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## Minutes of the 1999 Annual Meeting of the Hartwells of America

Sixty-second Reunion of the Hartwells of America, First Parish Congregational Church, Concord, Massachusetts, June 26, 1999.

On Saturday, June 26, 1999, thirty-three Hartwell cousins convened at the First Parish Congregational Church, Concord, MA, for the 62nd Annual Reunion of the Hartwells of America Association.

The business meeting was called to order by President Wayne E. Hartwell at 1:15 p.m. Will Hartwell offered a prayer of convocation, following which a moment of silence was observed in memory of those who departed this earth since the last Reunion.

Thanks were extended to Reunion Committee member Marian Wheeler for making the arrangements for First Parish. Marian spoke briefly about the history of First Parish, which is the congregation where William<sup>1</sup> and his descendants worshipped. Jim Allison also received a hearty round of applause for providing the coffee and donuts spread.

A motion was made and carried that the Minutes of the 1998 Meeting be accepted as published in the Newsletter.

In the absence of Treasurer David Hartwell Webber, Recording Secretary Judith Bacon Hartwell presented David's report on the year's financial activity. As of June 26, 1999, the Scholarship Fund and the Operating Fund totaled \$13,115, an increase of \$278 over the previous year. Receipts (interest; dues and Hartwell literature; donations to Scholarship Fund) were \$1,256 and expenses (Scholarships; meeting and Newsletter expenses; postage) were \$978.21. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was unanimously carried.

Scholarship Committee Chair Connie Cincotti announced that one qualifying application had been received for the 1999-2000 academic year. Amy Wegenhaupt, attending the University of Detroit, MI., was awarded a scholarship grant in the amount of two hundred dollars.

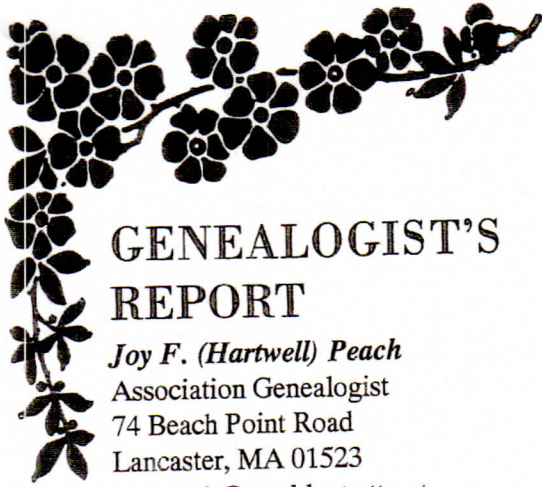
Wayne Hartwell presented the report of the Newsletter Committee, which on motion was accepted.

Genealogist Joy Hartwell Peach reported on the past year's doings and the progress of the new Genealogy. Joy has almost finished indexing the first five generations.

Upon motion, it was voted to donate \$200 to the Social Law Library in appreciation for the time of Art Director/Graphics Designer Carole Doody in producing the Newsletter. Also, donations were voted to First Parish in the amount of \$100 in thanks for their hospitality and appreciation for the fine facilities and to First Parish for the Sexton's time in the amount of \$50.

Commemorative gifts were awarded to Connie Cincotti, eldest lady; Donald P. Davison, eldest gentleman; Katy Hartwell, youngest; and Charles A. Hartwell, for travelling the furthest to attend (Phoenix, AZ); the same cast of characters as at the 1998 reunion.

The last item of official business was a vote to undertake to return to First Parish for the 2000 Reunion if feasible.



## GENEALOGIST'S REPORT

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### Vital Statistics

#### BIRTHS

**Jon David<sup>14</sup> Hartwell**, son of Alan David<sup>13</sup>, Alan B.<sup>12</sup>, Hilbert A.<sup>11</sup>, Bert Albert<sup>10</sup>, Henry H.<sup>9</sup>, Haskell F.<sup>8</sup>, Amos<sup>7</sup>, Oliver<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, William<sup>4-3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) Hartwell, was born 17 June 1999 (submitted by grandfather Alan B. Hartwell, Dubach, LA).

