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By Max Alford AAFA #0230, with the assistance of Frieda Shepherd AAFA #0763, Morris Myers AAFA #1065, and Gil Alford, AAFA #0019. Photos are by Janice and John Smith

If you have read my reports on past meetings, you know I usually start off by saying that the meeting was the "biggest and best yet." However, I can't use that phrase to describe the 2001 meeting in Raleigh, North Carolina. It was not the biggest in terms of attendance. However, it did have its moments. It almost became the meeting that never was. Your Board of Directors sent many email messages among themselves discussing whether we should even have a meeting last year due to the tragic events of September 11th. The fact that, at the time, it was not known exactly if, when, or how the United States was going to respond to or retaliate against whoever committed the atrocity made this a difficult decision. The Board also consulted with the two remaining founders of the Association. It was finally decided that we had no choice but to continue with the plans for the meeting. This was due mostly to the severe economic penalties that would be incurred by the Association if the contract with the hotel was not honored, especially within the last ninety days before the meeting. There was also some concern from some Board members over fears that we would have more than a few cancellations because of the uncertain conditions that have existed since September. A few were concerned that maybe we would have some who would not cancel in advance but simply just not show up. Fortunately, we only had a few cancellations. Only one of those had anything to do with the state of world affairs. The others were health problems of members or their spouses or job conflicts.

We arrived on the scene late Thursday afternoon. The hotel was rather difficult to find. Evidently, someone didn't believe in placing any signs near streets to help people find places like hotels. You really had to be on your toes or you would miss it completely. Several members did on the initial go-around. I would have if it hadn't been for my trusty navigator. The hotel sets back off the street from which it is addressed and is situated with the side of the building actually facing the street. It was very, very easy to miss seeing it. The first activity scheduled for Raleigh was a tour on Wednesday. As we did not arrive until late Thursday afternoon, we missed the Wednesday and Thursday tours and so my report on them will be based mostly on hearsay. The Wednesday guided tour consisted of historic places in and around Raleigh, some of which were connected with the Alfords. The group toured some of the State Capitol building in downtown Raleigh. It is a National Historic Landmark and is considered one of the best-preserved examples of a civic building in the nation.



The tour group on Wednesday stopped to have a picture taken near the Capitol. Those who made the tour were Mary Intellini, (left) Mary and Gil Alford, La Rue King, (in front of Gil) Jim and Lynn Shelley, Ramona Darden and Janet Hemby (right). They had a great time trying to find where Wick's ancestors had lived. The picture was furnished by Janet Hemby.

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I understand the group got lost (or maybe mis-routed would be a better word for it) and ended up talking to a gentleman while he was intently playing with a little fire he had going. He was no help in their quest for the Alford site but he did know a lady who knew everything about everything. He gave them directions to get to the lady's location. However, she turned out to be of no help either. The group decided to end their search for the Alford Holy Grail and return to the hotel.

The Thursday tour consisted of a visit to the North Carolina State Library and State Archives. North Carolina is rich in Alford history. It is no easy task to get into the Library or Archives. You don't just walk in and tell them you are there to do some research and ask. "Where do I start?" Ramona Darden, Meetings Chairperson, researched how to access the facilities prior to the meeting and the group was pre-registered. You do have to show an ID to get into the building. I think between Lynn Shelley and Alicia Houston making copies of material, another forest bit the dust somewhere, and the state of North Carolina probably had to invest in a new copier. Everyone who participated seemed to enjoy themselves and the material they found at the library and archives.

The official meeting got underway Friday with the registration table opening at 8:20 AM. Lynn Shelley kicked off the meeting and welcomed everyone who had registered for the Friday session.

Gil Alford and Lynn Shelley talked about the Research Room that was available at the meeting. They told everyone just where it was and gave a brief description of what was included in the room.

Alicia Houston did a presentation on the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (LDS Church) Family History Centers and their world-famous genealogical repository in Salt Lake City (the site of next year's meeting). Alicia discussed the information that is available in Salt Lake City and the procedures for getting the information via a local Family History Center. She also discussed the IGI records, the pedigree files and the ancestor records and how the content of each is a little bit different. She also talked about *The* Source, published by the LDS. The "source" book explains the information that is available and how to go about obtaining the information. Alicia also talked about the LDS Church from a historical standpoint. As always, Alicia's presentation was informative and well received by the audience.



