# Winslow Heritage Society Newsletter

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## **Greetings from the Governor.**

**Hello Winslow Cousins!** 

It's that time of year again where we gather with family and friends to celebrate the Christmas season, share stories, and exchange gifts. Holidays are times when we continue our traditions or start new traditions. One of our family traditions my wife and I started the year we were married was to take a thin slice from the base of our fresh Christmas tree. Once it has dried, I will write a note about the most important or significate event that occurred that year. Some years there were more than one. Each Christmas season we place those cutting on our mantel while reflecting on those events with joyful and sometimes melancholy remembrances, but with an awareness of realizing how blessed we truly are. I can't say I originated this idea, my in-laws did it for several years, but discontinued the tradition once their children were out of high school. We have been consistently adding to our collection for 31 Christmases now. We have recorded milestones of our three children acknowledging their special accomplishments and activities, the addition of various pets and their passing, the passing of parents, the births of our two granddaughters and key anniversaries. I don't know what will happen to the cuttings once we complete our tradition, but I truly hope it has inspired our children to carry on, if not this tradition, a tradition of their own with their families.

Wishing you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year!

With much appreciation, Craig Failor, Governor

### What's What...

Showcase your Winslow!
Our gallery is active!

#### WINSLOW ANCESTOR GALLERY

Have a great photo or portrait of your Winslow ancestor you would like to share? Please feel free to send it with a short bio to the Society Email and we'll post it on our website.

Our gallery is active in a new tab under the History Heading entitled: "Winslow Ancestor Gallery" found on our website at www.winslowheritagesociety.org

<u>NEW!!</u> Please click on the Website <u>Membership</u> tab for articles from previous Newsletters!

The Society held their annual meeting on October 21, 2023, via Zoom. Minutes from that meeting can be found below.

A big **Welcome** to our new member(s):

Ms. Lee Thurrston Shugrue
A descendant of Kenelm

### **All things Winslow...**

Continuation of our City Series.....Did you know... there are 16 towns/cities called Winslow in the US? You can find one in each of these states: Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Maine, Missouri, Nebraska, New Jersey, North Carolina, Pennsylvaina, Tennesee, Texas, Washington, and West Virginia.

Winslow, Indiana - Information obatained from their website and Wiki.

**Winslow** is a town in Patoka Township, Pike County, in the U.S. state of Indiana. The population was 864 at the 2010 census. It is part of the Jasper Micropolitan Statistical Area.

Winslow was laid out in 1837. A post office has been in operation at Winslow since 1839. John Hathaway built a mill on the Patoka River in Winslow in the 1830s. He founded the town of Winslow in 1837 and named it after his son, William Winslow Hathaway. William Winslow Hathaway later became a justice of the peace. George Deen came here in 1838 and was a prosperous merchant and also founded the first charitable trust in the state of Indiana, the Charity Farm, for the support of widows. His trust became the model for many other trusts in the United States and the Charity Farm property remains today. Near the Charity Farm is the Dedman Cemetery where one of the fifteen Revolutionary War soldiers in Pike County is buried. The Winslow Charter of Free and Accepted Masons was established in 1861 and is still active today.

In the 1800s, Winslow was once a booming port town on the Patoka River for flat boats taking furs and goods to New Orleans. The river had a ford, and a covered bridge was built later in the 1800s. The covered bridge was torn down in the 1930s. The levee and a green iron bridge were then built.

Winslow was home to a CCC camp that worked on many projects on the river and the Pike State Forest to put men back to work after the Great Depression. That green iron bridge was torn down in the 1980s and replaced with the less scenic but more practical bridge we have today.

Winslow High School closed its doors in 1974 consolidating into Pike Central. The Winslow Eskimos were a basketball team to be reckoned with. The town of Winslow was home to Richard "Dick" Farley and the town's main bridge bears his name. Farley was a basketball player for the Winslow Eskimos and went on to play for Indiana University and the Detroit Pistons. Richard Farley died in Terre Haute, Indiana in the 1970s.

Snyders' store was very popular, and people would come from other counties to shop there. Winslow has seen a lot of businesses come and go through the coal mining years, but it is now a sleepy recreational town on the river in the middle of many state wildlife areas and close to the Patoka River National Wildlife refuge.

