



THE ROGER WILLIAMS FAMILY ASSOCIATION

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Cousins,

Welcome to all our new members. We mourn the loss of those who have passed on, especially Associate members Elsie Williams, our Honorary President, and most recently, Andy McCurdy.

I have now completed my first year as your new President of the RWFA. Kate Lambert, our 1st Vice President, planned very successful programs with another visit to Roger Williams Park, a very interesting tour of the fabulous John Brown House, and a tour of Hearthside, "The House that Love Built," in Lincoln, RI. In May, we toured the very interesting Artillery Company Museum in Newport followed by an interesting tour of Smith's Castle, near the location of Roger Williams' Trading Post. (I am including in this Bulletin an article written in 1999 by our Director, Janis Stevenson, about Roger's Trading Post that had been included in that year's publication.) The year ended with a tour of the Smith-Appleby House in Smithfield, RI.

I would like to thank Cliff and Marilyn Brown for their continued tradition of bringing the Christmas Season to light in their beautiful Victorian house during the month of December. Also, thanks to all our cousins and friends who made an effort to attend our programs, and especially to those who brought their children and grandchildren for they are our future for this Association. We need them to sustain us for the future generations.

Again, this year, I am overwhelmed by the amount of behind the scenes work that goes on day after day to keep this organization running smoothly. These unsung heroes are Barbara McCurdy, Frank Stevenson and his wife Janis, Dorothy White, Patricia Woodard-Harmon, Kate Lambert and Robert Greene. Without them we would not have an active, vibrant Association.

An interesting observation to note: I suspect many Cousins who receive this bulletin don't realize that our first President was Pardon Williams, who served from 1888 until 1905, a period of 17 years. Our Incorporation date is January 30, 1906 and quite often I mistakenly think that this date is when we started. I am including a list of all Past Presidents, and you will note that our three year term limit started with our fourth President, Miss Paine.

I was born within days of the 300th anniversary of Roger's founding of Providence and at an early age I was shown Margaret's Rock, the shelter where Roger was nursed back to health after fleeing from Massachusetts during a frigid winter. While in high school, I teamed up with historian Ellis Gifford and we created a slideshow of abandoned historic sites, which were mostly in wooded areas from North Swansea, MA to Little Compton, RI. This early exposure to Roger's Shelter spurred me on to create a permanent marker at the site a few years ago and to pay homage there this year and on a bi-annual basis.

One of the main purposes of our Association is to perpetuate the outstanding legacy of our famous Grandfather, Roger Williams. As you know he was very passionate to correct the wrongs of his day.

Some freedoms that Roger championed are being slowly eroded from our lives. One is Freedom of Conscience, our right to choose or not choose a type of religion along with a way of life expressing political dissent. Roger risked death daily with his dissent, but lived life without fear of retribution. What would he say about this religious cancer spreading throughout parts of this world? I know he would speak out against this evil which threatens to take away all our religious freedoms which Roger fought so hard to create. Maybe Churches need to dust off that wonderful old hymn, "Onward Christian Soldiers," and sing it with great passion to hopefully prevent the pendulum from swinging back to the dark ages.

Sincerely,
David Hazard Wordell, Sr., President
Roger Williams Family Association
September 2015

ROGER WILLIAMS' TRADING POST

BY JANIS M. STEVENSON

REPRINTED FROM 1999 BULLETIN

The June 1999 meeting of the Roger Williams Family Association was held at Smith's Castle at Cocumscussoc in North Kingstown, Rhode Island. It was a delightful afternoon, made special by a tour of the house and grounds led by knowledgeable guides in era costume and, later, a lovely picnic overlooking Mill Cove off Narragansett Bay. Also contributing to the afternoon's appeal was the knowledge that, somewhere nearby, Roger Williams conducted business from his trading post with the natives of the region.

As we sat in the shade and enjoyed the slight breeze off the water, some wondered where Roger Williams' trading post was actually located. Was it where Smith's Castle now stands? Was it the Vaughan House, as suggested by Elisha Potter? Or was it just across the road from Smith's Castle, either on the site of or still standing as the Hall-Northup House?

