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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

This issue of the *Bonnes Nouvelles* provides updated information about the 2017 DELANO KINDRED Reunion in Charleston, South Carolina (Thursday, 14 September – Sunday 17 September). Please Note that the current cutoff date for making hotel reservations at the DELANO KINDRED Group rate is **15 August**. So start making your plans soon. Also included in this issue is information about the DELANO/DELANOY connection with details about the New Amsterdam-Haarlem Delanoys line that can be traced back to Wervike, Flanders in 1575/6. Information about DELANO KINDRED's Annual Contribution to the Plimoth Colony as well and article about Elizabeth T. Delano's paintings that were given to the Town of Fairhaven last May -- and much more. We look forward to seeing you at in Charleston in September.

THE 2017 REUNION and ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING Will Be Held in Charleston South Caroling on September 14 – 17

As noted in the March 2017 *Bonnes Nouvelles*, the 2017 Annual Meeting and Reunion will be held at the Hilton DoubleTree Hotel near the Airport in North Charleston, SC, from **September 14 to 17, 2017**.

This will be a Reunion that you will not want to miss.

If you have not already made your hotel reservations, please note that the deadline for the DELANO KINDRED special rate is 15 August. Details are included on the Reunion Flyer included in this newsletter.

To help you with your travel planning we have included the planned Schedule Events below.



DELANO KINDRED 2017 REUNION INITIAL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Updates will be posted on the website and a final agenda will be in your registration packet

Lodging rooms are available for the same rate 3 days before and 3 days after the reunion dates.
The hotel has one restaurant, the TWO WRIGHTS, serving breakfast and dinner.

**All planned events are located at or meeting at the DoubleTree
Hotel.**

**Our Hospitality Suite is the ZULU Boardroom.
Dinners will be in the UPPER ALTITUDE Ballroom.**

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH

*** This is a travel date to arrive in Charleston for lodging and dinner on your own. ***

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH

REGISTRATION at the hotel (sign in for your packet of information) 8:30 – 9:00 A.M.

BOARD MEETING (for board members) 9:00 -10:30 A.M. in the Zulu Boardroom

GENEALOGY SYMPOSIUM & EDUCATION with Genealogist Muriel Cushing 2:00 – 3:30 P.M. in the LOWER ALTITUDE Ballroom.

Self guided tourist activities all day.
Hotel shuttle may be available to popular destinations.

ADDITIONAL REGISTRATION 6:00-6:45 P.M.

WELCOME DINNER at hotel: Social hour 6:00 P.M., Dinner & entertainment 7:00 -9:00 P.M.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH

Narrated Coach Tour of Charleston, 8:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M. Meet in lobby of the hotel at 8:15 A.M.

ALL MEMBERS GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING (please attend) 2:30 – 4:30 P.M. in the LOWER ALTITUDE Ballroom.

LOW COUNTRY BBQ BUFFET DINNER at hotel: Social hour 6:00 P.M., Dinner 7:00 -9:00 P.M.

Group photograph. A time and place where we can all be together. Time TBD.

SUNDAY, September 17TH

Board meeting (for board members)

The Saturday Morning Coach Tour of the City

As we noted in the March *Bonnes Nouvelles*, Charleston was founded and settled by English colonists in 1670, Charleston grew from a colonial seaport to a wealthy city by the mid-eighteenth century. Through the mid-nineteenth century, Charleston's economy prospered due to its busy seaport and the cultivation of rice, cotton, and indigo. The planned Saturday morning 44 passenger mini-coach tour of the city will take us along the peninsula and share the history and stories that makes Charleston the jewel of the southeastern United States and "America's Best-kept Secret." Through occupation, economic hardship, fires, earthquakes, and hurricanes, Charleston has exhibited a remarkable resilience. History is found literally around every corner, and the city is often called a living museum.

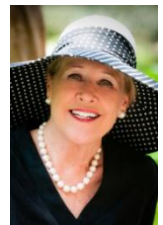


Starting from the hotel, private motor transportation with a City of Charleston-licensed guide will take us into Charleston's Historic District.

