

GOODENOWS' GHOSTS issue of AUG. 2021 (VOL. 39 NO. 3)

On the Cover: photograph of E.E. Goodno; in the late 1800s he amassed 8,000 acres of land in Florida and became a County Commissioner.

Association News

From the President

Editor's Remarks

Announcement of GFA Executive Committee Board meeting on October 24, open to all via Zoom or by phone.

Summarized Minutes of May 23, 2021 GFA Executive Committee Board meeting (via Zoom).

GFA Scholarship Announcement for 2022/23

Membership Update

Plans for the 2022 GFA Reunion in Springfield, IL: Celebrating Our Family in "The Land of Lincoln"

Outline of scheduled tours, activities and meetings (subject to change) for the week of July 25-July 31, 2021. "Early Bird" activities start on Monday, July 25, and will include tours of historical sites related to Abraham Lincoln. The Main Program opens on Wednesday, July 27, with a Welcome dinner with guest speaker; in the days following, the GFA business meeting will convene and additional activities and tours are planned. The gathering ends on Saturday, July 30, with a Farewell Banquet with guest speaker, followed by an optional group breakfast on July 31.

Pre-Registration Form – GFA 2022 Reunion

Form to complete and return to GFA 2022 Reunion Coordinators, Chuck and Donna Peterson, 7226 Snake Road, Kingston, IL 60145-8001.

Optional Pre- or Post-Reunion Tour

Proposed visit to Morrison, IL, site of the former Goodenough's Dairy (1926-1966), led by Morrison-native son Bob Goodenough, GFA Life member (and husband of the late Carol McWain Goodenough, who started a genealogy newsletter in 1981 which directly led to the formation of the Goodenow Family Association in 1988).

Illinois Reunion Ancillary Notifications

Do you have Illinois Ancestors? GFA members are invited to create a display for exhibition in the meeting room at the Reunion headquarters hotel.

Suggestion to Revive a Silent Auction at the Reunion – family-related objects or other curiosities/collectibles are sought for a silent auction at the Reunion.

Update from Two GFA Scholarship Alumni

Initiated in 2007, the GFA Scholarship has been awarded to 16 college-bound students over the years. Two recipients (from 2010 and 2015) share details on their current lives, and how they benefitted from the monetary support that they received.

GFA Life Member Receives a Rare Honor

Life member Dennis Goodno shares the story and a photograph of a sign erected in his honor at his golf course in Forest Lake, MN: "Goodno Gulch".

A Goodenough Family Tree Submitted by Wendy Marcus

GFA member Wendy Marcus shared her updated family tree; she is an 11th generation descendant of the Immigrant Thomas Goodenow. The family tree that is printed includes the Immigrant Thomas's parents and grandparents.

Goodnoe Elementary School in Newtown Township, Bucks County, PA

More than one public school in the U.S. bears a version of the family name. [The May 2021 issue of *Goodenows' Ghosts* included an article about the Goodnow Brothers Elementary School, in Marlborough, MA.] In Newtown Township, PA, the land for a new elementary school was donated by Raymond Goodnoe (1918-1963), and the school name honors his civic generosity. This article describes three generations of Goodnoes, their Farm Dairy, Dairy Bar, and Family Restaurant. No link to the Immigrant Goodenows has been proven.

The Grandfather I Never Knew, by Jean Marie Goodenow

An essay by the mother of GFA member Grant Goodenow, relating what she has learned about her paternal grandfather and stressing how important it is to be interested in the lives of one's ancestors before it is too late.

Family Events

Edward J. Raser (1 Jun 1925-8 Jan 2021). Genealogical researcher who contributed to early issues of *Goodenough's Ghosts* and the BOOK, and who recently donated 4 cartons of his genealogical records to the GFA. 11th generation descendant of the Immigrant Thomas.

Warren Hastings Goodnow (3 Aug 1937-25 Feb 2018). Member of the family featured in the May 2021 issue article, "Goodnows and the Kennebunk Connection." 11th generation descendant of the Immigrant Capt Edmund.

Virtual Genealogy Classes

Shared by GFA Life member Scott Bill Hirst, this site offers genealogy instruction; some involve a fee, but many are free -- <https://www.eventbrite.com/d/online/genealogy/>

Queries

From Christine Wyatt Stockman, seeking any other descendants of Thomas Goodenow's daughter Jane Janne and her second husband, Nathan Billings.

From Jenifer Hoffman Rayne, a High School principal, seeking contact information for Dr. Carol Goodenow, developer of the PSSM (Psychological Sense of School Membership); for permission to use the survey questions.

Historical Room in the Goodnow Library in Sudbury, MA, to Undergo Renovation; Support from Goodnow Family Announced

The Goodnow Library in Sudbury, MA, was named in honor of a native son named John Goodnow who, in 1861, bequeathed funds and land for a public library. Though expanded over the years, interior areas are being updated, and funds are being raised to cover the costs. A set of descendants from the Edmund Goodnow branch who reside in Illinois, Massachusetts, Michigan, New York, Ohio, and South Carolina, have pledged to contribute \$25,000. Members of the GFA who wish to support these improvements are also welcome to donate.

E.E. Goodno's Million Dollar Farm on the Caloosahatchee: Vast Acreage in Lee County, Florida

This article is a reprint of a story printed in the *Fort Myers Tribune* on July 21, 1918. The reporter (name unknown) introduces E.E. Goodno as a County Commissioner and describes his 8,000-acre farm, his herds of cattle and other livestock, the electric light and ice plant he built, mentions that Goodno had recently turned down an offer of \$1 million for his property. He was a 9th generation descendant of the Immigrant Capt Edmund Goodenow.

Meet the Goodenows

Third in a series

Explanation of the "Mini-lineages" that follow most articles in *Goodenows' Ghosts*, as well as online sources available to view or download the "BOOK", [Goodenows Who Originated in Sudbury, Massachusetts, 1638 A.D.](#), by Theodore James Fleming Banvard, published in 1994 and out of print.

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