1986 Report

OF THE

Association of Descendants

of

Ralph Smith

of

Hingham and Eastham, Massachusetts

Founded November 26, 1936

Association of Descendants of Ralph Smith, of Hingham and Eastham, Massachusetts

Ralph Smith may have been born in 1610 in Hingham, Norfolk County, England. He left Yarmouth, Norfolk County, England, the first week in May 1633 on the Elizabeth Bonaventure, and arrived in Massachusetts Bay on June 15, 1633. His first wife, the mother of his children, may have been a daughter of Edmond Hobart. He later married Grace Hatch, widow of Thomas Hatch.

The Association of Descendants of Ralph Smith, of Hingham and Eastham, Massachusetts was founded November 26, 1936 to "honor the memory of our ancestors and to promote the knowledge amongst the descendants of their various lines of descent and to form closer ties of kinship and friendship between the various members of the organization."

At the First Annual Meeting, our first president, Capt. Arthur N. McGray, said the purpose of this organization is "...to perpetuate the memory of the early pioneers of the family. That we might have spiritual as well as family strength and love."

Every descendant of Ralph Smith shall be eligible for membership in the Association, upon proof of lineage. In addition, husbands or wives of the descendants of Ralph Smith may become Associate Members of the Association.

Annual meetings are held on the third Sunday of September.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

ods Greatest GIFT IS LOVE. AND WITH THIS LOVE, we are blessed to have family with whom to share it. We all find our greatest pleasure is being with our family. Physical distance cannot disturb that love we share. Don't let miles of separation break a bond that should never be severed.

And with family that is just a short distance away, renew your commitment to a strong, loving relationship.

Love brings happiness. I wish you all happiness this year in the endeavors you pursue and in the achievements you accomplish. My best to everyone.

God Bless you all.

Janice E. Otto President

A PRAYER

the many blessings that have brought this extended family through the generations, always under your guidance. We offer you our thanks for bringing this family together, and for so many other gifts as well.

Thank you for the love of family. Thank you for the elders, who have showed each generation, in its turn, the importance of caring for our own. And thank you, too, for our children, who will carry on the tradition to succeeding generations.

Lord, thank you for your watchcare over us this past year and for the promise of the year to come.

In Christian love,

June V. Colby Chaplain

REPORTS FROM THE SECRETARY

REPORT OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

A special board meeting was held February 1st 1986 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Witham. Present were George K. Smith, Sr., George K. Smith, Jr., Bonnie Cummings, June Colby, Carol Ann Ferris, Perley B.C. Mears, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Abraham, and our host and hostess. Janice Otto sent regrets; she was sick with the flu.

The meeting opened at 10:20 A.M. with Perley Mears, our 2nd Vice President, officiating. Bonnie Cummings reported on the progress of printing the By-Laws, Revised Set. Romaine Abraham reported on the process of incorporation of the Association in Massachusetts. 30+ people had responded favorably to the cards sent out in January. Charles Abraham reported that the majority of respondents preferred a spring visit to Hingham, and a church luncheon. After much discussion, June Colby made a motion that we go on June 14th, reserving June 28th as a rain date. Romaine moved that we designate Hingham as the destination. Both motions were approved unanimously. Charles Abraham suggested that Romaine become Chair-person of a committee to set up a church luncheon for our trip, and she accepted. She and Charles will also try to locate historical points of interest relating to our Association. Perley Mears will try to get pictures of the same in Eastham. Carol Ann will contract the Eastham Historical Society and also Pauline Derrick.

The next meeting of the Trip Committee will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Ferris on April 5th, at 10:30 A.M. The meeting closed at 11:40 A.M. after which we enjoyed a delicious luncheon.

Charles Abraham, Secretary

REPORT OF TRIP COMMITTEE MEETING

The trip committee held a meeting on April 5, 1986 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Ferris. Present were Janice Otto, Bonnie Cummings, June Colby, Perley B.C. Mears, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Abraham, George K. Smith, Sr., George K. Smith, Jr. and our host and hostess.