We will see houses, gardens, mansions, churches, and parks and hear about the different buildings, history, architecture, flora and people. Most importantly we will see all that Charleston has to offer the visitor. The tour will also explore the Citadel, South Carolina's Military College, the Hunley (the Civil War submarine replica), as well as Rainbow Row, White Point Gardens, The Charleston Battery, St. Michaels Church, and the Four Corners of Law.

Our Tour Guide

We are fortunate to have Linda Wohlfeil, a native of Charleston and a member of a well-known family whose local origins reach back through the ages. She has been a City of Charleston-licensed guide since 1983. She is a highly respected and much sought-after as a speaker to the myriad of corporations and organizations that visit the Charleston area. She paints for visitors to Charleston a colorful canvas of the area's foundation and expansion, utilizing not only architectural, cultural, and religious facts, but also that always-entertaining information available only to those who are from here.



She has appeared on "Good Morning America;" "The Today Show;" WGBH {public television} in Boston; the London Times; British BBC; and Southern Living magazine, amongst many others.

A graduate of Sacred Heart College {B.A.} and a member of the Arts and History Commission of the City of Charleston, Ms. Wohlfeil also serves a number of civic organizations. Her love and enthusiasm of Charleston brings history to life in an educational, informative, and entertaining fashion, and she views her work as an opportunity to share her home with the countless visitors to Charleston.

NEW MEMBER

We are very please to greet a new member **Dean Alan Delano** of Lake Placid, Florida. Dean joined the DELANO KINDRED May 2017 under sad circumstances – the death of his brother, **John Kirk Delano**, of Indianapolis IN who passed away in May. We send our heartfelt condolences to Cousin Dean and are pleased to have a member of his family continue as a member of our Society.



2017 REUNION



**Book your lodging
& travel NOW**

CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Thursday, September 14th – Sunday, September 17th

Join the fun at our annual reunion. Full of family, friends, and history.

Lodging and events at the

DoubleTree by Hilton, Charleston Airport

7401 Northwoods Boulevard, North Charleston, South Carolina 29406

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FLY

Nearest airport is Charleston, SC (airport code CHS). Free shuttle to hotel.

RIDE

Amtrak Station CHS - 6 miles from hotel (4565 Gaynor Ave, North Charleston). Sorry, no shuttle service to hotel (just outside of shuttle service area).



ROADSTER

Hotel is at Exit 209A off I-26 in North Charleston.

A SIGNIFICANT DATE IN DELANOY/DELANO HISTORY

During each issue of the *Bonnes Nouvelles* we include a list of significant events in our family history for a segment of the year. In this issue we include one event of important significance that proves that another DELANOY family is related to our DELANO family through Y-DNA tests.

The Significant Date

The date of 15 July 1599 is significant in our family history because it is the date that Jan Jeorenzen DE LA NOIJ is recorded as baptized in Haarlem, The Netherlands. It may be the first documentation of his existence and as the forbearer of what was known as Delanoy New Amsterdam – Haarlem line mentioned in the GHAAHD (footnote 2 below). We are fortunate to have Jeff Delanoy as a DELANO KINDRED member. Jeff's Delanoy line of descent is documented through New Amsterdam and Haarlem to this person. Through Jeff's participation in our Y-DNA Upgrade Project it was discovered that he possesses the same characteristic Y-DNA reoccurring sequence DYS-492=11 as the male DELANOs in our family¹.

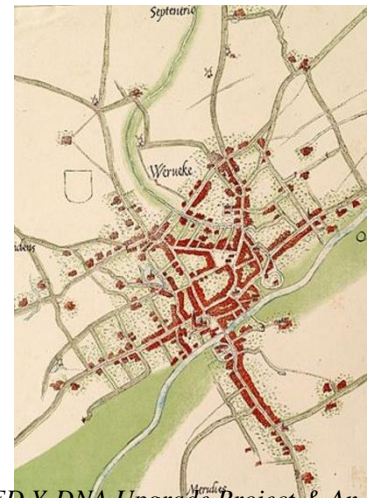
The GHAAHD includes a discussion of the "House of Lannoy in Holland & New Amsterdam (New York)"², which, though poorly arranged, includes some information about this particular Delanoy line starting with Abraham de la Noy in 1652. This Abraham de la Noy was a son of Jeorenzen DE LA NOIJ.

