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Issue No. 62

## **Reunion – 2009**

At this time, no reunion committee has been named and no site has been selected. As information becomes available, it will be published in the next newsletter.

## Reunion 2008 in Raleigh, North Carolina

The 2008 reunion in Raleigh was an interesting one although not well attended. About 60 persons were in attendance but we missed seeing many of the North Carolinians from the Raleigh area who could have attended.

Friday: A hospitality room was open for most of the reunion and many attendees enjoyed meeting others while some looked at the Fulgham-Fulghum Family Database on Peggy Wood's computer. A first list of publications needed for the Library was available and a number of attendees signed up to purchase a book or CD for the Library. Many thanks for this! We will need quite a large number of books for the Library.

The Pig pick'n at the Longview Baptist Church on New Hope Road was a great success. The membership sends its heartfelt thanks to the organizing committee for providing this meal at no cost to the attendees. After eating, there was time for fellowship with other attendees, followed by a hymn singing session that all enjoyed. With great appreciation those at the pig pick'n dinner boarded the bus that took us back to the hotel.

Saturday morning, the Officers, Boards of Directors, and many attendees met for a country breakfast, that I am sure left no one hungry! This was followed by the Boards of Directors for FFFNA and FFFNF meetings and reports.

The Treasurer's Report. We learned that Colonial Williamsburg decided not to charge us for unsold rooms at the hotel during the 2007 reunion. This helped the bottom line for the financial report. Despite this windfall, we still need to bolster up our Treasury. Peggy Wood, Secretary-Treasurer, has asked that the dues at the \$40 per year be continued another year for 2009. Hopefully we will be able to return to the \$25 per year dues in 2010, providing that we have a successful membership campaign in the Fall of 2009. We really need the financial support of 300 to 400 members paying the dues at the \$25 per year level in order to carry out the work of the Association and to provide the newsletter to all Fulgh\*m families and interested relatives. A proposal, suggested by Betty Wiggins to Robert Fulghum, for Lifetime dues was made. No action was taken on this item.

Historian Report. There are now over 20,000 names in the database of Fulgh\*ms and Fulgh\*m kin. Grant Fulgham welcomes updated and new genealogical input for the database. Use full names dates, locations of births and deaths.

Newsletter Editor Report. Newsletters are now sent out enveloped. This saves money when inserts have to be included in the newsletter as mechanical inserting rather than inserting via hand labor can be done. Issue No. 61 was mailed to 1,389 addresses. Nomination Report. Was given by Eugene Fulgham of Jacksonville, FL. New Officers and State Representatives are found on p.2

Two presentations by Connie Atkinson and Sue Libby on searching for their lineages were presented. Continued on page 4. The Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Association is now in better financial shape thanks to those who paid dues and those who sent

extra money in addition to their dues. We still need more members. We hope those other members who receive our newsletter will consider joining the FFFNA. We need to have two hundred NEW members in 2009 to help us carry out the work of the Association.

### Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Association Issue No. 62

Fulgham-Fulghum Family Facts, a newsletter, is a publication of the Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Association. (FFFNA) The FFFNA is a private, non-profit educational, historical and genealogical research society with a mission to preserve and interpret family history and the achievements of the family through the ages. The FFFNA promotes family interaction, stimulates interest in family historical events and genealogy through publications and instructive interaction at reunions with socials, exhibits, workshops lectures, and programs.

Please address articles, obituaries, comments and questions concerning FFFF to the Newsletter Editor.

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### In Memoriam

**Dorothy May Mumford Fulghum,** 87, of Durham, NC died March 11, 2008 in Durham. Dot was born February 2, 1921 in Johnston County. She was a graduate of the Rex Hospital

School of Nursing. She spent over 30 years nursing in Hospitals and in private practice. She was a long-time resident of Raleigh.

She married Graham S. Fulghum, Sr. in 1942. Her husband predeceased her on February 15, 2000.

