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Reservations should be made before May 15th.

The Friday Night Dinner will be a Pig Picking Event courtesy of the 2008 Reunion Committee at Longview Baptist Church on New Hope Road. Buses will be available to transport us from Hotel to the church.

On Saturday Morning anyone can have breakfast with the Board before their meetings. We look forward to seeing all who wish to have a good hearty breakfast with country ham and eggs.

The Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Association is still at the crossroads regarding its financial existence. We hope those who receive our newsletter will consider joining the FFFNA lest we be traveling down a DEAD END road. Future Dues could be set at a more reasonable level if we had support in the form of both present and new members. We need to have two hundred NEW members in 2008.

Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Association

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Fulgham-Fulghum Family Facts, a newsletter, is a publication of the Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Association. (FFNA) The FFNA 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 FFNA 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 FFF to the Newsletter Editor.

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Robert Slagle Fulghum Writes:

"Howdy, All:

I have been informed that a half-dozen or so of my somewhat prickly college editorial and political cartoons from the *Daily Tar Heel* will be featured in the University of North Carolina's Wilson Library, North Carolina Collection Gallery spring show, "*Lines of Humor, Shades of Controversy: A Century of Student Cartooning at UNC.*"

<http://www.lib.unc.edu/ncc/gallery/current/exhib.html>

"I am honored that some of my quixotic work will be shown."

Editor's Note: Fulghum was editorial cartoonist for the *Daily Tar Heel* for several years after the summer of 1978 and, during this period, was a winner of the Society of Professional Journalists Regional Mark of Excellence Award. He has had a successful career in Advertising in the New York and in the Chicago markets. Fulghum has won a number of prestigious awards for his creative work in Advertising. He has recently joined the corporate staff at Mather LifeWays of Evanston, Illinois

Coach James "Rabbit" Fulghum

The North Carolina Baseball Coaches Association finally has a Hall of Fame. Among the nine coaches inducted in its inaugural class is James "Rabbit" Fulghum, legendary coach from Green County, NC.

In addition, Coach Fulghum has "retired" from American Legion Baseball and the players all have hung up their senior legion cleats.

Consider Joining FFFNA

Please consider joining the FFFNA by paying your dues. More information on the Back Page of the newsletter for further information on the financial "Crunch" we experienced in 2007.

SEARCHING FOR INFORMATION

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I'm hoping a descendent of Micajah Fulgham has the information I'm looking for.

Micajah sons moved from Mississippi, through Louisiana to Texas about the 1840's. I believe Robert Cummings, Ezekiel Taylor & George Franklin, possibly other brothers. Robert & Ezekiel married sisters Catherine M Kirkwood & Eleanor Madoriah Kirkwood, their mother was Jane Calhoun. I'm from George Franklin's line his first wife who was an Eleanor Calhoun. We have no record or information on her; we believe she passed away in 1843 shortly after her son Henry Newton Fulgham was born. Could she have been related to Jane Calhoun?

I'm hoping there is an old Fulgham Bible, old letters or notes from this time period that may have information on George Franklin & Eleanor Calhoun Fulgham.

I appreciate anyone taking the time to check into this for me and contact me at the address above.

Thank you

Sue Fulgham Libby

Luke Fulghum, Right Wing Ice Hockey player on the ECHL's Columbia Inferno and AHL's Toronto Marlies, has had excellent seasons for the past two years following a four-year career (2001-2005) at national power Denver Pioneers (NCAA). Luke is from Colorado. See Issue 51 for his lineage. Luke's father is Christopher Lee Fulghum.

LIBRARY NEWS

James E. Fulghum of Wilson, North Carolina, and Dr. Robert S. Fulghum of Greenville, North Carolina, traveled to Smithfield, Virginia, on Thursday, February 21, to make a presentation to the Isle of Wight County Commissioners concerning the need for a Southside Virginia Historical Library.