Holland Society Research

Since 1899, when the GHAAHD was printed, there has been additional research by the Holland Society. This Society created the "New Netherland Project". The Project's research resulted in the translating and publishing the 17th-century records now held by the [New York State Archives](#). Much of the Society's research is contained in a series of publications called *New Netherland Connections*. It is in Volume 8, No. 2 of this series the mention of Jan Jeorenzen DE LA NOIJ appears and documents his birth in Wervike (Wervik) Flanders in 1575/76 and his baptism in Haarlem³

Wervike

Wervike, one of Belgium's oldest towns, is located at a strategic crossing location on the Lys River that is now the border between France (to the south) and Belgium (to the north). In Roman days it was a stopping point on the Roman road from Tournai, Belgium, to Cassel, France, which was then a Roman administrative capital. In the Middle Ages, cloth made in Wervike (*panni de verve* [green cloth]) was highly prized by the merchants from the Italian and Hanseatic towns, who exported as



¹ *Bonnes Nouvelles* #79 Nov.-Dec.2015, pp7-8 *The DELANO KINDRED Y-DNA Upgrade Project & An Exciting DELANO Y-DNA Discovery*.

² *The Genealogy History and Alliances of the American House of Delano 1621 to 1899*, Major Joel Andrew Delano, Compiler, Arranged by Mortimer Delano de Lannoy, Arranger, First Book, New York 1899, pp 60-70.

³ *New Netherland Connections* Vol. 8 No. 2, 2003 pg 75.

far as Novgorod (Russia). The town was extremely wealthy and it is believed that Wervike had 50,000 inhabitants. During the Ghent uprising of 1382, Wervike was an outpost of the army of the rebels. The rebellion failed, and the city was plundered and burned to the ground. Wervike never fully recovered to its previous wealth due to the Black Death plague, and a series of fires in the 1400's. The town's population was reduced to about 3,000 in the 1500's so it is not surprising that Jan Jeorensen moved north to the prosperous city of Haarlem. The etching below shows the Haarlem center square as it looked in the early 1600's.

The brothers Abraham and Pieter de la Noy (de Lanoy)

Pieter (1) and Abraham (1)

On 3 August 1599 in Haarlem, Jan Jeorensen DE LA NOIJ married Cathalina Van Capelle. The 4th of their 14 children was named Pieter, [identified as Pieter (1)] who was baptized in Haarlem in 1604⁴. The 13th child, Abraham [identified as Abraham (1)] was baptized in Haarlem 1616⁵.

Pieter (1) married on 17 February 1626 in Haarlem Anna Macke and later on 15 May 1630 married Greitje Meijnderstr in Haarlem.

Pieter (2) and Abraham (2)

Abraham (1) on 15 July 1642 married in Haarlem Maria Lubberts. They had 6 children. The first child was Abraham (2) born in Haarlem between 1642 and 1644⁶.

The third child was Pieter (2) baptized in Haarlem in 1649⁷.

Coming to New Amsterdam: The painting below by Johannes Vingboon shows a view of New Amsterdam Harbor as it looked in 1665.

Abraham (1) through Abraham (4)

Abraham (1) and Maria Lubberts de la Noij moved to New Amsterdam because Abraham (1) sold his house in Haarlem on 27 April 1651⁸. Abraham and Maria's fourth child, Maria, was baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church in New Amsterdam on 15 July 1652⁹ so it is likely that Abraham and family sailed to New Amsterdam shortly after the house sold. Furthermore, on 24 January 1652, Abraham (1) was granted permission by the New Amsterdam City Council to operate the city's tavern¹⁰.



