

# The Hawes Family Association NEWSLETTER

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## **Purpose**

The Purpose of the Association is to continue to collect and preserve family histories of Hawes people and allied families; to share our knowledge of family histories and to strengthen extended family ties. The association was established by Helen Hawes Hudgins and Anna Hawes Greaves in 1989, to include all the descendants of Samuel Hawes of Colonial Virginia. Samuel Hawes I was born circa 1675, and died circa 1769 in Caroline County, Virginia. All family members descend from one of Samuel Hawes's two sons; Isaac Hawes, Sr. or Samuel Hawes II.

## September 21, 2014 Reunion



## The Hawes Family Reunion is returning to Kentucky

The 2014 reunion is scheduled for Sunday September 21, from 12:30 to 4:30 PM at the Western Kentucky Botanical Garden in Owensboro. The estimated price is \$15 per person, all inclusive costs.

The Botanical Garden will be lovely in the fall, and historically the weather has been nice, so it should be a great meeting. Everyone should plan to come!

The link to the Botanical Garden's website is <http://wkbkg.org/>.

# MEMORIAL MEMBERSHIPS

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Thomas J. Abbott, Jr. (1929-1994)  
Louise Hawes Applegate (1907-1995)  
Nancy Sparling Burkhardt (1926-2001)  
Lurline Hawes Cunningham (1918-2003)  
Ola Hawes Dierlam (1893-1979)  
Dr. Oscar Garth Fitzhugh (1901-1994)  
Mary B. Fitzhugh (1904-1994)  
Anna Hawes Greaves (1912-1999)  
Camilla Gillette Haase (1918-1996)  
Robert Taylor Haase (1911-1996)  
Richard Joseph Haase (1913-2004)  
Eleanor Pauline Haase Phillips (1917-2008)  
George Walter Hambrick (1883-1980)  
Sallie Anna McCallum Hambrick (1884-1952)  
Albert Bludworth Hawes (1898-1957)  
Alfred Edwin Hawes (1889-1958)  
Anna Lewis Hawes (1855-1937)  
Colonel Benjamin Walker Hawes (1900-1988)  
Clara Louise Munsch Hawes (1920-2010)  
Dorothy Horn Hawes (1912-1989)  
Edwin Combe Hawes (1856-1928)  
Colonel Edwin Hugh Hawes (1912-1945)  
Frederick Lee Hawes (1927-2012)  
Harry Bartow Hawes (1869-1947)  
Holloway Steele Hawes (1917-1991)  
Hugh Adrian Hawes (1922-1992)  
Jesse Marvin Hawes (1921-2005)  
John Morris Hawes (1890-1978)  
Joseph David Hawes (1920-2008)  
Laura Marion Hawes (1954-1984)  
Lloyd Clark Hawes (1916-1981)  
Louis W. Hawes (1925-2007)

Lucius Powhatan Hawes (1911-1998)  
Marie Christy Johnson Hawes (1930-2006)  
Martha Avis Cunningham Hawes (1907-1976)  
Sister Mary Perpetua Hawes (1924-2003)  
Parrieelee Lane Hawes (1910-2000)  
Richard Simrall Hawes (1873-1949)  
Richard Hawes (1772-1829)  
Smith Nicholas Hawes (1842-1890)  
William Marshall Hawes (1902-1962)  
William E. Hawes (1911-2009)  
Richard Hawes, II (1797-1877)  
Samuel Hawes, II (1727-1794)  
Richard Simrall Hawes, III (1925-2005)  
Hugh Walker Hawes, Jr. (1843-1929)  
Richard Simrall Hawes, Jr. (1899-1961)  
Alfred Walker Hawes, Sr. (1919-1981)  
Walter Herman Hawes, Sr. (1895-1971)  
Dean Patrick Hennessy (1956-1987)  
Edith McCallum Howard (1910-1997)  
Helen Hawes Hudgins (1913-2003)  
Edwin Hawes, III (1923-1998)  
Avis June Hawes Reynolds (1925-2005)  
John W. Reynolds (1923-2001)  
Lucille Mae Russell (1911-1996)  
John Anthony Seaman, Jr. (1918-1997)  
Laney Hawes Storie (1875-1934)  
Dr. George Trotter Tyler (1873-1940)  
Anne Hawes Hambrick Uzmed (1921-1995)  
Julia Clark Whelan (Aug-Nov 2004)  
Betty Lou Carlton Wilhoyte (1925-1993)  
Lysle Milton Young (1926-1999)

Honored Member of Association

Louis W. and Margaret Hawes In recognition of their many years of caretaking of the cemetery.

**Family websites of interest:** The Hawes family on Matagorda Island in Texas; two references to Richard Hawes, the confederate governor of Kentucky; one to Lincoln, perhaps the most famous "Kentuckian"; and the Hawes Family Cemetery in Yelvington.

[www.matagordaisland.com](http://www.matagordaisland.com)

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Richard\\_Hawes](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Richard_Hawes)

<http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs017/1101092730388/archive/1102445658592.html#article2>

<http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs017/1101092730388/archive/1102445658592.html#article5>

<http://hawesfamilyassociation.com>

## **William Winston Fontaine tells how his table has traveled and what company it kept**

To the Editor of the Courier Journal:  
Louisville, Ky.

