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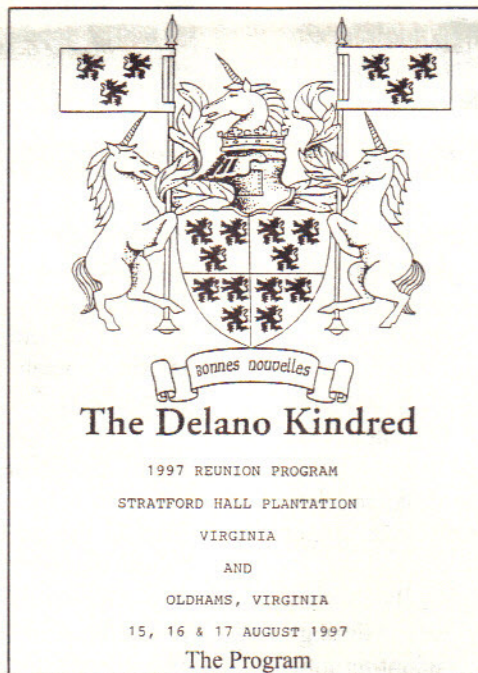
The DELANO KINDRED is a Society, incorporated in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, organized exclusively for educational and charitable purposes to perpetuate the memory and genealogy of the ancestors and descendants of PHILIPPE DE LA NOYE, the progenitor of most DELANOs in the Americas, who arrived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

THE 1997 REUNION

Well, cousins the 1997 Reunion was a wonderful experience. We have never blended the DELANO KINDRED Reunion with one of our "branch" Delano Reunions. Let me tell you it was an exciting experience! Over fifty DELANO KINDRED members attended the affairs at the Stratford Plantation. Some were only able to attend either the Friday's or the Saturday's festivities, while many were able to participate in the entire program of events.

The descendant who came the longest distance was **Warren C. DeLano** from Santa Monica, California. Others who traveled a long distance included **Carolyn Clarke** from Salt Lake City, Utah; **Ed and Lee Delano** from Dallas, Texas; **Gula and J. Delbert Wells** from Jefferson City, Missouri; **Muriel and Ren Cushing** from

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WE HAVE MADE CONTACT WITH OUR COUSINS FROM CHILE

One of our ongoing efforts has been to make contact with the descendants of Commander Paul Delano CN (1775 - 1847). Commander Paul Delano (GHAHD pg. 470), born in Fairhaven, MA, was the thirteenth son of Nathan Delano and his first wife, Sarah Tripp.

He began his career as boy in his teens and, in a brief period gained command of a ship. About 1803 he sold his house to Jabez Delano Sr. and went to New York where he soon was a master of trans-

Atlantic freighters. In 1811 while Captain of a ship loaded with cotton, bound from Savannah to Liverpool, yellow fever broke out on board. All members of the crew died save the Captain, Mate

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CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE DELANO KINDRED GENEALOGICAL PROGRAM

As you are aware, one of the goals of the DELANO KINDRED is to perfect and update the Delano Genealogy compiled by Joel Andrew Delano in 1899. It was a monumental task to compile the vast amount of data provided by many DELANOs throughout the Americas. It also involved several trips to Europe by various cousins assisting him in this project. Because of the traditional naming patterns used by many families, it is not surprising our Family Branches and sub-branches have similar names; such as Philips, Thomases, Johns, Jonathans and Samuels as well as Marys, Janes, Esthers and Rebeccas.

Add these name repetitions to the reappearing names from families who are allied to us through marriage and you have situations that are genealogically complex to unravel. Consequently, errors were made in placing descendants of Philippe De La Noye and other DELANNOYs in the various lines.

In order to perfect the genealogical lines in the GHAARD it is necessary to provide documentation that supports or corrects the data printed in the original Delano Genealogy. In many cases this requires considerable research and effort to find and then obtain copies of these documents.

