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President Woodrow Brown's 2015 Reunion Report

Last year I reported on the energy among the attendees of our 2014 reunion. Now, I find myself searching for the superlative phrase to describe our 2015 reunion in Asheville, NC. Let's call it energy coupled with enthusiasm for the future of our Family gatherings. By the numbers, our 2015 attendance showed a significant increase over the previous two years. It was indeed a blessing to see so many happy faces this year, and especially so many who came to their first Fulgham-Fulghum Family reunion. The highlight of the gathering was meeting first-timers from as far away as Mississippi, Texas and from Georgia.

Good food seems to make us happy, and we were a happy lot on Friday and Saturday nights at the buffet table in our private meeting room at the Doubletree hotel. As we introduced ourselves on Friday evening, we had the opportunity to tell a story or two that may not be known to the group. What a great conversation starter. Also, Peggy Wood brought some Fulgh*m paper fans which we moved from table to table for signatures and home locations.

Enthusiasm overflowed into the business sessions on Saturday morning. A nice touch was that we were equipped to make presentations with a laptop projector. Peter Fulghum opened the meetings with an invocation. Peggy presented the 2014 meeting minutes which were approved. Also, Peggy shared the Treasurer's report and the Archivist's report by Grant Fulgham.

Grant's summary includes his recent work on promising new Fulgh*m family origin theory, establishing a foundation for future work on the Somersetshire Fuljames family. Work on the Fuljames connection has continued into 2015. We look forward to future Newsletter articles covering Grant's findings. He reported also that he has over 37,200 records in the genealogical database.

Peggy presented a report by our Newsletter editor, Robert Fulghum. Bob informed everyone that he will be on the sidelines for a while due to an injury from a fall. We wish him a speedy recovery. He asked that we review his article found in Newsletter Volume 79, page 6 (Fall 2014) with particular regard to the funds for the Library-Museum and other needs within the Association.

Nominations were requested, and officers were elected. It is with great pleasure to announce some positive updates. Judy Gay has agreed to move up from Vice-President to President of the Association for 2015-2016. Peggy Wood agreed to continue as Secretary-Treasurer, but she asked to have less involvement in reunion planning. Reverend Peggy Fulghum Matthews not only agreed to serve as Vice-President, but she will be the primary officer planning our reunion for 2016. Grant Fulgham will continue as Archivist, and Robert Fulghum will continue as Newsletter Editor. In the Foundation meeting that followed, Peter Fulghum was elected President. We are grateful to have such an enthusiastic team of officers and contributors. Please help support them.

The Foundation business meeting was led by Peter. He brought us up-to-date on the scholarship activities, and Peggy submitted her Treasurer's report. Woodford Brown submitted a report with a recommendation from a sub-committee which has been developing an action plan for handling the tax deductible donations to the concept for a Family library-museum which now will not take place. The action plan was approved, and letters of explanation are forthcoming. (see page 2 for continued report)

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 one of the newsletter editors.

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After the business meetings on Saturday, Carolyn Allwine presented a very interesting program on "How to Search for Your Civil War Ancestors." Carolyn used her research as an example, and she had some very useful handouts covering available resources.

On Sunday morning, the Family gathered for a joyful worship service led by Betsy Williams. Inspired by Betsy's challenge to find ways to help others on a daily basis, we departed with God's blessing and with renewed enthusiasm for our next gathering.

Meet our new President

It is my sincere pleasure to announce the election of Judy Fulghum Gay for the office of FFFNA President. Judy's home is Rolesville, NC. She has served as Vice-President for the previous year, and in that term Judy has worked tirelessly with her sisters, Peggy Wood, Janie Dennis, and Betsy Williams in the selection of the city location for the 2015 reunion as well as the hotel, the meals, and the programming which made the reunion a success. I have had the privilege of seeing Judy's exemplary leadership skills in action. Also, I have been the recipient of her ideas for enhancing upcoming reunions, and I can say that we are in for some fun as Judy adds a touch of spice to the planning process and to the presidency of the Association.

