
FALES FAMILY ASSOCIATION NEWS

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President's Message

Allen Fales

Elsewhere in this issue are the minutes of our 2001 biennial reunion meeting of the FFA. We believe that meeting has led to a rejuvenation of enthusiasm for our organization. One might have noticed a touch of pessimism in our last issue, as several of us voiced our frustration with a heavy workload resulting from our commitments to the association. But our March 3 meeting was exciting, productive, and rewarding.

Thanks to Don and Kay Fales, and Jane Roney, who put together all the details for the Wellesley Inn, the lunch, and the meeting places. Plans were to locate as close to Orlando as possible to allow attendees to combine the

reunion and the pleasures of Orlando. This worked well for Kevin Fales and Betty Jean who took advantage of our great discount rate at the Inn to see the town.

In the fall of 2000 we asked John T. Fales, who has been a mainstay of the association since its beginning, and who has served often as nominating committee chairman, to continue that responsibility and present a slate of officers at the March 3 meeting. John did a superb job of enlisting help and shifting responsibilities to equalize the workload of administering the association. He arranged for the newsletter job to be split among three individuals and for the membership job to be lifted from Jane Roney and redistributed. The end result is shown in the minutes of the meeting. We believe this new slate, which involves several new persons, and some youth where it has been much needed, will be much more effective for the association. As a result, the slate you see in the minutes was elected by the attending membership.

Our thanks go to John T., first for his great job as nominating chair, and second for agreeing to be Vice-President and Historian, to Scott Fales for agreeing to put the newsletter together, to Bill Fales for maintaining the mailing list, to Jerry Bloom for accepting the secretary's job and also the distribution responsibilities for the newsletter, to Kevin for taking on the membership job, and of course our thanks to Jane Roney who continues as treasurer. We now have four new persons involved in administering the association, all of whom are of a younger generation. We look forward to a rejuvenation of the association and continued expansion of knowledge of the Fales Family.

However, not all is perfect. We need a considerable expansion of membership, both in numbers, and in location. We would like to see satellite chapters across the states. We continue to need younger members. We need a web page to encourage all of these just noted. We are confident that in time, all of this will happen.

All of the above took place during our morning meeting at 11am along with the usual sharing of Fales

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Family information, and the usual good natured chatter that results from such gatherings. But even before that, member Jim Fales treated us to a superb presentation of the uses and applications of the digital camera via computer. Jim is Director of the Center of Automatic Identification, Ohio University, in Athens, Ohio (please see FFAN, Vol. 5, #2, Nov. 1999, page 5). Then following the official meeting and lunch, Jim spent the rest of the afternoon answering computer questions and explaining specific techniques common to genealogy work. We were pleased and honored to have the assistance of an expert.

Looking forward to the next two years, and the reunion of 2003, we all might "chip in" and assist our new officers and committee chairmen as much as possible. Timely address changes to Kevin are critical! "Ready to print" copy for the newsletter is necessary! Prompt dues payment to Jane is helpful! Keeping John T. updated on our genealogies is rewarding! Attendance at the reunions is a must for meeting other Fales, and encouraging to all of us. Let's make the FFA "The place to be in 2003".

- Allen

COME SPRING **by Ben Ames Williams**

Jane Fales Roney

In the November 1988 issue (Vol. VI, No. 4), of *The Fales Family Bulletin*, John Thomas Fales shared with us his visit to Union, Maine. John said, "We wanted to see Union because we had read a book, ***Come Spring*** by Ben Ames Williams, and had been captivated by his story of the beginnings of the town and by the brave, strong people who built it. Some of them were named Fales."

John's story stimulated the interest of many in the Fales Family Association who have since read the wonderfully written book fictionalizing the lives of very real people who, in 1774, actually settled the area now known as Union, Maine. Joe and Betty Fales and the late Harold Fales of our FFA knew both the area and the book. They gave enthusiastic endorsement to the book some years ago during one of our FFA reunions.

In our 1999 Reunion/Meeting, our FFA voted to purchase this historical fiction, making it a part of our FFA library. For a while the book was out of print;

and we were on backorder for many months. Finally at our March 2001 reunion/meeting we were able to announce our purchase of this enduring classic.

