

# Edmund Rice (1638) Association Newsletter

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## President's Column

Dear Cousins,

The weekend of September 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> was a memorable one for the Edmund Rice (1638) Association. It was a pleasure to renew past acquaintances and greet new members of the family. I received many positive comments about the two day format, especially from those who traveled longer distances, or who had attended for the first time. It has been my intent to make the meetings more interesting so as to attract more cousins, and ones who will want to come back often. Our thanks to Cousins Donald Rice and Bill and Jane Drury for taking care of the arrangements and planning the tours.

I was particularly pleased to complete one of the tasks I promised when I accepted the presidency, that of revising the Bylaws. They had not been changed since 1977 so I felt it was important to bring us into the modern age. As my first official act under the Bylaws I would like to announce the following appointments of committee chairs:

Annual Meeting Planning	Robert V. Rice of Falmouth, Massachusetts
Audit Committee	John E. Rice of Marlborough, Massachusetts
Book Custodian	Bill Drury of Chelmsford, Massachusetts
Hospitality	Jane Drury of Chelmsford, Massachusetts
Information Manager	Dennis Rice of Richardson, Texas
Membership Chair	Bill Drury of Chelmsford, Massachusetts
Newsletter Editor	Keith Capen Allen of Tulsa, Oklahoma

Any member interested in working on one of the above committees is encouraged to contact the chair and make your wishes and commitments known.

It was most fitting that the Board of Directors voted to award Life Membership to Margaret S. Rice of Amesbury, Massachusetts. Soon to celebrate her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday, Margaret has been attending meetings since she was a young girl. She has served as president and director among other duties, and hosted the annual meeting at her home on more than one occasion.

Finally, I would like to extend my appreciation to four directors who retired from the board. Henry Adams of Marshfield, Massachusetts, Cynthia Blomstrom of Worcester, Massachusetts, Alex Snow of West Dover, Vermont, and Louise Rice Trudeau of Chester, Massachusetts have all served the Association faithfully over the years. We thank you for your dedication and support.

Sincerely,

Frederick H. Rice  
President



Fred Rice by the Edmund Rice monument erected by the ERA in the Wayland Cemetery.

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## A Visit to My Rice Ancestral Grounds in New England

In June 1996, I made a trip to New England to visit my ancestral grounds. Since I am a descendant of Edmund Rice, I was really excited when Bill and Jane Drury offered to show me around the Wayland/Sudbury/Marlborough area.

We visited the Wayland Cemetery, where I saw the monument of Edmund Rice erected by the Rice Family Assn., as well as the original monuments of several of my other ancestors. Next we went to see the place where Edmund Rice's farm used to be. It's in a pretty setting and there is a monument that has been placed there in his memory. It really helped me to feel that I knew these Rices a little better when I was able to actually stand on their land. I descend from Edmund through his son **Thomas Rice**, who lived in Marlborough. Although I didn't see where Thomas lived, I did see the home of Peter Rice, built in 1688, which now houses the Marlborough Historical Society. Finally, we ended a great day by going to the Wayside Inn in Sudbury for lunch. It is a very interesting and beautiful place.

I descend from Thomas Rice through two of his sons, **Gershom** and **James**. On another day of my journey I went to Worcester where Gershom and James both lived. Here I made a sad discovery.

Back in 1853, the City Council of Worcester ordered that all the gravestones on Worcester Common be laid down and covered over with at least twelve inches of dirt. A number of Rice graves, including that of my **Gershom**, were among them. They laid that way for 112 years. Then in 1965, some of the stones were excavated and a few were returned to an upright position. These included the stone of Jonas Rice, a very prominent citizen of Worcester, who was the brother of **Gershom** and **James**. This stone now stands on the Common again for all to see. In the Worcester library, I was able to get information about the burial of the stones and the later excavation project. I also found that someone had copied the information off of the stones before they were buried, which was certainly a relief!

My ancestor **Gershom Rice** married **Elizabeth Balcom** and my ancestor **James Rice** married **Sarah Stone**. The, Gershom's son **Abishai** married his first cousin **Frances Rice**, daughter of James. This couple lived in Worcester and had a daughter named **Lucy** who married **Enoch Cook** on 21 November 1745. They moved to Dummerston, Windham Co., Vermont.

On another day of my trip, I visited Dummerston where I saw the **Enoch Cook** farm. It is still occupied and has been designated as an historical landmark. Enoch Cook fought in the American Revolution and his stone in the Dummerston Cemetery has a DAR marker next to it. **Lucy Rice Cook** is buried there beside him. Dummerston is a very pleasant little town and very well kept.

All in all, I was very inspired by seeing these and many other towns in New England. I came home feeling that I knew my ancestors much better, having walked the same ground that they had walked.