Submitted by
Woodrow Brown
Savannah, Georgia

**BUSINESS MEETINGS CONDUCTED FOR 2015 REUNION
SUBMITTED BY SECRETARY-TREASURER PEGGY WOOD**

FULGHAM-FULGHUM FAMILY NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Woodford Brown, President, called the meeting to order. Peter Fulghum lead us in prayer. Peggy Wood gave all a copy of the 2014 minutes and after review, Peggy made a motion they be approved and Carolyn Allwine seconded. Minutes were approved. Grant Fulgham sent the Archivist report and a copy was attached for the files. Peggy said that we should all be so appreciative to Grant for all of the work he has done to search for family ancestors. Robert was unable to attend but sent the Editor's report and is attached for the files. Peggy stopped to thank Carolyn for scanning all the newsletters (1-80) on a disk so hopefully Grant can get these on the internet. Woody said that Robert will continue doing the newsletters for at least another year and Linda Bruggemann will help him when needed and hopefully take over this position. Woody also said that if there was something about your family you would like to share, please let the Editor know.

Old Business: Judy brought up about whether we should continue sending our paper newsletters to those who do not pay dues. After discussion, it was decided to continue sending the newsletters to all on the mailing list unless they have asked for email copies only.

New Business: Woody asked if this time of year (August) was a good time of the year for the reunion. Everyone wanted to keep this time of year. We had 30 people at this reunion.

Nominations for Officers for 2015-2016 Judy Gay, Rolesville, NC as President, Peggy Wood, Jacksonville, FL as Sec-Treas, Grant Fulgham, Camarillo, CA as Historian-Archivist, and Robert Fulghum, Greenville, NC as Editor. Peggy F. Matthews, Winston-Salem, NC was nominated by Ruth Olive for Vice President and seconded by Mary Susan Fulghum. All were approved. Woody made a motion to adjourn. Judy seconded. All approved.

FULGHAM-FULGHUM FAMILY NATIONAL FOUNDATION

August 8, 2015

Peter called the Foundation meeting to order. Peggy gave copies of 2014 meeting minutes to all and after reviewed, Robert Fulghum made a motion for approval and Judy Gay seconded. All approved. Peggy gave the Treasurer's report. All Approved.

Old Business: Woody brought forth the tabled Foundation report about the Library/Museum Funds. He told how the Foundation was approved by the IRS for 501 3C if scholarships were given each year then we could seek donations for a Family Library/Museum. Not enough funds were collected to move forward and sustain this project, so a decision has to be made on what to do with these physical and financial tax deductible donations. After seeking legal advice on this, we have two proposals to give to the donors. A letter will be sent to all donors with the following proposals:

1. The donated money be converted to the scholarship funds. We encourage this as nothing else is required since it was a tax deductible donation.

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2. The donated money returned. If they are returned, then a 1099 form will be attached and they will have to take care of this with their CPA.

Woody made a motion to put forth the proposal and was seconded by Mary Susan Fulghum. After discussion it was approved by all. Peggy Wood will mail the letters to all the donors. Peter talked about the scholarship fund and said this is the 10th year for giving scholarships. Scholarships are given to those who are going to be teachers or going into nursing. Peter said that we could change this, but all agreed not to change. Frances asked if there was an opening on the committee to select the recipients. Peter said that anyone was welcome to volunteer. Mostly Peter's family and a teacher friend are serving on the committee.

