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Learning about DELANO history and genealogy DELANO KINDRED

The DELANO KINDRED is a Society, incorporated in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, organized exclusively for educational and charitable purposes to perpetuate the memory and genealogy of the ancestors and descendants of Philippe de Lanoy, the progenitor of most DELANOs in the Americas, who arrived at Plymouth in 1621 on the FORTUNE.

From the Editor

Due to circumstances beyond our control this issue of the *Bonnes Nouvelles* has been delayed. We will make every effort to be back on schedule in publishing the March 2008 issue. This is the last issue of the 2007 year. If you have not renewed your membership dues for 2008, this will be your last issue of the *Bonnes Nouvelles*. We have inserted a 2008 Membership Form in this issue for your convenience. You can also update your membership by going to our website at www.delanoye.org (Google: The American House of DELANO) and clicking on "Click to Join the Kindred."

Because of the large section devoted to Dr. Bangs' research in the last issue, we are behind in some of our regular article series. Several of our DELANO Cousins have passed away and we have paid tribute to their lives—many of them rather extraordinary. You will see reference to an ancestor of Cousin Russel W. Patrick, Evaline Amelia DeLano. The "Journal of Evaline Amelia Delano 1861" which can be found in the website Document Repository, provides the story of her travels with her father from Michigan to Colorado at the beginning of the Civil War. It gives you a good sense of how one traveled west in that era. Thanks to an "alert reader," there is an article about DELANO silversmiths. Also included is information about the 2008 Reunion in Portland, ME, the exhibit of the papers of Capt. Samuel Delano Jr. in Duxbury, MA, and the drawings and watercolors of artist Milton Delano in Fairhaven, MA.

Finally, this issue includes our Annual Questionnaire. We hope you will take the time to answer the questions in it and return it to the editor

We hope your New Year will be full of pleasant events. The 2007 Membership Directory with the 2007 *Bonnes Nouvelles* Index will be in the mail shortly.

Notice of Deadline For the Submission of Motions for The 2008 Annual Meeting

As noted elsewhere the 2008 Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, 21 June 2008 at the Holiday Inn and Convention Center, By the Bay, in Portland, Maine. In accordance with the DELANO KINDRED Bylaws (changed at the 2007 Annual Meeting), all Motions must be received by the Secretary no later than Monday, 24 March 2008 (90 days before the Annual Meeting).

2008 REUNION AND ANNUAL MEETING PORTLAND MAINE

Our 2008 Annual Meeting and Reunion will be held in Portland, Maine, on Friday 20 June and Saturday 21 June 2008 at the Holiday Inn Hotel and Convention Center By The Bay located near the harbor and the older historic port district (called “Old Port”); a district known for its cobblestone streets, 19th century brick buildings and fishing piers. The district is filled with boutiques, restaurants and bars.

Portland was originally called "Machigonne" by the Indians who first lived there. It was settled by the English in 1632 as a fishing and trading settlement and renamed Casco. In 1658 its name was changed again, this time to "Falmouth." A monument at the end of Congress Street where it meets the Eastern Promenade is a tribute to the four historical names for Portland.

Portland has been destroyed many times. In 1675, the village was completely destroyed by the Wampanoag Indians during King Philip's War. It was rebuilt, only to be destroyed by the same tribe again several years later. On October 18, 1775, the community was destroyed yet again, bombarded by the Royal Navy during the American Revolutionary War.

Following the war, a section of Falmouth called "The Neck" developed as a commercial port and began to grow rapidly as a shipping center. In 1786, the citizens of Falmouth formed a separate town in Falmouth Neck and named it "Portland." Portland's economy was greatly stressed by the Embargo Act of 1807 (prohibition of trade with the British) and the War of 1812. In 1820 Maine became a state and Portland was selected as its capital. By this time both the Embargo Act and the war had ended and Portland's economy began to recover. In 1832 the capital was moved to Augusta.

Today Portland is Maine's largest city and has won many accolades. It has been rated as the number one city for small business vitality, sixth as the best town in which to relocate, and twelfth in Fromer's list of “top travel locations.” It has one of the northeast's finest Art Museums and has been rated as the 7th best “Art Town” in the United States.

The Museum's collection contains more than 18,000 fine and decorative works of art dating from the 18th century to the present. The collection includes paintings, sculpture, prints, photography, glass and ceramics, artists' books, furniture, and much more. Works by artists such as Frederic Edwin Church, Winslow Homer, Rockwell Kent, John Singer Sargent, Andrew Wyeth, are among the works of the artistic heritage of the United States. An excellent collection of Maine artists are also included as well as paintings of the major European impressionists and surrealists including Mary Cassatt, Edgar Degas, René Magritte, Claude Monet, Edvard Munch, Pablo Picasso, and Pierre-Auguste Renoir.

Before statehood Maine was the “Northern District” of Massachusetts and later the “District of Maine”. Many DELANOs moved to Maine and settled there in the 1700's. DELANOs of note in the Portland area include two Keepers of the Portland Head Light completed in 1791. The third Keeper of the Light, from 1796 to 1820, was Barzillai Delano (GHAHHD p. 182) and the ninth Keeper from 1854 to 1861, was James Delano (GHAHHD p. 186), a grandson of Barzillai. Portland Head Light is mentioned in two *Bonnes Nouvelles* articles—one in NL# 28 (Sep. 1998) and one in NL # 43 (June 2003).



