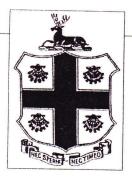


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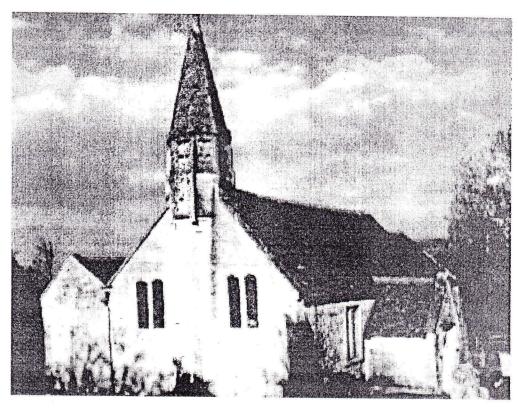
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Cogswell Courier

The Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Old Dilton, Wiltshire

...by Bernice Sonna



As noted in the introduction to *The Descendants of John Cogswell*, the baptism, marriage, and burial of several early Cogswells are recorded in the registry of this church. A short distance from Westbury, this ancient church formerly served the once flourishing wool-producing community of Dilton. With the decline of the woolen industry in the 17th century and the expansion of nearby settlements, the area became known as Old Dilton. Services were held regularly until 1844, when a new church was erected at nearby Dilton Marsh. Worship has been conducted only occasionally since then. In 1973 the old church was declared redundant and is now in the care of the Redundant Churches Fund.

The church nestles beneath the embankment that carries the railway from Westbury to Salisbury. The early history of the building of the church is obscure but most of its external features date from the early part of the 15th century. The south porch appears to be about a hundred years earlier and may be the survivor of a previous church on this site. Built in Perpendicular Gothic style, the church consists of nave, chancel, and one (north) aisle. Unusually, there is no west tower but perched on the gable at the end is a charming little octagonal bell turret capped with a spire.

The Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Old Dilton, Wiltshire

(continued from page 1) ...by Bernice Sonna.

Wiltshire lies on the great limestone belt that sweeps diagonally across England. It is the finest English building stone, widely used in all the counties in which it occurs and often elsewhere as well. At Old Dilton it is a deliciously clean creamy color, almost as though it had been washed yesterday. The roof is constructed from attractive tiles of the same material. Sheep are allowed to graze in the churchyard, a useful and economical way of preventing overgrowth.

Access is now through the priest's door at the east, rather than the main south door which is kept locked. Visitors, after bending low and stepping through that door, halt with astonishment and delight, for crossing that doorstep is like crossing a time divide. You are now in a world untouched in any significant way for about 250 years. Everything is simple and unpretentiously rustic. Great stone flags with surfaces worn smooth by the passage of generations lie unevenly across the floors and contribute much to the character.

The walls are plastered and limewashed as they would have been in the 18th century. In medieval times there would probably have been wall paintings of scenes from the Bible or the lives of the saints. The woodwork, with which every square inch of the church is crammed, is a delight. There is none of the elegance and sophistication of the 18th century work found in the greater churches and houses of the period where delicately carved and highly polished mahogany and other imported woods abound. Here, instead, there is all the charm of village craftsmanship at its plainest and soundest. In the absence of staining or polishing, the oak has a pleasantly light, almost bleached appearance.

There are narrow box pews and wider family pews, their various heights reflecting social status in the village. A three-decker pulpit with sounding board is situated halfway down the south wall where it is

visible from most parts of the church, including the north aisle. A few medieval benches survive at the back of the church. The Royal Arms of George III are attached to one of the roof beams. There is a west gallery on the front of which is an 18th century clock with a finely engraved face. There is also an unusual gallery at the east end, overlooking the chancel. Access to this gallery can only be obtained from outside via a staircase leading from a door in the east wall. It has its own fireplace and has served various purposes over the centuries, including that of parish schoolroom.

