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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 LA NOYE, the progenitor of most DELANOs in the Americas, who arrived at Plymouth in 1621 on the FORTUNE.

THE 1995 REUNION OF THE DELANO KINDRED

Well cousins, we certainly had a great time at the Reunion in Kalamazoo! This was the first three-day Reunion we have had. Over 75 descendants attended at least one of the days activities. Sixty attended Saturday night Banquet Dinner, 45 went on the tour Saturday afternoon, and 10 attended services at the Cooper Congregational Church on Sunday.

The descendants that came the longest distance were Steve and Erlene Delano, from Sacramento and Warren C. Delano who now lives in Santa Monica, California. Others who traveled greater distances were Muriel & Ren Cushing, Ruth Delano and Joyce Hoare from Florida and Ed & Lee Delano and Margaret Glendinning from Texas. Besides California, Texas and Florida, descendants came from Illinois, Indiana, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Ohio,

Pennsylvania, Virginia, Wisconsin and, naturally, Michigan.

Those who attended the Friday evening session heard Ward Christlieb's presentation on the history and architecture of the older homes in Cooper. presentation was a preview for part of the tour the following afternoon. In at least one case, Friday night turned out to be the first meeting of descendants from the same line. Danny Delano, his mother Ruth Delano, and sisters Sandra D. Hyde and Peggy D. Wojclk of Virginia and Florida have a close common ancestor, Gardener Sylvanus Delano (GHAAHD, pg. 372), with sisters Peggy D. Iler, Sallie D. Miller and Teresa D. Moss of Michigan, depending on their particular generation.

Danny Delano brought his collection of unknown Delano relatives with him. George D. Gerpheide, of Kalamazoo, who sports a beard, had a certain resemblance to the same picture that bears an uncanny resemblance to John Ely Marsland of Easton, Maryland -- see Muriel's Corner in Bonnes Nouvelles #12, pg. 11. Whether the resemblance is due to the beards or not remains to be seen. It would be interesting to get both John & George together to find out.

Saturday during the morning session at the annual meeting, City Commissioner Sally Appleyard welcomed the DELANO KINDRED on behalf of the City of Kalamazoo. She presented the Society a copy of the first map of Kalamazoo County, which was made in 1855 when Michigan had been a state for 18 years. She also presented two pins -- one with the Seal of the City and one with the County.

Many of those who came from Southern climes expected cooler temperatures. Well, the Southern descendants felt right at home with temperatures in the high 90's during the afternoon tour. En route to the Nature Center, the tour through the City of Kalamazoo passed the Center Park flower gardens which were in full bloom. One of the centers of attraction was a sixfoot peacock covered with flowers. The Kalamazoo Nature Center Auditorium, nestled in a wooded section of Coopers Glen, was a short ride north of Kalamazoo. The tour received an overview of the Nature Center's activities. Next accompanied by two naturalists, we drove a short distance to the William Smith DeLano Homestead, which was built in 1858 and was acquired by the Nature Center and was restored to its original condition in 1968, through efforts of William's descendants. The house was fitted together with wooden pegs, because nails were very expensive and scarce in Western Michigan in those days. Some interesting features of the house were the Winter and Summer kitchens at the back of the house, grate-covered, holes in the ceiling above the heating stoves to allow the warm air to rise and heat the upstairs and a "death's door" -- a wider than normal door on the right side of the front porch that opened into the living room. The door has no handle and is wedged shut. It was only opened to allow coffins of the departed to be placed in the living room for wakes or funeral services before burial, Caskets of William DeLano's first wife Laura and his son of 19 years, Herman, who died of Typhoid fever in 1874. The description of Herman's death is described in a portion of the diary of Lucien Stoddard (1855-1939), which was forwarded to us by Martha D. Davis:

"October 15, 1874 - I have just learned that Herman DeLano is at home sick. I would have gone to see him tonight if it hadn't been so dark.

October 25th - I learned this morning that Herman DeLano is dead. It hardly seems possible the wide awake active boy, my schoolmate and playmate, was

October 26 - Attended Herman's funeral in the really gone. afternoon. It is only a few weeks since I saw him in Allegan in the full flush of early manhood, tonight his body is in the grave. Struck down at the age of 19 years!"

The Homestead had many out buildings, including a "drying" shed, the Dalton Tool barn and several cribs for corn and other things. Many asked "where is the big barn?" The original barn became so dilapidated that it had to be destroyed. The Nature Center was able to locate another barn of same design and of the same era. It was found later to be infested with carpenter beetles and also had to be destroyed.

About 300 miles from the Homestead, the tour stopped at the "Evergreen" Cemetery where most of the Cooper DeLano's and Allied Families such as the Skinners and Harts are buried. Each tour member received a map of the cemetery listing the location of the DeLano graves. Thanks to the inspiration and ingenuity of George Gerpheide, markers with flags of the deLannoy coat of arms were standing on the DeLano grave lots. Incidentally, these flags were small replicas of the flag that was placed at the top of DELANO Peak (see Newsletter No. 9, pg. 3). In addition, Ward Christlieb had planted red geraniums near many of the DeLano tombstones. Ward thought the flowers added "a touch of class."