My attention has been called to an article in your paper of the \_\_\_\_ which your correspondent, writing of an old table \_\_\_\_ during the war of the Revolution of General Washington, who kept it \_\_\_\_ expired. Washington, Jefferson and several others of the distinguished men at that time have sat around this old table and drawn up plans of vital importance to the Government. Washington parted with the table just before his death, and since then it has passed through a number of hands until it finally found its way to the present owner.

This is a mistake. The table alluded to was never the property of Gen. Washington and has never been out of the possession of the descendants of the person who brought it to America.

The table was brought to Virginia in 1656 by Capt. John Aylett, son of Sir Benjamin Aylett of Braxted Magna, Sheriff of Essex county, England, in 1642. The journals of the House of Lords, and the House of Commons, show that the name of Aylett was variously spelled -- Aylett, Aylott, Ayloff, Ayloff, Ayliffe, Ayliff.

Capt. John Smith, in his history of Virginia, printed in London in 1520, heads the names of the Adventurers for Virginia (meaning the stockholders of the Virginia Company) with the name of "Sir William Ayliffe". This Sir William, according to Burke, was the father of Sir Benjamin Aylette, or Aylett.

Sir Benjamin, as the journals of the House of Commons show, was, in January 1543, committed to the Tower and his property sequestrated on account of his adherence to King Charles I. He remained a prisoner of State until December 1646, when it was ordered that he should have his liberty on bail, and that "upon payment of £2000, the sequestration of his estate be taken off".

John Aylett fought at the battle of Worcester, 1651. Late in 1656, in consequence of the general oppression of the Royalists by Cromwell, which followed their unsuccessful rising of that year, Aylett migrated for Virginia.

For nearly two centuries the table stood in the hall of the Aylett homestead in King William County, Va. It was known as the "fruit and wine table".

Finally, tradition says that in the old colonial days Nathaniel Bacon, "the chivalric Thomas Hansford", Bland, Lawrence and Drummond, the leaders in the so-called Bacon's "rebellion" in 1676, were entertained around this table. Later still, Gov. Alexander Spotswood (great grandson of Archbishop Spotswood, who crowned Charles I of England) Robert Beverly, the historian, and other "Knights of the Golden Horseshoe" drank the health of George I, while standing around it.

After the Revolution it was the property of John Aylett, great grandson, Col. William Aylett and afterward Commissary General of the Southern department ....this period among the guests who gathered around it were George Washington, Marquis de La Fayette, Gov. Nelson, Gov. John Tyler, Sr., Richard Henry Lee, "Light Horse Harry", Judge Peter Johnston (father of Gen. Joseph H. Johnston), James Madison, Patrick Henry and George Mason.

Nor were the courtly beauties of the olden time wanting. There yet linger around this old table traditionary echoes of the beauty of Mrs. Unity Dandridge, ne \_\_\_\_, the grand-niece of Thomas West, Lord Delaware; of Martha Dandridge, and Mrs. Gen. Washington; of Annie\* Aylett, afterward Mrs. \_\_\_\_, ninth Lord Fairfax, of Elizabeth Henry (grandmother of Mrs. Gen. Wade Hampton) and other belles of the Old Dominion.

In later times, the boys, Robert E. Lee, the future Confederate commander, and Charles Campbell, the future historian of Virginia, played around it. From this table, Gov. Giles, who was killed on the Princeton, President Tyler, Gov. Henry A. Wise, Richard Ellis, President of the Texas Convention in 1856-7, and Edmund Ruffin, who fired the first gun at Fort Sumter, have been refreshed.

In 1834, the table was presented by Mrs. Col. Philip Aylett, a daughter of Patrick Henry, to her daughter, Mrs. Spotswood Fontaine. It was then removed to "Fontainebleau", King William County, where it remained in good condition until July 1863, when the Fontainebleau house was sacked (?) by the Federal troops under Gen. Getty. The table was badly injured and the Slab broken.

It was then taken to Greensboro, N.C. and near the old battlefield of Guilford near where President Davis held his last consultation with Gens. Johnson and Beauregard, it saw the concluding scenes of the Confederacy.

In 1872, it was carried to Texas and presented to the present owner by his mother.

It comes to Kentucky with the added consolation of the Alamo and San Jacinto, for she who saw her husband fall at the altar of the Alamo, and she, the sweetest singer of the Lone Star State, the youngest daughter of the hero of San Jacinto, have both been seated by this old table.

The families of Buckner and Hawes, of this State, are descendants of Captain John Aylett, The Cavalier.

/s/ William Winston Fontaine

William Winston Fontaine was Principal of Holyoke Academy in Louisville, Ky., and while his letter to the Editor of the Louisville newspaper bears no date, a second letter reproduced in Dr. Seaman's book and written to George Trotter Hawes is dated, simply "1881".

*Note: This letter is reproduced from the copy of the original sent to Helen May Hudgins from Dr. Seaman along with other papers, with permission to include it in her accounts of the Hawes family. The blanks are where the original was unreadable.*

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## Memberships, renewals, reunion, history and letters:

### We welcome your input!!

You can send us information using the <http://www.hawesfamilyassociation.com> website, or write a letter or e-mail with news on births, marriages, and deaths in our family and send them to Gene McCreary, address above.

New and Memorial Memberships are \$10. Make the check out to Hawes Family Association and mail to Claudette Hawes Hennessy. Please also send changes in addresses or emails

Suggestions for the website should be sent to Claudette Hawes Hennessy.