The original consecration of land and building to God still remains. Local people see to the maintenance of the interior, which is immaculate, and occasional services are held.

[Information from Redundant Churches Fund pamphlet and from Matthew Byrne, "England's Country Churches," *This England*, Spring, 1984.]

Report on Cogswell Family Tour to England in May 2000

Come on aboard! There has been considerable response to our questionnaire to the proposed tour to England. At present our travel agency is engaged in calculating the cost for such a trip. We are also exploring the possibility of a day trip to Coggeshall and Braintree near the end of the tour. As soon as we have definite information on dates, itinerary and costs, we'll let you know. Any Questions? Call Mary & Hal Lieberman at (320) 252-4356 or

E-mail: follyfarm@aol.com

From the Editor's Desk

First of all "CHEERS" to all who have contributed so much time and effort to this and the last Courier. Of course it is obvious that without such effort there would be no Courier. There is still plenty of time for any of you to get into the act since the next deadline isn't until October fifteenth. Maybe someone could write on "How I Spent My Summer Vacation". Just joking.

I would like to start something like a column on the idea of "Getting to Know You". So I hope several of you might send me a little piece about you and your family, the things you enjoy doing, etc.

Again I have to thank Pat Cogswell, Claire Daigle and Steve Aberle for helping out in a pinch. This time the pinch being Hal had by-pass surgery on the 16th of June. At this time (June 19th) he is still in the hospital. He is recovering nicely and will be home soon.

Does Anyone Know This Family?

Recently, Claire Cogswell Daigle, acquired an original copy of Jameson's <u>Cogswells in America</u> which had apparently been owned by an R. A. Cogswell. With the book was a business letter and an invoice-like paper imprinted with the company name of J. A. Cogswell, of Elyria Ohio. These apparently refer to James Austin Cogswell (Jameson [1202]) and his son Raymond Austin Cogswell [1850] who resided in Elyria. Does anyone know anything about their descendants? Anyone interested in these papers may contact Claire, at:

21 Old Belchertown Road, Ware, MA 01082 or secretary@cogswell.org on the InternetBy Mary Lieberman

Hoping to hear from many of you by October fifteenth.

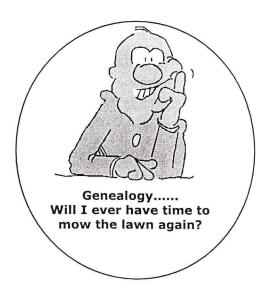
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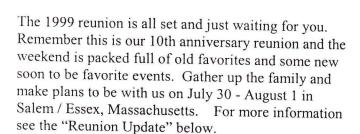
Let's make Mary's desk look like this...

Articles for the December edition of the Cogswell Courier are due to editor Mary Lieberman by October 15, 1999.



President's Corner

.....By Edna Cogswell Roberds



We have a slate of family members willing to serve as Officers and Board Members for the next two and four years respectively. If ever you are interested in being an Officer or Board Member please let us know.

This is my last President's Corner and I want you to know that I have had so much fun getting to know you better. I have enjoyed being your First VP for one year and your President for the last three years. My writing and e-mailing skills have improved thanks to all the work you guys have given me and I am going to put those skills to good use writing children's books and maybe a book or two about the Cogswells. We are a blessed family and I would appreciate you sending a prayer or two my way occasionally. You will be in mine.

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Reunion Update

SALEM / ESSEX, MASSACHUSETTS JULY 30, 31, AND AUGUST 1, 1999

Our 10th year anniversary reunion has lots of interesting sights to see and people to meet.

- Friday night <u>Warren "Renny" Little</u> will present "MEMORIES OF COGSWELL GRANT: GROWING UP IN A HOUSE MUSEUM" and the next day we will visit the <u>Cogswell Grant</u> with a new perspective.
- The <u>Essex Shipbuilding Museum</u> has expanded their exhibits and promises that there will be something new for all to enjoy.
- John Cogswell's family attended <u>The First Congregational Church of Essex</u> and we will hear about their history and the Cogswell connection from church members. Our lunch and group picture will be at the church.
- Saturday night we will be informed of our connections to prominent people by <u>Gary Boyd Roberts</u>, author of many genealogy papers and books.
- Sunday morning family members will entertain us with Cogswell stories. I envision it being like the "good old days" when families sat around and listened to the tales of the past. I would love to hear your story! Let me know if you would like to share and I will put you on the agenda.