-Susan Marie Hillier Roe  
Seal Beach, California

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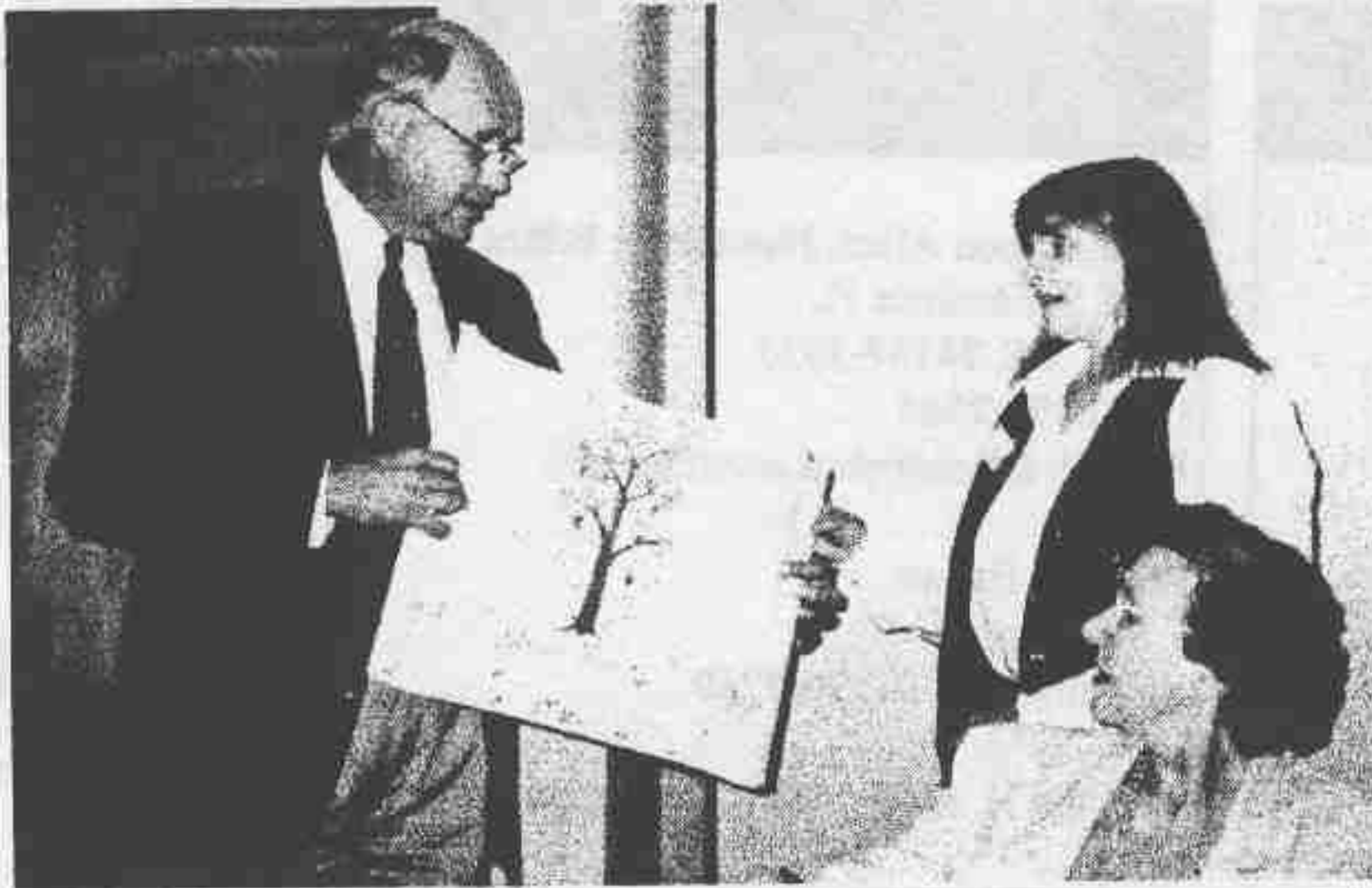
I want to thank all of you who sent messages of appreciation and encouragement about our new newsletter format. Those kind thoughts and the continuing strong support and help from Dennis Rice, Bill Drury, Don Rice and Fred Rice are making my learning curve less steep all the time.

My lesson assignment for this issue has been to learn how to import and format photos and it's been a fun experience.

Fred Rice took the reunion pictures, sent them to Dennis Rice who scanned them into his computer, then sent them to me by e-mail, and I copied them into my word processing program. Dennis and I repeated the process with the Tulsa photos that Tom took.

Please stay in touch!

