



ROGER WILLIAMS FAMILY ASSOCIATION

October 1970

No. 57

Dear Members:

Again I greet the Family. Our membership roll continues to grow. The names of new members are read and acted upon at each meeting. Welcome. We hope to meet many of you in person whenever possible. It is surely pleasing to the spirit to have an ancestor of the caliber of Roger Williams. I wish I knew how his children regarded him. We can be sure folks were concerned about the younger generation. They always are.

Good news! Roger Williams Family pins are again available. I know many of us have been waiting for them, and will wear them proudly.

Our meetings are never crowded and we would be happy to extend a cordial welcome to all who would enjoy an hour of fellowship. The Program for the coming year sounds most interesting.

We hope for a speedy recovery of those who are ill. To the families of those who have died, we extend our sympathy.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Verena Williams

President

35 Cherry Road, Edgewood, R. I. 02905

(summer - Box 26, Prudence Park, Prudence Island 02872)

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Programme

OCTOBER 1970 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 1971

October 24, 1970—Saturday, 1:30 P.M. **John Brown House**
52 Power Street, Providence, R. I.

Business meeting, followed by "Roger Williams and his Last Move." Speaker - Mr. George Wightman Williams. Hostesses: Mrs. Anthony and Mrs. Scott.

November 5, 1970—Thursday, 7:30 P.M. **Phillips Memorial**
Baptist Church, 565 Pontiac Ave., Cranston, R. I.
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Business meeting, followed by slides "Mayflower '70 Tour". Speaker - Mrs. Harold P. Williams. Host and Hostesses: Mrs. Charles W. Anthony, Mrs. John F. Greene, Mrs. Gordon B. Kenney, Miss Bertha I. Phillips, Mrs. Neil E. Ross, Mr. Harold P. Williams

December 13, 1970—Sunday, 2:00-4:00 P.M.
180 Brown Street, Providence, R. I.

Christmas Carols and Tea at the home of our members Mr. and Mrs. Clifford W. Brown. Hostesses: Mrs. E. Warren Colwell, Mrs. Irving H. Havens, Mrs. Edgar S. Potter, Mrs. Benjamin F. Steere, Jr., Mrs. Everett M. Steere, Mrs. George O. Steere, Mrs. Robert E. Steere, Mrs. Walter M. O. Steere, Mrs. Gerald E. Van Bever. If unable to serve, please phone Mrs. Brown.

March 11, 1971—Thursday, 7:30 P.M. **Phillips Memorial Baptist**
Church, 565 Pontiac Ave., Cranston, R. I.

Business meeting followed by slides "Oberammergau, Germany and Italy" Speaker - Miss Alice Williams Roe. Hostesses: Miss Edith Barnard, Miss Gertrude A. Burnham, Mrs. Francis E. Chamberlain, Mrs. Walter J. Gilbert, Mrs. Clifford W. Ham, Mrs. Donald E. Wennberg.

May 9, 1971—Sunday 11:00 A.M. **75 North Main Street,**
Providence, R. I.

Annual pilgrimage to First Baptist Meeting House. Sermon by the Pastor. Our members will sit together. Coffee served on first floor, after service. Followed by dinner at 1:00 P.M.

Howard Johnson's Restaurant, Seekonk, Mass. Section reserved for our members. From Providence, take Freeway 195 to 114A. Exit on continue on 114A. Further on, turn left to the the Restaurant - which can be seen in the distance.

**June 12, 1971—Saturday, 12:30 P.M. Joy Homestead
Route 12 to 156 Scituate Ave., Cranston, R. I.**

Picnic lunch. Take chairs and card tables. Business meeting, 1:30. Members bring mememtoes, trinkets, treasures and samplers for display.

**July 13, 1971—Tuesday, if pleasant. If not, Wednesday the 14th
Providence Island**

Ferry leaves Bristol, R. I. at 10:00 A.M. for Sandy Point and returns at 4:10 P.M. Round trip about \$1.50. Take box lunch. Coffee will be served. Short meeting after luncheon. Through the kindness of our President, Miss Williams, we are again invited to her Summer home. After a 45-minute ride on the ferry and an auto trip across the Island we can relax and enjoy the beautiful scenery and the company of our Roger Williams "cousins."

**August 7, 1971—Saturday, 12:30 P.M. Elmdale Road,
North Scituate, R. I.**

Take basket lunch, chairs and tray tables. Coffee will be served, 1:30 P.M. Business meeting at the home of our Vice-President, Mrs. Archie H. Logee. From Providence, Route 6, Hartford Avenue to No. Scituate Village, continue through the village, past Police Barracks to first road on right, Elmdale Road, and then to the second house on the left. Come and spend the afternoon with your "cousins" out in the country where it is quiet and peaceful.

**September 4, 1971—Saturday, 1:30 P.M. Library,
Roger Williams Park Museum, Providence, R. I.**

79th Annual Business Meeting, Reports of the Officers, 12:30 Picnic Lunch in Grove in rear of Museum. Take chairs and tray tables. If cold, or rainy bring lunch in and eat in the Office.



