



# THE HAWES FAMILY ASSOCIATION

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## N E W S L E T T E R

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Dear Friends:

A warm hello and Springtime greetings from your president and secretary. Our family association is alive and well; it is also growing and since our last Newsletter, we have the following new members:

Sue and Michael D. McCown ..... Dickinson, Tx.  
Gladys, Tyson and Trent Avis ..... Burton, Tx.  
Lucille Russell ..... Rockport, Tx.  
Don Windelman ..... Brenham, Tx.  
Mary Hawes Wood ..... Covington, Ky.  
Zelma and A. D. Stokes ..... Falfurrias, Tx.

Each one has been furnished with all the material we've prepared since the beginning. We welcome them and hope they will enjoy their membership.

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We are announcing a second Honorary Membership established for the late Colonel Benjamin Walker Hawes (U.S.Army, Ret.), of Owensboro, who died on February 8, 1988. This type of membership carries no dues but is given to honor a person who has liberally given of his (or her) time and talents toward the preservation of Hawes family histories. Colonel Ben maintained the cemetery at Yelvington for many years; he had expressed the hope to live long enough to see a Hawes Family Association formed. Unfortunately, this was not to be. Everyone who knew this kind and good gentleman will continue to miss him and we feel an Honorary Membership is proper and fitting.

In this regard, a third Memorial Membership has been received from our president and her sister, Mrs. Louise H. Applegate, honoring the memory of their great aunt, Anna Lewis Hawes (1855-1937), daughter of Charles Theodore Hawes and wife, Annah Allen Taylor.

If you wish to remember a departed loved one in this manner, we believe we erred in saying you would pay the regular dues each year...we are correcting this....Memorial dues will be paid only one time, with the membership continuing for all future time.

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When Abbie Catherine Hawes Mercer writes, she reminds me to mention the Hawes family reunion, always held on the first Sunday after July 4th of each year...after church. She and her family host this event at their farm which adjoins the Hawes Way Trucking Company, on Highway 60E, in Owensboro. She hopes to see YOU there!



### Golden Wedding Anniversaries

Marjorie and Joe D. Hawes of Port O'Connor, Texas, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on September 28th, 1990. Even though Marjorie was in the hospital, convalescing from major surgery, she and her husband were joined by both children and grandchildren and the hospital room became a party room for this happy occasion.

On December 30, 1990, at their home in Maceo, Ky., Lora and Holloway Hawes celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary at a reception hosted by their children. Despite icy roads, Lora wrote that many friends and relatives joined them for this festive time.

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The Hancock Clarion newspaper, of Hawesville, Ky., carried a story on September 13, 1990, about the restoration of the former Rosenblatt Building in that town. On November 15th they had an editorial -- thanking Walter (Pat) Hawes, owner of the building, for what he had accomplished. It is reproduced here -- and shows, again, that Kentucky People are the Best People to Ever Be Found! I believe this.

The Hancock Clarion, Hawesville, Ky., November 15, 1990

## EDITORIAL

# Thanks, Pat!

Just a few short weeks ago, Hawesville had an unsightly eyesore on the city's main corner in the business district. Now, bless Pat, the same corner is one of the most attractive that a small community can boast.

Hawesville and its residents want to send a big "Thank you!" to Walter (Pat) Hawes, owner of the former Rosenblatt building on the corner of Main and Main Cross streets. The transformation he wrought is not only a job well done . . . but an exceptional example of restoration that everyone in the city can be proud of.

Mr. Hawes, a resident of Maryland, is a descendant of the family that founded Hawesville in the early 1800s. He was all but unaware of his roots a few years ago; but drove through the city one day, noted the period architecture of the Rosenblatt building, and decided to "buy into" his family heritage.

Hawes bought the building, announced plans for its renovation, and promptly began work to protect the integrity of the structure and restore its interior. He was transferred out of the country, and plans for refurbishing the building remained in limbo for several months.

Hawesville City Council, in response to complaints about the appearance of the partially-restored

old building, began expressing dissatisfaction to the owner. Hawesville Attorney John McCarty kept in touch with Mr. Hawes and relayed this consistent message to the council: The building will be completed according to plan and in such a manner to become a distinct asset to the city.

Very recently, the project was resumed. Exterior walls were cleaned, and its appearance improved daily as paint was applied. With the completion of refinishing the walls and iron-work the building looked very good. It became a striking structure with the installation of the new awning across the full length of the front. As one descends Hawesville Hill, the scene that meets the eye is a pleasant one. A business has already moved its stock into the building.

