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News You Can Use

The 2004 Reunion, having been well-planned by **Jim Mills**, went off like clockwork. Everyone attending had a good time. All of the sessions were on time and had much of interest for everyone. While the format was similar to previous reunions, one sees the wisdom in continuing that which works so well. The dinner at Fort Jackson was thoroughly enjoyable and the sights of Savannah kept everyone busy between sessions. Congratulations to **Jim Mills** and his coworkers for such a fine Reunion. See page 6 for more information and a summary of the business sessions.

The 2005 Reunion is planned for Maryland and **Peter Fulghum** is laying the groundwork and seeking a Maryland cousin to be the Vice President. The Daily Press of Hampton Roads, Virginia carried an article August 6th on the preliminary decisions and choices the FFFNA and local agencies are considering for the proposed FFFNA Museum/Library, that FFFNA hopes to build in Smithfield, VA.

The FFFNA again thanks Historian and Archivist, **Grant Fulgham** and **Brent Fulgham** for their continuing efforts to add to and correct the FFFNA Database and to maintain it and our FFFNA Homepage on the Internet. Their efforts are most appreciated !!! – and were noted at the Reunion.

The FFFNA continues to look forward to the 2007 Reunion in Virginia to coincide with the Jamestown 2007 celebration. **Carolyn Fulghum** from Greenville, NC is on the 2007 Committee that pertains to the involvement of 2007 Communities (FFFAN is one) and other celebration activities.

Peggy F. Wood, our Secretary-Treasurer reports that we have 215 full members of the FFFNA for 2004 and 102 registered for the 2004 reunion, representing 13 states. **Peggy** asks that everyone help with the mailing list by sending her new names/addresses and address changes from your state.

IMPORTANT NOTICE, PLEASE, when you move or receive a new postal address, furnish **Peggy Wood** your new or corrected address.

This is most important as the Postal Service charges FFFNA 80 cents for each newsletter copy returned to her by the postal service.

To the right you can see a picture of the attendees at the business session of the 2004 Reunion in Savannah.



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In Memoriam

Dorothy Mae Wedding Watkins, of Raleigh, NC died June 16, 2004, at age 82. Born in Raleigh, NC May 19, 1922 she was the daughter of John Edward Wedding and Julia Mae Fulghum Wedding. She was the widow of Bernice "BP" Watkins. Graveside funeral rites were conducted June 19, 2004 in Montlawn Memorial Park

Nona Frances Fulghum Watson, died June 8, 2004 at age 84. She is survived by two daughters, Sylvia Phillips and Sharon Hoffman; two sons Dempsy Watson, Jr., and Billy Watson; and one sister, Annie Deans; three grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Her caretaker and daughter in heart, Mable Parnell and special friend Frances of Lucama survive. Interment was in the Watson Family Cemetery in Lucama, North Carolina.

Letter from Outgoing President, James T. Fulgham



Dear Cousins:

I would like to thank everyone in attendance for coming to this past reunion. We had a good turn-out, although I would have liked to see twice as many. The showing of young people (from birth to 40 years) was wonderful. They will be our leaders in the future. As usual, we had first time attendees and some that had not been with us within several years.

I would like to ask everyone to plan their vacation for next year's reunion and meet us in Maryland. They will have a great time and meet some cousins they have never met.

This past year as your President was a great one for me. I cannot thank enough the officers, the incoming President, James Fulghum Mills, and everyone who worked so hard to make this entire reunion a great success.

I look forward to seeing you in 2005 !

Sincerely,

James T. Fulgham

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August 9, 2004

Re: Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Association - 2004 Reunion - Savannah

Dear Cousins:

The 2004 Reunion was held in Savannah, Georgia on July 16-18, 2004. We had approximately 100 individuals from 10 states. The oldest participant was 91 years old (another at 90) and there were several less than a year old. Savannah is a beautiful and historic city also known for its Southern Hospitality. In Savannah there are so many places to see, things to do, and the restaurants, all good places to eat. The reunion started with a reception on Friday night. On Saturday morning there was a presentation made regarding the 400th anniversary of the founding of Jamestown, Virginia. Another session was held on use of the Internet and our family website. Midday Saturday was open to visiting Savannah and seeing the sights. On Saturday evening we had a "low country" boil at historic Fort Jackson. Local en-actors put on a show for us as well as playing period music. Fort Jackson was built in 1809 and served as the first line of defense for the City of Savannah. Sunday morning we had a general business meeting and a beautiful and inspiring church service.