They pointed out that descendants of Isle of Wight families started migrating from the province as early as the 1700's to find their fortunes in other places. It was explained that Anthony Fulgham, Great Grandson of Captain Anthony Fulghum, and his wife, Nancy Raiford, left in 1735 as well as others to migrate to Eastern North Carolina, and, later, their descendants moved on to Georgia, Tennessee, Mississippi, and Indiana, and that their descendants moved on to Louisiana and Texas, and their descendants moved on to California, Oregon, and the State of Washington.

As a consequence of these migrations, the whole Southside of the United States is populated by descendants of the families in the Southside Virginia counties.

Going further, they explained that these current descendants trek to Southside Virginia in search of their roots. Upon arrival they are told, they contend, that they should go the Library of Virginia in Richmond. "They don't want to go to Richmond, they want to spend their time where their ancestors lived and worked." they explained.

They cited that there is a need for a Southside Virginia Historical Library so these descendants can research their roots where their forefathers settled and lived.

The two emissaries from the Fulgham Family reported that the Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Foundation, Inc. has been raising funds so that it can have a part in such a library and they offered to help in the development of such a facility. They asked the Board of Supervisors to provide a site for the facility on 15 acres of land preferably in the area in which St. Luke's historic church is located next to Virginia Highway 10 on the southern edge of Smithfield, Virginia about 10 miles north of Suffolk, Virginia. They also asked the Supervisors to appoint one of their members to serve on a Planning Committee to work toward the development of such a project. The Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, Stan Clark, responded that he would appoint himself to serve on the Committee.

The Fulghums then suggested that the committee be formed by members of the Fulgham Family, and other early Southside Virginia families such as the Boykins, Williamsons, Boddies, Barnes, and others. They said the committee should include Supervisor representatives from the other Southside Counties, from interested citizens and businesses. They asked that Tourism Directors in all the Counties and members of the County Staffs serve as staff for the Planning Committee.

Jim Fulghum, who has recently been appointed as Interim Chairman of both the Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Association and the Fulgham-Fulghum Family National Foundation's Library Planning Committee by the Presidents of these two groups, offered to serve as Acting Chairman of the new Planning Committee until it is formed and can elect a Chairman. He said Dr. Robert Fulghum has agreed to serve as Acting Secretary. They explained that the Planning Committee will seek funding from the participating Counties, from the Virginia General Assembly, from Congress, from Foundations interested in libraries, Businesses, and from the early Southside Virginia Families.

They thanked the Board of Supervisors and told them they were looking forward to working with them on the Library Project.

CAPTAIN JOSEPH FULGHAM OF PLYMOUTH MASSACHUSETTS,

by J. Grant Fulgham, Camarillo, California

The Fulgham Family database has many enigmatic family members in it from the colonial period and perhaps one of its most interesting is Captain Joseph Fulgham of Plymouth, Massachusetts. Said by Boddie to be Captain Anthony's grandson by his son Nicholas¹, the will of Nicholas's grandson, Charles, dated November 8, 1764, clearly identifies "brother Joseph Fulgham, now living in Plymouth, New England²." Therefore, Boddie left out one of our early generations, the father of Charles and Joseph, i.e., the son of Nicholas named Charles. We find only a few ghostly footprints of this Charles, son of Nicholas, (for convenience, he shall be designated Charles I) as he appears in the Isle of Wight County court records as having appraised estates or witnessed wills, but he was there. When Charles I died intestate in 1748 (his wife had predeceased him and was not mentioned in the administration of his estate) he left an estate and two successful sons. Part of the estate was the site that would later contain "Fulgham's Landing" and "Fulgham's Warehouse" that are periodically referred to in the colonial records. The purpose of this article is to shed some light on this enigmatic family and, since Joseph Fulgham is its focus, the author will attempt to follow the network of familial relationships descending from Joseph to their conclusion as we currently know it.

