

Crouse *Timeline*

1710 19 years old, Johann Jacob Krauss leaves Germany for the New World.

- 1724 Johann Crouse marries Catherine Nellis in Fort Plain, New York.
- 1725 Johann's sons, George and Robert Crouse, fight in The Revolutionary War. Robert is killed at Oriskany.
- 1806 George II, grandson of Johann, marries Catherine Daniels in New York.
- 1807 Chauncey Crouse, son of George II, is born in Avon, New York.
- 1813 Robert Crouse, son of George II, is born in Avon, New York.
- 1817 Mary Sample is born in Clarence, NY.
- 1840 Robert Crouse and Mary Sample marry in Oakland County, Michigan.

1842 Chauncey and Robert Crouse arrive in Livingston County and plat the village of Hartland.

- 1842 John Bernard Crouse is born in Hartland.
- 1844 Original Hartland area land acquired from the government.**
- 1845 Betsey Westfall is born in Unadilla, Michigan.
- 1863 John Bernard Crouse and Betsey Westfall marry.
- 1874 John Robert Crouse is born in Hartland.
- 1875 Fanny Emmaline Clark is born in Ovid, Michigan.
- 1888 John Bernard Crouse moves to Cleveland. Family follows in 1891.
- 1895 Fanny enrolls at The University of Michigan in Ann Arbor and meets J. Robert.

- 1897 J. Robert graduates from The University of Michigan.
- 1898 J. Robert and Fanny marry in Ovid, Michigan.
- 1902 Doris Crouse is born. (d. 1979)
- 1903 Alma Crouse is born. (d. 2001)
- 1905 Bob Crouse is born. (d. 1979)
- 1907 Henry Crouse is born. (d. 2001)
- 1909 J. Robert and family move to 2893 Euclid Heights Boulevard, Cleveland, OH.
- 1911 Mary Crouse is born. (d. 2007)
- 1913 Bill Crouse is born. (d. 2000)

1924 Building construction begins at Waldenwoods.

- 1926 J. Robert retires from his businesses.
- 1927 Cromaine Library is built and given to Hartland Consolidated Schools Foundation.
- 1929 J. Robert buys the Old Congregational Church in Hartland. It will become The Music Hall.

1931 The Hartland Area Project is conceived.

- 1932 Handel's Messiah is performed in the Music Hall and every year since.
- 1934 J. Robert purchases the Old Town Tavern. It will become Cromaine Crafts.
- 1940s Bill and Tom Johnson, King and Bob MacBride, Ed and John Crouse work on the farm as teenagers.
- 1946 J. Robert dies in Hartland Township at son Bob's house.

1946 Bob Crouse takes over as manager of all family properties.

1952 Phil MacBride, husband of Alma, becomes the manager of Waldenwoods.

1958 Bob MacBride, son of Alma and Phil, takes over as manager of Waldenwoods.

- 1964 The Crouse-Clark Corporation is formed.
- 1968 Fanny Crouse dies.
- 1972 Family Reunions begin.
- 1974 Lake Walden Family Campground opens.

1983 Waldenwoods Properties Limited is formed with Frank Crouse as General Partner.

1984 Waldenwoods Family Recreation Resort opens.

- 1986 The Majestic Golf Course begins operations.
- 2002 Shops at Waldenwoods open.

2005 Brian Crouse joins his father, Frank, in the family's property management.

- 2007 Mary Crouse Palmer dies in California, the last of the second generation.