La Rue Alford King, #0701 NC, and her sister Mary Alford Intellini, #0707 MD, are pictured in the Photo Room with a display of pictures of some of their ancestors and some of the tombstones of their ancestors. They have done considerable research on their line from Lockhard Alford who was born in 1790 in North Carolina.

Lynn Shelley gave a presentation on the genealogical records that are available for North Carolina research. She mentioned a twenty-five volume set of books that contain information about the early settlers of North Carolina. She also talked about some new information she had run across concerning a John Alford of North Carolina. She told of how land was allocated in the early days and how the allocation was based on the number of people a person brought into the state. She discussed the North Carolina Alfords, Halfords, and Oldfords. She was ably interrupted, I mean assisted, by the Association's resident Alford database, Gil Alford.

Lee Ann Turner presented a humorous talk on things archivists find objectionable about researchers. It was in the form of a Researcher's Ten Commandments. One of the commandments was "Thou shalt be brief!" Everyone seemed to have enjoyed the talk and shared many laughs during the presentation.

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Lee Ann and Wallace Turner, #0020, brought their son Walter with them to the meeting. Wallace and Walter descend from David Alford born 1785 in Virginia.

Gil Alford gave a presentation concerning the Alfords of Central North Carolina during the period of 1790 -1850. After that presentation, Gil, along with my cuz, Peggy Schuster, gave a talk concerning WWI Draft Registration Records. Wick Alford then introduced known genealogist Helen F. M. Leary, who gave a short talk. Ms. Leary has been a tremendous help to Wick in the field of research. Although Ms. Leary has no Alford kin, she has done extensive research concerning Alfords.

One of the great things about being at the meeting is that you have a chance to meet some of the nicest people. One such person was Carolyn McClendon, who is from the Raleigh area. She was attending with her parents, Pansy and Denman McClendon, #0453. Carolyn had a young (very young) man with her by the name of Matt. While I do not remember his exact age, it was measured in weeks. Carolyn cares for babies who have been given up for adoption. In North Carolina, there is a twenty-one day waiting period between the time a parent or parents actually give up the baby for adoption and the time the adoptive parents can take the child home. Both of Matt's parents decided to give him up for adoption. They already had two children and didn't want a third one. Matt was so adorable. The ladies were passing him around like he was a new quilt. There were even some suggestions that maybe he be offered as the grand prize in our raffle drawing! Carolyn is to be commended for doing what must be both a rewarding and heart-breaking task. I know the women who held Matt for only a few

minutes really hated to give him back. I can only imagine what giving him back after twenty-one days would be like. My hat is off to Carolyn.



Again, one of the largest family groups represented at the meeting was the group of descendants from John Seaborn Alford born 1807 in Louisiana. They are, seated: Pansy McClendon, #0453, Carolyn McClendon with baby Matt, Buddy Alford, #1054, Sally Stoewer, #0120, Standing: Marie Bateman, Mary Alford, Denman McClendon, Gil Alford, #0019, Lorraine Alford Mabus, Dick Stoewer, Jerry Alford, Hugh Bateman, #1165, Jeanne Singleton, #0249, and Teri Stoewer Hruska with her daughter Elena.

Ninety-three people attended the Friday evening buffet. The food was good but unfortunately, it ran out before the people did. Some were relegated to punch and some of the garnishes. Every effort will be made to see this doesn't happen in the future. Ramona Darden, Meeting Chairperson, is looking into some different possibilities for future meetings after Salt Lake City, which is already under contract.

The Board of Directors met after the buffet. And for the first time that I can remember, we met in an actual Board Room or close to it. The facilities were very nice. This proved to be one of the more lively meetings that I have had the privilege of attending. There were reports concerning the gift shop, the quarterly, new members or lack thereof, revenue or lack thereof, North Carolina updates, treasury report, photo archives and wills, Nomination Committee report, scholarship and fund report, and Gil Alford's basement. Gil's basement is

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otherwise known as AAFA Central where the vast majority of the Association's data is stored. And while most don't like to talk about it, there will come a time when Mr. AAFA won't be around anymore. I am not certain, but I think I heard someone mention Gil and Methuselah in the same breath, if that gives you any indication of Gil's age.