It was very good to see many first-timers at the reunion and the younger members of our extended families. Thanks to all who participated at this reunion and made it a good time for all. Hope to see all of you at future reunions.

Yours truly,

James Fulghum Mills



Redeeming my Father

The Rev. Charles Benjamin Fulghum, Jr., M.D.

In the F-F-F Family History (1) which we published a few years ago, I was not very kind in my description of my father, Charles Benjamin Fulghum, Sr. Most erroneous was my description of him as less than successful in his business undertakings. I thought we were poor people and I was usually embarrassed by the barn yard in our back yard. We lived in town, but Daddy farmed our block. It seemed at the time that whatever I wanted, we could not afford.

I suppose the ever present fear of a recession prompted a school assignment to my grandson, John Thomas Fulghum who passed on to me. He asked me to describe The Great Depression to him. I was to answer a series of simple questions like: "How did the depression affect your life?" "Did you grow any of your own food? If so, what kind?" and "Are there any lessons or fears you learned during the depression that you keep with you today?"

Much to my surprise, as I wrote my answers I discovered a father I had never recognized before. Daddy

almost never had a "job" like other daddies. He was briefly on a salary during the war, and he was miserable working for someone else. My mother always envied her friends who got regular pay. My father was a surveyor when there was work, and we kept cows, hogs, chickens, gardens and he bought and sold whatever people wanted to buy and sell: junk, hides, cars, cows, milk, beef, and most importantly, we were never without anything we wanted. True he did not indulge me with a new bicycle and a scout camp, but I went to church in new clothes and owned a neck tie. His car would run from Smithfield to Carolina Beach and we went. One summer we spent a few weeks in St. Petersburg visiting Mama's sister there. They were living in a garage apartment. Daddy

owned his own house which he had himself remodeled, and he personally built another one which he sold before we moved into it.

When I got through describing The Great Depression and our surprising affluence during those times, I had discovered and redeemed a very respectable man. Yes, he was a little stingy with me in things and compliments, but we never lacked anything, most especially we never lacked security because my father never doubted his skills and his ingenuity. I could tell my grandson that I had learned to have no fears for my self or my children.

Fulghums are respectable people.

The Rev. Charles Benjamin Fulghum, M.D.

(1) Foljambe/Fulgham/ Fulghum Family History Book Committee. 1992. *Fulgham- Fulgham-Foljambe Family History*. Taylor Publishing Company, Dallas, Texas (p.41). (L.C. No. 92-82788).

More on Richard L. Fulgham, Southern Author

Richard Lee Fulgham, who published his first book at the age of 50, was born in Dachau, Germany in 1940. Richard's Father was Robert Frank Fulgham, born 1918 in Alabama and who was an Army Officer. His Mother was Jewel Durden born 1920. His Grandparents were John Thomas Fulgham, born 1882 in Alabama and Dot Cook, born 1899 in Mississippi.

Richard Fulgham is now writing about Felix K. Zollicoffer, the first Confederate General killed in action during the Civil War.

Eulogy, Charles Henry Fulghum

Charles Henry Fulghum, who died at age 79 on July 24, 2004, was the fifth member of the greater Fulgham/Fulghum Family to be elected President of the Fulgham/Fulghum Family National Association. He was elected President at the annual reunion held in 1993 in Starkville, Mississippi after having served as Vice President and Chairman of the committee that staged that successful reunion.

He later served for a number of years as the Chairman of the FFFNA Marketing Committee. He was a frequent attendee at FFFNA national reunions, accompanied by his wife, Margaret. Charlie was a staunch supporter of the FFFNA and was very generous with the time and resources that he expended for the Family.

Charles Fulghum was keenly interested in his family roots and in the Family. He made a trip to England to visit the Foljambe homesteads in Castleton, Bakewell, Chesterfield, and Nottinghamshire.

His nephew, Glenn Fulghum, said, "I always enjoyed corresponding with him on the Family history. His grandson was even named after Captain Anthony. Uncle Charlie was certainly one-of-a-kind."