More and more of our Fales family are "falling in love" with this book and want to make it a part of their personal libraries. Again quoting John Thomas Fales' story, "We found ***Come Spring*** to be a wonderful novel, all the more so because of the involvement of the Fales family with the story. Read it if you can find a copy!"

FFA EXTENDS CONDOLENCE TO THE FAMILY OF FRANCES ANNE FALES

From the May 12 issue of the *Orlando Sentinel*, we quote:

"FRANCES ANNE FALES, 81, South Atlantic Avenue, Daytona Beach Shores, died Wednesday, May 9. Ms. Fales was a schoolteacher. Born in Holliston, Mass., she moved to Central Florida in 1956. She was a member of Retired Teacher Association and Veterans of Foreign Wars. She was a member of Sanlando United Methodist Church. She was an Army veteran of World War II. Survivors: sisters, Betty Sibley, Brewster, Mass., Helen Brydon, Mashpee, Mass., Ira Taylor, Casselberry; brother, Frank, Daytona Beach Shores. Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home, Altamonte Springs."

A memorial service was held on Saturday, May 12 at Sanlando United Methodist Church, Longwood, FL.

Also among survivors are a nephew, Dee Jay Taylor of Logan, Utah, one of our FFA members, and his sister, Marian Tuttle of Casselberry, FL, who has expressed interest in FFA membership.

Frances and her sister, Ina Taylor, were with us at our 1986, 1988 (founding meeting of FFA) and 1992 Reunions, sometimes accompanied by nieces and nephews. It was Frances who shared with us *The Little Red Book of Fred Lincoln Fales*, her grandfather. The genealogy of her family as found in this little book, as well as numerous pictures of her ancestors, was published in four parts in *The Fales Family Bulletin* (Vol. IV, #3 & #4, Vol. V, #1 & #2).

Meet Kevin and Don

Jane Fales Roney

Spreading responsibilities and involving more FFA members has been a goal we are now beginning to achieve. Two very capable Fales have stepped forward to succeed me in key posts of responsibility within our association.

Kevin Fales, assisted by his wife, **Betty Jean Piccola**, has assumed the duties of **Membership Secretary**. Kevin and Betty Jean have been long-time FFA members and in March of this year were able to attend our biannual reunion/meeting. All matters concerning your FFA membership should be addressed to them at:
248 – 33 Thebes Avenue
Little Neck, NY 11363
(email: kfales@nyc.rr.com).

Don MacDonald will manage all orders for back issues of *The Fales Family Bulletin*. A newer member of our Association, Don also was with us at our March reunion/meeting. He has been assisting John T. Fales with inputting data into John's vast Fales data bank. Don has stepped forward to assume responsibility for the FFBs. Orders for back issues should be addressed to him at:
PO Box 550
Keystone Heights, FL 32656
(email: donmacd@attglobal.net).

As I relinquish these responsibilities, I express genuine appreciation for all of you. Six years ago we began collecting membership dues. Together we have built a membership base, records, and a directory. All of this was accomplished under the guidance of and with the constant support of Allen Fales, our dedicated President since the formation of FFA in 1988. The most enjoyable thing for me has been the contact with so many of you, getting to know you as individual cousins and as my good friends. How gratifying to know that Kevin and Don are willing and well qualified to move forward in these areas.

NEWS OF MEMBERS

Substantial changes are taking place in the Vermont Fales family of FFA President Allen and Kay Fales, all of them good. Shown in chronological order are the following events:

On April 24, Allen & Kay's son Robert (Bob) began a new position in Harmony, NJ, as business manager for a Christian book publishing company. Bob and Demetra are expected to live nearby in eastern Pennsylvania.

On April 29, daughter Susan Kachmar graduated with a BS degree from Empire College, a branch of the State University of New York. Susan majored in Business Management & Economics, and will soon be starting a second career. Attending besides proud parents, were husband Wayne, son Tim, and grandson Cameron.

On May 12, Allen & Kay's grandson Jonathan (Bob & Demetra's son) graduated from Geneva College with a BS in Electrical Engineering and a 4.0 average. Having completed his studies early, Jonathan has been employed by IBM-Burlington VT since January as Memory Development Engineer. We also note the graduation in the same class as Jonathan, of his fiancée Rachel Putnam, also a 4.0 student, with a BS in Chemistry. Attending were Jonathan's parents, sibling twins Lisa and Daniel, and of course, grandparents.