Mr. Hawes obviously spent a lot of money to restore the Rosenblatt building. His interest in the appearance of the city has been amply demonstrated. We think it reflects his pride in a city that bears his family name. Rental payments will help to recover the capital put into this significant private investment, but it will probably be a long time before the full cost is recovered . . . if ever. We hope the investment eventually pays off for him.

Thanks again, Pat!



Inasmuch as it is good to include some history of earlier times, there is reproduced below the obituary of HAWES COLEMAN, which was printed in the Religious Herald (Baptist), Richmond, Virginia, on January 21, 1841.

"Died, suddenly, on the 27th December at the residence of his son, in Nelson County, HAWES COLEMAN, in the 84th year of his age. He was born in Spottsylvania, baptized in his 19th year by Elder John Waller and lived 65 years a member of the Baptist church. He lived in the days of persecution and was an eye witness of the work of that spirit which was, under the establishment, exercised to the great annoyance of Baptist ministers, persecuting them unto fine and imprisonment. His interest in the cause of Christ increased with increasing years, and his last days were his best. Being well read in the Scriptures, upon which he delighted to converse, his experience and firmness withstood unshaken all the new theories that have arisen during his long life. He was well grounded in the doctrine of regeneration, the work of the Spirit, and delighted with the converse of Christian experience. With his powers of mind and cool judgment, matured by so many years of experience and intercourse with the church, there could but be a fund of knowledge interesting to all who had the advantage of his conversation. He was a living epistle, bearing testimony to the unchangeable and fixed principles upon the belief of which salvation is based. Amidst the changes of sentiment in others, on the one hand, and the increase of light and progress of knowledge, on the other, he was confirmed and established in the doctrine of the new birth, which he knew must remain the same through ages of ages. His piety, integrity and hospitality, so long exhibited to those who had knowledge of him, have thrown around his memory and character a sacred halo which bids defiance to slander and vituperation. In his death, the church has sustained an irreparable loss, equal to the amount of his weight of character and usefulness, known best where he had his membership. His children have lost an affectionate father, whose pious advice was valuable, and with whom they could converse with a familiarity and confidence not always attained."

Hawes Coleman (1757-1840) was the son of Nicie Hawes (1725-1807), the youngest daughter of Samuel Hawes I and wife, Elizabeth Spencer, and Nicie married John Coleman of "Pine Forest", Spotsylvania Co., Va. Nicie was, of course, a sister of Samuel Hawes II who m. (2) Ann Walker, daughter of Ann Aylett and Benjamin Walker. Copy of this old clipping was sent in by Mary Eleanor Fitzhugh Hitselberger, of Fond du Lac, Wisc., and thanks go out to her. And, as all Hawes-Coleman descendants know, in the next generation the plot thickens and kinships are "doubled" when two of Hawes Coleman's sons married two of the daughters of Richard Hawes and wife, Clary.



At this point, may I make a statement? In 1986 - after seven years' research and study - I published The Richard Hawes Family of Kentucky, it being my first writing attempt. Even now, a few mistakes are discovered, with regret.

In 1947 Elizabeth Hawes Ryland compiled her excellent account of The Hawes Family of Caroline County, Virginia. My own book was planned to span the next forty years, and adding to her record all the succeeding and present-day Hawes people (and allied families) which my study would find. Without the help of the many newly-found "cousins" in Kentucky, my own book would never have been completed.

When I request your family history in the Newsletters of our family association, it has absolutely nothing to do with my trying "to sell my book". It has been re-printed and still sells - as the word spreads - but when this family association was formed, one of the purposes was to continue to collect and ADD TO both Ms. Ryland's record and my own. The response has been great...MUCH has come in, and continues to...by mail, by phone and even visits to me. Everything is gratefully acknowledged and the new material added as carefully as possible - as Supplements - to the Master Copy of my book. Sometimes a letter will point out errors I made, and corrections are made.

I want each member to know that my book and my wanting to help set up this Hawes Family Association are two entirely different projects in my life.

A daughter-in-law has given her word that my Master Copy and the added Supplements will be placed in a proper Kentucky depository - when that time comes - and when this elegant member of my immediate family gives "her word", the Devil himself would not attempt to prevail against her. Thank you for letting me say this.

