

# Pearson's Places and Things

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Hello all Pearson's and those related to Pearson's and from Pearson's. The "First" Pearson family reunion is now in the history books! All of us present (that I talked to) think that it was a success, and something that should not go by the wayside. We visited with the people we knew, introduce ourselves to the people we didn't and looked up the things we didn't know or couldn't remember. We elected officers for the organization of the next reunion and conducted the basic planning for the "Second Pearson Reunion". The following is the list of Officers:

President:	Timothy T. Pearson Orange Park, FL
Vice President:	Willard Pearson Attica, IN
Treasurer:	Essie O. Pearson Orange Park, FL
Recording Secretary:	Mary Pearson Phillips, WI
Correspondence Secretary:	Elton E. Pearson Sr. Toluca, IL
Chaplain:	John J. Pearson Ogema, WI

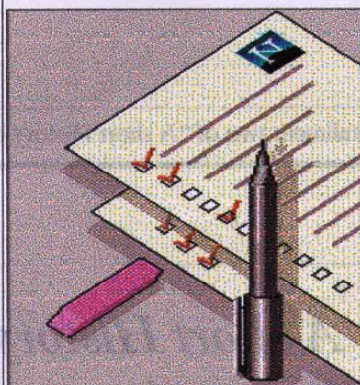
These Officers will be in contact with each other to make the Second Pearson Family Reunion even a bigger success than the first. So, if you have any suggestions or information that may help please forward it. This also includes any articles (non-copyrighted) about the Pearson Family or it's history that may be of interest to others, these I will include in this news letter.

Next reunion August 6,7& 8th 1999 in S.C.

We regret to announce the passing away of Natalie Pearson, wife of our elected Chaplain John J. Pearson on August 21, 1997.

## The First Pearson Family Reunion

On 1-3rd of August members from Edward (1651) and Thomas (1653) Pearson Held the First Pearson Family Reunion in Troy Ohio. Both sides of Lawrence Pierson and Elizabeth Janney's children were repre-



sented at the reunion, that being Edward and Thomas. Some were related to both due to cousins marrying cousins.

Some of the facts as reported by Elton E. Pearson Sr. are 31 people attended, Vern and Edith Dixon came from the farthest, Washington State. The oldest was **probably** Eunice Godown, Troy, Ohio. The youngest was **(definitely)** Cait-

lin Pearson, Orange Park Florida (1 yr. 10.5 mo.). People came in from six states Ohio, Indiana, Florida, Illinois, Wisconsin and Washington.

Those attending should have received the list of attendees from Elton E. Pearson Sr. (Correspondence Secretary), if there are any additions or corrections please forward those to me or Elton Sr..

Most of us enjoyed eating at least one meal at the Pearson House Restaurant in West Milton, Ohio.

I will continue to publish the "Pearson Places and Things" as often as I can, (I know we agreed on once a year) as I feel that we need to stay in contact as much as possible to make the next reunion a success. If there are any particular questions or items you would like me to publish in the next issue contact me or Elton Sr.

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Installment two of "A short History of the Pearson Family in America"

## A short History of the Pearson Family in America, Compiled by Elton E. Pearson Sr.

**Thomas, John and Mary all sailed for America in September 1683 on the ship "Endeavour"**

Edward Peeresonne of c1585 married and had among other children, a son he called Lawrence Pierson born 1606. This was in a section of England, South of Manchester and East of Liverpool in Cheshire County. They lived in a place called Pownall Fee, near the city of Wilmslow, west of the river Bollin and east of Mobberley Brook. Lawrence married a girl called Elizabeth Janney in 1645. She was of the Count Gyncy line, Lord of Haverland, Norfolk, England. Lawrence could read and write,

although many at that time could not. Therefore the spelling of names changed frequently, because different clerks and scribes would spell names differently and those who could not read or write could not tell them that the spelling was wrong. Lawrence also was entitled to a coat-of-arms. Lawrence and Elizabeth had five children. They were Edward (1651), Thomas (1653), John (1655), Sarah (1657), and Mary (1659). Thomas, John and Mary all sailed for America in September 1683 on the ship "Endeavour" of Liverpool England. Edward did not sail until four years later arriving June 1687 with certificates from Bramhall Monthly Meeting, Cheshire, Eng-

land for transfer of his Quaker membership to the Darby Monthly Meeting. He obtained 200 acres of land west side of Darby Creek in 1688. He moved to the Falls Monthly Meeting, Bucks Co., Pa., in late 1688. Edward is my direct ancestor. Edward and Sarah Burgess had seven children.

To be continued.

This and other stories of the Pearson family will continue as new issues of this publication are circulated.

Tim Pearson