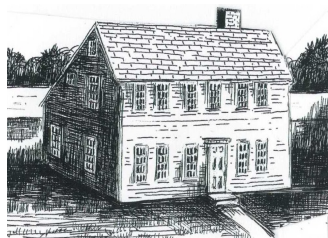


Edmund Rice (1638) Association Newsletter

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Deacon Edmund Rice Homestead
Wayland, MA 1643 – 1912

The Edmund Rice Association publishes the newsletter four times a year: 1) Winter, 2) Spring, 3) Summer, and 4) Fall. The summer newsletter is devoted to the annual September Reunion and includes a description of the program and registration information. The other three newsletters include information of more general interest to our members. We invite all cousins to submit their genealogical information, newsletter corrections, items of interest, family articles and pictures, obituaries and queries. Send them to the newsletter editor: at editor@edmund-rice.org

President's Column



Greetings, cousins!

My last column was decidedly upbeat, as I recounted two sign of things going back toward normal, one for me personally and one for the ERA as a whole. In a way, it was the exact opposite of the column I had written one year earlier, in which I lamented the necessity of converting the 2020 annual meeting into a virtual event. This year, we had every expectation that a real in-person meeting would be possible, and we planned accordingly at the spring meeting of the Board of Directors. The death rate across the US was trending downward, and my mathematical modeling of the nationwide statistics was predicting that the health crisis would effectively end in time for our reunion, but, alas, something happened in July. It seems that the "delta" variant of the covid-19 virus has effectively introduced a whole new health crisis, and we must now backtrack our reunion planning. We must settle, instead, for

another virtual meeting in September. See inside for details. This year, we hope to introduce a novel feature -- an armchair bus tour (no need to worry about low-hanging branches, one-way streets, or tight corners on this virtual bus!)

On the genealogical front, we continue to make progress. Many thanks to the cousins who have sent me data on their lineages. I had one contribution that added over 2700 new persons to the database, in addition to updating more than 1000 others already present. We expand not only by adding confirmed descendancies, but also by discovering related persons through the DNA project when they turn up with matches to the reconstructed Y-DNA "fingerprint" of Edmund Rice. In theory, such people could be descendants of Edmund's male relatives, rather than of Edmund himself -- for example, the Henry Rice who many people believe to have been Edmund's brother (and some mistakenly believe him to have been Edmund's father, but that's another story). The latest example, however, is a special case: a member of the Kahnewake Mohawks whose surname is not Rice and whose male lineage has not yet been traced back beyond the 19th Century. It seems almost certain that he descends from one of the Rice boys captured in 1704, but the paper trail has not been found yet. Stay tuned.

~ John Chandler

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Send your articles, newsletter corrections, member news, your children or grandchildren's births, obituaries, family items of interest and any queries to the newsletter editor:

email: editor@edmund-rice.org

Deadline for fall issue 2021 is October 1, 2021

Membership

The Edmund Rice (1638) Association, Inc. is governed by a Board of Directors, of at least five members, 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 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.....\$ 20.00

Renewals:

Under 80 years of age.....\$ 20.00

Age 80 and above.....\$ 10.00

Life membership.....\$300.00
(single payment)

Checks Payable to: EDMUND RICE (1638) ASSN., INC.

Membership Mailing Address and Address Corrections:

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membership@edmund-rice.org

The Post Office forwards mail for 12 months if a member has submitted a forwarding address to the post office.

Your help with this is greatly appreciated.

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Editor's Column

Hello cousins,

Welp, my hopes of cancelling my subscription for the Zoom program has been dashed, with the uptick of Covid-19 cases. Instead of going back to meeting in person in large groups, we return to maintaining our distance, and meeting virtually for "gatherings." The Zoom company will get my monthly payment for the foreseeable future.

This year, the ERA Annual Reunion will take place Saturday, September 25 at 1:00PM EDT, hosted via Zoom. If you would like to attend the virtual session, please send your email address to me at editor@edmund-rice.org or to katrice@pacbell.net and I will email you the login instructions.

