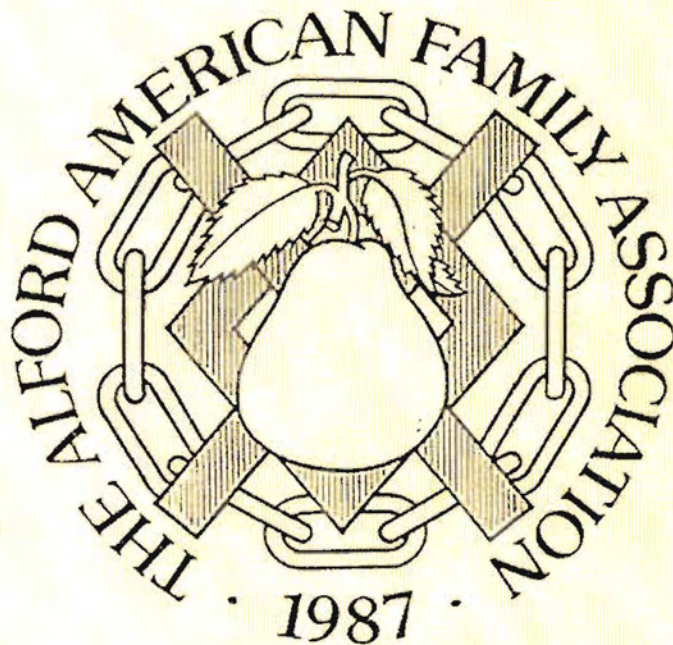


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Editorial Comments

We would like to take this opportunity to express the association's appreciation to Jim and Sue Adams who have provided such an outstanding quarterly for the past ten years.

This is the first of several issues being put together by a team assembled from the AAFA leadership. When we have a new full time editor the job will be turned over to that person.

In the meantime it is our plan to gradually decrease the size and content of the quarterly with the idea that the material not included will be available on the web site.

The ultimate size and content of the quarterly will be about 24 pages of member oriented information. That will include

new member lineages, In Remembrance articles of deceased members, reports of and photographs from the annual meetings, new information on the web site, etc.

There is no index in this issue. Instead please use FIND in the applicable file on the website.

All members will be encouraged to obtain their issue of the quarterly by download from the website. These online versions will have color photos when applicable. For this issue go to www.alfordassociation.org/OLQ/90.html

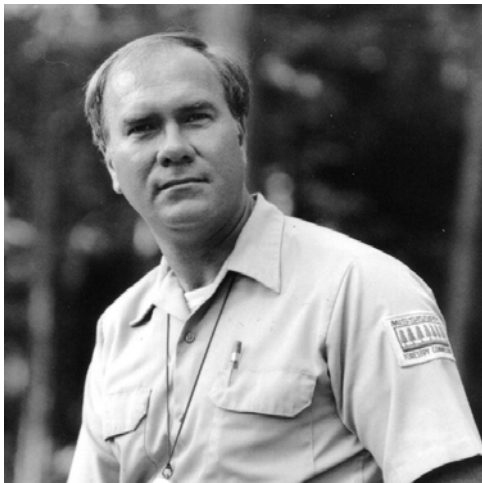
Using download instead of printed copies will **probably** eventually result in a decrease in dues for the applicable members. Those who do have the ability to

do so will be provided a paper copy by mail. If you are one of those without access to the website and you need a file from there then contact us at alford_staff@alfordassociation.org and we will see about getting a copy to you.

For some time now we've been posting quantities of new data to the website that used to be published in AAFA ACTION, including obituaries, genealogies, and a variety of other data. We've also posted much of our archived data that was published in the quarterly, making it available to everyone. We encourage you to visit the website, especially the AAFA Databases page: www.alfordassociation.org/dbase.html.

