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## RIGS All-Day Meeting, April 5<sup>th</sup>

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### RIGS MEMBERS' MEETING

**Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**10:00am - 3:00pm**

#### LOCATION

**Harbor House**  
111 Washington Street  
Newport, RI

#### AGENDA

- Speakers: Don Hagist and John Currier
- Lunch
- Speakers:  
Sheila Dolloff Peckham,  
Andrew Boisvert, Patricia  
Long and Pat Chappell

#### RESERVATIONS

A light lunch will be served for \$5.00. Reservations should be made by March 29th by mailing the Coupon below, with check payable to RIGS, Priscilla Chappell, 12 Highland Ave, Narragansett, RI 02882; or phone 401-783-7006.

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**HOW MANY ATTENDING** \_\_\_\_\_

*please enclose coupon with your check*

The next RIGS meeting will be held on April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at Harbor House, 111 Washington Street, in Newport. The all-day meeting will begin at 10am. Non-members are always welcomed to attend.

Starting off the day will be presentations focused on the American Revolution.

Don Hagist will discuss the Revolution in Rhode Island and little-known battles from the British Soldier's standpoint. Many of these soldiers and sailors stayed on after the Revolution, married and had families here.

John Currier, a Lieutenant Colonel in the Pawtuxet Rangers, will do a presentation on the Battle of Rhode Island. Many of the soldiers involved were State Militia and Pawtuxet Rangers along with the first African-American military unit—the 1st RI Light Infantry Regiment. He will also speak on what life was like in Rhode Island during the Revolution.

Our afternoon presenters will be RIGS members.

Sheila Dolloff Peckham will do a talk and slide presentation on "Putting the Pieces Together," navigating the Familysearch Website and using the LDS Library Catalog. Sheila is a volunteer Librarian/Researcher at the LDS Family History Center in Groton, CT. Sheila is a member of RIGS, the New England Historical Genealogical Society, Random Acts of Genealogical Kindness, and other genealogical and historical societies in New England and the Canadian Maritimes.

Andrew Boisvert and Patricia Long will talk and present slides on land evidence. Andrew

is Researcher and Librarian at the Old Colony Historical Society in Taunton, Massachusetts. He has researched land records for attorneys and formerly was a librarian at the RI Historical Society Library. As many RIGS members will tell you, he has also broken down brick walls for many of our lucky members. Pat Long is chair of the RIGS Book Committee and a member of Random Acts of Genealogical Kindness. She is an expert on Ancestry and has done land-evidence research. Members will be able to bring an item of land evidence as well as questions and be able to sit with Andrew and Pat and get one-on-one help with their questions.

For those who have hit a brick wall in your Revolutionary research, Pat Chappell, Vice President of RIGS, will do a short talk on "Beyond the Usual Sources: Proving Your Revolutionary Ancestry".

*Directions to Harbor House:*

*From North Kingstown and Jamestown: Go over the Newport/Pell Bridge and take the first downtown Newport Exit. At the bottom of the exit, turn right onto Farewell Street and at the first light turn right onto Van Zandt Street and follow to the end. At the water, turn left onto Washington Street and you will find Number 111 a short distance on your left.*

*From the East Bay: Follow Rte 138 past Jai-Alai and turn left at the next light onto the Bridge Access Road staying to the left and go under the Newport Bridge access onto Farewell Street. At first light, turn right into Van Zandt Street and follow to the end. At the water, turn left onto Washington Street and Number 111 will be on your left. ▲*

## May 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of RIGS will be held on May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008, at 1:30pm, in the lower level of the First Baptist Church, Main Street in Wickford.

