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NOTICE! 1975 ANNUAL MEETING IN BEDFORD, MASS.

DATE:

Saturday, June 28, 1975

PLACE:

Bedford Free Public Library
Mudge Way, Bedford, Massachusetts

LUNCHEON:

Catered Luncheon
\$2.50 each, payable in advance
Children 12 and under, \$1.25 each,
payable in advance.

TIME:

10:30 A.M.
Gathering-Coffee and doughnuts
will be available. Let's make
that a more important part of the
day.
12 Noon
Lunch
1:00 P.M.
Annual Business Meeting
Election of Officers
Any other necessary business
2:00 P.M.
Entertainment-Bicentennial Theme

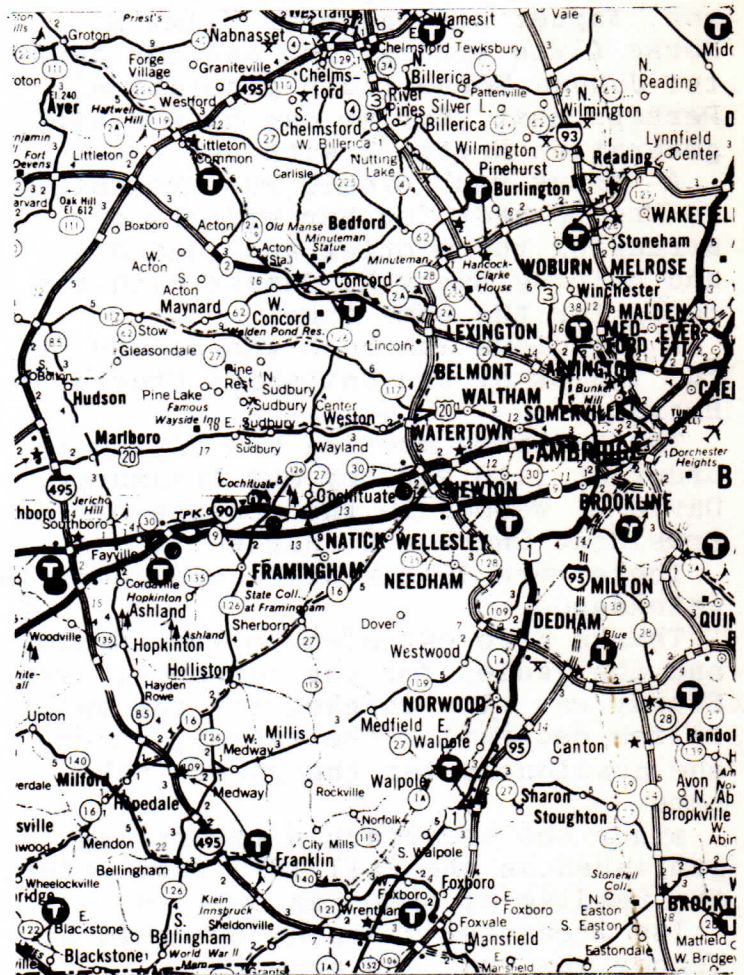
RESERVATIONS:

To be made with payment not later
than June 20, 1975, to Nancy Hart-
well Duncan, 394 North Rd., Bedford,
Massachusetts 01730
(Note: If you have not been to a re-
union recently, please let Nancy know
the name of your Father/Mother, Grand-
father/Grandmother-Hartwell line).

DIRECTIONS:

DRIVING 90, 2, 93, 95, 1, 3, 9, 24,
to Route 128. Route 128 to Exit 44W
(Route 4, 225) Routes 4, 225 to Bed-
ford.

PUBLIC from Boston take MBTA to Ar-
lington Heights--then--MBTA bus (hour-
ly--twenty minutes past the hour) to
Bedford center.



Library is on Mudge Way--second left
beyond the Common in Bedford Center.

MOTELS:

IN BEDFORD

Arrowhead Motor Inn, 340 Great Road,
1/2 mile N.W. on 4, 225, 3/4 mile W.
of 128 exit 44W. Telephone (617) 275-
6700.

Bedford Travelodge, 285 Great Road,
1/2 mile S.E. on 4, 225, 3/4 mile W.
of 128 exit 44W. Telephone (617) 275-
6120.