**Warren Edson<sup>14</sup> Hartwell 4th**, son of Warren Edson<sup>13</sup> (Warren E.<sup>12-11</sup>, Henry Pilbean<sup>10</sup>, Myron Imla<sup>9</sup>, Imla<sup>8</sup>, Willard<sup>7</sup>, Samuel<sup>6</sup>, Simon<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) was born at Burnsville, Minnesota, 12 December 1998 (e-mail from his father).

#### MARRIAGES

**Warren Edson<sup>13</sup> Hartwell 3rd** (see above) and **Autumn Day Thorsen** were married at Hastings, Minnesota, 31 July 1998 (e-mail from WEH3d)

#### DEATHS

**David Warren<sup>10</sup> Hartwell** (Warren Emerson<sup>9</sup>, Frederick C.<sup>8</sup>, Charles P.<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6-5</sup>, Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), died at Acton, Mass., 22 February 2000. Survived by his wife, Nancy, son, David W., Jr., daughters Janice, Marcia and Lynne, six step-children, sisters, Phyllis Rich and Doris Osborn (obit., Boston Herald, submitted by George W. Dewey).

**Edward A.<sup>11</sup> Hartwell** (Frank Henry<sup>10</sup>, Francis Eugene<sup>9</sup>, Obed<sup>8</sup>, Peter<sup>7</sup>, Francis<sup>6</sup>, Solomon<sup>5</sup>, Daniel<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) died at Peoria, Illinois 16 November 1997. He is survived by his wife, Irene, son Donald A. Hartwell, and daughter Katherine Irene Leighton, and at least 9 grandchildren (ltr. from his son Donald A. Hartwell, received too late for 1999 newsletter).

**Frederick Thomas<sup>10</sup> Hartwell** (George Hays<sup>9</sup>, Thomas Dwight<sup>8</sup>, George Frederick<sup>7</sup>, David<sup>6</sup>, Jonathan<sup>5-4</sup>, Edward<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) died at Modesto, California 2 December 1999. Ten days later, 22 December 1999, his widow, **Elizabeth Loretta (Ansley) (Davis) Hartwell**, died (e-mails from Ann Hartwell). Our deepest sympathy goes to the family who lost two members in such a short space of time. (Ann and her daughter attended the Annual Hartwell reunion for the first time this past June.)

**Grace Estella (Shepard) Hartwell**, widow of Lindley Stearns<sup>10</sup> (Arthur Elmer<sup>9</sup>, Henry Thomas<sup>8</sup>, Amasa<sup>7-6-5</sup>, James<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), died at Burlington, Vermont, 20 September 1999, age 96. Grace was a life-long teacher and a lifelong learner. Her first teaching position was in a one room schoolhouse in North Ferrisburgh. She taught for decades in Burlington at Converse School as well as at Lawrence Barnes School and was totally dedicated to her students. After retirement, Grace and Lindley S. Hartwell moved to Menlo Park, Calif., where she made many new friends and studied French. Following the death of her husband in 1987, Grace returned to Burlington to be near her family. Survived by her daughter Linda of Burlington, four grandchildren, two sons-in-law, and seven great-grandchildren, and two step-grandchildren (obituary, Burlington Free Press of 22 Sept. 1999, sent in by Charles A. Hartwell).

**Jon Arthur<sup>12</sup> Hartwell** (Hilbert Arthur<sup>11</sup>, Bert Arthur<sup>10</sup>, Henry H.<sup>9</sup>, Haskell F.<sup>8</sup>, Amos<sup>7</sup>, Oliver<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, William<sup>4-3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), who was born 7 May 1945, died 18 August 1998 (submitted by Alan B. Hartwell, Dubach, LA).