We were all pretty hot and in need of refreshment by the time we arrived at the Cooper Congregational Church, about 2

miles north from the cemetery. The church followed the design of small country churches that had been built in Massachusetts many years before this church was built in 1856. In the basement meeting room, the Ladies of the Priscilla Guild had wonderful, thirst-quenching old-fashioned lemonade and other cool drinks and delectable snacks of cookies and cakes. What a wonderful surprise! Also displayed at the tables were a fine selection of old photographs of the Cooper area. Bert Delano from Pittsburgh was surprised to find a picture of himself holding his son Jonathan in front of the DeLano School (District #5) across the street from his father's (Herbert W. DeLano, pg. 450) farm.

After being refreshed, we toured parts of Cooper and saw many of the homes Ward Christlieb had discussed Friday night. "Oh, that house was on a slide we saw last

night" someone exclaimed.

That evening after an excellent dinner, Sally Appleyard talked about the settler coming West from New York to Michigan, how they settled around the Burr Oak openings which they were able to farm without having to clear land. She also pointed out that the Kalamazoo River was navigable from near Kalamazoo all the way in the early days before it was dammed for harnessing its water power. Louis Conti discussed the details of the restoration of the DELANO HOMESTEAD. His restoration was started with the Homestead. In addition, he showed the techniques used in moving the tool barn to the Homestead site as well as examples of the many other buildings his company has restored around the state. Bert Delano introduced Louis Conti and gave a brief overview of the efforts which he helped lead to save the Homestead from destruction and to raise money for its restoration. It was a fascinating evening.

Sunday, 10 of the KINDRED attended services at the Cooper Congregational Church. Reverend gave a stirring sermon about things important. After the service, the Ladies of the Priscilla Guild offered more delicious food and drink in the meeting room. What a splendid end to the Reunion!

Kudos:

Many helped to make our second Reunion away from Massachusetts a success.

We heartily thank Dr. Phyllis Janes DeLano for being the on-the-scene coordinator for this entire project. Without cousin Phyllis' organized approach and attention to detail, many aspects of the Reunion would not have happened. A big thank you from all of us, Phyllis.

Ward Christlieb who teamed up with Cousin Phyllis in coordinating many of the cemetery and Cooper portions of the tour. Thank you Ward -- you've got a great "green

We thank George Gerpheide for his innovative help in thumb." flagging the graves at the cemetery. Great job George!

Another big thank you to Diana DeLano and Lee Delano who kept the Registration Table and the Memorabilia Table straight.

Thanks to Frank P. Delano who became the Reunion photographer. Most of the photos of this Reunion were his

And thanks to Deb DeLano who pointed us toward the shots. Radisson as the location in Kalamazoo for this occasion.



4. Between Speakers after Dinner





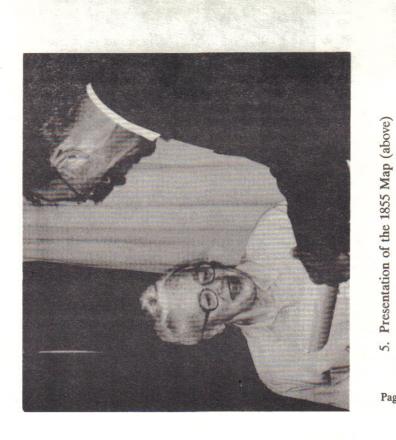




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6 and 8. The DeLano Homestead and the tour group



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9. Cooper Congregational Church

10. Refreshments after the tour

We thank Frank P. Delano and Diana M. DeLano for these photographs.

 General Consultations: Muriel Cushing and Mary Skinner discuss a DeLano-Slemner line while Margaret Glendinning looks on. Peggy Iler, Ed Delano and Lee Delano discuss in the background.

2. Danny Delano looks through his photographs of unknown Delano's while his mother, Ruth Delano and sister, Sandra Hyde look on.

3. More genealogical consultations (left to right): Mary Rizzardi, Muriel Cushing, Mary Skinner, Phyllis DeLano (standing), and Joyce Hoare.

4. Between speakers after dinner: (starting on the left) Joe Haines, Marilyn Haines, Heloise Hepworth, Charles Peck Sr. (standing), Ella Haines, Charles Peck Jr., Mary Skinner, Joe Skinner, Muriel Cushing, Ren Cushing (looking over his shoulder), and Cornelia Peck (back to camera).

5. Commissioner Salley Appleyard presents a copy of the 1855 Kalamazoo County Map to President George DeLano.

6. The tour group arriving at the DeLano Homestead in the Kalamazoo Nature Center.

- 7. At the Evergreen Cemetery: (left to right) Joe DuMont, Bert Delano, Steve DuMont, Rose DuMont, Charlene DuMont, Mark and Jean DuMont with son Daniel, and Warren C. DeLano.
- 8. Tour group on the Homestead front lawn--temperature 95° +F.

9. The Cooper Congregational Church.

10. Refreshments after the tour: (left to right) Sheila Hendrick looks over the refreshments, Sandra Hyde with a big glass of cool lemonade, one of the many kind ladies of the Priscilla Guild at the end of the table and Bob Delano loads his glass with ice cubes.

Dear Cousins,

Well, the weary travelers are back home again and Ren's car has 4,000 more miles added to the odometer. After being "on the road" for a month we were both glad to get home again to our "stuff."

