

newsletter

“Wynkefelde the Saxon held honour and fee, ere William the Norman came over the sea.”
Ancient Suffolk England Rhyme

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Greetings



from the Lord of the Manor...

The Chicago Reunion was one of the best yet. We had about 40 members including several who had not previously attended. We enjoyed their fellowship and hope to see them again at the 30th Reunion.

My special thanks to Barbara and Jim who organized this Reunion. Also, I want to recognize and thank Wally and Ruth and the many others who manned the store and brought all those pictures of prior Reunions. Thanks, too, to Vance and Tommie. Vance gave a demonstration of the many new changes to the WFS website, and I hope you will visit our website to explore these new changes. There are now videos to see and hear.

Among important changes was the election of Sam Batsell as Vice President. I have appointed the Reverend Mark DuBois of IL as Chaplain. He conducted our Sunday Service and gave a very inspiring message about the heritage we leave our children. Dale Ruf, past President and LOM was a strong, progressive leader and is now Chaplain Emeritus.

I also want to announce our new Newsletter Editor, Janie Sherman of VA. She will replace Burwell who has been editor for several past years. He and Wafa will soon be traveling to Jordan for a few years. Be safe and we wish them well. Also, a big thanks to Burwell as I believe the newsletter is the glue that binds our family members together.

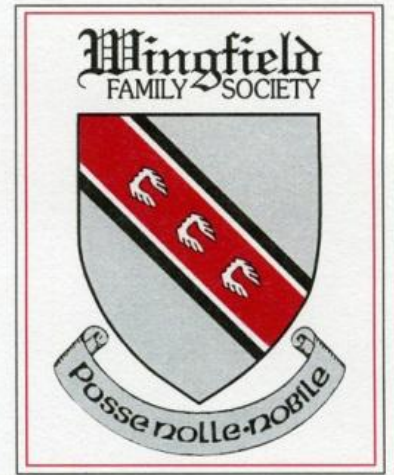
This will be my last message from the Manor. I will resign as the WFS President and Lord of Wingfield Manor at the end of November this year. Regrettably, it has become clear to me that I am not able to lead and do all the functions and tasks that need to be done. I want to thank all for the support and help you have given me and the Society. God bless the members and please support our rising President Sam Batsell.

John D Wingfield

WFS President and Lord of Wingfield Manor

Editor's Note:

*WFS President, John D. Wingfield has been in the hospital with pneumonia and a heart issue after a recent stroke and fall. Nevertheless, John has managed to contact members from his bed and made arrangements for a change of the guard. International VP, Jocelyn Wingfield and Wally Goodman have stepped in to help with the transition. **Our thanks to John for his commitment to the WFS and for his excellent leadership!***



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***Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year!***



St. Mary Magdalene Church, Sandringham, England

~A Christmas Tradition~

Queen Elizabeth II’s Church at Sandringham

There is an abiding image of the UK’s Queen Elizabeth II at Christmas-time walking the quarter of a mile from her home at Sandringham House in Norfolk to St. Mary Magdalene Church, Sandringham. She is accompanied by all her family and is welcomed by the other parishioners.

The Queen’s latest great grandchild, Princess Charlotte, daughter of the Duke & Duchess of Cambridge, was christened at St. Mary Magdalene in June by the Archbishop of Canterbury. Diana, Princess of Wales, was christened there in one of the two fountains: either the Florentine marble one or the other, a 9th-century Greek one. The church also has a silver pulpit and a 17th-century Spanish processional cross that was presented to Queen Alexandra as a tribute to Edward VII by the American Department Store magnate, Rodman Wanamaker. Interesting *patrons* down the ages of Sandringham Church (extant 1321) include:

1524-37: Prior William Wingfield, Jr. and the Convent of Westacre. William (the second son of Sir John Wingfield of Dunham Magna, also in Norfolk) was “Lord of the Manor of West Acre by virtue of being Prior or Abbot of the Priory of St. Mary & All Saints, Westacre.” (A)[See notes on page 6.] (Sir John Wingfield, Jr. is the 3rd figure from the right—in the center section--in the “Tickencote Wingfield Knights” Picture). (See *Backpage* for picture. 1551-2. *Sir Anthony Wingfield, John, Sr’s eldest son. 1564-5. Sir Robert Wingfield, son of Sir Anthony.*)

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Wingfield Family Society Officers 2015



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2016 WFS Membership Dues...are due!