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Returning again to history, it was wonderful to receive -- at about the same time -- news from Joanne Lennon in the state of Washington, and from Roy Lee Hawes, of Ringgold, Ga., both sending the history of Albert Gallatin Hawes III and Albert Gallatin Hawes IV. Also, from Georgia came a newspaper account of the death of Albert Gallatin Hawes II and his wife, Emma Throckmorton. The only date is 1892, and while the name of the newspaper is not given, it must be in the area of Owensboro. I want to repeat it here:

"BOTH DEAD

Mr. and Mrs. Ab Hawes

Die of Typhoid Fever in a Few

Hours of Each other

This community surprised and shocked at  
their Almost Simultaneous Demise

The whole city was shocked yesterday morning by the announcement of the death within a very few hours of each other, of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hawes at their home a short distance south of the city limits. They had been ill but a very few days, Mr. Hawes having been on the streets within four days



of his death. Their disease was typhoid fever of a malignant form, accompanied by congestion. Mr. Hawes died at 1 A.M., and Mrs. Hawes shortly after 6.

Mr. Hawes was in his fiftieth year. He was the son of Hon. Albert Gallatin Hawes, who represented this district in Congress before the war. He was a young man when the war broke out, and his sympathies being with the South, he enlisted (page torn here for two additional words) and those who knew him join in saying that there was no braver soldier. After the war, he returned home and has since been in and near Owensboro except for a few years he spent in Missouri. Mrs. Hawes was a Miss Throckmorton, a sister of Aris Throckmorton, who met a tragic death in this county twenty years ago, and of Morris Throckmorton, who was killed while defending the jail from a mob at Birmingham, Ala., two years ago. She was a granddaughter of Robert J. Ward, in Louisville, and a niece of Mrs. Sallie Ward Armstrong, for many years the acknowledged queen of beauty in the South. The funeral took place at 1 oclock yesterday afternoon. Burial was at the old Hawes cemetery, near Yelvington, both being interred in one grave. They leave but two children, Mrs. Aris Salyard, of Indian Territory, and Mr. Bert. Hawes, who lives here".

From the Hawes Family Cemetery Register, we learn their grave carries Registration Number 15, but it was unmarked. There being no stone the location of their grave is not known by me, but we can assume it would be near the grave of his father, Albert Gallatin Hawes, who died in 1849 and who was the fifth son of Richard Hawes and wife, Clary.

Emma was also the granddaughter of Major Aris Throckmorton (War of 1812) of Louisville, who operated hotels and who was the proprietor of the Galt House from 1835-1865, as given in The Daviess County Historical Quarterly of October 1989. Emma's father was Colonel Colin S. Throckmorton (1821-1878) an officer in the Navy, who married Meleina Ward, born 1831.

The name "Ariss" sent me into a "spinning search", not yet completed, for the reason that in Jane Taylor Duke's book, Kenmore and the Lewises, we learn that John Ariss was advertising his architectural services in the Maryland Gazette in 1751, and the book states "he may have been the architect of Kenmore." (p.34). Elizabeth Ariss (dau. of Spencer and Sarah Otway Ariss) married Richard Buckner, son of William Buckner and Judith Aylett -- so now the name "Ariss" is in the Buckner lines. The Throckmortons, the Cookes and the Booth families in early Virginia become inter-twined, and I hope to find the connecting link to the daughter of Albert Gallatin Hawes II and his wife, Emma Throckmorton, her name spelled in the newspaper account as Aris. This is powerful genealogy and history!

Another historical note from Daviess County Historical Quarterly of October 1986 -- they are writing about Owensboro's first park - Hickman Park - established about 1895. We are told the most lonesome object in the park in 1904 was an eagle...of the black variety...not pretty or attractive like the fine young specimen that was at the Chautauqua Park...the young eagle's name was "Hawes".

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The file marked "Future Newsletters" continues to grow and it is hard to choose, sometimes, for our Newsletter. I hope soon to get into the documented stories which have been published concerning Uncle Tom's Cabin and it's connection with Hawes people and their property in Kentucky.

If you have a new baby - or have wedding information and want it in the Newsletter, it will be welcomed.

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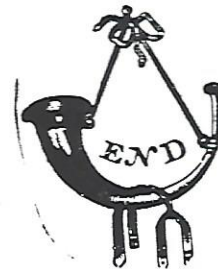
Our young member, Ann Hawes Cashman (yes, a gr. dau.) has changed her name...at a beautiful wedding in Denver on February 2, 1991, she became the wife of Daniel Bernard Mayer. They make their home in Aurora, Col. and best wishes go out to them. I am sure Annie-Girl will soon be acquainting Dan with her family's history.

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A gentle reminder -- if you have paid your dues only once since the formation of our association in September of 1989, your dues for 1990-91 will be appreciated. We now have 60 members!

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Until your September Newsletter, this is the



from your secretary,  
Helen Hawes Hudgins

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