# THE

# HART WELLS OF AMERICA NEWSLETTER

Volume 122, No. 1

Spring 2006



No Hartwell births or marriages were reported to your genealogist during 2005.

**DEATHS 2004** (with apologies from your genealogist who inadvertently omitted him from last year's list).

**John Tully**<sup>11</sup> **Hartwell** died at Tampa, FL 9 Nov. 2004. Survived by his wife, Florence, one son and two daughters

#### **DEATHS 2005**

- Albert Ora Hartwell (Aunattached@ Virginia family) died at Grass Valley, CA 7 June 2005. He was born at Dexter, NM 25 Feb. 1925, son of Albert O. and Carrie Bell (Salyer) Hartwell. (SSDI)
- Constance E. (Nash) Hartwell, widow of Henry G.<sup>11</sup>
  Hartwell, died at Duxbury 11 Nov. 2005, age 92
  years. Survived by three children, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. (obit., Boston Globe, reported by Jim Allison; SSDI)
- Florence C. (Ellis) Hartwell, widow of John Tully<sup>11</sup>
  Hartwell (see above) died at Tampa, FL 15 Dec 2005, age 89 years (reported by her daughter Ann (Hartwell) Britton; SSDI).
- Harold Wayne<sup>12</sup> Hartwell 3rd died at Pelham, NH 10

February 2006, age 67. Survived by his wife, Patricia, three children and four grandchildren about whom we have no information (obituary, Boston Globe, reported by Jim Allison)

- Jacqueline AJackie@ L. (White) Hartwell, wife of Douglas Charles<sup>10</sup> Hartwell, died at West Boylston 9 July 2005, age 70 years. Survived by her husband, three sons, one daughter and two grandsons (obituary, Worcester Telegram & Gazette of 11 July 2005; SSDI).
- **Joann (Shriner) Hartwell**, wife of Richard Henry<sup>12</sup> Hartwell, died at Riverton, WY 25 Jan. 2005 (SSDI)
- **Julia May (Freeman) Hartwell**, widow of Harold Elbert<sup>10</sup> Hartwell, died at Longmeadow, MA 19 November 2005, age 97 years. Survived by cousins (reported by Caroline Brown; SSDI).
- Marie Elizabeth (Kallenberg) Hartwell, widow of William Eugene<sup>10</sup> Hartwell, died at Proctor, WV 6 December 2005, age 93. Survived by two sons and three daughters (reported by daughter-in-law, Sharon Ann (Downs) Hartwell and SSDI).
- **Ralph A.**<sup>11</sup> **Hartwell**, son of Autie Ulmont<sup>10</sup> and Ethel (Alexander) Hartwell d. at Fort Worth, TX 12 Jan. 2005 (SSDI)

# 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 16, 2007 and will receive consideration at the Reunion for the scholarship grants to be awarded for the academic year 2007-2008. To obtain eligibility requirements and applications, contact: Ms. Victoria H. C. Rogers, 652 Scribner Hill Rd, Otisfield, ME 04270 or at the Web site <a href="http://www.hartwell.org/scholar.html">http://www.hartwell.org/scholar.html</a>

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.

- **Robert J.**<sup>11</sup> **Hartwell** died at Bedford, MA 26 Oct. 2005. He is survived by his wife, Diane, and three children (SSDI; obit.)
- **Ruth M. Hartwell**, widow of Leland Harold<sup>10</sup> Hartwell, died at Greene, IA 14 Jan. 2005 (SSDI)
- **Thomas Mason<sup>10</sup> Hartwell**, son of John Mason<sup>9</sup> and Clara (Haselbacher) Hartwell, died at Orinda, CA 23 July 2005. He has no known descendants (SSDI).
- Ward James<sup>9</sup> Hartwell died at Yakima, WA 14 Dec. 2005. He was born at Omaha, Nebraska 19 Nov. 1912, and provided much valuable information on his branch of the family. Survived by his wife and four sons, tt seems sad that I learned about his passing from the SSDI.
- George Ann Belle<sup>9</sup> (Hartwell) McCann, daughter of George W. and Charlotte (Fay) Hartwell and widow of Daniel P. McCann, died at Agawam 28 October 2005, age 91 (reported by her granddaughter, Denise (Goodwin) Muldrew).
- **Robert**<sup>9</sup> (Hartwell) McConnell, son of Clyde Gould<sup>8</sup> and Angie (Ripley) Hartwell, and long time reunion attendee, died 29 September 2005, age 88 years.

