

Hartwells of America Association 2020 Reunion Recap

Due to the Pandemic of 2020, the location of the 83rd Anniversary Reunion and Annual Business Meeting of the Hartwells of America Association was moved from the Trinitarian Church in Concord, Massachusetts to an online Zoom meeting on Saturday, July 27, at 1 pm. We were delighted to have **44** Hartwells in attendance from all across the United States.

After some Zoom housekeeping, President Wayne E. Hartwell (Attleboro, MA) called the meeting to order. The minutes of the 2019 business meeting, published in the 2020 newsletter were accepted.

Treasurer David Hartwell Webber (Hollis, NH) delivered his report for the Association's fiscal period from July 1, 2019 to May 31, 2020. The finances again were shown to be on solid footing, and Wayne thanked David for his 50th year of serving as our Treasurer. David reminded members that dues are due for 2020-21 - information can be found on our website at <http://hartwell.org/join-the-hartwells-of-america/>.

Marilyn Booth Manzella (Framingham, MA) reported that the Hartwell Scholarship Committee considered five applications from Hartwell descendants, and awarded \$300 each to the following students:

- Hayden Hartwell Engel, St. Louis, MO - St. Louis University
- Daniel Paul Erickson, Reading, MA - Gordon College, Christian Ministries
- Luke Hartwell, Billerica, MA - Univ. of MA Lowell, Criminal Justice
- Carson Gregory Monschein, Hillsborough, NC - UNC, Computer Science
- Adam Peri, Roseville, CA - American River College, Commercial Music Recording

Stephen Allen Hartwell (North Reading, MA) provided the Genealogy Report which included:

1. Our 2007 printed genealogy, covering Generations 1-5 from the immigrant William Hartwell, authored by our genealogist Joy Peach (Lancaster, MA), can be found for sale in the Bookshop on <http://hartwell.org>.
2. Our 2019 genealogy flash drive, containing .pdf files of Generations 1-5 and 6-9 in two files on a USB device, is also on sale in the Bookshop.

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3. Steve introduced Joy Peach, who described her ongoing work to incorporate corrections and extend the genealogy to additional generations.
4. The hartwell.org website, with kudos to our Webmaster, Wes Hartwell (Omaha, NE), has had a number of recent updates.
5. A new Hartwell Reunion Archive, published by Steve at <http://www.hartwellclan.org/>, contains newsletters and photos of past Reunions from the 1880s to the present.
6. The Hartwell Y-DNA project encourages Hartwell males to take a Y-DNA test from Family Tree DNA to further explore the patrilineal line - further details are at <http://hartwell.org/hartwell-y-dna-project/>. Paul S. Hartwell (Stoneham, MA) reported on his recent experience with Y-DNA testing. Steve then awarded Y-DNA kits on behalf of the HOA to Arthur V. Hartwell (Carmichael, CA) and Arthur Hartwell IV (Allentown, PA) as the eldest male Hartwells in attendance who were willing to participate.

Wayne took the microphone again to award the traditional door prizes. Each winner was mailed a Hartwell Genealogy flash drive.

- Eldest Gentleman - Arthur V. Hartwell (Carmichael, CA)
- Eldest Lady - Kay Phillips (Kennett Square, PA)
- Youngest - Daniel Erickson (Reading, MA)
- Furthest from Concord, MA - Ellen Bowen (Santa Rosa, CA)

As the final order of business, the Annual Reunion photograph was taken as a screenshot of the Zoom meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 pm, but a number of participants stayed on to chat until 2:30 pm. Stories were told, connections were made, and all-in-all, it was a pleasant “next best thing to being there” gathering.

Stephen Hartwell

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