Getting There:

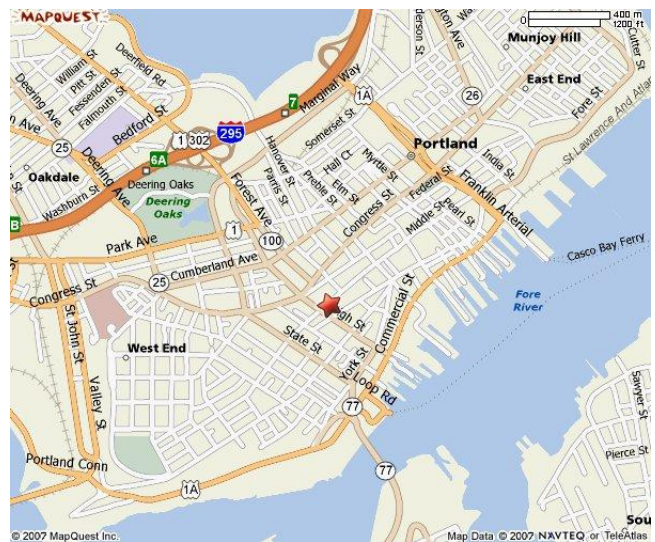
By car:

Portland is located on I-95 so those traveling either from the north or south can easily find their way to this city.

From the north take I-95 to I-295 to Exit 7 (Franklin St.). Stay on Franklin Street for five lights. Take a right onto Middle Street (which changes into Spring Street), travel about 1 mile and you will find the Holiday Inn by the Bay on the left. From the south: Take I-95 Exit 44 to I-195, to Exit 7 (Franklin Street) and follow the route above.

By air: Seven Airlines serve Portland. Non-stop service is available from Chicago, Detroit, Cincinnati and the major East coast airports from Washington D.C. to Boston. The Portland Jetport is located south of the city and is also about 10 minutes from the Holiday Inn. Courtesy vans to the hotel are available.

By Rail: Portland has daily Amtrak Service from Boston's North Station with five trains called the *Downeaster*. The trip takes about 2 hours and 25 minutes and the Portland Amtrak station is about 10 minutes from the Holiday Inn. Courtesy vans to the hotel are available.



Reunion Advance Registration and Reservations:

To adequately plan and support the meals and other reunion events, we must have advance notice of those who plan to participate in each event. Registration and Reservations should be made by **12 June 2008**.

Accommodations:

We have blocked 25 guestrooms for Friday night 20 June, and Saturday night 21 June, at a rate of \$149.00 plus 7% tax or about \$159.43 per night. We have also blocked five guestrooms for early arrivals on Thursday 19 June at the same rate. There will be an extra charge for additional adults in these rooms. Individual guestroom reservations must be made **prior to Monday 19 May, 2008** to secure these rates. We strongly suggest you call at your earliest convenience to assure obtaining a room at the blocked rate. Please call the Holiday Inn By the Bay at **(800) 345-5050 or (207) 775-2311**. All guests should identify themselves as members of the **DELANO KINDRED Reunion Group**. You will receive a confirmation number for your room reservation. Room reservations can be cancelled up to 6:00 PM on the date of arrival without penalty.

Reunion Registration:

Registration will be held near the Connecticut / Rhode Island Room from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Registrants will receive a "Welcome Envelope" containing Reunion information and nametags. Late registration will be held from 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM Saturday in the Connecticut / Rhode Island Room prior to the Annual Meeting.

Events:

The Friday night **Welcome Light Buffet Dinner**, will be held in the Connecticut / Rhode Island Room at 6:00 PM. The Buffet will be served at 7:00 PM with a cash bar available starting at 6:00 PM. It will be a night of fellowship and pleasantries where one can meet and greet new members as well as visit with old acquaintances. Genealogical consultations will also be available. Other events may also be scheduled that evening. The buffet menu will include: Soup Du Jour, Assorted Sliced Deli Meats, Assorted Sliced Cheeses, Salads, Stir-Fry Maine Shrimp and Marinated London Broil, Assorted Vegetables, Breads and Rolls, Desert and Beverage.

On Saturday at 9:00 AM, the **2008 Annual Membership Meeting** will be held in the Vermont Room. We plan to have the minutes and the committee reports available in advance at registration to reduce the overall time of the Annual Meeting as we did last year. We plan to have the group photograph after this meeting.



Lunch and Tour will be at each individual's option to increase everyone's flexibility. A choice of either a narrated trolley tour of historic Portland (with a stop at Portland Head Light) or a narrated boat tour of the Portland Harbor, passing nearby islands and lighthouses in Casco Bay is planned. Each tour is expected to cost \$15.00 per person. If you wish to take one of these tours please so indicate on the Reunion Reservation form enclosed with this newsletter. Those wishing to take these tours may pay when they register at the Reunion. It is planned that the trolley tour will stop at Wadsworth - Longfellow house (Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's home) in time for the last docent escorted tour of his home for the convenience of members who may care to take that tour as well.



