

NEWSLETTER CHANGES

As the fifth year for the Almy Family Newsletter starts, I am making a few changes. I have changed the mast head (heading) to save space. The old heading used a half page and the space now saved can be better used for items of interest. In addition, I am limiting each issue to five pages to stay within the one ounce postage rate.

Another new wrinkle: This issue has been composed and typed by a computer under the supervision of my son, Thomas A. Almy (1408-3311-1122).

MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS

In the last issue I included the names of Almys that had married Mayflower descendants. Following are the names of additional Almys that should be added to that listing. The listing shows the Almy, the Mayflower descendant that he married, and the Mayflower passenger(s) from whom the wife descends.

<u>Almy Number</u>	<u>Almy that Married a Mayflower Descendant Name</u>	<u>Mayflower Descendant</u>	<u>Mayflower Passenger</u>
1233-5147	Robert Almy	Sarah C. Russell	John Howland
1235-1	William Almy	Phebe Briggs	John Alden
1235-5	Job Almy married (1) Susanna Soule Note: only her children (1235-51 through -54) are Mayflower descendants.		George Soule
1235-4	Peleg Almy	Rebecca Seabury	John Alden
1235-413	Samuel Almy	Mercy Brownell	Richard Warren
1235-4131	Samuel Almy	Mary W. Comstock	John Howland
1235-4131-11	Arthur C. Almy	Frances D. Carpenter	Issac Allerton John Howland James Chilton

Those of you who descend from any of the above are Mayflower descendants and are eligible for membership in the Society of Mayflower Descendants. Please furnish me the information on any other Almy Mayflower lines that you find and I will include it in future newsletters.

ALMY FAMILY TREE

There have been quite a few names added to the Almy Family Tree in the past six months. In July 1978 there were 2,500 names on the Almy Family Tree charts. That number has now grown to a little over 3,000. Some of these additions came about when persons in the "unknown" ancestry category furnished me the little additional information needed to tie their line into my charts. However, many of the additional names were furnished by Miss Elva Lawton who has done a lot of research of the Almy family in the original records of New England. Her research not only identified additional family members, but in many cases came up with the true birth dates of family members, rather than the arbitrary order of birth given in the sources I used for my numbering.

This additional information has necessitated renumbering certain family members, and this results in their descendants also having new numbers. The two largest revisions are in the families of Job Almy (1408) and William Almy (1252). The old and new Almy numbers for these two families are presented below.

Family of Job Almy (1408)

As a result of additional children of Job Almy (1408) being identified, the numbers assigned had to be changed. The chart in the July 1977 issue (No. 11) should be revised for these changes.

Old Almy NumberNew Almy Number

children of Job and Alice

1408-1 Christopher (1743-)	1408-1 Christopher (1743-)
1408-2 Job (1745-d.y.)	1408-2 Job (1745-d.y.)
1408-3 Holder (1747-1810)	1408-3 Holder (1747-1810)
	1408-4 Elizabeth (1748-)
	m. John Howland
	1408-5 Ann (1751-1752)
1408-4 Job (1754-)	1408-6 Job (1754-)

children of Job and Katherine

1408-5 Alice (1757-1831)	1408-7 Alice (1757-1831)
1408-6 Rebecca (1758-)	1408-8 Rebecca (1758-)
1408-7 William (1761-1836)	1408-9 William (1761-1836)
1408-8 Peleg (1762-1797)	1408-0 Peleg (1762-1797)
	1408-A Samuel (1763-)
1408-9 Isaac (1765-)	1408-B Isaac (1765-)

Those on the mailing list affected by the above changes are the descendants of Job (old 1408-4). Those with numbers that started with 1408-4 should now start with 1408-6.

Family of William Almy (1252)

The numbering of the children of William Almy (1252) has been revised as follows. The chart in the October 1977 issue (No. 12) should be noted for these changes.

<u>Old Almy Number</u>	<u>New Almy Number</u>
1252-1 William (1719-)	1252-1 William (1719-1749)
1252-2 Mary (1719-)	1252-2 Mary (1719-1746)
1252-3 Ann	1252-3 (daughter) (1721-1721)
1252-4 Christopher (1724-1732)	1252-4 Ann (-1808)
1252-6 Job	1252-5 Christopher (1724-1732)
1252-5 Benjamin (m. Martha)	1252-6 Benjamin (1726-1726)
1252-7 John (1732-1775)	1252-7 Job (-1745+)
1252-8 Samuel	1252-8 Benjamin (d. btw. 1753-70)
1252-9 Christopher	1252-9 John (1732-1775)
	1252-0 Samuel (d. ca. 1757)
	1252-A Christopher (d. 1745+)

Only descendants of two of the above -- William and John -- are currently known. The Almy number for William's descendants doesn't change. Those who are descendants of John (those with numbers previously starting with 1252-7) will now have revised Almy numbers starting with 1252-9.

There have been other changes in numbers and these will be covered in the process of updating the listing of persons that are now or have been on the newsletter mailing list. The updating process, started last issue, will continue in the next issue with the descendants of William Almy (1252) being listed.