James E. Fulghum, Wilson, NC

In Memoriam, continued

Charles Henry Fulghum, 79, died 24 July 2004 in Pascagoula, MS after suffering an aneurysm followed by two heart attacks. Born 10 July 1925 in Booneville, MS, son of Clyde Hester Fulghum and Linda Beasley. Charlie was a descendant of Raiford Fulghum, the first son of Anthony and Nancy Raiford Fulgham after they arrived in North Carolina from Isle of Wight County, Virginia about 1835. Charlie's lineage from this Anthony Fulgham is:→Raiford who married Winifred Pierce→Benjamin Raiford→James William→Benjamin Franklin "Dock"→William Franklin "Bud"→Clyde Hester→Charlie. His Great, great grandfather was James William Fulghum who left North Carolina in the late 1820's to move to Tennessee and later to Northern Mississippi (Booneville in 1848), where Charlie was born.

Charlie married Margaret Lee Inman on 8 August 1952. They have three children, two sons, Charles Henry, Jr. of Rock Hill, SC, Joseph Benjamin of Colleyville, Texas and one daughter, Margaret Patricia Fulghum Speegle of Niceville, Florida; and seven grandchildren, Phoebe, Charles Anthony, Katherine, Anne, Troy David, James Henry, and Josephine Lee.

Mr. Fulghum served in the Army Air Corps. 1943-5. He graduated in 1950 earning a degree in Business Administration from the University of Mississippi. Charlie served in several key positions during his career. He worked for the Mississippi Agriculture and Industrial Board in statistics and economic development. In 1951 he was employed with the North Mississippi Industrial Development Association. Later, he became Executive Vice President of the Mississippi Association of Manufacturers. Mr. Fulghum moved to Pascagoula in 1965 as the Director of Industrial Relations for Ingalls Shipbuilding and advanced to Vice President. Throughout his life, Charlie held positions of statewide prominence. He completed his working career and was best known in Pascagoula during the relatively short period that he was Pascagoula's city manager. Charlie was active in the Pascagoula Rotary Club. His hobby was collecting cameras. He was retired at the time of his death.

The funeral was held at The First United Methodist Church in Pascagoula. Interment was in the Jackson County Memorial Park in Pascagoula, Mississippi.

James Talmadge "JT" Fulgham, 77, died 5 May 2004 at the North Mississippi Medical Center in Eupora. Born about 1927; son of Willis Monroe Fulgham and Eula L. Mchan.

He was retired from General Motors Company. He was a U.S. Army Veteran and a member of the V.F.W.

JT first married Mary Alice Hodges. His second wife was Eva May Fulgham, daughter of Shellie Council Fulgham.

Survivors include his wife, Eva; three daughters, Donna Locke, Wanda Harvey, and Cindy Garrad; three sons, Tommy, Larry and James; three stepdaughters, Laura Peterson, Sally Kelly, and Sherry Hodges; one stepson, Joey Winfield; one sister, Stella Fulgham; one brother, Floyd Fulgham; 21 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Wise Funeral Home Chapel in Eupora, Mississippi with burial in the Ebenezer Cemetery.

Leroy Fulgham, 61, died at home in Phoenix, AZ on 13 May 2004. Born 19 July, 1942 in Clovis, NM, he was the son of Joseph Edmond "Eddie" Fulgham and Rozella Underwood Fulgham (formerly of Clovis, NM). Leroy had been ill with kidney problems since 1979. He is survived by his wife, Christine Franks Fulgham; a son, Joseph Fulgham; daughters, Bonnie Albritton, Dyann Quinn, Andrea Martin, and Linda Cardenas; 14 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. Services were held at Samaritan Funeral Home in Phoenix, AZ. Interment was in Greenwood Memorial Lawn, Phoenix, AZ.

Edna Tucker Fulgham, 82, of Clovis, NM died 17 April 2004. Born 31 August 1920 in Lincoln County, daughter of Bert and Millie Tucker. She married Ray Fulgham on 23 May 1938 in Clovis. Interment in Lawn Haven Memorial Gardens in Clovis.

Edna was a member of the First Christian Church. She was a member of the Friendship Rebekah Lodge No. 21. She served as President of the state assembly in 1970-1971 and was a chaplain of the International Association of Rebekah Assemblies of the World.