Upon the intestate death of Captain Anthony Fulgham in 1669, by English law his eldest son, John, inherited all of his real property, including Captain Anthony's plantations, and his primary residence, situated on the east shore of the Pagan River adjacent to Captain John Moone and John Davis. Due to a deathbed bequest by Captain Anthony that his younger son, Anthony Jr., receive the Pagan River homeplace, John arranged a Quit Claim Deed of the property to Anthony in October 1669. Anthony Jr. died in 1678 in about his 26th year and, since he had never married, and left no heirs of his body, his will bequeathed the Pagan River plantation to his brother Nicholas. By 1678 Nicholas had married Sarah Davis, a descendent of Captain John Moone, Captain Thomas Green and the original John Davis, and they had, at that time, two girls, Martha and Susannah. There can be little doubt that the Pagan River property inherited by Nicholas was situated with a waterfront access at least deep enough to handle the cargo ships of the day. The adjacent property of Captain John Moone is known to have had a ship's landing that he designated

the "King of all Places." Although Smithfield did not exist as a recognized town until February 1752, when it was recognized by the Virginia General Assembly, Nicholas's descendants ran a ferry from the Fulgham's Landing to Smithfield and so the Fulgham property was probably situated where the current Highway Bus.10 bridge crosses Cypress Creek. On 23 Nov 1717 John Fulgham, nephew of Nicholas Fulgham, deeded Nicholas 300 acres characterized in the deed as "... being land said Nicholas now lives on called 'The Red Point' ..." Two of the witnesses to Nicholas Fulgham's will of January 1720 were Arthur Smith and his son, Arthur Smith, Jr., said to be the founders of Smithfield. At the time of Nicholas's will, the Pagan River villages were in the area called variously "Pate's Field", "Old Town Point", "Moone's Field", "Newporte," etc. on the east shore of the Pagan River. Before 1752, the Smiths had laid out the town of Smithfield on the west shore of the Pagan River and eventually the Pate's Field village faded away. It is within this earlier pre-Smithfield east shore milieu of the community of mariners, ship landings, and growing inter- and intra-colonial commerce that Nicholas's son, Charles I, was born in 1690 and subsequently Charles I's two sons, Charles II and Joseph, were born in 1717 and 1719 respectively.

Both of Charles I's sons were exceptional. Charles II was the eldest and, since Charles I died intestate in 1748, Charles II inherited all of the family real property by the law of primogeniture. Of course, this tied Charles II to the ancestral homeplace, and perhaps contributed to his brother Joseph taking to the sea. Charles II was a member of the Isle of Wight County Militia, achieving the rank of Captain. He probably saw action during the French and Indian War 1754-1763, however, this has not been researched. In 1742 he married Mrs. Ann Wilkinson, the 22-year old widow of Colonel William Wilkinson of the Isle of Wight County Militia who died in 1741 at the age of 51. Charles II and Ann had an only son, Charles III, born in 1744 and who died in 1764 at age 20, apparently not long before his father. Charles II constructed the Fulgham's Point Tobacco Warehouse in 1753. In 1757 he was appointed Isle of Wight County Justice and between 1759 and 1763 he served as Isle of Wight County Sheriff. When Charles II died in 1765, he left his real property to his brother Joseph and bequests to his godson Brewer Godwin and his "cousin" Martha Reynolds. When Ann died in 1773 she divided her complete estate evenly between Brewer Godwin and

Martha Reynolds. The kinship of Charles II and Martha Reynolds is unclear but his unknown mother was possibly a Reynolds or Norsworthy.

Joseph Fulgham probably went to sea as a boy, perhaps by the early 1730's. The first official record of him is his marriage to Rebeckah Young in 1745 in Plymouth, Massachusetts. By that time, Joseph had established his home of record in Plymouth and was pursuing his profession as master mariner. A son, Charles IV, was born to them in 1749. In 1752 Joseph Fulgham purchased the third lot on Market Street in Plymouth from John Watson and it remained the Fulgham homeplace in Plymouth until Joseph's heirs sold it to Robert Brown in 1779³. Unfortunately, before 1753 Rebeckah passed away from unknown causes. In 1753, Joseph married Lurania Clark in Plymouth and they had Joseph, Mercy, and Hannah, with Joseph and Mercy dying young. The Clark family was descended from John Clark, one of the three pilots on the Mayflower⁴. After helping the Pilgrims get settled, in 1623 John Clark joined with Daniel Gookin, Sr., later of Nansemond County, Virginia, in a voyage to Virginia where John died in 1623. John Clark's son, Thomas, born in Middlesex England, came over on the "Anne" in 1623 and subsequently became the progenitor of the Plymouth Clarks that included Lurania. So Joseph married into an old and respected pilgrim family in Plymouth.