**Paula B. (Riggs) Hartwell**, former wife of **David Arthur<sup>10</sup> Hartwell**, died at Winchendon, Mass., 22 January 2000. She is survived by her mother, her son, David A. Hartwell, Jr., three daughters, Michelle A. Hartwell, Annette L. (Hartwell) Calder, Paula B. (Hartwell) Wood, and six grandchildren (obituary, Worcester Telegram & Gazette of 24 January 2000).

**Dorothy M.<sup>11</sup> (Hartwell) McRoberts** (prob. Fred Dewey<sup>10</sup>, Samuel Elisha<sup>9</sup>, Isaac Burr<sup>8</sup>, George W.<sup>7</sup>, Samuel<sup>6</sup>, Jonas<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4-3-2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) died at Uxbridge, Mass., 26 August 1999, age 90, and was buried in Pine Grove Cemetery, Whitinsville. She was the widow of James E. McRoberts, who died in 1959, and was survived by her son, James E. McRoberts, Jr. with whom she lived. She was a charge attendant at Westboro State Hospital, retiring in 1973. Dorothy was a member of the Northbridge and Uxbridge historical societies, and enjoyed acting and participating in local theater productions throughout the Blackstone Valley (obit., Worcester Telegram & Gazette).

**Ruth Ellen (Smalley) Hartwell**, widow of Robert Henry<sup>10</sup> (Harry D.<sup>9</sup>, Henry Stearns<sup>8</sup>, Jonathan<sup>7-6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, Daniel<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), died at Northfield, Mass., 7 September 1999, age 75. She is survived by two sons and three daughters, not of whom are in the present genealogy (submitted by Caroline A. Brown).

## Statistics

Wes Hartwell's web site continues to attract Hartwell's from all over the country — and the world. We've had messages from people in Germany, Denmark, and England, to name a few. Some of these people have provided valuable information, and we have provided information to many of them. Some have us completely stumped!! There are a lot more Hartwells — and Hartwell descendants — out there than we ever imagined.

Recently I've been experimenting with a numbering system that will better enable us to tally the Hartwell populations for each generation (and partially solve the problem of having to renumber the entire work every time a "new" Hartwell is discovered). I'm giving numbers only to those Hartwells (male and female) who married and had children of their own, and the statistics are startling. From just one family in generation 1 — that of William<sup>1</sup> and Jezebel Hartwell — there is the following increase in numbers:

- Generation 2 = 4 families
- Generation 3 = 20 families
- Generation 4 = 64 families
- Generation 5 = 152 families
- Generation 6 = 378 families
- Generation 7 = 925 families
- Generation 8 = 1,353 families

- Generation 9 = 1,119 families
- Generation 10 = 634 families
- Generation 11 = 498 families

These are the *known* families, and I think they are pretty complete through Generation 8. Theoretically, generation 9 should be larger than generation 8, and generation 10 even larger than that. Some of the decrease is attributable to the fact that I still don't have all the later families "plugged in" to my computer, and some to the fact that people began having smaller families towards the end of the 19th Century, but more is attributable to the fact that many Hartwell families are unknown. My work with the 1850 and 1860 Federal Censuses is turning up more and more Hartwell families. For instance, just a couple of weeks ago, on the 1860 Federal Census for Wisconsin, I found the large family of Daniel Hartwell. Daniel has in his household, in both 1860 and 1870, a Phipps Hartwell, who is age 85 in 1860 and 95 in 1870. (Incidentally, two Phipps Hartwells, father and son, were combined into one man in the 1956 genealogy.) Finding Phipps Sr. living with Daniel in Wisconsin, leads to the conclusion that Daniel is almost certainly Phipps' son of that name. Daniel was not previously known to have had any children, and here he is with a family of eight! Trying to discover the later history of these eight children, none of whose descendants has so far contacted the Hartwell Association, is going to be a lengthy task. Also in Wisconsin, I discovered another large family that I am almost sure is descended from a Solomon Hartwell in the "younger male line." Here again, none of these people have been in contact with the Hartwell Association to "register" their families. Yet, if we want a *complete* listing of William<sup>1</sup> Hartwell's descendants, we need to try and "track" these people.