The town's name is part of the namesake of the Algers, Winslow and Western Railway which operates within Pike County, and passes through the community. The Algiers, Winslow and Western Railway sometimes referred to as Algers, Winslow and Western Railway (reporting mark AWW) was a Class III short-line railroad that served the surface mining operations in Pike County, Indiana. It operated approximately 19 miles of track which reached from the coal mines west of Cato south to those at Enos Corner and ran close to the Norfolk Southern Railway and Indiana Southern Railroad. It was acquired in March 2007 by Norfolk Southern, but still operating under the original company's name. Southern Railway, the predecessor of Norfolk Southern, sought to purchase AWW in 1974, but the

move was denied by the Interstate Commerce Commission which limited Southern to acquiring only 50% of the railroad. Ownership of the remaining 50% passed among various coal interests over the next 30 years, finally falling to Horizon Natural Resources.

In October 2004, Horizon went through bankruptcy and sold its interest in the railroad (along with two mines along the AWW) to Lexington Coal Company; Lexington sold it to Indiana Land and Mineral Company in September 2005, who in turn transferred it to American Metals and Coal International (AMCI) in January 2006. Norfolk Southern won approval from the Surface Transportation Board to acquire AMCI's share in AWW in March 2007, completing its takeover of the railroad.

Since late 2004, the AWW has carried no coal and only a little other traffic, mainly from a nearby industrial tie plant. Railroad workers have been laid off and are called in only as needed but plans to reopen two of the local mines may increase traffic on the line.

The railroad's name comes from the Pike County towns of Algiers (now virtually extinct) and Winslow.

Unfortuantly I was unable to find a link to the Winslow family.

Winslow, Kentucky – Information obatained from their website.

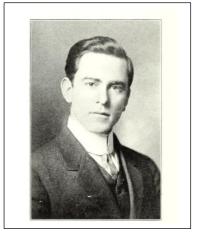
This is an unincorporated town in Boyd County, whose post office has closed. Not too much information to be found online.

# Wendy (Winslow) Leap, WHS Treasurer and descendant of Kenelm Winslow, prepared the following article...

Greetings from one the newest members of the Winslow Heritage Society! My name is Wendy Leap and am a direct descendent of Kenelm Winslow and Lifetime Mayflower Society member due to the diligent genealogy work of my late grandmother. Strong New England ties run through my father's lines going all the way back to the first step onto Plymouth Rock.

I'd like to introduce my grandfather to you, Arthur F. Winslow (1896-1979). He was a lover of history who turned his passion into a career that mirrored our United States education history. Grampa Winslow was born in Hanover, MA, just a few miles over from where the first pilgrims set foot in Plymouth. Grampa's father Henry Sumner Winslow became the blacksmith and postmaster of nearby South Duxbury, MA.

Arthur was educated in the small-town school, common throughout the nation at the turn of the last century. Arthur went on to attend Emerson College in Boston, MA. Colleges at that time were considered "secondary" schools. Arthur graduated from Emerson College in 1914 and went on to teach in a one-room schoolhouse in New Hampshire, later relocating to Martha's Vineyard, MA.



While in Martha's Vineyard, he met and married a local girl. Shortly after, he marched off to World War I. Unfortunately, his new bride died young, leaving him a very young widower. Coming home from WW

1, the young widower went back to college at Boston University. There, he met my grandmother, also a student there. They married in 1923. The newlyweds settled in Fall River, MA, where my grandfather taught at Deruff High School.

Looking for new horizons, in1929 he landed a job at Weaver High School High School located in Hartford Connecticut. He taught History and US Government at Weaver for 24 years, retiring in 1953. He continued his education and received his master's degree from the University of Maine during those years. Not one to sit back in retirement, he became a rare book dealer and specialized in Civil War materials. As a child, I remember sneaking into his office and quietly peeking at the fascinating whaling journals, books, and letters on his desk.

I am honored to serve as the new treasurer for the Winslow Heritage Society. I do so in loving memory of my grandparents, who fostered my love of history, family and faith that has lasted through the ages.