A plan was formulated for removal of the material in Gil's basement if and when it becomes necessary or he requests it. Personally, I hope he beats Methuselah's 969 years. I would be remiss if I didn't mention Evelyn Mistich. One of my responsibilities is to take notes at the Board meeting and also the Saturday morning business meeting. I hate taking notes and besides that, I get so busy writing, that I miss a lot that is being said. So, I asked Evelyn if she would mind taking notes for me at the Board meeting and the business meeting. She agreed to do that for me for which I am and will be eternally grateful. I was thinking I could take her notes and then write up the minutes. Evelyn is such a thoughtful person that she made a copy of her notes and gave them to me in case something happened on her way home. She wanted to type them up before giving them to me because she was afraid I wouldn't be able to read her notes. She typed them and e-mailed me a copy almost before we got home. She did such a good job that I didn't even have to do anything to them. That was way above and beyond what I had originally asked her to do. If I had to retype them, I probably would have lost the notes by now on my computer disk somewhere. Evelyn, thanks for tackling those two tasks for me. You were a tremendous help.

President Dick Alford called the Saturday morning session to order. Dick then introduced our Meetings Chairperson, Ramona Darden. Ramona, in turn, introduced David Heinl of the Greater Raleigh Visitors and Convention Bureau. Mr. Heinl welcomed us all to Raleigh and gave us a little information about his city. Reports were given by Max Alford on membership, Lynn Shelley on the library, Doris Vetri on the treasury, Kim Savage on the AAFA web site, Janice Smith on photos and wills, Alicia Houston on the census project, Ramona Darden on future meeting sites (Indiana was selected for the 2005 meeting), Jim Adams on the quarterly, Sally Stoewer on the gift shop, Seanne Carrigan on the Scholarship Committee, and Morris Myers on the Nominating Committee. Kim Savage, Jeanne Singleton, Elroy Alford and Janet Hemby were introduced as the Nominating Committee's recommendation for the four open slots on the Board of Directors. There were no nominations from the floor

and the new nominees were elected by voice vote. The officer nominees were then introduced to the floor. They were Max Alford, President, Morris Myers, Vice President, and Doris Vetri, Secretary/Treasurer.



New officers elected by the Board of Directors include Max Alford as President, Doris Vetrl, Secretary/Treasurer, and Morris Myers, Vice President.

The Board with its new members quickly convened and unanimously elected those recommended by the committee. Dick Alford discussed why he did not seek another term as president. He has decided to devote most of his time pursuing a cause he has long held dear in the medical field. The new President then expressed the Association's appreciation to the outgoing Board members, Don Alford, Janice Smith and Cecil Alford for the fine job they did during their three year tenure on the Board. Each was presented with a certificate expressing that appreciation. The outgoing President, Dick Alford, and Vice President, Lynn Shelley, were also presented certificates expressing the Association's appreciation for the job they did in those positions. The Saturday morning business meeting was then adjourned.

The Saturday afternoon Alford Family Forum was well attended as usual. There always seems to be information presented in a way that holds everyone's attention during the session. This was no exception. The first presentation, the Hoge family (an Alford-related family) was given by Mike Heazel. Milt Folds, who gave a presentation on the Alford-related families in Georgia, North Carolina and Virginia following that. Wick Alford then introduced Colonel Ransom McBride, USAF Ret. Colonel McBride is well known in genealogical circles. He provided much help to Wick in his quest for his Alford ancestors. The meeting was then adjourned so members could prepare themselves for the Saturday night buffet.

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The Lewis family from North Carolina posed for a picture on Saturday night. From left to right they are: Rob Lewis, #0789, his mother Bessie Mae Alford Lewis, #1104, Mary Frances Lewis, Frances Lewis Cooke and William E. Lewis, #1179. Bessie Mae would have received the prize for being the oldest at 96 if she had been in attendance at the meeting on Saturday morning. All except Mary Frances are descendants of Exum Alford born 1788 in North Carolina.

