

Summary for GFA Website and Facebook page:

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On the Cover: The next GFA Reunion is now scheduled for July 25-31, 2022, in Springfield, IL, the Land of Lincoln.

GFA Scholarship Announcement for 2021/22

Notification to high school seniors of the opportunity to qualify for a college scholarship, including eligibility criteria and application instructions.

Updates from Three GFA Scholarship Alumni

Initiated in 2007, the GFA Scholarship has been awarded to 16 college-bound students over the years. Three early recipients (one from 2007 and two from 2009) share details on their current lives, and prove that they were worthy of the monetary support that they received.

Updates from Past Scholarship Recipients Sought, Still

Those who were awarded a GFA Scholarship are invited to share what has transpired in their lives since finishing college.

Meet the Goodenows

An orientation to the three brothers and one sister who, in 1638, left their homes in England, sailed to the Massachusetts Bay Colony, and helped to settle Sudbury, the 19th permanent town established in the Colony. The Immigrants were John Goodenow, his wife Jane, and daughters Lydia/Lidea and Jane; Thomas Goodenow, his wife Jane, and their children, Elizabeth and Thomas; Edmund Goodenow, his wife Ann, and their sons John and Thomas; and Ursula Goodenow, who never married.

Goodenow Family Tree Treasure Trove, by Bill Groenier, Information Manager (Ret'd)

As detailed in previous issues (February 2020 and May 2020), Ed Raser, a former GFA member, Goodenow descendant and a serious genealogical researcher (beginning in 1945 and stretching to the recent past) has donated his voluminous records to the Goodenow Family Association. This article quotes Mr. Raser's own guide to the contents of the binders that he compiled, presently in Bill Groenier's possession.

A Newsworthy Birth on the Petersons' Farm.

GFA Life members Donna and Chuck Peterson have farmed and raised cattle for nearly 50 years in Illinois. In April 2020, as Americans were being urged to wear masks to reduce the transmission of Covid-19, one of the Petersons' cows gave birth to a black calf with a distinctive and unusual marking – a white band across its nose, resembling a mask. Though they toyed with the idea of naming the calf "Corona", they settled on "Mask" instead. This event was covered in the publication *Farm Week*.

Answers to Two Past Queries

A query that was published in the November 2019 issue of *Goodenows' Ghosts* sought information about the burial site of Lois R. Goodnow (1895-1963), as a means of

identifying the burial site of her husband, John Van Antwerp MacMurray, a U.S. diplomat. GFA Life member Christine Banvard-Fox reported that she uncovered the exact information that had been sought – the couple is buried in Center Cemetery, Norfolk, Litchfield County, CT.

A second query, from GFA member Robert Goodnow, had been printed in the August 2020 issue of *Goodenows' Ghosts*, seeking lineage information about a former neighbor, Ruth Mirick, who, unknown to Robert, was a Goodenow descendant. Christine Banvard-Fox, GFA Life member, found relevant information on a subscription genealogy website, which revealed that Ruth Lois Goodnow Mirick was descended from the Immigrant Thomas Goodenow.

Goodenow Family Association's Facebook Page

Our Facebook page administrator, GFA Life member Christine Banvard-Fox, shared screenshots showing audience statistics.

2022 Reunion Facts

Seven quick facts about the GFA Reunion, planned for July 25-31, 2022, in the Land of Lincoln, Springfield, IL.

Family Events

James "Jim" S. Dusenbury III obituary (15 Dec 1944 - 12 Dec 2020), GFA Life member; descendant of Capt. Edmund Goodenow.

Helen Amanda (Ferengaugh) King obituary (11 Aug 1930 - 16 Jan 2017), GFA member for 17 years; descendant of Capt. Edmund Goodenow.

William "Bill" L. King obituary (20 Feb 1929 - 18 Jun 2019), husband of Helen King, he accompanied her to several GFA reunions.

Robert "Bob" Royce Miles obituary (24 Jan 1928 - 7 Mar 2020), GFA member from 2003-2019, brother to GFA Life member Virginia Doyle and uncle to GFA Life member Shawn Doyle; descendent of Thomas Goodenow.

Directory of GFA Life and Family Members