The **2008 Banquet Dinner, Saturday**, will be served at 7:00 PM in order to give those on tour time to freshen up after returning to their guestroom. A cash bar will again be available starting at 6:00 PM. The Banquet Dinner includes an entrée choice of Roast Prime Rib of Beef Au Jus or Baked Crabmeat Stuffed Haddock with Tarragon Sauce, Baked Potato, Mixed Baby Green Salad, Seasonal Vegetable, Rolls and Butter, Desert and Beverage.

We are very fortunate to have Earle G. Shettleworth, Jr. as our **2008 Banquet Speaker**. He will tell us about Portland two centuries ago. He is a native of Portland and attended Colby College, and Boston University. At the age of thirteen, Shettleworth became interested in historic preservation through the destruction of Portland's Union Station in 1961. A year later he joined the Sills Committee which founded Greater Portland Landmarks in 1964. In 1971 he was appointed by Governor Curtis to serve on the first board of the Maine Historic Preservation Commission, for which he became architectural historian in 1973 and director in 1976. Shettleworth has lectured and written extensively on Maine history and architecture, his most recent publication being *Portland* in the Arcadia post card series. He currently serves as chair of the Capitol Planning Commission, the Blaine House Commission, and the State House and Capitol Park Commission. In March, 2004, Governor Baldacci appointed Mr. Shettleworth as State Historian.

Cousins **Margaret Delano** and **Jane Avery** are our on-the-scene Reunion contacts. They have been very helpful with the planning of this Reunion. Thanks Margaret and Jane!

**TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
DELANO KINDRED REUNION
HOLIDAY INN BY THE BAY
20 JUNE TO 22 JUNE 2008**

Friday, 20 June 2008

1:00—3:00 PM	Board Meeting in the (Boardroom)
4:00—6:00 PM	Registration near Function room entrance
6:00—11:00 PM	Welcome Light Buffet and Program in the Connecticut/Rhode Island Room (Cash Bar Service starting at 6:00 PM) Buffet served at 7:00 P M

Saturday, 21 June 2008

8:30—9:00 AM	Late Registration in the Vermont Room
9:00—11:00 AM	Annual Membership Meeting in the Vermont Room
11:00—11:15 AM	Group Picture
11:30 AM—12:45 PM	Lunch (individual option)
1:00 PM—4:00 PM	Choice of Tours (Boat trip or Trolley ride)
4:00 PM—6:00 PM	Return to Hotel - Free time.
6:00 PM—11:00 PM	Annual Banquet with Speaker. (Cash Bar Service starting at 6:00 PM). Dinner served at 7:00 PM in the Connecticut/Rhode Island Room

Sunday, 22 June 2008

9:00—11:30 AM	Board Meeting in the Boardroom
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DEPARTED COUSINS

Vivian Baughcom

We received belated word that Cousin **Vivian Darnell Baughcom** of Brenham, Texas passed away on 16 September 2006. Born on 13 September 1912, she had just celebrated her 94th birthday. Cousin Vivian had been a loyal member of the DELANO KINDRED since 2003.

She was the general office manager for the Amicable Life Insurance Company in Corpus Christi, TX, for 35 years and an accomplished artist and writer. She was an active member and a leader in several art organizations including the Corpus Christi Fine Art Association, the South Texas Art Association, the Watercolor Society of South Texas and the Western Federation of Watercolor Societies. She was a Mayflower Descendant and a life member of the Cromwell Association of England. She received a Citation of Award for Distinguished Service from the Texas Historical Commission. She was listed in Personalities of the South, the World Who's Who of Women, the Dictionary of International Biography, and the Hereditary Register of the United State of America.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Murray Baughcom, and her brother, Alvin Darnell. She is survived by her daughter, Nancy Boecker and husband Don, four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren, and her sister-in-law Mary Darnell.

We send our belated condolences to her daughter Nancy Boecker of Brenham and her family, and to Mary Darnell.

Philip C. Davis

Philip C. Davis died at his home in Webster Township, Michigan, on July 2, 2007. He was the husband of Cousin **Martha D. Davis**. He was born in Spokane, Wash., on Oct. 15, 1921, the son of William B. and Mary Augusta (Maples) Davis. His family moved to upstate New York when he was 12 and after his graduation from high school, he enlisted in the Army Air Force. He was commissioned in 1943 and served as a flight instructor until his discharge as a First Lieutenant in 1945.

He was graduated from Albright Art School in Buffalo, N.Y. in 1948 and joined the staff of the University of Michigan's College of Architecture and Design as an instructor in design and drawing. From 1964 until his retirement, he served as a Professor of Art in the University's School of Art, teaching photography and drawing. He received two Horace H. Rackham Foundation Grants; in 1967 for investigation of historic photographic processes and in 1974 for further investigation of non-silver processes.

As part of the University's Sesquicentennial celebration in 1967, Philip conceived, produced and supervised installation of an exhibition of 264 photographs mounted on steel structures on the Rackham Mall between Hill Auditorium and the Michigan League. A book of these photographs titled "The University" was published by the University of Michigan Press. His other publications included three textbooks, many magazine articles, a limited edition of platinum prints made from noted cinematographer Karl Struss's original glass negatives, and "The Dexter Portfolio," a limited edition of mounted black and white prints. His work is represented in numerous public and private collections, including those of the Detroit Art Institute, the Chicago Art Institute, the International Museum of Photography in Rochester, N.Y. and the Museum of Modern Art in New York City.