Edna was preceded in death by her parents; a son, Donald Ray Fulgham. Survivors include two sons, Roye Lynn Fulgham (and wife Carol) of Clovis and Gary Lee Fulgham (and wife Sue) of Grand Blanc, MI; a sister Evelyn Calder (and husband Jack) of Clovis; 11 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews

Nona Frances Fulgham Watson, 84, born 11 July 1919, the youngest daughter of Jesse Lawrence Fulghum and Nona Boykin Fulghum, was buried in Wilson County, NC on Saturday, June 12, 2004, following a funeral service in Wilson, North Carolina. She was married to Warren Watson on 1 April 1939. They had three sons and three daughters: Douglas Warren, (who died at birth); Dempsey, Jr.; Billy; Sylvia Jean; Rebecca Ann, (who died at age 1); and Sharon Ann. She is survived by three children and one sister, Annie Fulgham Deans. Mrs. Watson had been a resident of Brian Center in Wilson. She was a native of the Fulghum settlement at Rock Ridge, NC and grew up with three sisters and three brothers.

Correction.

Myrtle Fulgham Neal. Myrtle's Mother, Nellie Thompson Fulgham, died when Myrtle was age four. Myrtle was raised by her father, Anthony Rayford Fulgham, and her siblings. Anthony died in 1949 at age 79.

SUMMARY OF 2004 NATIONAL REUNION IN SAVANNAH by James E. Fulghum

An enthusiastic crowd of family members from all over the nation signed in at Registration for the 2004 Fulgham/Fulghum Family National Association's Reunion at the Radisson Hotel in Historic Savannah, Georgia, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, July 16-18.

Chairman James Fulghum Mills of Augusta, Georgia and his planning crew were waiting with a full three-day schedule for the attendees.

There was a reception on Friday evening at the hotel honoring James T. Fulgham of New Iberia, Louisiana, President of the Fulgham/Fulghum Family National Association.

Officers and Directors of the Association were up early on Saturday morning to attend a meeting of the Board of Directors where final steps were taken to prepare the agenda for the Sunday morning business session for all the attendees. This was followed at 9:30 a.m. by an interesting presentation by Carolyn Fulghum of Greenville, North Carolina, concerning the 400th Anniversary of Historic Jamestown, Virginia, the first English colony in America which was settled in 1607. Using a video and live presentation, Carolyn outlined the schedule for the event of which the Family is one of the participating sponsors (A Virginia 2007 Community) and will conduct its Reunion in Virginia in 2007. Jamestown is situated just across the James River from Isle of Wight County where the first Fulgham Family settled about 1636 or 1638.

Following Carolyn's presentation, Robert S. Fulghum of Danville, Virginia, presented an interesting session on how to use the Internet to search Family roots. A question and answer session followed.

Those attending had Saturday afternoon free to browse the Savannah Market and other sites in the historic community.

Then, Saturday evening, those in attendance gathered onto buses to take the short trip to old Fort Jackson for a tour of this historic facility which was manned by volunteer gray clad soldiers who outlined the various facilities inside the fort guarding the Savannah harbor. Following the tours, a low country boil dinner was served at the fort. This was culminated with the soldiers firing one of the old cannons at the fort.

On Sunday morning, those in attendance met at 9 a.m. for the annual Family Business Session with James T. Fulgham of New Iberia, Louisiana, President of the Family, presiding.

Peggy Fulghum Wood of Jacksonville, Florida presented the report of the Secretary and Treasurer. She reported the greatest number of family members paying annual dues in the history of the Association but said more are needed as the costs of operating the Association are rising.

Robert S. Fulghum of Danville, Virginia, Newsletter Editor, noted that Family members are making more and more information available for the Newsletter, for which he is grateful. He mentioned the need for using death notices for Family members who died earlier than the current year and obituary notices for those who died within the six months preceding the issue in press.

Eugene Fulgham of Jacksonville, Florida, reported that IRS gave the Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Association (FFFNA) 501 (c) 7 status when it applied for 501 (c) 3. 501 (c) 7 status exempts only the Association from paying taxes but does not exempt donations to the Association by FFFNA members. However, IRS representatives suggested that the Association form a Fulgham/Fulghum Family National Association Foundation and apply for 501 (c) 3 tax-exempt status for the Foundation. That application has now been accomplished and an IRS decision is awaited.

James E. Fulghum of Wilson North Carolina said several options for the location of the proposed Family Museum and Library in Isle of Wight County, Virginia are being considered. He listed them as 1). a Southside Virginia history library at St. Luke's Church with the Family having a section, 2). the second floor of the Smithfield Library, 3). a Community College Library in which the Family would have a section, and 4). a County Center in which the library would be located, all of which would require an outlay of \$500,000.00.

