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Reunion Extra

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.

2012 REUNION EXTRA

FROM THE EDITOR

This is the Reunion Extra newsletter that contains the information you need to know about the 2012 DELANO KINDRED Reunion that will be held in Fairhaven, Massachusetts 14 to 16 September at the Fairhaven Hampton Inn. You will note that the 2012 Annual DELANO KINDRED Membership Meeting will be held in conjunction with the reunion at 9:00 AM in the Historic Fairhaven City Hall on Saturday, 15 September 2012.

As you know the DELANO Family left its mark in Fairhaven. The family's Lt Jonathan Branch started here when 30 year old Jonathan and his new bride Mercy Warren settled in the area known then as Dartmouth. Together they had 13 children, two of which sadly died young. Jonathan served in the Indian War of 1675-1676 (known as King Philip's War) under Captain Benjamin Church¹ before his marriage and was one of the original proprietors of Dartmouth. He served as a constable and later as a Selectman from Dartmouth. In 1688 he was commissioned as a "Lieutenant from Dartmouth" by Governor Hinckley. Lt Jonathan's grave in the Acushnet Queen Ann Cemetery is the only known gravesite of a child of our common ancestor, Philippe de Lanoy. Presidents (Grant and Roosevelt), the DELANOs of Chile, Whale masters, Artisans, Farmers, Industrialists, Military Leaders, and Settlers of the West, can trace their lines to Philippe de Lanoy through the family of Lt Jonathan and Mercy Warren.

This will be a reunion you will not want to miss! Although the focus of many events will be on the Capt. Warren Delano family (FDR's grandfather) you should keep your eyes open for the many other DELANO families that lived in Fairhaven and the rest of the Old Dartmouth area.

Thanks to Cousin **Cathy Delano**, our on the scene coordinator, a fascinating schedule of events is planned. Christopher Richard, Director of the Fairhaven Office of Tourism, has again been of great assistance in the reunion program. Natalie Hemingway's participation and her outstanding portrayal of Sarah Delano Roosevelt will greatly add to the knowledge and pleasure of those who attend this DELANO gathering. **DON'T MISS IT!**

¹ See *Bonnes Nouvelles* #37, pg 11

2012 REUNION AND ANNUAL MEETING

Updated Shedule of Events

Thursday, 13 September:

4:00 -6:00 PM: **Early Registration** in the Huttleston Room at the Fairhaven Hampton Inn

Dinner – Individual option. (The Hampton Inn only serves breakfast)

Please Note: New Bedford hold “AHA Night” on 13 September. Many museums & galleries are free this evening.

Friday, 14 September:

Breakfast for guests in the Hampton Inn Lobby

8:00 – 10:00 AM: **Registration** in the Huttleston Room

9:00 – 10:00 AM Board Meeting in the Huttleston Room

10:30 - 12:00 Noon: **Free Tour:** The Tour will be divided into three groups each starting at one of the following three sites: the Delano Homestead, the Millicent Library and the Unitarian Church. All sites are within a block’s walking distance. All three sites are included in the walking tour.

1. Delano Homestead- a tour of the Warren Delano II home at 39 Walnut Street and hosted by Sara Delano Roosevelt (AKA Natalie Hemingway)
2. Millicent Library- a tour of the library proper and the archives/research library
3. Unitarian Church- a tour of this gothic church and its various fine sculptures and carvings The church also contains a DELANO stained glass window.

12:00 Noon: Lunch - Individual Option

2:00 - 3:30 PM: DELANO Family Tree Educational Symposium in the Huttleston Room

- Speaker: Jorge A. Delano, “Captain Paul Delano and the Chilean Delano Line”
- Muriel Cushing, genealogist – Family tree consultations and requests for relationship charts

6:00 PM – 10:00 PM Banquet Dinner and Speaker at the Century House, Acushnet, MA

6:00 Cocktails from the Century House cash bar

7:00 Banquet Dinner

8:00 Speaker – Frederic Delano Grant Jr., China Trade Scholar –“Enterprising Delano’s in the China Trade”

Saturday, 15 September;

