

THOMAS ROGERS SOCIETY, INC

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NEWSLETTER WINTER 2003

The very successful Triennial Meeting was held Saturday September 7, 2002 in the Patuxet Room at the Plimoth Plantation in Plymouth. Special and sincere thanks go out to the great efforts of Mary Brown with the help of Nancy Davis. They made this one of the best turn outs we have ever had. There were 36 members, potential members and guests in attendance.

Here are the minutes from the meeting:

September 7, 2002
Plimoth Plantation, Plymouth, MA

A regular triennial meeting of the Thomas Rogers Society was held in the Patuxet Room at the Plimoth Plantation, back to our roots, in Plymouth, MA. The meeting was called to order at 11:05 a.m. by President Tracy Crocker.

We were led in a pledge to our flag, by Alexa and Gretchen Darche, grandchildren of Mary Brown.

Tracy gave a brief introduction, then each member introduced themselves and any of their guests in attendance.

Those members and guests in attendance were:

Members and Family:

Fay Blais
Mary Brown
Stephen Bryant & Guest
Dorothy Crane & Guest
Tracy Crocker & Joyce Crocker
Dawn Darche
Gretchen Darche
Alexa Darche
Nancy Davis & Paul Davis
Jeanne Erb & Arthur Erb
Nancy Frederick & Susan Small
Annah Lincoln & 2 Guests

Sharon Matyas
John Richardson
Connie Richardson
Steven Rogers
Annette Sechen & Guest
Robert Williams

Potential New Members & Guests:

Dorothy Brush	Donna Rogers
Amollia Grossman	Edith Rogers
Andrea Leonard	Joan Snider
Beverly Penttila	Ron Snider

Tracy continued with his introduction, and informed the group that past president Pat Konov wasn't able to attend as she was attending her 50th high school reunion down in Maryland, a once in a lifetime event! Tracy then continued on to give moving tributes to Genevieve Coleman and Jordan Konov, husband of past president Pat Konov. Tracy was pleased to announce that "Jordan Konov has made the Thomas Rogers Society the beneficiary of a substantial endowment that will be used to honor a deserving student, in an annual scholarship fund, in Jordan's name." We held an extended moment of silence for all departed members.

Mary Brown presented the Secretary's report as presented in the Roster. A motion to accept was made by John Richardson, and seconded by Jeanne Erb.

John Richardson then presented the Genealogist's report, indicating that he had approved 45 new members since the last triennial meeting.

Nancy Frederick gave an update on the 6th and 7th generation project, and asked each family to continue to help and submit additional families to help towards completion of this project.

Tracy challenged the audience, and those not present, to "talk up" the society in order to work on increasing our current membership. As he had at the last triennial meeting, Tracy re-emphasized his belief in the importance of family cohesiveness, and that he would continue to stress "O'hana", which in Hawaiian means family. He handed out copies of the recent work tracing Thomas Rogers' ancestry within Europe. John Richardson suggested we look into placing a plaque near Thomas's birthplace.

Tracy indicated that the website has stimulated interest both in new membership and those interested in being considered for the annual Thomas Rogers Scholarship.

Tracy presented board members, John Richardson, Nancy Davis, Nancy Fredericks, and Mary Brown with plaques and a gift of appreciation to acknowledge their recent service to the society.

Tracy with:



John Richardson,

Nancy Davis,

Mary Brown &

Nancy Fredericks

Mary Brown presented the treasurer's report. During this presentation Nancy Fredericks made a motion that we initiate a \$1.00 annual dues for our Junior members, to cover postage, etc. and to help ensure we keep the mailing list of the society current. The main reason being we want to keep track of Jr. Members so that they will continue to have an interest and enthusiasm when they become adults. Our future depends on the Jr. Members!!! The motion was seconded by Nancy Davis and unanimously passed by the membership. An additional suggestion was made to insert a change of address form into the Roster to help members keep their addresses current.