Foundation officers for 2015-2016 were agreed on:

President - Peter Fulghum, Smithsburg, MD

Vice President – Sue Fulghum Libby, Chico, CA

Sec-Treasurer – Peggy Fulghum Wood, Jacksonville, FL

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by
Peggy Fulghum Wood, Sec-Treas.
Jacksonville, Florida

FFNA – FFNFF FINANCIAL REPORT

2014 -2015 Treasurer's Report

Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Ass'n Fulgham-Fulghum National Family Foundation

Balance Forward 5/20/14	\$ 20,221.42	Balance Forward 5/30/14	\$ 78,256.38
Deposits 6/1/14-7/31/15	<u>4,327.76</u>	Deposits 5/30/14-6/30/15	
		Donations	\$ 375.00
		Interest	62.61
TOTAL	\$24,549.18	TOTAL	<u>437.61</u>
			\$ 78,693.99
EXPENSES		EXPENSES	
Newsletters	\$4,712.51	Legal Fees	\$1,278.50
2014 Reunion	1,440.00	Printing	<u>115.56</u>
Printing	418.40		
Bank Charges	<u>5.00</u>		
TOTAL	<u>6,575.91</u>	TOTAL	<u>1,394.06</u>
BALANCE 7/31/15	\$17,973.27	BALANCE 6/30/15	\$ 77,299.93

2015 FFFNA HISTORIAN & ARCHIVIST SUMMARYI. Review of Accomplishments in the Year 2014:

- **A CHANGE IN DIRECTION** - After many years of searching for the descendants of Hercules Foljambe and having no credible leads, the FFFNA Historian proposed in 2014 that we invest our efforts on other origin theories, particularly to include an origin in Somersetshire in the English west country. From this change in strategy came two breakthrough Newsletter articles that documented a promising new Fulgh*m family origin theory and establishes a foundation for future research. A short recap follows:
- **A SOMERSETSHIRE ORIGIN** - Newsletter Issue #76 THE STORY OF CAPTAIN ANTHONY FULGHAM makes the case for his origin to have been as the son of John Fuljames, gent. of Woodbrooke, Pitminster, Somersetshire and for him to have been born in Pitminster about 1615.
- **OUR VIRGINIA ANCESTRAL HOMEPLACE** - Newsletter Issue #78 MARTHA (GREENE) FULGHAM makes the case for the origin of Anthony's wife, Martha, as the daughter of Robert Greene, merchant of St Giles Cripplegate, London and her subsequent marriage to Anthony probably in Lancaster County Virginia.
- **THE FULJAMES CONNECTION** – The year 2014 saw beginning research on our connection with the Somersetshire Fuljames family, specifically through the line of Anthony Fulgham/Fuljames' father, John. Work on the Fuljames connection has continued into 2015.

II. Summary of Year 2015 Efforts:

- **WILLIAM FULJAMES**, of Ing's Manor, Hertfordshire (b. ca. 1490). This William was arguably the GG Grandfather of Capt. Anthony. His parents held Ing's Manor as a life gift from Sir William Chaworth but William Fuljames, their son, had to vacate upon the death of both parents, which, apparently, was by ca. 1501. It is unclear who his guardian was until he reached the age of majority.
- **THE FIELD OF CLOTH OF GOLD** - William Fuljames is documented in the letters and papers of Hen. VIII associated with seven other men at the Field of Cloth of Gold in 1520. The backgrounds of about half of these men show that they were subsequently awarded lands either from the forfeitures of Cardinal Wolsey or from the dissolution of the monasteries. Future research is expected to verify whether or not William picked up Somersetshire property this way.
- **GLASTONBURY ABBEY & ATHELNEY ABBEY** – William Fuljames appears in the records of the Star Chamber in a complaint against the Abbot of Athelney regarding trespass on Fuljames' property called "Saltmore". Research into what properties this William acquired and when he acquired them will continue.
- **WILLIAM FULJAMES' FOUR SONS** – It is speculated that William had four sons: one died young; one settled in High Ham, Somers.; one settled in Angersleigh & Pitminster; and the youngest apprenticed with a man named John Withers of Dunster and settled in the Coleman Street Ward of London. Research will continue.

III. Maintaining the Family Database:

- **OVER 37,200 PERSON RECORDS** – Research into the newfound branches of the family, particularly the Fuljames and related branches going back in time, is adding many new person records to our database. This will continue. The Genealogical program that I use, "Reunion", allows an unlimited number of person records, so do not worry.