9:00 -10:45 AM: DELANO KINDRED Annual Membership Meeting at the historic Fairhaven Town Hall

10:45 AM: 2012 Reunion group photograph in front of the Town Hall

Lunch Options:

1. 11:15AM - 12:15PM Optional “Whaling City Expeditions” boat tour of Fairhaven Harbor with optional Box Lunch
 2. Individual Option
 3. 12:45 – 1:45PM Optional second boat tour depending on member’s interest (first come first serve)
- 3:15 – 7:30 PM Bus Tour narrated by Natalie Hemingway (starting at the Hampton Inn)
1. Fairhaven Academy narrated by Sarah Delano Roosevelt
 2. Riverside Cemetery: Walk to the Delano Tomb
 3. Acushnet Cemetery: See Lt Jonathan’s grave (mentioned on pg 294 of the GHAAHD) d.1720. See the oldest known DELANO gravesite circa 1716. Mary Delano’s grave, daughter of John and Mary (Weston) Delano, d. 1716 – the grave of her husband, Jabez Delano (son of Lt Jonathan) d. 1734, is nearby.
 4. Fort Phoenix: See the reenactment of the Fairhaven Militia firing the Fort Phoenix cannons and then return to the Hampton Inn about 7:30 PM.

8:00 PM Buffet Pasta Dinner in the Huttleston Room

Sunday, September 16:

Departures and Farewells

09:00 AM: DELANO KINDRED Board Meeting in the Huttleston Room

Upon departure you might consider visiting the National Whaling Museum in New Bedford.

THE 2012 REUNION AT FAIRHAVEN MASSACHUSETTS 14 -16 SEPTEMBER 2012

The 2012 DELANO KINDRED Reunion and Annual Membership Meeting will be held at the Hampton Inn in Fairhaven MA. Twenty three years ago in 1989 our family held a reunion in Fairhaven. We found back then that the town had lived up to its motto “A small town with a big history.” Twenty-three years have passed and Fairhaven is better than ever. The 1989 Reunion was well attended and we expect that this year’s reunion will be also. The 2012 Reunion promises to be one of our best ever Reunions. So we suggest that you make your plans to attend soon and use the enclosed registration and reservation form to let us know of your plans.

We are very fortunate that Cousin **Cathy Delano**, our member on the scene, has coordinated with Chris Richard, Director of Fairhaven Tourism and Natalie Hemingway whose has the remarkable ability to bring “History Alive” with her portrayal of various notable persons in history. Many of you who attended the 2010 New Hampshire Reunion will recall her amazing portrayal of Sarah Delano Roosevelt (the mother of FDR). We are very pleased that we will see her again at this reunion. Since this is the year of Fairhaven’s Bicentennial we are fortunate to be able to see some of the town’s celebration events.

Although our Reunion events start on Friday September 14th, we suggest you arrive a day early, on Thursday, to take advantage of the “AHA! Night” in New Bedford just across the Acushnet River from Fairhaven. AHA! is a night of FREE culture, arts, shopping and dining held from 5 to 9 p.m. the second Thursday of each month in historic downtown New Bedford. To get there from I-195 E or W. take Exit 15 (Rte. 18): follow Rte 18 to 2nd traffic signal; take a right onto Union St. At the first traffic signal take a right onto Second Street and take your first left for parking in Custom House Square or continue two blocks to the Elm Street garage. On-street parking is also available for free after 6 PM.

When you register at the reunion, you will receive a map of downtown Fairhaven in your handout packet so that you will be able to easily find the various locations that are on the schedule. As usual everyone who registers will receive a 2012 DELANO KINDRED Reunion name tag.

Friday morning’s walking tour is an easy walk for everyone since the three locations of the tour are very close to each other. At the historic Warren Delano House, we will be greeted by Sarah Delano Roosevelt (AKA Natalie Hemingway) who will show us the home she visited each Thanksgiving. The Thanksgiving holiday was a special time for the Warren Delano family. All the relatives gathered there. Sarah’s family came by steamship from their Hudson River home “Algonac” to New Bedford. Her brothers Warren Delano III and Frederic Adrian Delano and their families came from as far as western Maryland and Chicago.