She is survived by her two sons, Graham S. Fulghum, II and wife, Donna of Reston, VA., and Robert Neil Fulghum and wife, Elizabeth of Durham; two grandchildren, Michael Fulghum of Apex, NC and Melissa Fulghum of Rock Hill, SC; one great-granddaughter, Ella Gray Fulghum of Apex. She is also survived by her three siblings; sisters, Gladys Jones of Zebulon, NC and Melba Price of Sanford, NC; brother, Will H. Mumford of Williamsburg, VA.

Interment was in Raleigh Memorial Park, Glenwood Avenue, Raleigh, NC.

Memorial contributions to Edenton Street United Methodist Church in Raleigh, NC.

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Fulgham-Fulghum Family Facts

### In Memoriam

Kenneth Blake Fulghum, 61, died May 10, 2008 at the V.A. Hospital in Jackson, MS.

Mr. Fulghum, the son of Willian Raiford (Jr.) and Muriel Hall Fulghum, was born February 5, 1947 in Sheffield, AL.

Ken grew up in Louisville, MS. On graduating from high school, he enlisted in the U.S. Army. In addition to combat duty in Vietnam, he served with the elite Old Honor Guard at Fort Myer, VA. From 1969 to 1970 as well as at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. In 1970, he was sent back to Vietnam.

He was a highly decorated veteran of the Vietnam War, having received three Purple Heart Medals, two Air Medals, three Army Commendation medals with "V" for valor, three Bronze Stars with "V" for valor, National Defense Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Combat Infantry Badge, Six Oak Leaf Clusters, and was recommended for the Distinguished Service Cross.

Having been critically wounded in July 1971, Staff Sgt. Fulghum spent some time in the Military Hospital. After his medical discharge from the military, he attended Mississippi State University from which he graduated.

Ken was preceded in death by his Father, W.R. (Bill) Fulghum, Jr. as well as his Hall and Fulghum grandparents. He is survived by his Muriel Hall Fulghum; Mother, daughter Michelle Bowman; son, Scott Fulghum; brothers, Larry Fulghum and Russ Fulghum; uncle, Fulghum Robert N. Four Grandchildren and a very special friend, Jana French.

Military funeral was held May 14, 2008 in the Chapel Hill Methodist Church Cemetery at Porterville, MS.

Lineage: Cap't. Anthony --> Michaell --> Anthony --. Anthony --> Raiford-->Benjamin Raiford --> James William -->John Mathis --> William Raiford-->William R., Jr.

### In Memoriam

John Rawles Fulgham, Jr. of Dallas, Texas died February 22, 2008 from complications after heart surgery. He was born July 29, 1927 in Windsor, Isle of Wight County, Virginia, the son of John Rawles Fulgham and Gypsey Louise Matthews. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Virginia Military Institute (V.M.I.) and entered the U.S. Marine Corps, 1950-1953, attaining the rank of Captain. He later earned a Bachelor of Business Administration from Southern Methodist University. He entered the banking business and achieved a number of important banking positions including President of the First National Bank of Dallas. He served on numerous Boards and held many advisory positions to other financial companies.

Appointed to the Executive Committee of the Grace Commission by President Reagan where he served on numerous task forces, he received a Presidential Certificate of appreciation for his work. He served as Chairman of the Boards of Children's Health Services of Texas, Trustee of V.M.I., Director of the State Fair of Texas, and Director of the Washington Legal Foundation.

He was a member of numerous professional organizations and other Foundations.

Mr. Fulgham was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Eldon Charles Fulgham, and a son, John (Son) R. Fulgham III.

John is survived by Betty Berger Fulgham, his wife of 57 years; three daughters, Emily Ann Fulgham McCullough, Virginia (Ginger) Fulgham Askew, and Janie Rawles Fulgham Bell: 12 grandchildren, Betty Brown McCullough Gootee, Leland (Grae) G. McCullough, IV, Hallye Sue Fulgham, John (Jack) R. Fulgham, Samantha Fulgham, Rawles Garrison Askew, Anna Marie (O.E.) Askew Soderberg, Janie Rawles Askew, Benjamin Clayton Bell, III, Rawles Fulgham Bell, William Graham Bell, and Betty Fulgham Bell,