To figure out the mystery, it's probably best to consult the extensive research done by Col. Elmer Hall Palmer, current owner of the Hall-Northup House. Col. Palmer states that, after laying out the town of Providence in 1636, Roger Williams "decided to establish a house on Narragansett Bay to trade with the Indians and to escape worldly life. This was accomplished some time after 28 October 1637, when the Chief Narragansett sachem, Canonicus, gave Williams a tract of land for a trading post. It seems likely, although not conclusive, that this trading post was located at Cocumscussoc by 1638, since a letter by Williams is dated 7 Sept. 1638 at Narragansett. However, the first direct mention of the trading post at the site comes from a letter from Williams to John Winthrop Jr. dated 28 May 1647 at 'Cawcawmsquissick.' At Cocumscussoc, Williams and his Indian servants raised goats and crops, hunted wild game, and engaged in the lucrative trade with the Narragansett Indians."

Roger Williams conducted business with the natives at his trading post in Cocumscussoc until 1651. It was in that year that, needing cash to finance a journey to England to deal with the Colony's charter, he sold his trading post to Richard Smith. For fifty pounds, Williams sold "my trading house at Narragansett, together with two Iron Guns or murderers, there Lyeing as alsoe my fields & fenceing about the s'd House, is alsoe the use of the little Island for goates which the old Sachem, deceased, Lent mee for that use ..."

Once the property left Williams' hands, did it survive as the Vaughan House? As Col. Palmer states: "The Vaughan house location for Williams' trading post was proposed by Elisha Potter in 'The Early History of Narragansett' in which he reports that 'Wilkins Updike [1784-1867] says Williams' trading house was where Royal Vaughan last lived next north of Spink's Tavern. John C. Reynolds lives there now.'"

"This seems to be the least likely of the three possible locations. The reasons for this assessment are (1) the Vaughan house is too far from a harbor to be a logical choice for a trading post; (2) it is much closer to Maskechugg Brook than Cocumscussoc Brook, thereby making it illogical to call the settlement Cocumscussoc; and (3) the Vaughan house is located on property that was never owned by Richard Smith, Sr. who bought Williams' trading house in 1651."

If not the Vaughan House, is the Hall-Northup House or grounds the site of Roger Williams' trading post? At one time, some must have thought so, for around 1936 the North Kingstown Committee of the Rhode Island and Providence Plantations Tricentenary Committee, Inc. placed a plaque on a rock near the driveway to the Hall-Northup House. The plaque was engraved: "In 1637 near this spot ROGER WILLIAMS set up a trading post where he dwelt for several years trading and treating with the Narragansett Indians. His dealings so completely won and held the friendliness of the powerful Narragansett Sachems that for more than a generation the white settlements of Rhode Island were spared to become a flourishing state."

The architecture of the Hall-Northup House lends itself to the belief that this was the actual trading post building. As Col. Palmer relates: "The core of the Hall-Northup House is a one-room, one-and-a-half-story stone ender, which is characteristic of mid-seventeenth century Rhode Island homes. On the basis of its architecture and general location in the vicinity of Cocumscussoc, both Norman Isham and Antoinette Downing (1979) have suggested that 'if it were not that the chronicles of King Philip's War of 1675/76 record the destruction of every building south of Warwick, one would have to conclude that this is Roger Williams' trading post of ca. 1638.' It is possible that after King Philip's War the house was rebuilt on the foundation of the earlier structure, encompassing remains of the stone ender which may have been Williams' trading house."

Granting that the Hall-Northup House was destroyed during King Philip's War, was it at least the site of Roger Williams' trading post? Col. Palmer, borrowing from the work of Patricia E. Ruberstone (1990), Principal Investigator in her report with Robert K. Fitts, states that it was not. "... this house could not have been sold to Smith by Williams in 1651. Extensive deed and genealogical research showed that the house remained within the Hall family for the entire 18th C., and that the first Hall owner, William Hall, left his sons in his 1673 will 'all my land in the Narragansett which I purchased of Thomas Lawton.' Thomas Lawton purchased this tract from the Narragansett sachem Cadganaquant in 1660, but the exact location of this tract has not been identified. The tract is described as being 'bounded on the north and west with a river called Signebetuck together with all the mowable land bordering on its north and west sides of the said river, on the south bounded by an Indian path called Mascopoumsicke, on the east with the English path from Warwick to Pequot.' Assuming that the land purchased from Lawton is the same on which the house now stands, this land was never owned by Richard Smith and thus could not have been sold to him by Williams in 1651. Thus the Hall-Northup house does not seem to be the site of Williams' trading post."