The meeting opened at 10:30 A.M. with Janice Otto presiding. Charles, Ronnie and Lee reported on their unsuccessful trips to find historical points of interest relating to our Association. The primary purpose of the proposed trip was to see the plaques and other items of interest to our Association. After much discussion, Charles Abraham moved cancellation of the proposed trip because nothing of special interest to the Smith Family was found. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously. Perley Mears then moved that our Annual Meeting be a special presentation in honor of the 50th anniversary of the Association. This motion was seconded and approved unanimously. Carol Ann Ferris was appointed Chair-person of the special presentation which may include slides, photo album, special reports and possibly a cake. More planning for this will be done at the regular Board Meeting, at the Lawrence Otto's on June 14th, at 11 A.M.

Bonnie Cummings asked for, and was granted, approval for a change of type size for the printing of the By-Laws. The meeting closed at 12:05 P.M. after which we had a nice collation.

Charles M. Abraham, Secretary

Annual Board of Directors Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Director was held on June 14th, 1986 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Otto in Northwood, New Hampshire. Present were Janice Otto, President; Charles Brown, 2nd Vice President; Perley B. C. Mears, Jr., 3rd Vice President; Charles & Ronnie Abraham, Secretary and Treasurer; June Colby, Chaplain; Bonnie Cummings, Editor of the Report; and 2 directors, Corrine Witham & Lois Smith. Also present were Past Presidents, Eugene Smith & Melanie Mattocks, and member Karl Witham. It was reported that Carol Ferris had to work, George K. Smith, Sr. had just returned from Nova Scotia and was very tired, and Luther Smith was sick.

The meeting was called to order at 11:30 A.M. and Grace was said by our Chaplain. The Secretary read the report of the last special Board Meeting after which our Treasurer reported balances of \$601.82 in our General Account, \$240.26 in the Judith Smith Fund and \$199.64 in the Beatrice Hunt Memorial Fund.

It is hoped to have our By-Laws ready to mail out with the booklets before the Annual Meeting.

It was reported that two new lines from Ralph Smith have been found with one in California and the other in Ohio.

The Annual Meeting will be held September 21st at the Nahant Country Club. We will meet informally at 12:00 noon as usual and sit down to a turkey dinner, family style, at 1:00 P.M. Reservations will be taken by June Colby. The meeting will be our 50th anniversary. Romaine is taking care of the cake and a special program of show and tell using slides, old documents, pictures, etc. is being arranged by Carol Ann Ferris.

Three suggestions were discussed about next years meeting: 1). We stay in Nahant. 2). We hire a hall and cook the dinner ourselves. 3). We hire a hall and have the meal catered. The comment was made that if we cook the dinner ourselves the person in charge should know the kitchen thoroughly. These suggestions will be discussed at the annual meeting.

Because mistakes have been found in the genealogies published in our previous reports, it was moved by Charles Abraham, seconded and passed that any of the mistakes published over the past 50 years be corrected in our 1986 Annual Report.

A discussion of the size of the booklets was held and it was decided to have a special board meeting after the annual meeting to decide on this after hearing the prices.

Due to the resignation of Virginia Currier as 1st Vice President, the Board presents the following slate of officers: Charles Brown as 1st Vice President, Perley B. C. Mears as 2nd Vice President, and Charlotte Line as 3rd Vice President. On the Board of Directors we nominate Charles Paul Smith. All other officers will remain the same. The meeting closed at 1:15 P.M. after which we had a delicious lunch.

Secretary
Secretary

REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING, SEPTEMBER 21, 1986

Seventy six members gathered at the Nahant Country Club at 12:00 noon to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of our Association. Flowers were provided for the ladies by Ralph McGray and a social hour was enjoyed by all.