The Saturday night buffet drew the meeting's largest attendance, as usual. And, as usual, since food was involved, people began arriving at the door of the buffet room well in advance of the announced time for the buffet. By arriving early, you tend to get a chance to indulge in a lot of idle chitchat that you would not otherwise get a chance to. In talking to Mike and Betty Heazel, I found out the Alfords (at least the southern Alfords) aren't the only ones who are touchy about the pronunciation of their name. I innocently (if you know me, you know it had to be innocently - yeah, right!) called Betty Heazel Betty Heezel when it is pronounced Hazel. She informed me that if I insisted on calling her that, she would call me Alfred. She definitely knows how to hurt a person. I immediately threw up a white flag of surrender and thereafter pronounced her last name correctly. Of course, we both did it in fun. While waiting for the doors to open, someone mentioned that it would be a good idea to say the Pledge of Allegiance before commencing with the food. I believe it was either Don Alford or Milt Folds. My apologies to whoever it was. Ramona Darden quickly rounded up an American flag. I asked Don if he would mind leading us in the Pledge. It was a first for the meeting and in light of the recent events, a very timely thing to do. Don did a good job of leading the pledge. After an excellent meal, there were some awards and honors to pass out.



Ramona Alford Darden, #0715 TX, who is the Meetings Chairperson dld a fantastic job in arranging and directing another successful Alford Reunion. Thank you, Ramona!

Wick Alford, Carolyn Chambliss, and Bill Mitchiner presented the names of the members who had passed away since the last meeting. The members were: 0358, Elizabeth Hawes Hazlip (10-19-00); 0586, Thomas Harney Alford, Sr. (10-13-00); 1074, James Alford Deal (date of death unknown); 0304, Gale J. Belser (08-30-00); 0198, Willie M. Alford (11-11-00); 0235, Josephone Alford Carrigan (02-03-01); 0099, Clifford L. Alford (05-09-00); 0869, Audrey House Boles (12-16-00); 0341, Joyce Alford Pierce (date of death unknown); 0079, Sarah Alford Thornhill (05-21-01); 0398, Helen Alford Bankston (06-07-01); 0364, Katherine Alford Echols (05-14-01); 1147, James Hazelton (05-25-01); 0054, Catherine Guynes Alford (10-07-00); 0158, Beatrice Alford Parramore (10-03-01); Charles William Ekin (10-05-01); and 0010, Lena Mitchiner. Lena, who was the wife of Bill Mitchiner, passed away several years ago but had never been honored at any of the meetings. Wick thought it was appropriate to do so this time. As each name was read, a bell was struck once in memory of that person. The ceremony was a very touching moment.

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The newly elected President Max Alford, #0230 TX, presided over the program on Saturday night after the dinner.

The next awards were for those who were honored by the Board of Directors as Distinguished Members. Distinguished Members are those people who have distinguished themselves during the preceding year by the work they performed during the past year. It doesn't even necessarily have to be work directly for the Association. Any work that helps promote the Alford name or the gathering of Alford data is considered to be beneficial to the Association and its causes and therefore is worthy of the Distinguished Member honor. The following were accorded the honor at this year's meeting: Jeanne B. Singleton, Ramona Alford Darden, Earline B. Alford, Peggy Alford Schuster, Nancy Alford Dietrich, Stephanie Alford, Carolyn Alford Chambliss, Sam McCray, Robin Alford Sterling, James and Sue Adams, and Henry and Sharon Klehm. These people are to be commended for the work they have done as well as the work they continue to do.

Next on the Awards Program were the Alford Hall of Fame inductions. This year, there were three such inductions. They were all a little unusual because the first was awarded posthumously and the other two involved the induction of a husband and wife together. As some of you may know, last year shortly after the Augusta, Georgia, meeting, the Association lost a key member of the meeting team. Elizabeth Hawes Hazlip had a terrible, accidental fall as she arrived home from the meeting. She suffered a head trauma from which she did not recover. Elizabeth was the publicist for the Association. She was also a very dear friend to all who

were fortunate enough to have known her. She was a very unassuming person but make no mistake about it, she was a key person when it came to getting word out about the meetings and the Association. She would send untold numbers of letters to newspapers, libraries, and genealogical societies advising them of the upcoming meeting. She flooded not only the state where the meeting was being held but the surrounding states as well. All the letters were handwritten because Elizabeth believed that a handwritten letter would be better received and better accepted than a form or a typed letter. I am surprised she didn't wear her fingers to the bone writing all those letters. Elizabeth had a slow, southern drawl and you couldn't help but be charmed by her. She is dearly missed. All of us regret that this honor came to her too late for her to enjoy it.