\$25 per year or **\$100** for 5 years—*includes* e-mailed WFS Newsletters (4 per year)

\$35 per year or **\$150** for 5 years—*includes* printed & mailed Newsletters (4 per year)

* Are you a newlywed? It's only \$75 for 5 years for you! *And includes newsletters*

What a Great Stocking Stuffer



Please mail your dues to:

Mary E. Wingfield, Membership Chair 1505 East 4th Avenue Mitchell, SD 57301

9th Annual Meeting (Aug 12-16, 2015): Chicago, IL



Front: Wally Goodman, Dorothy Wingfield, Jake Wenger, Mary E. Wingfield, Donna DuBois, Ruth Goodman, Shalandra Alexander, John D. Wingfield *Back:* Barbara Wingfield, Anne Wingfield, Emily Ackemann, Julie Ackemann, Barbara Cortino, Jim Nowak, John S. Wingfield, Stephen Chanko, Mark DuBois w/baby David Joseph, and Jocelyn Wingfield.



Kathy & Greg Wingfield



Emily & Julie Ackemann



Mark DuBois with Grandson David Joseph Alexander



Virginia and Bob Wingfield



Dorothy Wingfield & Jocelyn Wingfield



John D. Wingfield



Stephen Chanko & Barbara Cortino



Janie Wingfield & Sam Batsell

~ Many more Photos on WFS Website: [www.wingfield.org/Photographs/2015 Chicago, IL](http://www.wingfield.org/Photographs/2015%20Chicago,%20IL) ~

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Sir Anthony Wingfield, KG

1551: Sir Anthony Wingfield was Captain of the Bodyguard of Kings Henry VIII and Edward VI, and a Knight of the Garter. He died in 1552, when it would seem that this patronage would have come directly to the next named. (B)

1564 & 1565 (or possibly all of the period 1552 to 1592): **Sir Robert Wingfield** of Letheringham Old Hall, eldest son of Sir Anthony Wingfield, KG. (C)

1592. William Cobb or Cobbes. (D)

1866. HRH Prince Albert, consort of Queen Victoria – after whom the patrons have been the relevant monarch and thus, the present *patron* is HM the Queen.

The *patron* of a church is the person who holds the *advowson* or the right to present or appoint a candidate for the benefice of a particular parish. The church was entirely rebuilt in the 16th century, after the time of the Wingfield patronage (1524-1592) by William Cobb or Cobbes, and was extensively restored by Lady Harriet Cowper in 1855.



Notes: (A). WFS Links, vol. 3, *Three Dozen Anecdotes*, no.13 [1994]. (See page 2) (B). Tourist brochure for Sandringham Church, inside front cover, Jarrold, [2008]. (C). *Ibid.* (D). *Ibid.* p. 2.

From the Editor's Desk

Hello WFS Members—

First of all, I feel I must apologize for agreeing to serve on your board while not having *Wingfield* as my last name—but... I'm related. Secondly, I want to thank Wally Goodman for the exceptional photographs that have gone into this issue.

Interestingly, I joined WFS years ago because as a professional genealogist (*who specializes in VA research*), I follow my own advice—I advise those who are not going to publish their family history research, to join a society and document their research that way. Presently, I am a member of over 40 societies—including Jamestowne Society, Order of the Crown of Charlemagne, Military Order of the Crusades, Knights of the Bath, St. Margaret of Scotland ... (*And it explains my email addy: "societydame@verizon.net."*)

Proudly, I share your ancestry as my line goes through a Wingfield daughter, Anne/Agnes, back to her father, Sir Robert Wingfield II, K. B. (d 21 Nov 1454 wp):

• **Sir Robert Wingfield II, K.B.** [*Knight of the Bath*] of Letheringham, Suffolk & **Dame Elizabeth Goushill** (*to dau...*)

• **Sir John de Fremingham, K.B.** of Crow's Hall, Debenham, Suffolk & **Dame Anne/Agnes Wingfield**. Then I descend through their son, **James Fremingham**.