We had such a great trip and I thought very "profitable" for the Kindred. Thanks to Dorothea Harris for a delightful lunch and our cemetery hopping in Marion and Acuchnet. We came so close to finding Lt. Jonathan's gravestone. Anyway, we found the cemetery and next year may locate his stone. Got some pictures of DELANO's.

Also, I was delighted to meet with Helen Pratt who has agreed to help with the Duxbury DELANO families. We have started on the Thomas Delano line and with Helen's great research ability will have a well-documented family.

We visited with our children, family and friends for 3 weeks in New England and then off to the annual meeting in Kalamazoo. I can't tell you how warm and gracious I found all of my cousins. How interesting to see the architecture of Michigan homes; hear the stories of the early DELANO settlers; learn the history of travel on the Erie Canal; but beyond all of that was the thrill of meeting my DELANO kin.

Thanks to Mary Skinner who has unselfishly agreed to take charge of her Michigan DELANOs and I hope to be able to hear from her with updates for the newsletter. Thanks, too, to Sandy Whittum who will be working on her family line. Both very busy ladies and need all of our support.

I have been studying many other organizations and have decided on what I feel is the best way to proceed with our documentation and update of the GHAAHD. I would appreciate any suggestions or input. As of now--the first 4/5 generations are done except for retyping and being "camera ready." The second phase is underway--each child of Philippe individually documented down to present members. The last three generations compiled will be sent back to members to be checked for accuracy. Members will be able to add, correct or STRIKE out any part of the last 3 generations at their discretion. By doing each child individually in notebook form, it will be easy to change or add information until it is felt to be complete. Let me know that YOU think. After all it is your family!!!

From the Fortune Cookie--

For when it comes to FRANCIS, Sir. It's "I" for HIM, "E" for HER.

(source: Ct. Nutmegger, June 1990)

In Kinship,

Muriel

We sadly report the deaths of two of our cousins:

William Thomas Delano (1915-1995). Cousin William Thomas Delano of Massena, New York, died on 19 April 1995. He was born in Ottawa, Ontario on 1 June 1915. He was the son of William T. and Clara Furney Delano. He was educated in schools in Canada. He moved to the United States and in 1937 he married Hazel Crawford in Canastota, NY, 20 miles east of Syracuse. After working at Precision Casting in nearby Fayetteville, he moved his family to Massena in 1959 where he was employed by General Motors; rising to superintendent of Production before he retired. He is survived by his son Gary H. Delano of Rochester, his daughter Charlotte Craner of Massena, six grandchildren, a brother Frank Delano of Orlando, FL and a sister Clara Agnes of Columbia, SC.

William joined the DELANO KINDRED in 1993. He attended the 1993 Reunion in Akron, New York. His daughter Charlotte said he loved the KINDRED. He has bequeath monetary gift to the Society for which we are truly thankful. Both of his children are members of the DELANO KINDRED.

Muriel T. Delano (abt1913-1995). We have received word that cousin Muriel T. Delano of Ruthergren, Ontario died this summer. She was in her younger 80's. Muriel was the daughter of Walter C. and Mary McIvor Delano of St. Catherines, Ontario. Her great grandfather was Charles Delano (1810-1886) [GHAAHD, pg. 286] who moved from Maineto settle Miramichi Bay region of New Brunswick-see Part I in our series on Canadian DELANO's, pg. 4&5 of Newsletter No. 9.

Muriel had been a member of the KINDRED since 1992. She came to the establishing KINDRED Reunion in Duxbury in 1990 having traveled over 1200 miles from Ruthergren. She had come one of the farthest distances and from a point furthest north.

BOOK REVIEW

At the Kalamazoo Reunion, Muriel Cushing lent me her copy of this interesting booklet entitled, <u>The DELANO Sealing Expedition to the South Seas, 1803-1808</u>, by Franklin K. Hoyt.

Many of our New England ancestors were sea captains. Some were also builders and riggers of some of the finest built late 1700's and early 1800's. The design knowledge gained by these builders was the foundation from which the design of the fast clipper ships of the mid 1800's would spring.

This booklet of 16 pages tells of the nautical background of three DELANO brothers, the famous Capt. Amasa Delano and his brothers Samuel and William. Amasa's exploits are documented in this book A Narrative of Voyages and Travels in the Northern and Southern Hemispheres: Comprising Three Voyages Round the World; Together with a Voyage of Survey and Discovery in the Pacific Ocean and Oriental Islands, Boston 1817. This book with the hefty title has been

a source of research by many historians and scholars. The author, Mr. Hoyt, found it a very good source of information for his booklet. A copy of the first few pages of Amasa's tome are found on GHAAHD, pgs. 213 to 226. Hoyt says that few copies of Amasa's book are available today because President Franklin Delano Roosevelt was so taken by this book authored by a Delano sea captain that he went as many copies of the Narrative Voyages as he could find to members of his family. The main source of Hoyt's information came from the trunk of old sea logs of Amasa's brother, Samuel Delano. These logs had come into his possession through his father-in-law.