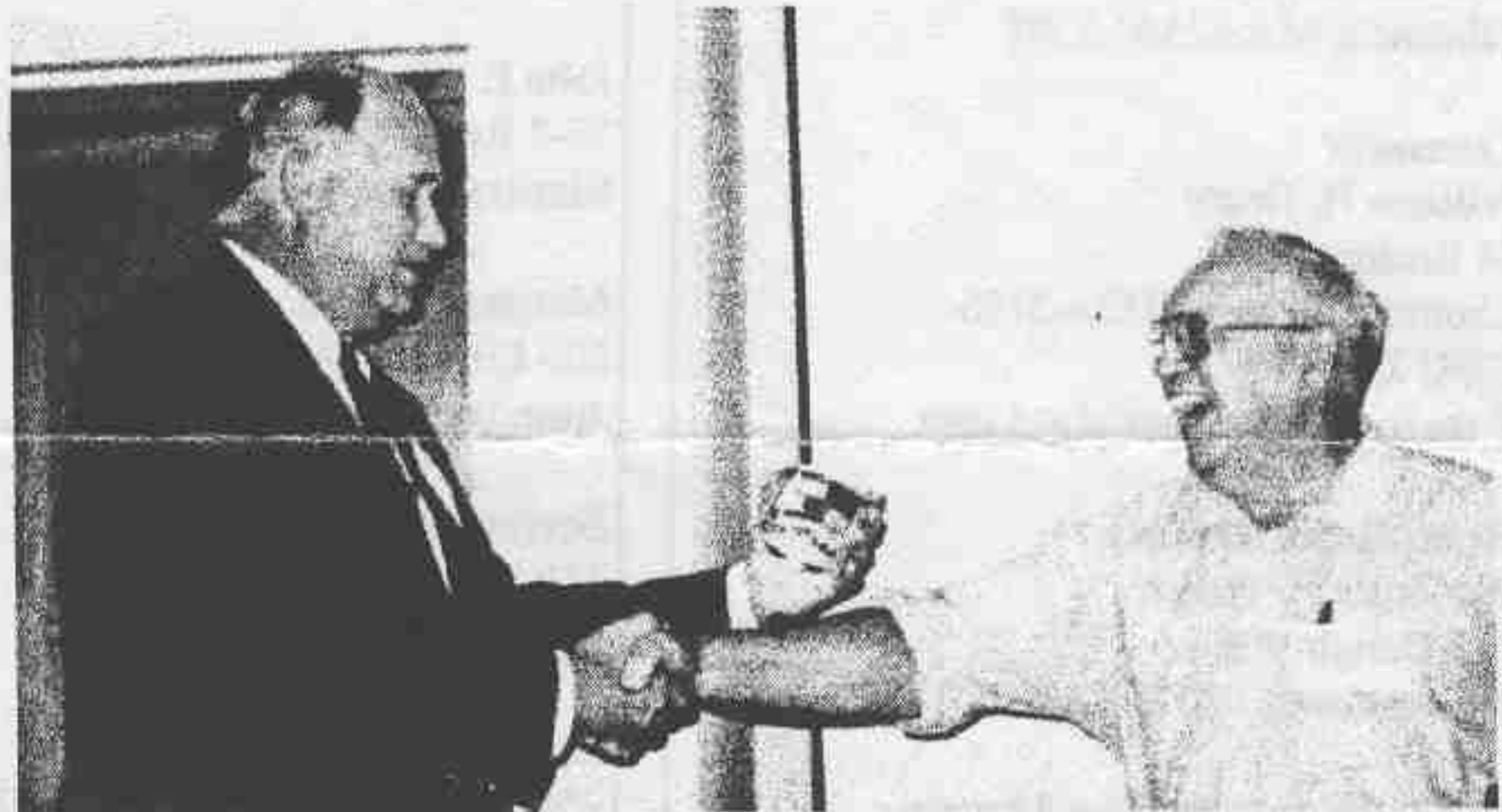




Fred Rice, Joan La Brie, youngest attendee, and Bertyne Rice Smith

## Reunion 1996

## Awards and



J. Douglas Rice from Westlock, Alberta, Canada, attendee from the farthest away



Life members Margaret S. Rice and John E. Rice

## Recognition

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Laurence Patterson  
RR #1 St. Eugene,  
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## Reunion Vignettes: Registering ... Paying ...



Jane Drury



Louise  
Rice  
Trudeau  
and Joan  
LaBrie



Bob Wesen

Wendy Wesen

Jane Drury



Cynthia Blomstrom

and ...  
eating,  
talking,  
asking,  
studying,  
sharing,  
listening,  
enjoying!



Cousins viewing documentation with Don Rice



## Expanding Our Membership

As Historian, one of my tasks is to computerize information about our current family -- what is happening to whom. Although not all our research is complete enough to enter into the computer, we still need to collect it and publish it in the newsletter to share with other cousins.

Of course, none of this happens without having family members in our Association. We need your help in keeping track of the family and hopefully getting more cousins to join. There are several things you can do.

First, let family members know that the Edmund Rice (1638) Association exists. If you know of family members who might be interested, give Bill Drury their names and addresses so than he can send them more information.

Second, have you thought of giving a gift membership to a close family member? This is a great way to have that person enjoy his or her heritage in a family association for a full year.

Third, those living in an area with a concentration of a particular descendant line or lines might consider their own chapter. This enables members to meet locally and enjoy their own activities. A chapter may be established with a minimum of ten ERA members.

Please consider these suggestions and let us know other ideas you may have to help us grow.

*-Dennis Rice*

## Membership

The Edmund Rice (1638) Association, Inc. is governed by a Board of Directors of twelve members who are elected at the annual reunion and meeting, usually held on a weekend in September. Descendants of Edmund Rice were holding reunions as early as 1851, but it was not until 1912 that the Association was formed and officers elected. Incorporation under Massachusetts law took place in 1934.

Membership is open to anyone who claims to be a lineal descendant of Edmund Rice. Rigorous proof of is not required and many members have been able to ascertain their pedigree only after access to the books and files of other members. Spouses are also eligible for membership.

Annual dues, payable September 1, are:

Initial dues.....\$10.00

Renewals:

Under 80 years of age.....\$10.00

Age 80 and above.....\$5.00

Life membership.....\$100.00

(single payment)

If you wish to become a member, please send a check made out to the EDMUND RICE (1638) ASSN., INC. to:

William H. Drury  
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Chelmsford, MA 01824-2156

E-mail questions to: [wdrury@world.std.com](mailto:wdrury@world.std.com)



## William Marsh Rice

Two years ago our president, Fred Rice, expressed the hope that someone would trace the Edmund Rice ancestry of William Marsh Rice, founder of Rice University in Houston.

Not knowing any of this, it turns out that B. Rice Aston of Houston has been doing research on this very connection.

Cousin Aston has produced a book with excellent documentation on this line of the family. We offer our congratulations and our thanks for providing proof of another Rice branch.

We hope to provide extracts of his work in future newsletters.

To my son, I leave the  
pleasure of making a  
living

For twenty years, he  
thought the pleasure was  
all mine

And to my wife, I leave  
the knowledge

That I was not quite the  
fool she thought I was.  
Farewell

*-Unknown tombstone inscription*

## A September 7<sup>th</sup> Mini Reunion In Tulsa

What a delight! After months of communicating by e-mail and an occasional phone call or mailing, I finally got to meet Dennis Rice over the Labor Day weekend when he, Gail, Kenny and Randy drove up from Richardson, Texas. I was so pleased they could fit us into their trip to Oklahoma.

Dennis and his family first visited Cousin Roger E. Rice in Oklahoma City, then drove over to see us in Tulsa. While the boys tore around outdoors on a beautiful afternoon, watched over by Tom and Gail, Dennis showed me the computer printout of the vast amount of work he has done to date entering the Rice books into the genealogical program, TMG. He also gave me useful tips on using TMG and shared files of data.

The overnight visit went all too quickly, but I hope Tom and I can slip down to Richardson some day and I can continue to take advantage of Dennis' expertise on all matters computers. Besides, we want to see the boys again and share memories with Gail about Montgomery Co., Maryland where she was raised and where I lived for 20 years.

I know those cousins attending the reunion were also able to examine a copy of Dennis' printout. Eventually, he will not only have all the Rice books and supplements integrated but also, with the help of other cousins, have them corrected, documented and brought up to date. The Association owes a great debt of appreciation to Dennis and the huge task he has undertaken so cheerfully and competently.

*-Keith Capen Allen*



Dennis Rice and Keith Allen with Randy and Kenny Rice





## Doing It With Technology

I guess that some of us younger types do things differently than a few years ago. Maybe it is because we have tools that are available to us that were not available 5 or 10 years ago. New technology makes a difference in how we accomplish our work, thoughts, lifestyle - and hobbies.

Research in genealogy is one of these. Technology has made a significant change in how each one of us can do research. It does not replace going to the various government agencies or libraries to sift through those vertical files or writing for those various certificates, but it does help us locate where that information might be.