~ Katrina Rice Schmidt

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1912-1913	Eustace Bond Rice	1952-1953	John A. Bigelow	1976	Seaver M. Rice
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1921-1922	H. Eugene Rice	1955	Charles W. Rice	1979-1980	C. Whiting Rice
1923-1924	John E. Rice	1956-1957	Edgar W. Rice	1981-1982	William H. Drury
1925-1928	Harry C. Rice	1958-1959	Stanley I. Rice	1983	Patricia P. MacFarland
1929-1931		1959-1960	Donald H. Whittemore	1984-1985	Janice R. Parmenter
1932-1934	Russell J. Rice	1960-1963	Frederick R. Rice	1986-1987	Margaret S. Rice
1935-1936	Daniel H. Rice	1964-1965	William H. Hoefler	1988-1989	Alex W. Snow
1937-1939	Elsie Hawes Smith	1966-1967	Ray Lawther Ellis	1990-1993	John S. Bates
1940-1941	Sturgis C. Rice	1968	Edgar W. Rice	1994	Alex W. Snow
1942-1945	Arthur P. Rice	1969	Erwin R. McLaughlin	1995-1997	Frederick H. Rice
1946-1947	Everett E. Rice	1970-1973	Col. Allen F. Rice	1998-2006	Dr. Robert V. Rice
1948-1949	Ralph E. Rice	1974	Margaret E. Allen	2007-present	John Chandler
1950-1951	Ralston F. Rice	1975	Charles W. Rice		

EDMUND RICE (1638) ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

Published winter, spring, summer and fall by the Edmund Rice (1638) Association

The Edmund Rice (1638) Association, 183 Prospect Hill Road, Harvard, MA 01451 was established in 1851 and incorporated in 1934 to encourage antiquarian, genealogical, and historical research concerning the ancestors and descendants of Edmund Rice who settled in Sudbury, Massachusetts in 1638, and to promote fellowship among its members and friends.

The Association is an educational, non-profit organization recognized under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ERA Database

Our computer database has been and will continue to be essential for DNA studies for Edmund Rice descendants and the descendants of other early Sudbury families. We need your continuing support. If you have not submitted your family line to us, why wait any longer? Have Questions? Contact our Historian at: john.chandler@alum.mit.edu

Nine-Generation Rice Report Available on USB Flash Drive

Your Board of Directors (BoD) agreed that we would offer the nine-generation report to our members (only). The BoD approved a charge of \$10 plus \$5 shipping and handling postpaid for a USB flash drive containing the documents. Please order from the Treasurer by sending a request for the USB flash drive, your name and mailing address and a check or money order for \$15 to:

Michael Rice
201 Old Post Rd.
Wakefield, RI 02879-3908

The BoD placed three conditions on the distribution of the report:

- 1) The information is copyrighted by the Edmund Rice (1638) Association and is restricted to the personal use of association members.
- 2) The USBs will be available only to Association members who agree to its terms of use.
- 3) The Association master database is an ongoing effort through September 2020. If you find any documentable errors, please let us know!

Membership

New Annual Members

Joyce Kay Leach, Leslie, MI
Stephen J Roper, Melrose, MA
Corinne M Wolfrom, Wake Forest, NC

In Memoriam

Charlotte C Spinney, Westborough, MA

New Life Member

Tori Ellis, Diamond Springs, CA

Additional Contributions

Linwood M Erskine, Jr, Paxton, MA

REMEMBER TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

Please renew your membership if you haven't already.

Please send in the membership form (last page of this newsletter), with your annual dues, or consider a "Life" membership.

Obituary



Charlotte C. Spinney, 83, died on Wednesday, July 24, 2019 at the Maine Medical Center in Portland, ME.

Born in Worcester, MA she was the daughter of the late Winthrop H. and Marjorie E. (Whitaker) Spinney. She was educated in Westborough Schools and earned a Bachelor of Science in Education and a Master of Education at Worcester State College. Ms. Spinney was an educator at Westborough High School for 41 years, retiring in 1999.

She is survived by her two brothers, James L. and his wife Janis of Jacksonville, FL and Winthrop W. and his wife Patricia of Tampa, FL; a nephew James W. Spinney of Miami Shores, FL; nieces Jane M. Spinney of Coral Gables, FL, Jean E. Spinney of Miami Shores, FL, Jenifer M. Wheeler and husband William of Odessa, FL, Cathryn

J. Spinney and her husband Kristof of Tampa, FL as well as great-nieces Lori C. Loftin, Rebecca M. Wheeler and Rachel E. Wheeler. A nephew, Winthrop J. Spinney, predeceased her.

