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NOTICE

FIFTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REUNION

1991 Annual Meeting

DATE: Saturday, June 29, 1991

PLACE: The Barn at Hartwell
Tavern, Lincoln, MA.

TIME: Greetings & Salutations,
Coffee & Doughnuts--
10:00 - 12:00

Picnic Luncheon--
12:00 - 1:00

(due to a lack of cooking facilities on the premises, box lunches may be ordered in advance--see enclosed reservation form--or bring your own if you prefer)

Business Meeting--
1:00 - Conclusion

DIRECTIONS:

From Route 495: Take Route 2 East to Acton and Concord. Route 2A joins Route 2 at Reformatory Circle; take 2A (where 2 makes a sharp right) into Lincoln for 1 mile to Battle Road on left. Proceed 6/10 mile to Hartwell Tavern on left.

From Route 128 (I-95), take Exit 30B in Lexington for Route 2A West, Hanscom Field and Concord. Approximately 1.5 miles on Route 2A to Virginia Road (Battle Road), on right. The Hartwell Tavern is 3/8 mile further on Virginia Road (past the Samuel Hartwell Farm site) on the Right.

MINUTES OF THE 1990 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HARTWELLS OF AMERICA

Lincoln, Massachusetts

The Fifty-third Annual Reunion of The Hartwells of America was held on June 30, 1990 at the Barn behind the Hartwell Tavern on Virginia Road, in Minuteman National Historical Park, Lincoln, Massachusetts.

A picnic-style luncheon was provided following coffee and doughnuts upon arrival.

President Wayne E. Hartwell called the business meeting to order at 1:20 p.m. with 37 members in attendance. The meeting opened with a prayer offered by H. Roger Hartwell.

Prior to the start of the formal agenda, Wayne invited Lawrence D. Gall, Superintendent, Minute Man National Historical Park, to address the membership concerning future Park development. Created by Congress in 1959 and formally established in 1976, by 1988 the Park welcomed one million visitors annually. A 1990 Master Plan is aimed at protecting the Park's significant cultural resources, improving opportunities for visitor understanding of the events of April 18-19, 1775, and providing facilities for visitors to appreciate the Park. Central to creating a visual Park identity is the restoration and preservation of the rural New England landscape along Battle Road; to this end, modern intrusions such as newer buildings, roads, and utility lines are to be screened, relocated, or removed. Segments of the original Battle Road which diverge from Route 2A (which includes the Hartwell Tavern site) will be closed to vehicular traffic and restored to their 18th century appearance. In those areas, the 18th century landscape will be restored to reflect research showing varied patterns of tilled fields, pastures, meadows.

orchards, gardens, and woodlots. The Park will continue its program of restoring, preserving, and interpreting historic structures and much of the Park's acreage will be managed as a "living" cultural landscape supporting traditional agricultural uses. While this is all exciting news, not without particular moment to the membership were Mr. Gall's comments that by Reunion 1991 the Barn's structural problems would be repaired, the powderpost-beetle infested floor would be replaced, the lighting would be improved, and the infamous "composting" toilet would itself be history. The membership thanked Mr. Gall for his time and interest in our endeavors.

Wayne then introduced the Association officers in attendance: Connie Cincotti, Scholarship Committee; Joy (Hartwell) Peach, Genealogist; Alison Hartwell, Photographer; and Marcia Webber, Recording Secretary pro tem ("pro tem" means, loosely, "for the time being"; Marcia has graciously agreed for the past couple of Reunions to record the Minutes because nobody else raises their hand). The members accepted with regrets the resignation of Priscilla Hartwell from her long-term post of Corresponding Secretary (the duties of which, in the main, consist of getting the Newsletter in the mail and tracking the mailing list--not an insubstantial task).

The Report of the Recording Secretary, pro tem, Marcia Webber, was accepted as printed in the 1990 Newsletter.

Treasurer David Hartwell Webber was unable to attend; his written Report was circulated and accepted by the membership.

Connie Cincotti, Scholarship Committee Chairperson, reported that only one application had been received from a qualified Hartwell. Rebecca Peach, daughter of Genealogist Joy Peach, was awarded a grant of \$250. Connie observed that inasmuch as eligibility prerequisites are not particularly stringent and the Association has funds to grant each year, the paucity of applications is mystifying. As time and space permit, details of the program will be published in the Newsletter.