The story of Sealing Expedition to the South Seas is, therefore, seen through the eyes of Captain Samuel Delano rather than those of Captain Amasa Delano. The booklet includes the journey of the sailing ships PILGRIM and PERSEVERANCE via the Capt of Good Hope to the "South Seas" off Tasmania and the coast of Australia and thence across the south Pacific Ocean to the coast of Chile. Also included is an episode involving a mutinous slave ship captained by an untrustworthy Spaniard named Don Benito Cereno. According to the author, this episode appeared 50 years later in 1855 in a magazine called Putnam's Monthly. It was then titled Benito Cereno and was written by Herman Melville, the author of Moby Dick. Melville had apparently lifted the story from Captain Amasa's Narrative Voyages.

Amasa, Samuel and William Delano lineage runs through the Dr. Thomas DELANO branch on GHAAHD pages 210 and 211. Readers interested in obtaining a copy of this booklet may write the Duxbury Rural and Historical Society, Duxbury, MA 02331. We thank Muriel Cushing for bringing this book to our attention.

The DeLano's of North Oxford, Michigan

At the 1995 Reunion in Kalamazoo, Michigan, the focus was mainly on our pioneer descendants who traversed west from Detroit to settle in Cooper, Michigan just north of Kalamazoo. In an effort to give "equal time" to DeLano's who settled in eastern Michigan, we include an article from an Oxford, Michigan newspaper about Daniel Wheeler DeLano (GHAAHD pg. 419) and his family, which was sent to us by Arta Delano of Spring Valley, NY. Arta has followed her line through Michigan to Nebraska. She has spent this summer in Nebraska researching relatives. Oxford, MI is located about 31 miles north, northwest of Detroit in Oakland County. DeLano Road mentioned in his history, is located in the northeast corner of Oxford Township and runs north into Metamora Township in Lapeer County. We thank Cousin Arta for sending in this article.

The origin of North Oxford on DeLano Road (often referenced as) "The City" by the sparsely surrounding pioneers, and early social friends pioneer of "The Corners" (Oxford Village).

Here in this new settlement was established and maintained by the DeLano Brothers, quite a cluster of different activities which were continued for some few years. Black smithing, Wagon Making, also Sleighs, the manufacturing of Dulcimers and a Cheese factory, and later the Grange store, conducted by one of the brothers, Mortimer, who also had a broom machine and made brooms for the family and others, from home grown broom Corn.

In 1838 Daniel Wheeler DeLano (GHAAHD pg. 414) of Orleans County, New York, came to Detroit, near the site of the City Hall, and set up a shoe cobbling business in a little shop. He was interested besides in a patent on a type of heating stove and was also a minister of the gospel. The location was of a swampy nature, willows and cat tails grew all about. He remained two years but on account of the prevailing conditions and the raging of fever and ague (malaria), he closed out his business and returned to his native state of New York.

In 1840 the Daniel Wheeler DeLano family again returned to Michigan. They came to the home of Elias Field (a brother-in-law) whose home was west on Cedar Swamp Road, half a mile on a hill top on the south side of the road. An acute condition of bowel trouble had become prevalent and fatal in some cases (probably Cholera). This father was stricken down and passed away leaving his widow and eight children fatherless, in a strange new wilderness, to carry out his plans. The mother (Rebecca Swift DeLano) was endowed with unusual strength of character; initiative and courage and had the staunch determination of a pioneer and she imbued her boys with courage, impressing them with the vital fact that a home must be located and established for the fatherless family. The three oldest sons set out to locate a site and by marked trees among the Oak openings, they blazed a trail to the North East and located eighty acres of land (south half of North East quarter of section one) in Oxford Township, and purchased it of the land agent of the government.

They next began to cut timber and soon erected a log house which in due time the family moved into. They purchased a young cow and a yoke of oxen. The cow was a prized possession as the milk and corn meal mush and Johnny Cake was the main bill of fare the first winter. The corn meal could not be ground nearer than Rudd's Mill, south and west of Orion and was an all day journey.

In the spring of 1841 a small piece of ground and a knoll north of the home was prepared and a patch of corn planted. The following summer another small piece was made ready and the first wheat sown in front of the house in the fall. There was also a log stable to be built near by to shelter the oxen and cow.

Then came preparations to build another house (a framed one) across the drive for the oldest brother, Milton, who had married and brought his bride to live in this new western country.

The brothers continued to work on clearing the land and began to erect the blacksmith shop and wagon shop. Oscar, the third brother began to work outside at his trade, a carpenter. He walked Monday mornings to Cusiac Lake and souther where he helped to build many farm homes and on Saturday evenings walked home after the day's work was over. Mortimer, the second son dissolved partnership with his brothers, bought eighty acres joining the home site, was married in 1844 and erected a small one story home where he took his bride to make their home.

After six years Milton returned with his wife and two children to S. Barre, New York. The trip was made over land in a covered wagon built by himself and brothers.

The home he had moved out of was then occupied by Oscar and his bride, the third son, in 1852. Milton purchased a Dulcimer in N.Y. and sent it back home whereby the brothers took it for a pattern and began to manufacture Dulcimers (Edwin E. DeLano of Oxford has the last one made by his father for a sister over 60 years ago in good shape). Oscar made the frames, Edwin, Sr., string the harp and Myron was the salesman. This continued twelve years in which he sold all through Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, and Canada.

