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A MOTHER'S CIVIL WAR PENSION

Harlan activity in the Civil War is well-recognized and has been documented in several articles, books, and the Harlan Record. A search on the Harlan Family in America website results in no less than 15 articles relating to the Civil War. Indeed, one of our most famous Harlan ancestors, Supreme Court Justice John Marshall Harlan's, history includes his enlistment in the Union Army. It is powerful to explore the lives of our Harlan ancestors during and as a result of this epic historical event.

Civil war historians study the battles, the strategies, the economics, and the politics of the time. Less often do we consider the daily lives of the soldiers, their fates, and the loved ones left behind. One portal into the personal pieces of Civil War life is the pension system.

The U.S. federal government granted pensions to Union veterans of the Civil War and to their widows, minor children, and dependent parents. One of our Harlan cousins, Teresa Day-Smith (#6867-c42), has conducted extensive research into the Civil War pension granted to her great-great-grandmother, Parmelia Harlan Bray (#2731). Because of her years' long foray into the National Archives and other sources, Teresa can read personal family letters written during the Civil War, decipher family and community relationships, and gaze through a window into the experiences of her ancestors.

Parmelia Harlan was born in 1806 in Barren County, KY to Aaron Harlan (#799) and Nancy Combs Harlan. With her husband, Henry Bray,

she gave birth to 12 children, all in Monroe County, KY. Two of her youngest sons, Derastus (Teresa's great-grandfather) and Newton (also called Harris) enlisted in the Union Army in October 1861. The brothers lied about their age so that Newton, who was 17 at the time of enlistment, would not be rejected. (Lying about one's age to fight in the war was not uncommon.) Thus, any ensuing military records for the brothers are inaccurate by one year.



Original flag of the Kentucky 9th Regiment.

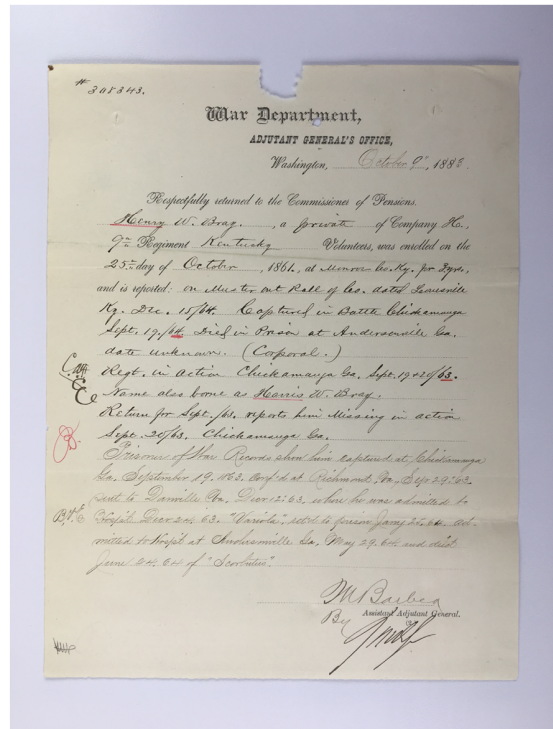
Four letters from her soldier sons to their family are preserved in Parmelia's pension file. (Staff at the National Archives revealed that soldiers' letters in a pension file are extremely rare.) The sinuous script penned in the era's vernacular suggest Newton was an impassioned patriot and Derastus was a reluctant soldier. Nevertheless, the brothers fought together for a time, and Newton's zeal quickly earned him the rank of Corporal. The last preserved letter that presents the brothers together is from June 1862 at Corinth, MS. Other letters show both brothers at the Battle of Shiloh (1862) and Newton at Murfreesboro, TN (February and June 1863).

At some point not reflected in the letters, the brothers diverged. Derastrus fought and survived the Battle of Stones River in Tennessee (Dec. 1862 – Jan. 1863). There were an estimated 1/3 casualties of fighting soldiers during this critical Union victory. Although he survived, Derastrus was captured and either escaped or was released by the Confederates and went AWOL for a time before another round of service, desertion, and service. Although his military record indicates a less devoted soldier than his brother, Derastrus finished the war in good standing and received his own pension until his death in 1908.