At the Millicent Library we will be shown the archives containing many references to the many DELANO families that lived in the Fairhaven area. The library has a research center and there are other items and artifacts that have a DELANO connection. The Library was donated to the town by the Henry Huttleston Rogers family in memory of the youngest daughter, Millicent Gifford Rogers. Young Millicent had died of heart failure in 1890 when she was barely seventeen years old. The library was dedicated on January 30, 1893.



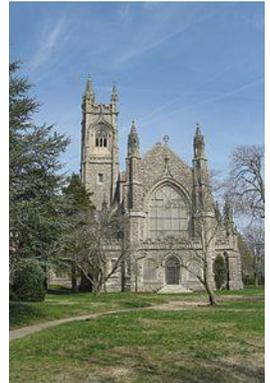
Although her family resided in New York City, Millicent and her sisters and brother had spent many of their vacations and weekends with their parents, both of whom were Fairhaven natives.

Millicent loved to sketch and was an avid reader—especially poetry. She is to have once said on a visit to Fairhaven "I wish we had a good library!"

When she died her parents thought it appropriate to build a library

named for her in Fairhaven. A memorial window to the girl is located just to the left of the main entrance. This beautiful, stained-glass window was made by Clayton and Bell of London. In the central panel is the figure of Erato, the Muse of Poetry, and her features bear a striking resemblance to Millicent.

The Unitarian Church with its bell tower of English Gothic “cathedral” style, reaches 185 feet above its manicured green, a particularly inspiring sight from near or far. The church was contributed by Henry Huttleston Rogers and dedicated in memory of Rogers’ mother, Mary Eldredge (Huttleston) Rogers. It was designed by Charles Brigham and was built of local granite quarried near Fort Phoenix and limestone transported from Indiana. European stone cutters and craftsmen fashioned a multitude of gargoyles and other figures inside and outside the building. The breathtaking stained glass windows were designed by painter Robert Reid of New York. One of the stained glass windows is a DELANO window. The lovely Tudor style manse, now used as a Sunday school, also graces the church grounds, bringing a touch of Old England to New England.



In the afternoon at the Educational Symposium our speaker will be Cousin **Jorge A. Delano** who will tell us about Captain Paul Delano who was born in Fairhaven who went to Chile and participated in the War for South American Independence. Under the British Admiral Lord Cochran, he was in charge of the amphibious operations involved in battles along the Peruvian coast and further north. He is responsible for starting the Chilean branch of the family. Cousin **Muriel Cushing** will be available for genealogical consultations and requests for genealogical charts.

The venue of the Reunion Banquet has been changed to Century House in nearby Acushnet. Socializing and cocktails begin at 6:00PM using the Century House’s cash bar. Dinner will be served at 7:00PM. The menu includes a choice of three entrees: Stuffed Breast of Chicken with traditional stuffing, Baked Scrod and Sirloin Tips (medium well). A vegetarian plate will also be available. All meals come with the Century House famous Clam Chowder, Green Beans Almandine, Long Grain Wild Rice with a desert of Chocolate Mousse, Coffee or Tea. A child’s menu for children 12 Years old or under of chicken tenders and French fries is also available.

Our Speaker for the evening will be Frederic Delano Grant Jr. a China Trade Scholar. The title of his talk is “Enterprising Delano’s in the China Trade.”

On Saturday, 15 September, at 9:00AM, the DELANO KINDRED Annual Membership Meeting will be held in the historic Fairhaven Town Hall auditorium. Completed in 1894, this large French gothic building was a gift to the Town of Fairhaven by Henry Huttleston Rogers in honor of his first wife, Abbie. The building features magnificent stained-glass windows and ornate woodwork. Author Mark Twain spoke at the 1894 dedication of the building in the very auditorium that we will meet in.



We plan to take the Reunion Group photo immediately after the Annual Meeting in front of the Town Hall. After which those wishing to take the “Whaling City Expeditions”

boat tour of Fairhaven Harbor will proceed to the Union Wharf. The 90 minute boat tour in the *Acushnet* will leave 30 minutes after the group photo. Those who wish may order a box lunch to eat on board. There are only 14 seats on the tour boat so boat tour reservations will be on a first-come-first-served basis based on the time of receipt of your reunion reservation form. If there is enough demand, a second boat tour can be arranged to leave shortly after the first boat tour returns.