Other survivors include a sister, Ann Fulgham Wilroy of Ahoskie, NC, a brother, Dr. William M. Fulgham of Suffolk, VA and his wife, Nancy Ann Newman Fulghum, daughter-in-law, Wendy Hightower Fulgham Walker, three sons-in-law, Leland G. McCullough, III, Ronald G. Askew, Benjamin C. Bell, Jr; a sister-in-law, Sharon Summers Fulgham, two grandsons-in-law, Dave Soderberg and J.J. Gootee; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial Services at Highland Park Presbyterian Church, Reverend Ron Scates and Nelson Bell, Presiding. Lineage: see DB ID# 2170.

### In Memoriam

Maurice Alexander Biggs, Jr., 81, of Rocky Mount, NC died March 19, 2008. He was born in Fayetteville, NC on May 17, 1927, the son of Maurice A. and Rosa Fulghum Biggs.

Biggs attained the rank of Eagle Scout. He served in the U.S. Navy in 1945-46 following which he attended and graduated from Wake Forest University earning a BA in English. He entered the Wake Forest School of Law in 1954 and graduated with honors in 1957. He then joined the Institute of Government at UNC in Chapel Hill.

In 1959, Biggs began practicing law in Rocky Mount. After a long career with various types of cases, Judge Biggs was appointed to the Seventh Judicial District Court Bench in 1991, a position he held until retirement in 1999. Judge Biggs was a member of professional law numerous organizations including the American Bar Association, the North Carolina Bar Association, North Carolina Academy of Trial Lawyers and the Seventh Judicial District Bar. He also held many positions on Boards and in civic organizations.

Judge Biggs is survived by his wife, Sandra Hedgepath Pittman Biggs; son, James, grandson Alex; daughter, Allison Biggs Larken; and granddaughter, Garvey; and a sister, Jane Biggs Mashburn.

A service to celebrate the life of Judge Biggs' was held at Lakeside Baptist Church.

Judge Biggs is ID#3957 in the database and his mother, Rosa Fulghum is ID#1735.

## DID YOU KNOW ?

Talking on a cell phone (including a hands free phone) while driving is as dangerous as driving while intoxicated. From: Human Factors and Ergonomics Society, Summer 2006

## German Fulgh\*ms ?

A number of years ago while in Atlanta attending a microbiology meeting, I saw in "Underground Atlanta" a genealogical display by a company that provides family backgrounds and coats of arms.

I was allowed to read the material on Fulgh\*ms and found it nothing like what our family history is like. It listed our family's origins as Germany. I thought it was a scam, providing something for unsuspecting people who wanted but did not know their family history for a nice fee to the scammers.

Recently, I wonder if I was mistaken. Perhaps there are persons with the Fulgh\*m name that have a German background. Back in World War I, being of German ancestry was looked down upon and many people with German names changed their names to one that did not sound German. Perhaps some Germans knew and admired the Fulgh\*ms and took the name.

Any male Fulgh\*ms who have been told they are German in origin and cannot trace their lineage to early Fulgham families should take the 12 marker Y-DNA test to find out if they match Fulgh\*ms who are known to be directly related Captain Anthony Fulgham. If you do take the test and do not match any Fulgh\*ms, please report this to Dan Fulghum (address, page 2)

For information, please go to www.familytreedna.com for details and costs to be tested. Remember, we welcome all with the Fulgh\*m name to FFFNA irrespective of their DNA tests.

## Reunion 2008

Continued from page 1 Saturday Evening – The Annual Banquet was held Staurday Evening. There were a number of announcements. James E. Fulghum of Wilson, NC was awarded a plaque for his many services to the Association and the Foundation. Jim was presented with a ceremonial staff commemorating his leadership of the Association from 1985 to the present.

Following the dinner, there was music and dancing enjoyed by all.

<u>Sunday Morning</u>. After breakfast, the Annual Business Meeting for all members attending was held.