Then there are all the Hartwell families not descended from William, but still carrying the Hartwell name. There are several fairly large Hartwell families south of the Mason-Dixon line, especially in Virginia, where one of the major problems is that a family may be called Harwell on say, the 1820 census, Hartwell in 1830, Harwell in 1840, and Hartwell again in 1850(!), making one wonder what the surname really was. Also, my census research has "turned up" a great many Hartwell families all across America, whose place of birth is given as either England or Ireland. Do we want to try and trace all these "unattached" families just because their surname is Hartwell? I'd really like to know what people think about these problems.

# Hartwell Happenings

Joy Peach

The Lancaster Historical Society recently acquired a charcoal portrait of a prominent Lancastrian woman, Anna Willard Goodhue. Close scrutiny of the portrait revealed that it was "delineated" in 1855 by **Alonzo Hartwell**.

On another Lancaster Historical Society note, a planned program into the origins and history of the *Boston Post Cane* revealed that in 1909, the town of Concord, Mass. presented the cane to Daniel Fletcher Barker, age 91. Daniel was the son of Jonathan and Rebecca (Hosmer) Barker, the grandson of Joseph and Ruth (Fletcher) Barker, and the great-grandson of Daniel and Sarah<sup>4</sup> (Hartwell) Fletcher.

Many thanks to George W. Dewey, Littleton historian and genealogist extraordinaire, for sending me a copy of the 31 December 1899 *Turner's Public Spirit* which was reprinted on 31 December 1999 in honor of the millenium. It contained the obituary of **Mary Maria<sup>7</sup> (Hartwell) Joy**, daughter of Jephthah Richardson<sup>6</sup> and Betsey (Boynton) Hartwell, whose death at Groton, on 27 December 1899, is not recorded in the 1956 *Hartwell's of America*. According to this obituary, "Mrs. Joy was in her accustomed seat at church on Sunday morning, and did not seem to be ill until the evening, when as she grew worse a physician was called and at midnight she was operated on by Dr. Winslow, assisted by Dr. Steere [who was married to Mary M.'s sister, Ardelia] of Groton and Dr. Cowles of Ayer, for the relief of an abdominal trouble which otherwise meant immediate and certain death. The patient rallied well from the operation and continued in excellent condition until late last Tuesday evening, when she began to lose ground and died suddenly early Wednesday morning, from a hemorrhage of the lungs caused by heart weakness. The operation was surgically a perfect success, and had the strength of the patient held out she would have recovered." A classic case of the old saying, "the operation was a success but the patient died!"

An interesting footnote to this story is the fact that Mary Maria's grandson, Richard Stoddard Aldrich married, as his second wife, the celebrated actress, **Gertrude Lawrence**.

Webmaster Wes Hartwell reports that his brother, Dana, and wife, Linda, are the proud parents of a son, Ryan Carter, born April 24, 2000 at Falls Church, VA. Do we have any other end-of-the-century babies? (For you of those who would quibble, the new century and the millenium begins on January 1, 2001, and your editor will arm-wrestle anyone who holds a contrary view). Wes also advises that his niece, Meadow Dawn Hartwell, daughter of Bradford and Donna of Andover, NH, is a 2000 graduate of Procter Piper Academy in Andover, where she was an honor student and received several awards for academics as well as sports. Meadow will be attending the University of New Hampshire in the fall.

Update on the basketball brethren, Jason and Luke Hartwell of Valley High School in Bingham, ME. Last year we reported that the twins led their team to the State Championship with an undefeated season as freshmen. Guess what? This past year they led their team to a State Championship with an undefeated season as sophomores. Valley is the owner of three consecutive State titles, and sports a 63-0 record. Your editor attended the Championship game—and they are *good*. Not to mention that Valley won the tournament sportsmanship award as well. Way to go, guys!!