The high point of the afternoon, as always, was the the Genealogist's Report of Joy Peach. Joy began by reading the Preface she has written for the new edition of the Genealogy, emphasizing why she believes an entire new edition, rather than merely an update, is necessary.

Joy next described the results of some of her research in the Worcester County Registry of Deeds, which showed that Ephriam Hartwell, behind whose tavern we were holding our meeting, had been a large landholder in the Princeton, Rutland, Holden areas of Massachusetts. Although, from all evidence, he never lived in that area, he gave two of his sons large "homesteads" from that property, which certainly helps to explain why they settled out that way. This property ownership also helps to explain why Ephriam's son, Samuel (who ended up with the "homestead" in Lincoln), published marriage intentions with Molly Estabrook of Rutland (who bore Samuel a son, Samuel Estabrook Hartwell, in 1767, although there is no firm evidence that the couple ever carried out their intention to marry).

Joy explained that several other lines of research were indicating that the Hartwells were "no better than they should have been" and inquired how the assembled members would want such delicate matters treated in the new Genealogy. The members opted unanimously to have the true stories told, and not glossed over as they have been in the past.

Plans for the new edition of the Genealogy were discussed. It was suggested that a loose-leaf format, such as publishers of "high-tech" documentation use to accomodate updates, might be a good way to publish the Genealogy; that is, the first five generations from William could comprise the initial publication. Then, as the generations are finished, they would be added as supplements with a cumulative index. Also, any corrections or additions could be added with instructions to subscribers to insert the new data and discard the old. Members seemed generally enthusiastic about this plan, and the "go-head" to prepare the first five generations for publication was given.

Joy thanked the association for the appropriation for the computer, which she acquired in July, 1989, and which has made her life easier by several orders of magnitude. Joy's Report was accepted, with the gratitude of the members for her continuing hard work and dedication.

Since the Association's official Nominating Committee has been on administrative leave for several years now, apparent President-for-Life Wayne Hartwell called for volunteers to fill the vacant Constitutional offices. Max Hartwell,

Greenfield, MA, took on the duties of Association Vice President (which--so far as anyone knows--consist of showing up at the Reunion, which we all hope he does for many years to come). Alison Hartwell, Wollaston, MA, follows Priscilla Hartwell as Corresponding Secretary (with Justin Hartwell Cincotti volunteering to assist). (Ed. Note: do not blame Alison if your Newsletter arrives late--that fault lies here, exclusively).

Commemorative memorabilia were presented to the following deserving recipients:

Eldest Female: Connie Cincotti
 Eldest Male: H. Roger Hartwell
 Youngest: Amber Lynn Gannon
 December 12, 1989

Travelling Farthest: Florence
 Hartwell, North Anson, ME

The members voted to return to the Hartwell Tavern Barn for the 1991 Annual Meeting (for those who prennially lament that they would like to attend the Reunion, but that the Newsletter always arrives to late too plan, two facts: 1. the Reunion is always on the last Saturday in June; 2. given the unique suitability of the Tavern location, and the National Park Service's enthusiastic cooperation in our endeavors, the Reunion will be held at this site for the foreseeable future).

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the assemblage adjourned to the Tavern for group pictures at 1:55 p.m.

Marcia Webber
 Recording Secretary,
 pro tem



GENEALOGIST'S REPORT

JOY HARTWELL PEACH

Association Genealogist

74 Beach Point Road
 Lancaster, Massachusetts 01523

VITAL RECORDS

For some strange reason, your Genealogist has no vital records to report this year--either no Hartwells are being born, marrying, or dying (what's the secret formula for that?), or at least nobody's advising me of any such events.

HARTWELLS' HAPPENINGS

Special congratulations to S. Wood Cornell, III for sending a copy of his recently published book, A Cornell-Hartwell Genealogy, and for becoming one of our newer members. "Steve", as he is affectionately known by his family and friends, recently compiled (at the age of 82) an extraordinary book on all his known ancestral lines, which include Cornell, Tison, Wood, Underhill, Reynolds, Fiewellyn, Jordan, Carpenter, and, of course, Hartwell. Although he took most of his HARTWELL information verbatim from John F. Hartwell's 1956 edition, his updates to that line are carefully and completely done, and will be extremely valuable once the Association's update of John F.'s work gets to those generations. The book is beautifully illustrated with family photographs and line drawings--a true "labor of love" and a great addition to the HARTWELL library.