Then, on June 16, 2001, Jonathan and Rachel were married at Rachel's church in Annapolis, MD. They will reside in the house in South Burlington, VT recently vacated by parents Bob and Demetra. The whole family was present for this event.

Allen and Kay extend heartfelt congratulations in all of these life-altering events: to those beginning a new life's work, to those who have worked so hard for college degrees and to the newlyweds.

LIBRARIES HOLDING

FFB & FFAN

Allen Fales

All members are advised that current and back issues of The Fales Family Bulletin, and The Fales Family Association News are available in the following libraries (exception: FFB may not be in the Allen County Public Library, or the Orlando Public Library, as they are both recent additions.)

Family History Library
35 North West Temple 0399480
Salt Lake City, UT 84150

State Historical Society, Wisconsin
816 State Street
Madison, WI 53706

United States Library of Congress
10 First Street, SE
Washington, DC 20540

Allen County Public Library
Attn: Steven W. Myers
P.O. Box 2270
Fort Wayne, IN 46801-2270

New England Historic & Genealogical Library
Tech. Services Librarian
101 Newbury Street
Boston, MA 02116-3007

National Society DAR Library
1776 D. Street, NW
Washington, DC 20006

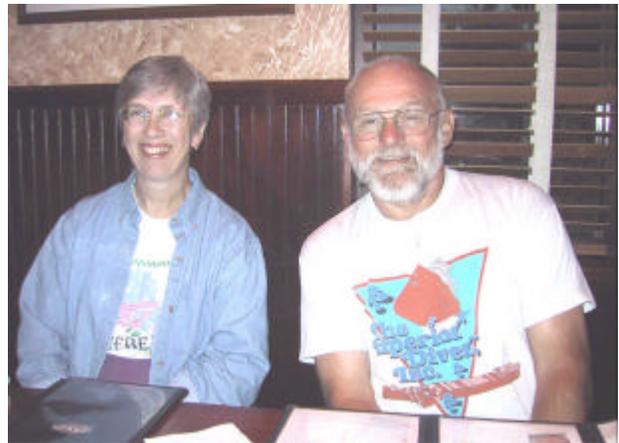
New York Public Library
Mid Manhattan Library
455 5th Avenue
New York, NY 10016

Dedham Historical Library
P.O. Box 215
Dedham, MA 02027-0215

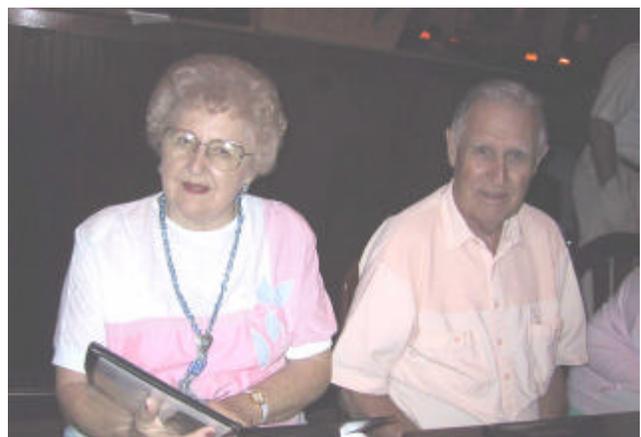
Genealogy Department
Orlando Public Library
101 East Central Blvd.
Orlando, FL 32801



Ruth and Richard Fales



Jerry & Bernie Bloom



Kay & Allen Fales



Left to Right. **Front Row:** Kevin Fales, Betty Jean Piccola, Bob Roney. **Middle Row:** Sharon Fales, Kay F. Fales, Jerry Bloom, Ruth Fales, Dorothy Fales, John T. Fales, Stephanie Crapps, Jane Roney, Carol Crapps. **Back Row:** Jim Fales, Richard Fales, Bernard Bloom, Don Fales, Don MacDonald, Allen Fales, Kay S. Fales, Bill Marsh.