He said fund raising for the project is moving slowly because the Family has not yet received 501 (c) 3 status from the Internal Revenue Service for the FFFNA Foundation so that contributions can be exempted from income tax returns by donors. He said about \$80,000.00 has already been promised but would not be received before IRS certification of the Foundation for tax-exempt status.

Carolyn Fulghum of Greenville, North Carolina then gave a short report on the Jamestown 2007 Celebration, which is to take place in the spring of 2007. The FFFNA 2007 Reunion is planned to coincide with and be integrated into some of the most interesting of the Jamestown 2007 festivities and the St. Luke's Church 50th Pilgrimage. Plan your 2007 vacation to include these historic events.

The Nominating Committee then gave its report and the election took place. In addition to the Board of Directors, Officers were elected headed by James Fulghum Mills of Augusta, Georgia, as new President. The others elected are shown on page 2 in this newsletter.

Peter C. Fulghum of Smithsburg, Maryland, volunteered to work toward a 2005 reunion in Maryland, possibly at Annapolis. He said he would recruit a Planning Committee Chairman to develop plans for the Reunion. Peter led the closing Worship Service.

HISTORIAN'S ARTICLE – The FFFNA DATABASE, 2004

Fellow Fulgh*m's, each week I receive one or more Emails or letters that add bits of valuable information to the National Database. In that regard, our Fulgh*m Webpage Database is a great success. Few families have succeeded in documenting family databases exceeding the magnitude of ours, which now approaches 16,000 individuals. As your National Family Historian, I see my role as one of gathering all existing genealogical data related to our family, effectively organizing it and making it available for family researchers in the broadest medium possible. Arguably, the Family Web Page is currently effective in that regard and, as we all become more "computerized," its effectiveness will continue to improve. Making the Family Database available to you in this way does two things – first, it gives you a source of information that you may find very difficult to uncover otherwise and second, and perhaps more important, it serves as a "clearinghouse" through which those with credible sources or first-hand knowledge can correct inaccuracies in the database by contacting me. **It is through this latter database function that I need your help.**

As we prepare for the Jamestowne 2007 400th Anniversary our family has a marvelous story to tell. Consider the following:

- o Captain Anthony Fulgham, our immigrant ancestor of 1643.
- o Fulghams in Bacon's Rebellion.
- o Fulgham contribution to St. Luke's Church.
- o Fulghum settlements in northern North Carolina.
- o Captain Joseph Fulgham, Mariner, Plymouth, Massachusetts
- o Charles Fulgham, Delegate to the Revolutionary Convention of 1776.
- o Fulgham emigration to South Carolina and Tennessee
- o Fulgham emigration to Kentucky
- o Fulgham emigration to Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Texas and California
- o Fulgham emigration to Arkansas, Oklahoma, and the Northwest
- o Fulghum Quaker emigration to Indiana
- o Fulgh*ms in the Civil war, both North and South

Some of these stories, and the family legends within the stories, have already been told but **we need to back them up with citations.** Others have not yet been told. **Fulgh*ms, this is my call for your stories.** If you have a piece of our family puzzle, please write it down and send it to me (with citations). Let's do ourselves proud in Jamestown in 2007!

J. Grant Fulgham, FFFNA Historian

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In Memoriam, continued

Robert Wayne Fulghum of 2539 Kingston Drive, Florence, SC, died 24 November 2003 following an illness.

Bob was born 30 December 1940 in Gainesville, GA, a son of the late William Forrest Fulghum and the late Mildred Coleman Fulghum Ellison. He was a U.S.Navy veteran and served in the Submarine Service. He was a member of the Gideons International, American Legion Post No. 1, the National Rifle Association, and a former Chief of the Cades-South Lynches Fire Department. He was a member of the Southside Baptist Church, where he was a Deacon, Assistant Church Treasurer and Sunday School teacher as well as a member of the Celebration Choir.

He retired in 1998 as Assistant Director of the Pee Dee District of the Department of Health and Environmental Control.

Surviving are his wife, Patricia Ann "Patsy" Smiley Fulghum of the home; three sons, Robert W. Fulghum, Jr., William David Fulghum, and Stephen Forest Fulghum and their wives; six grandchildren, Chris Floyd, Danny Floyd, Davey Fulghum, Brittany Fulghum, Taylor Fulghum, and Hunter Fulghum; and a sister, Lavonne "Bonnie" Wynn.