Today there is a wealth of information available in "electronic" format, and more is becoming available every day. Images and database information can be reviewed in your home instead of traveling to another city or state. Our National Archives is converting more information to the electronic format so that many - not just a few - can view and learn.

In the past, and on a continuing basis, you will see suggestions from me on how to utilize electronic media to support your research and work. Please review these ideas and apply them if they support your efforts to learn more about our great family, or just add fun to your life.

*-Dennis Rice*

## TMG Available

Over the past two years as Historian, I have reviewed many genealogical computer programs that support research and documentation.

I chose THE MASTER GENEALOGIST (TMG) for myself. I believe in this program so much that I recently became a dealer for it. I still offer the discounted price from the California distributor. Please remember: those members desiring to convert their work to TMG format, or to start entering data, will receive an excellent rebate from the Association.

In addition to TMG, soon I will be offering various CDs from Automated Archives to help in your research. You can use this to research census, social security, marriage, Civil War and a wealth of other data.

And the latest great news -- TMG for Windows has finally been released. You can purchase the DOS version and get the Windows version for only the difference in price of the upgrade.

Please contact me if you desire more information.

*-Dennis Rice*

## Some Things Never Change....

...."About 1778 the town was scandalized by the advent of one Elder Hix, who, claiming to be a Baptist preacher, excited the community by his remarkable religious enthusiasm, and so agitated the people that a religious mania or infection prevailed upon every hand; the practical pursuits of life were wellnigh unheeded, religious meetings were held at all hours of the day and night, and the town driven, in short, almost wild. At this juncture Elder Hix eloped with a young girl whom he had betrayed, a Miss Doolittle; Amos Marsh, one of his disciples, ran off with the girl's mother, and, to cap the climax, the girl's father, Amzi Doolittle, disappeared with the wife of Thomas Barber. The foolish followers of Hix and his doctrine of spiritual love or double marriages, spiritual and temporal, were cured, and they again returned to the domain of rational beings. Amos Marsh and Mrs. Doolittle were captured, convicted of adultery, and condemned to pay a fine and sit upon the gallows, Marsh being additionally sentenced to wear thereafter the letter A upon the breast of his coat."

"Warwick" in History of the Connecticut Valley in Massachusetts, vol. II, (Philadelphia, Louis H. Everts, 1879), p. 779.



## All About Bill Drury

William H. Drury joined the Edmund Rice (1638) Association in 1975 after seeing a reunion notice in Yankee Magazine. It was not long before he was asked to be a Director, then Vice President, then President; holding the last position in 1980-82. Due to illness of the incumbent, Bill took on the job of Treasurer the following year, and has served in that capacity ever since. He later added the tasks of Book Custodian and Membership Chairman because "all those jobs involve money, and it's much simpler and safer to have all the checks go to one place."

Bill is 64 years old and took early retirement from M.I.T. Lincoln Laboratory where he spent 36 years as a radar system designer. He is married to the former Jane Boyd, and they have two grown children and 4 grandchildren. Since retiring, Bill & Jane have done extensive traveling, as well as keeping busy with square dancing and genealogy. Bill is also a rail fan, so you may see him out beside the tracks watching trains.

Bill claims if he sounds a little nutty, it's probably the in-breeding. He is descended from Edmund Rice eleven different ways through five of his children. Well, if Bill's ability and willingness to fill just about every position for the Association is in any way attributable to in-breeding, then three cheers for in-breeding!

## Report of the Treasurer August 31, 1996

### Checking Account:

Balance	9-1-95	\$1731.64
Income:		
Meetings		771.00
Publications		1514.45
Miscellaneous		80.00
Dues		4988.32

Total Income 7353.77

### Expenses:

Publications	2265.81
Transfer to Savings	2000.00
Meetings	2296.08
Miscellaneous	376.12
Postage, Telephone, etc.	438.63

Total Expense 7376.64

Balance 8/31/96 1708.77

### Other Assets:

Bank Savings Account - Baybank @ 2.15%	7052.53
Cert. of Dep. - Baybank - due 5/1/97 @ 6.5%	10814.80
Cert. of Dep. - Massbank - due 10/3/96 @ 5.65%	22337.85
Retail Value of Books in Inventory	39459.00

Total Assets 8-31-96 \$81372.95

Respectfully Submitted,

William H. Drury, Treasurer



## Attendees at the 1996 Reunion

Ruth & Joe Brown	MA
Susan Miles	non-member
Noelle Wise	non-member
Harold & Louisa Rice	New Bruns.
Don & Bertyne Smith	MA
Frederick Rice	KS
Doyle Rice	MI
Jane & Bill Drury	MA
Bob & Wendy Wesen	MD
Pat & Russ Vickery	MA
Margaret Rice	MA
Frank & Barbara Cummings	MA
John E. Rice	MA
Clayton & Fran Rice	MA
Nancy Seibert	CT
Donald E. Rice	MA
Jan Ockunzzi	AZ
James A. Rice	NY
George & Nancy Jackson	CT
Kathy & Earl Bond	CT
Jane Armbruster	MA
Joan LaBrie	NH
Leon & Peg Rice	NH
Emory & Ann Rice	MD
Dennis C. & Linda Rice	MA
Robert V. Rice	MA
John & Hope Pobst	MA
Lois Hupfer	CO
Jeannette Pollard	MA
Robert Estabrook	NH
Gene & Louise Trudeau	MA
Cynthia Blomstrom	MA
Judith Adams	MA
Henry Adams	MA
Doug & Doreen Rice	Alberta
Gary & Elaine Rice	Ontario
Donald N. & Mildred Rice	NH
Adeline Beier	IL
Mary Lombardi	CT
Marie Negrelli	CT
John Chandler	MA
Richard R. Rice	MI

The past is not dead. It isn't even past.

