

Alderman Historical Association

First Reunion Held in 1928
H. Sidney Bland, III - President

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Notes from the June 27, 2009 Meeting

President H. Sidney Bland, III called the meeting to order. This was the first year the reunion was held without our cornerstone, James Alderman Ezzell. The scheduled speaker was injured 2 days before the reunion and had to cancel. So for our topic time, we had an opportunity to reflect on our memories of Mr. Ezzell. We laughed and cried and all felt a little better to bring his memory to the meeting with us.

Old Business—no old business.

New Business

James Alderman suggested that we run an ad in the local paper about a month prior to the reunion to generate interest among the local Alderman.

Grover Ezzell stood to announce that the Ezzell family would like to donate the rest of the *Aldermans in America* books to the Association. This very generous donation means that the association will be able to keep the money from the sale of the old books. Jack Westberry said he would continue to promote the older book as he sells the newer book. The price of the older *Aldermans in America* is \$95.00. It will soon be available via a link on the website

(<http://www.aldermanhistoricalassociation.org>).

We also will have info there about Jack's book and copies of the old newsletters.



Website recognition—We had a special certificate for Kay Ezzell to thank her for all her hard work in putting together the website. Grover Ezzell accepted on behalf of his sister. Be sure to go to the website and look around. Also, let us know if you have old photos or documents that we can scan and put on the website. We will need captions.

For those of you interested in genealogical associations, your Alderman line qualifies you for some very exclusive ones. The paperwork can be quite daunting. James Alderman and Pansy Elliot are both great at navigating the red tape. If you want more info on either the Magna Charta or the Order of the Crown of Charlemagne, contact them. (More information at the end of the newsletter.)

Election of Officers- By unanimous vote, the current President, H. Sidney Bland, III, and Secretary/Treasurer Susan Corliss-Bland were re-elected.

Special Recognition—We had lots of fun prizes to anyone that qualified.

- Furthest Distance—James Alderman from Texas
- Largest Family in attendance—The H.S. Bland, Jr family with 11.
- Young Attendees—Rachel & Christa Bland
- Golden Attendees—many of those in attendance were over 65 and received a prize.
- Shortest Distance—Grover Ezzell

The next meeting was set for June 26th, 2010. With a motion made to donate \$75 for the use of the building. We agreed to meet at the church again next year.



With no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be Saturday June 26th, 2010. Hope to see your smiling face then!

Susan Corliss-Bland,
Secretary

Treasurers Report Alderman Historical Association 2009

July 2008 balance	689.36
Interim Contributions	<u>+0.00</u>
Balance June 2009	689.36
Reunion pre-registrations received	<u>284.00</u>
Pre reunion available balance	973.36
Money received at reunion	355.00
Donation for use of fellowship hall	-75.00
Cost of lunch	<u>-564.00</u>
<i>Carryover to next year</i>	689.36

Submitted by Susan Corliss-Bland, treasurer

NOTE: no interest being paid on this account.
Yearly web hosting fee is \$65.89

We're Online

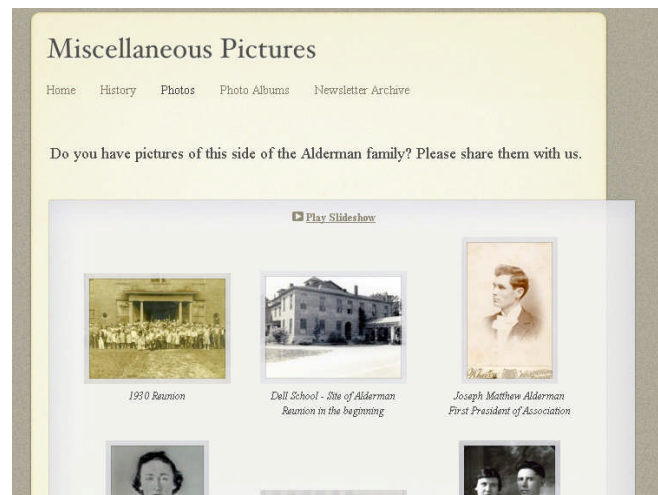


Thanks to the hard work of Kay Ezzell, daughter of James Alderman Ezzell, we are now online. Be sure to bookmark <http://www.aldermanhistoricalassociation.org> and stop by from time to time to visit. Can't find your old newsletters, but want to show a relative something? Browse the old newsletters by clicking on "Newsletter Archive". You can also browse the photo albums from recent reunions by clicking on "Photo Albums". However, one page we need your help with. As you find those old

photos with your Alderman ancestors, please contact us if you would be willing to get them scanned. We would love to add them to this very special page.