IN MEMORIAM

Gladys Coughlin Jones (Mrs. Thomas C.) (R.I.)	April 23, 1970
Maria Potter Davis (Mrs. Lewis E.) (Ohio)	May 23, 1970
Roger Williams Cooke (R.I.)	June 18, 1970
Alice Dunbar Angevine (Mrs. W. H) (R.I.)	July 10, 1970
Grace Brown Hooker (Mrs. Ross B.) (R.I.)	August 13, 1970
Myrtle Spurlock Allis (Mrs. Charles J.) (Missouri)	August 25, 1970
Mildred C. Williams (Miss) (R.I.) - member since 1898	September 17, 1970

— NEW MEMBERS SINCE APRIL 1970 —

- BLACK, Mrs. Roger L. (Doris Suits) 1413 Bradley Ave., Rockville, Maryland 20851 (Daniel)
- BRAMLETT, Mrs. Mark L. (Osythe Towsley) 4103 Sneed Rd., Nashville, Tenn. 37215 (Daniel)
- BUTLER, Mr. George Hill, 4801 Alabama Ave., Chattanooga, Tenn. 37409 (Joseph)
- CONDE', Maj. General A.B.A. de Bourbon - Prince of Conde' Carmen de Aben Humeya, Calle' on de las Tomasas, 12 Albaicin, Granada, Spain (Mary)
- Major General Abdurrahman Bruce-Alfonso de Bourbon-Conde', Prince of Conde' is a descendant of both Chad Brown and Roger Williams of Providence. He was born in Oakland, California in 1913, graduated from U.C.L.A. in California; served in the United States Army in World War II in Europe, occupation of Japan and in the Pentagon where he finished his military service as Chief, Overseas Branch, Counter-intelligence corps with the rank of Major. He is now a citizen of Yemen, Arabia; Aide-de-Camp for His Majesty, the Imam of Yemen. His ancestral home is in Granada, Spain.
- COSSEBOOM, Mrs. John C. (Evelyn Esten) 18 Morse Ave., Union Village, Woonsocket, R. I. 02895 (Mary)
- FLEMING, Mrs. Loretta, 187 Althea St., Providence, R. I. 02909 Guest Member
- GALE, Marion E. (Born Aug. 5, 1969) c/o Mrs. Wm. A. Gale, 1303 N. Ode St. #224, Arlington, Va. 22209 (Daniel)
- GERACE, Mrs. James (Rosemary Kenyon) 101 Hadden Lane, East Syracuse, N. Y. 13057 (Joseph)
- KENNINGSON, Mrs. Raymond H. (Lois E. White) 7642 James St., Lowville, New York 13367 (Daniel)
- KENYON, Mr. Melvin, 205 Kirkpatrick St., E. Syracuse, N. Y. 13057 (Joseph)
- KENYON, Mr. Marsden, 523 Fremont St., E. Syracuse, N. Y. 13057 (Joseph)
- KENYON, Mr. Marsden, 210 Frederick St., E. Syracuse, N. Y. 13057 (Joseph)
- MOORE, Mrs. Robert L. (Eleanor Turner) Nashawtuc Rd., Concord, Mass. 01742 (winter) (Daniel)
Cuttyhunk Club, Cuttyhunk Island, Mass. via New Bedford (summer)
- NWACHUKU, Adindu (Born Aug. 31, 1969) c/o Mrs. Jean Platt Nwachuku, Country Club Apts. C-209
23 Anthony Dr., Poughkeepsie, New York 12601 (Daniel)
- PAGE, Mrs. Richard G. (Barbara Shaw) 424 Westover Ave., Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27104 (Mercy Winsor)
- PARTRIDGE, Mr. Glen Robert, Kent School, Kent, Conn. 06757 (Mercy Winsor)
- PIERCE, Mrs. Thomas B. (Carol Partridge) 20 Buckingham Dr., Billerica, Mass. 01821 (Mercy Winsor)
- SALISBURY, Mr. Lloyd S. 162 Merino St., Providence, R. I. 02909 (Mercy Waterman)
- SAVAGE, Mrs. Robert (Patricia Kenyon) Tidde Mobile Home Park, Victor, New York 14564 (Joseph)
- SHEARER, Mrs. William (Carol Turner) 2949 Belmont Ave., Ardmore, Pa. 19003 (Daniel)
- SMITH, Miss L. Mildred, 601 Jefferson Blvd., Warwick, R. I. 02886 (Mercy Waterman)
- SMITH, Mrs. Robert Lloyd (Lucretia K. Brown) 6 North Elm St., Hopewell, New Jersey 08525 (Daniel)
- SPEEL, Mrs. J. Kenton (Dorothy Jordan) 355 Kent Drive, East Greenwich, R. I. 02818 (Daniel)
- SPEEL, Mr. Rodney Kenton, 640 E. 12th St., New York City, N. Y. 10009 (Daniel)
- SPEEL, Mr. Robert Williams, 355 Kent Drive, East Greenwich, R. I. 02818 (Daniel)
- SPEEL, Mr. Richard Jordan, 2941 Pine St., San Francisco, Calif. 94115 (Daniel)