Newton, the younger and more committed brother, met a different fate. He signed his last preserved letter from Murfreesboro (June 1863), “Brother till death, Newton Bray.” The remaining details were preserved in his War Department Adjutant General's Office, Summary of Military Record. It shows Newton was captured in the Battle of Chickamauga in September 1863. He spent the next nine months in Confederate prisons and hospitals fighting smallpox and finally succumbing to “Scorbutus” (scurvy) at Andersonville, GA in June 1864. Newton died at the age of 20.

Nearly two decades passed before Parmelia applied for a dependent’s pension in 1883. The National Archives reflects 76,280 widows and dependents received a military pension in that year. Pensions required onerous applications, and the pension laws changed in the decades after the war to include more people. As a result, a cottage industry of attorneys sprang up to aid pension applications. Veterans needed to file a detailed report of their service, disability, and status with corroborating witnesses, as well as endure repeated physical examination by a doctor. Rules for widows and dependents also expanded, which allowed completely physically or mentally disabled dependents to receive pensions for the remainder of their life. These applications also required supporting evidence. According to the National Archives “A parent applying for a pension had to prove he or she was solely dependent upon the son who died in the war, legal marriage to the other parent, as well as the son’s birth. If the applying parent had other children, it was necessary to explain that the other children were deceased or for some other

reason unable to support the parent.”



Newton Bray's Military War Record in the National Archives.

Besides placing Parmelia’s sons at places and times during the war and describing their health and welfare, their preserved letters provided the keys to her ability to be granted a pension. There were no copiers at that time, which meant that Parmelia had to relinquish the letters penned by her perished son to the application. Parmelia’s 57-page file, which she paid a Kentucky attorney to facilitate, contained a rather intimate description of their lives: four of Newton’s and Derastrus’ letters, Newton’s Summary of Military Record, Parmelia’s sworn statement, sworn character references for Newton, Proof of Dependence, her husband Henry Bray’s financial records, and medical proof of Henry’s long-term disability. Of importance to the pension review board, Derastrus asks the family in one of the letters to confirm receipt of money they sent from the field. Thus, suggesting they supported the family with their soldiers’ income. Contained in her sworn statement, Parmelia affirms that she was “in part dependent upon said son (Newton) for support,” as well as the presence of other dependent children in the family, and her marriage to Henry Bray. She signed it with her mark because she was illiterate. Parmelia’s pension was granted 10 days after submitting it. She received \$12/month until her death in 1896.



Headstone of Richard Derastrus Bray (#6867).

Parmelia's family story is a poignant example of a Harlan experience during and because of the Civil War. Through the preserved letters and documents contained in the pension file, we meet devoted sons, an enthusiastic young patriot, a struggling family, and a resilient woman - all during a time of great personal and national upheaval. What other Harlan histories are waiting to be told? Many thanks to Teresa Day-Smith for many hours of research and sharing this fascinating story.

IN MEMORY

W. Thomas Harlan

Tom Harlan #2293-144 (June 25, 1934 – July 4, 2024) was born in Vancouver, WA, to William Thomas Harlan Sr. and Hazel Wallace Harlan. He passed away in Olympia, WA. He is survived by his wife, Marylee; sons, Jeffrey (Holly) of Rogue River, OR, and Mike (Vivian) of Sammamish, WA; 3 grandsons, Michael, Robert, and Matthew; and 4 great-grandchildren.



Tom Harlan, Board Member Emeritus

Tom was proud of his English and Scottish heritage. He could trace his lineage to James Harlan and sons, George, Thomas and Michael, at Monkwearmouth, England. He supported the reprinting of Alpheus Harlan's documentation of the Harlan genealogy. His lineage can be traced in the "Green Book" from George #3 to Thomas #2293, and an additional 6 generations.

He was instrumental in reviving the organization of the Harlan Family in America. He served as the first president of this revived group of cousins, and he and his wife published the Harlan Record newsletter for 12 years. Tom is a Board Member Emeritus.

A Tribute to Clinton Cross, by C.J. King

Some Harlans may remember Clinton Cross from reunions over the years. I first met Clinton as my seatmate on a bus tour of Harlan sites at the Chester County reunion in 2002.