The only remaining and most likely candidate for the site of Roger Williams' trading post is, therefore, the area surrounding Smith's Castle. Col. Palmer states: "According to the 'Petition From The Inhabitants Of The Narragansett Country To The King' in 1679 Smith may have moved into Williams' house after 1651 and built around it. This suggests that Williams' trading post would be in close proximity to the block house in which the Colonial troops were garrisoned in 1675, although it may not be on land presently owned by the Cocumscussoc Assoc. since the Updike lands were subdivided in the early 20th century." As stated in Roger Williams Family Association Bulletin No. 52, when Richard Smith took possession of Williams' trading post and property in 1651, he decided that it was there he would "put up his 'English Home.' In 1676 Indians burned the trading post and garrison house, but Richard Smith, Jr. erected in 1680, partly from material of the old building, the house which stands today at Cocumscussoc Farm."

The June 2000 meeting of the Roger Williams Family Association will be hosted by Col. and Mrs. Elmer Hall Palmer at the Hall-Northup House at Cocumscussoc. Perhaps one should take this opportunity to peruse the Hall-Northup House and grounds, then peer across the road to Smith's Castle ... and wonder.

Works Cited: First Families of Rhode Island & Providence Plantations *Lively Experiment*, Vol. II, No. 4, pp. 9-18; Roger Williams Family Association *Bulletin*, No. 52, p. 4.



Smith's Castle

CALENDAR

September 2015 - June 2016

The RWFA will pay admission fees for all children 12 and under.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2015 - 11:00AM

TOUR OF ANTIQUE CARRIAGE & SLEIGH MUSEUM

We will meet at Olde Ransom Farm, 509 New London Road in Salem, CT. The farm is a restored Colonial farm dating back to 1784. We will tour the Museum, viewing over 24 carriages, sleighs and wagons and learning the history of each, as well as gaining an appreciation for how goods and people were transported over 100 years ago. A tour of the house, grounds and historic Ransom Cemetery will also be available. We will be the guests of RWFA President David Wordell and his wife, Lois, the owners of the museum and residents of the farm, at a cookout on the grounds. Please feel free to bring a dessert for the dessert table and be sure to bring a folding chair! A brief meeting will follow lunch. RSVP by September 15 to katemospaw@aol.com or 401-567-0088.

Directions: From Rte 95S, after crossing the Groton/New London Bridge, take Exit 82 toward Rte 85/Colchester/Hartford/Waterford. At the end of the ramp, turn right onto Rte 85 and travel north for 7.8 miles. As you pass the Salem Town Line sign, proceed up the hill about 1500 feet. Still on Rte 85, at the top of the hill is a large white Colonial with black shutters and white fencing. This is Olde Ransom Farm. Turn left up the drive. The trip will take approximately 1 hour from Providence.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2015 - 1:30 PM

A RECEPTION IN HONOR OF DOROTHY H. WHITE

Dorothy H. White, who has served as President of RWFA as well as in other capacities (most recently Lineage), has stepped down from the Executive Board effective June 2015. The Roger Williams Family Association will celebrate her many years of service at a reception in her honor at Bella Restaurant, 1992 Victory Highway, Glendale (Burrillville), RI. Hot and cold hors d'oeuvres will be served followed by dessert. \$10 per person. RSVP by September 30 to katemospaw@aol.com or 401-567-0088 as the restaurant requires a count.

Directions: From Providence and points south, take Rte 95N to Rte 146N. Stay on Rte 146 toward Worcester. Take exit to Slatersville/Forestdale/Rte 5/102. Turn right off ramp, then left at next light. Follow Rte 102S for 5 miles. Bella will be on your left. Turn left at Bella sign onto Glendale Bypass, and next two quick lefts into parking lot. From Rte 295N, take Exit 7B to Smithfield. Remain on Rte 44W through Greenville and into Chepachet Village. At light in Chepachet Village, bear right onto Rte 100/102, then next right onto Rte 102N. Continue for 4.5 miles. Bella will be on your right. Turn right onto Glendale Bypass, and next two quick lefts into parking lot. From CT, take Rte 395 to Exit 47 Woodstock/East Putnam. Turn right off ramp onto Rte 44. Continue to Chepachet Village and turn left at light onto Rte 100/102, then next right onto Rte 102. Continue for 4.5 miles. Bella will be on your right. Turn right onto Glendale Bypass, and next two quick lefts into parking lot. Call 401-529-4581 if you have a problem finding Bella.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2015 - 11:00 AM

FOUNDER'S DAY SERVICE AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN AMERICA

We will observe Founder's Day at First Baptist Church in America at 75 North Main Street, Providence, RI. Church Service at 11:00 will be followed by our meeting, then a deli lunch provided by RWFA at 12:30. Preceding our meeting Dr. Stanley Lemons, Retired Chairman of the History Department at Rhode Island College, Historian of First Baptist Church and honorary member of the Roger Williams Family Association, will be our speaker. RSVP to Dot White at dhweow@verizon.net by October 19 as the caterer will require a count.