IN LEXINGTON

Chalet Motor Lodge, 440 Bedford St.,
1/4 mile N.W. of 128 on Rts. 4, 225.
Telephone (617) 861-0850

MINUTES OF 1974 MEETING

The 37th annual meeting of the Hartwells of America was held in Fellowship Hall, Harvard, Massachusetts on June 29, 1974, commencing at 10:30 A.M.

All Hartwells present received name tags with their ancestors traced back to William Hartwell.

A note of interest: William G. Hartwell of Maine (11th generation from William) brought his wife and son, Wayne; his daughter Wilma H. Morse (12th generation) and her daughter Johnna Morse (13th generation). Perhaps next year we can have a 14th generation Hartwell with us.

A "thank you" orchid was presented to Mrs. Sturdy for her efforts in arranging the meeting and luncheon and helping Nancy H. Duncan with the facts for the name tags.

A delicious luncheon was served by the ladies of the Unitarian Church of Harvard.

The business meeting was called to order at 1:10 P.M. by our Treasurer, David H. Webber in the absence of the President Charles H. Hartwell.

There were 49 Hartwells and guest in attendance.

Thanks were extended to Mrs. Sturdy and the ladies for the luncheon. Mrs. Sturdy was also thanked for the water-lilies decorating the tables, which she graciously let the guests take home.

since the secretary's report was published in the Fall 1973 Newsletter, the reading of same was omitted.

The Treasurer's Report by David H. Webber was read and accepted.

Prizes and applause were given to the following:

Youngest Member Present:

Anthony Hartwell Williams, 9 mos.

Oldest Lady Present:

Winnifred Sturdy

Oldest Gentlemen Present:

Warren W. Hartwell

Member coming longest distance:

Myrtle Hartwell Hansen, Richmond, Indiana.

Mrs. Sturdy said she had received the record books from Mrs. Goodnow, whose husband had been Recording Secretary for 4 years prior to his passing.

IN MEMORIAM

Donald W. Goodnow, Retired Educator, 74

42 South Street, Auburn, Ma. 01511

Died: September 30, 1973

Donald W. Goodnow, 74, of 42 South St., Auburn, former principal of Auburn High School and founder of the Auburn Historical Society, died in Worcester.

He was born in Worcester, the son of Franklin E. and Agnes (Gibson) Goodnow, and was the husband of Beatrice (Hartwell) Goodnow.

He was graduated from Mendon High School, and was the only boy in a four-member class. He was graduated later from Clark University and later taught science at Tufts University and Trinity College in Hartford.

Mr. Goodnow was founder and first president of the Auburn Historical Society, and was class adviser for the 1933, 1945 and 1948 classes of Auburn High School. He retired in 1965.

He was a former president of the Massachusetts Teachers Association, Auburn Teachers Association, Worcester County Teachers Association, the Central Massachusetts Teachers Conference, the Central Massachusetts Hockey League, the Blackstone Valley Hockey League and the Clark University Tournament.

He was a member of the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities.

Mr. Goodnow was a lover of flowers and nature study and was a noted collector of photographs of old New England churches.



Donald W. Goodnow

He was a member of the Joel H. Prouty Lodge of Masons, the National Education Association, and was a first lieutenant in the Massachusetts State Guard, which temporarily replaced the Massachusetts National Guard during World War II.

Edwards High School

Mr. Goodnow also served as principal at Major Edwards High School in West Boylston for two years.

Recording Secretary

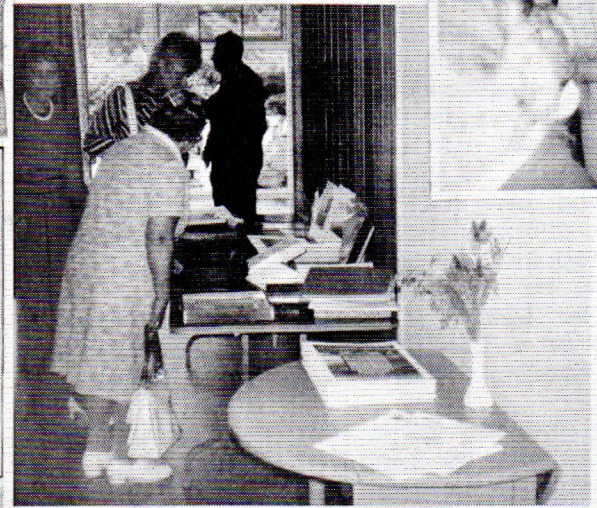
He was recording secretary of the Hartwells of America Society for four years, was a former member of the Auburn Rotary Club, and was a patron of conservation for the National Wildlife Federation.

