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## Notice of Annual Meeting & Seventy-Second Anniversary Reunion

Date: Saturday, June 27, 2009

Place: Trinitarian Congregational Church

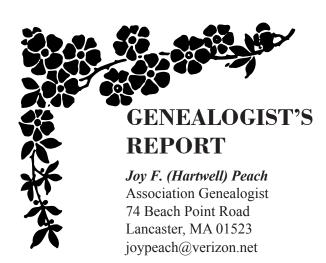
54 Walden Street

Concord, Massachusetts
Time: Greetings & Salutations

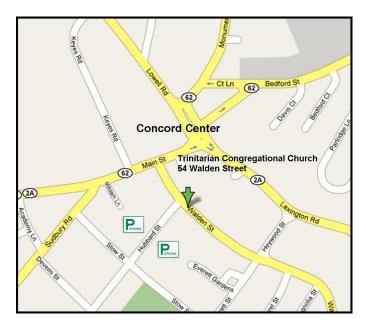
Coffee & Pastries 10:00-12.00

Bring Your Own Picnic Luncheon: 12:00-1:00

Business Meeting: 1:00



#### **Reunion Site**



#### **2008 DEATHS**

HENRY S. BROUSSEAU, husband of June<sup>10</sup> (Hartwell) Brousseau, died at Easton, MA 29 December 2008.

Survived by his wife, two sons, two daughters, five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren [obit. found by Marilyn Chambers].

Jarryd Everett Brown, son of Kenneth & Sandra<sup>13</sup> (Hartwell) Brown, was killed in a bicycle accident 20 May 2008 [letter from Mary A. (Cannon) Hartwell].

EDWARD E. "NED" EVRE, widower of Janet<sup>10</sup> (Hartwell) Eyre, died at his home in the Washoe Valley, Nevada, 15 September 2008. Ned had a long and interesting career, beginning with the invention and successful marketing of the first long-burning fireplace log. Survived by his second wife, his daughter Janet and his son, Edward L., and two grandchildren [obit. sent by Leslie Gallaugher].

Donald Offutt<sup>12</sup> Hartwell, son of Frank F.<sup>11</sup> & Donna (Alexander) Hartwell, and brother of Richard Lewis (below), b. 13 February 1924; d. at Tallahassee, Florida 29 April 2008, age 84. A well respected lawyer and judge, he is survived by his wife, Mary Ann (Cannon) Hartwell and two daughters [letter from Mary A. (Cannon) Hartwell; SSDI].

Duane Norman<sup>12</sup> Hartwell, son of Norman Wilbur<sup>11</sup> & Glen (Gero) Hartwell, b. Vermont 25 Oct. 1935 [VT VRs] or 1936 [SSDI]; d. Salt Point, NY 22 May 2008