William Faulkner

## Report of the Membership Secretary August 31, 1996

### Activity since 9-1-95:

New Members	49
Dropped for non-payment	38
Resigned	3
Died	3
"Lost"	3
Rejoined	1

Life members	39
Total membership	477
(includes 16 "spousal members")	

Respectfully Submitted,

William H. Drury

## Report of the Book Custodian August 31, 1996

	Sold since 9-1-95	In Stock
The Rice Family, by Ward (red cover)	0	1
The Rice Family, by Ward (blue cover)		
w/ Supplement #1	19	418
Suppl. #1 to The Rice Family	2	321
A Genealogical Register....	12	56
Suppl. #2, Part 1	7	393
Suppl. #2, Part 2	6	373
More About Those Rices	8	11
We Sought...,etc.	11	424
Civil War Letters of Edwin Rice	4	98
Out of the Saltbox	2	3
Hand Hewn in Old Vermont	4	1

Respectfully Submitted

William H. Drury



## Historian's Report

Slowly we are adding more and more cousins into our database. The main database now has over 16,150 individuals and with the work of several other cousins added, the total number of individuals will be over 20,000. We are approaching the halfway point and are starting to see the end of the tunnel, as the cliché goes, but completion is still over 5 years away. In time, we will be able to add updates to our work.

Although I was not able to be present at our reunion this year, I did send some of our work for review. I have been told that it was well received and it was my pleasure to provide it to you.

The main book that I have printed out so far is used primarily for editing, which I have been doing lately rather than data entry. Because TMG provides many options for sentence structure, one has to print out the data before being able to figure out how to correct them, and that is a lot of printing given the size of the database. We may elect in the future to produce a reduced size book for editing purposes.

I wish to thank the many cousins who have been writing to me and providing me with updates and information on the family, especially their DAR or other historical association membership. It is a great pleasure answering these letters, and I hope I have not missed any. Please keep the letters coming.

I am slowly collecting photos of our family - mainly photos of reunions and my direct family line. I would like to have more to scan into the computer for those who would like to contribute. Please contact me for further information; the older the photo the better.

I would like to thank the membership for their vote to reelect me as Historian. I hope my efforts to convert our books to a computer format and to encourage the use of technology are appreciated, even though I may be a little "pushy" on the use of technology. I look forward to hearing more from everyone one of you.

*-Dennis Rice*



Dozens and dozens of cousins gather for the 1996 reunion



## Cemetery Visits

After reading in Sue Roe's article an account of graves in Worcester laid flat and covered up, I can certainly see why recording grave sites is important!

Unlike Sue, I did not return to New England this summer to visit ancestral sites, but I did travel to Indianapolis to locate and photograph the graves of my Mayo/Capen grandparents and Mayo/Drury/Smith great-grandparents in the Crown Hill Cemetery there. It was worth the visit if for no other reason than it is one of the loveliest parks I have ever seen.

Earlier in June, Tom and I took photos of my father's grave in the cemetery of the Swannanoa Presbyterian Church, Swannanoa, North Carolina where he is buried among my mother's family. Billy Graham's parents-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Bell, are buried in the same serene and beautiful cemetery.

Back at home, I received the nicest phone call from Jane Rice McPherson in Indianapolis with a warm invitation to get together. I was very sorry we missed one other but look forward to meeting Jane somehow in the future.

-Keith Capen Allen.

## A Report from Dennis of Life on the Net

To: drrice@airmail.net  
From: Thomson Tour Operations  
Subject: Coincidence?

Just saw your article concerning the Deacon Edmund Rice Association. As your name sounds familiar to me, were you in the UK Police Force? It would be truly amazing if you were!

Kind regards

C---

Dominican Republic  
formerly from Bermondsey

## Ancestry and Descent of Carroll A Rice, Jr.

- I. Edmund Rice (1595-1663) m.1618 Thomasine Frost (1600-1653)
- II. Edward Rice (1619-1712) m.? Agnes Bent (1630-1713)
- III. Jacob Rice (1660-1746) m.? Mary Barret (1672-1752)
- IV. Jacob Rice (1707-1788) m.1731 Hannah Howe (1706-1752)
- V. John Rice (1736- 1800) m.1763 Rebecca Faye (1746-1811)
- VI. John Rice (Capt.) (1771-1860 m.1790 Elizabeth Wheelock (1769-1860)
- VII. Luke Knowlton Rice (1791-1872) m.1811 (1) Thankful Pratt (- 1846)
- VIII. Henry Rice II (1813-1876) m.? (1) Eunice Doolittle (1809-1839)
- IX. Gershom Romanzo Rice (1838-1912) m.1867 (1) Susan C. May (1844-1891)
- X. Albert Romanzo Rice (1870-1930) m.1899 (2) Alice Geneva Jeffs (1880-1966)
- XI. Carroll Alton Rice (1904-1948) m.1927 Ethel Ada Dorr (1905-1991)
- XII. Carroll Alton Rice, Jr. (Major) (1932 - ) m.1955 Yuriko Takata (1926 - )**
- XIII. Glenn Richard Rice (1956 - ) m.1982 (1) Mary Benson (1958 - )  
m.1988 (2) Loraine Pozniak (1965 - )
- XIII. Michelle Christine Rice (1958 - ) m.1975 Keith Michael Jones (1958 - )
- XIII. Jeanne Marie Rice (1960 - ) m.1987 Brian Edwin McMurrey (1956 - )
- XIV. Joshua Alton Rice (1982 - )
- XIV. Brittany Nichole Rice (1989 - )
- XIV. Brian Michael Jones (1975-1978)
- XIV. Amy Christine Jones (1981 - )
- XIV. Matthew William Jones (1984 - )
- XIV. Sara Yuriko McMurrey (1988 - )



**XII.**

**(Major) Carroll Alton Rice, Jr.** b. 16 May 1932, Brattleboro, Vermont; m. Yuriko Takata 16 Feb 1955 (at U.S. Consulate, Kobe, Japan) and 10 Jun 1955 (U.S. Air Force Chapel, Itami Air Base, Japan), b. 4 Dec 1926, Nishinomiya-Shi, Hyogo-ken, Japan, dau. Sadakichi Takata and Tomoyo Miura

## Rice children XIII.

Glenn Richard b. 21 Mar 1956, San Antonio, Texas; m. (1) Mary Benson, (2) Loraine Pozniak

Michelle Chistine b. 8 Nov 1958, Johnson Air Base, Musashi-cho, Iruma-gun, Saitama-ken, Japan; m. Keith Michael Jones

