



THE HAWES FAMILY ASSOCIATION

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Dear Friends:

This is our First Newsletter -- if you were expecting a computerized report - or engraved stationery - sorry about that!

Your president and secretary send a warm thank-you to all who sent "good little notes" when you enrolled as a member of our family association. Each message is appreciated and was a boost to us.

A look at the Membership Roll shows we are now scattered all across the face of America -- we're in Texas, Indiana, Florida, Kentucky, Virginia, Massachusetts, Colorado, Maryland, California, New York, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Tennessee, Georgia and far-away Taiwan. If any one wishes the complete address of any member, let me know.

It was deemed proper to extend an Honorary Membership to Mildred and Jack Foster, of Lewisport, Kentucky. No more loyal friends to all Haweses could be found.

You will also note two Memorial memberships. Any person wishing to honor a departed family member in this manner is welcome to do so. It is a nice way to remember them and membership will continue with the annual payment of dues.

We are proud of each member and hope to make the Newsletters good enough to retain your interest; also, that you will feel free to contribute items concerning your own family.

The Membership Roll follows:

ANNUAL MEMBERS

Abbott, Olyve Hallmark
 Anderson, Marvin J. & Elizabeth
 Applegate, Louise Hawes
 Blythe, Robert & Martha Hawes
 Bond, Christy Hawes
 Campbell, Mary A.
 Cashman, Ann Hawes
 Greaves, Anna Hawes
 Haase, Richard J.
 Haase, Robert T.
 Hawes, Alma D.
 Hawes, Donna Lee
 Hawes, Edwin III
 Hawes, Holloway & Lora
 Hawes, James Edwin & Edna
 Hawes, Joe D. & Marjorie
 Hawes, John Morris, Jr. & Margaret
 Hawes, Parrie L. & dau. Vicki
 Hawes, Robin Ann
 Hawes, Mrs. Walter H. Sr. (Claudia)
 Hawes, Walter H. II & Amanda
 Hawes, Walter H. III & Kathleen
 Hawes, Thomas Jesse
 Hawes, William E. & Grace
 Hennessey, Claudette Hawes
 Hitselberger, Mary E. Fitzhugh
 Hudgins, Helen Hawes
 Hudgins, Michael Ward & Mona
 Hurley, Mr. & Mrs. J. R.
 McGilly, Mary Emily
 Meeks, Bernard & Lillian Hawes
 Mercer, Ben Hawes
 Mercer, Abbie Catherine Hawes & Lindy
 Morgan, Walter L. & Faye
 Murphy, John & Cathy Hawes
 Risley, Maj. Ronald & Rosemarie
 Rogers, Mr. & Mrs. James P.
 Seaman, Kitty Hawes Coleman
 Sellers, Nicholas
 Stuart, Tommy & Martha
 Thompson, Barton & Lucy Hawes
 Thompson, George, Jr. & Thelma
 Traub, Harold & Dorothy

Fort Worth, Tx.
 Mooresville, Ind.
 Louisville, Ky.
 Mechanicsville, Md.
 Concord, Mass.
 Austin, Tx.
 Denver, Col.
 Louisville, Ky.
 Houston, Tx.
 Chevy Chase, Md.
 Louisville, Ky.
 Lexington, Ky.
 Wharton, Tx.
 Maceo, Ky.
 Oakland, Md.
 Port O'Connor, Tx.
 Waco, Tx.
 Narrows, Ky.
 Mar Vista, Calif.
 Newburgh, N.Y.
 St. Michaels, Md.
 Taiwan
 Gainesville, Fla.
 Leonardtown, Md.
 Marlboro, N.Y.
 Fond du Lac, Wisc.
 Franklin, Tenn.
 Franklin, Tenn.
 Indianapolis, Ind.
 Atlanta, Ga.
 Arlington, Va.
 Owensboro, Ky.
 Owensboro, Ky.
 Lawrenceburg, Tenn.
 Alexandria, Va.
 Ventura, Calif.
 Bowling Green, Ky.
 Faber, Va.
 Radnor, Pa.
 Owensboro, Ky.
 Arlington, Tx.
 Maceo, Ky.
 Whitestone, N. Y.

Honorary Membership:

Memorial Membership:

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Mr. & Mrs. Jack Foster, Lewisport, Ky.
 Dorothy Horn Hawes (1912-1989), wife
 of Ben Taylor Hawes, given by her daughter,
 Abbie Catherine Hawes Mercer
 Edwin Combe Hawes (1856-1928), given by
 his Hawes grandchildren

The 3rd Annual Hawes-Thompson reunion was held last July in Owensboro, with Abbie Catherine Hawes Mercer and her husband, Lindy, being the gracious hosts for the occasion. It was held at her daughter's home and the large gathering that day in July - on a beautiful Kentucky farm - reflected the good humors, good looks and congeniality of everyone present. The one who traveled from the farthest-away place was young Walter H. Hawes III who arrived from Taiwan, running, smiling and bubbling over with enthusiasm to see "his kin".