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### **Deputy Governor's Corner - Judy Quinn**

During these very busy times and end of year activities, I would like to express my gratitude to the members of the Winslow Heritage Society for your personal interest in preserving history by documenting your ancestors. I am extending an invitation to all of you to take a moment to share your Winslow lineages (papers, pictures, mementos, what every you have) with the rest of us. We are all interested in your families and how they connect to our families.

What about your DNA discoveries? Have you connected with any folks you had no idea you were related to - even if they are not a Winslow? We'd love to hear all about your genealogical journeys. Please think about sharing your research with us.

Wishing you all Happy Holidays and a Great New Year! Judy

Other News...

A Special Welcome and Thank You to... Wendy Leap our newest WHS Treasurer!

**Contact information changing?** If you have moved or changed your email address or phone number, please drop a line to Bruce Fensley, Secretary at <a href="mailto:b0408fensley@gmail.com">b0408fensley@gmail.com</a>.

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### VACANCY...VACANCY...VACANCY...

Anyone interested in joining in the fun? We have some openings....

- Fundraising Chair
- Newsletter Editor
- Education and Research Chair

Contact us at Winslowheritagesociety1@gmail.com

Have any stories or articles for future Newsletters? If so, please forward, in Word, to our email address.

We would love to feature your Winslow Connection in a future newsletter. Send your lineage information and a couple of photos to the Society email. *Best as a Word document.* 

Email: Winslowheritagesociety1@gmail.com

Website: https://www.winslowheritagesociety.org

Facebook: @winslow.heritage.society

# The Winslow Heritage Society 2023 Annual Meeting Minutes – October 21, 2023

**GSMD Family Society Member** 



Conducted by ZOOM Meeting 1:00 PM – 1:40 PM CST

#### Call to order -

The 10th annual meeting of the Winslow Heritage Society was called to order by Governor, Craig Failor, on October 21, 2023, at 1:00 pm CST.

#### I **Invocation** - None

#### II **Attendance –** Governor Failor

Members present: Craig Failor, Judy Quinn, Wendy Leap and John Ruffing.

2022 WHS Annual Meeting Minutes: Judy Quinn made a motion to approve the minutes. Wendy Leap seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

#### WHS Officers Through 2022 – 2024

Governor – Craig Failor
Deputy Governor - Judy Quinn
Secretary - Bruce Fensley
Treasurer – Wendy Leap
Historian/Genealogist – John White
Chaplain, - Betty Mapes

#### **Board of Assistants**

Nominations Committee – Judy Quinn/Bruce Fensley
DNA Committee – Judy Quinn
Finance – Wendy Leap
Fundraiser -Vacant
Webmaster – Judy Quinn
By-Laws Committee – Judy Quinn
Junior Membership – Vacant

Newsletter – Craig Failor Nominations – Judy Quinn & Bruce Fensley Education/Research – Ruth Major Membership – **Vacant** Shopkeeper – Jan Hunold

- III **Minutes of the October 2, 2022**, WHS Annual Teleconference Meeting were distributed with the 2023 WHS Annual Meeting Notice.
- IV Treasurer's Report Governor Failor

2023 Treasurer's Report was presented as follows:

2023 Meeting - Account Balance

**\$ 7, 664.07** 

#### VI Secretary's Report, Governor Failor

WHS currently has 80 Adult members, and 8 Junior members for a total number of 88 Members.

Total Adult membership consists of:

- 62 Lifetime Members
- 18 Regular Members.

Adult Membership Breakdown by Ancestor:

Edward Winslow- 1

Josiah Winslow - 8

John Winslow - 20

Kenelm Winslow – 45

James Chilton – 1

William White - 2

John Howland - 1

Susanna Jackson White Winslow - 1

GSMD Member (not Winslow) -1

#### Total # 8 Junior Members

Junior Membership Breakdown:

Kenelm Winslow - 8

#### Total # 88 Members

We welcome the 2 New WHS Members who have joined us since our 2022 Annual Meeting.

Terry K. Johnson – 7/2023

John E. Ruffing – 8/2023

We welcome all of our new WHS members and look forward to your active involvement in the Winslow Heritage Society and sharing our common heritage. Many of our new members discovered the Winslow Heritage Society through our Website and our Facebook page. We continue to encourage all WHS members, who are also members of other genealogical societies, to inform members of those other societies, about the Winslow Heritage Society and encourage them to join us, if they are of Winslow ancestry.