- [SSDI]. It is not known if he was married.
- ELAINE ANN (YOUNG) HARTWELL, wife of Richard Walker<sup>11</sup>
  Hartwell, Jr., b. 24 March 1948; d. Atlanta, GA 7
  March 2008; buried Bedford, MA [obit. found by Jim Allison; SSDI].
- JANET K. (JAMISON) HARTWELL, widow of Thomas Dar<sup>11</sup>
  Hartwell, b. 14 August 1935; d. New Wilmington,
  PA, 25 June 2008. Survived by three children [SSDI].
- MILES MORTIMER<sup>10</sup> HARTWELL, son of Charles<sup>9</sup> & Irene (Patrick) Hartwell, b. Eugene, Oregon 20 December 1921; d. Salem, Oregon 27 March 2008 [SSDI].
- Owen Ware<sup>11</sup> Hartwell, son of Orville N.<sup>10</sup> & Gertrude (Ware) Hartwell, b. 25 March 1927; d. in Minnesota 21 February 2008 [SSDI].
- RAYMOND KELSEY<sup>11</sup> HARTWELL, son of **Stewart L.**<sup>10</sup> and **Dorothy (Landon) Hartwell**, b. 10 June 1920; d. in Connecticut 17 Jan. 2008 [SSDI].
- RICHARD Lewis<sup>12</sup> Hartwell, son of Frank F.<sup>11</sup> & Donna (Alexander) Hartwell, and brother of Donald O. (above), b. 26 Nov. 1928; d. at Welaka, FL 8 June 2008 [letter from Mary A. (Cannon) Hartwell; SSDI].
- ROBERT CLEIGHTON<sup>11</sup> "BOB" HARTWELL, son of Harry Fleming<sup>10</sup> & Edna (Redman) Hartwell, b. Los Angeles, California 8 Dec. 1921; d. Magalia, CA 6 May 2008; survived by his wife, Betty, two sons, Gregory & Wayne, and "several" grandchildren, about whom we have no information [obit. send by Sandy Sanford, SSDI]
- ROBERT GORDON<sup>12</sup> HARTWELL, son of Charles<sup>11</sup> & Alzada (Dawes) Hartwell, b. 24 July 1934; d. Bingham, ME, 27 June 2008; survived by his wife and at least four children .[SSDI].
- SIDNEY NEAL<sup>11</sup> HARTWELL, son of Sidney J.<sup>10</sup> & Irma (Pribbernow) Hartwell, b. 12 Dec. 1931; d. Kimberling City, MO 11 August 2008; predeceased by his wife, Inez (see above), survived by two daughters, Holly Esposito and Katherine Aravich, three grandchildren and two sisters [email from Holly (Hartwell) Esposito; SSDI].
- LUCINDA JOY PEACH, daughter of Henry & Joy<sup>10</sup> (Hartwell)

  Peach, b. Boston, MA 18 January 1957; d. Washington, DC 25 July 2008, of complications from a recurrence of breast cancer. A professor of philosophy at American University, she is survived by her parents, her brother John and her sister, Rebecca Cooke.

**Note:** While the Social Security Death Index [SSDI] is a major source of death information; the listing gives only a name, a birth date, a death date, sometimes a place of death, and sometimes a place of last payment, so obituaries and other notices are gratefully received. 57 Hartwell deaths were reported on the SSDI in 2008; only 11 (noted above) have been identified.

Many thanks to Caroline Brown for finding data online which helped to identify the following people on last year's (2007) SSDI list of deaths (Carol also found obits for several Hartwells on the SSDI who appear to be "unattached" and are not listed here:

- DARRYLE LEE<sup>11</sup> "HARKIE" HARTWELL, son of GUY BARNARD<sup>10</sup> (Harold H.<sup>9</sup>, Derrick B.<sup>8</sup>, Samuel E.<sup>7</sup>, Samuel<sup>6-5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3-2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) and ALICE HARTWELL, b. Missoula, MT 6 May 1949, d. there 14 Nov. 2007; survived by his father and mother, two daughters, a sister, two grandsons, a nephew and a niece.
- DOROTHY (BUCK) HARTWELL, wife of CLARENCE C.<sup>10</sup> HART-WELL (*Melvin*<sup>9</sup>, *Alson A.*<sup>8</sup>, *Alson*<sup>7</sup>, *Solomon*<sup>6-5</sup>, *Edward*<sup>4-3</sup>, *John*<sup>2</sup>, *William*<sup>1</sup>), b. Harpersfield, NY 8 Sept. 1912, d. Stamford 3 Nov. 2007; survived by her husband and several nieces and nephews.
- INEZ (Low) HARTWELL, wife of S[IDNEY] NEAL<sup>11</sup> HARTWELL (Sidney J.<sup>10</sup>, Sidney G.<sup>9</sup>, George L..<sup>8</sup>, Albert<sup>7</sup>, Peter<sup>6</sup>, Ebenezer5, Peter<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3-2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. Milwaukee, WI 25 April 1932, d. Kimberling City, MO 13 Dec. 2007; survived by her husband (who d. 2008), a daughter, three grandchildren and one great-grandchild
- LAURA (STROHBUSCH) HARTWELL, widow of FRANK C.¹0 (Frank C.º, Charles H.º, Solomon¹, Daniel⁶, Solomon⁵, Daniel⁶, William³, Samuel², William¹) HARTWELL, b. Richwood, WI 6 Aug. 1908, d. Belleville, IL 18 April 2007; no children.
- RICHARD L[OUIS]<sup>12</sup> HARTWELL, son of Edwin Louis and Charlsie (\_\_) Hartwell, b. Bakersfield, CA 22 Feb. 1948; d. Edina, MN 21 Nov. 2007, age 59y; unmarried. Survived by one brother and two sisters. [Note: this was a formerly "unattached" family that research allowed to be "attached" to the younger male line as follows: Edwin L. <sup>11-10</sup>, Chauncey E. <sup>9</sup>, Edwin F. <sup>8</sup>, Lewis <sup>7</sup>, Oliver <sup>6</sup>, Joseph <sup>5</sup>, William <sup>4-3</sup>, Samuel <sup>2</sup>, William <sup>1</sup>. Despite this breakthrough, there is still much research to be done on this branch of the Hartwell family tree!]
- WARD J.<sup>9</sup> HARTWELL, son of THOMAS O.<sup>8</sup> (*Tyler Dunham*<sup>7</sup>, *Thomas*<sup>6</sup>, *Asahel*<sup>5</sup>, *Edward*<sup>4-3</sup>, *John*<sup>2</sup>, *William*<sup>1</sup>) and Nora (Otis) HARTWELL, b. Ionia, MI 14 March 1911, d. Wake Forest, NC 2 April 2007. It is not know if he had a wife or children.

#### 2009 DEATHS

- RICHARD ELY<sup>11</sup> HARTWELL, son of **Joseph Barber<sup>10</sup> & Ann Ely** (Paterson) Hartwell, b. Waltham 1937; d. Easton 7 April 2009. Survived by his son, Richard, his brother John and John's wife, Joan [obit. send by Jim Allison].
- STEVEN RANDALL<sup>12</sup> HARTWELL. son of Herbert<sup>11</sup> and Mildred (Matthews) Hartwell, b. Nashua, NH 5 May 1949; d. Clearwater, FL 28 February 2009. Survived by his parents, brothers Wes of Omaha, NE, Bradford of NH, Dana of Alexandria, VA, Gary of Houston, TX, and six nieces and nephews [obit, sent by Wes Hartwell].

TRYING TO IDENTIFY AN "UNATTACHED" HARTWELL

Eleanor Pinkney Gilbert kindly sent me a newspaper obituary for Gordon A. Hartwell, who is also listed on the SSDI. I could

not identify him, but did get him back to his possible greatgrandparents, so thought it might be interesting to relate the process used. The SSDI, census records and some Massachusetts vital records, helped me get back to 1884. If anyone has further information on this Hartwell family, I would appreciate knowing it.

GORDON A. HARTWELL, son of Edwin and Margaret (Durand) Hartwell, was born at Lebanon, NH, 28 September 1934 and died at Hillsborough, NH, 10 November 2008. He was a veteran of the US Air Force and a member of American Legion Post #59. He worked in the grocery industry his entire career and was a lifelong Boston Red Sox and Boston Celtics fan. He coached Keene Little League for many years. Survived by his wife, MARY E. ( ) HARTWELL, two sons, two daughters, three grandsons, three nephews and many cousins [all information from the obit. sent by Eleanor (Hartwell) (Pinkney) Gilbert].