The distribution of the Society newsletter was discussed. One proposal was to publish one newsletter per year, the general consensus was to try to publish twice a year where possible, perhaps one of which would go out with the dues notices. Tracy asked for everyone to consider presenting him with articles that could be used both for the newsletter and the Thomas Rogers

Society website. (This is our society so the burden of creative writing should not rest on editors shoulders). Let us all be challenged to come up with an article worthy of print during this next triennial period!)

The entire group thanked Mary Brown for all her efforts in setting up the very successful triennial meeting that had the largest attendance in our history.

Tracy read the nominations for new committee members for the next term of office as follows:

President	Tracy Crocker
Vice President	Nancy Davis
Treasurer	Mary Brown
Secretary	Steven Rogers
Genealogist	Robert Rogers
Executive Member at Large	Sharon Matyas



Left to right: Sharon Matyas, Tracy Crocker, Mary Brown, Steve Rogers, and Nancy Davis.

6 th and 7 th Generation Chairperson	Nancy Frederick
Membership Chairperson	Josette Belvedere

There being no nominations from the floor, the ballot confirmed the elections as nominated. Nancy Frederick had the honor to install the newly elected officers.

John Richardson gave the blessing prior to lunch being served. A Special thank you is in order to Nancy Davis who prepared the favors and candies for each attendee.

The meeting adjourned shortly after 1 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Steven P. Rogers, Secretary

Those attending the Thomas Rogers Triennial Meeting and luncheon September 6th 2002



Thanks to Paul Davis for the pictures

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We are proud to have as this year's 2002 recipient of the
Thomas Rogers Scholarship

JOHN D. PARR

July 29, 2002

Dear Thomas Rogers Society,

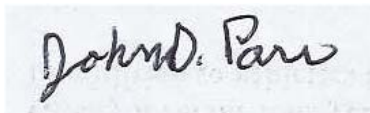
Allow me to express my gratitude to you for choosing me as the recipient of this year's Thomas Rogers Society Scholarship. The scholarship will be applied to the cost of my education at Harvard.

For the past six years I have attended The Marshall School. Ever since seventh grade I have tried to emulate the mission statement of the school, "Pride in Excellence". I have been a five-time academic letter winner, an honor roll student, and a member of the National Honor Society. I have actively participated in a substantial number of extra-curricular activities including Band, Jazz Band, Student Ambassadors, Student Rotarians, Class Officer, and Student Council.

To compliment my academic endeavors I have played football and basketball at the varsity level for four years. I also row crew competitively for a local rowing club. In addition to athletics I participated in the One-Act Play and the school musical.

Although I kept myself during the school year with extra-curricular activities, I have always believed that experience, wide and varied will teach you more than any book ever will. My first significant outside school experience was working in a childcare center. Working with the children I learned a great deal about human nature and myself. My next adventure has been completing the Red Card certification and working as a wild land fire fighter. Currently I'm working as a white water raft guide on the Chattooga River in Clayton, Georgia. Raft guiding and fire fighting have taught me about responsibility and leadership. I will bring those skills and my experiences to Harvard alongside my "Pride in Excellence". With these tools, I feel confident that I will justify your faith in me.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John D. Parr". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a light blue rectangular background.

John D. Parr

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IMPORTANT UPDATES

1. Thanks to Jordon Konoy, we will now be able to extend our yearly scholarship to two deserving students. We will award these scholarships in August 2003.
2. We have changed the annual membership fees for **Jr. Members** to the nominal sum of \$1.00. The main purpose for this is so that we can keep track of these members, send them newsletters and updates and hopefully keep their interest up until they turn 21.
3. *Please note that annual 2003 dues are now payable to the Treasurer. Please forward them to the Mary Brown no later than April 1st 2003.*
4. We have improved and updated our Junior Members page on the website. Please visit when you have a moment and encourage your children to use it.
5. We are always interested in suggestions and articles to be published in this newsletter and/or on the Thomas Rogers Society website:
www.thomasrogerssociety.com
6. Please help us keep track of you. If you move please notify us of a change of address. We would also like to have an email address for each member that has one. You can contact the Secretary Steven Rogers at:
rogers.steve@verizon.net or Tracy Crocker at: tracy@tracycrocker.com
7. We are in the process of scanning all of the application forms that we have for future generations to use and to help with the 6&7 generation project. They will be placed in our archives for anyone who needs them for research and will be available on CD.
8. We encourage you to help us find new members for the Thomas Rogers Society. If you know of anyone please have them contact Josette Belvedere, Membership Chair at: 1312 N. La Salle, Chicago, IL 69610, visit our website or send an email to tracy@tracycrocker.com
9. We would very much like to solicit volunteers for the Newsletter. Anyone wishing to contribute their help please contact Tracy Crocker.