At this Meeting for all members, the reports given to the Officers and Board members were read to the attendees. Discussions followed.; It was moved and seconded that the Scholarships be increased from \$500 to \$1,000 starting in 2009. There was no new business and the meeting was adjourned.

Following the business meeting, the Reunion was concluded with the worship service led by Betsy Williams.

## Letter to the Foundation and the Association

A letter of appreciation was sent to the FFFNA and the FFFNF by our 2007-2008 Scholarship recipient, Angelica Grace Kelley. She included the courses she took and the grades she earned during her first year at Evangel University. She did well and ended the year with a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.3.

Miss Kelly again thanked the FFFNF for the scholarship supporting her in her first year of College. The University offered her a service trip opportunity to spend two months this summer teaching English in the Public Schools in Thailand, one of the experiences from her first year of College that she will always remember.

## Please support the Scholarship Program of the Foundation

This is a most worthy activity of the Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Foundation. All donations are tax deductible on your income tax returns. When you help a teacher, you help the thousands of children they may teach during their teaching career.

# Dues for 2009

Peggy Wood, Sec'y-Treas'r, requested that dues for the year 2009 remain at \$40 with reduction to \$25 in 2010 pending a successful membership drive in 2009 for 150 new members.

Current membership is only 204 paid members. Thank you, loyal members who have paid dues !

## Lifetime Membership

Proposed at the Business meeting at the 2008 reunion in Raleigh.

- 1. Member pays in \$950.
- 2. From this FFFNA takes out \$50 to set up account and for first years dues.
- 3. FFFNA Invests the remaining \$900.
- 4. Subsequent dues are paid from interest FFFNA earns on investment.
- 5. Return \$900 if Lifetime Member requests to return to regular annual dues, OR
- 6. Return \$900 to the Estate of deceased Lifetime Member, if executor requests it.

Approximate amount of annual interest earned on each Lifetime Member account:@ 2.5% interest would yield \$24.

This proposal is still under consideration as it was not put to a vote. If you are interested, please let the newsletter editor know. If there is enough interest we can consider the proposal at the next reunion.

### THROUGH ALL THESE YEARS © 1976 by

### Wiley I. Rutledge

In younger years I could dream of how good life would be, When all I had to do each day were things that pleasured me. I did not know the toll that went in making dreams come true, Nor of the price that others paid each day to see me through. Don't mark me down as ungrateful if thanks I failed to show, I did not mean to be unkind - I simply did not know in younger years. In middle years I forgot those carefree days gone by, And I looked out on younger folks and it caused me to sigh. "How carelessly they drift" I thought "on any wind that blows." Don't mark me down as unloving - until you've reached that spot. It's just that time moved swiftly by - and somehow I forgot, In middle years. Through all these years I now look back and dream my dreams again And once again they pleasure me they way they did back then I recall the anxious days I spent in middle years, And see how well it all turned out - and smiles replace my tears. Don't mark me down as uncaring or call me unconcerned, 'Till life - and love - and time teach you the lessons I have learned Through all these years.

> Writes Mark Rutledge of The Daily Reflector, Greenville, North Carolina.

My father was 44 when he wrote that poem. He touched a lot of lives in profound ways during his time, and not just because he was a minister. He's simply the type of person who always reached out to other human beings. For us closest to Wiley I. Rutledge, having one of these people step out of the fog (Wiley Rutledge now suffers from Alzheimer's Disease dementia) and bring to light such meaningful moments with him is nothing short of a gift of God.

Newsletter Editor's Note: The poem was apparently written for Lynn Mrogan who was, at the time, a homesick waitress from Ohio working in Knoxville, Tenn. Mark Rutledge has given us permission to print the poem in our newsletter. Thanks, Mark!

## **THE FULGH\*M NEWSLETTERS ON THE INTERNET**

There was a great deal of interest at the Raleigh Reunion regarding distributing the family newsletters via the Internet. Kevin Charles from Rocky Mount attended the reunion and contributed discussion and suggestions concerning an electronic version of the newsletter. There are several ways this could be done. At first, we may not be able to include pictures with the text. The newsletters would go out as E-mail attachments to persons who asked to receive advance copy of the newsletters. Later, if we can find the expertise, we could put the newsletters on the Internet with a link to them on our homepage at Rootsweb. Also, we could later send complete newsletters via E-mail as well.