Directions: First Baptist Church in America is located in downtown Providence at the corner of North Main and Waterman Streets. From Rte 95N/S, take Exit 22A following the signs to Downtown and Memorial Boulevard. Follow Memorial Boulevard to river. Turn left onto Washington Street. The Church is visible directly ahead. From west, follow Rte 6 to exit for Downtown Providence to Memorial Boulevard, etc. Parking can be difficult so plan arrival time accordingly.

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2015 - 1:00 PM (Rain Date November 8 at 1:00 PM)
BIANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO THE ROGER WILLIAMS SHELTER

We will assemble on the straight dirt road off Birch Swamp Road, Warren, RI and travel by car to within several hundred yards of the large overhanging rock shelter known as Margaret's Rock in North Swansea, MA. Margaret was a Wamponoag Medicine Woman who helped Roger return to good health, along with the help of Massasoit, following Roger's banishment from Massachusetts Bay Colony in that very cold winter of 1636. Our RWFA Bulletin of June 1953 states, "He was sick and exhausted and an Indian Squaw, later identified as Margaret, took care of him until he could resume his journey." Famed historian, J. Earl Clauson detailed this location, known as Roger Williams Cave, in a 1940's Providence Journal article. It is the only abode which exists today in the Providence area whose walls Roger actually touched. Let us pay homage to this temporary and first home in the wilderness for Roger during the 14 weeks immediately after his banishment.

Directions: From Providence, take Rte 195 towards Swansea/Fall River. In North Swansea, exit to Rte 136 and travel south 1.7 miles. After crossing into RI, take a left onto Birch Swamp Road. Continue for 0.3 miles where the road takes a 90 degree turn to the south. At this bend go straight onto dirt road at "Windswept Farm" sign. DO NOT turn right into drive to the old Chase Farm. We will start assembling on this first dirt road shortly after 12:30 PM. A group photo will be taken. Call Dave Wordell at 860-859-5336 if you have any questions.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2015 - 2:00 PM
HOLIDAY PARTY

We will hold our annual holiday party and reception at the festively decorated home of Marilyn and Clifford Brown, 180 Brown Street, Providence, RI. We will enjoy a seasonal musical presentation, followed by Christmas Carols, a short business meeting, and our traditional Victorian Tea.

Directions: From Rte 95N or S, take Exit 22A following signs to Downtown Providence & Memorial Blvd. From west, follow Rte 6 to exit for Downtown Providence & Memorial Blvd. In both cases, follow Memorial Blvd. to the river. Turn left onto Washington St. which becomes Waterman St. Proceed up hill to Brown St., just beyond its summit. Turn left onto Brown St. and proceed 7 blocks to Keene St. The Brown residence is on far left (northwest) corner of Brown and Keene.

SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2016 - 11:00 AM
"DNA, GENEALOGY, AND LINEAGE SOCIETIES"

We will gather at the Jesse Smith Library, 100 Tinkham Lane, Harrisville, RI, in the Community Room (through the main entrance, down the hall, on the right). Our guest speaker will be Nora Galvin, a Certified Genealogist whose background as a former biology teacher and laboratory scientist who worked with DNA makes her a perfect choice to explain the basics of DNA technology, its genealogical uses, and the issues it raises for lineage societies such as ours. Nora holds a BS in biology from Ohio State University and a Master's from Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT. She is a member of Connecticut Ancestry Society (journal editor), Connecticut Society of Genealogists (publication committee), Connecticut Professional Genealogists Council (president), and Association of Professional Genealogists, New England Chapter (former program chair). Fee: \$10 per person. Following the program and a brief meeting, we will have lunch at The Waterfall Café adjacent to the library. RSVP by April 13 to katemospaw@aol.com or 401-567-0088.