Because we had at least 75 members present for dinner, we were able to use the larger ballroom. Our chaplain, June Colby, said Grace before we sat down to a turkey dinner served family style.

The meeting opened at 2:30 P.M. with a reading of the 47th Psalm by our chaplain, after which we saluted the flag. The secretary's report was read with one correction and the treasurer reported balances as of September 1st in the following funds: General Fund, \$611.50; Judith Smith Fund, \$255.80; and the Beatrice Hunt Fund, \$211.49.

A memorial was read to our three recently deceased members, Grace Cunningham, who died in 1985; Louise Smith, who died in Worcester on March 4, 1986; and Mertie Cunningham who died June 5, 1986. It was voted to place the memorial wreath on the grave of Mertie Cunningham. Carol Ann Ferris offered to do this. Bernice Rogers, aged 88, received the corsage for being the eldest woman present. A boutonniere was presented to the eldest man in attendance. Ralph Mc Gray, aged 96, was again the recipient of this honor. Rachael Otto, the daughter of our President, was the youngest person present, being 5 years of age. People coming the greatest distance, from Alaska, were Charles P. Smith and Rebecca Rupright. We were also honored to have Alice Smith, 88, here from Denver.

A collection raised \$104.06 for the general fund. Four members who attended the first meeting 50 years ago were present: Eugene and Lois Smith, Geneva Tetlow, and Bernice Rogers. Bernice has attended all 50 meetings, with Geneva missing only one. The first meeting was held at the home of George and Mary Clark in Centerville, with the next meeting being held in a church.

Susan Scanlon has resigned as Assistant Historian-Genealogist, and Charlotte Line was nominated to take her place. Charles P. Smith was nominated to fill the vacancy on the Board of Directors. The following slate of officers was was unanimously elected: Janice Otto, President; Charles Brown, 1st Vice President; Perley B.C. Mears, Jr., 2nd Vice President; Charlotte Line, 3rd Vice President; Charles Abraham, Secretary; Romaine Abraham, Treasurer; June Colby, Chaplain; Carol Ann Ferris, Historian/Genealogist; Charlotte Line, Assistant Historian/Genealogist; Phillip Ferris, Auditor. The Board of Directors is as follows: Mr. George K. Smith, Sr.; Mrs. Lois Smith; Mrs. Corrine Witham; Mrs. Bonnie Cummings; Mr. Charles Paul Smith.

Much discussion took place about meeting places and meals for next year. We appreciated the Wolfsen's generous offer of the use of their home. However, if we give up the use of the Nahant Country Club, it might be hard to get it back. Rebecca Rupright made a motion to return here next year, which was seconded and passed.

A suggestion was made that next year a notice of the meeting be put in Yankee Magazine and a Berkshire paper, as well as a Cape Cod paper.

Carol Ann Ferris now took charge for the "Show and Tell" portion of the program.

Bertha Abbott was first with a booklet written by her father while at sea.

Carol Ann showed knee buckles once owned by Theopolus Smith, nephew of Archelaus Smith. Theopolus was a member of the Continental Army from 1776 through 1777. He is believed to have died in 1778 on a British prison ship in Boston Harbor.

June Colby showed a blue pitcher which her grandmother, Beatrice Hunt, brought from the West Indies. She also had a picture and a clipping about her mother's birthday in 1976. At that time a four generation picture was taken with June's mother, June, her son, Charles Brown, and his son, Ethan. She also showed a picture of Geneva Tetlow.

Charlotte Line was next with a dress belonging to her great grandmother Miriam Hopkins Smith. She also had Miriam's watch, (a gift from her husband, Captain Anthony Larkin), a christening dress worn by Miriam's seven children, and pictures taken in 1870 on Cape Sable Island, Nova Scotia.

Next was Ralph McGray showing pictures taken at the 1951 25th Anniversary Meeting, of Christmas parties, and of many individuals.