Updating the GHAARD, by bringing the various lines forward from the end of the 19th. century through almost the entire 20th. century, is also a daunting job. Although the supporting genealogical documents are more recent, the number of lines have increased

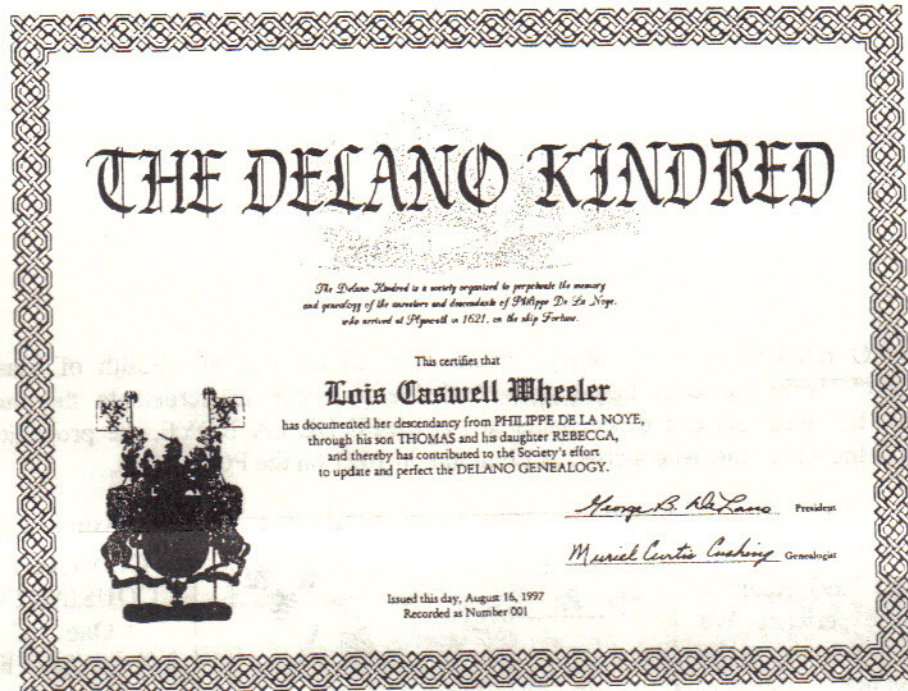
In order to recognize those members who have completed the task of documenting their descendancy from Philippe De La Noye, a certificate which recognizes their effort has been developed. Cousin **Verna Finwick** designed this multicolored certificate

with the help of her husband **Harvey Finwick**. The black and white example shown below gives you an idea of what it looks like.

Within the gold border on light, cream colored, paper is a light gray silhouette of the FORTUNE, as viewed from what became the settlement of Duxbury, sailing into Plymouth on a misty day. All the printing is in black. The statement under the FORTUNE says "The Delano Kindred is a society organized to perpetuate the memory and genealogy of the ancestors and

and descendants of Philippe De La Noye, who arrived at Plymouth in 1621, on the ship Fortune."

Since cousin **Lois C. Wheeler** was the first to complete her documentation we have taken the liberty of using her certificate in this example. You will note that the certificate also



identifies the Branch and sub branch of her lineage, by stating that she "... has documented her descendancy from Philippe De La Noye through his son Thomas and his daughter Rebecca, and thereby has contributed to the Society's effort to update and perfect the DELANO GENEALOGY."

The de Lannoy Coat of Arms, complete with the motto BONNES NOUVELLES placed in the lower left is in color. The colors are more vivid than those used in the on the same arms in the GHAARD, but follow exactly the color scheme used there.

The certificate is signed by the President and the Genealogist in the lower right. The date it was issued and its record number is centered at the bottom.

It's fine looking certificate and is well worth framing!

THE 1997 ANNUAL MEETING

The 1997 Annual Meeting of the DELANO KINDRED was called to order on Saturday, 16 August 1997 at 9:35 a.m. in the Council House at Stratford Hall, VA by President George B. DeLano.

A quorum of 39 members was present.

Recording Secretary's Report. The Minutes of the 1996 Annual Meeting held at the Plimoth Plantation, Plymouth, Massachusetts on Saturday, 10 August 1996 were read by Megan D. Ralph and were approved with one minor typographical correction.

