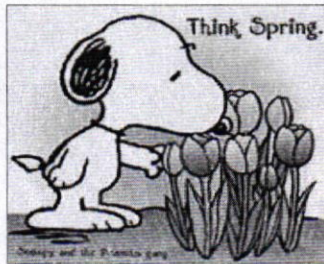


# NEWSLETTER

THE MEMORIAL SOCIETY OF RHODE  
119 Kenyon Avenue  
East Greenwich, R. I. 02818

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# SPRING 1985

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Polly Harrison\*, President 781-1712; William Grande, Vice President 944-6430; Shirley Jacob\*, Corresponding Secretary 294-3749; George Felbeck, Recording Secretary 783-5798; Muriel Flood, Treasurer 297-3789; Ralph Galen\*, Dorothy Williams 789-0543; Emily McAllister 783-4208; Carolin Goldman 884-7875. (\*Terms end in June)



ANNUAL MEETING  
Thursday, June 6, 1985  
7:30 p.m.  
Westminster Unitarian Church  
Fellowship Hall

#### Program:

1. "It's Your Choice" - A slide presentation from the Continental Association of Funeral and Memorial Societies.
2. "Living Will Legislation" Its status at the Statehouse" Mr. William Grande - Vice-president and Registered Lobbyist for the Society.
3. Report from the Convention of the New England Memorial Societies held April 13 in Portland, ME. - Mrs. Emily McAllister, Board Member of the Society.
4. Workshop on the Federal Trade Commission Funeral Rule: How to Find Out How the Rule Is Doing in Rhode Island.
5. Business Meeting
  - a. Minutes of the Annual Meeting in 1984.
  - b. Treasurer's Report
  - c. President's Report
  - d. Election of Board Members

#### Slate of Nominees:

Miss Polly Harrison	1988
Mrs. Shirley Jacob	1988
Rev. Ralph Galen	1988

6. Refreshments

#### PUBLICITY

The passage of the Funeral Practices Rule has generated considerable interest in funeral practices and prices and in the memorial society - alternative to high funeral costs. That heightened interest has resulted in increased publicity for the MSRI.

On May 10, 1984, Board member Carolin Goldman spoke to a group at the Tiverton Senior Citizens Center. On the 22nd of that month, she spoke to a meeting of the East Greenwich Lions.

On October 9, Polly Harrison, MSRI President, was a guest on the Tuesday Night Topics show on Channel 36 TV, along with Federal Trade Commission director Phoebe Snow and State Funeral Directors' Association President, Earl Tucker. Taped excerpts from the half hour live show were played over WPRO radio as well.

On October 10, Carolin Goldman was a guest on the Steve Kass' Talk Show on WPRO-AM radio.



#### NEW BOARD MEMBER

We are pleased to welcome Rev. Ralph Galen, Associate Minister of First Unitarian Church in Providence to service on the Memorial Society Board. Ralph will fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Anne Wise.

Our thanks go to Anne for her years of support and service to the Society. Her advice and insights will be missed at the Board meeting.