Our speaker will be David Mishkin, who is well known on the National and Regional Lecture circuit for Genealogy. He received a B.S. degree in photography from Rochester Institute of Technology in 1969 and has graduated from their Photographic Preservation seminar series. He has presented lectures on preserving photographs and documents for over ten years from Boston to San Francisco. He will do an afternoon presentation on Photographic Identification, Conservation, Preservation and Restoration. Dig out your old photos, tintypes, home movies, photo albums, VHS tapes and bring them along to the meeting with your questions. David will spend time after his presentation with anyone interested in learning more. ▲

## Bus Trip To Connecticut Research Facilities

*Established in Hartford in 1825, The Connecticut Historical Society (CHS) is one of the oldest historical societies in the nation and houses one of the most distinguished museum and library collections in New England.*



RIGS is sponsoring a bus trip on Wednesday, March 5th, 2008 to Hartford, Connecticut. The trip is open to both members and non-members. The bus pick-up locations will be at the East Providence Park and Ride on Route 44 at 7:15am and at the Warwick Mall, in the parking lot section near Firestone Tire, at 7:30am. The cost of the trip is \$22. Participants will have a choice of research facilities: the Connecticut State Library or the Connecticut Historical Society Library (which will cost \$5 for a day pass).

Some of the resources to be found at the Connecticut Historical Society Library are as follows: bibliographic collection of approximately 125,000 volumes including rare books and family histories; manuscript collections; Civil War collections; and African American resources. The graphics collection contains more

than 242,000 photos of Connecticut people, places, and events.

The Society also maintains a museum (separate \$6 admission) that contains 38,000 objects documenting the history of the Connecticut people. The museum is currently exhibiting *Small Things Considered*, small objects that have made an impact on history and our lives. A multi-media exhibit, *Amistad*, explores Africans' struggle for freedom.

Prior to your visit you might consider preliminary research via the website which has "Finding Aids" to locate resources so you will be prepared when you arrive. This may save you valuable research time on the day of the trip. The Connecticut Historical Society Library website [www.chs.org/collections.htm](http://www.chs.org/collections.htm) contains aids to locating manuscripts of 25 of its nationally significant collections.

The other facility choice, the Connecticut State Library, in October published Volumes 18 and 19 of the *Public Records of the State of Connecticut*. Volume 18 (1816-1817) covers the last session of the General Assembly under the Charter of 1662 which called for a State Constitutional Convention. Volume 19 (1818) covers the Convention and Ratification Debate. On the library's website [www.cslib.org/archives/FAIndexes/](http://www.cslib.org/archives/FAIndexes/) you may also use "Finding Aids" to locate resources of the State Archives, such as Public Records of the Colony of CT 1636-1776. Again, this will save you valuable research time the day of the trip.

Once you arrive at the Connecticut State Library, you might be interested to visit their "History and Genealogy" Reading Room. This room contains genealogical charts, local histories, Connecticut vital records, land records, probate records, church records, family Bible records, cemetery inscriptions, newspaper notices of marriages and deaths, military records, census records, naturalization petitions, ships' passenger lists, city directories, atlases and maps. In addition, you will find manuscripts and special collections.

For lunch on the day of the trip, you will find restaurants in the area; however, most people bring a bag lunch to save on research time.

If any of your "roots" point to Connecticut, please join us and bring along a friend! Please reserve in advance by making out your \$22 check, payable to RIGS, and mail to Helen Smith, 530 West Reach Drive, Jamestown, RI 02835 or send Helen an email at [hhsctc@aol.com](mailto:hhsctc@aol.com).

*Please indicate your choice of facility on your check memo.* ▲



*Founded in 1854, a key mission of the Connecticut State Library is to preserve and make accessible the records of Connecticut's history and heritage.*

## Alden Saunders Donates Book Collection to RIGS

*Alden Saunders, now at age 95, was one of the original founders of RIGS. He has been kind enough to donate his genealogical book collection to RIGS. The following piece, put together by Tom Clarke, provides some insight into Alden's background. We will publish a list of the donated books once an inventory can be completed and a decision is made as to where they will be housed.*

For eight generations, Alden Saunders' ancestors lived and farmed in Westerly. His father, Winthrop, broke the pattern by moving to Providence. He learned the accountants' trade, and eventually opened a printing business. In 1911, he married Vera Sweet. They had two sons, Alden in 1912 and Byron two years later.