My bio in brief: I have a B.S. degree from ETSU, TN, in: English & Education with a minor in Sociology; and certification from Education For Ministry. I have taught and was director of a non-profit for 17 years. I am married to Terry Mitchell, retired Air Force, and have two children, Cameron and Whitney, both in VA, with my precious seven grandchildren. I have published a genealogy book, raised champion Yorkshire Terriers, and before becoming WFS Editor, I used to knit and quilt. I look forward to sharing our heritage!

Yours in history,

Janie Sherman, WFS Editor



Patrick Wingfield

Police Officer Saves a Man's Life

Two Lincoln, NE, officers were credited with saving the life of a 42-year old man. Officers Brian Nicholson and Patrick Wingfield were dispatched to the Candlewood Suites at 4100 Pioneer Woods Drive, regarding a man who stopped breathing. The man's wife attempted to give CPR until Wingfield arrived. The man wasn't breathing and had no heartbeat and Wingfield took over CPR. Eventually, the man's heart restarted and he was breathing with assistance then taken to the hospital.

Public Safety Director Tom Casady said three notifications were sent to nearby users of the PulsePoint app, but since the incident happened in the middle of the night, none responded. He credits the quick response by Wingfield, Nicholson, and the LFR with saving the man's life.

"(Police) had been doing CPR training and this happened in the middle of training," Casady said. He contacted the officer's superior to make sure they'd be nominated for the life-saving award, Casady said.

Editor's Note: This article appeared in the Lincoln, NE, *Journal Newspaper* recently, 2015. Patrick, the son of David and Alice Wingfield of Omaha, NE, and grandson of the late Duke and Skippy Wingfield of White Bear Lake, MN, is the great grand nephew of WFS member, Robert Wingfield.



Sara & Jocelyn Wingfield (Left) with the 11th Viscount Powerscourt and the Viscountess, Anthony & Sarah Wingfield. Photo taken: Norfolk, England, Oct 2010.

The 10th Viscount Powerscourt of Ireland Mervyn Niall Wingfield (1935 - 2015)

Lord Powerscourt, of Ireland, England and Thailand, died at age 79 in Thailand on 25 July 2015. Mervyn Niall Wingfield was born 3 Sep 1935, son of the 9th Viscount Powerscourt (1905-73) and his wife, Sheila nee Beddington (d 1992). He succeeded his father in the family honours, 3 Apr 1973, and married (1st) 15 Sep 1962, Wendy, daughter of Ralph Slazenger; (2nd) 15 Mar 1978, Pauline Vann of California.

Mervyn Niall Wingfield lived as a child with his parents at Powerscourt House, near Enniskerry, Co. Wicklow, and also at their other house at Ballycumber, Co. Offaly. When in his sixties, he went to live in Thailand and had little further contact with the Powerscourt Estate. He leaves two children from his first marriage: the Hon. Mervyn Anthony Wingfield and the Hon. Julia "Jewels" Wingfield. Mervyn Anthony has renewed his WFS membership and he becomes our newest member.

Editor's Note: Anthony Wingfield spent five days with his father in Bangkok, Thailand, prior to his death, then attended his five-day Buddhist funeral. On 19 Nov 2015, the 11th Viscount Powerscourt returned to Thailand to bury his father's ashes at Phuket. **See below:** The 10th Viscount Powerscourt with his children, Anthony and Julia Wingfield.



Footnote: Powerscourt House was originally set on 49,000 acres. The land and castle were given by Queen Elizabeth I in 1603 to Sir Richard Wingfield, the first Viscount Powerscourt, who was a soldier of outstanding ability and, as Marshal of Ireland, effectively ruled the country. The ninth Viscount sold Powerscourt in 1961 to Ralph Chivas Gully Slazenger, a scientist and engineer, who became the father-in-law of the 10th Viscount when he married Slazenger's daughter, Wendy.



Richard M. "Bill" Wingfield of Canada (1922 - 2015)

Known for his sparkle, wisdom, humility, gratitude and generosity, dear Bill departed on August 10, 2015. Born in London, UK, on May 22, 1922, to Molly and Ernest, he was a loving brother to Sheila and Julie. In WWII he captained mine-sweepers in the Mediterranean and for the Normandy landings.