Clinton's daughters, Joyce Kay Cross, Bobbie Moore, and Lallie Sanchez, announced their father's death. He died on August 25, 2024.

If you spent any time talking with Clinton, you can relate to his daughter Joyce's comment that he had "the ability to get lost in telling a story." He was an avid researcher and storyteller of family history and his Texas Harlan roots. The grandson of Oliver Harlan Cross, he loved to tell about his grandfather standing up to the Ku Klux Klan. Another favorite topic was his ancestor Eliza Sims, through whose influence libraries were founded in Waxahachie and Italy, TX. Both of these relatives are memorialized in books he wrote and published (*My Grandfather Oliver Harlan Cross and the Ku Klux Klan* and *Eliza Sims and Two Libraries*, see Harlan Record Fall 2005 and Spring 2023).

A resident of El Paso, TX, Clinton had a brilliant, inquiring mind. He studied at Pomona College and the University of Texas School of Law. He served as former Assistant County Attorney at the El Paso County Attorney's Office, and was the first Executive Director for the Texas Legal Services Center. One colleague said, "He left behind a legacy of helping the most vulnerable in Texas."

Another former colleague said, “He was above all a kind man with a distinct sense of right and wrong... He regaled me with more stories than I can count about El Paso and Texas history. But above all he lived a life dedicated to service where he made a difference.”

A friend wrote, “He was a role model for us all about the importance of researching relatives and leaving a written history about family members.” Clinton wrote stories for the Harlan Record, the El Paso Bar Journal, the Texas Prosecutor and the Baylor Law Review. His legacy gives us one more reason to be proud to be Harlans!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I've spent over 10 years living in the Bay Area and in Southern California. While I enjoyed many places in California, I never got around to exploring Sacramento.

Our Board meeting there this summer was my first visit – and I hadn't known what I was missing. I hadn't realized how many fun things there are to do there and within an easy drive, and I certainly hadn't appreciated the Harlan history connections.

Each time we select the site of our next Reunion, we look for a fun place for a wide range of people – from younger singles and couples and families with small children or middle and high school children to elder empty-nester couples and singles – to take a Harlan-connected vacation. We've concluded that Sacramento will be a fun place to gather for our next Reunion!

Now that we have confirmed that our next Reunion will be in Sacramento June 24-27, 2027, please “pencil it on your calendars” and let everyone in your families know. We'll publish more details about all the things we can do as we start to get closer to those dates. Plan now to be there and join in the fun!

I also want to share how much I enjoy working with our Board. Reunions don't just happen; they take work to plan and prepare so that we can all enjoy them. Our Board is a fun group and we all contribute in various ways, encourage each other, and enjoy seeing each other. I am grateful for the time they devote between Reunions to make each one happen, and I'm glad I get to be part of this

team. If you'd like to know more about joining our Board, please let me know.

Mike Harlan, President

THE HARLAN FAMILY IN AMERICAN REUNION 2027 WILL BE IN...

Hello Harlan Cousins! The Harlan Family in America Board met in 2023 in Denver to scout locations for the next reunion scheduled for 2027. The Board explored the area and several local cousins joined us. We had a great time traversing different directions - the downtown area, the botanical gardens, Boulder, Red Rocks, and all in between. We realized that everything in Denver is really spread out and local travel is expensive. We needed second option.

Option 2 was Sacramento, CA. I'm from Georgia, so I thought Denver and Sacramento would be close. Both out west, right? Long way from Augusta. Gonna hop on a plane either way. Right? Wrong. You must drive through three additional states to get to the Pacific Coast from Denver. It is an 18-hour drive and almost 1200 miles from Denver to Sacramento. We scheduled Sacramento for 2024.

Sacramento is diverse and there are many activities. Napa Valley is a reasonable drive, and there are Harlan connections to the area. We have a tie to Sutters Mill near Sacramento (think: Gold Rush), and the Harlan wagon train of 1846 ended at Sacramento. Old Town Sacramento is quaint and interesting. There is an incredible train museum. From the outside it appears small, but indoors it spans a city block! There is even a steam train ride along the edge of the Sacramento River. The riverfront area, Sutter's Fort State Historic Park, and the California State Indian Museum are all fun and interesting local activities. Our visit included lively discussion and several local guests again.