It is with great sorrow that we note the Passing of Donald. He was a great booster and sincerely interested in the association and its success. We are especially appreciative and grateful for the services he rendered.

He will long be remembered by us.

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... and a good time was had by all!



WON'T YOU PLEASE SHARE WITH US ...

There are so many stories, interesting facts, heroic (and not so heroic) deeds, that each of you know about the Hartwells that we could fill a number of books if we only knew them.

Much of the Hartwell lore is passed down from generation to generation within the family-usually from grandparent to grandchild-unfortunately when we are children-grown-to-adult, we often forget these stories and then they are lost forever.

This letter is an appeal to "The Elders" of the Hartwell family in particular (but to all who know a Hartwell fact or story) to write to us and tell us about the Hartwell so that many future generations to come will be able to enjoy the stories, gain insight to our Heritage and know better what a Hartwell is.

What kind of stories or facts you tell us are not important, for instance:

In doing some research concerning the Fitchburg (Mass.) Hartwells, (my forebearers) I learned that the Hon. Edward Hartwell was sent to a convention in Boston in 1768 to consider what means should be used to resist England's aggression and I also learned that one of the youngest to fight and fall in Battle in 1775 was a 14 year old Joseph Hartwell.

I also found that the early Hartwell families were a hardy lot most living well into their 70's and 80's (when the average life span was 47) and fathering children in their 60's and 70's! They were also noted for their strength- In the early 1700's, one Hartwell, participating in a House raising (where several men in the community would in one day build a house or barn) was supporting and guiding the main beam of the house with a long pole and four other men were helping when suddenly the beam twisted and it appeared that the frame would collapse, the other men ran to get clear- Hartwell, holding the center brace, remained and held the beam in place preventing the collapse-then seeing this, the other men returned to their positions and completed the raising.

I have spoken to people who have lived near my own family homestead (built in 1731) for many years and they have lots of Hartwell stories which they enjoy telling-it seems all "The Hartwell Boys" save one, were strong. Fitchburg is typically New England terrain and they tell me that the Hartwells never had to use a horse

or wagon to clear the fields of stones (which then became stone walls) not even those big 200 pounders. It seems my Grandfather felt that with 12 strong children (9 boys-3 girls) - around, there was no good reason to take the horse away from plowing to do a mans job.

Years ago, when he was courting Mabel Goodfellow, my Uncle Lewis, then in his early 20's would write to his sweetheart and after sealing the letter he would always write on the back of the envelope "Be ye true to me Mabel" which could be taken as either an admonition or a question. She would write to him in return and on the back of her envelope she would always say "I be Lewis". The postman who made the pick up and deliveries understood what was being said because he saw both letters-but of course no one else did.

"I be Lewis" - is not an important story or a historical note, but its a cute story, true, and about a Hartwell.

The stories I've just mentioned are typical of the kinds of things I'd like you to tell us about, stories like this one about Charlie Hartwell who was getting along in years-Charlie lived alone, up on Mt. Elan Road in Fitchburg and on his property was the grandest blueberry patch in town-naturally the kids (who were always a little fearful of "old Charlie") liked to go blueberrying on the Hartwell farm. The fun was in getting past Charlie and picking the blueberries without getting caught and the reward was in eating what you had picked. If he saw you sneaking in with an empty bucket, Charlie would chase you away- but then you'd sneak around another way and spend the whole afternoon picking blueberries to your hearts content. Of course if Charlie caught you with blueberries in your bucket, he'd take half of what you picked for himself. There are some who say Charlie was more likely to see you sneaking out with a full bucket than he was to see you sneaking in with the empty one.

If you remember a Hartwell story, a historical Hartwell fact, or anything about the Hartwells at all, won't you write it down and send it to me- don't worry about spelling or anything else-just send it, we'll copy it, put it in the Scrapbook, and maybe use it in the newsletter. Perhaps some day it will even wind up in a book of Hartwell short stories and anecdotes.