Treasurer's Report. The Treasurer's Report was read. Total receipts were \$5,985.25 and total expenditures were \$4518.49, leaving a gross surplus of \$1466.76. However, \$581.00 of the gross surplus was for the Memorial Fund and \$1152.00 was advance dues for 1998 through 2001. Subtracting that amount out left an unadjusted net deficit of (\$266.24). The FY 1996 Treasurer's Report showed 1997 advance dues receipts of \$446.00. These advance dues, when added in yield and adjusted gross surplus of \$179.76. The Memorial Fund Balance grew to \$2,090.00. The Opening Balance was \$5079.30 and the Closing Balance was 6,546.06. Of that Closing Balance about \$3000.00 were available for Fiscal Year 1998. The Treasurer's Report was accepted. All members present received a copy of the report.

Elections. The Report of the Nominating Committee was read, nominating Arthur Brookins Delano to the Nominating Committee for a three-year term. There were no nominations from the floor and he was elected by the majority present.

Genealogist's Report. Genealogist, Muriel Cushing reported on the progress made in discussions with the Mayflower Society regarding the publishing, in the MFIP format, of the first four generations of Philippe De La Noye. The DELANO KINDRED will receive a small royalty from the booklets published. The DELANO KINDRED will benefit from the Mayflower Society's genealogical reputation. She announced, that thanks to Donald R. Delano of Port Huron, MI, the grave site of Joel Andrew Delano, the compiler of the GHAARD, has been located in Grand Rapids, MI. She thanked Carolyn E. Clarke for her very valuable help in the Kindred's Genealogical Program. She also thanked Verna L. Finwick and her husband Harvey for the design of the newly created certificate recognizing

those who have documented their lineage back to Philippe De La Noye.

Regional Contact Committee. Chairman Ed Delano said that the committee consisted of about 30 volunteers to contact members. He said sometimes it takes a long time to make contacts. For example, he said in Dallas, TX, it took him three years to make three contacts. He said persistence pays off. He said the goal is to have at least one contact volunteer in every state. He also said we need to be thinking about the next generation of potential members.

Membership and Memorial Committees. Nancy Delano, chair of both committees gave the following reports:

Membership Committee. So far this year we have gained 41 new members, however, we had to send out 95 reminder cards to members who had not renewed their annual dues. Not all of those members have renewed. She pointed out that when a member is late in renewing, it costs the Kindred at least 55 cents to send one back newsletter that he missed -- a fifty one percent increase over the bulk rate postage cost.

Memorial Committee. Nancy said, based on discussions last year with the Duxbury Memorial Library Representative, the cost of a contribution to have a room name for Philippe De La Noye was extremely high and therefore prohibitive; given the amount of money in the Memorial Fund. Contacts are being made concerning a rock memorial marker to be placed on Duxbury High School property. The Duxbury School Board has also been contacted.

1997 Annual Report.

Data Base Transfer. George DeLano reported that transfer of the member data base had been held up due to computer problems and moves.

InterNet. He thanked Frank P. Delano for getting DELANO KINDRED E-mail List Server on the InterNet. He thanked Margaret Glendinning of San Marcos, TX for sending in her InterNet booklet for genealogists which was largely published in the *Bonnes Nouvelles*.

Certificates of Recognition. He thanked Verna L. Finwick and her husband Harvey for crafting the fine looking recognition certificate for those who documented their lineage.

Chilean Cousins. He announced that thanks to Victor Delano of Chevy Chase, MD we have made

contact with some of our Delano cousins living in Chile.

The Melville Society. He noted the interest by Professor Kris Lackey in the DELANO KINDRED with respect to Herman Melville's relationship to the Narratives by Capt. Amasa Delano.

Joel Andrew Delano Gravesite. He also thanked Don Delano for his work in discovering the location of Joel A. Delano's grave.

Membership Rate. He said he was encouraged that at the end of July we had over 340 paid up members compared to 320 for the entire calendar year of 1996.

Bonnes Nouvelles. He thanked all those who sent in articles or information for the *Bonnes Nouvelles* and particularly Muriel Cushing for all her genealogical contributions to the Newsletter. He

said he would make every effort to include them in the Newsletter subject to space limitations "Sometimes it takes a few issues to get everything in," he said.