Edna Roberds - Reunion Co - chairperson (404) 264 - 9475 email ecroberds@hotmail.com



Don't forget the

Family Reunion,

7/30/99 - 8/1/99

Salem/Essex, Mass.







From the Secretary's Desk

While this Courier is closer to the last one in coming out, we are still growing at a good pace. We have ten new members since the last Courier and that brings our membership up to two hundred ninety-five.

Ten years ago when we were formed I believe we had close to a hundred members. So we are growing and with the help of the web and all that Pat Cogswell does for us on the web, we should be able to grow to great expectations knowing there are lots more Cogswells out there and they just have to find us or we them. We still have some whose dues have not reached me yet so I will be sending out reminders soon.

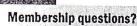
.....By Claire Cogswell-Daigle

I hope you all have plans on attending the reunion as our president Edna has put together a great Program. If you haven't sent in your reply for the reunion please do so now.

One of our new members is Henry Cogswell College in Everett, WA. In their library they have set up a prominent place for us. It will be called "Cogswell Family Association Reference Shelf" for everyone to enjoy.

Your secretary,

Claire Cogswell-Daigle



Contact

Claire Cogswell Daigle

on the Internet at

New Members of the Cogswell Family Association

The Cogswell Family Association, Inc. welcomes the following members into the family:

secretary@cogswell.org

Ma Harte

Karl Smith, Canada Terry Cogswell, KY Joan Cogswell Cooper Holden, LA Susan H. Herb, AR John B. Root, NY

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The **Cogswell Family Association** welcomes new members. If you know anyone who is interested in joining us, please have them contact:

CFA Secretary Claire Cogswell Daigle 21 Old Belchertown Road Ware, MA 01082-9435

-oron the Internet at secretary@cogswell.org

Remembered Apples Unite Cousins

.....By Malcolm Cogswell

From about the end of World War I, Otis Grant Cogswell ([5337], Descendants of John Cogswell) of Port Williams, Nova Scotia, shipped (a barrel of?) apples across and down the Bay of Fundy to Lepreau, New Brunswick, where his nephew and namesake, Otis Grant Cogswell (not in book, son of John Hezekiah Cogswell [5335]) lived with his family. People didn't travel much in those days, and even with a ferry at each end of the bay, it was just too long a journey, and the families seem never to have visited one another. The apples were the only connection, but perhaps an important one.

In 1998, Susanna (Cogswell) Graham (daughter of the nephew) and her husband attended the Cogswell Family reunion in Halifax. They didn't stay

at the hotel, but those who were there may

Cousins meet for the first time, May 8, 1999 in Lachute, Quebec

remember them from the Friday night banquet or the bus tour. Susanna bought a copy of the new Cogswell book. As she read it, she discovered that one daughter of her uncle was still alive.

On May 8, 1999, Susanna and her husband arrived at Lachute, Quebec, hoping to visit that cousin, Lucy Cogswell [6906] (now over 90), and found her in her room in the Senior's Residence where Lucy now lives. Lucy was talking on the telephone to her niece Marie [8304] in British Columbia. Marie phones her every week. Lucy ended the call to greet her guests.

Susanna remembered the apples that had come from her uncle in Nova Scotia, and Lucy remembered apples being shipped to Lepreau, New Brunswick – at least 65 years ago. So they established that they were cousins! (First cousins once removed.) They had a pleasant, if short, visit.