Max Alford presented the AAFA Hall of Fame Award to Janice and John Smith, #0152 TX.

Janice and John Smith were the first couple to be inducted at the meeting. Anyone who has been to a meeting will recognize Janice and John as the two people always moving around with at least one, sometimes two, cameras slung around their necks. They take a lot of photographs during the days of the meeting as well as family group pictures after the Saturday night buffet. And that is only part of what they do. They also collect Alford photographs and store them in the photo archives for future generations to enjoy. The photos are catalogued so if someone would like copies of a particular person, Janice or John can tell fairly quickly if any such photos are in the archive. Janice is also the Will Project Officer as well as doing data input for the Census Project. I have known John and Janice for around ten years and they are truly deserving of the honor.

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Sally and Dick Stoewer, #0120 LA, were also honored with the AAFA Hall of Fame Award presented by Max Alford.

The next two inductees into the Hall of Fame were Sally and Dick Stoewer. Sally and Dick have managed the gift shop at the meeting for seven years. They haul the merchandise to each meeting and then what's left is hauled back to Baton Rouge. Dick is always helping out in the store except the few times he is able to sneak off and read the paper. Sally and Dick were heavily involved in the planning of a very successful meeting in 1993 in St. Francisville, Louisiana. Sally is the Chairperson of the Merchandise Committee. As such, she searches each year for new items to add to the shop's inventory. Sally has also submitted Alford obituary data, contributed to the Census Project, and served on the Board of Directors. I have known Dick and Sally for many years also. We have shared many a laugh in the gift shop. As were the Smiths, Sally and Dick are also truly deserving of the honor.

After the awards, the winning numbers for the raffle prizes were drawn. The awarding of the prizes will be covered in a future article. Afterwards, several of us sat around in the lobby rearranging the furniture a little past midnight. There were lots of laughs and almost as many yawns as laughs. It is one of the more enjoyable times to be had at the meeting. No one is in a rush, and everyone is unwinding because for all practical purposes, another meeting has come to an end.

Sunday morning found a lot of members packing up to leave. They come around to the gift shop and research room to do some last minute visiting and to say their good-byes for this year. You also hear a lot of "see you next year" as the members depart. The normal routine is to start packing up all the boxes of research material as well as the gift shop merchandise. But this year that was altered somewhat because the hotel said as long as we were out of the rooms before midnight, everything would be fine.



The crew that could usually be found in the store are shown as couples. Left to right: Sally and Dick Stoewer, Earline and Max Alford, and Mac and Marle Bateman. Sally manages the store, and Earline and Marie help out as well as contribute their creative talents to make beautiful things to be sold in the store. They also make things to be given as raffle prizes. Jeanne Singleton who Is also of immeasurable help in running the store was not available for the picture.

Those of us who were scheduled for the Sunday afternoon tour met the bus at the front door around 1 or 1:30 pm. The bus proceeded down to the Visitors Bureau where we picked up a very nice lady who served as our guide for the afternoon. As you may know, Raleigh is a very old city and as such, has many structures of historical significance. There were some beautiful old homes along the tour route. We stopped for a break across the street from the State Capitol building. Some took the opportunity to stretch their legs and get something to snack on. There were also some museums in the buildings where the bus stopped. We didn't find out until we got back to the hotel that the bus was equipped with a bathroom! About this time, I was in severe pain and had to rush off to find the nearest vending machine or snack bar. Luckily, there was one on the fourth floor of one of the museums. I had to get a medicinal coke to relieve my chest pains. Thank goodness there was one nearby or somebody would

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have had to shoot me to put me out of my misery. We then got back on the bus to resume the tour. Our last stop was back at the Visitors Bureau to drop off our guide. She did an excellent job and made everything very interesting. She had also brought along prizes, which were awarded during the tour. I had my usual string of good luck and didn't win anything. As we pulled back into the hotel parking lot, someone said something to the effect that "at least our bus driver could find the hotel." To which the man behind the steering wheel of the bus replied "Your bus driver didn't find it, your coach operator found it."