Alden attended the University of Rhode Island, earning a BA and MA. He turned to teaching and eventually school administration. The love of his work is reflected in the catalogue of stories about his career. Recognizing that people are individuals and showing a certain skill at negotiating smoothed the way in what can be a difficult field.

Alden served in the Army during World War II, assigned to an Army postal unit. He served as unit clerk and had landed at Normandy ten days after D-Day. Although his job was relatively "safe" he came under sniper fire twice. Telling stories about his buddies is always done with a smile and a sense of deep affection. The men in his unit have kept in touch since the war. Alden is now the last surviving member.

In 1941, Alden married Lora Thurber. They had two daughters, Cynthia and Priscilla. For three decades after the war it was family, career, and a little traveling that occupied Alden. Like his father he is a lifelong Mason. But, genealogy was always there, waiting. Alden's mother Vera passed along the bug to her son. She was a member of the DAR and Mayflower Society and was constantly at the town halls. Alden still has filing cabinets and notebooks filled with her notes.

On April 29, 1975, after contacting a number

of Rhode Islanders who took their genealogy seriously, Alden presided over a meeting held in the showroom of Norwood Chevrolet in Warwick. By the end of the evening he was president of the just formed Rhode Island Genealogical Society. Among the founding members were four Fellows of the American Society of Genealogists, Gilbert Doane, Charles Farnham, and Robert and Ruth Ann Sherman—all personal friends. Future RIGS presidents Robert Allen Greene and Bruce MacGunnigle were also charter members. The society has grown to about 800 members and 40 some odd subscribing institutions. The RIGS library collection, housed at the Greenville Library, is largely Alden's brainchild. He has donated many of the books from his personal collection.

Besides steering RIGS for a few years, genealogy, for Alden, continued as usual. He made trips to town halls, libraries and assorted archives. Since his ancestry is largely a collection of "swamp" and other Yankees, he hasn't had to travel too far to research them. He entered some data into computer databases Personal Ancestral File and an early version of Family Tree Maker. Now, with a little assistance, his material has moved into a newer version of FTM and is slowly being expanded. His ancestry includes Mayflower surnames Alden, Soule, Doty, and Howland. His Rhode Island ancestors, too many to list here, include surnames Williams, Angell, Gorton, Clarke, Pratt, Sweet, Round(s), and of course Saunders. Like most of us he still has some brick walls including Field, Clarke, and, his most persistent, Hill.

Alden still attends the occasional Masonic meeting and looks forward to Red Sox and Patriots games on TV. His instantly recognizable, gravelly, slightly bull horn voice can still carry across a room after 95 years. As it becomes more difficult for Alden to do what he likes best (as you may have guessed, genealogy) one of his grandsons is ready to step in. Just maybe that 15-generation chart will get filled in yet. ▲

## RECAP: January 26th Members' Meeting

The January RIGS meeting was held in Rumford, at the Newman Congregational Church. Our guest speaker was Marcia Iannizzi Melnyk and the topic was "Overcoming Brick Walls".

Marcia is a professional genealogist and author. She has taught many courses on the subject over the past 15 years.

During her presentation at the RIGS meeting, she suggested the notion of restarting at the beginning with a fresh look into any unsolved areas in your genealogical history.

Now that you have more research experience, you should be able to go back and review the data in a new way. Compare all of the records you already have, making checklists, in order to see what information is still missing. Marcia distributed handouts containing lists of review questions and records checklist to see where you might seek out additional pieces of information. ▲



## Genealogical Workshop

On Saturday, March 1, RIGS will host a genealogical workshop organized by Pat Long. The workshop will be held at the Greenville Public Library from 10:00am to 5:00pm with a lunch break. Topics covered will include showing how to search internet sites, how to find land evidence, probate, military records, and how to stay organized etc.