<http://www.aldermanhistoricalassociation.org/Alderman/Photos.html>

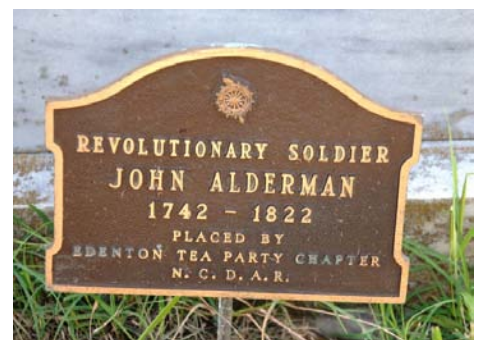
Special thanks to Kay Ezzell for designing and maintaining this page.



New Project for the Cemetery

We are working on placing a Sons of the American Revolution marker adjacent to the Daughters of the American Revolution marker that is currently in place at the John Alderman, Sr. gravestone. Our goal is to have this in place by the next reunion in 2010 and do a formal grave marking event.

Pictured at the right is the current DAR marker placed by the Edenton Tea Party Chapter of the North Carolina DAR. We hope to have both the DAR and SAR markers permanently placed by the June, 2010 reunion.



Come on Down or Up



We enjoy seeing our Alderman kin even when you can't make it to the annual reunion. We had a call from some Aldermans who were visiting in Myrtle Beach and were coming up to Wilmington one day. They wondered if they came up could we take them on the gravesite tour. We were available, so the date was set. They drove up and after a few minutes sharing, we headed out for the private tour. It was a pleasure to meet Joe & Elaine Alderman and take them for a photo tour of the old headstones. (Sidney & Susan)

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If you have an email address and are receiving this letter via snail mail, please send James Alderman your email so he can save the Association the cost of mailing a letter. Many of you have sent in your email address and it is much appreciated. Don't forget to send us a note if you change addresses.

Abigail Harris Alderman

Family Ancestry

Ancestry to the –

Magna Charta Sureties

Charlemagne

Merovingian Kings

Background –

William Alderman's line seems to be road blocked prior to his appearance in Connecticut in 1640. I have communicated with several researchers in England and they have speculations regarding his heritage but nothing that can be proven definitely. Stateside, several researchers still try to tie him to one John Alderman that shows up in Salem, Massachusetts, but here again, nothing can be proven. This prompted me to look at the maternal links as referenced in William Parker's book.

As I was pursuing membership in several lineage organizations, I became aware of the long lineage associated with the maternal lines of our Alderman ancestors. The Spencer line, associated with Mary Case, the wife of William Alderman, is documented in the Alderman's in America book by William Alderman Parker. Mary's mother, Sarah Spencer Case, was descended from the Spencer family of southern England. The other line that I have spent some time tracking is Abigail Harris Alderman the wife of Daniel Alderman (B-5). It is well documented on pages 580-583 but only pursues the link back to the Norwegian King St. Olave, 992-1030. I would like to share with you the information I have regarding Abigail's lineage as it relates to the three organizations mentioned above using a different lineage avenue starting with Ela Longspee the wife of Sir Roger la Zouche. This line will take you further back to Merovee (Merovech) – the founder of the Merovingian Dynasty.

It is proven that Abigail Harris Alderman was the daughter of Nathaniel Harris via several documents: "Harris of Cumberland County, New Jersey" in the December, 1949 (Vol XVII, No. 2) issue of the "The Pennsylvania Genealogical Magazine" and an article, "Noble Ancestry of the Harris Family" in the January- April (XXXV, No. 1-2) issue of "The Vineland Historical Magazine." Another good article as touched on in AIA by William Parker, is "The Alderman Brothers – John, Daniel, Jr. and David, their Noble Ancestry, and Some of Their Descendants," pages 53-56, by Robert Karl Peterson and appearing in "The National Genealogical Society Quarterly," no. 177, dated March 1957.

Basic background on Abigail Harris Alderman:

1. Abigail was born at Cohansey, NJ on 26 March 1720
2. Abigail was the daughter of Nathaniel Harris born South Hampton, Long Island, NY on 8 October 1693 and his wife Miriam Brooks, born Salem County, NJ on 16 August 1698.
3. Abigail married Daniel Alderman in 1740 also of Cohansey, New Jersey.