Submitted by
Grant Fulgham, Archivist
Camarillo, California



James "Jim" Edward Fulghum

James "Jim" Edward Fulghum, 89, of Wilson passed away Monday, April 6, 2015. A graveside service was conducted 11 a.m. Friday in Maplewood Cemetery, Wilson.

Jim was a graduate of Charles L. Coon High School and following graduation he joined the Navy where he served during [World War II](#) with honor and pride. He was commissioned as an Officer in June, 1946. After the Navy he worked with the Wilson Daily Times and ACC College before owning his own company, Communications Associates. After twenty-five years he closed his firm and served as President of the Eastern North Carolina Chamber of Commerce, which was successful in acquiring highway improvements. Before retiring in 1990. Jim was very active in the Wilson Community; he was on the Historic Restoration Fund, a member of the Wilson County Genealogical Society. Jim was a loving father, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend that lived his life to the fullest and with love. He will be greatly missed and thought of often.

Jim is survived by his sons, Douglas Fulghum of Wilson and Donald Fulghum and wife, Abbie of Wilson; his granddaughters, Arlette Fulghum Rhodes and husband, Jason of Elm City and Sarah Fulghum Young and husband, Brett of Wilson; his grandson, Alex Fulghum of Wilson and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; Edward and Pella Bruce (Grice) Fulghum; and his sister, Ann Fulghum Pope.

News and Observer of Raleigh, NC, Obituaries

Lineage: Captain Anthony → Michael → Anthony → Anthony → John → Jacob --> Jesse → Raiford --> Jesse L. → Edward Pharoah → James Edward.

Jim had a strong relationship to the Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Association (FFFNA). It was at his suggestion that Jim Fulghum of Wilson, NC, Dr. James Elijah Fulghum of Jacksonville, FL, Tommy Fulghum of Wadley GA, and Robert S. Fulghum of Greenville, NC met in a hotel in Rocky Mount on September 19, 1987 to discuss a family association and a third family reunion. Some basic ideas and possible officers were explored for the establishment of **Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Association** (FFFNA). Reunions were discussed and plans were laid for publication of the first issue of **Fulgham-Fulghum Family Facts, (FFFF)** a newsletter for our association. Robert Fulghum was appointed the first editor and Peggy Fulghum Wood of Jacksonville, FL was appointed Secretary-Treasurer.

Thus at Jim Fulghum's suggestions the first Executive Committee of the Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Association was held. Jim was the first President of the Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Association. Jim played important rolls within the FFFNA. As chairman of the Nominating Committee. Jim was able to find people to assume positions and to work for the FFFNA., a critical role in any organization.

Later, Jim was also in charge of planning and raising funds for the building of a Fulghum Museum and Library. Due to rising costs and less than expected funding, the project was dropped several years ago.

Over the 28 plus years of FFFNA, Jim Fulghum was the behind the scenes leader of the Association.

James Edward Fulghum will be greatly missed by the members of the FFFNA .

Robert S. Fulghum, Editor, **FFFF**



Dr. Gwin M. Fulgham

Dr. Gwin M. Fulgham, DDS, 90-years old, passed away on Monday, February 16, 2015. He is survived by his wife Frances Tidmore Fulgham of Malakoff, Texas; daughter, Donna Fulgham of Little Rock, Arkansas; Sons, Stanley Fulgham and wife Carol of Fort Worth, Texas; Kevin Fulgham and wife Margaret of Athens, Texas; Daughter-in-law Linda Fulgham of Arlington, Texas; and Son-in-law Robert Wolfe of Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania. He is also survived by eight grandchildren, Kimela Rich, Gwin Hunter, Brent Fulgham, Jennifer Fulgham, Stephanie Hall, Samantha Parker, Lindsay Wolfe and Callie Gritt; in addition to 12 great-grandchildren. He was truly loved by all. He was extremely proud of all his children.

Dr. Fulgham was born January 21, 1925, to Ivy T. and Nannie Brewer Fulgham of Brownsboro, Texas. He was one of 5 children and was preceded in death by brothers, Truitt and Joe Bryan and sisters Evelyn Crow and Margie Neswitz; son, Stephen Fulgham; daughter, Deborah Wolfe; and granddaughter Frances Ruth Fulgham.