In addition to appearances as guest artist, juror and speaker at various events, Phil conducted a series of workshops throughout the country in his "Beyond the Zone System" method of producing photographs using proven scientific testing methods which allow photographers to produce superior photographs through a precise, working knowledge of their chosen materials. He retired as Professor Emeritus of Art in 1985.

We extend our sympathies to Cousin Martha, their three sons, Carl Davis of Eaton Rapids, MI, Timothy Davis of Byron Center, MI, and Jonathan Davis of Norcross, GA, and their families; and Philip's sister Helen Beck Reimondo and her family.

Mary Josephine (Drury) Delano

We sadly report the death of **Mary Josephine Delano**, wife of the late Charles Henry Delano, who passed away on 21 September 2007 in the nursing home where she resided on Cape Cod. Born on 2 November 1906, her centenarian lifetime spanned almost the entire 20th Century. She was just one month and a few days shy of her 101st birthday.

A naturalized citizen, she was a native of County Roscommon, Ireland and immigrated to the United States through Ellis Island in 1924. She resided in New York City and Taunton, Massachusetts.

She is survived by two daughters, Mary J. Delano and Catherine Delano-Calamari and one grand daughter, Katelyn Delano Calamari. We send our heartfelt condolences to Cousins Mary and Catherine and to grand daughter Katelyn.

Virginia Ann Delano

We have received word of the death of **Virginia Ann Delano** of Fairport, VA, who passed away at the age of 75 on 18 July 2007. She was preceded in death by her husband Oldham M. Delano whose DELANO line of descent ran through Capt. George Delano of the Dr.

Thomas Branch. She is survived by her daughters, Diane D. Wilder and husband, Philip, of Bowling Green, VA, and Sylvia D. Fogg of St. Stephens Church, VA; and two sons, Neal Delano of Bowling Green and Glenn Delano of Fairport. She also is survived by six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. We send our condolences to Virginia's family.

Florence DeLano Gray

We received word from Cousin Martha Davis that her sister **Florence Louise DeLano Gray** passed away at her home near Miami, Florida on August 26, 2007. Florence was born in Kalamazoo, Michigan on February 27, 1926, the daughter of Carl F. and Elizabeth Irene (Lane) DeLano. She was 81 years old and a descendant of Philippe de Lanoy through the Lt. Jonathan branch and the line of William Smith DeLano.

She leaves five children, Michael Gray, Marjorie Gray Dodd, Joanne Gray Korvick, George Gray, Mary Gray Reeves and their families, including 14 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; two sisters, Cousin Martha D. Davis and Cousin Mary D. Rizzardi, a large extended family, and many friends. She was predeceased by her husband James.

Florence was a long-time, active member of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Coconut Grove, as well as the Coconut Grove Women's Club, the Equal Rights Movement, The Nature Conservancy, and The Audubon Society. She was active in various community and religious organizations such as Coconut Grove Cares, El Hogar Home for Boys in Honduras, The Cursillo Community as well as numerous outreach ministries through St. Stephen's. Florence participated in historic events such as the Pedro Pan flights and the Civil Rights movement, and in 2006 received a commendation from the Miami Dade County Commissioners for her community involvement. Throughout her life she was a strong advocate for those in need of justice, peace, respect and dignity.

We send our condolences to Florence's family and her sisters Martha and Mary.

Russel Walter Patrick

We were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Cousin **Russel W. Patrick** who died at home in Sandusky, OH, on 20 June, 2007 after a brief illness. He was a steadfast and loyal member of the DELANO KINDRED since 1993 and had attended several of our Reunions. He was born in Bellevue, Ohio on 28 May, 1913, son of Walter L. Patrick and his wife Edna V. Humphrey.

Around age two, Russ began visiting the summer cottage of his grandparents, Charles Vernon Humphrey (GHAHD p.400) and Cora A. Reahm of Bellevue,

Ohio. Located in the upper peninsula of Michigan, Russ spent many summers at the "Celdom Inn," helping build additions to the cottage, docks, boathouses and out-buildings.

Shortly after the attack on Pearl Harbor, Russel married Virginia Gosser of Sandusky, Ohio. They were married on New Year's Eve 1941, just a few weeks before he enlisted in the Army Air Corps at Wright Patterson Field in Dayton. Russ served first as a Sergeant in the 21st Air Depot Group, refurbishing Liberator Bombers at Burtonwood Air Base near Warrington, England. He returned to attend Officer's Candidate School at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Army Signal Corps in 1943. Lt. Patrick was stationed as a Radio Carrier Officer at Finschhafen, New Guinea, a key base in the battle for northern New Guinea during World War II (1943-1944), and later in northern Luzon, Philippines in 1945.