Abigail Harris' Lineage

Nathaniel Harris – b. 1693, d. 1775

Miriam Brooks – b. 1698, d. 1722

Thomas Harris – b. 1657, d. 1697

Ruth James- b. 1664, d. 1723

Ruth Jones – b. 1628, d. 1668; daughter of Reverend John Jones

Reverend Thomas James, Jr. – **documented American immigrant ancestor**

Olive Ingoldsby – b. 1602, d. 1627
 Reverend Thomas James, Sr.
 Dorcas Buckeley- b. 1577, d. 1616
 Anthony Ingoldsby
 Reverend Edward Buckeley, D.D. – b. 1540, d. 1620
 Olive Irby
 Elizabeth Grosvenor- b. 1515, d. unk
 Thomas Buckeley
 Anne Charlton- b. 1480, d. 1519
 Randoll Grosvenor
 Richard De Charlton – b. 1450, d. 1522
 Anne Mainwaring
 Robert De Charlton – b. bef. 1430, d. 1471
 Mary Corbet
 Thomas De Knightley De Charlton – b. 1394, d. 1460
 Elizabeth Francis
 Anna De Charlton – d. bef. 1380, d. by 1399
 William De Knightley
 Thomas De Charlton – b. 1345, d. 1387
 Unknown
 Alan De Charlton- b. 1318/1319, d. 1349
 Margery Fitz Aer
 Elena La Zouche – b. 1288, d. 1345
 Alan De Charlton
 Alan La Zouche – b. 1267, d. bef. 1313/1314
 Eleanor De Segrave
 Ela Longspee – b. unk, d. 1276
 Sir Roger La Zouche **(You can pursue this line to Saher de Quincy, Earl of Winchester for Magna Charta as noted in AIA)**

Stephen Longspee – b. unk, d. bef. 1260
 Emeline De Ridelisford
William Longspee- b. 1175, d. 1226; Earl of Salisbury
(Also a link for membership in the Magna Charta Society)

Ela
 Henry II- b. 1132/1133, d. 1189 **(Link for membership in The Order of Crown of Charlemagne)**
 Eleanor of Aquitaine
 Princess Matilda – b. 1102, d. 1167
 Geoffrey V (Plantagenet)
 Henry I- b. 1068, d. 1135
 Matilda of Scotland
 Maud or Matilda of Flanders – b. 1031/1032, d. 1083
 William I- **“The Conqueror”, Duke of Normandy, King of England**

Baldwin V- b. 1012, d. 1067
 Adele De France
 Baldwin IV- b. 980, d. 1035
 Ogive or Otgiva of Luxembourg
 Arnold II- b. 961/962, d. 987
 Rosela or Susanna of Ivrea
 Baldwin III- b. 940, d. 961/962
 Mathilde of Saxony
 Arnold I- b. 885/890, d. 964
 Alix De Vermandois

All lineage below Olive Ingoldsby to Charlemagne is documented by Fredrick L. Weis and Walter L. Sheppard, Jr., ed by William R. Beall and Kaleen Beall, “Ancestral Roots of Certain American Colonists Who Came to America before 1700”.

Baldwin II- b. 863, d. 918
 Alfthryth (Ethelswith)
 Judith – b. 844/866; d. 879
 Baldwin I
 Charles II- King of France – Holy Roman Emperor
 b. 823, d. 877
 Emetrude of Orleans
 Louis I – King of France – Holy Roman Emperor
 b. 778, d. 840
 Judith of Bavaria
Charlemagne – King of France -Holy Roman Emperor
 b. 2 Apr 747, d. 28 Jan 813/814
 Hildegarde of Swabia, Countess of Vinzgau
 Bertha (Bertrada of Laon) – b. 720; d. 783 (mother of Charlemagne)
 Pepin III (King of the Franks) “The Short”; b. 714; d. 768
 Charibert (Heribert) – Count of Laon; d. aft 720
 Gisele (Bretrade)
Bertrada (Berta) – A Merovingian Princess; living in 720
 ([Link for membership in Order of the Merovingian Dynasty](#))
 Martin of Laon
 Theoderic III (King of Burgundy)- b. 654; d. 691
 Chrotechildis
 Clovis II (Chlodovech)- b. 634; d. 657
 Bathildis
 Dagobert I (King of the Franks)- b. 604; d. 639
 Nantechildis
 Clothaire II (Chlothar)- b. 584; d. 629
 Beretrudis (Bertrada or Berthe)
 Chilperic I- b. 539
 Fredegonde
 Clothair I- b. 497
 Arnegonde
 Clovis I (Chlodovech)- b. 466 AD
 St Clothilde (daughter of Chilperic, King of Burgundy)
 Childeric I (King of the Franks) – b. 458, d. 481
 Basina
Merovee (Merovech) – Founder of the Merovingian Dynasty; d. 457

Lineage below Charlemagne is documented in “Order of the Crown of Charlemagne” published by OCC 2009, compiled by Tracy Ashley Crocker, OCC Registrar General

As you can see, this takes our ancestry much further back than 992 AD. I personally have gained membership in both the National Society Magna Charta Dames & Barons and The Order of the Crown of Charlemagne using the above mentioned lineage. As time permits, I will pursue membership in the Order of the Merovingian Dynasty via Bertrada (Berta); a Merovingian Princess) who was the mother of Charibert, Count of Laon.

If other AHA members have been successful in documenting other Alderman lines, I would appreciate you sharing that information with me.

James E. Alderman