Two delightful guests were W. Allan Hawes and wife, Gwen, who now live in Radcliff, Kentucky. He is descended from the "northern Hawes clan", or New England Haweses and he came loaded with papers, documents and manuscripts of his family's history. He had also brought his own handsomely-framed Hawes coat-of-arms, properly authenticated, which carried the family motto -- KNOW THYSELF. Well, every Hawes I've ever known has struggled to do just that, so we concluded it was a fitting motto for the Kentucky gathering.

Allan is with the U. S. Government and after a stay in Europe, is now assigned to Fort Knox, Ky. When he discovered a Hawesville in Kentucky, he not only visited the Archives but wrote his mother about it and when she came to visit them, Allan gave her the "Hawesville tour".

He is a direct descendant of Edward Hawes of Yarmouth, Norfolk, England, who arrived in Massachusetts about 1633. His records and papers were the hit of the day, and included many hand-written accounts. One paragraph is given below:

1635. Edward Hawes came over from England and settled in Mass. about 25 miles outside of Boston, in what was then a wilderness and known by the Indian name of Wallomonopoag, which eventually became Dedham. He was a strict Puritan religiously orthodox. He cut down the trees and built his log house, cleared and cultivated his land, fought off the Indians and in a few years had prospered enough to take a wife. In 1648 he married Eliony Lombard whose family came about the time of the Pilgrims in the Mayflower. There were 9 children - Lydia, Mary, Daniel, Hannah, John, Nathaniel, Abigail, Joseph and Deborah. His religious fervor is shown by the Bible names given his children. So Edward lived his life and became the founder of a family destined to large achievements in the progress and development of N.E. and its colonies. He died in June, 1686.

Both Allan and his wife seemed to enjoy the day with other people of the same name. He gave me copies of many valuable records and later, sent me a copy of Ben Ames Williams book Come Spring, which is a beautiful historical novel of early Hawes settlers in Maine.

He wrote me that the names, places and dates are all accurate and that his family still owns, lives on and farms the land at Seven-Tree Pond -- just as it is related in the book. He brought many large aerial photos of the farm.

Studying his papers - generation by generation - it is easy to see the descendants of Edward and Eliony were men and women of great courage and endurance as they "settled".

If a program had been "planned", it couldn't have been better than Allan's presentation, enjoyed by all and we hope he can be at future reunions.

Congratulations to the Hancock County Historical Society.

The railroad station in Hawesville has a brand new historical marker, donated by National-Southwire Aluminum Company and installed by the marker program of Kentucky. The marker is located just east of the main entrance of the station and was dedicated on January 10th. The Old Depot is now beautifully restored and houses the Museum of Hancock County. Many dedicated people gave of their time, energies and hard work to accomplish all this and now with a distinguishing Marker set in place, we applaud them for this achievement.

Commemorating the 125th anniversary of the Battle of Franklin, the town of Franklin hosted a Re-enactment from Nov. 30 through Dec. 3, 1989. It was quite an event. Our Chapter of United Daughters of the Confederacy was asked to plan for and conduct one of the three formal ceremonies held during the time period. I submitted the name of Mr. Porter Harned, of Louisville, as a possible speaker for our ceremony. He has organized the ORPHAN BRIGADE KINFOLK group. The Re-enactment committee asked me to write and extend the invitation to him. He accepted and when November 30th came, both he and Mrs. Harned were our guests at Carnton Mansion that afternoon. He gave a fine program, and included in his remarks were facts about the Second Provisional Governor of Kentucky, Richard Hawes II. That was no small moment for me!

From Ed Porter Thompson's now-famous book, "History of the Orphan Brigade", Mr. Jack Foster had sent me the references to the Hawes soldiers, even with the page numbers. It includes:

Co. D, First Regiment Ky. Cavalry, CSA: W.F. Hawes p. 996
Co.G, Second Regiment, Samuel B. Hawes (killed at Stone River) p.593
Cobb's Battery, J.F. Hawes (killed at Stone River) p.867
Chapter VIII - Dr. Cary N. Hawes (p. 150)
Brig.-Genl. J. M. Hawes (p. 108, 110, 114, 548
A.G. Hawes, p. 1017

The lady with the lovely name - Olyve Hallmark Abbott - first on the membership roll, answered a query which I had sent to KENTUCKY ANCESTORS. Her letter to me was so filled with information and/or questions that we soon became fast-friend correspondents...with a most REWARDING RESULT.

For some time, Parrie L. Hawes (of Narrows, Ky.) and I had been trying to find the link which would prove our kinship to each other. Parrie had sent me many pages of genealogy from the records of her late husband, so, from her records, my records, new information sent by Olyve, and from Elizabeth Hawes Ryland's compilation The Hawes Family of Caroline Co., Va., the connecting link WAS FOUND.