### Another Tip for Overcoming Brick Walls

I believe it was at the RIGS annual meeting last year that my husband, Mike, acquired a book from an exchange at the meeting. The book was based on hints for unlocking brick walls. One of the suggestions it contained was to leave notes on family gravestones with your contact information just prior to the Memorial Day weekend when many families place flowers and visit the gravesites.

He tried it and still marvels at the result—it worked! He left a little note with his email address and sure enough an older family member contacted him and shared some valuable memories of names, etc.

Mike was able to spark enough interest from this relative that he has taken the time to comb through things and was able to uncover some old photos. Unlike my own family that has left me with an endless supply of pictorial history, his has been almost non-existent. The two of them have planned a get-together in the near future to share in these priceless treasures.

The moral of the story—put those notes out this year just prior to the time of Memorial Day, being sure to protect them in a zip-loc bag and attach securely to the gravestone. In addition, re-visit the site after the weekend in case someone has left you a note (or to reclaim the note in keeping the site clean). If fate allows, one of those nagging brick walls just may begin to crumble!

— Dorothy Chase

## TIPS & TIDBITS



**Newport Irish Heritage Month** will be celebrated throughout the month of March. Please visit website: [www.gonewport.com](http://www.gonewport.com) for event updates.

**Wayland Historical Society** will be sponsoring the presentation “The Naked Quaker: True Crimes and Controversies from the Courts of Colonial New England,” by Author Diane Rapaport, JD at the Wayland Free Public Library, on Sunday, March 9, 2008 at 2:30pm, in the Raytheon Room. The Library is located at 5 Concord Road, Wayland, MA (about an hour north of Providence).

The Grout-Heard House (built in 1740) is home to the Wayland Historical Society where they hold records of Wayland history. The Society is open to the public on Tuesday and Friday from 9:30am to 12 noon. The society is located at 12 Cochituate Road (P.O. Box 56), Wayland, MA 01778. For more information, call 508-358-7959, email: [wayhistsoc@comcast.net](mailto:wayhistsoc@comcast.net), or visit their website at [waylandhistoricalsociety.org](http://waylandhistoricalsociety.org).

**New England Archivists (NEA)** Spring 2008 Meeting, “Our Digital Footprint: Archives in the Digital Age,” to be held March 28-29, 2008 at Salve Regina University, in Newport. Non-members are welcome to attend workshops; the fee will include a one-year membership. Pre-registration is required by March 14th. Please visit their website at [newenglandarchivists.org](http://newenglandarchivists.org) and click on activities, then on meetings.

**The New England Family History Conference** will be held on March 29, 2008, at the Franklin LDS Church, 91 Jordan Road, in Franklin MA. Presenters will be Alan Mann, David Dilts, and Mary Hill, accredited genealogists from the Family History Library in Salt Lake City. Tom Kemp from [Genealogybank.com](http://Genealogybank.com) will be presenting as well. The Conference is free and will feature a choice of 25 classes held within four sessions from 9:30am to 3pm.

Alan Mann will be the keynote speaker at 8:30am on “Digitalizing Granite Mountain—The World’s Largest Repository of Records.” Lunch will be available by reservation for a cost of \$8.00. Register for the Conference online by March 14, set up a logon and select