It is unclear how extensive Joseph's shipping business was. We have records of Joseph as the Captain, and perhaps the owner, of the ship "Commerce." Davis's Ancient Landmarks of Plymouth states that Joseph was from England, perhaps an artifact of a ship's port call record in which Joseph arrived from England³. There is a record of Joseph making a layover at the "Lower District of the James River" in December 1754 and leaving outbound for Maryland (prob. Annapolis, the primary port of Maryland at that time) in January 1755. And another record published in the Pennsylvania Gazette dated July 8, 1762 of a LIST of LETTERS remaining in the Post Office in Philadelphia ... with the name of Captain Joseph Fulgham. Therefore a picture emerges of the "Commerce" trading between New England, Old England, the Chesapeake Bay area, the eastern seaboard, and probably the Caribbean. The following shipping activity notices from the Virginia Gazette dated February 28, 1755 provides a small window into Captain Joseph's world. This is the eve of the French and Indian War, French Men-of-War are patrolling the entrance to the Chesapeake, and English/American merchant ships are fair game. The "Commerce" is bringing in mahogany and rum.

WILLIAMSBURG, February 28.

The Three Ships of War, of which we mentioned the Arrival in our last, are the *Centurion*, Commanded by K. J. J. the *Norwich*, the Honorable Capt. *Barrington*, and the *Sper*, Capt. *Pruby*; in the *Norwich* came Passengers, the Honorable Major General *Edward Braddock*, Commander of all the Forces in North-America; Capt. *Orme*, Aid de Camp, and Mr. *Stirley*, Secretary, who came to this City last Sunday, where they wait the Arrival of the Forces, who are every Day expected.

A. B. The Frigates being met with off the Cape, as mentioned in our last, was premature.

From Hampton we are advised that two French Men of War have lately been seen off our Coast; and it is said that the *Graind Cap*, *Shutematt*, and the *Gibraltar*, Capt. *Spy*, are ordered out in Search of them.

The *Harvard* Capt. *Coxon*, is arrived in York-River, in Seven Weeks from London.

Entered Inwards, in the Lower District of James River.

- Dec. 16. *Peggy*, *Joseph Lightburn*, from *Bermuda*, with 5 Hhd. *Meat*, & 500 *Bushels of Salt*.
16. *Industry*, *Samuel Tennant*, from *Jamaica*, in Ballast.
18. *Polly*, *Geordie Baugh*, from *St. Christopher*, in Ballast.
19. *Charming Kitty*, *Oliver Grindall*, from *Hull*, with *European Goods*, and 4 *Servants*.
21. *Swift*, *John Ramsdell*, from *London*, with *European Goods*.
26. *Betty & Nancy*, *John Cleaver*, from *New-York*, with 27 *Tons of Cyder and Fruit*, & 2 *Casks of Sugar*.
26. *Suffolk*, *Christopher Nelson*, from *Antigua*, in Ballast.
28. *Commerce*, *Joseph Fulgham*, with 5 *Panchoons of Rum*, 800 *Feet of Mahogany Plank*.
30. *Charming Kitty*, *Isaac Ingerall*, from *Salem*, with 6 Hhd. *Salt*, 10 *Bushels Pickled Codfish*, *Smoky Iron*, *Barthen and Woode Wars*, 1 *Cask Raisins*, 1 *Piece Onions*, 1 Hhd. *Rum*, 1 *Kil-dish Sugar*, & 1 *ditto Molasses*.
- Jan. 3. *Rebecca*, *William Conner*, from *Barbados*, with 3 Hhd. *Rum*.
6. *Fring-Fish*, *Kings Fitz Randolph*, from *Perth-Amy*, in Ballast.
7. *Dolphin*, *James Concomen* from *London*, with *European Goods*.
8. *Dolphin*, *Alexander Campbell*, from *Boston*, with 200 *Bushels of Salt*, 3 *Dress Axes*, 800 *Weights of Check*, 500 *ditto Pat. Iron*, 3 *Dress Chairs*, 3 *Lycke*, 1 *Cask Drances*, 3 *Quinall Fish*, 1 *Cask of Powder*, *various European Goods*, 3 Hhd. *Rum*, 3 *ditto Molasses*, 3 *Bushels Sugar*, & 24 *ditto Molasses*.
8. *Endeavor*, *David Merivon*, from *New-York*, with 8 *Tons of Biscuit*, *Cyder and Fruit*, 4 Hhd. *Rum*, 7 *ditto Mol. Fe*, & 17