The next step was getting quotes. We received these from one hotel in Denver and two in Sacramento. Sacramento was the best choice we were all comfortable with. We will now work on putting together the reunion. Stay tuned in future issues for the exciting adventures we will offer.

Whatever coast you live on, if you have not been able to attend any of our reunions begin planning now for getting to know your Harlan cousins in the summer of 2027! I've attended every reunion since Celebration 300 and have yet to be disappointed!

*Nancy Gooding
Vice President, Harlan Family in America*

GENEALOGY CORNER

FIRST PURCHASERS OF PENNSYLVANIA

In 1681 King Charles II of England granted William Penn a charter to establish a colony in the New World. The king owed Penn's father 16,000 pounds, and to repay his debt the king granted the young Penn 45,000 square miles of land to establish a colony "in regard to the memory and merits of his late father."

Penn, only 37 years old when he received the grant for Pennsylvania, immediately started looking for investors and settlers. To pay expenses and realize a profit, land sales were a must. After receiving the land charter from King Charles II, Penn's plan was to create a Quaker settlement in North America. By 1685 he had sold 600 tracts of land. He sought people who would settle the land and who had the funds to meet his conditions. He built in many incentives to encourage buyers. The price was two and a half shillings/acre, far below the cost of land in England or Ireland (20 shillings = one pound).

After the initial purchases, sales slowed down. Penn had not earned as much as he had hoped. He continued to advertise and began to attract Quakers of various economic backgrounds who took advantage of the opportunity to worship free of the persecution that was happening in England.

According to the Pennsylvania's charter, her northern border ran about twelve miles north of New Castle and actually runs through the site of Philadelphia. A circle was drawn with the New Castle Courthouse at the center with a twelve-

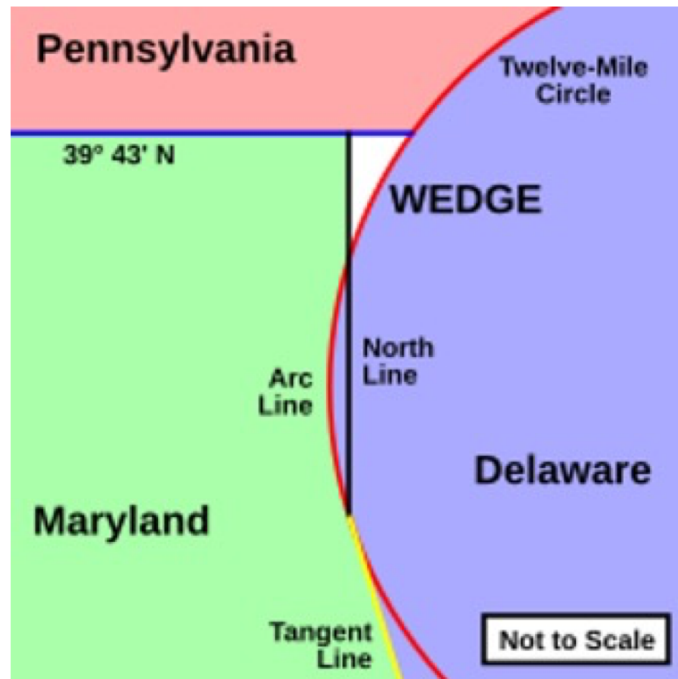
mile radius. This circle, still visible on modern maps, was to be the boundary between York's territory on the Delaware River and Penn's colony of Pennsylvania.

This was the largest grant ever made to a private citizen, but it did not have direct access to the sea. Penn wanted control of the mouth of the Delaware River and asked the Duke of York for a further grant. In 1682 Penn was granted the town of New Castle and the Twelve Mile Circle, plus a tract of land to the south. York actually had no legal title to the land from the King. Therefore, he obtained a patent and handed over the land to Penn. This was all still pending in 1685 when Charles II died and the Duke of York became King James II. The new King then granted the land directly to Penn. The Twelve Mile Circle remains the northern boundary of Delaware today.