Directions: From Rte 95N, take Rte 146N toward Worcester, then take exit to Slatersville/Forestdale/Rte 5/102. Turn right off ramp, then left at next light. Follow Rte 102S to light at Rte 107/East Ave. and turn right. Continue on East Ave. to stop sign. Turn left onto Main St., then next left onto Tinkham Ln. The Library is at the foot of the hill. From Rte 295N, take Exit 7B to Smithfield. Remain on Rte 44W through Greenville and into Chepachet Village. At light in Chepachet Village, bear right onto Rte 100/102 and take next right onto Rte 102N. Continue to light at Rte 107/East Ave. and turn left. Continue on East Ave. to stop sign. Turn left onto Main St., then next left onto Tinkham Ln. The Library is at the foot of the hill. From CT, take Rte 395 to Exit 47/Woodstock/East Putnam. Turn right off ramp onto Rte 44. Continue to Chepachet Village and turn left at light onto Rte 100/102 and take next right onto Rte 102. Continue to the light at Rte 107/East Ave. and turn left. Continue on East Ave. to

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stop sign. Turn left onto Main St., then next left onto Tinkham Ln. The Library is at the foot of the hill. Note: The stop at the end of East Avenue is a two way stop only. Traffic coming from your right does not stop!

**SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2016 - 11:00 AM
HISTORIC CEMETERY CONSERVATION**

We will gather at The Bridgeton School, 16 Laurel Hill Avenue, Pascoag, RI, home of the Burrillville Historical & Preservation Society, where BHPS President and RWFA member Betty Mencucci will present a lecture and slideshow on the conservation and preservation of historic cemeteries. Betty and her husband have been involved in this work locally for quite some time and have attended many workshops and training programs on preservation standards given by professional conservators. Weather permitting, following the presentation we will visit one of the local cemeteries restored by the Society. There is no fee, but a donation to the BHPS Cemetery Fund is suggested. Following the program and a brief meeting, we will have lunch at Serio's Pizzarama and Restaurant across the street from The Bridgeton School. RSVP by May 11 to katemospaw@aol.com or 401-567-0088.

Directions: Take Rte 95N to Rte 146N. Stay on Rte 146 toward Worcester, then exit to Slatersville/Forestdale/RI 5/102. Turn right off the ramp, then left at next light. Follow Rte 102S to the junction of Rte 100 in Chepachet. Turn right onto Rte 100 at stop sign. Continue on Rte 100 into the village of Pascoag. Turn left at stop sign (Dunkin' Donuts will be on your left). Take the next right midway up the hill onto Church Street. Take second right (the streets are right next to each other and go on either side of the school) after Serio's. There will be a parking lot behind the school on your right. From Rte 295N, take Exit 7B to Smithfield. Remain on Rte 44W through Greenville and into Chepachet Village. At the light in Chepachet Village bear right onto Rte 100/102. Continue on Rte 100 into the village of Pascoag. At stop sign (Dunkin' Donuts is on your left) turn left. Take next right midway up the hill onto Church Street. Take second right (the streets are right next to each other and go on either side of the school) after Serio's. There will be a parking lot behind the school on your right. From CT, take Rte 395 to Exit 47/Woodstock/East Putnam. Turn right off ramp onto Rte 44. Continue to Chepachet Village and take a left at light onto Rte 100/102. Continue on Rte 100 into the village of Pascoag. At stop sign (Dunkin' Donuts is on your left) turn left. Take next right midway up the hill onto Church Street. Take second right (the streets are right next to each other and go on either side of the school) after Serio's. There will be a parking lot behind the school on your right.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 2016 - 10:30 AM
BLACKSTONE VALLEY EXPLORER RIVERBOAT CRUISE
AND VALLEY FALLS HERITAGE PARK TOUR**

We will gather between 10:30 and 10:45 at Central Falls Boat Landing, 45 Madeira Avenue, Central Falls, RI where we will board the Blackstone Valley Explorer Riverboat promptly at 11:00 AM. During our chartered cruise we will be treated to an ecological and historic overview of the lands along the Blackstone. The Explorer is covered but open-sided, so please layer your clothing appropriately for the day keeping in mind that it may be cooler on the river (and, as is always the case on a riverboat, getting a bit wet or dirty is a possibility). Children 12 and under must wear a personal flotation device, which will be available onboard. After our time on the river, we will take a guided walking tour of Valley Falls Heritage Park, an urban archaeology site directly across from the Landing. Our tour will cover the history of the mill village and the Industrial Revolution in the Blackstone Valley. \$10 per person. Following our tours we will enjoy lunch at Davenport's in nearby Cumberland. RSVP by June 1 to katemospaw@aol.com or 401-567-0088. There is a limit of 40 people for this event, so reserve early!