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WISHES TO WELCOME ABOARD NEW MEMBERS:



ABBREVIATED LINEAGE FOR

RUTH VICTORIA DUNCAN COX

#603

Ray Thomas Cox	=	Ruth Victoria Duncan
Victor Eber Duncan	=	Lillian Robinson Huff
Harvey Eber Duncan	=	Veda Lula Perkins
Daniel Paige Perkins	=	Malissa Spaulding
Otis Spaulding	=	Azuba Richmond
Simeon Richmond	=	Polly Fitz Aka Molly Fitts
Ephriam Richmond	=	Ann Deane
Josiah Richmond	=	Mehitable Deane
Edward Richmond	=	Mary
John Richmond	=	Abigail Rogers
John Rogers	=	Anna Churchman
Thomas Rogers		



ABBREVIATED LINEAGE FOR

DAVID FRANCIS CRAWFORD

#604

David Francis Crawford	=	Anne Elizabeth Chamberlain
Charles Phinney Crawford	=	Ruth Elizabeth Blessing
Robert Douglas Crawford	=	Annie Mary Collins
George Otis Collins	=	Annie Phinney
Benjamin Phinney	=	Olivia Sangster
Elijah Phinney	=	Hepzibah Chesley
Isaac Phinney	=	Anna Thomas
Thomas Phinney	=	Reliance Goodspeed
John Phinney	=	Sarah Lumbard
John Phinney, Jr.	=	Mary Rogers
Joseph Rogers	=	Hannah
Thomas Rogers		



ABBREVIATED LINEAGE FOR

BARBARA JOAN ALVORD MCGHEE

#605

Richard James McGhee	=	Barbara Joan Alvord
Eugene Irving Alvord	=	Margaret Leah Simmons
Eugene Simmons	=	Hattie May Brate
Samuel William Simmons	=	Sarah Coffin Ellis
Benjamin Reed Ellis	=	Elizabeth Starbuck Hussey
Luke Ellis	=	Elizabeth Macomber
John Macomber	=	Elizabeth Phinney
John Macomber	=	Elizabeth Williams
Nathaniel Williams	=	Elizabeth Rogers
John Rogers	=	Anna Churchman
Thomas Rogers		

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Christopher James Adams	=	Denise Gail Morretta
Robert Kenneth Adams	=	Kathlen L. Mccaffrey
James Henry Adams	=	Jessie June Witwer
Rev. William R. Adams	=	Ellen Douglass Richmond
Horace Locke Richmond	=	Phebe Eaton
Elias Richmond	=	Lucy Chaffee
Ephraim Richmond	=	Anne Deane
Josiah Richmond	=	Mehitable Deane
Edward Richmond	=	Mercy (Mary)?
John Richmond	=	Abigail Rogers
John Rogers	=	Anna Churchman
Thomas Rogers		

TREASURER'S REPORT

See Hard copy report in Newsletter sent out

Special Thanks!

A special thank you goes out to Mary Brown who has put in an inordinate amount of work straightening out our financial and membership records. This will enable us to put our efforts going forward into building the membership and looking for projects to enhance our Society.

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NOTICE

All CHECKS for membership, membership renewal, scholarship donations or for pins should only be sent to the TREASURER of the Thomas Rogers Society, Inc.

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We would like to request that you keep us up to date on any NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE OR EMAIL CHANGES. Keeping our records current is a full time endeavor and we need your help. Please send changes to:

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