A descendant of the Lt. Jonathan Delano branch of the family, Russ is the great-grandson of Evaline Amelia DeLano of Adrian, Michigan and her husband Oliver Edwards Humphrey of Victor, New York. Evaline's father, Thomas Nelson Delano had come west to Fairfield County, Michigan in 1843 where he ultimately settled at 15 Butler Street in Adrian. He was engaged in mercantile trade and operated the Addison, Rome and Hillsdale stage line. At age 19, Evaline wrote a journal of her 6-month journey with her father to Clear Creek County, Colorado. She and her father crossed the Overland Trail to take wagonloads of tools and other goods to sell to miners in the Colorado Gold Rush, returning to Adrian just before Christmas, 1861.

Russ was a member of Ohio Chapter of the Society of Mayflower Descendants, serving for many years as its Compact Chairman, and was a lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He often proudly exhibited his restored 13-foot Lyman in the annual Antique Wooden Boat Show, sponsored by the Les Cheneaux Historical Museum, in Hessel, Michigan. He is survived by his wife Virginia and their four children: Kathleen Moore of Marietta, Georgia; Thomas Patrick of Hastings-on-Hudson, New York; Nancy Carney of Minneapolis, Minnesota; and John Patrick of Sandusky; as well as eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

We send our heartfelt condolences to Virginia and all her family.

Charlotte Alice Springer

We were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Cousin **Charlotte Alice (Snow) Springer**, aged 79 years, of Acushnet, Massachusetts. She passed away on

8 May 2007, at her home, surrounded by her family, after a lengthy illness. She was the wife of Edwin A. Springer; they had been married 57 years.

Charlotte was born on 4 November 1927 in Middleboro Massachusetts, the daughter of the late Marshall A. and Gladys (Keen) Snow. She was graduated from Middleboro Memorial High School, class of 1945. She earned her Bachelor's Degree at UMASS Amherst, in 1949, and went on to obtain a Master's Degree in Education from Bridgewater State College, in 1967.

She married Edwin A. Springer, of East Walpole, MA on 27 August 1949 and started their married life together in Norfolk, Connecticut. In Connecticut for a brief time, she was a state social worker before moving to Acushnet. There she was a school teacher at the Freetown Elementary School for 26 years. She was a lifelong member of the National Education Association and a strong supporter for human rights issues and efforts to increase literacy.

In 1989, Charlotte and Edwin retired to their vacation home in Brunswick, Maine. There she was a member of the Brunswick Welfare Appeals Board, and a Literacy volunteer. She was a member of the Maine Mayflower Society, and also a member and the former secretary of the Penobscot Genealogy Chapter of the Maine Genealogy Association. She and Edwin moved back to Acushnet in 2002 where she became a member of the First Congregational Church of Rochester MA.

She had a great love of line dancing, reading, computer projects, quilting and participating in activities with her friends, and most of all, being with her family. She will be fondly remembered as a devoted wife, mother, sister, grandmother, great-grandmother, and aunt.

We remember Cousin Charlotte as a faithful and steadfast member of the DELANO KINDRED since 1992. She contributed much of her time and effort to the Society as a Director and then as Secretary from 2001 through 2004. She acted as our "on-the-scenes" coordinator for the memorable 2001 Reunion near Bath, Maine.

With fond remembrances we send our heartfelt condolences to her husband Edwin, their four sons, Edwin Springer Jr., of Acushnet, Roy Springer of Acushnet, Gary Springer of Fairhaven, Andrew and his wife, Carol Springer of Fairhaven; four granddaughters, Ashley, Caitlin Springer of New Bedford, Jill Springer of Freetown, and Emily Springer, of Fairhaven; two great-grandchildren, Aiden Joseph Cardoza and Lileigh Madison Sharples, both of New Bedford; two sisters, Alberta Hamilton of Billerica, MA, Preston V. and Evelyn Cheney of Turner, OR; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Richard E. Weakley

We belatedly received the sad news that Cousin **Richard E. Weakley** 69, of Shelbyville, Indiana, passed away on Saturday, 13 May 2006 at Hancock Memorial Hospital, Greenfield, IN. He was a loyal and steadfast member of the DELANO KINDRED since 1993. Born in Shelbyville on 19 July 1936, he was the son of Francis and Ida Mae Goodrich Weakley. He was a military veteran and served as a member of the Indiana National Guard for 6 years. He was employed as a computer programmer for General Electric and then Wellman's Industry in Shelbyville until his retirement.

Richard was preceded in death by his father. He is survived by his partner, Paul Lippert; his mother, Ida Mae G. Weakley; a brother, Bob Weakley; a nephew, David Weakley; and niece, Sharon Spalding; all of Shelbyville.

We send our sincere and belated condolences to his partner, his mother and her family.

Captain Samuel Delano's Papers Donated to the Duxbury Rural and Historical Society

The Duxbury Rural and Historical Society (DR&HS) opened its new Drew Archival Library on 23 September 2007. The library is housed in the newly renovated Wright Building situated diagonally across the street from the Ellison High School grounds where the Philip Delano Historic Marker is located. Years ago the Wright Building housed the Duxbury Library, which was moved to a new location. Now the Archival Library shares the Wright Building with the Duxbury Student Union.