Directions: From the south, take Rte 95N to Exit 29 (Rte 1/Broadway/Cottage Street). Keep left on ramp to Broadway, then bear right onto Broadway/Rte 1. Take second left onto Central Avenue and proceed about 0.5 mile. Central Avenue becomes Cross Street. Turn right onto Broad Street (Rte 114) and go about a mile. Turn left onto Madeira Avenue; parking lot is immediately on the right. From the north, take Rte 95S to Exit 30 Roosevelt Avenue towards Central Falls (bear right downhill). Go straight on Roosevelt 0.4 miles. Turn right onto Cross Street at 0.2 miles. Turn right onto Broad Street (Rte 114) and go about a mile. Turn left onto Madeira Avenue; parking lot is immediately on the right.

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SATURDAY, JUNE 25, 2016 - 11:00 AM

STEPHEN HOPKINS' HOUSE AND BURIAL SITE

We will gather at 15 Hopkins Street in Providence, RI for a tour of the home of Stephen Hopkins, Rhode Island Governor and signatory of the Declaration of Independence. The home is listed on The National Register and, in addition to the interior rooms, has small but beautiful gardens which we can explore. We will also visit the Hopkins grave site in Old North Burial Ground before going to The Roger Williams National Memorial for a picnic lunch and our annual meeting. Be sure to bring a folding chair! There is no fee, but a donation to the Stephen Hopkins House is suggested. RSVP by June 22 to katemospaw@aol.com or 401-567-0088.

Directions: From Rte 95N or S, take Exit 22A following signs to Downtown Providence and Memorial Boulevard. From west, follow Rte 6 to exit for Downtown Providence and Memorial Boulevard. In all cases, follow Memorial Boulevard to the river. Turn left onto Washington Street which becomes Waterman Street. Proceed up the hill and turn right onto Benefit Street. Your second right will be Hopkins Street. Parking may be difficult so plan your arrival time accordingly.

PAST PRESIDENTS

1. Pardon Williams.....	1888-1905
2. Sheldon Williams.....	1905-1915
3. Mrs. Everett Berryman.....	1915-1933
4. Emily H. Paine.....	1933-1936
5. Mrs. William C. Schuster.....	1936-1939
6. Harriet Wood Weeden.....	1939-1942
7. The Hon. Arthur Cushing.....	1942-1943
8. Bertha Williams Anthony.....	1943-1945
9. Arthur Rice Potter.....	1945-1948
10. Helen Smith Steere.....	1948-1951
11. Helen Steere Brown.....	1951-1954
12. Helen Sweet Bedson.....	1954-1957
13. Evangeline A. McIntyre.....	1957-1960
14. Florence Joslin Gallup.....	1960-1963
15. Arthur Rupert Paine (d. in office Dec. 20, 1963).....	1963-1963
16. Raymond C. Colwell, Sr.....	1963-1965
17. Vera Mae Nelson.....	1965-1968
18. Forrest B. Morgan.....	1968-1969
19. Verena Williams.....	1969-1973
20. Helen Steere Brown.....	1973-1976
21. Clinton Nickerson Williams.....	1976-1979
22. Webb W. Wilder.....	1979-1980
23. Col. Robert Allen Greene.....	1980-1983
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25. Marion L. Fry.....	1986-1989
26. Gussie Randall Lawton.....	1989-1992
27. Dorothy Higson White.....	1992-1995
28. George Wightman Williams.....	1995-1996
29. Col. Robert Allen Greene.....	1996-1999
30. Frank Budlong Stevenson.....	1999-2002
31. Walter H. Covell.....	2002-2004
32. Bruce Penniman.....	2004-2007
33. Dr. Clifford W. Brown, Jr.....	2007-2008
34. Mary A. Channing.....	2008-2011
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DESCENDANTS OF ROGER WILLIAMS - VOL. I