Charlotte served on various community boards including Habitat for Humanity, Westborough Rotary, United Way, Westborough Library Trustees, and the YWCA. For many years she was a Corporator, Trustee and Director of Westborough Savings Bank later the Avidia Bank. She was a charter member of the Mewhinney Chapter of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame and was co-founder of the Charlotte Spinney Vision Scholarship.

She loved her family, Westborough, teaching, reading, Townies and Friends, traveling, London, Maine, The Pemaquid Trail, the New England Patriots, the Boston Red Sox and chocolate ice cream.

Contributions in her memory may be sent to the Charlotte Spinney Vision Scholarship, c/o Avidia Bank, 100 East Main St., Westborough, MA 01581 or Bristol First Responders, Bristol Fire Department, New Harbor, ME 04554

MEMORIAL GIFTS

*Consider donating to the
Edmund Rice (1638) Association
in memory of a loved one, or consider a
legacy gift, a planned future donation, given
through a will or other form of designation.*

In Celebration



Happy Birthday, dear cousins!
We hope you have many more!

JULY

Elizabeth Berry, Beaverdam, VA
John F Chandler, Harvard, MA
Dana B Cobb, Ridgewood, NJ
Richard Cochrane, Shrewsbury, MA
Carl Fritsche, Eatontown, NJ
Carlene Gnath, Leslie, MI
LaRain Hudson, Westlake, OH
Barbara Johnson, Vienna, VA
Larry King, Orem, UT
Robert D Lehr, Madison, SD
Kathleen Gaye Holtz Lyon, West Liberty, IA
Alice McCoy, Brier, WA
Vicki Meadows, Fredricksburg, VA
Peter S Meigs, Danville, NH
Marilyn Nee, Tullahoma, TN
Sue Anne Park, Capron, IL
Lisa Quijano, Morgan Hill, CA
Colleen Rice, Fresno, CA
Douglas C Rice, Yetminster, Dorset, UK
Jerald Rice, Millbury, MA
Joanne Rice, Calgary, AB, Canada
Max Rice, Vancouver, WA
Michael Rice, Leominster, MA
Rodger R Rice, Grand Rapids, MI
Scott Rice, Glen Rock, PA
Thomas Ritchie, Fairmont Hot Springs, BC
Daphne Stevens, Northampton, MA
Linda S Waterkotte, Quincy, IL
Dorothy J Wells, Baltimore, MD
Margery Zeller, Westport, MA

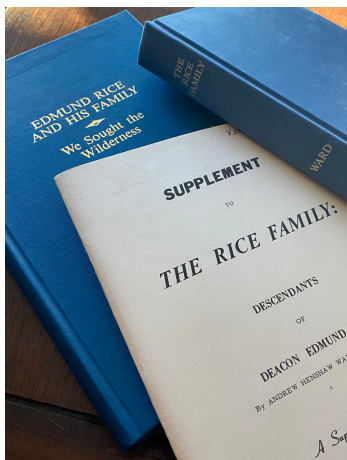
AUGUST

Jason D Adams, Williston, VT
Judy H Atkinson, Westphalia, MI
Ellen Blanchard, Carver, MA
Anita Cooper, Houston, TX
Judy Dailey, Grapeland, TX
Helen DePlonty, Midland, MI
Frank George DeSanto, Farmingdale, NJ
Linwood M Erskine Jr, Paxton, MA
Lu Fischer, Saint George, UT
Lois A Hess, Fort Wayne, IN
Elizabeth Hicks, Wichita, KS
Adolph Johnson, Mebane, NC
Alda Kaye, Wakefield, RI
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John E Newton, East Aurora, NY
Nancy Nicol, Wellfleet, MA
Joel Joseph Normand, Cave Creek, AZ
Leslie Julian Payne, Rochester, MN
Beverly Pelkey, Rockville, MO
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Peggy J Ross, Madison, WI
Tim L Sanford, Toronto, ON
Katrina Rice Schmidt, Ojai, CA
Kimberly Lee Smith, Cedar Rapids, IA
Joyce A Walker, Hot Springs, AR
William R Wesen, Minneapolis, MN

