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and all spelling variations*

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**PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING**

Just because the quarterly is coming to an end it does not mean the association is going away. We can continue to stay in touch and associate if you will (1) subscribe to the on line newsletter by sending an email to [aafa-olnl-subscribe@yahoogleroups.com](mailto:aafa-olnl-subscribe@yahoogleroups.com) and (2) subscribing to About Alford's where we will be discussing Alford's, AAFA and things related thereto. Send an email to [About\\_Alfords-subscribe@yahoogleroups.com](mailto>About_Alfords-subscribe@yahoogleroups.com)

It was just decided Jan 14, 2013 that we MIGHT continue with some future publications. They will be occasional, if at all, and there will be no standard format, size or content scope. They will be announced and members must submit a special order along with check. After an announced cut-off date for orders they will be printed and delivered.

If you are not on line (don't have email) we will be looking for ways to stay in touch with you. We will need to let you know of any future publication. We would appreciate your ideas via note or card to AAFA, POB 1297, Florissant, MO 63031.

If you have email and you don't subscribe, then the monkey will be on your back and not ours. Good Bye!

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The association was established for the following purposes:

1. To collect, record, preserve, disseminate, and perpetuate biographical and historical information on Alford's (including 100+ spelling variations) and their ancestors.
2. To educate members, particularly those of the younger generations, on the Alford family history and how it relates to the history of our nation.
3. To further fellowship and camaraderie within the living Alford family.

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## The President's Corner

*Max Ray Alford, President, AAFA #0230*

This is it, the final printed edition of the AAFA Action quarterly. The very first edition of the quarterly published in June of 1988 consisted of eight pages. This column was then called "The President's Precept" and was written by the first President of the AAFA, Capt. Lodwick "Wick" Alford. From that, it eventually grew to a total of 225 pages in the spring of 2004 issue. That issue was dedicated to Louisiana Alford, as Baton Rouge was the location of the annual meeting that year. Pam Thompson was the first editor. She got the quarterly up off the ground and running and kept it on a tight schedule for a number of years. Eventually, Pam resigned and for a while, in order to keep the quarterly from dying away then, a committee was formed. Unfortunately, as usually happens with committees, it took forever to get something to the printer. The committee did perform admirably over the year or two that it was in existence. Eventually, Jim and Sue Adams, with a little friendly persuasion, stepped forward to take the reins. Eventually, they got the quarterly back on schedule and for ten years did a great job of publishing AAFA Action. They too got the urge to do other things and resigned from the position of co-editors in 2010.

Since that time, we have searched high and low for a volunteer to assume the position of editor of AAFA Action. Although there have been a couple of volunteers for the position, none came to fruition for one reason or another. So, it is with the publishing of Issue #98 of the AAFA Action quarterly that we must bid adieu to the printed version of the quarterly.

With the passing of the quarterly, we will now turn more of our time and attention to the AAFA web site, [www.alfordassociation.org](http://www.alfordassociation.org). We realize that we may disenfranchise some of our members who do not have access to the Internet and for that, we deeply apologize. But, we are able to reach not only more people in the U.S. but all over the world. At the same time, this can be done at a much lower cost than printing the quarterly. It was for that reason, as well as others, that it was decided to do away with the annual dues and charge only a one-time fee of \$5.00 to all new members who join.

Now, please don't think that since we have no need for an editor of the quarterly anymore that the AAFA needs no help at all. On the contrary, there are still lots of things we need help with. I am sure that if you will let us know what you enjoy doing that we can find something to fill the bill for you. The nice thing about the jobs at AAFA is that there is, except on rare occasions, no deadline. You simply work as much or as little as you desire. If you need help on accomplishing your task, we are as close as your email program. The only thing we ask is that you don't take on a task and then simply forget it. If you decide that the task at hand is not your cup of tea, simply let us know. We won't rant and rave and try to persuade you to continue. We will simply thank you for the effort and that will be that. Please think seriously about volunteering your time and talents.

I hope to see you at the next meeting.

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## Treasurer's Report

*Robert D. Alford, Treasurer, AAFA #0197*

### Income Statement for Year to Date, December 31, 2012

#### Receipts:

Dues and Memberships:			
Dues (Includes 1 New Member)	350.00		
Memberships (17) <sup>1</sup>	<u>85.00</u>		
Total Dues and Memberships		435.00	
Donations:			
General	126.88		
DNA Test Fund Memorial	50.00		
Specified <sup>2</sup>	<u>577.09</u>		
Total Donations		753.97	
Annual Meetings:			
Registration	4,982.00		
Tours	2,619.00		
Miscellaneous	<u>335.12</u>		
Total Meetings		<u>7,936.12</u>	
<b>Total Receipts</b>			<b>\$ 9,125.09</b>

#### Disbursements:

Annual Meetings:			
Hotel	5,106.41		
Tours	<u>2,875.15</u>		
Total Meetings		7,981.56	
AAFA Action (Quarterly):			
Printing	2,052.00		
Postage	1,322.58		
Binding for Clayton Library <sup>3</sup>	<u>309.95</u>		
Total AAFA Action		3,684.53	
Office Expenses:			
Internet Site	119.40		
Legal Fees <sup>4</sup>	2,500.00		
Member Service Awards <sup>5</sup>	188.00		
PO Box Rental	120.00		
Postage	378.00		
Printing	121.46		
Safe Deposit Box (Photo Archives)	135.00		
Supplies <sup>6</sup>	<u>161.44</u>		
Total Office Expenses		<u>3,723.30</u>	
<b>Total Disbursements</b>			<b>\$15,389.39</b>

**Net Income** **-\$ 6,264.30**

### Checking Account Reconciliation

Beginning Balance	Jan 1, 2012	\$ 13,601.52
Net Income for 2012		<u>-6,264.30</u>
Ending Balance	Dec 31, 2012	<u><u>\$ 7,337.22</u></u>

- <sup>1</sup> Net of total paid less any overpayment
- <sup>2</sup> Office Expenses and Quarterly Binding paid by member(s) directly
- <sup>3</sup> Quarterly Binding paid by member directly
- <sup>4</sup> Copyright Infringement
- <sup>5</sup> Jim & Sue Adams, Ramona Darden, Doris Vetri
- <sup>6</sup> Office Expenses paid by members directly