He graduated from Brownsboro High School, East Texas State Teacher's College, Commerce, Texas, and the University of Texas Dental School, Houston, Texas. He started his dental practice in Duncanville, Texas, in 1954, and in 1957 moved his practice to Oak Cliff, Texas, where he stayed until 1972. He then made the move to Malakoff, Texas, where he was in practice until April, 2014. He proudly served as a dentist until the age of 89. His goal was to practice his craft until the age of 90; and, he almost made it.

Dr. Fulgham proudly served his nation as an infantry soldier during World War II. He was inducted into the armed services in September 1943, where he served in combat in the South Pacific Theater. One of the campaigns he fought in was on the Island of Luzon. He was decorated with numerous medals, and was extremely proud to be a part of an Honor Flight made up of other World War II survivors who visited Washington D.C. and the World War II Memorial in 2012.

Dr. Fulgham was involved with the communities he lived in, serving on both the Duncanville and the Malakoff I.S.D. school boards. He was instrumental in opening the First State Bank of Duncanville where he was one of the original Directors. He started filming the Duncanville High School football games and continued to do the same when he moved to Malakoff. He would film the games, take and have it processed, and return it before the next day so the coaches would have films to study. Dr. Fulgham was a member of the Jaycees, Lions Club, and Chamber of Commerce. He was a proud member of the Masonic Lodge # 759 of Malakoff, Texas; where in 2011, he was awarded the Golden Trowel Award for Exceptional Service by the Grand Lodge of Texas A.F. and A.M. Additionally, he was a member of the Shriner's and the Malakoff Remote Control Fly Club. He also had quite the collection of RC aircraft; sometimes a few too many according to his wife Frances.

Dr. Fulgham and Frances enjoyed travelling. In the early 60's they were a member of the World Sampler's Flying Club. Over the last several years they used their fifth wheel RV trailer and travelled all over the U.S. and Canada. One of their most memorable trips was to Alaska and then to Nova Scotia.

Dr. Fulgham loved being a Dentist. He cared for all of those who came to see him. He practiced for over 60 years, and often said one of the things that kept him going, was his patient's telling him, "Doc, you can't quit now; we still need you!"

Lineage: Anthony (Captain) —> John (Captain) —> John —> John —> John —> Micajah —> Edmond Brantley —> Marquis de Lafayette —> William Edmond —> Ivy Thomas —> Gwin M. (DDS)

Submitted by his son Stanley Fulgham

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The North America beginning of our family was in ISLE OF WIGHT County, Virginia in ca. 1640. Now we have reunions in many states. Of the 27 national reunions, the FFFNA held the first in 1985 in Rock Ridge, NC. The last seven reunions have been held 2006 in Nacogdoches, Texas; 2007 in Williamsburg, VA; 2008 in Raleigh, NC; 2009 at Smith Mountain Lake (Wirtz, VA); 2013 on St. Simon's Island, GA, 2014 in Callaway Gardens, Georgia; and 2015 in Asheville, NC.

Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Association on the INTERNET

Our homepage URL is: <http://homepages.rootsweb.com/~fulghum/web-text-html.htm>

One can find links to the FFFNA database in Rootsweb. Open our homepage and look for the links Rootsweb in the left panel about the center of the first page. Click on one of these links to access data and information on your ancestors and lineage.

Since much of the data on living persons are blocked for their privacy, one should start their search by searching the names of a deceased ancestor (s).

For additional help in searching for Fulgh*m ancestors, please contact the Newsletter Editor, the family Historians or the Family Archivist. It is strongly urged that searchers for Fulgh*m information try to obtain as much information as possible from the Internet sources before contacting the Family Archivists.

Also see our homepage under for links to the back-issues of the *Fulgham-Fulghum Family Facts* newsletter. Click on "Back Issues" link under publications.