Entombment was in Florence Memorial Gardens Mausoleum.

Editor's Notice: Beginning with the next issue, Obituaries will be published in FFFF only for deaths occurring during the past 6 months of the FFFF issue date. For others a short death notice will be published that will include name, place and date of birth place and date of death, place of interment, parents names, Name of spouse, marriage date and children's first names.

Accessing the Fulgham-Fulghum Genealogical Database

Summary of the Presentation at the Savannah Reunion, 2004

1. Log in to your Internet Service Provider. Access the window you use for Internet URL addresses.
2. Enter the Fulgham-Fulghum (FFFNA) homepage URL address, using all the symbols, as follows:

<http://homepages.rootsweb.com/~fulghum/web-text-html.htm>
3. When the homepage comes on your screen, enter it in your "Favorites" or "Bookmark" list for easy access later.
4. To use the Fulgham-Fulghum database in the GenCircles format, click on the GenCircles link at the left of the FFFNA homepage.
 - A. At the top of the Gencircles opening page, click on the "global tree" link.
 - B. On the "Search the Global Tree" page, fill in the data you have regarding the person for whom you are searching. Click on the GO button.

NOTE: You cannot search for living persons via this route - (Also, people who have died and for whom we do not have a death date are not accessible) - try an ancestor of the person for whom you are searching.
 - C. You may receive one or more references to the person whose data you entered.
 - D. Click on the entry for the person that has the notation, "from Fulgham-Fulghum Family". If more than one person with the same name appears, you will have to check out each for the person you seek.
 - E. This will take you to detailed information from the FFFNA database and may be one or more pages in length. You may click on any underlined name to find data on that person - thus one can go back up the lineage to get information on each ancestor. With some experimentation, one can find one's way through to all of the data associated with each person in the lineage.
5. To use the Fulgham-Fulghum database in the RootsWeb format, click on the Rootsweb link at the left of the FFFNA homepage.
 - A. On the page which comes up on your screen, look for and click on "Advanced Search" which is located at about the center of the page.
 - B. On the lower half of the page which appears on your screen, type in the data you have for the person for whom you are searching. Then click the "Search" button at the bottom of that box.
 - C. Data will appear in the Results Box if the person for whom you have searched is deceased. If no data, search for the person's immediate ancestor. If more than one person with the same name appears, you will have to check out each until you find the person you seek.
 - F. You may click on any underlined name or item in the Results box to find the data we have on that person- thus one can go back up the lineage to get information on each ancestor. With some experimentation, one can find one's way through all of the data associated with each person in the lineage.
6. The FFFNA DATABASE has much information regarding living persons; however, for the privacy of living individuals, their data is not accessible on the Internet. For more information on living persons or on persons you cannot find on the Internet versions of the FFFNA database, please contact Grant Fulgham in California, e-mail, JGFUL@ADELPHIA.NET; Robert Fulghum in Danville, VA, e-mail R7efulghum@msn.com, or Jim Fulghum in Wilson, NC, e-mail Fulgjie@bbnp.com. Phone numbers and postal addresses are in the newsletter on page 2. Grant Fulgham, FFFNA Historian & Archivist, has the most up-to-date version of the FFFNA database.
7. Some FulghUMs changed their name back to FulghAM so you may need to check both spellings of the surname.



PICTURES FROM THE 2004 REUNION IN SAVANNAH

Clockwise from the Upper Left:

Upper Left: Re-enactment Soldiers at Old Fort Jackson. This was the detail that fired the old cannon after the Low Country Boil dinner at the Fort.

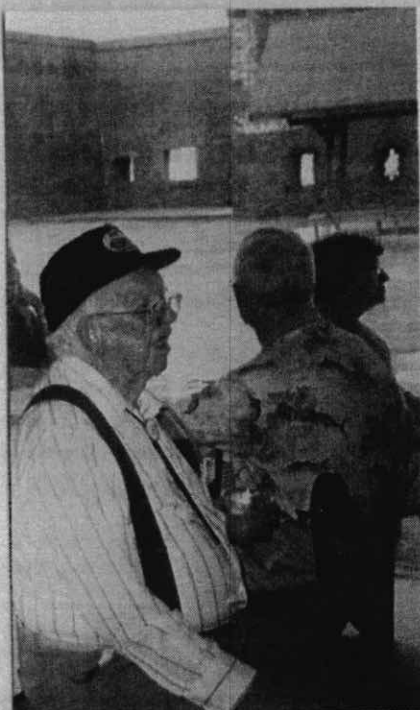
Upper Right: The Singing Sisters from NC join the Hat Lady from California.