#### Children:

- Diane G. Hartwell; m. Searles. (Diane predeceased her father, but I could not locate her on the SSDI, unless she is the Diane Searles b. 8 May 1950, d. Pomona, CA – Aug. 1985 – card issued CA)
- ii. Timothy G. Hartwell, "of Marlborough [NH?] in
- iii. Roger Murphy [sic], "of Palm Harbor, FL in 2008.
- iv. Leslie A. Hartwell, "of Hancock" in 2008.
- v. Donna J. Hartwell, "of Swanzey" in 2008.

The Social Security Death Index and a Mass. Vital Record provided the following information on Gordon's family:

EDWIN JOHN HARTWELL was born prob. at Keene, NH, 23 July 1909 and died there 1 November 1991. He married, ca. 1928, MARGARET DURAND, who was born 14 October 1906 and d. at Keene, NH, -- July 1979.

Known children:

- Edwin John Hartwell, b. Winchendon, MA, 19 Feb. 1929; d. there 24 May 1991.
- Gordon A. Hartwell (see above).

Again, the SSDI, the 1930 census, plus a Mass. Vital Record, and a WWII record found online at the State Archives in Waltham, provided the following information on Edwin's fam-

Asa John Hartwell was born at Winchendon, MA, 10 March 1884 [MA VR 351:411] and he died after 1930 when he was enumerated on the federal census in Keene, NH. He married Annie ( ), who was born 21 December 1887 and died at Concord and/or Keene, NH in January of 1979 [SSDI]. Asa enrolled in WWII, stating he was a resident of Cheshire County, NH.

Known children, per 1930 census:

- Freddie Hartwell, b. 4 Aug. 1904; d. Jan. 1961
- ii. Edwin John Hartwell (see above)
  - iii. Ruth Hartwell (twin?), b. 4 Jan. 1914.
  - iv. Ray G. Hartwell (twin?), b. 4 Jan. 1914; d. Santa

- Maria, CA 14 May 1989 [SSDI, card issued NH].
- Anson Hartwell, b. 31 July 1917; d. Keene, NH, --Nov. 1985.

Asa John Hartwell's birth record lists him as an unnamed male child, born at Winchendon 10 March 1884 to Charles Hartwell "of Lowell" and Ella Ray/Roy "of Sutton." My research has reached a "brick wall" at this point, as I can find no marriage between a Charles and an Ella, except that of Charles to Ella Colby at Worcester, MA in 1876, and I have eliminated this couple as the possible parents of Asa John, since they had a child of their own born at Worcester 18 Oct. 1884! It's possible that Asa John's parents are incorrectly recorded on his birth record, and it's also possible that they were married somewhere other than Massachusetts, and I do not have that record. I have been unable to find death records for either John or Ella, both of whom probably died before the SSDI began listing deaths. There are no other births in Mass. recorded for this couple, so either Asa John was an only child or his parents moved somewhere else after his birth. Any help with this mysterious family would be greatly appreciated, as I do feel that they somehow "attach" to William<sup>1</sup> of Concord.

Lastly, if anyone wishes to correspond with me, I've finally gone wireless, so my new email address is joypeach@verizon.net.

Joy Hartwell Peach, Hartwell family genealogist

#### Minutes of the 2008 Annual Meeting of the Hartwells of America

Saturday, June 28, 2008, saw thirty-some Hartwell cousins and friends convene at the Trinitarian Congregational Church, Concord, MA for the Hartwells of America Association's 71st Anniversary Reunion. As noted in last year's Newsletter, the change in venue from the First Parish in Concord Church, where the Association has met the past several summers, was occasioned by on-going renovations at that location.

President Wayne E. Hartwell (Foxborough, MA) called the business meeting to order at 1:00 p.m., noting that it was the 25th consecutive year that he has performed that duty.

Roger Whitcher Hartwell (Quincy, MA) offered an opening prayer, which was followed by a moment of silence in memory of Hartwell cousins departed since the last Reunion.

First-time Reunion attendees were welcomed: Marcia and Corky Cronin, San Leandro, CA; and Mike, Michele, Lynn, and Austin Cronin, Danville, CA.

