



THE HAWES FAMILY ASSOCIATION

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NEWSLETTER

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Dear Friends:

Greetings to each of you from your family association president and secretary.

We have the following new members:

Cashman, Robin Hudgins	Albuquerque, N.M.
Dickerson, Joan Hawes*	Bay City, Tx.
Hawes, Gail Ann*	Wharton, Tx.
Hawes, Stephen C.*	" "
Jones, Irene M. (Mrs. T. Neil).....	Paducah, Ky.
Morris, Barbara Hawes*	Corpus Christi, Tx.

* These members are the children of Mr. & Mrs. Edwin Hawes III of Wharton, Tx.gift memberships from their father

July 9th Reunion in Owensboro:

While I was not able to be there, Anna Hawes Greaves, our president, was present. She called to report a fine gathering of kin-folk on a very hot Kentucky day. Again, Abbie Catherine Hawes Mercer and her husband, Lindy -- along with their family -- were the gracious hosts for this occasion, extending their warm hospitality to one and all. It is always on the first Sunday after the 4th of July each year...after church.

Irene Murdock (Mrs. T. Neil) Jones

I cannot resist the temptation to give the red-carpet treatment and welcome to our new (and OLDEST) member, Irene Jones, of Paducah, Ky. In 1988 she was 91 and The Paducah Sun's columnist, Berry Craig, wrote an excellent sketch about her, calling her the 91-year old globetrotter who is back in college again. His article says it all (reproduced here). I feel you will be glad to meet this splendid, remarkable lady, descended from Richard & Clary W. Hawes through their son, Hugh Walker Hawes and his first wife, Maria Martha Juliette de Rion.

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Hit the books

91-year-old globetrotter goes back to college again

HICKORY, Ky. — Irene Jones started to college the year Woodrow Wilson was elected president.

She's gone back to school. "The more we do, the longer we live," the Paducahan said.

Irene Jones is 91.

She's the oldest student by far at Mid-Continent Baptist College. Jones is among the most senior of Kentucky coeds, too.

She isn't a dorm-dweller at Mid-Continent, a small, four-year school in Hickory. The tiny Graves County town is about 20 miles south of Jones' Paducah apartment.

Jones pilots her tan 1985 Buick solo to campus, where she is taking a world civilization course.

"It's for credit," said Jones, a slender woman with short white hair and a quick smile. "The course appealed to me. I know the world pretty well."

She ought to. Jones is a globetrotter, traveling thousands of miles to more than 100 countries since 1950 when her husband, Paducahan Neil Jones died.

She has visited Europe 31 times, often aboard less-than-luxurious cargo ships. "I don't have a cruise mentality," she explained. "On cruises, all people do is sit around and play bridge."

At age 67, Jones still wasn't ready to stow her passport. She joined the Peace Corps and headed for Peru. "I lived in a little mud house with a dirt floor. I just loved the Peace Corps. It was so rewarding."

So was her 90th birthday, Jones is proud to tell you. She celebrated in

**Berry
Craig**

Rambling



Scotland's wild western Highlands.

What's more, Jones visited Morocco last spring and is planning another overseas jaunt next year — maybe to Turkey or Egypt.

Meanwhile, the Louisville native is hitting the books at Mid-Continent. She bypassed Paducah Community College, which is considerably closer to her place in the Ritz Apartments.

The only courses that appealed to Jones were at night. "They had a lot of computer classes (at PCC), but I'm afraid of computers and tax men," she chuckled.

Jones is happy with Mid-Continent. "The other students are really nice. They don't seem to mind me being there. The teacher is very good, too."

Mid-Continent is just as pleased with Jones. "It is good that our students are exposed to her," said Michael Holland, college director of business and information services. "I think that being around them helps her keep young, too."

Holland added that Jones "is living proof that life isn't over at 65."

Jones is an unofficial Mid-Continent student recruiter. "I am trying to get some of my church friends and other

people interested in taking classes," said Jones, who goes to Broadway United Methodist Church.

"They have such good classes. There's one in archaeology and another one in Greek. I think I'm going to take Greek. Years ago, I learned the alphabet but didn't go any farther than that."

Jones spent four years at old Logan College in Russellville, graduating in 1916. She added a bachelor's degree from Akron University and a master's degree from Case Western Reserve University. Her last college class was in 1931. Jones has since learned much from the world's people. "I live to meet people," she said.

Jones got to know struggling authors aboard Atlantic freighters. As an unofficial United Nations observer for the United Church Women, a national ecumenical group, she met First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt and Ernest Bevin, a veteran British trade union leader and foreign minister.