This project was a success with the Dulcimer business and the land resources, they added the Sam Bloss 80 acres across the road and the George Wetherell 80 acres adjoining on the south and the Burton 40 acres just over the line south in the Township of Metamora, and also paid for the land besides the homestead (largely the Dulcimer proceeds).

Myron married and two sisters and Edwin remained at home with the mother. One day they decided to divide up the land and dissolve partnership. As there was a farm for each. (With no dissatisfaction and all among themselves.) The Wetherell farm was assigned to Oscar, (which had the best buildings, he earned a good sum at carpenter work). Myron was given the Bloss 80 acres and the Metamore 40 (as he only had a poor log house and only an ox shed). Edwin, Sr. was assigned the pioneer farm. In 1855 he also married, his first wife, and she passing away he again married in 1874.

After dividing up and the partnership was dissolved, the brothers (the 3 youngest) still clung together and were next door neighbors. They built a cheese factory and hired a cheese maker from Canada, and continued cheese making for five years.

Afterward the building was re-arranged and served as sort of a social center, as card parties, dancing and other amusements were at even that early time enjoyed and attended by some of the pioneers of the village. Mrs. W.J. Tunstead being the last of those to pass on.

The Grange (North Oxford) was organized at the cheese factory. Spring of 1870 by State Grange Master H.B. Horton. The Grange also held regular meetings at this place for quite a period of time, until a Grange Hall was built on the corner of Cedar Swamp Road and Barber Road. In time the factory was sold and moved across the road and made over into a horse barn.

In the early settling of the family, the mother (Aunt Becky) as she was known far and wife, was as apt in many of the lost arts (today) as was needful to provide her family with clothing she not only spun the yarn, knit socks and mittens, now quite a stylish novelty it seems, but she wove the cloth and made the suits her boys wore. One was especially "for

Best" and taken pains with and was worn by turns on Sunday to service or Sunday School by the boys.

At this school with all its primitiveness was talent. Debates were held. A literary society organized, and a few, among which was the two elder Edgerby girls, Ann and Nettie, and the older Frink boys, Monroe and Byron. A young peoples choir was organized, they met for practice and sang on the different occasions that occurred. Edwin DeLano, Senior, and his sister, Ann were both teachers in the log school house. Sometimes in Spring and Winter season it was a hop from one log to another where water was standing on the newly built and uneven road they travel on the way to school.

There has been four structures built on the school site of District No. 1. Harry Frink and Alfred Allen built the second, which still stands as a reminder of former days in a field south of the cemetery. The third structure burned and was replaced with the present one and is a standard school.

This is a brief history of how the little cluster of business activities on DeLano Road was first named "North Oxford" early in the Forties nearly a century ago. At present any locality north of the village is called North Oxford by this generation who never knew the locality or how the real "North Oxford" originated or what it comprised back in the 1840's.

Some Harrowing and Tragic Experiences with the Indians in Western Virginia (1787-1794)

In our articles about settling Cooper, Michigan in the 1830's, most of the Indians were friendly. However, this was not the case with some of our ancestors who settled the Eastern Ohio and the West Virginia "Panhandle" area in the late 1700's. Muriel Cushing forwarded these accounts submitted by Richard Weakly of Shelbyville, IN, about parents of George Goodrich and his wife Nancy Tush. Muriel has provided a Fan Chart to help sort out the relationships. The source of these episodes are from the letters of Lewis Bonnett to Lyman Draper which contained the Draper collection of the State Historical Society of Wisconsin, Madison, WI.

Extract from Letter of Lewis Bonnett to Lyman Draper, June 30, 1847

"You wish to know the year when Jacob Wetzel killed the two Indians by the help of his false man.

"The precise year I do not recollect; but to the best of my recollection, in the beginning of 1786 there was a kind of interim of peace and promised treaties of peace with all the neighboring tribes, but alas its progress was of but short duration, and marked by acts of general hostilities all around the Western settlements, and many acts of barbarity were committed. The autumn of that year and the ensuing year, 1787, was called the Bloody Year; and in the year 1787, in the spring, there was a fort building on my father's farm, and the neighbors would fort in the summer and retire to their farms in the winter, and continued so until the summer of 1787, -8, or perhaps -9.

"The Wetzel boys made a false face out of a soft block of wood, and painted it a human color and fixed it in the human shape, and some of them would frequently go and see to the domestic concerns on their farms. Jacob taking his false man and his sister, Susannah by name (commonly called Susan) and staying all night, was apprehensive that there were Indians near, by the alarm of the dog in the night. He told his sister he had every reason to believe there were Indians near.

"As soon as it was fairly light, he opened the door, taking his post on the left side of the door, and Susannah on the right side. As the door opened to the right, she stood rather back of the door, holding up the false man with her left hand in full view of the open door. Two Indians were concealed some distance in front of the house. One of them fired at the false man, thinking it was the man of the house. The Indians rose from behind their concealment and made toward the house, but as soon as the report of the Indian's gun was heard, Susan let the false man fall in the house. Jacob shot one dead on his approach,, and Susan quickly shut and bolted the door. Jacob soon had powder in his gun, and ramming two naked bullets down, fired out of a port hole just as the Indian was in the act of making off, the two balls taking effect in the Indian's back and soon brought him to the ground.