It is interesting that the notices in every case except the "Commerce", identifies where the ship originated. It is speculated that, because of the mahogany, the "Commerce" originated in Barbados. Joseph off-loaded the rum and mahogany but later sailed for Maryland in ballast. The timing of the James River stop is interesting in that Joseph's brother, Charles II, recently built Fulgham's Tobacco Warehouse on the Pagan River. Joseph stayed only eight days and apparently had not planned on picking up a cargo in the James River area before sailing for Maryland. Apart from his being the Captain of the "Commerce", there is some evidence that Joseph was its owner. His son, Charles IV, donated a swivel gun to the Virginia State Navy in 1776, a gun that Charles IV had perhaps inherited from his father. Swivel guns were generally bolted to the ships gunwales and were an important ship's component. A Swivel Gun would not be adaptable to a land-based use and it is doubtful that Joseph, and subsequently Charles IV, would have taken such a weapon from the ship if he did not own it.

Captain Joseph Fulgham died of unknown causes in 1764 and is buried among the Clark family graves in the oldest section of Burial Hill in Plymouth. His headstone and those around him read as follows"

Memento Mori

In Memory of Mr. Joseph Fulghum who Departed this Life June 14 1764 Aged about 44 Years

In Memory of Mrs Luraina, wife of Capt Joseph Fulghum who Departed this life Novr 28th 1778 In the 53rd year of her age

In Memory of Joseph Son of Capt Joseph & Mrs Luraina Fulghum who Departed this Life Febry 6th 1768 Aged 11 Years & 8 Days (3).

Charles II died before February 1765, and, as is shown on Joseph's tombstone, by then Joseph was already deceased. The Pagan River property reverted to Joseph's son, Charles IV, in his 16th year of age. Charles IV, still in his minority, although now heir to a considerable estate, would not have gone to Virginia immediately. The Plymouth County, MA courts appointed Isaac Lothrop as Charles IV's Guardian on June 28, 1764 (5) and, upon learning of Charles II's death Isaac would no doubt have requested the Isle of Wight County Virginia Court to appoint a trustee to see after young Charles IV's Virginia estate until he reached his majority. As Charles IV came into his own in 1768 and entered onto his Virginia property, he found himself the proprietor of a tobacco warehouse that also served an official English customs function, as well as the operator of the Fulgham's Ferry, and the owner of a plantation. It is speculated that Col. Brewer Godwin, whose son, Brewer, was Charles II's godson, would readily have stepped forward to act as a mentor for young Charles IV. Col. Godwin lived in the area east of the Pagan River currently known as "Rescue" and would have been a nearby neighbor to Charles IV as he adjusted to his new home. There obviously had been good will and friendship between Charles II and Brewer Godwin and the elder Brewer would have extended a helping hand to young Charles IV. Godwin led the Isle of Wight militia and was well connected, both in Isle of Wight County and with Williamsburg. His wife was the sister of John Scarsbrook Wills, later a Revolutionary War General.