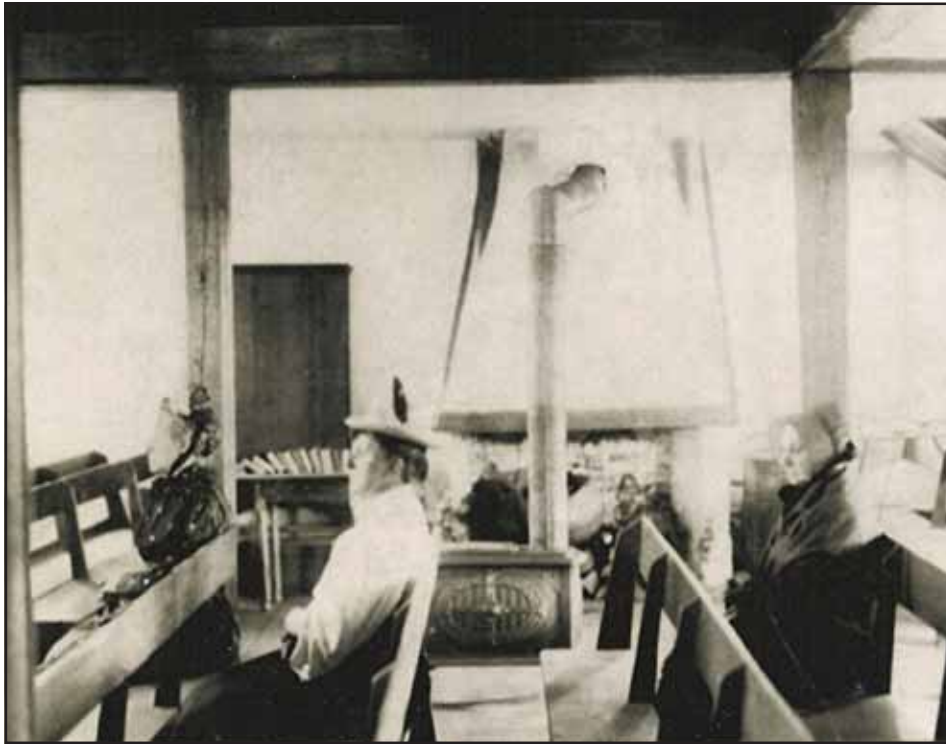
classes at [www.advantagesoftwaretechnologies.com/fam\\_hist/public/main.html](http://www.advantagesoftwaretechnologies.com/fam_hist/public/main.html). If not pre-registered by March 14 participants may complete walk-in registration at the conference from 8-8:30am. A syllabus may be downloaded from the website. For questions, send email to [NEfamilyhistory@gmail.com](mailto:NEfamilyhistory@gmail.com) or call 508-660-8698 or 508-660-2562. The Conference is being sponsored by the Hingham Stake of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

**Palatines to America National Conference-German Genealogy Society** “Tune up Your German Speaking Research,” sponsored by the Ohio Chapter, will be held in Columbus, Ohio, June 19-21, 2008. The conference is open to non-members. For more information, visit their website at [www.palam.org](http://www.palam.org) and for online registration click on the link for the National Conference Registration. For those without computer access, the postal address is: Palatines to America, 611 E. Weber Road, Columbus, OH 43211-1097.

**American Antiquarian Society (AAS)**, founded in 1812, in Worcester, MA, is an independent research library. Its holdings encompass more than three million items covering history through 1876 and include books, newspapers, periodicals and graphic materials. Its local-history collection includes all 50 states in 55,000 volumes that cover from 1821 to the present time and houses more than 17,000 family histories and 2000 genealogical reference works.

The AAS library is open to experienced researchers free of charge; however, an application must be completed describing the research project and two forms of ID (one with photo) are required. In addition, researchers must meet with a senior staff member to discuss research interests and to review their reading room policies.

The Society is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9am to 5pm and on Wednesday from 10am to 8pm. They offer free one-hour public tours every Wednesday at 3pm and are located at 185 Salisbury Street, Worcester, MA. Call 508-755-5221 for more information. If planning a visit, preliminary research will save valuable time and is recommended, go to website: [www.americanantiquarian.org](http://www.americanantiquarian.org).



*Left to right: Emily Frances Sisson Martin; unknown; Almira Sisson Smith, at Apponegansett Friends Meetinghouse, Russells Mills, MA, c1895. David Martin submitted this photo to RIGS. Emily Frances Sisson Martin was his paternal great-grandmother and Almira Sisson Smith was her mother. She is wearing a Quaker bonnet that probably prevailed in Quaker meeting houses earlier in the century.*

**The 8th Biennial Sisson Gathering** will be held from June 26-28, 2008, in Springfield, Illinois, for all individuals researching the name of Sisson. The event is held every two years in different places around the country.