"You will remember that this same Susan was afterward married to a man named Nathaniel Goodrich, and her firstborn was a son named George, who married the only surviving daughter of the Tush family. The poor little infant was taken by the heels and struck against a stump in the yard when the rest of her family were murdered. Mary is still living, and has given birth to seven children, and resides with her husband on a good farm in the state of Indiana.¹

Murder of the Tush Family

"The last murder by the Indians on Wheeling Creek, Virginia, was on Sept. 3, 1794, when a body of Indians and Peter Spicer, a white renegade, came to the house of George Tush and lay in ambush a short distance from the house until Tush went out to feed his hogs. Tush was resting his arms on the fence, and as the hogs came to the bars by the yard to receive their feed, the Indians fired at him. One ball struck him in the breast. He picked up his youngest child, who was in the yard, and ran into the house; the rest of the children, who were also in the yard, followed. He reached up to get his rifle from the hook and realized that his arm had been broken by the ball from the Indian's fire. He then ran out into the yard; one Indian was after him. George looked back over his shoulder and saw his wife for the last time. He ran with all speed to a high cliff of rocks which he jumped over and escaped to the cabin of Jacob Wetzel. The rest of the Indians entered the house, tomahawk in hand and began the horrid butchery of the rest of the family, seven in number. Beginning with the oldest daughter, Polly; then the next oldest, Nancy; then Susan; they thought that they had killed her, but she recovered. After the Indians had gone she came to, crawled into the house and was found lying on the hearth with her head skinned down just about her ears. Mary, the infant, the Indians took by the heels and knocked her against a stump that stood in the yard. The poor little infant also came to and crawled into the house, and lay with its head on her sister Susan's breast. The rest they killed outright, and scalped. They did not scalp little Mary, and she lived in Indiana and raised a large family. She married George Goodrich.

"Susan survived until the third day of the following March when she died, and my father, Lewis Bonnett, Sr., and myself dug her grave.

"The Indians took Mrs. Tush prisoner but in consequence of her advanced state of pregnancy, she was not able to travel rapidly. They took her about nine miles, tomahawked and scalped her. She was not found for two years, but her bones were collected and buried with the rest of the family. Information was afterwards obtained from one that was a prisoner of the Indians at the same time, but who later escaped, that Mrs. Tush was tomahawked on a branch of Wheeling Creek, in a laurel thicket. It was shocking indeed when Martin and Jacob Wetzel, myself, and three other men accompanied George Tush back to his cabin the next day and found the mangled bodies of the ones that had been brutally murdered; and still worse mangled by the hogs."²

New England Historic Genealogical Society (NEHGS) Comes to Florida

The NEHGS, one of the most respected Genealogical Societies in the United States, will hold a two-day Genealogical Seminar on 12 and 13 January 1996 at the Radisson Hotel, Orlando Airport. Speakers include Jerome E. Anderson, contributing editor to The American Genealogist, Scott A. Bartley, editor of Vermont Families in 1791, John A. Brayton, a contributor to the Virginia Genealogist and The Arkansas Family Historian, Gary Boyd Roberts, the director of NEXUS and author of Ancestors of American Presidents, plus three other eminent speakers.

Gary Boyd Roberts collaborated with Mr. T. N. Schelhaas, Keeper of the Records of the City of Leyden, in producing the descent of President George Bush from Leyden Pilgrims Francis Cooke and Hester Mahieu. Francis and Hester Mahieu Cooke were our Philippe deLannoy's uncle and aunt.

¹ Bonnett to Draper, *Draper's Mss.* 11E91 and 11E92 of the State Historical Society of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin.

² Lewis Bonnett To Lyman C. Draper, *Draper's Mss.*, 11E87 in the State Historical Society of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin.

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THE 1995 ANNUAL MEETING

At 10:30 a.m., the 1995 Annual Meeting of the DELANO KINDRED was called to order by President George B. DeLano. A quorum of 27 members were present.

Recording Secretary's Report. The Minutes of the 1994 Annual Meeting held at the Plimoth Plantation on 6 August 1994

were read by Frank P. Delano since our Recording Secretary Jeanne L. Delano could not be with us.

Treasurer's Report. The audited Treasurer's Report was given by Frank P. Delano since Treasurer Robert C. Delano could not be present. The highlights of the Treasurer's Report were that at the end of June 1995, we had a balance of \$3,011.86, which is \$43.10 more than at the beginning of last year. Total receipts were \$3,707.50, and total expenditures were \$3,664.40. Our Memorial Fund grew by \$233.00 to a total of \$1,145.00. This leaves \$1,866.66 in our operating funds available.

Audit Committee's Report. The Audit Committee reported the Treasurer's financial statement to be in good order, and

recommended the Treasurer's Report be approved.

Elections. Frank P. Delano read the report of the Nominating Committee. Those nominees for Director and Nominating Committee members were placed on a ballot provided to all members in good standing present. There were no nominations from the floor. Those elected were Director for a one-year term; Jeanne L. Delano, to fill the vacancy created by the death of David E. Kumpf, and for the Nominating Committee for a three-year term: Ernest J. Towers.