Eugene Smith followed, reading from a book about Captain Lovell Smith and his six children. Five of these, including his three sons, obeyed his edict not to go to sea. However, one daughter became a stewardess on the Nova Scotia to New York run. The story of her death in a shipwreck is in the book, "Disaster at Devil's Ridge" (Vineyard Haven). Lois Smith mentioned that most Smith Descendants are eligible for membership in the Mayflower Society and many are already members.

Madelyn Liberti displayed brochures about the Archelaus Smith museum on Cape Sable Island, Nova Scotia.

Perley Mears, Jr. showed pictures of the plaque at Eastham and also a map showing how to find it.

Charles P. Smith then talked about five generations of Smiths and the fact that they may all come from two lines.

The "show and tell" was a success. Rebecca made a motion, which was approved, that this become a tradition.

Bonnie Cummings had not been presented previously for election to the Board of Directors; this oversight was now taken care of.

After the meeting we enjoyed punch and the rest of the 50th Anniversary Cake.

A special Board Meeting was held immediately after the Annual Meeting to decide on the size of the Annual Report. It was voted to have them 5 1/2" by 8", with a cover, and punched for a 3-ring notebook.

Charles Abraham, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORTS SEPTEMBER 1, 1985-SEPTEMBER 1, 1986

GENERAL FUND

Balance September 1, 1985		\$392.75
Plus:		
Collected for dinners		
(Annual meeting)	\$ 621.00	
Special collection	131.05	
From Judith A. Smith Fund		
(For 2 children's dinners)	18.00	
Contributions for General Fund	20.00	
Interest Income	48.69	
Dues and Membership Fees	318.50	1157.24
1		1549.99
Less:		
Carol Ann Ferris, Hist./Genealogist		
Computer paper, copies,		
stamps)	\$41.50	
Nahant Country Club (70 dinners)	630.00	
Returned check charge	14.00	
Secretary (Postcards for Feb. Board		
Meeting).	16.00	
J & J Printing (175 booklets for 1985)	175.00	
Check for J & J Printing	1.00	
Secretary (envelopes, stamps,		
postcards)	16.99	-938.49
Balance on Hand August 31, 1986		\$611.50
		4011100

JUDITH A. SMITH FUND

Balance on Hand:September 1, 198	35	\$217.74
Plus:		
Collection: Annual Meeting	\$40.52	
Interest Income	14.82	55.34
		273.08
Less:		
Withdrawl for 2 children's dinners	s @ \$9.00	18.00
Balance on Hand September 1, 198	36	\$255.08

BEATRICE S. HUNT MEMORIAL FUND

Balance on Hand September 1, 1985		\$173.64
Plus Special Collection at Annual		
Meeting	\$26.00	
Interest Income	11.85	37.85
Balance on Hand September 1, 1986		\$211.49

Respectfully Submitted, Romaine K. Abraham, Treasurer

HELP!

HELP WANTED: Research assistants. Qualifications: Accuracy and spare time (even a little!) are the most important requirements. There is no monetary remuneration, but it can still be a very rewarding situation. Experience not necessary; we are more than willing to train. Location not important, although easy access to Plymouth, Cape Cod or Sandisfield, Massachusetts; Long Island or North East New York State; Hebron, Lisbon or E. Hampton, Conneticut or Nova Scotia would be considered a plus. Contact Carol Ann Ferris, Historian/Genealogist.

GENEALOGY OF RUTH LINDSKOLD STONE

- I. Ralph Smith (see Reports 1938,54,56,57,58)
- II. Daniel Smith (see Reports 1944, 1958)

III. James Smith, born 4-8-1685 Eastham, MA; will drawn 10-22-1754 and presented for probate 1-13-1755; married 2-19-1712/3 Eastham, MA to Hannah Rogers, born 8-5-1689, died 10-22-1754, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Twining) Rogers.

