

# Alford American Family Association

Eighth Annual Meeting



Holiday Inn  
Decatur, Alabama  
October 13 - 15, 1995

# Schedule of Activities

## FRIDAY

Registration 8:00 AM *Pre-function Hallway*

Genealogy Workshop

Pintal - Mallard rooms 9 AM - 5 PM

9-10:20 Intro and basic genealogy - Gil Alford

10:20-10:40 Break

10:40-12:00 Land Records - Lynn Shelley

Lunch

1:00-2:20 PM *Medical Pedigrees* - Gil Alford

2:20-4:30 AL or GA Research- Prof. Robert S. Davis, Jr.

Registration 5:30-6:30

Reception 6:30-9:00 Holidome

Board of Directors Meeting Shelton Room

9:15-til...

## SATURDAY

Registration 8:00 - 9:00 AM *Pre-function Hallway*

Business Meeting

Pintal - Mallard rooms 9:00 - 12:00 AM<sup>1</sup>

Welcome to Alabama - Paul Alford AL State Rep

Welcome to Decatur - Honorable Julian Price, Mayor

Presentation by Commodore Steven Decatur - Rob Walker<sup>2</sup>

Unofficial preliminaries - Gil Alford - moderator

Official Business - Ben Alford - President

(Break 10:20-10:40)

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<sup>1</sup> If the business is concluded before 11:30 we will proceed with the afternoon events.

<sup>2</sup>Time of the Commodore's presentation may vary depending on his schedule.

## SATURDAY - Continued

### Alford Family Forum

Pintal - Mallard rooms 1:00 - 5:00 PM Gil Alford  
(Break 2:20-2:40)

Buffet Dinner Pintal - Mallard rooms 7:00-9:30 PM

(Meal tickets required - see Treasurer at registration desk)

After dinner comments: Moderator, Gil Alford

Recognition and awards: Chairman of Board, Wick Alford  
President, Ben Alford

## SUNDAY MORNING

Registration 8:00 - 9:00 AM *Pre-function Hallway*

### Alford Family Workshop

Pintal - Mallard rooms 9:00 - 12:00<sup>3</sup>  
(Break 10:20-10:40)

## CONTINUING ACTIVITIES

Three activities will continue, off and on, throughout the three days:

**MEMORABILIA** in SHELTON ROOM Sally Stoewer and her helpers will be available to serve you during most of the period. Give them a break though and let them attend scheduled functions if they desire. Don't fail to stop here!!

**PHOTOGRAPHIC DISPLAY** Jack Kinabrew the AAFA photo archivist will have photo's, being considered for awards,

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<sup>3</sup>Depending on room size and number of members participating we may hold this workshop in the research room ( Morgan-Wilson)

displayed for your viewing. He will probably also have one board of photo's on which he needs your assistance.

**MEMBERS OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHS in SHELTON ROOM**  
AAFA official photographers Janice & John Smith will arrange with member groups for their photographs at the convenience of members and photographers.

#### **RESEARCH MATERIALS MORGAN WILSON ROOM**

Some of the material collected by the AAFA will be available for members use almost around the clock. The area will be locked when members are not available so you may need to find the moderator to get in. It is not recommended that you sacrifice any of the scheduled activities for research. The following are some of the items available:

**Genealogy for each branch represented in pre-registration**  
**Family Group Records**

State oriented data - including census (master census files from Census team will not be available this year)

Robin Sterling's work (bright green covers):

170 pages of "Alford" news clippings, including obituaries, extracted from Alabama archives microfilm ca 1940-50's

Alabama death index extracted from microfilm

Ron Head's *papers* on Alabama Alford's

Various published genealogical reference helps.

Other miscellaneous Alford data

**Copy machine will be available.**

### Audio tapes<sup>4</sup> for listening:

1. "Tracing Medical Pedigrees: A Practical Application of Genealogy" -Loni Gardner
2. "Pruning & Trimming Your Family Tree: Gene Research & The Genealogist" -Stephen M. Baird
3. "How Did They Die? Locating Death Records and Creating Medical Files" - Marsha Hoffman Rising
4. "Genetics, Genealogy, and Family Patterns" -Thomas H. Roderick
5. "Cemetery Research" - Donna Debevec Cuillard

### Video tapes for viewing:

LDS Church<sup>5</sup>: "Using a Family History Center" 15 minutes

"How to use the U.S. Census" 13 minutes

Family Historian: "Beginning Genealogy"

"Family History Center" *[not so current]*

Mary Lou Productions: "Gift of Heritage" (how to make video family history) 1 hr

Family amateur video history by Gil Alford (1987) "Jephtha M. Alford"

Previous AAFA meetings (amateur tapes by members)

1988 Atlanta, GA (fixed camera) 2½ hours Gil Alford

1989 Houston, TX -almost continuous taping

Friday Reception 1½ hours (+ some of Sat AM) Jim Alford

Saturday 6½ hours Richard Stratton

1993 St. Francisville, LA. Random segments

about 45 minutes- Pat Brock Smith

about 25 minutes- Max Alford\*

1994 Richmond, VA (about 35 minutes) Random segments, Max Alford\*

\* Both on same tape

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<sup>4</sup>Presentations made at National Genealogical Society 1995 Conference in the States- San Diego, CA. Purchased by AAFA from Repeat Performance.

<sup>5</sup>Purchased by AAFA genealogist Alicia Houston and mentioned in Friday genealogy workshop

Alabama State Representative & Host  
Paul W. and Jean Alford  
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Meeting Moderator - Gil Alford MO

Start your plans now for the 1996 meeting which will be October 11-13  
at the Ramada Inn, Springfield, MO.

And don't forget- California in 1997, October 10-12

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