As we were leaving the bus, the bus driver, eh, coach operator, inquired Earline Alford, what we were all about. She informed him that we had just had our annual reunion. He then asked if we were all one family. My wife told him that all the different lines had not been traced back to a common ancestor but we were working on it. The coach operator said that was really neat.

It wasn't too long after we got back to the hotel before it started raining and I mean raining hard. Almost all of us who were still at the hotel decided to venture out for dinner. The only place we knew of close by was a Steak

and Ale right up the hill from the Hotel. When we arrived at the Steak and Ale, we were short some people. So, John Smith volunteered to return to the hotel and track them down. Everyone finally showed up. The meal was fine and we all shared a few more laughs. Monday morning got there much too quickly. It seemed like only yesterday that we pulled in and now everyone was getting ready to leave. As each party pulled out either in their own vehicle or on the courtesy van to the airport, those who were not quite ready were there to say their final good-byes. Some were going home, others were continuing on to other places before returning home. My wife and I were headed to Savannah, Georgia, with Jan and Elroy Alford leading the way. But that is another story, which I hope to put in writing for a future quarterly. When you have as good a time as we had with Jan and Elroy, you want to tell people about it.

Below you will find a list of all those who were in attendance at the meeting along with their city, state and family lineage, if known. All are arranged by family branch.

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0484	Lynn & Jim Shelley
0859	Paul L. & Pat Davidson
0672	Jesse Burdell Alford
0152	Janice & John Smith
0386	Ann Lavinia Alford
0387	Dean & Martha Steward
0346	Stephen Vance Alford
0020	Lee Ann & Wallace Turner
	Walter Turner
0059	Don. R. & Joan Alford
0832	Janet Alford Hemby
1065	Morris Myers, Jr.
0225	Victor H. Alford
1138	Deloris & Jim Bitting
0010	William A. Mitchiner
1179	William E. & Mary Lewis
0347	Charles & Hilda Alford
0789	Robert Glenn Lewis
	Ruth Alford Read
	Lyn Troxler
	Frances Lewis Cooke

Springfield, MO Baton Rouge, LA Zebulon, NC Plano, TX Columbus, MS Tallahassee, FL Hampton, VA Newhope, AR Malvern, AR Melbourne, FL Houston, TX Hot Springs, AR Orlando, FL Baton Rouge, LA Raleigh, NC Raleigh, NC Greenville, NC Goldston, NC Cary, NC Cary, NC Raleigh, NC