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## Hartwell Items Available From the Treasurer

	<u>UnitedStates</u>	<u>Foreign</u>
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	\$0.25	\$0.30
145-page Booklet, "The Hartwell Arms"	\$1.00	\$1.25

Please send orders to:

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Hartwells of America  
1124 Main Street  
Dunstable, MA 01827

Checks payable to HARTWELLS OF AMERICA

### 1956 Genealogy Available

John F. Hartwell's 1956 Genealogy, *The Hartwells of America*, long out of print and unavailable, has been reprinted by the Higginson Book Company of Salem, MA under an extensive preservation reprinting program with the New England Historic Genealogical Society in Boston.

Under a discount program with Higginson, arranged by Wes Hartwell, for members of the Hartwells of America Association, the Genealogy regularly priced at \$66.00 is available to members for \$45.00 (plus \$4.95 postage), which includes both the Elder Male line and the Younger Male line volumes in a single paperback volume with class A, archival-quality binding. Contact:

Higginson Book Company  
148 Washington Street, P.O. 778  
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Tel. (978) 745-7170  
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<http://www.Higginsonbooks.com>

## Annual Dues Payable Now

Annual Dues for the Hartwells of America, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, in the amount of \$2.00, are enclosed for the following:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Dues should be mailed only to: David Hartwell Webber, Treasurer  
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It would be greatly appreciated  
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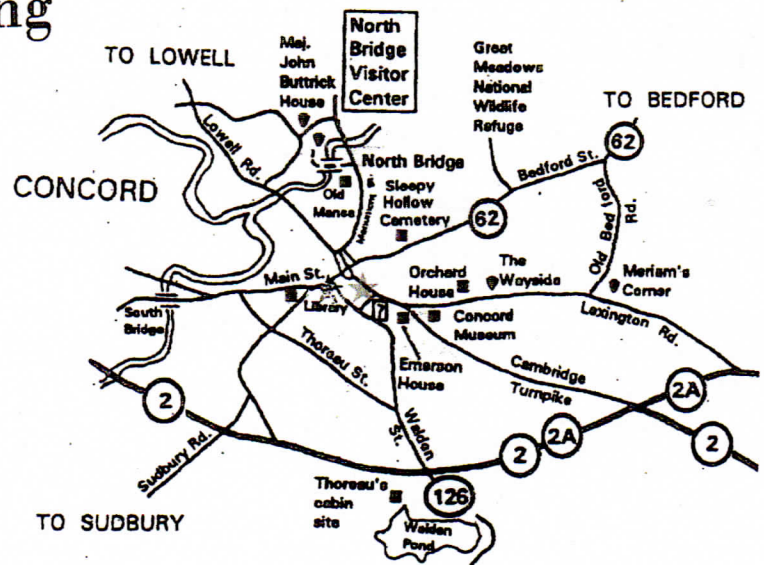
# Notice of Annual Meeting

## 63 rd Annual Reunion

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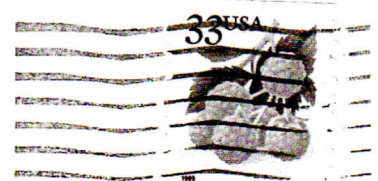
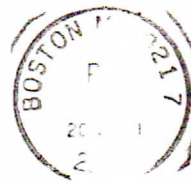
**Place:** *First Parish in Concord Church*  
20 Lexington Road  
Concord, Massachusetts  
(Note ★ on map, one block south from Main St., on right)

**Time:** *Greetings & Salutations*  
*Coffee & Pastries, 10:00-12:00 a.m.*  
*Picnic Luncheon: 12:00-1:00 p.m.*  
*Business Meeting: 1:00 p.m.*



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## 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 by 12:00 noon, through June 24, 2000 and will receive consideration at the Reunion for the scholarship grants to be awarded for the academic year 2000-2001. To obtain eligibility requirements and applications, contact:

Ms. Constance G. Cincotti  
294 Cobb Hill Rd  
Otisfield, ME 04270

Please note that scholarship grants are only available to those whose dues to the Hartwells of America Association are paid currently as of the date of the Reunion at which the grants are awarded.