The student union half of the Wright Building opened this summer and is designed for the use of Duxbury's middle and high school students. Housing a computer lab, a large screen television, a game room and a lounge area that features a coffee and snack bar as well as a stage for music performances, it became a reality through the helpful partnership of the Duxbury Student Union Association and the Crossroads for Kids Organization—a philanthropic

organization that created several over-night summer camps for inner city children in the Duxbury area.

The reading room of the Drew Archival Library was architecturally designed and decorated to look much like the library's reading room did in 1907 when it opened as the Duxbury Free Library. The archives are home to a number of collections from noted Duxbury families as well as thousands of turn-of-the-century photographs. It's best known collection is the Bradford Collection; a multigenerational collection of papers covering many



members of the Bradford family from the late 18th to the mid 20th century. It was on the occasion of the opening day ceremony that the papers of Capt. Samuel Delano Jr. (GHAAMD p 223), donated by the Hoyt Family, were displayed.

Capt. Samuel Delano Jr.'s father, Samuel Delano Sr. (GHAAMD p 210), also a sea captain was owner of a shipyard which lay below the Bluefish River in Duxbury.¹ Besides being known for his efforts to save the crew of the British ship the RODNEY (GHAAMD p 224 & 225), Samuel Jr. in his ship, the PILGRIM, accompanied his brothers, Captains Amasa and William Delano, who sailed in the PERSERVERANCE on Amasa's 1803-1807 voyage.²



It was Mr. Franklin Hoyt who discovered these documents and used the most interesting of these

¹ Duxbury A Guide, Katherine H. Pillsbury, map p. 63, DR&HS, 1999.

² Narrative of Voyages and Travels in the Northern and Southern Hemispheres together with a Voyage of Survey and Discovery, in the Pacific Ocean and Oriental Islands, Amasa Delano, pp 420-572, E. G. House, Boston, 1817.

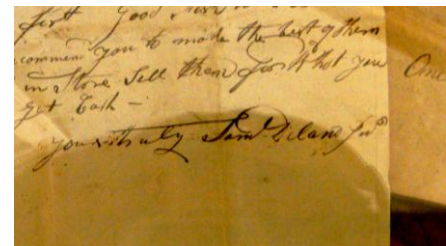
documents, one of Capt. Samuel Delano's logs, to write a fascinating paper which he has read for many organizations. The historical significance of the log is best summarized in Mr. Hoyt's words, as quoted from his paper, "The Delano Sealing Expedition to the South Seas, 1803-1808:"

"I have here beside me an old, dilapidated trunk covered with moth-eaten sealskin. It came into the hands of my father-in-law,



Clifford Potter, when he found it in the attic of an old house in Duxbury that he purchased in 1910. It looked out onto Duxbury Bay and was at the end of a lane, which they named Plumfield Lane because of a field of beach plums around the house. Mr. Potter found that the trunk was filled with old faded letters, tattered account books, and several ship-captain's logs, belonging to Samuel Delano. I asked Gershom Bradford to look over the contents of the trunk to see if he thought there was anything in it that I might use in preparing an interesting paper. So one evening when he came to my house, I spread out the entire contents of the trunk on our dining room table for him to look over. It didn't take him long to spot this old ship's log. After examining it for a few minutes, he exclaimed, "Here is a wonderful source for your paper." It was a log, written in Capt. Samuel Delano's own handwriting."

Hoyt went on to say "As I learned to read Samuel Delano's old script, I pieced together a most amazing voyage that the Delanos took to the South Seas; in vessels they built in their own shipyard in Duxbury. It was a sealing expedition that was filled with almost daily exciting adventures. This was one of the most interesting bits of research that I have ever undertaken, based in part on an original



source nearly 200 years old that few people had ever before laid their eyes on."

Cousins **Nancy Delano, Kristin Delano, and Tom Delano** attended the opening ceremony where one could see Capt. Samuel Delano's papers prominently displayed in a wood and glass case in the rotunda of the Library. Above is a close-up of Capt. Samuel Delano's signature: "Yours Truly Samuel Delano Jr." We thank Cousin Tom for these and many other pictures of the event.

DELANO SILVERSMITHS

Many of us have heard of **Jabez Delano**, the silversmith, but did you know that there were four other Delano silversmiths besides Jabez? An alert reader informed us that if you searched the Internet (“Googled”) for “American Silversmiths” you would find Jabez and the others as well. We took our alert reader’s advice and this is what we found.

First, let us start with the most well-known DELANO silversmith, **Jabez Delano** (1763-1848). We knew he was in the Lt. Jonathan Branch, but there are many Jabezes in that branch. As it turns out he is not in the line that runs through Lt. Jonathan’s second son Jabez (DFIP # 29), but his line runs through Lt. Jonathan’s sixth son Thomas (DIFP # 35), through Capt Ephraim Delano (DFIP # 161) to Ephraim’s second son Jabez Delano (DIFP # 645). Jabez was born in Fairhaven, MA on 27 April 1763. He married two Delano girls. First he married Debora Delano the daughter of Capt. Calvin Delano (DFIP #155). When Debora died he married Mary Delano daughter of Jethro Delano (DFIP #158). From Jabez’s tombstone we learn that he operated his small silver and jewelry shop for 69 years “Sixty nine years thou hast been the occupant of that little shop...” (GHAHHD p 500).