Jones and her late husband moved to Ohio from Paducah in 1927. Before returning to Paducah in June, 1987, she lived in Bellaire, Fla., for 35 years.

That was her base for travel, anyway.

Her favorite destination? "Always the last country I have been in. India has the most beautiful buildings. Singapore is my favorite city."

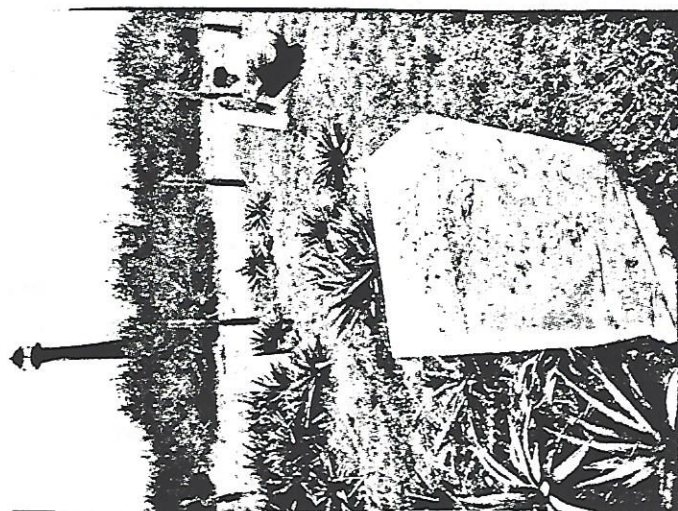
Jones said the key to her long, healthy life is keeping "active physically and mentally. But I am not athletic. Never was. My husband used to say I'd rather have my head in a book than any place else."

Do you like old newspaper accounts? I hope so, inasmuch as some will be in this Newsletter. From an old Hawesville, Ky. Scrapbook, was found the following: It bears only the date "about 1903" and from "The Breckinridge News".

"Miss Anna E. Hawes, Jr., of this city, dau. of Mrs. Edith and John W. R. Hawes, is the owner of two old pitchers which her great uncle, John Taylor (nephew of Pres. Zachary) gave to his sister, Anna, on her marriage to Theodore Hawes and who was Miss Anna E. Hawes' grandmother. Mr. John Taylor bought the pitchers in Paris while passing through that city during his travels. The pitchers are about 75 years old, of beautiful design and hand-painted".

And from Miss Mary Campbell, of Austin, Texas (descendant of Richard and Clary W. Hawes through their son, Dr. Aylett Hawes and wife, Mary) comes several clippings from the Sunday, March 11, 1990 edition of the Austin American-Statesman newspaper. It concerns the latest news about Matagorda Island and the Hawes family. The descendants of Hugh Walker Hawes have been notified by the U.S. government that their cattle-grazing leases are now being terminated, and they have to remove the cattle within six months. The writer of the article quoted Joe Hawes as saying: "On November 8, 1940, the U.S. marshal served notice that we had to get everything off in 10 days. We had been there over a hundred years". The writer continued: "Hawes said he will appeal the lease termination, but does not hold much hope of winning his case". From March 1990 to September is just about the 6-months' period... any further information received will be passed on to you.

One of the Directors of the Hancock County Museum, in Hawesville, Ky. wrote me that six descendants of Hugh Walker Hawes -- all of whom live in Texas - were making a tour of Kentucky points of interest relative to their family, and had visited the Museum, housed in the Old Depot building. He sent their names and I shall solicit their membership in our family association.



Park Superintendent Ronny Gallagher reads a gravestone in a cemetery on Matagorda Island. The graves of Judge Hugh W. Hawes and his descendants dot the island, but the Hawes family faces the end of an era when its leases expire in 6 months. Story A-10

Maria Southgate Hawes

Turning the pages of the August issue of the Magazine of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, I found the word "REMINISCENCES" spread across the top of pages 24 and 25. Sure enough, here were excerpts of the remembrances of Maria Southgate Hawes, the brave and young wife of a Confederate officer, General James Morrison Hawes, the oldest son of Richard Hawes². Historians now call Richard Hawes² the only Confederate Governor of Kentucky.

Dictated to a daughter by Maria when she was more than 80 years old, the booklet was published recently by a grand-daughter who lives in Covington, Kentucky. KENTUCKY ANCESTORS, one of the publications of the Kentucky Historical Society, reviewed it, calling it a "gem". It is an excellent and tender account of Maria's life as she traveled throughout the South with her little children - in the time of the War Between the States.