At 3:15PM the bus tour narrated by Natalie Hemingway will leave the Hampton Inn. Stops along the way include:

- The Fairhaven Academy. The Academy was first opened for classes on May 1, 1800. The girls and boys had separate instruction classes. For close to forty years classes were held there, under a number of different



instructors. The curriculum generally included studies in English, French, Greek, Latin, mathematics, music and drawing. Near the beginning of the school's existence, the course of education cost \$2 per quarter. Among those who were appointed to visit and inspect the school over the years was Capt. Warren Delano I, FDR's great-grandfather.

- The Riverside Cemetery: Created in 1850 by Capt. Warren Delano II, the grandfather of FDR, this is one of the most beautiful rural-style cemeteries in Massachusetts. The tour visits the final resting places of some of the town's most prominent people. You'll also see lovely examples of early tombstone art as you walk along the beautifully landscaped paths. The tour bus cannot enter the cemetery grounds. Unfortunately, the tour includes walking on uneven ground to the DELANO Tomb some distance from the entrance. We suggest you wear comfortable shoes. Those who are unable to walk a distance may take the tour in one of our member's car or van. However, you will be able to hear only the narration at each of the tour stops. We plan to enter the DELANO Tomb in small groups.



- The Queen Ann Cemetery in Acushnet: Here you can view the oldest known gravesite of a DELANO descendant: Mary Delano, daughter of John and Mary (Weston) Delano who was Jabez Delano's first wife. Mary died circa 1716 and her grave is the second oldest listed grave in the cemetery. We will also see the gravestone of Lt. Jonathan Delano, who died in 1720. This gravestone is mentioned in the GHAHD². His grave is the only known marked grave of any child of Philippe de Lanoy. Sadly his gravestone is deteriorating and plans are being made to restore it. Those of you, who received the Index to last year's *Bonnes Nouvelles* which was included in the 2011 Membership Directory, have a colored photo of this gravestone. The photo was taken in 1996. If you bring the photo on this tour you can compare it with the condition of the gravestone today.



- The bus tour will drive by the site where Lt Jonathan's grist mill was located and several DELANO houses in the course of the tour. They include the houses of Thomas Delano (the 9th son of Lt Jonathan), Jabez Delano (the second son of Capt. Ephraim Delano who was the jeweler and silversmith -- see *Bonnes Nouvelles* #56 pg 9), and Capt. Paul Delano, who founded the Chilean line of our family.
- The tour will make its final stop at Fort Phoenix in time for the firing of the old cannons. The original fort was built by Capt. Benjamin Dillingham and Eleazer Hathaway between 1775 and 1777. It was outfitted with eleven cannon, several of which had been captured in the Bahamas by John Paul Jones.



About 7:30PM, after the cannon firing, we will return to the Hampton Inn for the Buffet Pasta Dinner in the Huttleston Room.

On Sunday as you depart Fairhaven you may wish to stop at the National Whaling Museum in New Bedford. There are records and other related material of many DELANO Whaling Masters in the museum's archives.

² The Genealogy History and Alliances of the American House of DELANO (GHAHD) New York, 1899 pg. 294

2012 Reunion Travel and Guestroom Reservation Information

Travel to Fairhaven:

By Air: The nearest airport is the T. F. Green airport next to Providence, RI. It is about 37 miles from Fairhaven via I-95 and I-195. T. F. Green Airport is a full service airport and is served by most major U.S. Airlines. Boston's Logan Airport is the next nearest airport; some 60 miles from Fairhaven via I-93, US 1, MA-24, MA-140 and I-195. Logan is a major International Airport and is well served by major airlines.

By Rail: Both Providence and Boston are served by AMTRAK Northeast Corridor Rail Service insuring that there are many trains scheduled for both cities.

