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Dear Board Members and friends of FBHS,

We are always pleased to have new members of the Florida Baptist Historical Society and we especially welcome two new lifetime members. Florida Baptist Financial Services and First Baptist Church Bradenton are lifetime members numbered 31 and 32. Welcome aboard.

Our Convention Press book collection has gained tremendous momentum with many of you sending us important items. Please check your closets and book shelves. We hope to have our holdings (201 volumes) listed soon on our Florida Baptist History website so we can target the exact books we need. This unique collection will provide much needed theological, historical and Biblical interpretation/trends that can be gleaned from no other source. Southern Baptists were bred on study course books for over 100 years and it has impacted our theology and ecclesiology in important ways. I envision projects, thesis, and dissertation research from these Baptist history tools.

For our trivia question this month we will mix church and state. Name a Southern Baptist pastor who also served as mayor. Actually we have had Southern Baptist pastors in Florida who served as chaplains, county commissioners, judges, sheriffs, and state representatives. Name one who has served as a mayor. Call (800) 328-2660, ext. 480 with a correct answer and a useful gift will be sent your way. You could also send a correct answer to fbhspt1@baptistcollege.edu for the prize.

The Baptist History and Heritage Society will have its annual meeting in Washington D.C. on June 1-3, 2006. The meeting theme is The Contributions of Baptist Public Figures in America. Denton Lotz, General Secretary of The Baptist World Alliance, will present a paper on Billy Graham: Pastor to America, an Appreciation. Papers on Warren Harding, Walter Raushenbusch, Jimmy Carter, John D. Rockefeller, Jr., Harry Emerson Fosdick, Mark Hatfield, Brook Hays and numerous other Baptist ethics leaders will also be presented. You could not go wrong attending this historical event.

Our 2006 Spring meeting will be held April 27-28 at the Bethel Evangelical Church in Fort Lauderdale. Plan to attend the Thursday night, Friday morning, and Friday evening meetings. Our 2007 Spring meeting is planned for Thomasville, Georgia. As soon as that date is set, we will publicize it.

Honoring those who honor Christ,

Jerry M. Windsor
Secretary-Treasurer
Matthew 6:33



Dr. Wayne Flynt and Dr. Pam Durso. Two of our very important Baptist history writers.



Our first two lifetime members were Jerry Mae Windsor and Elouise Green.