SEPTEMBER

David Anderson, Irvine, CA
John S Bates, Henniker, NH
Deryk Berger, Land O' Lakes, FL
Susan Berger, Idaho Falls, ID
Mary F Brown, Palatka, FL
Don Carman, Aptos, CA
Nancy Colt, Rockaway, NJ
Macy Courtney, Louisville, KY
Betty J Gilmore, Wayne, NJ
Roberta Gries, Lakewood, CO
Kathy Jenkel, Tamaroa, IL
Suzanne Kadiff, Watertown, MA
Lois A Kendall, East Falmouth, MA
Anne King, Williamsburg, VA
David King, Nauvoo, IL
Sharon Krisko, Maple Grove, MN
Alice Pierce, Lexington, MA
Carleton Procter, Brattleboro, VT
Julie Proctor, Santa Barbara, CA
Carol Rice, Alamo, CA
Christopher Rice, Dartmouth, NS
Geraldine K Rice, Rocky River, OH
Janet Rice, Jackson, MI
Robin Rice, North Stonington, CT
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Tammy Hutchinson, Clementsport, NS
Jeffrey M Smythe, Freeburg, IL
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Lavon Stenquist, Logan, UT
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Michael J Therien, Durham, NC
Alice E Wareham, Orinda, CA
Diana Lynne Weaver, Quebec, Quebec
Arlene Wooten, Rainsville, AL
Patricia Young, Elk Rapids, MI

Rice Books Available



The Rice Family, by Andrew Henshaw Ward [5\$]

Hard-cover reprint. New, unused. A genealogical history of descendants of Deacon Edmund Rice who came from Berkhamstead, England, and settled in Sudbury, Massachusetts, in 1638. Includes a soft-cover supplement (1967) containing additions and corrections. 379 pages.

The Rice Family, Supplement 2 (Part 1) [7\$]

Supplement Number 2 (Part 1) to *The Rice Family*, compiled by Margaret S. Rice (1983). Hard-cover reprint. New, unused. Additional lines of descent through the first eight generations, which were unknown at the time of publication of *The Rice Family* and the 1967 supplement. 224 pages.

The Rice Family, Supplement 2 (Part 2) [8\$]

Supplement Number 2 (Part 1) to *The Rice Family*, compiled by Margaret S. Rice (1985). Hard-cover reprint. New, unused. A continuation of *The Rice Family Supplement 2 (Part 1)* from the ninth generation to the present (1985). 720 pages.

Edmund Rice and His Family and We Sought the Wilderness [5\$]

Two manuscripts in one binding. Hard-cover reprint. 1986. New, unused.

Edmund Rice and His Family, by Elsie Hawes Smith (1938) A historical narrative about the early days of the Rices. Contains much genealogical information, as well as being a charming story.

We Sought the Wilderness, by Rev. Clayton Rice (1949) A historical narrative based on those Rices who pushed Westward to the prairies after short stays in New Hampshire and Vermont. 357 pages.

A Genealogical Register of Edmund Rice Descendants [15\$]

Published by the association in 1970. A continuation of A.H. Ward's *Rice Family* (1858) and the supplement to that book, bring it up to date at the time of publication. 1594 pages. *This book is out of print but is available for purchase on CD* - Association members only.

Sudbury 1890-1989: 100 Years in the Life of a Town, by Curtis F. Garfield [10\$]

Published by Sudbury Historical Society and Porcupine Enterprises in 1999, Sudbury, MA. ISBN 0-9621976-3-7. 242 pages.

Heartbeat of History: A Collection of Short Stories from the Saltbox House, by R.M. Rasey-Simpson [5\$]

Published by Sharpe & Company in 1999, Sanborn, NY. ISBN 0-966789-2-9. 182 pages.

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Annual Reunion Information

2021 EDMUND RICE (1638) ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REUNION

**Via Zoom Video-Teleconference
(from your own computer, tablet or mobile phone)**

**Saturday, September 25, 2021
1:00 pm (Eastern Daylight Time)**



12:50pm	Login to Zoom (Login Link and entry code will be emailed to you after you register)
1:00pm	Opening Remarks - John Chandler
1:15pm	“Edmund Rice 101” - Michael A. Rice
1:45pm	Database Update – John Chandler
2:00pm	Virtual Bus Tour
2:30pm	Formal Meeting: ~ Approval of 2020 minutes ~ Treasurer’s Report ~ Membership Report ~ Book Custodian Report ~ DNA Update ~ Election of Officers & Directors
3:00pm	Adjournment
3:00pm	Post-Meeting Social Time, if desired

To Register:

Send your name, phone number, and email address to: editor@edmund-rice.org by end of day Friday, September 24, 2021. Prior to the virtual reunion, Katrina Rice Schmidt (katrice@pacbell.net) will email a link to the meeting and a code to enter the meeting.