Once again, I am listing the Hartwell Deaths from the Social Security Death Index in hopes that someone out there will recognize an otherwise unknown Hartwell:

Alford Hartwell, b. 21 Oct. 1925; d. Natchez, MS 9 May 2005. Angela M. Hartwell, b. 18 Feb. 1979; d. West Virginia 9 June 2005 Beth Hartwell, b. 9 Jan. 1918; d. Bowling Green, OH 24 Nov. 2005 Bruce J. Hartwell, b. 23 April 1959; d. Gloucester, MA 8 June 2005 Carolin R. Hartwell, b. 19 March 1947; d. Pleasant Prairie, WI 17 Jan. 2005

Constance L. Hartwell, b. 18 Sept. 1909; d. Los Angeles, CA 19 Aug 2005

Daniel N. Hartwell, b. 31 March 1944; d. Long Island City, NY 6 Jan. 2005

David G. Hartwell, b. 13 April 1969; d. in Ohio 26 March 2005 Ellen Hartwell, b. 20 April 1924; d. North Charleston, SC 23 Sept. 2005

Ellen L. Hartwell, b. 11 April 1929; d. Douglas, AZ 23 Feb. 2005 Elvin L. Hartwell, b. 21 Dec. 1941; d. Orlando, FL 24 Feb. 2005 Freddie Hartwell, b. 24 Feb. 1935; d. Denmark, SC 3 March 2005 George Hartwell, b. 7 Oct. 1909; d. Poplar Bluff, MO 9 Nov. 2005 Grace G. Hartwell, b. 13 July 1914; d. Summerville, SC 2 June 2005 Harrison J. Hartwell, b. 8 July 1992; d. in Indiana 3 May 2005 Harry E. Hartwell, b. 23 Dec. 1960; d. Dallastown, PA 12 Jan. 2005 Henrietta Hartwell, b. 6 Aug. 1916; d. Easton, PA 3 July 2005 Hillary L. Hartwell, b. 28 Nov. 1990; d. in Indiana 3 May 2005 James D. Hartwell, b. 10 Nov. 1942; d. in Oregon 30 March 2005 James R. Hartwell, b. 7 March 1933; d. Charleston, WV

Jessie M. Hartwell, b. 30 Aug. 1935; d. Bethlehem, PA 5 Nov. 2005

12 Jan. 2005

Jewell B. Hartwell, b. 11 April 1931; d. Dayton, MD 15 Dec. 2005 Karen A. Hartwell, b. 19 April 1958; d. Ocala, FL 13 June 2005 Lavonne Hartwell, b. 24 May 1933; d. Las Vegas, NV 2 Dec. 2005 Lewis H. Hartwell, b. 26 June 1922; d. Kirkland, WA 14 March 2005

Lillie Hartwell, b. 31 July 1950; d. Charleston, WV 12 May 2005 M. I. Hartwell, b. 15 Feb. 1921; d. Saint Augustine, FL 19 May 2005

M. L. Hartwell, b. 22 Dec. 1933; d. Austin, TX 30 Aug. 2005 Norman E. Hartwell, b. 18 July 1928; d. Charleston, WV 18 Sept. 2005

Norris E. Hartwell, b. 10 Jan. 1921; d. Phoenix, AZ 6 Oct. 2005 Richard Hartwell, b. 17 Jan. 1922; d. Le Roy, NY 14 Aug. 2005 Robert D. Hartwell, b. 3 June 1920; d. Jamaica, NY 23 Aug. 2005 Roberta M. Hartwell, b. 16 June 1926; d. North Vernon, Indiana 13 Oct. 2005

Shawna Hartwell, b. 30 Sept. 1957; d. Stephenville, TX 6 July 2005 Virginia E. Hartwell, b. 26 Oct. 1920; d. Elkins, Arkansas 19 Jan. 2005

Willie R. Hartwell, b. 25 June 1939; d. Los Angeles, CA 21 Dec. 2005

### Minutes of the 2005 Annual Meeting of the Hartwells of America

With its customary hospitality, the First Parish Unitarian Universalist Church, Concord, MA welcomed the Association for its 68<sup>th</sup> Annual Reunion, held on June 25, 2005.

President Wayne Hartwell, Foxborough, MA, called the business meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. An opening prayer was offered by Roger Whichter Hartwell, Quincy, MA, and the assemblage observed a moment of prayer in remembrance of departed Hartwell cousins.

The minutes of the 2004 Meeting, as published in the Newsletter (with a couple of editorial amendments, *e.g.*, the meeting was not on June *36*), were accepted.

Treasurer David Hartwell Webber, Dunstable, MA, reported on the Association's financial well-being as of the end of its fiscal year 2005. As of June 25, 2005, the Scholarship Fund stood at \$9332.36 and the Operating Fund at \$3,037.89. Total funds on hand reflected a \$161.88 decrease from the end of fiscal year 2004. Receipts for the year from interest, dues, Hartwell literature, and donations to the Scholarship Fund totaled \$1,066.45; expenditures for the 2005 Reunion, Newsletter, Scholarship, and printing of dues cards were \$1,228.23.