A special thanks to Jim Allison, Association member, whose encyclopaedic knowledge of HARTWELL burying places throughout New England and New York has been enormously helpful to your Genealogist. Jim cheerfully travels to the far corners of the Northeast in search of verification of dates and places relating to missing Hartwells.

The Gardner, MA Historical Society is mounting an exhibit of silverware produced at the Arthur Stone Factory there. Their Master Silversmith was Arthur L. Hartwell⁸ (1882-1958), and the exhibit will feature several fine examples of his work. A call from the Curator of the Museum seeking more

Information on Arthur L. occasioned some detective work on the part of your Genealogist. It seems that Arthur's name was left out of the index to the 1956 Hartwell Genealogy, but a lucky break revealed his name, and I was able to give the Curator his birth date, parents' names, and the names of his wife, only child, and grandchildren. A visit to the Worcester Probate Court provided a date of death. The Curator is going to follow up on this information by trying to find an obituary in the local newspaper archives, and is planning to contact his descendants to alert them to the exhibition. Your Genealogist hopes to follow up on this story as well, if only by attending the exhibit.

HARTWELLS OF AMERICA SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Hartwells of America annually awards a scholarship or scholarships to students pursuing post-secondary educational programs.

Applications may be submitted through June 29, 1991 and will receive consideration at the Reunion for the Scholarship Grants to be awarded for academic year 1991-1992. To receive eligibility requirements and applications, contact:

Mrs. Constance G. Cincotti
13 Greenway Court, Apt. 5
Brookline, MA 02146

WANTED

Hartwell(s) with access (preferably unlimited) to computer(s) with page-making capability, including graphics, of a quality outstripping a 1981 Apple IIe (and what couldn't these days, but that's where your Newsletter comes from) to make up copy for future Newsletters. The only obstacle between the oft-promised, but never-realized, Fall/Spring Newsletter cycle (and, believe me, Joy has plenty of ammunition to support two editions annually) is your Editor's inability to arrange business and personal schedules to accommodate the many hours that producing one of these things requires. Any volunteers? If nothing else, it could be prettier . . . and timely!

HARTWELL ITEMS AVAILABLE FROM THE TREASURER

	United States	Foreign
1962 Genealogy Supplement	\$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 Hartwell Webber, Treasurer
Hartwells of America
13 Sleigh Road, Chelmsford, MA 01824

Make Checks Payable to:
THE HARTWELLS OF AMERICA

Dear Cousins,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you who sent along a letter or note with your dues. Many of you take the time to write year after year, and I truly enjoy hearing from Hartwells throughout the United States and Canada. I have tried and will try to send a response along with your Membership card. Hope to hear from one and all again this upcoming year.

David Hartwell Webber
Treasurer

HARTWELLS WANTED!

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

ANNUAL DUES ARE PAYABLE NOW!

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

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Address: _____

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SEND THIS FORM WITH YOUR CHECK, PAYABLE TO WAYNE E. HARTWELL,
to: Wayne E. Hartwell, 29 Hayden Drive, Foxborough, MA 02035
PLEASE return by June 24, 1991

All sandwiches are served on country white bread with potato
chips and a beverage

	Price per Item		Number of Items	Total
1. SLICED TURKEY SANDWICH With lettuce and tomato	\$4.75	x	#_____	= \$_____
3. TURKEY DELUXE SANDWICH With stuffing and homemade Cranberry Sauce.	\$4.25	x	#_____	= \$_____
4. BAKED HAM AND CHEESE SANDWICH With honey mustard and lettuce and tomato	\$4.75	x	#_____	= \$_____

TOTAL COST \$_____

** Luncheon is being catered by GREEN ACRES TURKEY FARM -
ROUTE 121, WEST STREET, WRENTHAM, MASSACHUSETTS

Make your check payable to
Wayne E. Hartwell

All of the above come with a beverage; check your choice of a
12 oz. can of:

	Regular	Diet
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Orange	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pepsi Cola	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lemonade	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Seven up	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Iced Tea	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hawaiian Punch	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**** If you are allergic to Nutra-sweet, sulfites or have similar
problems, please explain below and indicate an alternative choice
so that we can do our best to accomodate you.

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