After about 15 minutes, a staff member came to Lucy's room to tell her there was to be a dance recital, and front row seats available for everyone. Actually box seats in a sun-porch next to the dance area. There

was an enjoyable half hour with 6 ballet and jazz numbers by the local dance class – a senior group of 4 girls, and a junior group of 7 girls and one brave boy – as well as a solo tap ("lord of the) Dance."

And it was the Cogswell Family Association which made the meeting possible. Just one benefit of getting involved.

Susanna and her husband then continued on their way to visit other relatives (whether Cogswell descendants or not I'm not sure) in Ontario.

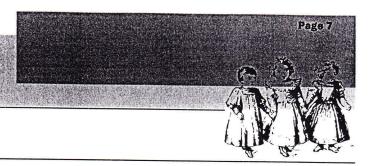
Cogswell Connections

One of the most prominent and influential families in American history was the Adams family, members of whom played a major role for more than 150 years. John and John Quincy, of course, were Presidents of the United States. JQA's son, Charles Francis Adams, as ambassador to Great Britain, is credited with keeping that country out of the American Civil War. His sons were the historian Brooks, the historian and novelist Henry and Charles Francis II, president of the Union Pacific. Even in the 20th Century, a Charles Francis Adams was Secretary of the Navy in the Hoover administration.

Some historians have said that American history has had to be somewhat de-Adamized. All the Adamses were voluminous letter-writers, and several kept diaries for more than half a century each. Since they were so involved in current issues, and since they knew most of the prominent figures of the day, historians for generations turned to their writings for information. Thus the "Adams point of view" had great influence on historical interpretation.

Here is the Cogswell connection to the Adams family:

John Cogswell — Elizabeth Thompson William Cogswell — Susanna Hawkes Susanna Cogswell — Benjamin White Ann White — Peter Boylston Susanna Boylston — John Adams John Adams — Abigail Smith John Quincy Adams — Louisa Johnson



Cogswell Kid's Corner



Our Grandson — James Kelsey Cogswell
.. by Pat Cogswell, CFA WebMaster

February 18, 1993 was one of the coldest day the Eastern Shore of Maryland had seen in years, but the delivery room at the Easton Memorial Hospital was glowing with warmth, as our grandson, James Kelsey Cogswell was born. I was our daughters', Denise, birthing coach and shared in the joy of bringing a new life into the world, while Pop Don was nervously pacing the waiting room with Great-Nana Dorothy.

After much discussion on a middle name, Denise decided to name her son, James Kelsey Cogswell. Imagine our surprise when Don discovered another "famous" James Kelsey Cogswell (Admiral USN) while he was working on the "Descendants of John Cogswell". Never having had a son, Don and I soon found out what it was like to have a little boy in the house (are they ever different from little girls!). James was as rambunctious as they come. But he also showed a tenacity for learning new things. By 2 ½ years old, he became an authority on trains, which he continues to maintain till this day. If you want to know what a certain train car hauls, just ask James. He is also the only child we know who has his own train room with three different train set-ups. James even says he's going to be an Engineering when he grows up and it wouldn't surprise us if he is.

Around the same age, James also began to "play" with computers. While Denise and James were visiting last year, James and I were creating a T-shirt design on the computer for him (trains of course!). I was exporting pictures from a CD (compact disk) for his creation, when I had to leave the room. When I returned James said, "Grammy, I got one", and sure enough, from watching me, he had gotten a picture off of the CD and placed it where he wanted it on his T-shirt.

James is now 6 years old, living in Monroe, Michigan with his mom, Denise. He graduated from kindergarten on June 10, 1999. James recently took an entrance test for a private school and passed with flying colors. In fact, he told us he only spelt one word wrong on the whole test — imagine that for a 6 year old. Needless to say, Don and I are very proud of our grandson James Kelsey Cogswell and that's why we wanted to share him with you.