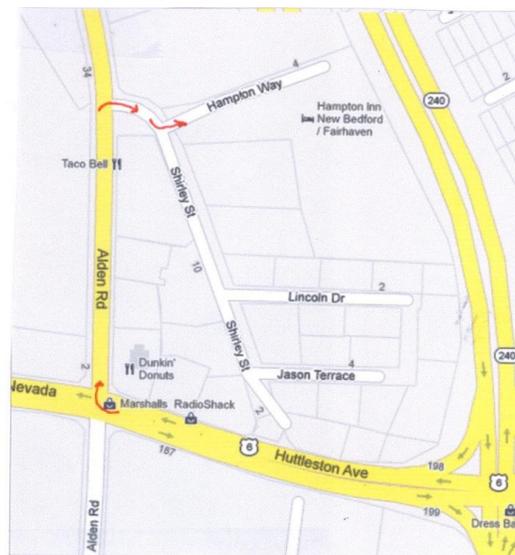
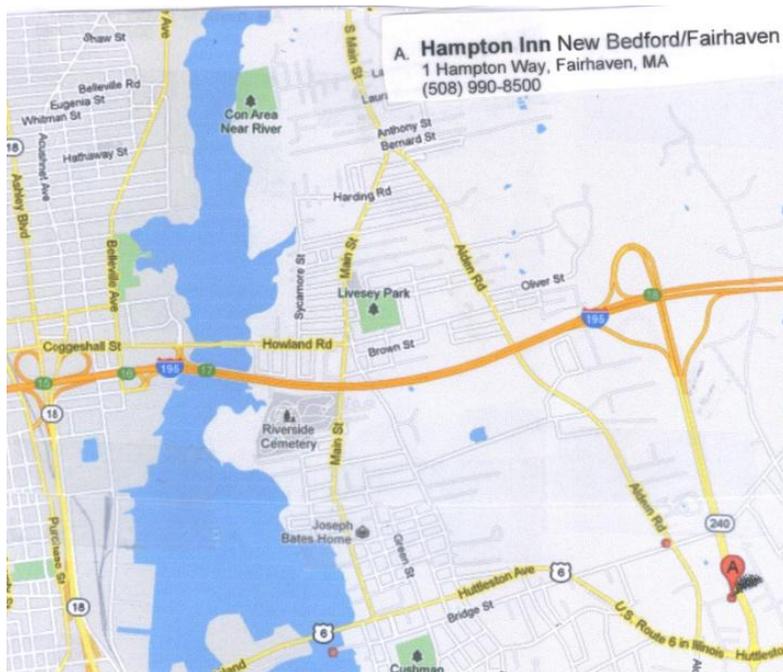
By Car:

From the North: I-93 and I-95 from the north feed into I-495 that by-passes Boston as it heads towards Cape Cod. Heading south on I-495, connect with MA-24 at Exit #7 and head south on MA-24 to MA-140 at Exit 12. Take MA-140 south to New Bedford connecting with I-195 at Exit 2. Head east across the Acushnet River on I-195 to Fairhaven Exit 18 and follow the directions below to the Fairhaven Hampton Inn. Note that if you travel south on I-91 you can connect with the Massachusetts Turnpike (I-90) and take that east to I-495, then follow the above directions from there. Coming south on I-87, connect with I-90 near Albany and head east to I-495 and follow the above directions from there.

From the West: On I-90 continue through Massachusetts to I-495 and follow the directions above. On I-80 & I-70 continue east to I-95 and follow it northeast to I-195 at Providence, RI then proceed east to Exit #18 and follow the directions below to the Fairhaven Hampton Inn.

If you wish to avoid the heavy traffic on I-95, we suggest you consider taking I-81 when your route crosses it. On I-81, at Scranton, PA take I-84 through central Connecticut to where it connects with the Massachusetts Turnpike (I-90) and continue to I-495. Then follow the appropriate directions above. On routes I-64, I-40 & I-20 we suggest you also consider taking I-81 and follow the directions immediately above to avoid the I-95 corridor.