On the eve of the Revolution, we find Charles IV being appointed Captain in the Isle of Wight Militia and, along with John Scarsbrook Wills, Delegate to the Revolutionary Convention of 1776. Subsequently, Charles IV is designated "Esquire" in the records. We know that Charles IV served Virginia with distinction during the Revolutionary War, but our current research has only touched the "tip of the iceberg" regarding his record and much additional research is required. There is evidence that Charles IV served on the Committee of the Interior in the House of Delegates and one of that committee's major functions was regulating Indian affairs. After more research, Charles IV's Revolutionary War record will be the subject of a future article.

In 1773 Charles IV married Jane Tynes, the daughter of wealthy Isle of Wight County planter, Robert Tynes, and his wife, Mary Joyner.(6) Charles and Jane had six children: Elizabeth Fulgham (married Pleasants Jordan, one son, Alfred); Robert Tynes Fulgham (married Winifred Wilson, no record of heirs has, as yet, been found); Jane Fulgham (married John Derring, no record of heirs); Martha Fulgham (married John Goodson, no record of heirs); Mary "Polly" Fulgham (married Lemuel Fulgham, the son of Edmund Fulgham and a descendant of Captain John Fulgham, no record of heirs has been found); and Charles Fulgham, Jr. (married Caty Powell, one son, Charles, who died at age 13.) Following the death of Charles IV's stepmother, Luraina (Clark) Fulgham, in Plymouth, MA in 1778, it is believed that his orphaned 14 year old stepsister, Hannah, came to Isle of Wight County to live with Charles and Jane. According to Chapman's Isle of Wight County Marriages, Brewer Godwin the younger (godson of Charles II mentioned previously) married the sister of Charles Fulgham.(6) It is believed that Brewer Godwin married Charles IV's only living sister, Hannah. Brewer and Hannah had one son, Alexander H. Godwin. Alexander married Sarah Eliza Randolph, daughter of John Randolph, in ca. 1810 and they had three children: Elizabeth (married P. E. Glenn), Frederick, and Mills C. Godwin. Tragedy struck this family in Portsmouth, VA in 1855 when the entire family: Alexander, Sarah, Elizabeth Glenn and infant, P. E. Glenn, Frederick, and Mills, all succumbed to the Yellow Fever between 25 July and 21 September 1855.(7) The entire family was wiped out within the brief period of two months.

Following in Charles IV's footsteps, his sons and sons-in-law were involved in Virginia politics. Two examples stand out. John Goodson who married Martha Fulgham in 1803 was elected to the Virginia House of Delegates in 1810 and served until 1812 during the buildup to the War of 1812. Robert Tynes Fulgham was elected to the Virginia House of Delegates on April 5, 1813, during the War of 1812, and served through 1814 (8). Similar to Charles IV's record as a delegate during the Revolution, only minimal research has been accomplished regarding the records of John Goodson and Robert Tynes Fulgham during the War of 1812 period. As previously stated, we have found no record of surviving heirs for these gentlemen and no evidence of family research related to them. For the time being, they remain ghosts in our family attic.

And so, we come to the end of our review of the descendants of Captain Joseph Fulgham. Joseph, Jr. and Mercy died young. All of Hannah's descendants died of the Yellow Fever in 1855. We find no record of surviving heirs descended from