The Waterman and Winsor Lines Through His Daughter Mercy Williams

Waterman Line compiled by Dorothy Higson White; Winsor Line by Kay Kirlin Moore. This combined volume traces the descendants of Mercy Williams, Roger Williams' fourth child, through her marriages to Resolved Waterman and Samuel Winsor. Information on many early Rhode Island families is included, such as Angell, Arnold, Brown, Greene, Harris, Lippitt, Olney, Potter, Rhodes, Steere, Tillinghast, and Whipple. The book is hard-covered, fully indexed (including maiden names of spouses), and contains a complete bibliography for both Waterman and Winsor lines. Includes the 2003 Supplement: Corrections and Additions To The Waterman Line (see full description below). Gateway Press, Inc. 1991. Index. 403 pp. **\$33.00 (\$29.00 plus \$4.00 S&H)**

DESCENDANTS OF ROGER WILLIAMS - VOL. I SUPPLEMENT

2003 Corrections & Additions To The Waterman Line

Booklet includes additions and corrections which have been collected since research was completed on the Waterman Line for Volume I. Many Waterman interfamily relationships to others in the six Williams Lines are included, providing additional lines to Roger Williams. The booklet is soft-covered, fully indexed (including maiden names of spouses), and contains a complete bibliography. 2003. Index. 38 pp. **\$5.00 (\$4.00 plus \$1.00 S&H)**

DESCENDANTS OF ROGER WILLIAMS - VOL. II

The Hart Line Through His Daughter Freeborn Williams

Compiled by Kay Kirlin Moore; edited by Dorothy Higson White. This volume traces the descendants of Freeborn Williams, Roger Williams' second child, through her marriage to Thomas Hart. Information on many early Rhode Island families is included, such as Arnold, Ayrault, Barker, Bates, Brenton, Brown(e), Clarke, Cranston, Greene, Howard, Shaw, Smith, Tanner, and Williams. The book is hard-covered, fully indexed (including maiden names of spouses), and contains a complete bibliography. Braun-Brumfield. 1998. Index. 134 pp. **\$24.00 (\$20.00 plus \$4.00 S&H)**

DESCENDANTS OF ROGER WILLIAMS - VOL. III

The Sayles Line Through His Daughter Mary Williams

Compiled by Dorothy Higson White. This volume traces the descendants of Mary Williams, Roger Williams' first child, through her marriage to John Sayles. Information on many early Rhode Island families is included, such as Brown, Carr, Clarke, Greene, Jenks, Mowry, Olney, Smith, Stafford, Whipple, Wightman, and Winsor. The book is hard-covered, fully indexed (including maiden names of spouses), and contains a complete bibliography. Braun-Brumfield. 2002. Index. 516 pp. **\$31.00 (\$27.00 plus \$4.00 S&H)**

DESCENDANTS OF ROGER WILLIAMS - VOL. IV

Through His Son Joseph Williams

Compiled by Elsie B. Williams. This volume traces the descendants of Joseph Williams, Roger Williams' sixth child, through six generations. Information on many early Rhode Island families is included, such as Angell, Arnold, Atwood, Ballou, Brown, Dyer, Gorton, Greene, Hines, Olney, Paine, Potter, Randall, Waterman, and Whipple. The book is hard-covered, fully indexed (including maiden names of spouses), and contains a complete bibliography. 2009. Index. 248 pp. **\$29.00 (\$25.00 plus \$4.00 S&H)**

DESCENDANTS OF ROGER WILLIAMS - VOL. V NEW!

Through His Son Daniel Williams

Compiled by Elsie B. Williams. This volume traces the descendants of Daniel Williams, Roger Williams' fifth child, through six generations. Information on many early Rhode Island families is included, such as Angell, Brown, Colwell, Fisk(e), Hawkins, Knight, Olney, Potter, Tourtellot, Wheeler, and Whipple. The book is hard-covered, fully indexed (including maiden names of spouses), and contains a complete bibliography. 2014. Index. 133 pp. **\$29.00 (\$25.00 plus \$4.00 S&H)**

"ROGER WILLIAMS ASSOCIATION" PINS

Our archivists discovered an old hub and die that had been used early in the 1900's to make a Roger Williams Family pin. We know the pin was made before 1906 when the Association was incorporated as Roger Williams Family Association. The pin has the initials RWA which stands for Roger Williams Association, the name of the organization from its inception until its incorporation. We had a number of these gold-plated brass pins made, about the size of a nickel with an attractive scalloped border and the initials RWA intertwined.

\$10.00 (\$7.50 plus \$2.50 S&H)

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