Children, all born Eastham, MA (Surname Smith)

- Levi, born 3-15-1714; married 10-8-1734 Jane Snow.
- Solomon, born 3-8-1716; died 1790; married 1st 11-21-1729 Rebecca Mayo; married 2nd 2-21-1739 Susanna Snow.
- James, born 4-8-1718; living 10-22-1754.
- * 4. Joshua
 - Grace, born 12-17-1722; died after 2-24-1764; married 9-7-1749 Matthew Williams, Jr.
 - Benjamin, born 10-3-1724; died 2-10-1796; married 11-13-1745 Ruth Snow.
 - Phineas, born 3-7-1729; died between 7-18-1789 and 9-5-1786; married 1-9-1752 Ruth Doane.

IV. Joshua Smith, born 7-19-1720 Eastham, MA; died 2-16-1771 Sandisfield, MA; married 1-7-1742 Eastham, MA Mercy Snow daughter of Stephen and Margaret (Elkins) Snow. Mercy was born 2-24-1721/2 Eastham, MA; died after 4-13-1773, probably in Sandisfield. Joshua removed to Norwich, CT ca. 1744, then to Hebron, CT in 1746. By 1755 he was living in Sandisfield, (Berkshire Co.), MA.

Children (Surname Smith)

 Joshua, born 3-13-1744 Norwich, CT; died 11-8-1793 Sandisfield, MA (smallpox); married between 4-21-1777 and 5-7-1777 Sandisfield, MA Freelove Kibbee.

- Heman, born 6-7-1747 Hebron, CT; died ca. July 1812 Berkshire, NY; married 1st Miriam Moody; married 2nd 10-26-1772 Lucy Taylor; married 3rd Elvira Messenger.
 Nathan, born 3-20-1749 Hebron, CT; married
- Mary _____.

 4 Mercy, born 1750 Hebron, CT: married
- Mercy, born 1750 Hebron, CT; married _____
 Lee.
- 5. Lydia, born 9-24-1750 Hebron, CT; married (?Joel) Wilcox.
- Joel born 5-18-1752 Hebron, CT; died 1784
 Sandisfield, MA; married Sarah ______.

 Eunice, born 4-5-1754 Hebron, CT; married
- Eunice, born 4-5-1754 Hebron, CT; married before 1809 Elisha Park.
- William, born 9-14-1756 Sandisfield, MA; died 6-7-1780 in Rev. War; married 12-19-1779.
 Asa
- David, born 2-11-1763 Sandisfield, MA.
 John, died 11-20-1780 at Valley Forge.
- 1841 Tyre, NY; married 2-13-1788 Vergennes, VT Margaret Traver, daughter of Nicholas Traver (he was born Germany). Margaret was born 9-9-1765 Stone Arabia, NY; died 7-11-1840 Tyre, NY. As a served from 1775-1780 at Ticonderoga, Saratoga, Valley Forge and Monmouth. He lived at Vergennes, VT 1788-91; Bristol, VT 1791-1802 and Tyre, NY 1802-41. According to the church records he was dismissed as clerk and then removed from fellowship because he applied

V. Asa Smith, born 9-16-1754 Sandisfield, MA; died 10-25-

for a Rev. War petition. Children (Surname Smith)

- Eunice, born 5-16-1789 Vergennes, VT; died 4-27-1813 Tyre, NY.
 Lydia, born 2-27-1791 Vergennes, VT; died 7-22-
- Lydia, born 2-27-1791 Vergennes, VT; died 7-22-1857 Vernon, MI.; married 5-24-1812 Tyre, NY David Chalker.
- Sally G., born 8-27-1792 Bristol, VT; died 3-18-1828; married 1-14-1813 Tyre, NY John Selfridge.
- * 4. Nancy

- Jason, born 10-7-1795 Bristol, VT; died 8-21-1883
 Tyre, NY; married 1st 10-21-1824 Alexander,
 NY to Sarah Wells; married 2nd 7-1-1834
 Varick, NY Amanda Lemmon.
- Harriet, born 5-24-1797 Bristol, VT; died 8-28-1849; married 2-13-1823 Tyre, NY John Selfridge.
- 7. Ira, born 1-23-1800 Bristol, VT; died 5-16-1802 Bristol, VT.
- William, born 2-1-1802 Bristol, VT; died same day.
 Asa, born 12-24-1803 Tyre NY; died 3-10-1853
- Jordan, IL; married 1-8-1824 Rosetta Brown.