FAMILY

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1104	Bessie Mae A. Lewis	Raleigh, NC	EXU788NC/!!!!!NC
1172	Charles Evans Alford	Charlotte, NC	EXU788NC/!!!!!NC
1129	James K. Adams	Marietta, GA	GEO831CD/WIL799??
0011	Wick & Frances Alford	Sea Island, GA	GRE787NC/LOD749NC
0965	Carolyn A. Chambliss	Jacksonville, FL	GRE787NC/LOD749NC
1084	Vesta Alford Beany	Jacksonville, FL	GRE787NC/LOD749NC
1119	Billye & Sandy Campbell	Valdosta, GA	HAY780GA/!!!!!GA
	Brant & Marile' Campbell	Smyrna, GA	HAY780GA/!!!!!GA
0258	Kim Savage	Darien, IL	ISA782NC/JAM687VA
1178	Julie Alford McCall	Highlands, NC	JAC781NC/JAM687VA
0717	Mary V. Alford	Highlands, NC	JAC781NC/JAM687VA
1177	Holly Alford Coffey	Winston-Salem, NC	JAC781NC/JAM687VA
0763	Frieda Roberta Shepherd	Sonoma, CA	JAM791VA/JOH696MD
1000	Laura Tuffnell	San Pablo, CA	JAM791VA/JOH696MD
1176	Augusta Hulsey	Cedaredge, CO	JAM791VA/JOH696MD
0616	Tom Rockhold	Plano, TX	JAM847NC/!!!!!NC
	Mary Kaye Robinson	Virginia	
0345	Beverly Jean Alford	Burlington, NC	JOH787NC/!!!!!NC
0664	Mike & Betty Heazel	Severna Park, MD	JOH795VA/JOH696MD
0196	Arliene F. Alford	Hemphill, TX	JOH801NC/!!!!!NC
0208	Roy L. & Linda Alford	Conroe, TX	JOH801NC/!!!!!NC
0230	Max R. & Earline Alford	Mesquite, TX	JOH801NC/!!!!!NC
0303	Doris & Buzz Vetri	Mount Laurel, NJ	JOH801NC/!!!!!NC
0666	Peggy & Walter Schuster	Richardson, TX	JOH801NC/!!!!!NC
1175	Velta Brown	Hesperia, CA	JOH801NC/!!!!!NC
0019	Gil & Mary Alford	Florissant, MO	JOH807LA/JAM687VA
0120	Sally & Dick Stoewer	Baton Rouge, LA	JOH807LA/JAM687VA
	Teri & Elena Hruska	Fredericksburg, VA	JOH807LA/JAM687VA
0249	Jeanne B. Singleton	Greenwell Sprgs, LA	JOH807LA/JAM687VA
0335	Seanne Carrigan	Pleasanton, CA	JOH807LA/JAM687VA
0453	Pansy & Denman McClendon	Mt. Hermon, LA	JOH807LA/JAM687VA
	Carolyn McClendon & Matt	Raleigh, NC	JOH807LA/JAM687VA
0537	Vesta G. Bowden	Houston, TX	JOH807LA/JAM687VA
1054	Buddy & Jerry Alford	Mt. Hermon, LA	JOH807LA/JAM687VA
	Lorraine Alford Mabus	Amite, LA	JOH807LA/JAM687VA
1165	Mac & Marie Bateman	Mt. Hermon, LA	JOH807LA/JAM687VA
0271	F. Shelby Alford	Raleigh, NC	KIS814NC/!!!!!NC
0701	La Rue Alford King	Bunn, NC	LOC790NC/!!!!!NC
0707	Mary Alford Intellini	Silver Spring, MD	LOC790NC/!!!!!NC
0593	Peggy & Sam Wood	Beaumont, TX	LUC784nc/JAM687VA
0633	Dick & Connie Alford	Lewiston, ID	ORI806NY/BEN619EN
0481	Evelyn Z. Mistich	Belle Chasse, LA	SEA807LA/JAM687VA
1149	Herb & Karen Wise	Round Rock, TX	SEA807LA/JAM687VA
0001	Alicia R. & Dan Houston	Monroeville, PA	THO802VA/JOH696MD
0563	Elroy R.& Jan Alford	Spencer, OK	TOM860OK/INDIAN
0855	Sam W. & Anita Wilson	DeSota, TX	TUR800NC/JAM687VA
0715	Ramona Alford Darden	Houston, TX	WIL787GA/JAM687VA
0076	Elisabeth McLane	Valdosta, GA	WIL794GA/JAM687VA
0325	Willie Joe Alford	Hammond, LA	WIL804GA/JAM687VA
0343	Vonceil Alford Strong	Columbus, MS	WIL804GA/JAM687VA

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0606 Catherine & Bruce Ellard
0708 Frances A. Herrington
0049 Roberta & Milt Folds
0562 Pat & Robert Thorn
David Heinl

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Guest Genealogists Helen F.M. Leary Col. Ransom McBride, USAF Ret.

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INFORMATION ON 2002 AAFA REUNION			
Hold these dates open - Oct. 11 - 13, 2002			
The meeting will be held at the			
WESTCOAST SALT LAKE HOTEL 161 WEST 600 SOUTH SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH			
1-800-325-4000			
<u>Please do not register</u> with the hotel until we send out the AAFA forms. Once again there will be a contest for those who register early!			
TOURS			
Plans are also in the works for tours prior to the reunion. Come join in the fun with those who arrive early for tours. You have never seen cousins & friends like those who tour! They really let their hair down and have fun!!			
DON'T MISS OUT !! COME JOIN THE FUN!!!			

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