Center Right: The Rev. Melvin Williams and The Rev. Peter Fulghum lead the worship service on Sunday Morning. Melvin is an attorney, as well.

Bottom Left: Jim Fulghum reports on the progress of the Museum/Library. Above Jim, Eugene Fulghum reports on the progress of the Tax-exempt status for the FFFNA and the FFFN Foundation.

Center Left: Carolyn Fulghum presents the information on the historical Jamestown 2007 activities in which the Family will be participating during the 2007 FFFNA Reunion in Isle of Wight County in Virginia in May of 2007.

**PLAN NOW TO ATTEND the historic FFFNA Reunion in 2007 !
It is a once in a lifetime opportunity for Family members !**



2004 Reunion attendees at old Fort Jackson. Following the tours of the Fort, a Low Country boil dinner was served at the Fort. This was followed by the soldiers firing one of the old cannons at the Fort.

Meet My Family Group, Part 8, Meet me

by Robert S. Fulghum, Newsletter Editor

ROBERT SCHMIDT FULGHUM, 1929 -

Robert Schmidt Fulghum, Ph.D., Professor Emeritus of Microbiology and Immunology at the Brody School of Medicine at East Carolina University in Greenville, North Carolina. He was born in Garfield Memorial Hospital in Washington, DC on 3 March 1929 and was the first child of Frances Witcraft Schmidt (1909-2002) and James Hooks Fulghum (1905-1982). See issue No. 47 for information on James Hooks Fulghum and Robert's siblings.

Fulghum was educated in the public schools of Roanoke city and Roanoke County, Virginia, and Guilford County NC. He graduated from Jefferson Senior High School, Roanoke, Virginia in June 1947. He attended Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, as an undergraduate student and was in the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets from 1947 to 1950. He transferred to Roanoke College in 1950. He studied there 1950-1952, and in the Spring Semester of 1954, graduating that semester with a B.S. in Biology. From 1954 through 1956, he was a part-time graduate student at Trinity University in San Antonio, Texas. In 1956 he enrolled as a graduate student in Bacteriology at Virginia Polytechnic Institute where he earned a M.S. degree in 1959 and a Ph.D. degree in 1965.

Fulghum served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War and the beginning of the Vietnam War. His main duty station was at Fort Sam Houston, Texas where he was a member of the joint staffing of the Brook Army Medical Center as Instructor of Preventive Medicine from September 1952 through February 1956. During this period, he was given time to pursue further education in the evenings and by special duty assignments.

The professional career of Dr. Fulghum included Graduate Assistant at Virginia Tech (1956-1960); Instructor of Biology, later Assistant Professor at Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania (1960-1964); Assistant Professor of Bacteriology at North Dakota State University in Fargo (1964-1968); Assistant Professor of Oral Biology in the University of Kentucky College of Dentistry (1968-1971); and Director of Anaerobic Products at Robbin Laboratory Division of Scott Laboratories in Carrboro, North Carolina (1971-1972). The newly organizing School of Medicine at East Carolina University recruited Bob to be Associate Professor of Microbiology and Immunology in 1972. Bob was the 18th professor hired. He was promoted to Professor in 1990 and he remained in this position until his retirement in 1996 at age 67. He served as Assistant Chairman of the Department of Microbiology and Immunology, Brody School of Medicine at East Carolina University. He was active in professional societies such as the American Society for Microbiology.

The research interests of Dr. Fulghum included study of anaerobic bacteria from the rumen of cattle (1956-1968), anaerobic bacteria from the gastrointestinal tract and anaerobic bacteria as causes of human disease (1968-1998), and in the etiology of otitis media caused by bacterial infection. He developed an animal model (Mongolian gerbil) of otitis media. Pharmaceutical firms used this model to test the efficacy of new antibiotics used to treat otitis media and other infections in humans. He published 30 scientific papers in peer-reviewed journals and more than 20 abstracts.