 10. Margaret, born 12-24-1803 Tyre, NY; died 1-51804 Tyre, NY.

 11. Rebecca Sarepta, born 8-17-1807 Tyre, NY; died
 - 11. Rebecca Sarepta, born 8-17-1807 Tyre, NY; died 2-13-1877 Tyre, NY; married 2-6-1837 Elijah Chalker.

County, MI; married 20 February 1817 in Tyre, NY to Halsey Whitehead, son of Aaron and Achsah (Halsey) Whitehead. Halsey was born 13 Dec. 1791 in Hanover, Morris County, NJ and died 02 September 1874 in Argentine, MI. Children (Surname Whitehead)

VI. Nancy Smith, born 24 January1794 in Bristol, Addison County, VT; died 29 December 1866 in Argentine, Genesee

> NY; died 03 May 1879; married 16 February 1853 to Ruhamah Wolverton.

> William Harrison, born 06 January 1819 Oneida,

- Andrew Jackson, born 21 January 1821 in Tyre, Seneca County, NY; died 27 May 1839.
- Nancy Rosetta, born 26 August 1822 in Tyre, Seneca County, NY; died 13 November 1902; married 08 February 1844 to John Barron.
- Oliver Halsey, born 04 April 1824 in Tyre, Seneca County, NY; died 28 March 1866; married 06 March 1856 Alzade Beamer.
- Asa Smith, born 02 May 1825 in Tyre, Seneca County, NY; died 20 August 1897; married Julia Weston.

- Sarah (Sallie) Sophia, born 08 September 1828
 Tyre, Seneca County, NY; died 03 September 1887; married 26 March 1851 to Lewis Lahring.
- Harvey George, born 07 April 1830 in Tyre, Seneca County, NY; died 02 August 1898; married 01 June 1853 Elizabeth Skinner.
- Nicholas Jason, born 04 December 1832 in Bloomfield, Oakland County, MI; died 02 November 1891; married Agnes Davis.
- 9. Margaret Ann
 - Rebecca Jane, born 15 January 1836 in Bloomfield, Oakland County, MI; died 13 May 1838.

VII. Margaret Ann Whitehead, born 03 August 1834 Oakland County, MI; died 29 January 1893 Cass City, Tuscola County, MI; married 17 February 1856 in Fenton, MI to George Hoagland, son of Garrett and Louisa (Wixson) Hoagland. George Hoagland was born 26 January 1824 in Bath, NY and died 02 August 1910 in Cass City, Tuscola County, MI.

Children (Surname Hoagland)

- 1. Mary Ellen
 - Frank, born 11 August 1857 in Argentine, Livingston County, MI; died 05 September 1924; married Sarah Wood, Sue Wilbur and Alice Goodwin.
 - Lewis Cass, born 1858 in Argentine, Livingston County, MI; died 1859.
 - Fred, born 01 February 1866 in Argentine, MI; died 20 January 1960; married 29 March 1893 Mary Jane Goodwin.
 - John J., born 27 September 1868; Argentine, MI; died 17 September 1926; married Laura Frances Newcomb.

VIII. Mary Ellen Hoagland, born 26 September 1860 in Livingston, MI; died 30 September 1926 in Rockford, Winnebago County, IL. She married 25 November 1878 in MI to Joseph Martus, son of John M. and Mary (Powell) Martus. Joseph Martus was born 10 March 1851 in Lewis Co., NY and died 19 December 1940 in Oakland Co., MI. They moved to Rockford, Illinois to be near their only child.