Both Parrie's husband and Olyve descended from the same son of Samuel & Margaret Hawes (this Samuel being the oldest son of Isaac Hawes, Sr. and wife/ Samuel Hawes I and wife, Elizabeth Ann Spencer). That "same son" was Alexander Hawes who married Lucy Fowke. And now, I, too, could call both of these ladies "cousin". Parrie is not a lineal descendant but her husband was and she is delighted to know that her daughter, Vicki, IS. Olyve writes she will be going back to Kentucky this Spring, to explore more, and plans to visit Parrie and maybe, even come to Franklin.

Our member, Thomas Jesse Hawes, of Gainesville, Fla. is descended through this same line -- Samuel and Margaret's son, William, born in 1762. Thomas Jesse is a 9th generation descendant of Samuel Hawes I -- and is anxious to learn more on his grandfather, Martin Van Buren Hawes, born in Stewart Co. Ga. in 1844. This Martin Van Buren Hawes had brothers Benjamin Franklin Hawes, b. 1840 and Augustus Lafayette, born 1846.

From Bowling Green, Va., a cousin (a Hawes-Buckner descendant) writes she is one of the organizers of a new group - The Caroline County, Virginia Genealogical Society. I am joining, as an individual, and hope to both "give and receive" matters historical concerning the Hawes family. Any new discoveries will be reported in future Newsletters.

During the summer of this year, Anna and I plan to conduct another membership drive. We have found many new people to contact, and hope they will join with us.

Do you have a QUERY? Send it in...perhaps our records may have the answer for you.

The Bells have tolled for:

ESTELLE JESSICA PHILIBERT, age 90, died May 10, 1989, at the Arlington, Va. Hospital. Descended from Richard & Clary Walker Hawes through their son, William Franklin Hawes and wife, Aurelia Combe, both Estelle and her late sister, Helene, were ardent genealogists, researching - particularly - the Aylett family of Virginia. Her letters were always "to the point" and she never failed to mention Col. William Aylett (of "Fairfield") as "my William". This Col. Aylett was the father of our Aylett ancestress, Ann, who married Benjamin Walker.

Estelle was born in St. Louis and came to Washington about 1925. Both she and her sister were employed by the U. S. Navy Department and by the time of their respective retirements, both held administrative positions. They were both given due credit by more than one writer for their valuable research on early U.S. Naval history. Retiring about 1964, Estelle lived alone after the death of her sister. With excellent health, she continued her research and regularly traveled down to Williamsburg. A member of the DAR for over 50 years, she also held membership in the Colonial Dames of America, The Manuscript Society and The Jamestowne Society. Her only survivors are nieces and nephews.

I would think her historical papers will be housed in one of Virginia's historical depositories but which one is unknown to me at present.

DOROTHY HORN HAWES, age 77, of Hawes Boulevard, Owensboro, Ky. died July 29, 1989, at her home. Born in Daviess County, Ky., she was the wife of Ben Taylor Hawes, who died in 1975. She was a co-founder of the Daviess County Sand and Gravel Company. An active member of the Third Baptist Church in Owensboro, she was active in other organizations concerning her community. Survivors are one daughter, Mrs. Lindy Mercer; two grandchildren, Ben Hawes Mercer and Mrs. Carolyn Adams, Jr.; four great-grandchildren; three brothers and one sister. Burial was in Rosehill Cemetery.

Reporting on our finances, we have a Savings Account (healthy), a small checking account (just to "have" for convenience sake), and a Petty Cash envelope.

Our expenses are not large...sometimes there is copying to be done and I still have a good supply of paper, envelopes, etc. of my own which I donate. So, supplies are not anything to be reckoned with. Postage is our largest expenditure because there's a lot of corresponding.

The Savings Account balance is \$340.17 and it earns a little interest each quarter. I think we are alive and well; hope you agree.

June Wedding Bells

At the very old and beautiful church in Philadelphia, St. Ladislaus, my oldest grandchild, Heather M. Hudgins (dau. of Mike & Mona) will wed, on June 9th, Edwin Michnowicz, of that city.

We know the mother of the bride will see that every detail is appropriately exquisite for the occasion; it is not, however, engraved in stone that the father of the bride will even survive after he gives his daughter a-w-a-y!

Heather's attendant will be her sister, Anastasia, of Orlando, Fla. Best wishes to Heather and Ed!

The best news has been saved for last. On Wednesday before Thanksgiving Day, 1989, the papers were mailed to Kentucky requesting a historical marker for the Hawes Family Cemetery at Yelvington, Daviess County, Kentucky.

The early history of Clary Walker Hawes' Ferry Operation was included. After it was all completed, I "slept on it" a couple of nights and then, tossing aside my usual modesty, saw it as a handsome presentation BECAUSE the historical facts it contained were, to me, amazing.

Thanks to all of you, the request was made in the name of the Hawes Family Association. Anna and I had discussed it COMPLETELY, and we are hopeful.

So, until your September Newsletter, That's All, Folks.

Heather M. Hudgins
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