Participants at the Gathering will be able to share genealogical records, discuss the DNA Project, and view displays of Sisson family charts. Tours will be offered of Sisson historical sites. Sissons here in Rhode Island may descend from Richard Sisson of Portsmouth, who arrived here about 1648.

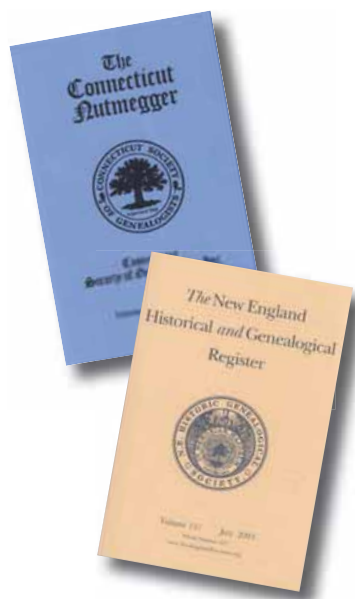
To receive an informational announcement and registration form for the Sisson Gathering coming up in Illinois, you may send an email to David Martin: davidchina\_2000@yahoo.com. For those without computer access send request via postal mail to: David Martin, 10 Colonial Farm Circle, Marstons Mills, MA 02648. For information by phone, call 508-420-0224.

**The Connecticut Historical Society** has collaborated with the Connecticut State Library, UCONN, Mystic Seaport, and the New Haven Colony Historical Society to set up CHO, an online resource containing about 14,000 images of photographs, drawings and prints. The site may be used for a specific search or to browse by category from the collection. Visit [www.cthistoryonline.org](http://www.cthistoryonline.org).

**Google Books Project** has made it possible to access digitized books that are now searchable online. Begin by going to [google.com](http://google.com). Then follow along the top of the page where they list choices such as "maps", over to the last choice "more" and click on it opening a pull-down menu. Then click on "books". After the new window opens the cursor will be flashing on the search line. In searching family information there are endless possible entries for the search line. One example might be to enter the following: family history, Coventry, RI, Greene (include a comma in between each search criteria).

When you click on "search" a list of books will appear. In some cases the entire book will be accessible online and others only partially, it will depend on the copyright. If you are able to fully access a book of interest you will be given an option at the right to "search within this book" allowing for you to narrow your search to a specific name, etc.

Many of the books accessed through Google have been uploaded by historical societies and libraries from throughout the US and beyond. This is becoming hugely popular for various organizations to digitize their special and rare collections online. Watch for other searchable sites listed in future newsletter editions. ▲



## Valerie Bolt Felt Collection: Periodicals

Valerie Bolt Felt was a long time member of RIGS and an excellent genealogist whose books and papers have been donated to RIGS and will be available at the Greenville Library. Following on the list of books presented in the January 2008 reporter, here is a list of periodicals in the collection [Volume (Year): Numbers].