Child (Surname Martus)

Mary Frances

IX. Mary Frances Martus, born 23 October 1880 Lapeer, MI; died 12 November 1927 in Rockford, Winnebago County, IL. Considered quite homely, she attended Alma College in Michigan, studying kindergarten and art in preparation for spinsterhood. She died at age forty seven of pneumonia contracted after a successful hysterectomy. (Mary) Frances married 28 June 1906 in Lapeer, MI to Swan Lindskold (Swen Akesson), son of Ake Nilsson (Fisherman) and Karna Larsdotter. (Ake Nilsson also married Agnes Pederson). Swan Lindskold was born 24 January 1878 in Kaseberga, Kristianstad, Sweden, immigrated 20 April 1895, and died 04 June 1951 in Detroit, MI from stomach cancer. Swan worked his way through college and law school selling stereotopic slides. He met his wife selling these very slides at her home. They moved to a Swedish community in Rockford Illinois, where Swan opened a law practice, became a real estate developer and owned a sand and gravel pit.

Children (Surname Lindskold)

- 1. Graydon Martus
 - Neuman Elwin, born 24 July 1911 in Tuscola County, MI; died 27 July 1931.
 Mary Lorraine, born 14 November 1913 in
 - Mary Lorraine, born 14 November 1913 in Rockford, Winnebago County, IL; married 25 December 1934 to Sterling Ellingston.
 - Corinne Frances, born 18 February 1919 in Rockford, Winnebago County, IL; died 08 April 1920.
- X. Graydon Martus Lindskold, born 16 October 1909 in Cass City, Tuscola County, MI; married 21 June 1932 in Boone, IL

to Ann Supitilov. Ann Supitilov, daughter of Russian immigrants Max and Justyna (Ivanov) Supitilov, was born 14 Oct 1914 in Rockford, Winnebago County, IL. Graydon attended both the University of Michigan, and the University of Wisconsin but his studies were curtailed due to the death of his mother, remarriage of his father and the depression. He lived with his parents across the street from Ann. They married three days after she graduated from high school and lived with her parents. It was while living with them that Ruth was born. Graydon worked as a bookkeeper for a roofing company owned by boyhood friends and taught himself to type. He took a correspondence course in accounting, which culminated in his becoming a CPA without a college degree. The family settled into the home where Graydon's grandparents lived, and which he inherited from his grandmother. The house was sold in 1957, and they moved to a farm in Poplar Grove, IL where they live today.

Children (Surname Lindskold)

1. Ruth

SANDISFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

The town of Sandisfield, Berkshire County, Massachusetts, originally known as Township #3, was established March 6, 1762. It was granted to a company, who petitioned for the same in 1735, but no family moved into the town until 1750. On February 10, 1819 the district of Smithfield and the town of Sandisfield united as the Township of Sandisfield. Part of the common lands, called the East Eleven Thousand Acres, was annexed on April 9, 1938. Bounds between Sandisfield and Tolland were established on May 4, 1853. On April 24, 1875 part of the town was annexed to Monterey. The Act of April 24, 1875 was accepted by Monterey on May 19, 1875 and took effect on June 1, 1875. The town contains 52.5 square miles or 33, 500 acres.

Articles, information, corrections, suggestions, etc. for the next annual report would be gladly received. Please send them to the Editor as soon as possible. Thank you.

DEATHS

As reported from September 1985-August 1986

Grace Cunningham, in 1985.	_
Louise Smith, in Worcester, Mass., on March 4, 198	6, at age 97. —
Mertie Cunninghan on June 5, 1986.	1,

NO BIRTHS OR MARRIAGES WERE REPORTED.

It is important that we have these vital records for our files. Please keep the Historian/Genealogist informed of all special occasions such as births, marriages and deaths, including full names, dates, and places.