George Harlan was warranted 200 acres in 1686 and settled first in Centreville, New Castle County in 1687. (If the writer's math is correct, 200 acres would cost 25 pounds). A land warrant was a transferable certificate from the land office, William Penn in this situation, authorizing a person to assume possession of a specified quantity of land. George later divided the land with his brother Michael. George moved further up the Brandywine and purchased 470 acres, in Kennett (now Pennsbury) Township. After a nearby settlement of Indians moved on, he obtained a warrant for 200 acres in 1701, which was granted "in regard of the great trouble and charge he has bore in fencing and maintaining the same for the said Indians while living thereon." As reported in the publication printed for the 2002 Harlan reunion in the Brandywine Valley, PA, George also purchased 400 acres in 1710 and 3 years later divided it between sons Joshua and James. While this writer didn't document Michael's land acquisitions personally, the 2002 Harlan publication stated that lands at Michael's second home consisted of 2,000 acres of prime farm land. He had three farms and his will parceled these lands to his heirs.

Cynthia Rhoades, Director of Genealogy

A SELECTION OF EARLY HARLAN MOVEMENTS



A 12-mile radius drawn from the New Castle, DE courthouse delineated the border between Pennsylvania and Delaware. This border stands today.



OUR CALIFORNIA ROAD TRIP (Part 1)

Our California road trip coincided with the Harlan Family in America Board Meeting and planning meeting in Sacramento, CA for the 2027 Reunion. We explored the area and activities that would inspire attendees to enrich their vacation experience in California. The following is an itinerary I found especially delightful and strongly recommend. Enjoy!

The summer sun was high in the sky as we touched down in Reno, NV. The excitement was palpable as we grabbed our bags and headed towards our rental car. The first leg of our adventure was Lake Tahoe, CA, a serene gem nestled in the Sierra Nevada mountains.

Our first stop was Incline Village, where we wandered through charming shops and enjoyed the serene beach. From there, we drove the entire loop of Lake Tahoe, taking in its stunning vistas and picturesque towns. We also visited Taylor Creek, where we marveled at the underwater viewing chamber, watching the fish swim by in their natural habitat. The highlight of our time in Tahoe was a hike to Eagle Falls, where the cascading water and stunning views left us in awe. We also observed the historic tea house on Fannette Island in the middle of Emerald Bay, savoring the panoramic views of the lake while imagining its storied past. Lake Tahoe is an astoundingly clear and beautiful lake.

After two nights in Lake Tahoe, we made our way to Yosemite National Park. We discovered that Yosemite requires permits to enter during the summer, which proved challenging to secure online. It became clear that planning far in advance was necessary if we wanted to drive through the park. To avoid the hassle of obtaining a permit, we scheduled a sightseeing tour with Discover Yosemite Tours. This allowed us to experience the park's breathtaking beauty without the stress of driving its busy roads. We marveled at the majesty of El Capitan, Half Dome, Cathedral Peak and Yosemite Falls.

We next explored Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, via their gateway - Visalia, CA.



Half Dome inside Yosemite National Park.

In Kings Canyon NP, we marveled at Boyden Cavern's fascinating underground formations and were awe-struck by the General Grant Tree, the world's second-largest tree. Standing before the "Nation's Christmas Tree" was a humbling experience and a testament to nature's grandeur. In Sequoia NP, we visited the General Sherman Tree, the largest tree on Earth by volume. Its immense size and age left us speechless, feeling small yet connected to the vast history it represents.



The General Grant tree inside Kings Canyon National Park.

*Debby Harlan
(wife of Board member, Tony Harlan #9318-1c4)*

UNCORKING MEMORIES AT PROMONTORY WINERY

While scouting for locations this summer for the upcoming family reunion, a few Harlan Family in America board members, (Nancy Gooding, Scott Harlan, Tony Harlan), Debby Harlan, and I had the incredible and unique opportunity to visit Promontory Winery. This is one of the most special wineries in the world (in my humble opinion), and one of the winery properties belonging to H. William (“Bill”) Harlan’s family in Oakville, California.

Promontory is a hidden gem nestled in a picturesque landscape. From the moment we arrived, it was clear that this was not just any ordinary winery visit. We were greeted with a glass of Dom Perignon by Promontory’s Ambassador, David Milarezi, and began our tour with its origin story.

In the early 1980s, Bill Harlan, one of the world’s iconic winemakers, stumbled upon the property upon which Promontory sits while hiking and piecing the initial land of what would become the famous Harlan Estate. The land was finally acquired in 2008 by Bill Harlan, and Promontory wine became the brainchild of Bill’s son, Will.