Bill apprenticed as a fourth-generation accountant at Fairbairn, Wingfield & Wykes. With his wife, Pamela Southgate, he moved to Canada, where his daughters, Angela and Fiona, were born. He was an international tax partner at McDonald Currie (Montreal), Peat Marwick (Jamaica), and Arthur Andersen (Toronto). In Jamaica in the 1960s, he was interested in Green Song cohousing. During retirement he was active with Canusee Credit Union, Patrons of Wisdom, the Star-Scape Singers, the Wingfield Family Society, Arts & Letters Club, and Academy for Lifelong Learning. Thanks go to his dedicated caregivers.

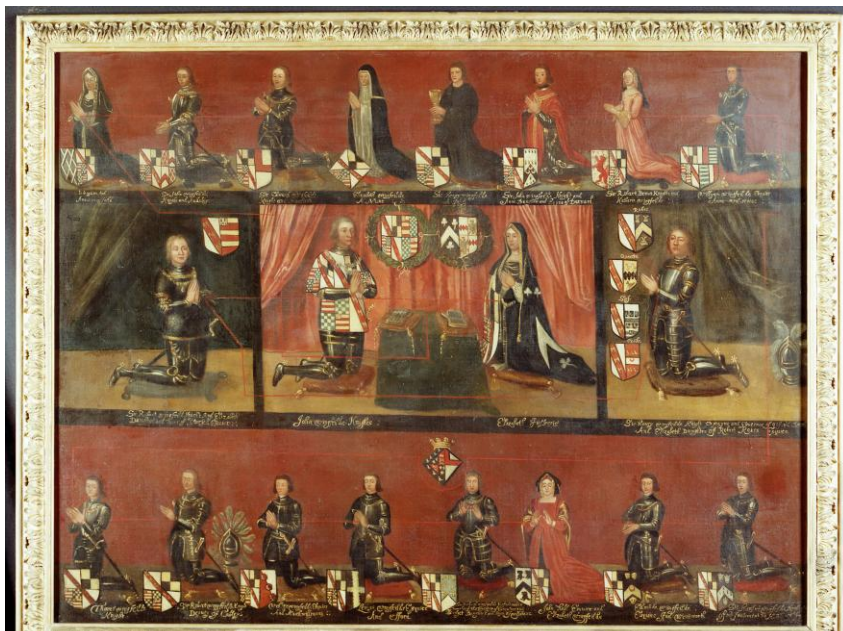
There was a memorial service on the 22nd at Toronto Cricket Club. Donations may be made to the charity of your choice.

[Credit: *The Globe and Mail* of Toronto, Saturday, August 15, 2015].



Note by Jocelyn Wingfield (International VP): We too in the WFS will ever remember Bill for his sparkle and sense of fun--not just at the splendid Ontario Meeting, but also at Scottsdale, AZ, in 1996, Richmond, VA, and San Antonio, TX, in 1997 and 1998, when he was auditing the WFS accounts and making recommendations.

Bill was a great conversationalist, and the story of his joining was that: one of the WFS Founders, the late Dr. Bill Wingfield of Marl Ridge, Ashland, VA, heard report that there was a Bill Wingfield in Jamaica who was somehow involved with Jamaica Telecomms--so presumed that he was a Jamaican Telecomms engineer. Jocelyn Wingfield eventually managed to track him down again, two years after he had written to him in Jamaica, and encouraged him to join the WFS. Bill was a friend to so many of us. He was so kind to have me to stay with him at Ontario, before the 1996 meeting. We always listed him as "William R.M. Wingfield". It was fun getting to grips with his family tree and we remember his uncle and aunt who were WFS members. Bill will be sorely missed.



"Tickencote Wingfield Knights"

Sir John Wingfield, son of Robert Wingfield, Jr. & Elizabeth Goushill, is the 3rd figure from the right --in the center section--in the "Tickencote Wingfield Knights" Picture. (Courtesy of owner.)

Sir John Wingfield's Ancestors:

Sir Robert Wingfield & Elizabeth Goushill
Sir Robert Wingfield & Elizabeth Russell
Sir John Wingfield & Elizabeth Hastings
Sir John Wingfield & Margaret Bovile

Sir John's brother, Sir Henry of Orford Castle (1480s-90s), precursor of the early VA & GA Wingfields, is shown in the middle row on right.