Bob & Jane Roney



Dot & John Fales



Sharon & Jim Fales



Betty Jean and Kevin Fales



Carol & Stephanie Crapps, Jane Roney

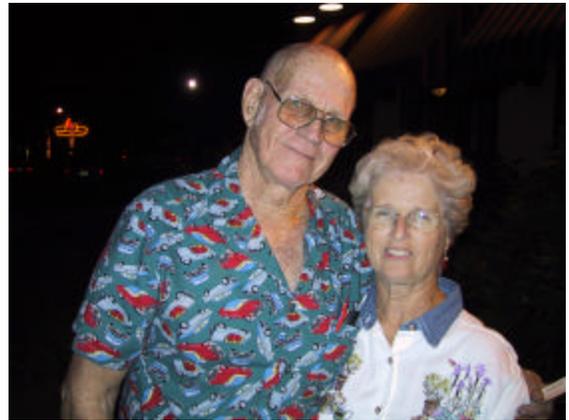
2001 FFA Reunion Attendees

FFA Members

Bernard & Jerry Bloom
Allen & Kay S. Fales
Don & Kay F. Fales
Jim & Sharon Fales
John & Dorothy Fales
Kevin Fales & Betty Jean Piccola
Richard & Ruth Fales
Don MacDonald
Bill Marsh
Bob and Jane Roney

Guests

Carol Roney Crapps
Stephanie Crapps



Don & Kay Fales

FALES FAMILY ASSOCIATION BI-ANNUAL MEETING

MARCH 3, 2001

Wellesley, Inn - Maitland, Florida

Attendance: 22 Fales descendants and spouses

Just prior to the opening of the meeting, there was a brief presentation from James F. Fales and an explanation of his school, Ohio University, where he is professor of Industrial Technology. He first gave a visual remembrance of the previous evening's dinner party with the various Fales families attending, by way of a combination slide show/video. It demonstrated some of the techniques one can use with a digital camera and PowerPoint software (or similar type application). It was a repeat performance of the one given in the morning during his very informative workshop of computer uses in genealogical research and record keeping and general techniques of using various software. Next, he described how Ohio University became the first college since the original thirteen colonies, founded in Athens, Ohio as American Western University in 1804. Jane Roney recommended the "Dollarhyde Book of Migration" which describes similar narration.

President Allen Fales called the bi-annual meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. Reading of the minutes of the past meeting of March 6, 1999 at the Holiday Inn in Dundee, FL were waived, as they were published in the last newsletter publication. John T. Fales made a motion they be accepted as written. Kevin Fales seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Treasurer's Report

Jane Roney, FFA treasurer, provided her forth quarter financial report indicating the balance of funds on hand as of December 31, 2000 was \$944.46. To date, receipts of reunion fees and two new members in 2001, minus one disbursement of annual Federation Dues of \$35, gives the association a current balance on hand as of March 2, 2001 of \$1154.46. On the recap of year 2000 expenses, there were receipts totaling \$305.15 and disbursements of \$255.69. This gave us a \$49.46 surplus for the year.

As there was only one issue of the FFA newsletter this past year and two additional members on the rolls, we are experiencing a healthy balance. Discussion was offered by Jane to consider waiving dues for the current year to allow the funds to reduce. After much conversation, it was decided to collect 2001 dues as it has been done previously. Depending of the number of newsletters published, changes in officers posts and potential fluctuation of number of membership, it was felt it would better serve the organization to keep a healthy reserve of funds for potential contributions to genealogical research facilities, organizations and potential web-site costs.

A comparative table was distributed showing the membership numbers for past five years. It showed that the renewal rate has been fairly consistent as well as the "active" membership count. The "Inactive" category showed the greatest change. The membership dues each year cover the costs of publishing approximately three issues per year as well as the Federation dues and miscellaneous mailing and supplies cost. The balance of funds in the Orlando Credit Union account was decided to be kept at that level as it give the flexibility to use for special projects. Jane indicated the Orlando Credit Union was a "no interest account" because it was linked to her personal social security number and she didn't want it to be necessary to report on here personal income tax. Jerry Bloom suggested checking into changing the account using the FFA state ID number or the FEIN to allow it to stand alone and therefore allowed to be set up as an interest-bearing account.

Jane expressed her regrets in announcing her desire to step-down from her responsibilities of treasurer/membership secretary. She enjoyed being involved with the "meat" of the organization for these many years, but needs to direct more of her energies at home. She announced that Kevin and Betty Jean Fales have volunteered to take over the membership responsibilities, if accepted by the upcoming vote of members present. They will get the details from Jane following the meeting.