<u>Please remember to send any changes to your: mailing address, email address, or phone number to Bruce Fensley, b0408fensley@gmail.com.</u>

We maintain a complete list of our WHS members with their contact information. This information is kept strictly private and will not be released or shared without approval of the Governor. If we don't have your current correct contact information in our members' file, we will not be able to send you important WHS information.

#### VII Historian/Genealogist Report, - None

#### VIII Nominating Committee, Judy Quinn - Bruce Fensley

#### **Nominations:**

The nominating committee submitted the name of WHS Charter Member Ruth Major for the chair of the Education and Research Committee (2022 - 2024).

A Motion was made from the floor by Judy Quinn and seconded by Wendy Leap for discussion and a vote. Having no discussion, a vote was taken with all attendees. The vote was a unanimous Yes by all attendees.

We currently have chair vacancies for the: **Membership Committee, Fundraiser, Membership, Junior Membership.** Anyone interested or willing to fill any of these vacancies, please contact Judy Quinn (judyq47@yahoo.com) or Bruce Fensley b0408fensley@gmail.com).

#### IX Committee Updates:

- a. Education / Research Committee No Report
- **b. Juniors Committee** No Report
- **c.** Newsletter Craig Failor

Craig announced that he was working on a draft of the WHS Newsletter that will be published in Mid- December.

- d. Shopkeeper No Report
- e. Webmaster Report Judy Quinn

In January 2022 we created a new 'member participation' web page entitled "Winslow Ancestor Gallery" where we are featuring actual photos of members' Winslow ancestors. Thus far we have included the three following descendants of Kenelm: 1.) Elmina (Kingsley) Winslow circa. 1850, who is the ancestor of Governor Craig Failor, 2.) Eva and Ella Winslow circa. 1900, Eva being the grandmother of former Governor, Kathy Myers; and 3.) George Herbert Winslow circa. 1860, the great great-grandfather of member Sondra Harper. The "Winslow Ancestor Gallery" is located under the History Tab.

We want to encourage all other members to send in photos of their Winslow ancestor for inclusion in the gallery. If you don't have a photo, perhaps you have a receipt or a picture of an object or home belonging to your Winslow ancestor. The more we all share – the more we will all learn about our Winslow heritage.

In this year 2023, we have created "Articles by Members" to highlight articles written by our members and to be able to locate them by author. This will eliminate having to dig through the archives to

search for articles. Each author will have their own Tab. We started this off with Ruth Major, who has written articles for the newsletter.

"Articles by Members" is located under the Membership Tab.

Any other authors who have written an article for the newsletter can send a copy including pictures in pdf format to Craig Failor.

Anyone having suggestions or recommendations that would make the WHS website more interactive, interesting, attractive, informative, or easier to use, please contact Craig Failor at Winslowheritagesociety1@gmail.com

#### f. DNA Committee Report Oct 2, 2022- Judy Quinn

Raymond Wing continues as the Winslow DNA project administrator, Judy Quinn and Craig Failor continue as the co-administrators. The project membership has increased from 148 to 178 since this time last year. We encourage all members who have DNA tested to upload their data to the Family Tree DNA website in order to participate in the research.

Any questions regarding this process or the Winslow Project, can be directed to Raymond Wing at MayflowerDNA1620@gmail.com.

#### g. Social Media - Craig Failor

**Facebook** - We currently have 614 "followers" of the WHS Facebook Page. As members, please visit Facebook to view all the posts and be sure to **Follow** and **Like**.

**Twitter** – this social media opportunity has been deleted.

#### X. New Business - None

#### XII. Old Business- None

#### XIII. The Benediction- None

#### XIV Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Judy Quinn and <u>seconded</u> by John Ruffing. The motion was approved by those attending the meeting.

Governor Craig Failor adjourned the meeting at 1:40 PM CST.

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# CHRISTMAS







CANDY CANE
CARDS
CAROLERS
CHIMNEY
COOKIES
DECEMBER
ELVES
GARLAND

GIFTS
HOLLY
LIGHTS
MANGER
MISTLETOE
ORNAMENTS
PRESENTS
REINDEER

RUDOLPH SANTA SLEIGH SNOWMAN STOCKING TINSEL TREE WREATH

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