It would be a shame not to preserve some of your memories for our future generations

Albert Th. Hartwell

**HELP . . . WE NEED COPIES OF
BACK ISSUES OF THE NEWSLETTER!**

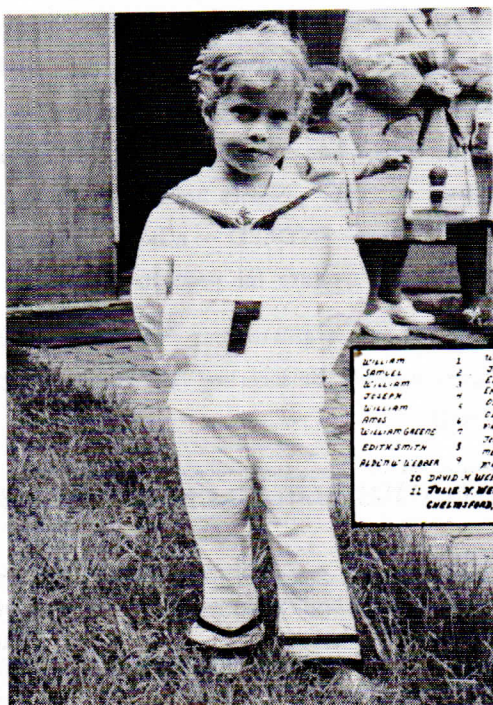
We will appreciate hearing from anyone who can provide us with copies of the Hartwell Newsletter (which was sometimes sent in letter form) for our files. We are missing 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1955, 1959, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, and 1972.

Please look around to see what you can find...all future Hartwells will appreciate it - Send anything you may have to: Editor, Hartwell News, 176½ East 75th Street, New York, N.Y. 10021

HERITAGE MATERIALS FOR THE SCRAPBOOK

If you have spare or duplicate family photos, old letters of interest or any such items (identify the people and places in the photos on the back) and send them to our Librarian H. Roger Hartwell in Raymond, Maine 04071 - he will add them to our Scrapbooks or our Heritage Collection. We must continuously contribute from the present for it will soon become the past...and our future generations will enjoy and benefit from them.

HARTWELL - HARTWELL !



Julie Hartwell Webber is either 11th or 12th generation depending on which line of descent from William you want to count. Her unusual and interesting name tag is shown in the inset beside her photo.

WILLIAM	1	WILLIAM	1
JAMES	2	JOHN	2
WILLIAM	3	EDWIN	3
JOSEPH	4	EDWIN	4
WILLIAM	5	EDWIN	5
WILLIAM	6	EDWIN	6
WILLIAM	7	EDWIN	7
WILLIAM	8	EDWIN	8
WILLIAM	9	EDWIN	9
WILLIAM	10	EDWIN	10
11 DAVID H. WEBBER 11			
12 TRAVIS H. WEBBER 12			
CHENINGUA, MAINE			

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37th annual meeting

A list of deaths in the Hartwell "family" was read by David H. Webber. A moment of silence was observed in memory of:

IN MEMORIAM

- Swan Hartwell on 8/5/73, age 97
- Arthur P. Hartwell of Ashland, N.H.
- Mrs. Harry T. Hartwell
- Mr. Donald Goodnow
- Louis Hartwell of Groton, Ma.
- Ena Gillard
- Avery R. Hartwell of Groton, Ma.
- Maude A. (Fuller) Hartwell of W. Groton, Ma.

Mrs. Sturdy read letters of regret from members unable to attend the meeting; from Mrs. Goodnow, Mr. Ralph H. Smith, Geraldine Foster Smith and Mrs. S.R. Blanford (formerly Mrs. White) of Quebec, Canada.

Next year's reunion will be held in Bedford, Ma., with Nancy H. Duncan and Marcia W. Webber making the arrangements.

Albert Hartwell was thanked for printing the newsletter gratis.

The business meeting was closed at 1:30 P.M.

Our guest Miss Marion Fitch spoke to us in her inimitable way about the Hartwell Farm which was totally destroyed by fire in May. She also showed us a copy of her new book "Hartwell Farm, A Way of Life". This book can be purchased directly from:

Miss Marion Fitch
333 King Street
Littleton, Ma. 01460

The price of \$12.95 includes postage.

The meeting was closed at 1:45 P.M. at which time the group posed for the annual reunion pictures.

Nancy H. Duncan Recording Secretary

**SEND NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS ABOUT HARTWELLS
TO THE EDITOR**

When you come across an item in your newspaper, magazine or other periodical concerning any Hartwell, please cut it out and send it to us or to our Librarian.