Alice Cogswell Headstone Restoration

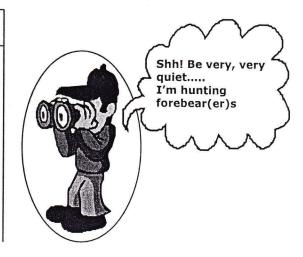
The American School for the Deaf Alumni Association and the Phi Kappa Zeta (Gallaudet University Sorority in D.C.) have established a fund to restore the headstone of Alice Cogswell in Hartford, Conn. Would you like to make donation to the Alice Cogswell Memorial Restoration Committee? Make your check payable to ASDAA/PKZ and mail to:

Darlene Shilati – American School for the Deaf

139 North Main Street

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Please make a notation on your check "Alice Cogswell Headstone Restoration" and be sure to include you name and address.



100 Years and Still Going Strong

.....Submitted by Joan R. Murdock, Ukiah, CA







Pearl Kelly 100 years old, 1999

On April 24, 1999, a 100th birthday celebration was held for Pearl Kelly. She was born April 21, 1899 in Wait's Settlement, Tioga, New York to Jesse and Frankie (Cogswell) Van Oven; her brothers were Earl Henry and Walter. Wait's Settlement, located in the southwest corner of the town of Owego, was so named for the original settler, Henry Wait, Sr.; some of his descendants own property there to this day. It is now know as East Nichols. The home of Jesse and Frankie. in which Pearl grew up, was built with "wood blocks", unusual at the time. It has seen been moved to Owego where it is on display as an "historical house for its special style of construction".

When Pearl was growing up, the village was quite small and was in one of the most beautiful settings anywhere, with a vast panorama of the mountains all the way to Pennsylvania. Then, there was only a general store, school, creamery, and the Methodist Episcopal Church (among its first trustees, Henry Wait, Jr. who donated the land). The post office was in the house of her grandparents, Henry S. and Emiline (Merrill) Cogswell. Mrs. Cogswell was the post mistress, and Mr. Cogswell drove his horse and wagon everyday except Sunday to Owego to deliver and pick up the mail. One day when Mr. and Mrs. Cogswell

were away, their house caught fire and burnt to the ground. The post office was then moved in 1896 to the general store on Wait's Road. Henry Cogswell kept horses, one of which was a "pacer" for horse racing; Pearl remembered one of them being struck and killed by lightning. Pearl attended the Wait's

one-roomed schoolhouse in the village for one year, beginning at age 8 (see picture). All of the children walked to school, a distance for most of them, two to two-and-a half miles. Pearl's paternal grandparents, David and Dally Anne (Moore) Van Oven, also lived nearby in Wait's Settlement; David served in the Civil War with the 57th Pennsylvania Volunteers, Co. "C".

The next year she attended Briggs Hollow School, which was about seven miles away. She only missed one day of school; the wind and snow was so bad on that particular day that she just could not move forward, so she finally returned home. She credits "walking", which she has always done a great deal of, for maintaining her health.

She would often visit with some of her neighbors on her return from school. She can still remember the following: Spencer and Nancy (Van Oven) Wilbur, son of Jonathan and Caroline Wilbur; and Wilbur and Charlene White. The White's seemed to be especially fond of her visits as they did not have children of their own; they used to give her "milk and cookies" and show her their photo album. She has always been

glad that she took the time to visit with them.

On 24 Step. 1919, in the St. Ambrose Church of Endicott, N.Y., Pearl Marie married James S. Kelly. They later moved to Apalachin, N.Y., where Pearl Kelly remained for many years. During World

Pearl Kelly
100 Years Old
April 21, 1999

War II, she worked on a lathe for IBM. She really enjoyed it, but had to give up the job "when the men returned home". When her grandson married in California in 1983, she liked the area so much that she returned home, sold her house with everything in it, and moved west to California, living in Ukiah, Mendocino County until 1996 when she moved to Freemont, California to be closer to her grandchildren. Mrs. Kelly has an irresistible charm and a very caring nature. Her hand was always extended, her home always open, to someone in need.

