# GOODENOWS' GHOSTS – AUGUST 2022 (VOL. 40 #3, pp 49-72)

On the Cover: photograph of GFA members in the rotunda of the Illinois State Capitol building, one of the spots visited during the 2022 GFA Reunion in Springfield, IL.

2022 GFA Reunion; How We Celebrated Our Family in "The Land of Lincoln"

Day-by-Day account of the Reunion in Springfield, IL, July 25-31, 2022. The Early Bird program ran from Monday, July 25 through Wednesday afternoon, July 27. The Main program began with a Welcome Dinner on Wednesday evening, July 27, and formally ended with a Farewell Dinner on Saturday, July 30. Included are numerous photographs of the tours and other activities. This Reunion, originally meant to take place in 2020, was postponed twice due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Much credit goes to the coordinators, Donna and Chuck Peterson of Kingston, IL.

## After-Glow in Morrison, Illinois

GFA Life member Robert A. 'Bob' Goodenough, from Michigan, organized an optional one-day extension to the official Reunion, a visit to Morrison, IL, his hometown and the hometown of the Goodenough's Dairy. The business was started by Bob's great-grandfather in 1924 and ceased operations in 1966. On August 1, 2022, the dozen-plus "reunioneers" were treated to tours of the Historic Society, the site of the former Goodenough Ice Box diner, and a working dairy farm belonging to one of Bob's cousins, Orville Goodenough.

## Elizabeth Doggett Goodnow Wicks, by Pamela Peirce

This family member's profile was written by her granddaughter, Pamela Peirce. Elizabeth, a descendant of Capt Edmund, was born in Boston in 1874, married a Unitarian minister in 1899, and the couple adopted two children and had two foster children. She was beloved by the congregation of her husband's church in Indianapolis, and died in 1929. Pamela Peirce, the author, is the daughter of one of the foster children. She possesses photographs and other memorabilia related to Elizabeth Doggett Goodnow Wicks (22 Dec 1874-8 Dec 1929), and is interested in locating a blood relation of Elizabeth to pass along the items.

150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Walking Tour of Goodenow, Illinois, 24 September 2022 at 11:00 a.m. Today, the former town of Goodenow, Illinois, has a population of 76; it was founded in 1872 by George Washington Goodenow, a descendant of Capt. Edmund. That makes 2022 the town's 150th anniversary, and a historic Walking Tour will be conducted on September 24. The event is sponsored by the Crete Area Historical Society, with assistance from the Will County Historical Society. The town was devastated by a tornado in 1917 and two major fires in 1930.

## Forty Years of GHOSTS, Part 3

Reprint of an article from the Spring 1991 issue (Vol. 9 #1) of *Goodenows' Ghosts*, written by Cathy Taylor, first Editor other than newsletter founder Carol McWain Goodenough. "Go ahead, knock; a visit to an early Goodenow home" recounts a visit to a historic house made by Cathy and her husband, Bob, during the 1990 GFA Reunion. That Reunion was headquartered in Sudbury, MA. The historic house was known to have been built in the 1670s by a John Goodinowe. Cathy and Bob were able to meet the homeowner and tour the home; the homeowner and her friend were invited to and attended the 1990 Reunion Farewell Dinner.

### Family Events

News from Christine Banvard-Fox, GFA Life member who is a Capt Edmund descendant, and her husband Marc Fox

Their older daughter, Seneca, and her husband, Matt Stephens, are expecting twin girls. Their younger daughter, Ginna, has now visited 48 of the 50 states of the USA.

- Obituary, Charles N. Cutler (1 Aug 1945-13 Oct 2019). GFA member, has four lines back to the Immigrant Capt Edmund Goodenow and one line back to Immigrant John Ruducke/Ruddick Goodenow
- Obituary, Lois Amanda Goodnow Gibbons (4 Aug 1937-23 Dec 2021), GFA Life member and a descendant of the Immigrant Thomas.
- Obituary, James R. Goodenough (6 Apr 1930-27 Jan 2022), father of GFA member Kristie Dubois, retired Secret Service agent and a descendant of the Immigrant Thomas.

#### A Family Genealogy Challenge – Gauntlet Thrown

GFA member and former GFA Information Manager Bill Groenier summarizes the four different lineages which have been proposed for Thomas A. Goodenow, the father of the Immigrants. He hopes to inspire members to undertake research that can settle the matter. His theory is that there is a missing generation immediately prior to Thomas A., father of the Immigrants.

### A Lost Generation? By Jenny Potter Dunford

The author is a genealogy researcher based in England; she was engaged by the GFA several years ago to carry out additional research on the Goodenow family. She is now retired, but was sent the Family Genealogy Challenge by Bill Groenier. After analyzing the information, she also agrees that there may be a missing generation, but <u>two</u> generations prior to Thomas A., father of the Immigrants.

A Helpful Genealogy Form – Extended Family Relationships Chart

Fun with GFA Reunion T-Shirts

Association News From the President From the Treasurer Editor's Remarks

Invitation to Zoom meeting on October 16, 2022, 2 pm PDT/5 pm EDT

Membership Update New members Address changes reported

GFA Scholarship Announcement for 2023/24