From the time she heard the first guns at Fort Donelson (from her temporary boarding house in Clarksville, Tenn.) until the family was finally on Kentucky soil at the close of the war, it also becomes an important and historical chronology of the campaigns west of the Mississippi River. She found Taylor kin in Louisiana, Nicholas kin in Texas and Coleman-Hawes kin in Arkansas, who opened their homes to her. Most of the time, however, she was amid strangers.

What the UDC editor used are - mostly - the activities of her husband. In my opinion, Maria was as brave as any soldier of the Confederacy and how wonderful that now thousands (yes, thousands) of UDC members will meet and become acquainted with this brave lady.

Since our first Newsletter, many of you have sent in your family history. I thank each one for this. From Washington state and from Georgia has come MORE about Albert Gallatin Hawes' descendants. I knew of Albert Gallatin Hawes, Jr. but now from new and accurate records, have found A.G.Hawes III and A.G. Hawes IV. All of this material is being assembled very carefully and will be included in Supplement Sheets to our records.

And, speaking of Albert Gallatin Hawes, here is another old newspaper account, from the same Hawesville, Ky. Scrapbook. Dated only "1922" and with no given source, it follows:

"Jay Clay Powers, 39, has been in Dallas 12 years, playwright and son of Joshua D. Powers, Sr. of Louisville. Shot to death in lobby of Waldorf Hotel in Dallas, by D. E. Sudderman, a former business associate, said to be of unclear mind.

Powers was manager and part-owner of the hotel and Sudderman had been waiting in the lobby and walked up to Powers from behind, seized him and put a pistol to Powers' chest and fired. Police sprang toward Sudderman and he was shot, dying 45 minutes later. Powers' wife, Miss Lena Budd, of Owensboro, was also in theater productions. Powers was nephew of L. S. Powers of Dallas".

To connect all this, we know that Clara Hawes (b. 1848), daughter of Albert Gallatin Hawes and his second wife, married in 1875 JOSHUA D. POWERS. Seven children born of this union included a son, Jay Powers.

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It is always a good day when an out-of-town "cousin" rings my door bell. E. Coleman Currie, of Lovington, Va., has stopped in Franklin, on his way to Memphis to visit his mother. From the first visit, he had no difficulty finding my street because as a young boy he had attended the private school just a half-block from my home....he knew the neighborhood. He brought me up-to-date information on Coleman, Currie and Crittenden families.

Our member, Diane Hurley, of Indianapolis, has sent more and correct family history on the children of Richard Walker Hawes and wife, Georgetta Adams. She now possesses the Bible of Sarah Graham Hawes (b. 1869) who married Walter A. Roberts (and NOT George W. Thompson as I erroneously gave in the Richard Hawes Family book).

And our member, Mary Emily Birk McGilly is from the same line and has sent in her history.

From Texas has come information on the Holinde families, who are descended from Richard & Clary W. Hawes through their daughter, Susan Elizabeth Hawes Taylor and husband, Jonathan Gibson Taylor.

All of this material is being handled very carefully, to be added to the records and I thank each of you. It is very rewarding and I hope to receive more and more - as time goes by.

Cradle Roll, 1990

Knowing that a Texas cousin was expecting new grandchildren in his family, I am glad to know the following babies arrived safely:

Allison Elizabeth West, b. May 3, 1990, dau. of Elizabeth Hawes and husband, Allen West, of Dallas

William Arthur Hawes, born Feb. 14, 1990, son of Karen Martin and husband, Arthur Hawes, of New York City.

My cousin's second wife, Margaret (nee Schrotel) wishes her new grandchildren to be on our record -- we are glad to announce:

John Conner Schrotel, b. 4-24-1990, son of Julie Cruse and husband, Chadleigh Schrotel, of Waco, Tx.

Cody James Schrotel, b. 7-15-1990, son of Tracy and Read Schrotel, of Los Angeles.

October 1990 is dues-paying time for those who joined "in the beginning". Those joining later will be billed on a calendar-month basis. We hope you will continue your membership....you are aware of our goals and purposes. Memorial memberships are welcome, too. The dues are \$10.00 annually...our assets are safely banked.

There's MORE to come -- Billy Joe Miles, of Owensboro, is not a member of our association, but is being solicited, and his fine accomplishments are of interest to us, because he is a Hawes descendant. MORE on the A.G. Haweses...interesting and unusual history.

So, until the March 1991 Newsletter - Number 3 - that's all, folks.

Helen
Helen Hawes Hudgins, secretary



Staff photos by Karen Warren

Cattle graze on the north end of Matagorda Island, but not for long. Environmentalists won a landmark victory when a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service study found that cattle trampled a plant favored by the whooping cranes and damaged the plants needed to hold the dunes in place.