TURNER, Mr. Sheldon Knight, 120 Sherwood Lane, El Paso, Texas 79900 (Daniel)
VanAVERY, Mrs. LaVern C. (Gertrude M. Adams) 11116 E. 'QR' Ave., or Box 142, Scotts, Mich.
49088 (Daniel)

WALBRIDGE, Mrs. Leon (Jane Coughlin) 132 Whipple Ave., Warwick, R. I. 02888 (Mercy Waterman)
WILLIAMS, Miss Constance, 32 Errol St., Warwick, R. I. 02888 (Mary, Freeborn & Joseph)
WILLIAMS, Mrs. Edward Brown, 51 South Angell St., Providence, R. I. 02906 (Associate)
WILLIAMS, Mr. George Wightman, 8 Moses Brown St., Prov., R. I. 02906 (Mary, Freeborn & Joseph)
WILLIAMS, Mr. Lester E. Jr., 24 Doylston Dr., Cranston, R. I. 02905 (Joseph & Mercy Waterman)
WILLIAMS, Mrs. Lester E. Jr., 24 Doylston Dr., Cranston, R. I. 02905 (Associate)
WINSOR, Mr. Lauriston P., Box 163, R.D. 3, Troy, N. Y. 12180 (Mercy Waterman & Mercy Winsor)
WINSOR, Mr. Chester A., 2408 Rob Lane, Orlando, Florida 32809 (Mercy Waterman & Mercy Winsor)

"In 1632, Roger Williams, an inhabitant of the Plymouth Colony, did much to win the friendship of the Indians for the white man, gaining sufficient familiarity with their tongue which enabled him afterward to write his "Key Into the Language of America." His services as agent to the Indians were important in the Colony. Love of the red men led him to express the belief that title to the land could not be derived from the King's grant. He asserted that it must be secured by purchase from the natives — a view unacceptable to the company leaders of Massachusetts Bay Colony who based their right to the land upon their grant from the King."

—Excerpt from "Chronicles of Old Salem" - 1948

We wish to thank Mrs. Elvira S. Thompson of Star Lake, Wisconsin for her gift of ten dollars "In Loving Memory of her Mother, Ella Tate Southworth," who passed away a year ago on September 2, 1969, at the age of 98 years and 11 months. This amount is to be placed in our Memorial Fund.

Another gift of ten dollars has been given us for the Memorial Fund, "In Loving Memory of our late member, Mildred C. Williams," by Mrs. Helen Steere Brown. We appreciate her thoughtfulness in making this donation.

Prof. Clifford W. Brown, Jr., received his Ph. D. from Harvard on June 11, 1970 and is now teaching at The University of the State of New York at Albany, in the Department of Political Science. Prof. Brown has been a member of our Association since a boy of four and we congratulate him on his success.

New Small Association pins are now available. Price \$1.00, gold plated and safety clasps. All members should own one and they would make ideal Christmas gifts. Contact the Treasurer.

Bills for dues are included in this bulletin and are due NOW. Please pay promptly.

Report illness of our members to the Sunshine Chairman, any deaths, or changes of addresses to the Corresponding Secretary, or Treasurer. For Genealogical information, write the Registrar. Addresses will be found on the following side.

— BEGINNING OUR 79TH YEAR —

OFFICERS — SEPTEMBER 1970 TO SEPTEMBER 1971

Honorary President Mrs. Minnie Barrett Randall
Honorary Vice-President Mrs. Ethel Hatch Roffee

OFFICERS ELECTED

President Miss Verena Williams
35 Cherry Road, Edgewood, R. I. 02905
Vice-President Mrs. Archie H. Logee
Elmdale Road, No. Scituate, R. I. 02857
Recording Secretary Mrs. Ronalds J. R. Platt, Jr.
16 Stimson Ave., Providence, R. I. 02906
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61 Gladstone St., Cranston, R. I. 02920
Treasurer Blanche H. Scott (Mrs. Winfield)
23 Oakland Ave., Cranston, R. I. 02910
Registrar Bertha W. Anthony (Mrs. Charles W.)
23 Oakland Ave., Cranston, R. I. 02910
Historian Miss Emily H. Paine
197 Peace Street, Providence, R. I. 02907
Directors nominated from the floor:
Mrs. Harold Engel and Miss Alice W. Roe
Chaplain appointed by the Executive Board Mrs. Clifton W. Ham
Committees appointed by the Chair:
Program Mrs. Archie H. Logee, Chm.; Mrs. Thomas J. Matthews and
Mrs. Arthur E. Olsson
Librarian and Custodian Mrs. Charles W. Anthony
Sunshine · Telephone 461-0877 Miss Bertha I. Phillips
64 Chestnut Ave., Cranston, R. I. 02910
Publicity Mrs. Clifford W. Brown
Auditors Mrs. Lillian F. Broome and Webb W. Wilder
Hostesses · to be appointed, consult program.

Reception Committee Miss Edith Barnard, Mrs. Preston M. Beauregard, Mrs. Eugene
C. Dutemple, Mrs. Walter J. Gilbert, Mrs. Clifton W. Ham, Mrs. Arthur E. Olsson.