NEUCROLOGYFREDERICK JOSEPH ALMY (1232-4149-43)

Herbert A. Sissom (1232-4149-416) reported to me that his uncle, Frederick Joseph Almy, died 7 May 1978 of a heart attack. Frederick was born 27 November 1917. He married Gwendolyn Ward at Keystone, Oklahoma on 10 December 1936 and they had three daughters: Marilyn, Marijo, and Peggy Gwen. Besides his wife and daughters, he is survived by six grandchildren.

MRS. WILLARD D. ALMY (1239-2165-18w)

Mrs. Elizabeth Humes Almy, wife of Willard D. Almy (1239-2165-18) died on Tuesday, 5 September 1978. Mrs. Almy, a specialist in history and English, taught in a Baltimore, Maryland, high school. She had previously taught at schools in Pennsylvania, West Virginia, New Jersey, and Indiana.

Mrs. Almy was a native of Bellaire, Ohio, and a graduate of Oberlin College. Her husband, Willard, is a retired civil engineer for the B & O Railroad and the Howard County, Maryland, Public Works Department. In addition to her husband, she is survived by three sons, William D., Richard W., and Thomas H., a sister, Mrs. Edgar Burrows, of Bellaire, Ohio, and three grandchildren.

TIVERTON, RHODE ISLAND

Last year, Frederic A. Almy, Jr. sent me a copy of the book, A Patchwork History of Tiverton, Rhode Island, 1976. The book has many interesting pictures and articles on the history of Tiverton and the name Almy comes up frequently. Besides my Almy ancestors, many of my other Tiverton ancestors are mentioned in the book.

One of the interesting events told in the book is the purchase by eight men of the land that later became Tiverton from the Plymouth Colony for the sum of 1,100 pounds in lawful money of New England. Two of the men were Christopher Almy (12) and Job Almy (14). The land was divided into thirty "great lots" and Christopher Almy received four and Job Almy and a Robert Hazard jointly received one. Although a Jacob Almy was not listed as a purchaser, he was listed as receiving two of the lots in the original land division.

I have been asked the identity of Jacob Almy a number of times. This is the first time I have found the name in print and it does not appear on my charts. The above land purchase would indicate that Jacob may be another name for Job. If any of you can shed any light on Jacob's identity or have knowledge that the names Jacob and Job were used interchangeably, I would appreciate hearing from you.

The book contains many pictures of the houses of Tiverton. Many of them have been subsequently destroyed; some by hurricanes, some by "progress". Pictures of the following Almy houses are in the book.

<u>House</u>	<u>Almy Number</u>	<u>Built</u>
Herbert Almy House	1407-5521	about 1760 by John Almy (1407)
John Almy House	1407	1797
Cook Almy House	1407-5	1808
Otis Almy House	1235-57	
Deacon Frederic Almy House (also known as Will Almy House - probably No. 1235-1)	1235-573	prior to 1776
Horace Almy House	1235-577	probably around 1770 by Job Almy (1235-5)

The book also tells of the fighting around Captain John Almy's field of peas during King Philip's War. This Captain John was Almy number 13 and he did not have any children. I have information in my files that this pea field was later owned by Job Almy (1233). The events of this war in Tiverton and the struggles of the early inhabitants make very interesting reading.

ALICE BATEMAN ALMY (1407-5022)

The August - September 1978 issue of the DAR Magazine contained a nice article honoring Miss Alice Bateman Almy, the oldest active member of the Bristol (R.I.) DAR chapter. She is a native of Bristol, Rhode Island, and joined the DAR in 1925.

Miss Almy has held many offices in the local and state DAR organization and is a staunch supporter of the CAR (Children of the American Revolution). She has always been deeply interested in the compilation and preservation of historical and genealogical records. She was an organizer and charter member of the Bristol Historical Society, served as its president, and is currently its curator.

Alice Bateman Almy celebrated her 95th birthday in November 1978.

CONTRIBUTIONS

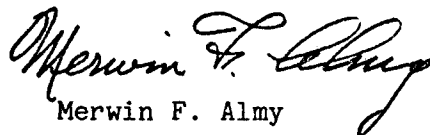
Since the last newsletter, the following have sent contributions to help defray printing and mailing costs. Many thanks. I appreciate the help.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Almy Number</u>
H. Raymond Almy	New York	1252-9532-741
Mrs. Arthur B. Harris	South Carolina	1233-3252-431
Mrs. William F. Almy	Virginia	1235-4131-122w
Herbert A. Sissom	Mississippi	1232-4149-416
Greg Dawson	Arkansas	1232-4149-4321
Mrs. George Culler	Ohio	1232-1218-411
Marguerite B. Wightman	New York	1233-3251-282
Elva Lawton	Washington	1252-98xx-xx
Mrs. Melvin G. Barclay	Massachusetts	1235-5792-21
Mrs. Constance M. Price	Ohio	1235-4131-1111

NATIONAL TREASURER OF THE MAYFLOWER SOCIETY

Yours truly, Merwin F. Almy, was elected Treasurer General of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants at the Triennial Congress held in Plymouth, Massachusetts, September 10-13, 1978. I feel very honored for having been elected to this very prestigious and responsible position.

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I thank you for your beautiful Christmas cards!
HAPPY NEW YEAR!