

## **2012 Annual Family Assembly Meeting**

The 2012 Family Assembly Meeting will take place on Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM at the Hotel Monteleone in New Orleans prior to the Annual Shareholder Meeting of *The J.M. Burguières Co., Limited*. The Family Council will be concluding a year of "**Honoring Our Veterans**" by observing the **150th anniversary** of the fall of the City of New Orleans during the Civil War and the **200th anniversary** of Louisiana statehood. Since our extended family participated in these historical events, it's only fitting to bring you a day of activities focused on these time periods. Consequently, our guest speaker is **Professor Terrence Fitzmorris**, Associate Dean of the Department of Continuing Education and Adjunct Professor of History at Tulane University. Professor Fitzmorris specializes in Louisiana history and during the meeting will present a talk titled "**What was Louisiana life like in the 1830's to 1860's?**".

### **Family Assembly Business Meeting – 8:00 AM Continental Breakfast, 8:30AM Meeting**

Our morning will begin with a brief overview of the activities of the Family Council given by the Family Council Chair, Leila Bristow. Next, in keeping with the Family Constitution which requires staggered terms, there will be an election for three positions: two branch representatives and one member-at-large. The branch slots to be elected are for **Ernest** family and **C. Patout** family, while the member-at-large is currently held by a **Henry** family descendant. You may nominate new members or the incumbents – it's your choice. The nomination form is attached. Please email, fax or mail it with your nominations to the office by January 31<sup>st</sup>. A ballot and proxy will be mailed to Family Assembly members the first week of February.

### **Heritage Education Program – 8:00 AM Continental Breakfast, 8:30AM Program Begins**

The JMB Family Council invites all family members ages 6 to 20 for a day of fun and learning. HEP 2012 will be held starting with the continental breakfast and then rejoining the family for dessert after the luncheon. During those hours together, the HEP participants will get to know each other while learning about their great Louisiana heritage. Participants will create and decorate an historical JMB timeline, take a field trip to meet artist and cousin **Ally Burguières** at her gallery on Royal Street, participate in an art class, recall our history and win prizes during the Trivia lunch, learn about the five family branches from guest speaker **O.J. Reiss** and meet members of our Board of Directors.

### **Luncheon – 12:00 Noon**

Our lunch will be accompanied by period music provided by **The Fine Arts Ensemble** (Louisiana Philharmonic cellist **Dimitri Vychko** accompanied by his wife pianist and organist **Irina**). During dessert **Dr. Donna Onebane**, will read selective portions of "**The House That Sugarcane Built**" focusing on the lives of the Burguières family during the Civil War.

### **Before and After The Shareholder Meeting**

There are many special activities taking place in and around New Orleans remembering the Civil War, the fall of the city and commemorating Louisiana's statehood. The Family Council encourages everyone to take advantage of various events and exhibits during their visit this year.