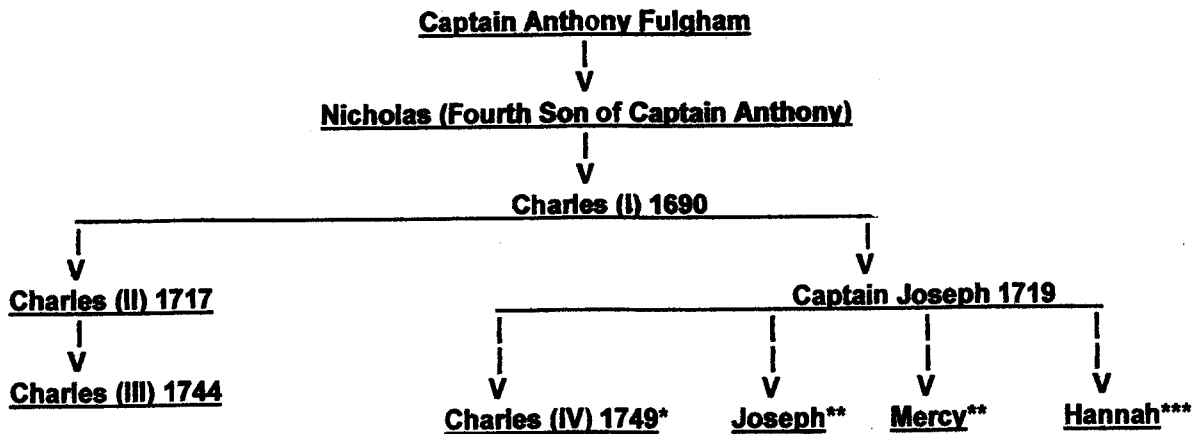
Charles IV beyond his immediate progeny. This was an illustrious family, directly involved in the

founding of our nation and in its survival during its infancy. They deserve much more attention than we have given them.

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Lineage from Captain Anthony Fulgham through Charles Fulgham, son of Captain Joseph Fulgham



- *Mother was Rebeckah Young
- **Mother was Luraina Clark (died as young child)
- *** Mother was Luraina Clark

Editorial Notes:

Boddie (1) and King (8) place the King of All Places in Red Point as the first landing on Cypress Creek. It was the ideal spot for shipping since the channel in Cypress Creek was close to the steep bank and the water was deep enough for ocean-going merchant vessels of the day. The steep banks made it easy to load the ships. See Boddie (1) page 170 and King (8) page 447. Red Point on the geological maps is a triangular peninsula projecting into the Pagen River about a mile and a half east of downtown Smithfield, Virginia. In Colonial days the Red Point area extended from this peninsula to the Old Brick Church, now called St. Luke's (The oldest Gothic Seventeenth Century structure still standing in North America, having been built in the 1600's). Today Red Point extends on both sides of South Church Street (Route 10, business) to Cypress Creek on the west and only to the new Route 10 bypass on the south. See Boddie (1) page 170 and King (8) page 454. The Red Point area is now a residential subdivision of Smithfield, Virginia.

REMINDER

The officers of FFFNA hope that all families receiving the newsletter will consider joining FFFNA and help keep the Association going financially.

So far this year, only 139 families have paid the 2008 dues. Last year we had 225 dues paying members. We need at least 350 members from our mailing list that numbers over 1,450 addresses.

Hopefully, if we obtain the 350 dues-paying members in 2008, we will be able to reduce the dollar amount for dues in future years.

You may recall that our funds in 2007 were depleted by increasing expenses and the new hotel practices under which organizations like FFFNA must pay up-front for certain hotel related expenses for Reunions. This made it necessary to pay some of the 2007 up-front reunion expenses from the dues, something we normally do not do since the Reunion registration and fees paid separately normally cover these expenses. Simply speaking we got charged for two sets of expenses, 2006 and 2007 in one year.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

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 \$40 for the current calendar year (Check Boxes) This is a new (or) Renewal membership Name (Please print):

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State _____ Zip _____ Phone (____) _____ - _____ E-Mail address _____

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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*in kin about the family.
- ☞ ...to raise funds through the Fulgham-Fulghum Family Foundation for its worthy causes, including the Foundation Scholarship Fund, the *FFFNF 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 22 national reunions the FFFNA has held (the first in 1985 in Rock Ridge, NC) the last five have been held: 2003 in New Iberia, LA; 2004 in Savannah, GA; 2005 in Annapolis, MD; 2006 in Nacogdoches, Texas and 2007 in Williamsburg, VA

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*in ancestors, please contact the Newsletter Editor or the Family Archivist (addresses are listed on page 2).