⁴ Ibid. pg 76.

⁵ Ibid.

⁶ Ibid.

⁷ Ibid.

⁸ Ibid.

⁹ Ibid. pg 77.

¹⁰ New York Historical Manuscripts, Dutch, Vol. 2 pg 2 (Abram de la NOY Petition).

Abraham (2) on 23 August 1681 married Cornelia Toll (widow). They had six children all baptized in New York. Their third child was Abraham (3) baptized in 1686.¹¹ Abraham (2) was a school teacher in New Amsterdam¹². He was also a Reader in the Dutch Reformed Church¹³. He also contributed to building the new Dutch Reformed Church on Garden Street in New York¹⁴.

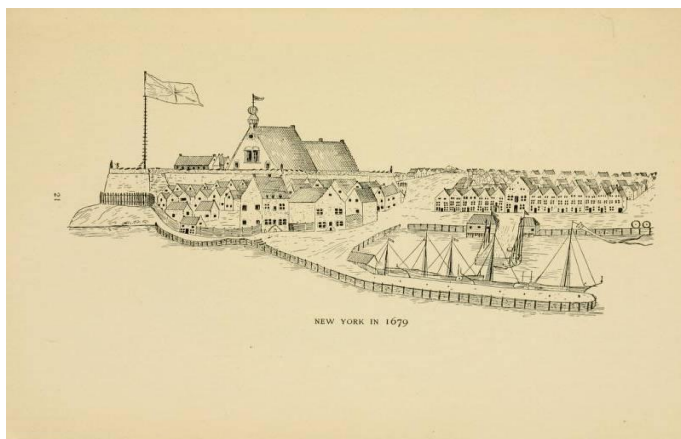
Abraham (3) married on 4 June 1712 in New York Jannetje Roome. Among their children was Abraham (4) baptized 31 March 1717. As you can see there were many Abrahams, which can become quite confusing.

Pieter De Lanoy (1) and (2).

Which Pieter was the first elected Mayor of New York City? Pieter (1) was baptized in Haarlem in 1604¹⁴. He married in Haarlem first on 17 February 1626 Anna Macke and second in Haarlem on 5 May 1630 Griete Meijderjdr. It is believed that Pieter (1) came to New Amsterdam with his brother Abraham (1), but it is very unlikely that he was the first elected Mayor because he would have been 85 years old in 1689 when he started to serve as Mayor.

Therefore Pieter (2), at the age of 40, would have been the first elected Mayor of New York City. On 8 September 1664 the Dutch surrendered New Amsterdam to the English.

The town was renamed New York City in honor of the Duke of York. The sketch to the right shows how New York looked in 1679. It was the largest municipality in the English Province of New York. Pieter (2) married first on 22 April 1680 Elizabeth De Potter. They had no children. He married second on 21 February 1695 Maria Edsall. They had one child Marritje De Lanoy born about 1720. In his Will Pieter states that Abraham (2) is his brother¹⁶. "I leave my brother Abraham my clothes and my school books" Pieter (2) was also a deacon and then an Elder in the Dutch Reformed Church¹⁷. In addition to



¹¹ *New Netherland Connections* Vol. 8 No. 2 , 2003 pg 77.

¹² Ibid. citing pg 23 Will of Abraham De Lanoy.

¹³ Dutch Reformed Church Consistory Liber A, pg 132: Request by Mr. Abraham de la Noy, reader, for his yearly salary to commence and improve.

¹⁴ Ibid. Pages 284 & 288 List of contributing members and supporters, who have subscribed to the erection of a new, particular, Reformed Dutch Church. Anno 1688. Pieter de la Noy: — 120 Guilders Abraham de la Noy: — 100 Guilders.

¹⁵ *New Netherland Connections* Vol. 8 No. 2 , 2003 pg 76.

¹⁶ Ibid. citing pg 130 Will of Peter De Lanoy, dated 2 September 1696, names Abraham (2) as his brother.

