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Dear CFA Members,

Planning for our annual meeting in Pemaquid, Maine, during the September 27-29, 1991, weekend continues. Claire Daigle of Ware, Massachusetts, is serving as Meeting Chairman, assisted by Ed Cogswell of Albion, Maine. As detailed in our last newsletter, activities will include a banquet with the speaker to be Dr. Warren Riess, nautical archaeologist searching for the wreckage of the Angel Gabriel, which brought John Cogswell and family to Pemaquid in 1635. A plaque commemorating their landing will be dedicated, and other events such as a visit to the museum housing artifacts of the early days and a boat ride to see local sights are planned.

Arrangements for housing are difficult to make until the various inns begin to open for the summer season. Depending on the number of members in attendance, we probably will have to be housed in more than one location, as there is no large hotel in the immediate area. To enable the committee to locate and get commitments for sufficient good housing, it is essential that we know approximately how many will be attending the gathering. Included with this letter is a questionnaire for each member to use to indicate the likelihood of his or her attendance. It would be most helpful to the committee if you would complete this form to the best of your ability at this time and return it to Claire Daigle soon. when plans

USS COGSWELL (DD—651)

Several members have supplied information on the USS COGSWELL, a general purpose destroyer built in Bath, Maine, by the Bath Iron Works and commissioned in Boston, Massachusetts, on August 17, 1943. The ship was named after Rear Admiral James K. Cogswell and his son, Captain Francis Cogswell. Fully loaded, the COGSWELL displaced about 2900 tons, was 376 feet in length, had a maximum beam of 39 feet, and a speed of over 30 knots. The COGSWELL's missions included naval gunfire support, anti-submarine warfare, anti-air defense, escort, convoy, and rescue duties.

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The COGSWELL joined the U.S. Pacific fleet in December 1943 and took part in numerous engagements from New Guinea to Japan. She was present in Tokyo Bay in August 1945 for the signing of the Japanese surrender. The COGSWELL was decommissioned and placed in the Reserve Fleet in January 1946 but was brought back into active service in June 1951 and participated in the Korean Conflict in 1953. Between then and December 1968 she operated as a unit of the Seventh Fleet in the Pacific some twelve times and four times supported operations in Vietnam. Later the ship operated out of San Diego for several months while providing services to various fleet schools and participating in fleet exercises. The COGSWELL was later decommissioned one last time and transferred to the Turkish Navy, where she operates as the TCG IZMIT(D-342).

CFA GENEALOGY PROGRAM

Our Historian, Catherine Jo Cogswell, has asked that the membership pay particular attention to the genealogical information which is supplied to her for inclusion in our computerized data system. She requests the following:

- 1.Type or block print all data
- 2.Enter the Jameson number for all ancestors listed in THE COGSWELLS IN AMERICA.
- 3.If you are supplying any data in which you have less than a high degree of confidence, please so indicate.
- 4.If an ancestor had more than one marriage and their dates are not known, please number them in sequence.
- 5.Include the spouse's name, even if only the first name is known.
- 6.Supply as much information as possible, especially date and location of events such as and burial, birth, marriage, death.
- 7.Our program is equipped to handle large quantities of supplemental information which future generations, so you are additional information such as church affiliation, education, armed services involvement, honors earned, held, or any other information might be of interest to encouraged to furnish occupation, religion and immigration date and origin, political offices you believe pertinent.
- 8.Please list any artifacts you have of significant historical value to the CPA. Such information will make our data base more valuable as history of the Cogswell family. we try to develop a complete history of the Cogswell family.

FUTURE CFA NEWSLETTERS

The editor is badly in need of items for inclusion in future newsletters and would greatly appreciate your participation. Short and concise items are preferred, and some editing may take place. Please submit material to me at 300 Sunkist Lane, Los Altos CA 94022.

Sumter A. Cogswell