Jeanne Marie b. 19 Apr 1960, Johnson Air Base, Musashi-cho, Iruma-gun, Saitama-ken, Japan; m. Brian Edwin McMurrey

**XIII.**

**Glenn Richard Rice** b. 21 Mar 1956, San Antonio, Texas; m. (1) Mary Benson 9 Feb 1982, Citrus Heights, California, b. 28 Jul 1957, San Francisco, California, dau. Richard Wilson and Carmen Aliphat; m. (2) Loraine Pozniak, 3 Sep 1988, aboard the motor vessel, "City of San Francisco", in San Francisco Bay, b. 3 Apr 1965, Chicago, Illinois, dau. John Pozniak and Loretta (unknown)

## Rice Children XIV.

Joshua Alton, b. 1 Jun 1982, Carmichael, California

Brittany Nichole, b. 20 Mar 1989, Sacramento, California

**XIII.**

**Michell Christine Rice** b. 8 Nov 1958, Johnson Air Base, Japan; m. Keith Michael Jones 10 May 1975, Hampton, Virginia, b. 20 Feb 1958, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, son William Jones and Eileen Kiefer

## Jones Children XIV.

Brian Michael b. 29 Aug 1975, Hampton, Virginia; d. 14 May 1978, Alexandria, Virginia

Amy Christine b. 29 Jan 1981, Anchorage, Alaska

Matthew William b. 18 Feb 1984, Anchorage, Alaska

**XIII.**

**Jeanne Marie Rice** b. 19 Apr 1960, Johnson Air Base, Japan; m. Brian Edwin McMurrey, 7 Mar 1987, Orangevale, California, b. 7 Jun 1956, Lubbock, Texas, son Charles McMurrey and June Elizabeth Thomas

## McMurrey Children XIV.

Sara Yuriko b. 7 Oct 1988, College Station, Texas

*-Carroll A. Rice, Jr.*

**PRESIDENT FOR A DAY DIDN'T EVEN KNOW IT**

As the United States settles down with its newest President, it seems a good time to remember one President who is never mentioned in our history books.

David **Rice** Atchison was President for one day, but even he didnt know it.

According to a 19<sup>th</sup> century law, if neither the President nor the Vice-president was in office, the President pro tem of the Senate became chief executive.

On March 4, 1849, President James Knox Polk's term had lapsed, and the newly elected Zachary Taylor could not yet be sworn it [sic], because it was a Sunday. So for one day, Atchison was president.

It was not until several months later that he learned of this, as even then the law was an obscure one. It has since been changed.

*-Quoted from an unknown newspaper*



## Obituaries

**Mrs. Mertel T. H. Grece** of London, Ontario, a long-time member of the Edmund Rice Association, died April 9, 1996.

**Harvey F. McLaughlin** of Hockessin, Delaware, died July 3, 1996 at the age of 100 and 10 months. Mr. McLaughlin celebrated his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday last September near Wilmington, Delaware along with 42 family members enjoying his big day. Many cousins may recall Mickey Snow's article on the big event in the Autumn 1995 newsletter.

**Arla Rice Staublin** of Charlevoix, Michigan, died on July 18, 1996 at the age of 66.

We extend our sympathies to the family and friends of these cousins.

## Queries

**Fred Griswold**, 404 N. Bayshore #6, San Mateo, CA 94401; E-mail: fredg@aimnet.com

Looking for any information on ancestry of **Lorain Rice**. She was b., according to the LDS, in 1762 in Norfolk, CT. In March 1782 she m. **John Miner** (1760-1804), son of famous heretic, Dr. John Miner. She d. in 1801 in OH from consumption after the birth of her son, John. Her three children were Loraine Miner (1783 - ), Polly Miner (1790-1875) and John Rice Miner (1801-1841).

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**Harriet Lytle**, 8861 Liberty Rd. S., Salem, OR 97306-9461

Seeking information on **Andrew Rice** b. abt. 1828 in NY. He is found on the 1870 Federal Census in Washington Twp., Piqua, OH with wife Mariah b. NH and children Ida L. b. MA, Bertie, James, Frederick and Mary b. OH. Who were the parents of Andrew and was he a cousin of **Chester Orlando Rice** b. 12 Jun 1825 in VT? Chester grew up in NY after being left an orphan and is said to have been raised by an uncle.

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**Kathleen McManus**, 19575 Waubascon Rd, Battle Creek, MI 49017; E-mail: MCMANUS@FC1.GLFN.ORG

Seeking information on **Sylvester Rice** (1787 NY - 1845 MI) m. **Harriet Warner** (1793 MA - 1868 MI) about 1815. Their children were Philetus, David, Lucinda (my ancestor), Luther, Eber, Samuel, Amanda, Russell, Emogene, Sylvester and Lucien. I believe his parents were **Phineas and Merial (Dinsmore) Rice**. Any information related to this family?

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**Sue Rice Morris**, 836 Mountain View Ln, Mt. Shasta CA 96067

Seeking information on the parents of **George Washington Rice**, ( 29 Sep 1828 OH? - 4 Apr 1878, Athens OH) m. **Mary M. Coates** (5 Oct 1834 - ) 25 Jun 1858.

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**Carroll A. Rice, Jr.**, 6938 Beech Ave, Orangevale, CA 95662; E-mail: [Carroll\\_Rice@wow.com](mailto:Carroll_Rice@wow.com)

Seeking place of birth and ancestry of **Arthur Carl Dorr**, b. 30 Apr 1832. His known sibling were Hetty J. Norman, Otis, Jesse and Lewis. Conflicting information has him born either in East Dorset, VT or in Cambridge NY.

Seeking ancestry and any other information concerning **Isaiah Dunbar**, b. 1855 in North Adams, MA. Died 3 Sep 1945 in Dorset VT. He was m. to **Emma Lathrop**.