New Business

William Marsh presented a list of names of Fales located in Vermont. His family comes from that area, and his genealogy research came up with a list that he wanted to give others through FFA. He was encouraged to do contacts himself with his list and submit the results to Allen and John T. Fales for inclusion into the master file. John T. Fales

indicated he was looking channeling his energies into inputting names and details of those he already has and not soliciting any new information at this time.

Nominating Committee Report

John T. Fales presented the slate of officers from the Nomination Committee. He indicated there would be a splitting of responsibilities from Jane Roney and Allen Fales, making a separate position for Membership Secretary.

The slate presented was:

- President - Allen Fales
- Vice President - John T. Fales
- Treasurer - Jane Roney
- Membership Secretary - Kevin Fales
- Recording Secretary - Jerry Bloom
- Publisher - Scott Fales
- Genealogist - John T. Fales

The slate was approved by Don Fales and seconded by Richard Fales. Membership vote was unanimous.

Genealogist Report

John T. Fales said this is the year he was getting "back into focus". His primary task is to take all the information from over 5000 names he already has compiled and the 1000 or so additional names and create an output hard copy and/or disk from his master file. He anticipates it will take another year to complete using his PAF file. In between that task, he will be responding to received e-mail and regular mail inquiries and report back often. A lengthy discussion was made concerning the output publication of the FFA, There was concern about what to do about living persons' information being included, as the potential of this information being made available in public places like libraries and other genealogical sources. John brought his complete index and complete genealogical details from his PAF 3.0 to this meeting. He made it available to all present.

Next, a web page and web-site setup was discussed. It was the consensus of all present that it would be good to do, but what and when was unsettled. Some of the categories discussed were: history/genealogy generalities of the association, application, copies of latest newsletters, research file. Jim Fales suggested we approach his son, Scott to establish the web-site. It was decided to put action on hold for the time being until we learn whether he would be willing to do the set up and then monitor the site. No time frame was mentioned as to when this would happen.

Jane inquired as to what should be done with general genealogy questions. Who should be the person who answers the inquiries and what do we do with the information derived from the inquiries. It was decided to refer all these types of correspondence to John Thomas Fales.

New Business:

James Fales asked the group to assemble after lunch for a group photo. Don Fales advised all present to take several of the special FFA note pads provided. Next reunion date was set for March 2003 with Don Fales again to be chairperson for setting it up. Thanks were given to him for the great facilities and accommodations provided through the Wellesley Inn.

Jane Roney reminded all that the "Come Spring" book that was purchased for the FFA library was on the display table for anyone to see.

Lunch to follow the business meeting was organized by Jane's daughter. Sub sandwiches, traditional Fales cake, cookies, soda, and tea were served.

Motion to adjourn was made by Richard Fales, seconded by Kevin Fales and all agreed. Meeting was concluded at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerry Bloom, acting secretary

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
FALES FAMILY ASSOCIATION
 October 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000

<u>Balance on hand, October 1, 2000</u>	\$1113.69
<u>Receipts</u>	
None	<u>0.00</u>
<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<u>Total Available Cash</u>	\$1113.69
<u>Disbursements</u>	
Ck. #1027 Barnes & Noble (Book-Come Spring)	26.45
Ck. #1028 Allen R. Fales (Postage, Copying & Phone)	92.07
Ck. #1029 Void	0.00
Ck. #1030 Jane F. Roney (Postage, Copying, Supplies & Phone)	<u>50.71</u>
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>169.23</u>
<u>Balance on hand, December 31, 2000</u>	\$944.46

Jane Fales Roney, Treasurer
Fales Family Association

RECAP OF YEAR 2000 EXPENSES

<i>Receipts</i>	
Yr. 2000 Mbr. Dues	240.00
Donations	20.00
FFB's & Copies	<u>45.15</u>
Total Receipts	305.15
<i>Disbursements</i>	
Copies, Supplies, Postage & Phone	194.24
Federation Dues	35.00
Book Purchase (Come Spring)	<u>26.45</u>
Total Disbursements	255.69
Income Derived in Year 2000	49.46

FALES FAMILY ASSOCIATION

in the United States of America

PURPOSE

The Fales Family Association in the United States of America is dedicated to preserving the history of the **FALES** family and the descendants of James and Ann (Brock) Fales.