Scholarship Committee Chairperson Victoria H. C. Rogers, Otisfield, ME, announced the award of a \$200 grant for the 2005-2006 academic year to John Paul Hartwell. [Ed. Note: as of this writing, John's bio. infor-

mation has gone missing; we'll include it in the next Newsletter].

Genealogist Joy Hartwell Peach provided sketches and discussion of inventions patented by Hartwells (researched by Charles A.<sup>10</sup> Hartwell; for details see Spring, 2005 edition of Newsletter). The most macabre has to have been that of Bartholomew Hartwell of Baltimore, MD, who in 1875 received a patent for a "corpse-preserving casket." Joy also reported that the Genealogy Committee had retained the services of a professional copy editor/book designer to put the finishing touches on the the first volume containing the first five generations. [Ed. note: it's done!].

Receiving the commemorative gifts for the day were our hostess, Marian Wheeler, Concord, MA Eldest Lady in attendance, Warren Hartwell, Swampscott, MA, Eldest Gentleman, and Tina Seeger, Pepperell, MA, Youngest in attendance. For traveling furthest to attend, a tie was declared between first-time Reunion attendees Deborah L. Hartwell, Philadelphia, PA and Karen H. Samuels, Bethlehem, PA.



Eldest Lady, Marian Wheeler, Concord, MA



Eldest Gentleman, Warren Hartwell, Swampscott, MA



Youngest in attendance, Tina Seeger, Pepperell, MA



Traveling furthest to attend, Deborah L. Hartwell, Philadelphia, PA and Karen H. Samuels, Bethlehem, PA

## Hartwell Items Available

Full Color Coat of Arms (of the present baronet)—\$3.00 Coat of Arms Description only—\$1.00 145-page Booklet, "The Hartwell Arms"—\$2.00

#### Please send orders to:

David Hartwell Webber, Treasurer Hartwells of America 1124 Main Street Dunstable, MA 01827

Checks payable to HARTWELLS OF AMERICA



#### **CEMETERY RESTORATION**

Kudos to Rene' Meyer-North who has been working to restore two cemeteries she discovered on agricultural land belonging to her father in Cohocton, Steuben County, New York. These cemeteries, on Lent Hill, were completely hidden from view when Rene' happened across them. Stones were broken and/or lying on their sides and weeds covered everything. Rene', who lives in Florida, spends her vacations in New York, trying to restore some semblance of order to these abandoned cemeteries. She has documented all the stones, and given the information to a local historical society, as well as posting some of the information on the web. Of particular interest to Hartwells are three stones: 1. Elizabeth (Hartwell) Lent, dau. of Samuel and Elizabeth (Wilkinson) Hartwell and wife of Abraham Lent; who was born 31 Dec. 1786 and died 18 June 1849; 2. Aaron Hartwell, who died 19 September 1864, age 36; 3. Aaron's wife, Lucy Jane (Hatch) Hartwell, who died 1 November 1860, age 24. Aaron's history was, and still is, something of a puzzle, but Rene's discovery has helped a little.

I'll try to explain the Aaron problem. Four Aaron Hartwells appear on the 1850 federal census for New York, all within a short distance of one another. They are:

1. Aaron Hartwell, age 50, carpenter, living with [presumed] wife Maria Hartwell, 29, [presumed] children, Lydia Hartwell, 17, Emma Hartwell, 13, Jerome Hartwell, 11, Franklin Hartwell, 10, Sophia Hartwell, 8, Samuel Hartwell 4, and [presumed] father Samuel Hartwell, 90, farmer, in Cohocton, Steuben County, NY. (Presumed because the 1850 census doesn't give the relationships between the members of a given household—it was 1880 before the government mandated that!)

*Identification*: almost certainly Aaron<sup>7</sup>, son of Samuel<sup>6</sup> (*Joseph*<sup>5-4</sup>, *Samuel*<sup>3-2</sup>, *William*<sup>1</sup>) and Elizabeth (Wilkinson) Hartwell and #818 Younger Male Line on page 46 in the 1956 genealogy. This Hartwell family went to Michigan, where they have been tracked in census records.

2. Aaron Hartwell, age 24, laborer, living in the house-

hold of William and Julia Ashley in Richmond, Ontario County, NY.

*Identification*: a mystery. There is a possibility that he is the same as #4. Sometimes people were counted twice in census records, especially if they were living somewhere other than home, even though people were supposed to be counted only if they were living in the home at the time the census taker called.

3. Aaron Hartwell, age 23, with [presumed] wife Jane, age 19, and [presumed] son Harmon, age 2/12 in Springwater, Livingston County, NY.