- Edmund's Birth (c1594) and Early Life in England (Suffolk & Hertfordshire)
- Emigration to Massachusetts Bay Colony 1638, probably first to Watertown, MA
- Life in Sudbury (1639-1656); agricultural practices and land tenure
- Establishing Marlborough (1656-1660)
- Death & legacy (3 May 1663).

An early map of Sudbury (now Wayland) town center, where Edmund Rice settled in 1638:



Posted on Social Media - Facebook

The Edmund Rice (1638) Association has a Facebook page! The content below represents the posts since the last newsletter. For comments and answers related to these posts, log onto the Facebook site and read the interactive posts, and if you would like, please add a few comments of your own. Log onto the Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/EdmundRiceAssociation/> to find posts about Edmund Rice descendants and other interesting matters related to the Edmund Rice (1638) Association.

June 24, 2021 - Edmund Rice married Thomasine Frost on 15 October 1618 at **St. Mary's Church in Bury St. Edmunds** in Suffolk, one of the counties of East Anglia. Even in Edmund's time, the church was considered to be one of the landmark churches of renown. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/St_Mary%27s_Church,_Bury_St_Edmunds



July 15, 2021 - Edmund Rice descendant **Luther Rice (1783-1836)** was a prominent Baptist missionary who was awarded an honorary doctorate from Brown University in 1814. He is best known for his missionary travels to India and across the American South, and as a founder of the George Washington University in Washington, D.C. The 2021 Annual Reunion of the Edmund Rice (1638) Association will be held in September at the home of Luther Rice in Northborough, Massachusetts. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Luther_Rice

• **Update for this post:** In lieu of meeting in-person at the home of Luther Rice, the 2021 Annual Reunion of the Edmund Rice (1638) Association will be held via Zoom teleconference, Saturday, September 25, 2021 at 1:00pm EDT. Please email editor@edmund-rice.org if you would like to attend the Zoom meeting.



July 25, 2021 - Edmund Rice descendant Dorothea Lynde Dix (1802-1887) was a prominent in establishing nursing as a professional occupation within the military, but was best known for her social activism in treating the indigent mentally ill. She advocated for the 1854 'Land-Grant Bill For Indigent Insane Persons' that would have reformed the system of county-based 'poor farms,' but it was vetoed by Pres. Franklin Pierce. It took 70 years later until the Franklin D. Roosevelt administration New Deal for her ideas to become enacted.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dorothea_Dix

Did you know that there are many
derivatives of the surname

RICE

from a variety of source locations?

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Check out the origin of the Rice name on the Edmund Rice (1638)
Association website at: https://www.edmund-rice.org/rice_name.htm



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PLEASE CHECK YOUR CARD'S EXPIRATION DATE!

The dues year is September 1st to September 1st each year. Dues rates are per person; there is no discount for a spouse or children. The Board of Directors voted to insert the "Additional Voluntary Contribution" line in an attempt to offset the erosion of our treasury due to the current low interest rates. Additional contributions are appreciated.

The schedule of dues is as follows:

Under age 80	\$20.00
Age 80 and above	\$10.00
Life membership (in a single payment)	\$300.00

Annual dues are payable by September 1 st :	\$ _____
Additional voluntary contribution:	\$ _____
Total:	\$ _____

Membership Type: New ☐ Renewal ☐ Membership Info Update ☐

Preferred Newsletter Delivery Method: Paper via US Mail ☐ or Email ☐

Phone Number: (____) _____

Email address: _____

Birthday (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

Added to ERA database for identification (kept confidential) and Birthday Wishes

Name: _____

Due to duplicate first & last names: Please include First, Middle, "Maiden" Last, Suffix

Address: _____

City/Town/Province: _____

State: _____ Zip/Postal Code: _____ Country (if not USA): _____

You may send this form and pay your annual dues via PAYPAL - **OR** - by Check/Money Order made payable to Edmund Rice (1638) Association, Inc. Please send check/money order with this form to:

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