Marian H. Wheeler (Concord, MA), our hostess at First Parish and Trinitarian, was presented with a copy of Joy Peach's new Genealogy in recognition of her dedicated efforts on behalf of the Association.

The minutes of the 2007 business meeting, as published in the 2008 Newsletter, were accepted.

David Hartwell Webber (Dunstable, MA) delivered the Treasurer's report. As of the close of the Association's 2008 Fiscal Year, the balance on hand in the Scholarship Fund was a respectable \$12,906 (that Fund received donations of \$1,119 during the Fiscal Year). The Operating Fund, which finances the Reunion, Newsletter, and other Association operating expenses, contained \$2,374. Revenue to the Operating Fund for the year, from bank interest, dues, and the sale of Hartwell literature, was \$539, while operating expenses for the year totaled \$1,035. David projected that the recent string of annual operating deficits would likely be offset by the increase in annual dues voted at the 2007 Reunion (from \$2 to \$5), which became effective as of July 1 for the 2009 Fiscal Year. David also reported that copies of Joy's new Genealogy were not exactly flying off the shelves, with approximately 80 more sales necessary to recoup the Association's expenses of publication. David noted that Richard Hartwell Negus (Dunwoody, GA) had generously purchased a copy for donation to the Concord Library, and suggested that others do the same for their local libraries as a way to stimulate sales. On motion, David's report was accepted.

Scholarship Committee Chairperson Victoria H.C. Rogers (Otisfield, ME) reported that the committee had voted to award \$150 Scholarship Grants to Katherine Lynn Orfao (Westborough, MA) who is pursuing a degree in Cosmetology at the Cosmix International School of Hair & Nail Design, and Michael Orfao (Worcester, MA), who is working toward a degree in Biology at Worcester State College. On motion, Vickie's report was accepted.

Genealogist Joy F. Peach (Lancaster, MA) brought the meeting up to date on her latest finds and her continuing work on the generations following the fifth, as contained in the new Genealogy. On motion, Joy's report was accepted.

Contributions were voted to Trinitarian for the use of its facilities (\$200) and attendance of its Sexton (\$50), and to the Social Law Library for the efforts

of the Library's graphic designer in preparing the Association's Newsletter (\$50).

As the person traveling the farthest to attend, Marcia Cronin received a Hartwell Tavern, 71st Anniversary Reunion Memorial T-Shirt. The eldest lady in attendance, Marian Wheeler (93), also received a T-shirt to recognize that achievement. A T-shirt for the eldest gentleman in attendance went to Warren Hartwell (Swampscott, MA). Austin Cronin garnered a T-shirt as the youngest attendee.

Following the conclusion of the formal business meeting, attendees gathered for a group photo by Association Photographer, Alison Hartwell (Quincy, MA).

Judith Bacon Hartwell Recording Secretary

# POP QUIZ

Which of the United States has the greatest number of persons surnamed Hartwell?

- (a) Massachusetts
- (b) New Hampshire
- (c) New York
- (d) Utah
- (e) Other

Answer at the Reunion on the 27th. See you there.

#### The Descendants of William Hartwell, Concord Settler, 1636, Through Five Generations Order Form

Yes, please send me copy/ies of <i>The Descendants of William Hartwell, Concord Settler, 1636,</i>					
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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 through June 12, 2010 and will receive consideration at the Reunion for the scholarship grants to be awarded for the academic year 2010-2011. 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.">http://www.hartwell.org/scholar.</a> html>

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.



Hartwell Tavern, Lincoln, Massachusetts (print courtesy Minute Man National Historical Park)

Be sure to visit The Hartwells of America Association's Web site—www.hartwell.org—and check out the Message Board for the latest news.

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, 2010, in the amount of \$5.00, are enclosed for the following:

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It would be greatly appreciated if you could enclose a self-addressed, stamped return envelope with your dues.