We recently sent out the first three pages of the Foundation Newsletter (found in this mailing) to a list of E-mail addresses that our Past President, Wiggins, is maintaining, ----Her Betty "BREAKING NEWS" mailing list. We received positive response from this.

Presently, we feel that using E-mail and sending the pages as attachment is something we can accomplish. Later maybe we can become more sophisticated and try the other possible routs. Hopefully, Kevin Charles will continue to help in this endeavor.

If you would like to be on Betty Wiggins' "BREAKING NEWS" mailing list, please contact her by E-mail at. bwiggins@widowmaker.com.

If this mode of transmission of the newsletter works out for you, please let us know.

For the present, we plan, in addition, to continue to mail the newsletters via the U.S. Postal Service as before. This is to insure that all known Fulgh\*ms, Fulgh\*m kin, and others interested in the Family receive a copy.

## **Pictures From the 2008 Reunion**

While several photographs were available for the newsletter, the best were taken by Jill Harwood - many thanks, Jill ! All of the reunion photographs in this issue were furnished by Jil.

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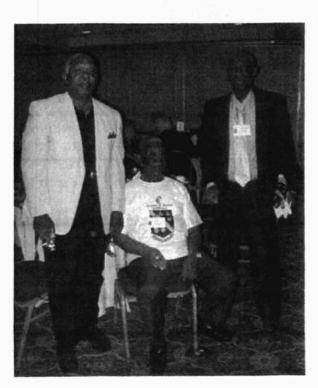


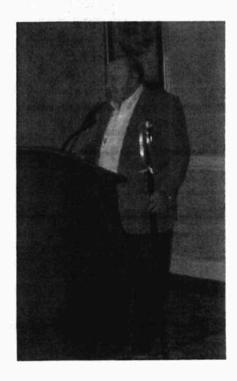












#### **Fulgham-Fulghum Family Facts**











# Pictures From the Reunion

Page 6: Center; Dancing after the Banquet. Clockwise from the upper left; Mr. and Mrs. Hilliard Fulgham, from Sturgis, Mississippi with their grand daughters, Andrea "Kimberlin" Vickers; "Trystun" Caleighanne Vickers, and friend, Courtney "Shay" Clark, on the bus to the Pig Pick'n; next, Jill Harwood with the young ladies from Mississippi, and, next Kevin Charles with Jill Harwood; next, James E. Fulghum accepting a plaque and a ceremonial staff commemorating his long years of service to the FFFNA and FFFNF; next. Herman Fulgham. Jr. from Burlington, NC and brothers. Last picture is of Tryston, Shay, and Kimberlin, at the Pig Pick'n.

Page 7 At the Banquet from the top: The President's table at the reunion Standing are Peggy Sec'y-Treas., Larry Wood, Fulghum, President. seated from the left Robert S and Esther Fulghum, Joan and Peter Fulghum, Mrs. Larry Sue Fulghum; second. Fulgham Libby and the Ray Fulghams, some of our California cousins, and others at the banquet; third, The Hilliard Harwoods, the Fulghams and grandchildren with James Fulghum Mills from President of the Georgia, Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Foundation; fourth, The Eugene Fulghams from Florida and Dr and Mrs. Gwin Fulgham from Texas.

It was good to see the the vounger people at reunion and to have their participation. We especially thank Kevin Charles for his We hope his helpful input. help will interest and continue.

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Summer 2007

## **Officers for 2008-2009**

Officers are elected annually.NEW OFFICERS were elected to the Fulgham/Fulghum Family National Foundation at the Reunion Business meeting in Raleigh, NC on June 22, 2008. There are many talented people in our organization. We thank them for their service. Officers are listed on Page 2. They may serve only three terms in office. Committee Chairpersons serve at the pleasure of the Officers and Board.