(Information re Wait's Settlement kindly sent to me from the Susquehanna Co. Historical Society in Montrose, PA. And from Julia A. Chaffee, volunteer, Tioga Co. Historical Society, Owego, N.Y.)

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From the Historian's Desk

.....By Don Cogswell, Historian

From the Historian's Hideout:

Information continues to arrive (thanks to all those persistent souls who continue searching, rooting and digging for Cogswell vital data), and the database now contains well over 33,000 names. Unfortunately, we still have hundreds of people named:

"______, born ?date in ?place," so please keep those letters, faxes and emails coming. Will Durant said:

"... there must be education - some technique ... for the transmission of culture. Whether through imitation, initiation, or instruction, whether through father or mother, teacher or priest, the lore and heritage of the tribe - its language and knowledge, its morals and manners, its technology and arts - must be handed down to the young ..."

Keep those updates coming.

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I believe those words apply to a family history as well. We may not qualify as a civilization, or even a tribe, but the Cogswells most certainly are one of THE important families of North America, and we must accept responsibility for transmitting our history to our descendants.

Obviously, all the additions and corrections reported to your Historian will be included in the next edition of The Book, so I sincerely hope our members and friends will keep me informed of any additions or corrections uncovered in their (or any other) Cogswell line.

Since I have received eight corrections to The Book, I'm giving some thought to producing a short Errata Sheet, to be sent to each Book owner. With the Association's computer and laser printer, I can produce a close match to the bright white paper chosen by the Book Committee, and, so far, the Errata Sheet would be only one page - if the owners are interested in having one.

To date we have shipped 347 copies of our book, so there are 319 copies left. Since a description and an order form now are available on our new Web Site -

WWW.COGSWELL.ORG - and since most people have access to a public library or educational institution with an Internet connection, the remaining copies should be shipped within the next few months. Our WebMaster (to whom I just happen to be married) deserves a standing ovation and a big smooch. I'll take care of that obligation on behalf of our Association.

Your faithful scrivener,

Don



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A look at Henry Cogswell College

by Stephen Aberle *

Just what is that link on the Cogswell Family Association's site on the World Wide Web that takes one to the "Henry Cogswell College Web site"? I decided to investigate. Turning first to the book "Descendants of John Cogswell, The Cogswell Family: 1635-1996" by Donald James



Cogswell, c. 1998, I learned that Henry Daniel Cogswell was a prominent dentist in the San Francisco area in the latter half of the 19th century. In 1887 he and his wife Caroline founded a San Francisco high school which became a junior college in 1932 and expanded to a four-year college in the 1970's. That institution, now known as Cogswell Polytechnical College, was relocated to Cupertino, California in 1985.

So how is Henry Cogswell College related to Cogswell Polytechnical College? Well, in the late 1970's, the Boeing Company was looking for a way to provide evening and weekend technical classes for their employees in the greater Seattle, Washington, area. At that time there were no local institutions of higher learning that offered these classes (including the Seattle-based University of Washington). A search was conducted in the western United States for an

educational model that would fulfill Boeing's needs, and Cogswell Polytechnical College (then located in San Francisco, California) was selected.

Established in 1979 as "Cogswell College, North", the new school operated small technical education programs simultaneously both north and south of Seattle at opposite ends of King County. In 1984, the college consolidated operations in Kirkland, Washington (east of Seattle across Lake Washington) where it remained for 11 years. In 1992, the college became a standalone institution of its own, no longer a branch campus of its northern California parent. Three years later the name was changed to Henry Cogswell College as part of a 15-year comprehensive plan for the institution.

In August 1996, Henry Cogswell College moved slightly north to the city of Everett, which is the

county seat of Snohomish County. Everett was, at that

time, the largest city in the United States without a 4-year college. Snohomish County, with a 1998 population of over 568,000, is larger in land area than either Rhode Island or Delaware and includes elevations extending from sea level to 10,436 feet (Glacier Peak). Everett, with a population of 84,000, is home to the United States Naval Base Everett and to the largest building in the world by volume (472 million cubic feet) which is part of the Boeing plant at

Paine Field where 747, 767, and 777 aircraft are built.