Seeking ancestry of **Emma Lathrop**, b. 1850 in Dorset VT, d. 16 Mar 1951 in Dorset VT.  
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**Sue Roe**, 117 Harvard Ln, Seal Beach, CA 90740-2508; E-mail: [SueMHR@aol.com](mailto:SueMHR@aol.com)

Would like to hear from anyone connected to the **Rices in Windham Co., VT** or connected to my line in any way.  
[See Sue's article for details]

## No, John Quincy Adams is NOT A Cousin

Dennis,

In the latest edition of the Rice Family Newsletter, you ask if John Quincy Adams is a cousin and for additional information on Clara Barton and Samuel Morse.

**John Quincy Adams** is not a Rice descendant. His ancestor, Thomas Smith of Charlestown, is confused with the Thomas Smith who married Abigail (Henry-2) Rice of Sudbury. Thomas Smith (born ca. 1640) married ca. 1663 Susanna Boylston, and died in Charlestown in 1690. The other Thomas was born ca. 1650, married prior to 1670 and lived in Sudbury. They are two completely different people. (See: *Ancestors of American Presidents* by Gary Boyd Roberts, 1st ed., Boston, NEHGS, 1995)

As for **Clara Barton**, her ancestry was printed in the New England Historic Genealogical Society NEXUS, vol. VII, No. 6 (1990): 208-213. She certainly descends from John Moore & Elizabeth Rice, the daughter of Henry Rice and Elizabeth Frost, the siblings of Edmund Rice and Thomasine Frost. (See: TAG 66 (1991):75-77 and The Genealogist 6 (1985):131-41.) Only select ancestry is given and she descends from many Middlesex County families and a Rice connection may be there if you dig. She descends from Ebenezer Learned and Deborah Haynes. The Haynes family is from Sudbury and may provide a connection. Deborah was born in 1690 in Sudbury. (See: *The Learned Family in America 1630-1967* by Eugenia Learned James, 1967) I can't tell from *A Genealogical History of the Rice Family: Descendants of Deacon Edmund Rice* by Andrew Henshaw Ward, Boston, 1858, if there is any connection or not.

**Samuel F.B. Morse's** select ancestry was printed in the NEXUS, vol. XII, No.4 (1995): 116-119. Again, a Rice connection is not readily apparent.

-Martin E. Hollick

Thank you VERY much, Martin! I knew cousins would come through for me again. It is really appreciated. In doing the work in converting our family to the computer, I want to make sure the information is correct, and have put in special tags so that we can enter additional research. All this helps others from having to re-invent the wheel. Dennis





Cousins attending the reunion gathered for a tour outside the Peter Rice House, home of the Marlborough Historical Society.

## Notes From Cousins

For many years, our newsletter has carried stories about **Doris Rice Barb** winning blue ribbons for her pies and cakes at the Kansas State Fair. Recently, in firm handwriting, she wrote,

Just a brief note with my check for dues. You probably have read about my State Fair activity for a long time, so this year, after 40 years I'm not going to exhibit. For one reason, I'm having cataract surgery. Also "advancing age" [ 88] is a factor. Our small branch of the family tree is planning our annual reunion in October.

Sincerely, Doris Rice Barb

Cousin Doris, we will not be surprised at all to hear next year you return and win another blue ribbon!

**Clark and Betty Rice** in Perry, New York wrote that the death of Clark's brother, **Eugene Littledyke Rice** on September 3, 1996 prevented them from attending the reunion this year. We send our sincere condolences to the family and hope we will see you next year.

On June 28<sup>th</sup>, Clark and Betty, along with other family members, sailed on the U.S.S. Constitution when she made her first turn around Boston Harbor after of three years in dry dock. The trip was the prize for a National Parks Service contest Betty won from among 33,000 applicants. As Betty says, "The day was bright and blue, the ship was in good form and the sail around Boston Harbor lasted for one and a half hours....What a great feeling to think we were in the same harbor as Edmund and Thomasine Rice had used when they arrived in this country almost three hundred and fifty years ago."



# BYLAWS OF THE EDMUND RICE (1638) ASSOCIATION, INC.

## ARTICLE 1 - NAME and LOCATION

This corporation shall be known as the EDMUND RICE (1638) ASSOCIATION, INC.; and shall be located at Wayland, Massachusetts.

## ARTICLE 2 - PURPOSES

The Edmund Rice (1638) Association, Inc. (hereafter referred to as the Association) is incorporated for the purpose of encouraging antiquarian, genealogical and historical research, especially with reference to the times, the ancestors and the descendants of Edmund Rice, who settled in Sudbury, Massachusetts, in 1638, and died in 1663.

## ARTICLE 3 - ELECTION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

A Board of Directors of the Association, consisting of not less than five (5) dues paying members, and including all past presidents serving as ex officio members, shall be chosen by a majority vote at each annual meeting, from a slate of candidates prepared by the Nominating Committee.

From the Board of Directors the following officers shall be chosen by majority vote at each annual meeting for a term of one (1) year, from a slate of candidates prepared by the nominating committee: the President, one (1) or more Vice Presidents, a Treasurer, a Recording Secretary and an Historian.

The Board of Directors shall serve as the Nominating Committee at the following annual meeting

If a vacancy occurs on the Board of Directors, a special meeting of the Board may be called by the President to fill the vacancy; however, in the interim the remaining Directors shall constitute the Board of Directors.

If a vacancy occurs in one of the Offices, then expired term shall be filled by an appointee of the Board of Directors.

## ARTICLE 4 - ANNUAL MEETINGS

An annual meeting of the Association shall be held at a time and place selected by the President, for the purposes of election of officers, fellowship and such other business as may properly come before it. Notice of the annual meeting will be printed in the Newsletter and sent to all dues paying members.

## ARTICLE 5 - SPECIAL MEETINGS

In case of failure, for any cause, to hold an annual meeting, a special meeting of the members shall be called, as hereinafter provided, to transact the business of such annual meeting. Special meetings may be called by a vote of the Board of Directors or by the President. Notices of special meetings shall be printed, shall state the date location and purpose of the meeting, and shall be mailed to all dues paying members at least four weeks before the day of said special meeting.