¹⁷ Dutch Reformed Church Consistory Liber A, Pages 284 & 288 List of contributing members and supporters, who have subscribed to the erection of a new, particular, Reformed Dutch Church. Anno 1688. Pieter de la Noy 120 Guilders.

being the first elected Mayor of New York City, he was also involved in New York Provincial politics. According to the GHAAHD, on Dec. 14, 1689, he was commissioned for receiving their Majesties' revenues in the Province of New York¹⁸. He was also appointed a Judge of the Court of the Admiralty on Sept. 17, 1690 and was a member of the Provincial Governor's Commission of Safety¹⁹. He was appointed to the New York Governor General's Council where he served at the Governor General's pleasure in 1690²⁰. He then served as a State Assemblyman from 1693 to 1695²¹.

The Y-DNA Connection and a Common Ancestor

The 2003 information provided by the New Netherlands Project not only adds Jan Jeorenzen DE LA NOIJ to this line of descent, it also indirectly identifies Jan Jeorenzen's father since Jeorenzen means son of Jeoren or Jerome just as, for example, Pieterzen means Peterson or son of Peter. So it is likely that Jeoren (Jerome) DE LA NOIJ is Jan Jeorenzen's father and therefore has the same characteristic Y-DNA with the reoccurring sequence DYS-492=11.

One should also note that Jan Jeorenzen DE LA NOIJ was probably born some months later in 1575/6 than Philippe de Lanoy's father, Jan de Lanoy, who was baptized on May 9, 1575 in Tourcoing, Flanders. Tourcoing is about 10 miles southeast of Wervike. Because of the identical Y-DNA, there is a 99% chance that there is a common ancestor within several generations from Jan Jeorenzen DE LA NOIJ and Jan de Lanoy. Therefore it is possible that Jeoren DE LA NOIJ (Jan Jeorenzen's father) and Guillbert de Lanoy (Jan de Lanoy's father and Philippe de Lanoy's grandfather) are cousins or perhaps brothers. The possibility of finding any genealogically acceptable documentation to prove a relationship is unlikely since baptisms were not recorded in the mid-1500s unless there was some noble relationship. As of this date, no genealogically acceptable, noble relationship has been proven to our DELANO family. The possibility of finding other lines with the same Y-DNA reoccurring sequence may hold a chance of determining a common ancestor.

A Contribution Program Reminder

As we pass the mid-point in our calendar year we hope you will be making a tax-deductible charitable donation to the DELANO KINDRED Contribution Program if you have not already done so. As you know the DELANO KINDRED has a 501(c)(3) federal exemption status, so your donation is fully deductible. If you have not made donation yet, please plan to do so. All charitable donations of any amount are greatly appreciated. Your participation and will help the DELANO KINDRED continue to maintain its tax-exempt 501(c)(3) status. A copy of the Contribution Form is inserted in this newsletter for your convenience. Please mail a check with your donation to payable to: DELANO KINDRED and mail it to: DELANO KINDRED Inc. 3501 Desert Creek Trail, Palm Springs, CA 92262-9754

¹⁸ *The Genealogy History and Alliances of the American House of Delano 1621 to 1899*, Major Joel Andrew Delano, Compiler, Arranged by Mortimer Delano de Lannoy, Arranger, First Book, New York 1899, pg 62 see A-PETER...

¹⁹ Ibid. pp 62-63.

²⁰ Hutchins, S. C. *Civil List and Forms of Government of the Colony and State of New York* compiled from Official and Authentic Sources, Weed Parsons & Co Albany 1870, Peter DeLanoy: Pg 26, member of the 1690 New York State Governor's Council.

²¹ Ibid Peter DeLanoy: Pg 33, Member of the New York State Assembly 1693.—1695.