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For those who don't like to go outside in the rain to change classes, Henry Cogswell College is ideal (at least for the time being) as its entire campus is housed in a nicely renovated former department store in downtown Everett. This will all change in September 1999 when HCC



expands into a second structure, the old "Federal Building" (see photo), located in a historic area just west of the Snohomish County Courthouse and several blocks from the present campus building. As part of their awareness of the history of the Cogswell name, college officials have invited a representative from the Cogswell Family Association to speak (along with city and county dignitaries) at the dedication of their new building.

The mission of Henry Cogswell College is "Providing quality education for the people of the State of Washington," with the goal of "Offering a professional and technical education which promotes individual growth and productive careers for men and women." With this mission and

goal in mind, HCC is in the process of quadrupling the number of students at their institution between now and the year 2010. Historically, because of the way in which the college was founded, the student population consisted of technical professionals who attended classes in the evenings and on weekends. In the current population of approximately 250 students, the average student age is 32 to 34 years. This is all changing! In the year 2000, HCC will graduate the first class in their new "day program". The school's administrators are actively recruiting high school juniors and seniors to attend HCC. Throughout this transition in the student population, the evening and weekend program will remain fairly constant (in numbers of students) and the



growth will occur in the day program. By the year 2010, HCC officials expect to have 250 students in the evening/weekend program compared to 750 in the day program.

Dr. Henry Cogswell, in comments made to the school's first board of directors in San Francisco, California in 1887, said, "Educated working men and women are necessary to solve great problems that will arise in the future." Henry Cogswell College is doing its part to fulfill the educational vision of its namesake by offering degree programs in the fields of:

- Business Administration (management, international business, or entrepreneurship),
- Computer Science (CAD, CAM, hardware, imaging, modeling, software consulting, systems analysis, embedded software for expert systems, multimedia, and networking),

- Computer and Video Imaging (computer animation, game development, film and video production, interactive education or entertainment, multimedia, graphic design, product design, advertising, architectural visualizations, litigation art, scientific visualization, and industrial prototype visualization),
- **Electrical Engineering** (CAE, power generation and distribution, hardware, software, signal processing, control systems, telecommunications, simulation, systems, instrumentation, test, and networks),
- Engineering Technology (applied mathematical and basic sciences), and
- Mechanical Engineering (automotive, aerospace, manufacturing, mechanical and machine design, production or supervision, project management, sales or product support, and test).

Photos from the Henry Cogswell College campus:



Classroom



Audio equipment



Student Artwork in Hallway



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- The total educational cost from admission to graduation (currently about \$44,000) is in the 40th percentile when compared to other private colleges. The cost comparison to state funded universities is difficult as class shortages at those institutions force many students into more costly 5 and 6 year programs just to get all their required classes.
- Students attending on a continuous basis (all three trimesters per year) are protected from any tuition increases that might occur during their period of attendance.
- Availability of classes required for graduation in eight consecutive trimesters is guaranteed for all continuous full-time students.
- Small class sizes (with a maximum of 24 students).
- All classes are taught by faculty, not teaching assistants.
- Classrooms with state-of-the-art technical equipment.
- A surprisingly large (5,000+ volume) technical library (that will soon have a special shelf devoted to information on the Cogswell Family Association).

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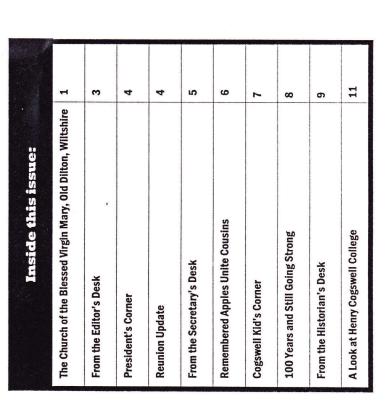
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