The beauty of Promontory was nothing short of otherworldly. Literally positioned on a promontory, the property sits amongst the hills of Oakville, overlooking the Napa Valley. The moment you walk in, you immediately notice the tranquility of the surroundings; your eyes follow a water feature that can only be described as a small waterfall, and leads your gaze towards lush green rolling hills, which seemed to stretch on forever. Surprisingly, the vast majority of the property is in its natural, untamed state, and only ten percent of the total property is used for growing grapevines.

David led us through the expansive facility, sharing stories and insights that deepened our appreciation for the craftsmanship behind the wine. First, we were led to Promontory’s awe-inspiring barrel room. Standing inside, between two rows of massive aging barrels, it felt as if we

were enveloped by an atmosphere of grandeur, yet it was cozy and intimate. We all knew that each barrel held not just wine, but a timeless piece of the legacy and craftsmanship that gave birth to the Promontory Winery. We were then guided through the most beautiful wine cave, where we first tasted Promontory wine from the barrel.

Tasting the wines was a sensory journey in itself. We tasted the 2009 Promontory, 2017 Promontory, and the 2012 Penultimate. Each sip revealed layers of flavor that spoke of the untamed land and natural beauty of the area. It was jaw-dropping, yet sophisticated and controlled. It was clear that Promontory is a labor of love and a testament to the hard work of Will Harlan and his immediate family. It was truly a privilege to witness it firsthand.

Our time at Promontory also turned out to be more than just an exploration of fine wines; it was also a heartfelt bonding experience for the family members that toured the winery together. As we gathered around the tasting table, we were able to connect and share our personal stories, details of our lives, our hobbies and experiences. The experience opened up a space for deeper connections and we were reminded of the importance of these moments of togetherness.

A heartfelt thank you goes to Bill’s daughter, Amanda Harlan, Family Director of Domain HWH. Amanda and her dedicated team were the primary reason we were able to have this unforgettable experience. Their hospitality and effort made our visit to Promontory not just possible, but truly memorable.

We left Promontory with a deep sense of gratitude and a strengthened bond with each other. I feel incredibly fortunate to have had this experience as it was a reminder of the special connections that bind us together as a family and the joy that comes from exploring these unique family ties. Here’s to more lasting memories and shared experiences that remind us of the richness of our Harlan connections.

Tiffany W. Harlan
(wife of Board member Scott Harlan,
#7035-3131)

HARLAN BEST OF BRITAIN TOUR 2025

We have rescheduled the Harlan Tour in Great Britain for May 25 - June 3, 2025. The trip includes stays in England, Scotland and Wales. We will be part of a larger tour group, and our smaller group will have a side trip on Day 3 to Sunderland and Monkwearmouth. The cost of the trip is \$3995 with the side trip to Monkwearmouth an additional \$285. These figures do not include airfare.

The trip will begin in Windsor with a guided tour of Windsor Castle and an overnight stay. Day 2 we depart for York and an overnight with a picturesque drive through the Cotswolds and visit to Blenheim Castle. Day 3 is the trip to Sunderland and Monkwearmouth to visit St. Peter's Church, where records indicate George and Michael Harlan were baptized. After lunch, we head to Edinburgh. On the way, we will receive a private tour of Abbotsford House, home of Sir Walter Scott, renowned 19th century novelist and poet.

A two-night stay in Edinburgh will include a guided tour of the city and Edinburgh Castle. The second night includes a lively Scottish dinner with entertainment. We then travel through the Lake District and stop in Grasmere on the way to Liverpool for the night. We will have a free evening in the Beatles' home city. The next day we will travel through scenic Shropshire with stops in Ludlow and Tintern Abbey. We end the day at Cardiff Castle in Wales. Day 7 includes stops at the Roman Baths in Bath and at Stonehenge. That night we will proceed to London for the remainder of the trip.

This trip encompasses the great variety that is Great Britain. I am excited about the side trip to Monkwearmouth, which is sure to be the highlight of the trip. Nine hot breakfasts and four dinners are included in the cost. Hopefully the cost of this trip is more agreeable and we will have enough folks to make this a memorable family trip. Information on this trip is available on the Harlan Family in America website.