While these Hartwells may not be related to you, many other members of the Association (and particularly future generations) will find the interesting.

GEOGRAPHICAL LIST

If you know of any streets, parks, lakes, ponds, towns etc. which bear the Hartwell or Heartwell name, please drop us a card to let us know so that we can add it to our Geographical List. A.T.Hartwell, 176½ E. 75 St, NYC, NY

ANNUAL DUES ARE PAYABLE NOW!

Annual Dues to June 30th of \$2.00 ea. are enclosed for the following:

Name : _____

Address : _____

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Name : _____

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HARTWELLS WANTED!

If you know of a HARTWELL who is not receiving this Newsletter just use the coupon below to send us his or her name and address, and we'll make sure they get a copy from now on.

If you're reading someone else's copy, just fill in the coupon below and we'll put you on the complimentary list!

If you are in a position to donate time, service, or what have you—please let us know—we need you!

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The Hartwell Family and Account of The Decendants of WILLIAM HARTWELL OF CONCORD, MASS. 1636-

You are a member of "CLAN HARTWELL"!

Many folks bearing the HARTWELL name and their descendants are unaware that an organization exists known as THE HARTWELLS OF AMERICA (An Association).

The written purposes of THE HARTWELLS OF AMERICA are to "hold meetings and preserve records, memorials, histories and genealogies . . ." but it is hoped that our activities will result in new handclasps and the formation of pleasant and lasting friendships among us. This fostering of a spirit of good fellowship transcends our written objectives.

"In 1887 a Handbook of Hartwell Genealogy was published by Mr. L. W. Densmore. Thirty years ago an active association called The Hartwells of America was launched and under its auspices, using the old Handbook as a basis, records of more than 20,000 Hartwells and their descendants have been accumulated. This Association has published the new Hartwell Genealogy, (800 pages in all) which contains many interesting pages of material including biographical sketches, illustrations, replicas of ancient wills and allotment deeds, a page of the immigrant William's account book, and the direct line of descent from Sir Simon Hartwell in 1066." Neatly finished in Buckram Cloth Binding — INDEED — a book that you, a Hartwell, will treasure for years to come.

Think of it as a gift to your children or grandchildren, you will be surprised how it will be appreciated.

HARTWELL ITEMS AVAILABLE FROM THE TREASURER

	United States	Foreign
1636-1956 Genealogy inc. Supplement to 1968	\$13.00	\$15.00
1636-1956 Genealogy without Supplement	12.00	14.00
1968 Supplement only	2.00	2.25
Full Color Coat of Arms [of the present Baronet]	2.00	2.25
Coat of Arms Description only	.25	.30
14 page Booklet "The Hartwell Arms"	1.00	1.25

Please send orders to:

David H. Webber, Treasurer, Hartwells of America, 13 Sleigh Road, Chelmsford, Massachusetts 01824.

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Founded in 1882

TREASURER'S REPORT

June 29, 1974 - June 28, 1975

Balance on hand and on deposit in the Suffolk Franklin Savings Bank,
Boston, as of June 29, 1974

Passbook #251581	\$ 92.17	
Term Deposit Certificate	2,250.00 ¹	
Passbook #4900087	909.86	
Passbook #4700815	<u>609.63</u>	
		\$3,861.66

RECEIPTS:

Bank Interest	\$ 291.34	
Dues, Genealogies, Supplements	525.04	
Coat of Arms		
Donations toward English Project	3.00	
Donations toward Permanent Fund	<u>5.00</u>	
		\$ 824.38

EXPENSES:

Bank Vault Storage	\$ 30.00	
Hartwell Farm Book (2)	25.90	
Postage/Mailers-Treasurer- Newsletter/Genealogies	<u>52.00</u>	
		\$ 107.90

Balance on hand and on deposit in the Suffolk Franklin Savings Bank,
Boston, as of June 28, 1975

Passbook #251581 English Project	\$ 100.46	
Term Deposit Certificate	2,439.13 ¹	
#TC17221 English Project		
Passbook #4900087 Dues, Genealogies, etc.	1,387.09	
Passbook #4700815 Permanent Fund	<u>651.46</u>	
		\$4,578.14

1. Term Deposit Certificate interest from 20 March 1974
thru 10 June 1975 (\$189.13).

Respectfully submitted,

David Hartwell Webber

David Hartwell Webber
Treasurer