### ANNUAL MEETING

President **James F. Mills** of Augusta, Georgia, called the meeting to order. Peggy F. Wood gave the Treasurer's Report. The Treasury has a total of \$82,585.63. Of this \$77,086.78 came from donations to the Library Fund while \$3,019.43 is in the Scholarship Fund and the remaining amount of \$2,479.42 are working funds. There are still a number of pledges due to be collected for the Library Fund in 2008.

**Peter C. Fulghum** reported on the activities of the Scholarship Committee. Applications for the Scholarship were narrowed down to three. After discussion, it was decided to award the Scholarship for 2008-9 to Elizabeth Anne Tijerna of Marshall, Texas. Peter suggested that we raise the amount of the scholarship in the coming year from \$500 to \$1,000. This was moved and seconded and approved by voice vote.

James E. Fulghum of Wilson, NC gave the report on the progress of the proposed Library. This report is found on page 3.

Robert S. Fulghum gave a report on the acquisition of materials for the Library. At this time we have 82 books and other items for the Library. A campaign to purchase books for the Library was announced and a list of the first books to be purchased was made available at the reunion in the Hospitality Room. Four attendees while at the 2008 Reunion in Raleigh, NC, Sue Fulghum Libby, Peggy F. Wood, Richard F. Barnes and Robert S. Fulghum signed up and left checks to purchase fifteen books. The titles included: Directory of Family Associations; Seventeenth Century Isle of Wight Virginia, Historical Southern Families, Volumes VIII, XV, XIX, XX, XXI, and XXIII; Colonial Families of Surry and Isle of Wight, Volume 3, 4, and 5; The Complete Book of Emigrants 1607-1676; Robert's Rules of Order, newly revised, In Brief; Carmack's Guide to Copyright and Contracts; Kinship, It's All Relative, Expanded 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition.

Campaigns for funding the construction of the Library and for purchasing books for the Library are continuing. Please contact Peggy F. Wood regarding donations. The Library will be something very useful for not only the family but also for the Isle of Wight County, Southside Virginia and the Southern US. When the Library is complete, the Fulgh\*m Family will be leaving a permanent legacy of which every one of us should be very proud. See Page 3.

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Elizabeth Anne Tijerina, the recipient of the 2008-2009 FFFNF Scholarship, is pictured above. Elizabeth writes: "Thank you so much for giving me \$500 and the chance to attend East Texas Baptist University."

She goes on to say that she has always wanted to be a teacher.

She wants to work with the next generation to "instill in them the need for their education."

She believes that "teachers serve their communities most because they influence the lives of children." ... "Women of our generation need to be involved with the children as well as to be able to provide for themselves. I also think that Hispanic children who struggle with the English language should have a chance to grow up and succeed in life, so I want to become a bi-lingual elementary school teacher."

"Again, I thank you so much for helping me with my college education.

"God bless you"

#### Elizabeth Anne Tijerina

In a footnote to Elizabeth's letter, her parents, George and Anne Tijerina, add "as a parent I really appreciate your confidence and support of our future educator. God bless you all!"

Progress on the proposed Library: See page 3.

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## Report at Board Meeting : VIRGINIA LIBRARY PROJECT

James E. Fulghum Dr. Robert S. Fulghum Saturday, June 21, 2008

One year ago last week, Dr. Robert S. Fulghum and I conducted a discussion centered around the possibilities concerning the Family's Library Project. It was felt that the Family could not raise sufficient moneys to go out on its own to develop a genealogical research library in Isle of Wight County, Virginia, and, therefore, a new approach should be developed. Ħ was decided that a Southside Virginia Historical Library should be considered as a repository for the Family's historical documents along with other families that had their start in America in Southside Virginia and have subsequently sent their descendants on along to settle virtually the Southside of America as well as other places in the nation. It was felt that such a project could be a very successful tourism project as people returned to the area to search for their roots.

This thinking was transmitted to the Presidents of both the Association and the Foundation and Mr. James E. Fulghum was appointed by both to pursue this kind of thinking. Mr. Fulghum then appointed Dr. Fulghum as Secretary of a Committee to be formed to pursue the implementation of such a project. It was decided to enlarge the planning committee into a regional Virginia Committee containing some Fulgham/Fulghums and that the committee would elect a permanent Chairman when it is fully formed.