- **The Connecticut Nutmegger** (Connecticut Society of Genealogists): 10(77/78):1-4; 11(78/79):3-4; 15(82/83):1-4; 16(83/84):1-4; 18(85/86):2-4; 19(86/87):1-4; 20(87/88):1-3; 21(88/90):1-4; 23(90/91):1,3,4 ; 24(91/92):1-3; 25(92/93):2-3; 27(94/95):3; 29(96/97):1-4; 30(97/98):1-4; 31(98/99):1-4; 32(99/00):1-3; 33(00/01):1-4; 34(01/02):1-3; 35(02/03):1-4; 36(03/04):1-4.
- **The New England Historical and Genealogical Register** (New England Historic Genealogical Society): 151(97):604; 154(00):614; 156(02):621,622.
- **The Reporter**: 31(97/98):4; 32(98/99):1,2,4.
- **Rhode Island Genealogical Register** (Rhode Island Families Association): 1(78/79):3; 9(86/87):1-4.
- **Rhode Island History** (Rhode Island Historical Society): 27(68):2; 29(70):1-4; 30(71):1-4; 31(72):1-4; 32(73):1-4; 35(76):2-4; 36(77):1-2; 37(78):1-4; 38(79):1-4; 39(80):1-4; 40(81):1-3; 41(82):1-4; 42(83):1-4; 43(84):1,2,4; 44(85):1-4; 45(86):1,2,4; 46(87):1-4; 47(89):1-4; 48(90):1,2,4; 49(91):1-4; 50(92):1-4; 51(93):1; 53(95):2; 54(96):1-4; 55(97):1-2; 56(98):2-3; 57(99):3-4; 58(00):3-4; 59(01):2-4; 60(02):1-3; 61(03):3.
- **Historic Preservation** (National Trust for Historic Preservation): July-Sept 1976, April-June 1977, Oct-Dec 1978.
- **The Old Stone Bank History of Rhode Island Series**:  
Original Proprietors of Bristol (Sept. 8, 1930)  
Indian Currency (Oct. 20, 1930)  
Fish and Fisheries of Rhode Island (Nov. 3, 1930)  
Samuel Casey (Nov. 24, 1930)  
Old Characters of Old Narragansett (Dec. 1, 1930)  
A Newport Landmark (Dec. 15, 1930)  
Christmas in Narragansett (Dec. 22, 1930)  
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Colonial Schools and Schooldays (Sept. 14, 1931)  
The Story of Old Smithfield (Sept. 21, 1931)  
Matthew Calbraith Perry (Nov. 9, 1931)  
The Legend of Carbuncle Pond (Nov. 2, 1931)  
The Rhode Island Turkey (Nov. 23, 1931)  
Curfew (Dec. 14, 1931)  
Before Gilbert Stuart (Jan. 5, 1931)  
The Gaspee Room (Jan. 12, 1931)  
Ida Lewis (Jan. 26, 1931)  
The Diabolical Mr. Hicks (Feb. 9, 1931)  
A Gentleman's Journal (Feb. 16, 1931)  
A Forgotten Art (Feb. 23, 1931)  
A Character of Yesterday (Mar. 9, 1931)  
The Cable Road (Mar. 16, 1931)  
Forbes Museum (Mar. 23, 1931)  
Fenner Castle (Mar. 30, 1931)  
The Old Time Oyster Bars (Apr. 13, 1931)  
Dickens and Thackeray in Providence (Apr. 20, 1931)  
The Country Auction (Apr. 27, 1931)  
The Right Hand Man of Washington (May 4, 1931)  
The Turk's Head (May 18, 1931)  
Jenny Lind and Howard Hall (May 25, 1931)  
Reminiscence of a Veteran (June 1, 1931)  
Pembroke College (June 8, 1931)  
Washington's First Visit to Rhode Island (Feb. 1, 1932)  
Admiral de Ternay (Jan. 25, 1932)  
Fort Ninigret (Jan. 18, 1932)  
Dueling in Rhode Island (Jan. 4, 1932)  
Washington's Second Visit to Rhode Island (Feb. 8, 1932)  
Washington's Third Visit to Rhode Island (Feb. 15, 1932)  
Washington's Fourth Visit to Rhode Island (Feb. 22, 1932)  
The Kentish Artillery (May 9, 1932)  
"The Call to Arms" (Mar. 21, 1932)  
Ferdinand Decelestro (May 23, 1932)  
The Return Home (May 30, 1932)  
The First Mayor of Providence (June 6, 1932)  
Open Pages of Narragansett History (June 13, 1932)  
Corn Husking Days (Oct. 10, 1932)  
The Narragansetts (Oct. 24, 1932)  
Colonial Law and Order (Oct. 31, 1932)  
The First Rhode Island Elections (Nov. 7, 1932)  
Aaron Lopez (Dec. 12, 1932)  
The Chepachet Elephant (Dec. 26, 1932)  
LeBaron Bradford 1848-1933 (Jan. 9, 1933)  
The Episcopal Church in Rhode Island (Jan. 30, 1933)  
The Cove (Feb. 13, 1933)  
An Honest Young Man from Leyden (Mar. 13, 1933)  
William Brenton of Hammersmith (Mar. 20, 1933)  
The Blizzard of '88 (Mar. 27, 1933)  
The Grand Caravan (Apr. 10, 1933)  
Rhode Island's Just Claim (May 1, 1933)  
Early Rhode Island Libraries (May 15, 1933)  
Sidelights of Rhode Island History (n.d.)  
Sheriff Robinson and other stories (n.d.)  
Thomas Wilson Dorr (n.d.)  
The Queen's Fort (n.d.)  
Capt John DeWolf (n.d.)  
The Kentish Guards (n.d.)  
Mount Hope (n.d.)