PLIMOTH PLANTATION ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION TO SUPPORT THE MAYFLOWER II RESTORATION PROJECT

November 9, 2020 will mark the day that the Mayflower sighted land off of Cape Cod near Truro, Massachusetts 400 years ago in 1620, but it was not till 11 December that the Mayflower anchored off of Plymouth Bay. The 400th Anniversary of the Pilgrims and “Adventurers” arrival is planned to be a great affair. Included in this celebration is the completion of restoring the *Mayflower II*. The *Mayflower II* is a replica of the original Mayflower that is docked at the wharf in Plymouth, MA and open to the public during the tourist season.

The restoration project is estimated at \$12M and the Plimoth Plantation has \$9M committed to date. This includes everything -- from the cost of materials such as wood, sails, and rigging for the actual restoration, labor, and the establishment of a maintenance reserve fund for the ship. Plimoth Plantation still has \$3M to go, to complete the estimated cost of this effort. Built from 1955-57 in the town of Brixham, in Devon, England by the skilled shipwrights at the Upham Shipyard, the square-rigged *Mayflower II* is about 25 feet wide and 106 feet long, displaces 236 tons of water. She has four masts, including a mainmast, foremast, mizzen and sprit, with a total of six sails. Although 4 feet longer than the original Mayflower, which had an estimated displacement of about 180 tons, the *Mayflower II* displaces 31 percent more water. Much of this increase is due the large modern staircase between the main deck and the lower decks. (In the 17th century, ladders were used). Of course electric lights illuminating the dark corners of the lower deck were also not standard in the 1600s. There were other minor modifications made to *Mayflower II* to make sure that she would be more accessible, safe and comfortable for the visiting public. Since the year 2000, the *Mayflower II* has sailed to Providence, Rhode Island; Boston, Massachusetts and Provincetown, Massachusetts. She sailed Cape Cod Bay to celebrate her 50th anniversary in 2007. *Mayflower II* has also visited several other ports on the East Coast since she first arrived in America in 1957.



The almost 60-year old *Mayflower II* is currently being restored in Connecticut through a partnership between Plimoth Plantation and the maritime artisans of the Henry B. duPont Preservation Shipyard at Mystic Seaport. Support for the restoration is needed so that *Mayflower II* will be ready to sail in 2020, the 400th anniversary of the arrival of the original *Mayflower*.

The DELANO KINDRED Board approved the budgeted \$500.00 contribution to the *Mayflower II* Restoration Project for 2017 and supports the continued donation to *Mayflower II* Restoration Project through 2020. It should be noted that although Philippe de Lanoy did not arrive in the Mayflower, his Uncle Francis Cooke and his cousin John Cooke arrive on the ship in 1620. Philippe arrive almost a year later on the *Fortune* in 1621.

Board Happenings

DELANO KINDRED Merchandising Management Change

Cousin **Cindy Prosser** will retire from managing the DELANO KINDRED Merchandising Program. Cousin Cindy started managing this program in 2003 when it was mainly concerned with the sale of three publications (the GHAAHD, the first DFIP and the Capt. Paul Delano book). Since then it grew to include a total of eight publications, DELANO KINDRED T- Shirts, Fortune Coins and other items. We thank Cousin Cindy, for her dedicated work and contributions over 14 years. Those of you who were at the 2016 Reunion and Annual Meeting, will recall seeing and visiting with Cousin Cindy. Although it is difficult for Cousin Cindy to travel, we hope we will see her from time to time at future Reunions.

Cousin **Elizabeth Clark** will be taking over management of the Merchandising Program from Cindy after our 2017 Annual Meeting. Thank you, Elizabeth!

Plans to Revamp the DELANO KINDRED Website

There are plans to revamp and streamline the DELANO KINDRED Website. Plans include the capability for folks to order items such as DELANO KINDRED merchandise directly from the web site. The Board is seeking some help for this web site effort. Anyone familiar with WORDPRESS (that's the software we run on the web site) who is willing to help please let President Terry Delano know. Please see the Help Wanted Notice below.

HELP WANTED

DELANO KINDRED WEBSITE MANAGER NEEDED

We are looking for someone with experience running a web site to help with or take over the DELANO KINDRED web site, www.delanokindred.us. The site runs on GODADDY and uses WORDPRESS with a few extensions as the software. Please contact Terry Delano (gdelano2000@yahoo.com) if you are interested in this challenge.