On Wednesday, June 20, 2007, James E. Fulghum and Dr. Robert S. Fulghum traveled to Richmond, Virginia, to discuss the idea with officials at the Library of Virginia. They met with Dr. Conley L. Edwards, III, Director of the Archival and Records Management Services Division, and following the discussion with him, Dr. Edwards, consulted Elizabeth M. Lewis, Director of Library

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Neither could see any reason why the Library of Virginia would oppose such a project. Ms. Lewis suggested that we get in touch with Ms. Pat Ward, Director of the Blackwater Regional Library, of which Isle of Wight County is a part, and discuss the project with her. Ms. Ward was contacted and was very positive concerning the project and said she would brief the Regional Board at its next meeting.

On Friday, January 11, 2008, Dr. Robert S. Fulghum of Greenville, North Carolina and I traveled to Smithfield, Virginia, and had two appointments with Joseph Luter, IV, President of Smithfield Foods, Inc., and Judy Winslow, Director of Tourism for Smithfield, Virginia, and for Isle of Wight County, Virginia.

We discussed with each of these officials the possibilities for a proposed Southside Virginia Historical Library, which we felt, should have its location in their community.

Mr. Luter expressed to us his willingness to consider the idea and promised to discuss the matter with others in the community. Meanwhile, Ms. Winslow applauded the idea and urged us to discuss the matter with the Isle of Wight County Board of Supervisors.

On Thursday, February 21, Dr. Fulghum and I appeared at the regular meeting of the Isle of Wight County Board of Supervisors and gave them a detailed overview of the tourism potential that could result from the establishment of a Southside Virginia Historical Library in the County. We asked that they provide up to 15 acres of land as a suitable site for the proposed library and that they provide one of their Supervisors as a member of a proposed Planning Committee for the Library. The Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, an Attorney, practicing in Portsmouth, Virginia, Stan D. Clark. applauded the idea for the Library and volunteered to represent the Board of Supervisors on the Planning Committee for the Library. We also reported that the Fulgham/Fulghum Family had been raising money to be used as a part of the Library project.

Later the County informed James E. Fulghum and Dr. Robert S. Fulghum that the County did not own any land that would be suitable as a site for the proposed Library but Chairman Clark said he would help in trying to obtain a gift of suitable land for the Library.

On Tuesday, May 13, Dr. Robert S. Fulghum and James E. Fulghum met with Judy Winslow. Isle of Wight Tourism Director, and Stan D. Clark, Isle of Wight Chairman of the Board of Supervisors in Mr. Clark's law offices in Portsmouth, Virginia. Chairman Clark reported that they had not yet tied down a gift of land for the Library, but that they had noted some interest. In discussing the possibilities, they urged James E. Fulghum to contact Mr. Henry Morgan, a large landowner and developer who was one of the owners of a large tract of land across the road from St. Luke's Church at Smithfield.

Mr. Morgan was telephoned and in the discussion he expressed interest in the Library Project and agreed to meet with Chairman Clark, Ms. Winslow, and the Fulghums in Mr. Clark's offices on Wednesday, June 18.

The meeting was later changed to of Wight County the Isle Government Complex on the same date and Mr. Richard Turner. another principal in the ownership of the land, accompanied Mr. Morgan to the meeting. Mr. Clark asked the Fulghums to outline the plan and the need for a site. Both of the landowners asked several questions and then expressed interest in the project. They observed that a piece of land they own across from the large cemetery adjacent to Saint Luke's Church might be a good location for the Library. Everyone agreed. The two landowners said they would go back and discuss the matter with their other principals and let the group have a decision. They asked to whom they would give the land. It was agreed, following discussion, that the gift could best be made to our Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Foundation, a 501 C (3) tax exempt foundation and, then later, could be conveyed to the proper state supported organization that become the "owner" Will responsible for staffing and maintaining of the Library.

James E. Fulghum

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