Jabez Delano was one of only two DELANO silversmiths that had a known maker’s mark. Note that the initials, possibly a “J” but definitely a “D”, placed with a “pellet” on either side were his mark. As usual, the mark is placed on the back of the spoon on the shank of the handle.



During the early more 1800’s four Delano silversmiths plied their trade in the northeastern United States. **George Washington Delano** (1818-1892) was the son of Thomas Delano (DFIP 404) and Abigail Larry Robbins. Thomas married the widow Abigail L. Robbins on Seguin Island near Georgetown, ME (GHAHHD p 268). George W. Delano married Abigail Bassett Smart in 1835 in Portland, ME (the GHAHHD says Vassalboro, ME). It is believed that Portland, ME was the location of his business. His maker’s mark “G.W.DELANO” is shown here.



Two sons of Capt. Ezekiel Delano and Elizabeth Hutchinson Ingalls were silversmiths. Capt. Ezekiel Delano was master of the *North Sea* when it was lost at sea underway to New Orleans (GHAHHD p 182). Son **Thomas Ingalls Delano** (1818-1892), resided in Somerville, MA (now in greater Boston) and married Maria Louisa Gregg. He worked from 1845 to 1880 as a jeweler in Boston MA and is listed in the city directories at various locations on Washington Street. His younger brother, **Charles True Delano**, (1821-??), also a silversmith, married Elizabeth Ann French. Charles and

Elizabeth resided on Washington Street (GHAHHD p 183). Charles worked from 1855 to 1880 as a jeweler in Boston, MA, and is listed in the city directory at 52 Washington St. According to the city directories he and his older brother worked at 52 Washington Street from 1855 to 1865.

The fifth silversmith listed is **Charles Henry Delano, (1836-??)**. He was the son of Jephtha Delano Jr. and Sarah Pitcher (GHAHHD p 147). He was a partner from circa 1865 to 1880 with Henry Guild in Boston, MA. The partnership was known as GUILD & DELANO, manufacturing jewelers. The company was listed in city directories at 2 Winter Street. He appeared on the 1880 census taken at Somerville, MA, listed as a manufacturing jeweler.

While we see that Thomas Ingalls Delano and his brother Charles True Delano worked together at the same location for some time, we do not know if they personally knew or met Charles Henry Delano whose place of business was at least 3 miles east of the brothers’ establishment. It is likely they were aware of each other through their professional connections.³

NEW MEMBERS

We are happy to welcome our new members who have joined our Family Society since September 2007.

California

Mary Ann Kimzey of Shingle Springs
Jean A. McLaren of Santa Rosa
David A. Starkweather of Atwater

Connecticut

Francis G. Banks of Manchester

Florida

David F. Kitchen of Dunedin

Massachusetts

Joan DeChristopher of Weston
John W. DELANO of Halifax
Marie M. Walker of Duxbury

Pennsylvania

Robert E. Hinson of Reading
Charles M. Partis of Pocono Lake

South Carolina

Alan C. Partis of Lexington

WELCOME ABOARD COUSINS!! We look forward to many years of fellowship with each of you and we hope that membership in the DELANO KINDRED will be a source of pride and pleasure for you.

³ Editor’s Note: Certain information including the maker’s marks, information from city directories and some dates were obtained from the website “American Silversmiths” which is hosted by “rootsweb” an Ancestry.com community. For those who don’t know DFIP refers to “Philip Delano of the FORTUNE 1621 by Muriel Cushing 1999 and later, which is arranged in the Mayflower Society’s Families In Progress format (in this case DELANO Family In Progress or DFIP). GHAHHD is the acronym for the Genealogy, History and Alliances of the American House of Delano 1899 hence GHAHHD.

NEWS FROM OUR MEMBERS

DELANO Descendant Elected Bishop

Cousin **Martha Davis** reports that her niece, Mary Gray-Reeves, was elected Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of El Camino Real, which includes the California cities of Monterey, San Jose, Santa Clara and San Luis Obispo. She was consecrated the third Bishop of this relatively new California Diocese on 7 November 2007.

Bishop Gray-Reeves is the daughter of the late Florence DeLano Gray of Coconut Grove, FL and a DELANO descendant through the Lt. Jonathan Branch of the family (see Departed Cousins this issue). Mary was born in Coral Gables, FL in 1962. She married Michael Reeves in 1982. She was graduated from St. John's Theological College in Auckland, NZ while her husband was in New Zealand on business. Gray-Reeves has been the archdeacon for deployment in the Diocese of Southeast Florida since January 2005. Prior to that, she was rector of St. Margaret's Episcopal Church in Miami Lakes, Florida from 1998 to 2004. She had previously served as an assistant to the rectors of St. James Episcopal Church in South Pasadena, California and Christ Church, Redondo Beach, California. We send our best wishes to Bishop Mary.

DELANO Descendant Embarks on Law Degree at Oxford And Marries

On 13 October Cousin **Katelyn Delano Calamari** was entered (matriculated) as a student for a three-year course of study in an international law program in Greyfriars Hall at Oxford. Known in England as a second Bachelor of Arts Degree, it is equivalent to law school here in the U. S. She had completed a semester at Trinity College at Oxford and a tutorial at Greyfriars which prompted her to apply there.