2017 Annual Membership Meeting Plans

On the advice of the Charleston, SC. tour operators, the coach tour of the highlights of Charleston will be conducted on Saturday morning to beat the heat of the afternoon. As a result, the Annual Membership Meeting is planned to be held in the Double Tree Airport Hotel in the Lower Altitude Room on Saturday, 16 September at 2:30 PM.

The Agenda will include:

- Election of the DELANO KINDRED Officers for two year terms.
- Reports by the Secretary, the Treasurer and the various committees.
- The Annual FY 2017-2018 Budget, developed by the Board, will be submitted for the membership approval.
- Also the venue of the 2018 Annual Meeting will be discussed as well as other business that may come up at the meeting.

More detailed Annual Meeting plans will be forthcoming in the Annual Membership letter that will be mailed on or before 17 August.

ELIZABETH T. DELANO

PAINTINGS CONTRIBUTED TO THE TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN

Cousin Cathy Delano told us about an article in the 18 May 2017 Issue #20 of the *Fairhaven Neighborhood News* written by Editor, Beth David. We are pleased to include her article and two of the photos she took of the paintings by Elizabeth T. Delano. We thank Beth for writing the article about this event.

Benac gives gifts to town on his birthday

By Beth David, Editor

Al Benac did as the hobbits do: He gave presents away on his birthday. The newly minted 90-year-old donated nearly 10 paintings by Elizabeth T. Delano, including four friezes, which are panoramic paintings used to decorate the top of the wall around a room. Mr. Benac also acquired and donated to the town, to be placed in town hall, a very large painting of chrysanthemums, a famous portrait of the artist's mother, Elizabeth S. Delano, and a pair of portraits of the artist's mother and father.

Since it was also his birthday on Tuesday, [May 16th], Mr. Benac was required to listen to the crowd sing

"Happy Birthday" to him in the banque, L-R: Fairhaven town curator Al Benac and Ricky Goytizolo hold up



the painting of chrysanthemums by Elizabeth T. Delano.

room at town hall Mr. Benac, who is the town curator, said that Elizabeth T. Delano was the first well-known woman artist from Fairhaven, and he wanted her to be recognized. On hand for the occasion was

Elizabeth C. Delano, a Elizabeth T. Delano descendant.

[In] ... the 1830s ... Warren Delano I built a house on Walnut Street. The home would become Sara Delano's, who was President Franklin Delano Roosevelt's mother. FDR visited Fairhaven often, even after becoming president. Elizabeth T. Delano's relation to the president is best described as "well acquainted cousins," said Office of Tourism Director and local historian Christopher Richard.



Elizabeth T, the artist, was born in June of 1845 at 34 Middle Street in Fairhaven and died in November, 1933, at 88, while living at 91 Pleasant Street. In between she grew up at the house on Washington Street. You know the one, the big stone house at the top of the hill.

Mr. Benac said he got the friezes from his childhood friend Al Cyr, who lived in Elizabeth T. Delano's house at 91 Pleasant Street in Fairhaven.

The current Elizabeth Delano, said she grew up in Fairhaven and does not want to live anywhere else. "I think it's great," she said about Mr. Benac's gift, adding that the history he has preserved and given to the town is "pretty remarkable. We're lucky to have him," she said.

Above: Al Benac and Elizabeth C. Delano of Fairhaven after unveiling the portrait of Elizabeth Terry Delano, painted by her daughter Elizabeth T. Delano. Elizabeth T. Delano was the first well-known woman artist from Fairhaven.

Photos by Beth David



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Articles and information about descendants of the DELANO family are always welcome and greatly appreciated by your editor. Every effort will be made to include them as soon as space permits. Comments and requests for back copies may be requested by writing to George B. DeLano, Editor, at 4277 Wiltshire Place, Dumfries, VA 22025-3148. The back newsletter cost is currently \$3.00 per copy.

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