### Greenville Public Library

573 Putnam Pike, Greenville  
401-949-3630  
Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 10am - 8pm  
Fri. and Sat. 10am - 5pm  
Sun. 1 - 5pm (Sept-May)

| ID                  | SPECIAL PUBLICATIONS of the RHODE ISLAND GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY   | Price   | Quantity             | Total                |
|---------------------|---|---|----------------------|----------------------|
| CD30<br><b>NEW!</b> | <b>Thirty Years of Rhode Island Roots, 1975-2004 (CD)</b><br><i>Four more years and an improved user interface!</i>   | NonMember Price: \$39.95<br>Special to Members: \$31.00 | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| CLE<br><b>NEW!</b>  | <b>Thomas Clemence of Providence, R.I., and some of his descendants to the year 2007</b><br>Jane Fletcher Fiske for Roberta Stokes Smith (hardcover, 434 pp)  | NonMember Price: \$35.00<br>Special to Members: \$31.00 | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| GL2<br><b>NEW!</b>  | <b>GLEANINGS from Rhode Island Town Records: Providence Town Council Records, 1789-1801</b><br><i>Special Bonus Issue of Rhode Island Roots, 2007, by Linda L. Mathew (softcover, 150 pp)</i><br><i>Price includes Shipping (no need to add additional shipping on this item)</i> | \$12.00   | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| GL1                 | <b>GLEANINGS from Rhode Island Town Records: Providence Town Council Records, 1770-1788</b><br><i>Special Bonus Issue of Rhode Island Roots, 2006, by Linda L. Mathew (softcover, 150 pp)</i><br><i>Price includes Shipping (no need to add additional shipping on this item)</i> | \$12.00   | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| TIL2                | <b>The Tillinghasts in America, The First Four Generations</b><br>Wayne G. Tillinghast (hardcover, 788 pp)  | NonMember Price: \$39.00<br>Special to Members: \$35.00 | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| TIL1                | <b>The Diary of Capt. Samuel Tillinghast of Warwick, Rhode Island, 1757-1766</b><br>Cherry Fletcher Bamberg (hardcover, 528 pp)   | NonMember Price: \$29.00<br>Special to Members: \$25.00 | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
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| Date                            | Event  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| <b>March 1</b> (Sat)<br>10:00am | <b>Genealogy Workshop with Pat Long</b><br>Greenville Library (See page 3)   |
| <b>March 5</b> (Wed)<br>7:15am  | <b>RIGS Sponsored Bus Trip to Hartford, CT</b><br>Connecticut State Library and the Connecticut Historical Society<br>(See page 2) |
| <b>April 5</b> (Sat)<br>10:00am | <b>RIGS Member Meeting</b><br>Harbor House, Newport, RI  |
| <b>May 18</b> (Sun)<br>1:30pm   | <b>RIGS Annual Meeting</b><br>First Baptist Church, Wickford (See page 1)  |

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