## ARTICLE 6 - QUORUM

Eleven (11) dues paying members shall constitute a quorum at annual or special meeting of the association membership



#### ARTICLE 7 - MEMBERSHIP

The Members of the Association shall include such persons, and their spouses, who claim to be lineal descendants of Deacon Edmund Rice. The Membership Chair shall issue to each member a certificate of membership in such form as the Board of Directors shall prescribe, and shall enter the name and address of each member on the Association membership roll. Life Membership may be awarded by the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE 8 - COMMITTEE CHAIRS

The President shall appoint members in good standing as Chairs of the following Committees and to other duties as may be required for the efficient conduct of the affairs of the Association. Members may serve simultaneously as a Board member, Officer or Committee Chair:

- Annual Meeting Planning
- Audit Committee
- Book Custodian
- Hospitality
- Information Manager
- Membership Chair
- Newsletter Editor

Committee Chairs are encouraged to solicit the assistance of other members in good standing to assist them in carrying out their duties for the good of the Association.

#### ARTICLE 9 - SEAL

The official seal of the association shall be based on the coat of arms granted to William Rice, of Boemer, Buckinghamshire by Queen Mary on May 2, 1555, and used by the Association as early as Sept. 11, 1926, described as follows:

Arms: Argent (silver) on a chevron engrailed (scalloped edges) sable (black) between three reindeer's heads couped (severed neatly)gules (red) three cinquefoils (five leaved clover), ermine (black).

Crest: A griffin's (mythical eagle-headed lion) head erased (with a ragged neck) proper (in its natural colors).

#### ARTICLE 10 - DUES

Each member shall pay dues as prescribed by the Board of Directors. No member, whose dues are in arrears, shall be eligible to vote at any meeting of the Association. By vote of Board of Directors, a member may be dropped from membership in case of non-payment of dues if they do not respond within three (3) months of being mailed a written notice of non-payment of dues.

#### ARTICLE 11 - MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors shall meet annually prior to the annual meeting and at other times as deemed necessary by the President to conduct the affairs of the Association. Five (5) Directors meeting as a group or through electronic communications shall constitute a quorum. Said Board shall have all the powers of the Association, except as limited by law or as herein otherwise provided.

#### ARTICLE 12 - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

The President, and in his or her absence, one of the Vice Presidents, shall preside at all meetings of the Association and of its Board of Directors. In the absence of both of the said officers, a temporary chair shall be chosen from the Board.

A Vice president shall oversee and coordinate the arrangements for the annual meeting.



The Recording Secretary shall record and maintain the official records of the Association and shall send notices for all meetings.

The Treasurer shall be the custodian of all cash, securities and assets of the Association and shall keep accurate books of account thereof. The Treasurer's record of accounts shall, at the end of each fiscal year, be audited by the Audit Committee and submitted, with the report of audit, at the annual meeting of the Association. The Treasurer shall maintain a listing of the names and addresses of all members in good standing.

The Historian shall gather, safeguard and cause to be published as much historical information about the descendants of Edmund Rice as there appears to be a demand.

Any Officer, member of the Board of Directors, or Committee Chair who becomes incapacitated or otherwise cannot or will not carry out the functions of their position shall so inform the President immediately so that a replacement may be appointed for the good of the Association.

None of the Officers, members of the Board of Directors or Committee Chairs shall receive salary or compensation, however they may be reimbursed for reasonable expenses or paid as independent contractors with prior approval of the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE 13 - MISCELLANEOUS

1. The fiscal year of the Association shall run from September 1 through August 31.
2. All amendments to these bylaws must be proposed in writing at an annual or special meeting of the Association. In order that an amendment be accepted, a two-thirds affirmative vote of those dues paying members present is required.
3. The formation of autonomous regional chapters of the Association is encouraged, and each such chapter which has as members ten (10) or more members of the Association shall be entitled to name a liaison as a non-voting member of the Board of Directors.

Adopted at the Board of Directors Fall meeting September 6, 1996

### Membership Lists

Membership address lists are available to MEMBERS ONLY. Please send \$1.50 to cover the cost of production and mailing, and specify alphabetical or zip code order to:

William H. Drury  
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## PUBLICATIONS AVAILABLE FROM THE ASSOCIATION

### Genealogical References

THE RICE FAMILY by Andrew Henshaw Ward, 1858, 379pp. [Reprint] \$22.50  
A genealogical history of descendants of Deacon Edmund Rice who came from Berkhamstead, England and settled in Sudbury, Massachusetts in 1638.

INDEX to THE RICE FAMILY, 34pp. [Computer printout] \$2.50

SUPPLEMENT to THE RICE FAMILY (1858), 1967, 110pp. [Soft cover] \$4.50 or included free if purchase Ward

INDEX to THE SUPPLEMENT to THE RICE FAMILY (1858), 18pp. [Computer printout] \$1.50; both indexes together \$3.50

GENEALOGICAL REGISTER OF RICE DESCENDANTS by the Association, 1970, 1594pp. \$28.50  
A continuation of Ward's The Rice Family (1858) and its Supplement (1967).

SUPPLEMENT #2, PART 1., by the Association, 1983, 224pp. \$27.50  
Additional lines of descent through the first eight generations.

SUPPLEMENT #2, PART 2, by the Association, 1985, 720pp. \$33.50  
Additional lines of descent from the ninth generation to 1985.

### Historical Narratives

EDMUND RICE AND HIS FAMILY by Elsie Hawes Smith, 1938. [Reprint]  
An historical narrative about the early days of the Rices; a charming story with much genealogical information.

*-Bound Together With-*

WE SOUGHT THE WILDERNESS by the Rev. Clayton Rice, 1949, 357pp. [Reprint] \$19.50  
Another historical narrative based on those Rices who pushed Westward to the prairies after short stays in New Hampshire and Vermont.  
Printed by the Association in 1981.

MORE ABOUT THOSE RICES by Elsie Hawes Smith, 1954, 109pp. **SOLD OUT**  
A sequel to EDMUND RICE AND HIS FAMILY containing information about Rices who migrated from New England, as well as some of the more famous "cousins".

CIVIL WAR LETTERS OF EDWIN RICE, ed. by Ted Perry, 1975, 84pp. [Soft cover] \$3.00  
A collection of letters written to his mother and aunt in 1861-1862.

Checks, payable to THE EDMUND RICE (1638) ASSOCIATION, INC. should be sent with orders to:

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1. Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost

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