From the South: Those members near the I-95 corridor can follow it through or around New York City to Providence and take I-195 to Fairhaven Exit #18. An alternate route to avoid New York City would be to take I-87 north from I-95 to I-84 and travel east via the Massachusetts Turnpike (I-90)



to I-495 and follow the appropriate directions above.

Fairhaven Hampton Inn

Directions from I-195 Exit #18: We have included a map on the previous page to assist you in the following directions.

From I- 195 Take Exit 18 and merge onto MA-240 south toward Fairhaven (about 1.5 miles). Turn right onto Huttleston Avenue (US-6) (about 0.2 miles). Turn right onto Alden Rd. (about 0.2 mi) then turn right onto Shirley St. Take the 1st left onto Hampton Way. The Hampton Inn will be on the right--about 466 ft down the Way; 1 Hampton Way, Fairhaven, MA 02719



Hampton Inn Guestroom Accommodations:

We have booked rooms at the Hampton Inn in Fairhaven for the 2012 Reunion. We have a “Group Rate” of \$109.00 per night plus tax or \$121.75 per night including state and local taxes. You can make your reservation directly by calling the Fairhaven Hampton Inn at (508) 990-8500. To get the group rate tell them you are with the DELANO KINDRED Reunion in September 2012. You may also make your reservation through the Hampton Inn central reservations at (800) HAMPTON or online at www.HamptonInn.com and refer to Group/Convention Code DKR.

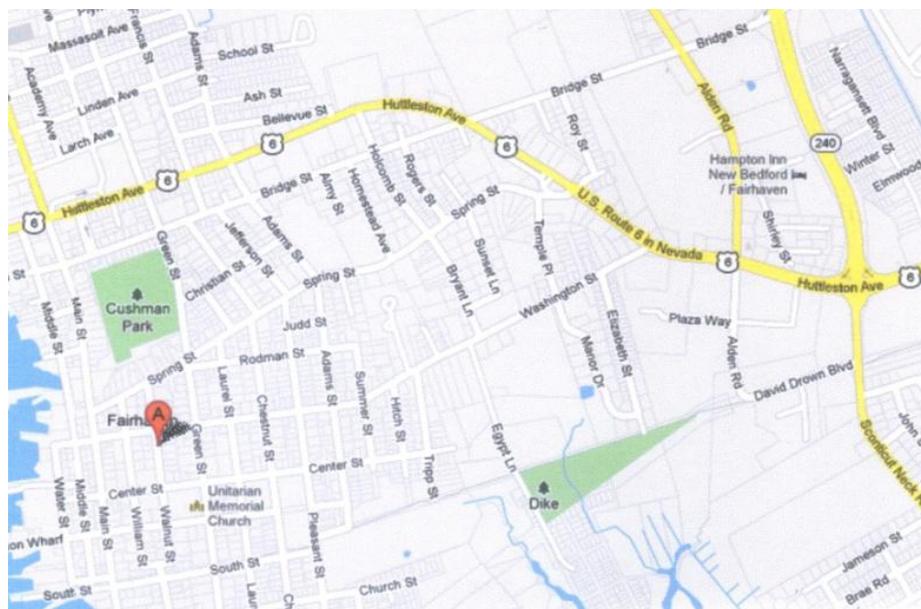
Delano Homestead Bed & Breakfast—the historic home of **Capt. Warren Delano**.

The Capt. Warren Delano House will be on the planned walking tour Friday morning 14 September. Our host will be Sara Delano (AKA Natalie Hemingway).

Directions to the Delano Homestead: Follow the same directions to the Hampton Inn (above), but continue on Huttleston Avenue past Alden Road (about .4 miles) to Washington Street. Turn left on Washington Street and travel to Walnut Street (about 1.8 miles). Turn left on Washington Street and you will see the Delano Homestead on the left (at “A” on the map below). Room



reservations are NOT reserved so if you wish to stay there you should inquire about the availability of rooms NOW. At last report there were still two rooms available with their own baths and four rooms available with a shared bathroom (two rooms per bath). Room rates during the time period are \$130 per night including tax and breakfast. Please contact Paul Beauchamp at (508) 992-5552 or Paul@Delanohomstead.com. You can view the guestrooms at www.delanohomstead.com.





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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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