The Association endeavors to:

- (1) Identify and unite descendants of James Fales who was accepted as a Townsman at Dedham, MA on January 1, 1655.
- (2) Share and assist with Fales genealogy and genealogies of allied families.
- (3) Disseminate family data - births, deaths, marriages, etc.

HISTORY AND STRUCTURE

The Fales Family Association in the United States of America was formed March 13, 1988 at the Fales Family Reunion in Longwood, Florida. A small group began getting together in 1982 and gradually expanded into the nucleus which formed the Association in 1988.

The Association is rather loosely structured and is staffed by elected officers and appointed chairpersons. Fales Family Association in the United States of America is a member of the Federation of Genealogical Societies.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership is open to all persons interested in the genealogy of James Fales and allied families.

Since 1995 membership has been by annual dues, which is currently \$10 and includes all of a family who reside at a given residence address. Requests for Membership Application should be addressed to:

Kevin Fales, Membership Secretary
Fales Family Association
248 – 33 Thebes Avenue
Little Neck, NY 11363
phone: (718) 224-4225
e-mail: kfales@nyc.rr.com

MEETINGS

A biannual meeting/reunion is held in odd-numbered years, usually in Florida on a weekend during the month of March (this season provides an opportunity to include FALES who are wintering, or would like to enjoy a winter vacation, in Florida) In this way, many, many Fales from across our country have become acquainted, discovered cousins, and had a great deal of fun and fellowship together.

PUBLICATION

FFA membership includes a subscription to *Fales Family Association News*, published randomly. From 1995-2000 it was published by Allen R. Fales, President, and Kay S. Fales, Vice-President. Currently, it is published by member Scott F. Fales. FFAN is the successor to the *Fales Family Bulletin* (FFB) published by John Thomas Fales from November 1982 through November 1993.

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**FALES FAMILY ASSOCIATION
In the United States of America**

Initial Membership Application

Date of Application: _____

MY NAME _____
(Ladies: Please include maiden name)

MY SPOUSE _____
(Please include maiden name of ladies)
(If spouse is deceased, please check here: _____)

NAME OF MY FALES ANCESTOR FROM WHOM I DESCEND: _____

MY MAILING ADDRESS: _____

_____ ZIP _____ + _____

MY PHONES:
Residence (_____) _____ - _____ Business (_____) _____ - _____

MY E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

OTHER RELATED ADULTS AND CHILDREN RESIDING AT THIS MAILING ADDRESS:
(All children and adults residing at the member's address are recognized as a part of the Association.)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RELATIONSHIP</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

If this is a gift membership: please indicate name of donor _____

To whom should renewal notice be sent? _____

Annual Dues (Jan. - Dec.) per mailing address: \$10.00
(Includes subscription to Fales Family Association News.)

Make check payable to *Fales Family Association* and mail with application to:

Kevin Fales, Membership Secretary
248 - 33 Thebes Avenue
Little Neck, NY 11363

Phone (718) 224-4225 e-mail: kfales@nyc.rr.com

THANK YOU JANE!

Our thanks must go to Jane Roney for her many hours and skills maintaining our membership records as she passes this work on to others.

Any of you who have corresponded with her know the devotion she directed to this job, and the care that she exhibited. We know she wrote many individual letters to be sure names and addresses were correct, and updated as changes came.

As the sole keeper of the membership records we counted on her to supply the most up to date mailing list, and she did just that. If mistakes occurred they were somewhere else in the production chain. Jane did this excellent job while also serving as the association treasurer, a responsibility she will continue with her usual efficiency.

Thank you, Jane!

Welcome to our New Members!

Kevin Fales

(since last issue of FFA News)

Doyle and Eunice Menefee
Kennedale, TX

E. Vern and Kay A. Fales
Cody, Wy

Don and Marguerite Ethel (Hagan) MacDonald
Keystone Heights, FL

Fred and Martha Young Engle
Ventura, CA

Janet Fales Eye
Hockessin, DE

Ruth Ann and Lester Overfelt
Westminster, CO

John C. and Linda A. Churchward
Fort Wayne, IN

Return Address
Street Number and Name
City, State 98765-4321

BUILD RATE
US POSTAGE
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PERMIT NO.
98765

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