Genealogist's Report. Muriel Cushing, our genealogist, gave an overview of the progress of the Genealogical Program to

update and correct the GHAAHD. Please see the accompanying "Muriels Corner" article in this issue.

Membership and Memorial Progress Report. Nancy Delano concentrated on a new development which might affect the plans for the memorial to Philippe De La Noye. Background: As stated at the last Annual Meeting, the Duxbury High School officials had been contacted about the proposal to place a suitably inscribed memorial stone to Philippe De La Noye on the school grounds. At least part of the school grounds had been part of the 40-acre tract owned by Philippe in the 1600's. The estimated cost of this memorial was over \$2,000.00.

New Development. It had come to the attention of the Memorial Committee that there would be a new construction of the Duxbury Library. It was understood that this construction may not provide an adequate air-conditioned environment for the rare historic books which are now held by the Library. There appeared to be interest in the possibility of joining other local Family Societies such as the ALDEN KINDRED in contributing funds to insure that these rare historical publications (such as the GHAAHD) have the proper storage environment. It was clear that more definitive information is needed before the Board of Directors can take any significant action on this new development.

DELANO KINDRED Regional Contacts. Ed Delano gave a report on the progress in developing a KINDRED voluntary contact organization. He stressed the importance of this organization in helping the Society to grow in strength through

development of contact networks throughout North America. Please see the accompanying article in this issue.

1995 Annual Report. President George Delano's need for a computerized listing of all DELANO and Allied Family genealogies and histories that would show where they are located and how to obtain a copy. He pointed out that there are many publications of this type (some which have been developed by our members); yet few know they exist or how they may be

Bonnes Nouvelles. Because of the large amount of effort by a very few volunteers, the costs involved in producing the obtained. publication and the inherent delay involved, it may be necessary to reduce the number of Bonnes Nouvelles to three per year. It was emphasized that the editor has been pleased with the articles and other information submitted for the Bonnes Nouvelles. Every effort is being made to include this information whenever it is feasible.

Annual Questionnaire. It was emphasized that an Annual Questionnaire is one of the means your Board of Directors learn

what the members want the Society to accomplish. Please take the time to answer it and return it.

F.Y. 1996 Operating Budget. The Budget based on the income generated from 340 members or conservatively an operating income of \$2,720.00 was approved.

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	It was announced that the 1996 Annual Meeting will be held	at the "Plimoth Plantation" on Saturday,
10 August 1996. Adjournment. The Ai	anual Meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.	

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1997 ANNUAL MEETING AND REUNION

Your Board of Directors approved Virginia as the location for the 1997 Reunion. A site committee headed by Vice President Robert B. Delano will be searching for the Virginia site that will have adequate facilities. Virginia was selected because a large majority of those responding to the 1994 Questionnaire selected Virginia. If you have suggestions about Virginia locations that could support our Reunion, please contact Robert at (804) 333-3502.

CANADIAN COUSINS HOLD THEIR ANNUAL REUNION

Cousin Paul Delano of Ashville, NY reported our Canadian cousins in Ontario held their annual reunion picnic on 27 August at Fireman's Park in Niagara Falls, Ontario. Close to 50 turned out for the affair. We have it on good authority from those who have attended this picnic in the past that the food is outstanding.

1996 MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

1996 Dues Will Increase. After four years of no increase in Membership Dues, your Board of Directors has found it necessary to raise the Annual Membership Dues starting 1 January 1996. For those who have already paid their 1996 dues, there will be no increase. Due payment options include two year or three year memberships at reduced costs as shown below:

Membership Category	One Year 1996	Two Years 1996-97	Three Years 1996-98
Descendent and Associate Membership	10.00	19.00	27.00
Non-Voting Descendent Membership (members under 18 yrs of age)	8.00	15.00	21.00
Family Membership for descendent family units (husband, wife and their children)	25.00	46.00	66.00

Membership Year. The DELANO KINDRED Membership Year runs from January through December each <u>calendar year</u>. All members renewing late in the calendar year will receive all back issues of the *Bonnes Nouvelles* for that calendar year. <u>Membership Numbers</u>. If you have been a member and are renewing your membership, please include your membership number. If you are a "Primary Applicant" renewing for other members, please take care to include the names and numbers of those whose

memberships you are renewing. If you are a new member, you will be assigned a membership number.

Clarity. Please help us correctly record your membership information by printing clearly.

Membership Classes. In accordance with the Bylaws of the Society, classes of membership are: Descendent Members (descendants 18 years or older and their husband or wife), Non-Voting Descendent Member (any descendant under 18 years of age), Associate Member (non-descendant--persons who are interested in furthering the purposes of the Society), and Honorary Members (persons whose nomination is approved by the Board).

Membership privileges include:

Attending all meetings of the Society.

• Receiving copies of Society's news letter for the calendar year of membership.

In addition, Descendent Members have the right to make motions and vote on all business transacted at all meetings. For the calendar year 1996, the Society has not required any documented proof of descent from PHILIPPE DE LA NOYE. Payment: Please make your check payable to: DELANO KINDRED, INC., and mail to P.O. Box 2835, Duxbury, MA 02331, Attention: Membership.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: If you change your address, let us know what your new address is. The Bonnes Nouvelles is sent by

"bulk rate" mail which cannot be forwarded to your new address.