Many of these important names, dates and places are missing from our files, so if you haven't yet sent them to Carol Ann, please do so. She would like to have your full name, spouse's full name, full names of your parents, siblings, and grandparents; the full names of all your children, grandchildren, etc.; and places and dates of each event. You may have provided this when you joined, but it is needed again. Thank you.

QUERIES

The 5 Generation Project is progressing. We are compiling accurate data on the early descendants of Ralph Smith. If you are able to help with research for this, please contact our Historian/Genealogist, Carol Ann Ferris. There are many pieces of information which still need verification, including::

Some of the descendants of Ralph Smith settled in early Sandisfield. Joshua⁴ (Ralph¹, Daniel², James³) was one of these. (See genealogy, this issue.) His brother, Levi⁴, born in Eastham in 1713, married Jane Snow. Levi was admitted to the Sandisfield Congregational church in 1784. More information is needed about Levi, for the 5 Generation Project.

James³, father of the above, was born 8 April 1718 in Eastham. He immigrated to the east end of Long Island in 1751. Information is needed about descendants of any of the Long Island or Sandisfield descendants of Ralph Smith. If your research includes any information about these branches, please let our genealogist know.

According to the Snow Genealogy, Jabez Snow married the daughter of Rev. Ralph Smith (not to be confused with our Ralph Smith), and had no children. We believe that this is incorrect. Our records show the daughter of our Ralph, Elizabeth², married Jabez Snow on 29 October 1670. Their daughter, Grace³, born 1 February 1675 in Eastham, married Samuel Hodge or Hedges (?) on 8 December 1698. Another daughter, Rachel³, born 1685, married 26 August 1717 to Thomas Huckers or Huckins (?). Do you have more information about these families?

We have a conflict with names for the children of Samuel and Mary (Mercy) Higgins Smith's children. One source has them listed as "Lemuel, Sarah, Lemuel, Stephen and Ruben". Another source has "Samuel, Isaac, Elkanah and Bethia." Which is correct?

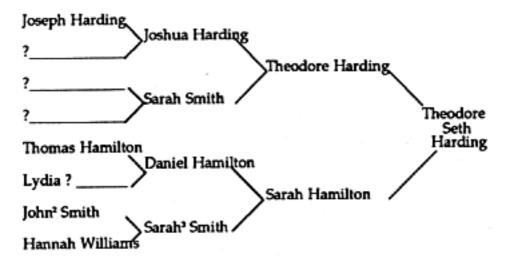
Thomas Hamilton, born 1 September 1695 in Eastham, married 3 May 1716 Rebecca Mayo, and had 10 children. (Reference: "History of Chatham" by W.C. Smith, pg. 285.) Needed are the death dates and children for all future generations. Three Hamilton children married Smiths and removed to Barrington, Nova Scotia or Granville, Massachusetts. Can you help fill in the blanks? Members have many questions about the Hamiltons, so if your research includes this family, please contact us.

We are trying to learn more about Ralph¹, Deborah², born 1654. She may not have married, or she may have married John Heard or John Yates. Which is correct? Did she have any children?

The wording on my query last year caused some confusion. This is my problem:

Both grandmothers of Theodore Seth Harding, Barrington, Nova Scotia Grantee, were named Sarah Smith.

Joshua Harding, born 15 February 1675/6 Eastham; inventory of property on 22 March 1738 Eastham; married 26 June 1702 Eastham Sarah Smith. Their son, Theodore Harding, was born 25 May 1705; he married 23 January 1728/9 Sarah Hamilton. Who was this Sarah Smith Harding?



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This contains the "History of Port Hood and Port Hood Island, with the Genealogy of the Smith Family, 1610-1967". The Smith line is traced briefly through the lines Ralph¹, Thomas², Thomas³, and Gameliel⁴ (or Gamelieh). More detail is given to the descendants of Captain David⁵ and Rebecca (Lombard/Lumbard) Smith. Other notable families include: Bell, Bull, Cameron, Fraser, Hawley, McNiven, Murphy and Reull.

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