Kate was graduated from Fordham University and was a member of that University's debate team. She debated nationally and internationally and became acquainted with



colleges here and abroad which triggered her interest in international law. For matriculation the students wore full academic dress called "subfusc" which is a white shirt, black vest and black sting neck tie. Kate is shown in academic dress on the right. Kate has been one of our younger members of the DELANO KINDRED. We wish her well on her studies in England.

While on the Fordham Debate Team at the World Universities Debating Championships in December 2005 in Dublin, Ireland, she met a fellow debater, Thomas Arthur Morgan Goodhead. Subsequently, they maintained a transatlantic relationship while she finished her degree at Fordham University.

Mr. Goodhead is completing the Legal Practice Course at the Oxford Institute of Legal Practice in Oxford, England. He was graduated with honors from Magdalen College, Oxford with a BA in Philosophy, Politics and Economics and from Clare College, Cambridge where he graduated with Distinction with an MPhil in Politics and Education. He completed a Graduate Diploma in Law from the City University, London and will begin a Training Contract with Reed Smith LLP after completing his studies in Oxford.

Having been brought together by a love of argument may not strike some as the foundation for a happy marriage, but the couple discovered that their shared political interests and career ambitions overcame difficulties of distance and time. Kate and Thomas were married on 28 December 2007 at the Church of Our Saviour in Manhattan, New York City. The couple will reside in Oxford, England. We extend our hearty congratulations to both of them.

Fairhaven Historical Society Hosts an Exhibition of the Works of Milton K. Delano

On Friday, 12 October 2007 the Fairhaven Historical Society exhibited a collection of 10 pencil and pen sketches plus 2 watercolor paintings by Fairhaven artist **Milton K.**

Delano. The collection is a permanent gift to the Society given by Virginia Delano in memory of her husband. Other paintings and



sketches of Mr. Delano's were loaned to this special exhibit by local collectors. The Historical Society is located in the Old Academy Building, located on the

west lawn of Fairhaven High School. A copy of one of his pictures is shown here through the courtesy of the Fairhaven Historical Society.

Although Milton Delano is known locally as an artist he received national attention for his expertise in scrimshaw, the painstaking etching on ivory or bone. One of only a few indigenous American crafts, it has been practiced for centuries by the Inuit and other native groups along the Northwest Coast. It was adopted by the Yankee whalers of the early 1800's. President John F. Kennedy was an avid collector of scrimshaw and his wife Jacquelyn obtained a whale tooth and commissioned Milton Delano to create scrimshaw of the Presidential Seal on it as a Christmas present in 1962. We understand that that particular scrimshaw article is buried with the President.

Milton Delano was born in New Bedford, MA on 2 December 1919 and died in Fairhaven on 8 May 1989. His line of descent is Milton¹⁰, Harold⁹, Jethro Coffin⁸, Samuel⁷, Richard⁶, Richard⁵, Richard⁴, Nathaniel³, Lt Jonathan², Philip Delano (de Lanoy)¹.

Cousins **Mary Delano and Catherine Delano – Calamari** of Buzzards Bay, MA, informed us about the exhibition and traveled to see it. We thank them for telling us about it.

Hudson Corners Cemetery Allegan County, Michigan

Over the years we have had numerous inquiries about the burial location of the children of George Washington Delano (GHAARD p 356). **George Washington Delano** was the brother of Major **Joel Andrew Delano** (GHAARD p 357), the author of the second book of the GHAARD. George's children, grandchildren and perhaps a great grandchild are



buried there. The location of the cemetery is easily found in a Map of Allegan County, but the fact that there were DELANOs buried there was brought to the attention of your editor by **Evelyn Keck** of

Allegan many years ago. She kindly provided a copy of the inscriptions on the gravestones. Still there was no known picture of the cemetery available. In September 2007 Cousin **Herman DeLano** visited the cemetery and took some photographs of a few of the DELANO gravestones.

George W. Delano and Joel A. Delano were brothers whose parents were Sylvester and Parthena Blaisdell Delano (GHAARD p 355). Both George and Joel served in the Union forces during the Civil War. George, a paroled prisoner of war, lost his life on his way home aboard the steamer SULTANA that blew up in the Mississippi River north of Memphis in 1865. After the war, Joel returned to Indiana before moving north to settle near his brother, Dennis, in Newaygo County, Michigan.

George Washington and Sarah Ann (Cummings) Delano had eight children. Two died young. Of the five remaining two sons, Steven Delano (1863-1909) and George Washington Jr. (1858-1936) as well as his daughter-in-law Mary E. (Garton) Delano (1855-1937) are buried there (GHAARD p 357). One granddaughter, Hannah B. (Delano) Cooley and, perhaps, one great grandson Delbert Cooley (1909-1970), are also buried there.



We investigated the cemetery listings for Hudson Corners Cemetery on the Michigan "genweb" (the Michigan Genealogy Website) and found only Steven Delano listed as being buried there. Evelyn Keck's information and Herman DeLano's photograph have added additional information about the DELANOs and the Cooley relatives buried there. We thank them for providing this information.