*Identification*: possibly Aaron<sup>8</sup>, son of Stephen<sup>7</sup> (*Samuel*<sup>6</sup>, *Joseph*<sup>5-4</sup>, *Samuel*<sup>3-2</sup>, *William*<sup>1</sup>) and Catherine (Lambert) Hartwell.Therefore, a nephew of Aaron #1. He also is thought to have gone to Michigan.

4. Aaron Hartwell, age 22, in a household headed by his [presumed] brother Samuel and containing his [presumed] brothers and sisters and his [presumed] grandmother, Elizabeth (Wilkinson) Hartwell, also in Cohocton, Steuben County.

Identification: This is the Aaron whose gravestone was discovered by Rene Meyer-North. He is apparently Aaron<sup>8</sup>, son of Elijah<sup>7</sup> (Samuel<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5-4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3-2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) and Tryphena (Brimhall) Hartwell (#2096 Younger Male Line, page 45), and therefore another nephew of Aaron #1. According to the Hartwell Genealogy, he was born 18 Sept. 1828 and Awas in the army,@ but says nothing about a wife and/or children. Aaron's gravestone credits him with service in the 25th New York Artillery during the Civil War.

The puzzling thing about this Aaron is that he is listed on the 1860 census in Cohocton, New York as Aaron S. Hartwell, age 35, farm laborer, head of a household consisting of himself, Lucy J. Hatch, age 24, Tryphena E. Hatch, age 4, and Webster P. Hatch, age 11/12. Then, in 1870, Tryphena E. Hartwell, age 14, and Webster P.

Hartwell, age 11 are living with Aaron's brother, Moses, and in 1880, Webster Hartwell is still living with Moses, and is identified as Moses' son!

The fact that Aaron aged from 22 to 35 in 10 years time doesn't bother me too much. Ages on census records are notoriously inaccurate, and if Aaron is also #2, then he really only aged 1 year between 1850-1860, which could be explained by the fact that the census was taken in different months. The real puzzle is why Lucy J., Tryphena, and Webster are surnamed Hatch in 1860, when they are surely the wife and children of Aaron. No marriage record has been found for Aaron and Lucy, but Lucy's gravestone identifies her as Aaron's wife, and surely little Tryphena was named for Aaron's mother. Tryphena is not a very common given name. What happened to the children is unknown. Tryphena could have died or married before the 1880 census was taken, and no record beyond that census has been found for Webster, which is also not a terribly common given name. Other questions are: who took care of the children when Aaron went into the Army? Was his death related to his Civil War service? If so, he should be listed on the Roll of Honor, but he is not found there.

#### HISTORIC LETTERS

The spring newsletter of the Littleton (Mass.) Historical Society contains an item about sixteen recently acquired letters written by **Thomas Wheeler**<sup>7</sup> and **Diana (Staples)** Hartwell outlining their adventures in moving from Littleton to Illinois about 1836. LHS says the letters can be easily read in one afternoon and give a vivid picture of Thomas and Diana's struggles on what was then the frontier. Anyone interested in reading these letters can visit the Littleton Historical Society any Wednesday afternoon, when they are open from 1 to 4 pm.

Genealogist's note: Thomas W. Hartwell died at Belvidere, IL 5 Jan. 1848, age 38, leaving his wife and eleven-year old son, George H. Diana soon remarried and had more children with her second husband, Charles Whitman. The last record I have found of George H. Hartwell is the 1880 federal census, where George is shown as a widowed carpenter in 1st Ward, Belvidere, IL, with his sons Frank L., George and Edward. It would be nice to have more information on the descendants of Thomas and Diana Hartwell.



Notice of Annual Meeting 69 th Annual Reunion

os th muun neum

•

Date: Saturday, June 24, 2006

Place: First Parish in Concord Church

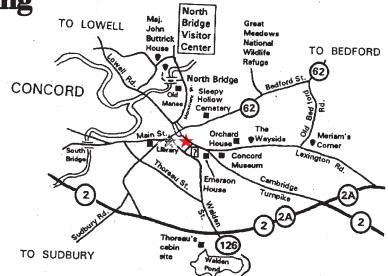
20 Lexington Road Concord, Massachusetts

(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.



Alison Hartwell Corresponding Secretary 100 Marlboro Street Wollaston, MA 02170



# Annual Dues Payable Now

Annual Dues for the Hartwells of America, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, in the amount of \$2.00, are enclosed for the following:

Name:	Name:
Address:	Address:

Dues should be mailed only to: David Hartwell Webber, Treasurer

Hartwells of America 1124 Main Street Dunstable, MA 01827 It would be greatly appreciated if you could enclose a self-addressed, stamped return envelope with your dues.