

The Chandler Family Association

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400 Years and 15 Generations Later Chandlers Gather to Honor Their Immigrant Ancestor

Hixson, TN, July 20, 2010 – This year marks the 400th anniversary of John Chandler's arrival in America. John, whose descendants span 15 generations and counting, walked off the *Hercules*, smallest of Lord Delaware's three-ship fleet, at Jamestown, Virginia, on June 10, 1610. He is the earliest known Chandler to emigrate to America; and at nine-years-old, he was also the youngest immigrant to America prior to 1610.

From September 16 through September 18, the town of Hampton, Virginia, will be the gathering site of Chandlers from across the nation as well as some international descendants. Hampton, where John spent most of his adult life, is also celebrating its 400th anniversary this year.

Thursday, September 16, is a "Members Only" day when a special tour has been planned for Chandler Family Association members, their families and guests. Members must pre-register for this tour by August 6, which is not available to the general public.

Friday, September 17, is for a day of research and the introduction of a new Chandler database that has been in the works for more than four years. Open to the public, the meeting will begin at 8:00 a.m. at the Hampton Roads Convention Center. There is a \$15.00 fee for non-members who wish to attend, but this fee includes a complimentary one-year CFA membership plus a one-year subscription to the group's award-winning newsletter.

Saturday, September 18, is filled with a 10:00 a.m. business meeting for CFA members and an afternoon tour of Historic Hampton, including sites where John Chandler once trod, for members and their families. Again, members must pre-register by August 6 for the bus tour. However, non-members who wish to continue their Chandler research will have access to the research room from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

For more information about the Chandler Family Association, membership details, and information about the upcoming Annual Meeting, visit the group's website at www.theefa.org or contact Helen Chandler, Secretary-Treasurer, at 901-355-5614.

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