoumois in Western France and died January 1755 in Prince William County, Virginia. His mother's name is unknown at this time.

John Reno, who spelled his own name and his children's names as Reno, in his will, was born on April 13, 1715, on the Patent of 1710 obtained by Lewis Reno from Clermont Chevalle, at the confluence of the Occoquin River with Broad Run in Prince William County,

Virginia. He was living there in 1749 when Fauquier County was formed out of Prince William County. There are records of him living in Frederick County in 1758 and 1760. On March 5, 1764, he and wife Susannah "of Frederick County" sold land in Prince William County to William French, except ½ acre for the graveyard described as land left him by his father Lewis Reno. The witnesses to this land sale were Lewis, Francis, Elizabeth, and Laurence Reno. Also in 1764, John and Susannah purchased 293 acres on Patterson Creek from Christian and Elizabeth Long. In 1764 he also transferred 600 acres on Patterson Creek, Hampshire County, Virginia (formerly part of Frederick County) with other transfers listed in 1769, 1770, and 1771. John Reno and his wife appear in land records of Hampshire County in 1761, 1762, 1764, 1765, 1769, 1770, and 1771.

About 1773 after the death of Susannah he apparently moved with all of his children except George and Thomas, who remained in Hampshire County, to Chartier's Creek valley in Washington County, Pennsylvania (later became Allegheny County). In December 1777 he renounced allegiance to Great Britain and to the Commonwealth of Virginia while in Henry County, Virginia. After he sold his land in western Pennsylvania in 1782, he went to Carter County, Tennessee, and apparently lived with, or near, his son Charles near Elizabethton (then Washington County, North Carolina) where he died about 1808. John and his family were among the first settlers of Sinking Creek in Carter County, Tennessee. Prior to 1776, due to strained relations between the Americans and the British, the British provided the Indians with arms, ammunition and merchandise and in return the Indians harassed the frontier settlements. The Indians were constantly burning, pillaging, and massacring pioneers near the Watauga Settlement where the Renos first lived.

John and Susannah had 12 children: William Lewis, Benjamin, Margaret who died as an infant, Sarah, John David, Mary Susannah, George W., Charles, Lewis, Francis, Thomas, and Margaret.

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