DELANO KINDRED REGIONAL VOLUNIEER CONTACTS

One of our goals is to bring the DELANO KINDRED closer to you. Another is to contact more DELANO's and Allied Families and to tell them about the DELANO KINDRED and their heritage. Director C.E. "Ed" Delano of Dallas has taken on the task organizing a group of volunteers/contacts throughout North America. This effort, which Ed calls "Operation Network" is an outgrowth of the item on our 1994 Annual Questionnaire concerning State/Regional Assistance. These volunteer contacts will be of great assistance by contacting descendants in their regional area and by being available as contacts by potential members in their area.

In 1992, it was estimated that there were over 1,800 DELANO surnamed households in the United States with a total family population of over 5,000. When you consider all the descendants from Allied Families, 5,000 is only the tip of the "descendant iceberg." To make the KINDRED a viable society, we have to grow. You don't have to be a volunteer to help. You can contact DELANO's and non-surnamed descendants in your town. Tell them about the DELANO KINDRED and pass their name on to the nearest volunteer/contact. Listed below is the current list of volunteer/contacts by Region and Division. You will see that there are vacancies in quite a few states and only one or two volunteer/contacts in states with large populations. We need your help!

If you feel you can help or just be available as a contact, please contact Ed at 3536 Duchess Trail, Dallas, TX 75229, ph. (214) 350-4972. You too can be a volunteer/contact in the privacy of your own home, using your time as you can spare it.

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1995 NEW MEMBERS

Since the beginning of the calendar year to July, the following have become members or associate members of the DELANO KINDRED. Welcome folks!

Vermont: California: Michigan: Davis, Martha Delano Dyer, Wayne C. Craviotto, Christine Virginia: Haines, Jr., Joseph E. Delano, Ann Louise Haines, Marilyn D. Steele Delano, Betty Tillery Delano, Erlene Ochs Delano, Dietrich Dean Rizzardi, Mary Delano Delano, James Brookings Delano, T. Reginald Lynds, Ardell J. Parkman Missouri: Kelly, Sarah Delano Wells, Guila Delano Pires, Patricia Delano Moore, Nancy Delano Nevada: Connecticut: Myers, Christopher P. Allen, Alfred L. Cherry, Karen Seymore Myers, Elizabeth C. Ohio: Florida: Atwell, William R. Washington: Doellinger, Margaret Pennsylvania: Delano, Land Lazowska, Mrs. Gene Delano Benton, Richard Dana Stender, Virginia LeMay Worster, Louise Gower Tennessee: Wisconsin: Illinois: Finwick, Verna L. Adkins, Loraine P. Nunamaker, Clarissa Delano

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Significant Dates in DELANO History

We thought you might be interested in the following dates or anniversaries of DELANO significances that will be coming up during the last quarter of 1995. We have attempted to compile a list of dates when day and month are known, of dates involving Philippe De La Noye, his children (e) and his grandchildren (gs) & (gd).

1 Oct (1687)	Elizabeth Churchill (gd) b. (The 1st child of Rebecca Delano & John Churchill)
11 Oct (1684)	John Delano (gs) b. (The 6th child of John & Mary Weston Delano)
27 Oct (1686)	Mercy (gd) b. (The 5th child of Lt. Jonathan & Mercy Warren Delano)
29 Oct (1695)	Nathaniel (gs) b. (The 10th child of Lt. Jonathan & Mercy Warren Delano)
30 Oct (1667)	Benoni (gs) b. (The 1st child of Dr. Thomas & Rebecca Alden Delano)
6 Nov (1603)	Philippe de La Noye (de Lannoy) is baptized in the Old Walloon Church in Leiden (392 years ago)
8 Nov (1682)	Jabez (gs) b. (The 3rd child of Lt. Jonathan and Mercy Warren Delano)
9 or 11 Nov (1621)	Philippe arrives off Cape Cod in the FORTUNE
12 Nov (1668/9)	Thomas (gs) b. (The 2nd child of Dr. Thomas and Rebecca Alden Delano)
29 Nov (1655)	Mary Delano (c) md. Jonathan Dunham
11 Dec (1708)	Philip Delano Jr.'s (c) will date
20 Dec (1691)	John (gs) b. (The 3rd child of Rebecca Delano & John Churchill)
28 Dec (1686)	Rebecca (c) md. John Churchill
28 Dec (1720)	Lt. Jonathan Delano (c) died in Dartmouth (now Falmouth, MA)

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It is planned to publish the next Bonnes Nouvelles #17 (Dec. 1995); and the following four Bonnes Nouvelles as follows: #18 (March 1996); #19 (June 1996); #20 (Sept. 1996); #21 (Dec. 1996).

It has been our practice to mail one BONNES NOUVELLES to each member-household address. We would be happy to mail one copy of each issue of the BONNES NOUVELLES to each member at a household address if desired. It may be desirable, especially in the case of Family Memberships, that more than one copy be sent to an address. If you desire another member in your household to receive a copy, please send the name and membership number of the member to which the additional issue is to be sent to George B. DeLano, Editor, 521 Buffer Drive, Virginia Beach, VA 23462.



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