The best work done by Dr. Fulghum, most often known as "Bob", was as a teacher and advisor to students. From 1990 through 1996 he managed the teaching workshop, *Teaching Microbiology and Immunology to Medical Students*, an international program for developing better teaching in Medical Schools in North America sponsored by the Medical School Microbiology and Immunology Chairman of the United States and Canada. He also has served textbook publishers as a reviewer of texts for medical students, has done volunteer work at the Brody School of Medicine at East Carolina University and other organizations in retirement.

Bob's most rewarding accomplishment of all was marrying Esther Marie Slagle in 1953. Daughter of William Robert Slagle and Annie Vera Puryear, Esther graduated from Longwood College in 1950 with a B.S. in Elementary Education. She was a member of the Delta Zeta sorority. She taught in the schools of Roanoke, Virginia, Bexar County, Texas and San Antonio, Texas. She gave up teaching in 1955 to raise her children. Esther returned to work at Kindercare in the late 1980's and at East Carolina University as a Sales Associate in the Student Stores in 1989, from which she retired in 1994.

Esther and Bob had four children: a daughter, Deborah Jo (1955-1957); and three sons, Robert Slagle (1957-), David James (1960-), and Joseph Christopher (1970-).

Bob was one of the early volunteer workers for the Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Association (FFFNA) and was the first editor of the FFFNA newsletter, *Fulgham-Fulghum Family Facts*. In retirement, he again works as Newsletter Editor and Associate Archivist for the FFFNA.

Below: Esther and Bob in San Antonio Texas in 1954 a year after they were married.

Right: Bob Fulghum in his Laboratory, in 1990's



You may Copy this form or send the following information to:

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Please enroll my family (household) in the Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Association (FFFNA) Mailing List. I (we) understand that we will be placed on the mailing list to receive the newsletter, FULGHAM-FULGHUM FAMILY FACTS, as well as information on reunions and other events.

In addition, I want to Join the FFFNA. I enclose dues of \$25 for the current calendar year (Check Boxes) This is a new (or) Renewal membership
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☞ Communication through the newsletter is how we effectively reach all known Fulgh*ms. The newsletter is expensive. Your membership dues will help us continue with a quarterly newsletter for everyone. We should continue the effort to search for more Fulgh*ms and Fulgh*m data. Please also provide or update your family connection information, (names & dates) with the above application. Or you may send updated family data on your branch of the Fulgham-Fulghum Family to the Family Archivist:
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Association Goals:

- ☞ ...to foster and encourage Family education & fellowship.
- ☞ ...to assist, in every possible way, the preservation and communication of the Family heritage.
- ☞ ...to continue researching & recording the history of the Family, its branches and related historical events.
- ☞ ...to collect artifacts, lore and documentation for the Family archives.
- ☞ ...to sustain a program whose purpose is to put concerned Family members in touch with one another and interested groups.
- ☞ ...to serve as a means of communication between all who care about the preservation of the Family heritage and historical event stories.
- ☞ ...to continue publication of the *Fulgham-Fulghum Family Facts*, a wholly unique periodical publication dedicated solely to interesting historical aspects of the Family; also to detail current happenings and, in general, to inform, educate and entertain Fulgh*ms and Fulgh*m kin about the family.
- ☞ ...to raise funds through the Fulgham-Fulghum Family Foundation for it's worthy causes, including the Foundation Scholarship Fund, the *FFFNA Museum-Archives*-building (in which we will maintain and constantly update a comprehensive research library with books, family data sheets, photographs, video tapes & documentation archives), as well as the Foundation research projects and other Foundation associated events & materials.

The North American beginning of our family was in ISLE of WIGHT County, VIRGINIA in ca. 1640. Now we have reunions in many states. Of the 15 national reunions the FFFNA has held since the first in 1985 in Rock Ridge, NC, the last five have been held: 2000 in Jackson, MS; 2001 in Jacksonville, FL; 2002 in Sacramento, CA; 2003 in New Iberia, LA; and 2004 in Savannah, GA

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 GenCircles and in Rootsweb near the center left of the first page. Click on one of these links to access data and information on your ancestors and lineage.
Use only the names of deceased ancestors since data on living persons is blocked for their privacy.
For additional help in searching for Fulgh*m ancestors, please contact the Newsletter Editor (address on page 2) or the Family Archivist (address above).



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