Nancy Gooding

HOW CAN YOU HELP THE HARLAN FAMILY IN AMERICA?

Greetings from the Board of the Harlan Family in America! At our recent June 2024 HFA Board meeting, we discussed the expense of mailing paper copies of the Harlan Record compared to emailing the digital version. We absolutely want everyone to enjoy reading the articles about our heritage, plus all the information about national and regional reunion and upcoming trips. However, our organization spends approximately \$3,000 per year to mail copies to about 1,300 individuals. And yet it costs the organization virtually nothing to email digital copies. (The digital copies are emailed in a .pdf format to be opened with Adobe Acrobat or .pdf readers.) Here are a few ways you can help:

1. If you would like your copy of each Harlan Record sent to you in digital instead of paper form, please let Gerry Harlan Lundgren (HFA Secretary) know at gerrylun@myfmtc.com so that she can switch you from the mailing list to the email list.

2. If you'd rather keep getting your paper copies, please consider making a donation each year to help offset the extra cost. (Because we are a 501c3 organization, the donation is tax deductible.)

3. Spread the word to your Harlan-connected relations who are not already receiving the Harlan Record. Please send their names and email addresses to Gerry Harlan Lundgren (HFA Secretary) at gerrylun@myfmtc.com. She will add them to our email list so they can start receiving their own (free) copy of each issue.

We currently email about 500 copies of each issue; we'd like to grow our email list to over 2,000 before the next reunion in 2027. Thank you for your support!

Gerry Lundgren

CORRECTION

The Spring 2024 Harlan Record Genealogy Corner stated that George & Elizabeth (Duck) Harlan had 8 children. Indeed they had 9 children listed in the Green Book.

THE 90+ CLUB

Fred Leroy Harlan (#9322-222) was born in 1934 in New Castle, PA. Fred is a descendant of George Harlan and is an 11th generation Harlan in America. His ancestor Jonathan Harlan (#1584) founded Harlansburg, Lawrence Co., PA, and as a youngster Fred spent many days at his grandmother Edith's house in Harlansburg. Fred worked for Bell Telephone/Verizon for 42 years, retiring 29 years ago. A stalwart of the First Church of God in New Castle, Fred a born-again Christian, worshiped there with his late wife Carol and children Fred J., Sharon and Scott. He still worships there, driving there every Sunday and during the week for special meetings.

Fred and Carol attended the Celebration 300 in New Castle, DE in 1987 and Celebration 310 in Harlan, IA. They also camped across the U.S. for many years visiting 47 states along with spending many weeks camping at the Whitehall church camp in Emlenton, PA.

Fred has three children, 7 grandchildren, and 14 great grandchildren.

Tom Harlan (#2293-144) (June 1934 – July 2024) turned 90 on June 25, 2024 and is included in the esteemed group of 90+ Harlans. Please see a longer bio under the In Memory section of the newsletter.

If you have a family member you'd like recognized in the 90+ Club, please send their name, address, date of birth and a short bio to Denise Walters at rdwalters931@gmail.com. Address changes for 90+ members should also be sent to Denise via The Harlan Family in America, P.O. Box 333, Pleasant Unity, PA 15676. Updated information helps us maintain our records and is greatly appreciated.

A NOTE ABOUT THE REMEMBRANCE FUND

When the Harlan Family in American organization was formed, one of the founders' goals was to ensure that no one would ever have

to pay dues to be a member.

38 years later, thanks to the generosity and support of many of you, that principle is still maintained. The interest people have for our common heritage and the strength Harlans have shown in the development and history of our country is matched by few families. We have so much to be proud of!

A sincere thank you to all who continue to support the organization with your gifts. We have several members who contribute a small amount each month through PAYPAL if that is an option for you. Remembrance donations are also tax deductible. We appreciate all of the support from those who are able to donate and all those who enjoy the stories in our newsletter. May everyone have a blessed remainder of 2024.

Bob Harlan (PA) (#6807-322)

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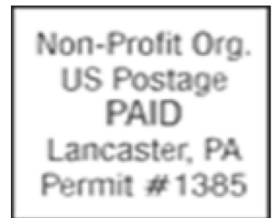
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