The President's Corner

Emmette Earl Alford, President, AAFA #0439



Ramona Darden, annual meeting chairperson, has made the meeting arrangements for our annual AAFA meeting to be held in St. Louis, Missouri on October 5th-9th. The registration forms are on our AAFA web-site and in the quarterly, according to Ramona. St. Louis is centrally located and most important is the home of our AAFA founder Gil Alford who plans to be at the meeting. We also met in St. Louis in October 2005. According to my count we had a total attendance of 68 from 11 different states (Texas, Mississippi, Florida, Arkansas, Illinois, Colorado, Kentucky, Maryland, California, New Jersey, and Louisiana). The location was the Sheraton Westport hotel-very nice. Ramona never missed a beat even though she had excessive damage to her business and retreat on Galveston Bay from Hurricane Rita. The tours were great. We visited Cahokia Mounds in Illinois and a Oktoberfest sightseeing Cruise down the mighty Mississippi River on Sunday. We also got to meet the entire Gil and Mary clan Heather and Nicolas Spiro, April and Scott

Ernst, Candice Spiro, Delanie Marie Littrell, John Littrel, Jaclyn Spiro, Joey Garger, Mary Davis and Jessica Tedder (Our Alford scholarship essay winner).

With our 2011 annual meeting fast approaching, we would like to hear from our members who might be willing to serve on our AAFA Board of Directors or even one of our Officers. We are truly an all-volunteer organization. If you would like to pitch in and help the AAFA accomplish the many goals that have been established over the years, please let us know don't be bashful. Call one of the Board members and they will be happy to answer any question you may have. The present Board of Directors and officers can be found in the front of the quarterly.

St. Louis, home of our AAFA founder Gil Alford, was hit with a f-4 tornado on April 22 but Gil was spared any damage. We are looking forward to having Gil at our annual meeting. The south has witnessed the worst outbreak of tornadoes since 1974 and now they predict the Mississippi River at Natchez will crest at the highest level since 1927.

I hope everyone had a very special Easter.

Treasurer's Report

Robert D. Alford, AAFA #0197

Income Statement for Year Ending December 31, 2010

Receipts

| | | | |
|----------------------------------|----------|----------|---------------------|
| Dues (Renewals + 28 New Members) | ----- | 4,925.00 | |
| Donations | | | |
| Unspecified | 357.15 | | |
| Memorials | 175.00 | | |
| DNA Test Fund | 10.00 | | |
| Total Donations | ----- | 542.15 | |
| 2010 Meeting | | | |
| Registration | 5,875.00 | | |
| Tours | 2,343.40 | | |
| Raffle, Auction, Store Sales | 617.00 | | |
| Total 2010 Meeting | ----- | 8,835.40 | |
| Total Receipts | | | \$ 14,302.55 |

Disbursements

| | | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|---------------------|
| 2010 Meeting | | | |
| Hotel | 6,393.48 | | |
| Tours | 1,968.50 | | |
| Door Prizes | 210.00 | | |
| Total 2010 Meeting | ----- | 8,571.98 | |
| AAFA Action | | | |
| Printing | 3,485.85 | | |
| Postage | 2,200.00 | | |
| Total AAFA Action | ----- | 5,685.85 | |
| Office Expenses | | | |
| PO Box Rental | 96.00 | | |
| Postage | 85.85 | | |
| Printing | 15.20 | | |
| Supplies | 123.79 | | |
| Internet Site | 119.40 | | |
| Total Office Expenses | ----- | 440.24 | |
| Total Disbursements | | | \$ 14,698.07 |

Net Income <\$ 395.52>

Checking Account Reconciliation

| | |
|---|---------------------|
| Beginning Balance January 1, 2010 | \$ 12,453.10 |
| Net Income | < 395.52> |
| Ending Balance December 31, 2010 | \$ 12,057.58 |

I am enjoying carrying out the duties of Treasurer. Compiling the year ending income statement for 2010 has provided me with extensive knowledge of AAFA's financial dealings. Also, it has been very interesting handling the new member applications. I look forward to continuing in these duties for AAFA. *Robert D. Alford*