Operating Budget. The President gave an overview of the FY 1988 Operating Budget. He pointed out the budget income and expenditures were based on a membership of 360 members. Since some members pay their dues in advance at the lower advance dues rate and taking into account the family group membership rate, for families with minor children, the income per member was adjusted to \$9.00 per member. He also cited the reasoning for the increases in all expenditure line items. The membership approved the proposed operating budget shown below.

APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 1998

INCOME (Based on a membership of 360 members).....	\$ 3240.00
EXPENDITURES	
Administration.....	\$350.00
Annual Meetings	450.00
Genealogy Program.....	400.00
Bonnes Nouvelles publishing.....	2,000.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES-	\$3,200.00
FUNDS REMAINING.....	<u>\$40.00</u>

Awarding of Recognition Certificates. Verna L. Finwick showed the members present the newly developed certificates recognizing those members who have contributed to the DELANO KINDRED Genealogical Program by documenting their lineage back to Philippe De La Noye. In recognition of her leadership and great effort in the DELANO KINDRED Genealogical Program, a framed Certificate was given to Genealogist Muriel C. Cushing. Certificates were given to all those members present who had completed their documentation.

1998 Annual Meeting. It was announced that the tentative site for the 1998 Annual Meeting now under investigation was Fairhaven, Massachusetts. The site committee of Ernest Towers and Dorthea Harris are expected to make their report to the Board of Directors by the end of September. The date of the Annual Meeting will be the Saturday after the Alden Kindred Reunion. An announcement will be in the December *Bonnes Nouvelles*.

Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

1997 ANNUAL QUESTIONNAIRE

As in past years, we include our Annual Questionnaire in our Fall or Winter *Bonnes Nouvelles*. This year, we distributed it to those members attending the 1997 Reunion. This year's questionnaire seeks the thoughts and suggestions of our members about the Philippe De La Noye Memorial Fund and our Memorial Fund in general. Also, we ask for comments or thoughts you would like to share with us about the DELANO KINDRED. We would like the completed questionnaires to be mailed to reach us by December 1997.

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THE 1997 REUNION (continued from page 1)

Punta Gorda Isles, Florida; **Frances Mitchell** from Sarasota, Florida; **Herman, Charlene and Bridgette DeLano** from Shelby and Gowen, Michigan; **Robert and Nancy Delano** from Duxbury, Massachusetts; **Verna and Harvey Finwick** from Sevierville, Tennessee; **Jeanne Delano** from Charlotte, North Carolina. **Carol Kumpf and her son Paul** from Buffalo, NY attended the Crab Feast Saturday evening. As you would expect, Virginian members were in the majority and mainly those from the Northern Neck of Virginia.

Many members arrived at Stratford Hall Plantation before the registration period and were able to tour the Great House early Friday afternoon.

At registration a cool punch was served to quench the thirst of those arriving in the heat of the day. Visiting and getting acquainted with new-found cousins continued from registration through the light buffet dinner served in the Stratford Dining Room which is located in a forest about two miles east of the Great House. After a delicious "light", but plentiful, buffet the fellowship and pleasantries continued, finally moving to the comfortable living room of the Cheek House nearby.

Early risers on Saturday were able to take a stroll on the road to the Grist Mill. Some were fortunate to see the deer in the meadow along the road. The buffet breakfast was superb and again there was plenty to eat. Late registration and the 1997 Annual Meeting were held in the Council House not far from the Dining Room. One of the highlights during the Annual Meeting was the presentation of certificates to those members who had documented their descendancy line back to Philippe De La Noye (see the accompanying article in this issue).

After the Annual Meeting and the "group picture" cousin **Frank Delano** discussed the Civil War information that he had received from various members. He found DELANOs involved in the conflict were scattered over all parts of the nation. Members were given a sheet showing the location of Union Civil War events listed in the GHAHD. Unfortunately, there is little information of our southern ancestors in the Civil War. Frank pointed out that the Virginia Northern Neck was only subject to intermittent skirmishes, since most of the action was west along the route from Washington

through Fredericksburg to Richmond and in the Shenandoah Valley. He said he found that many of his ancestors were involved in smuggling people and contraband across the Potomac River.

We found that Saturday had turned out to be a HOT August day. Many took the opportunity to eat their lunch inside the cool, air-conditioned confines of the Council House. Others found that there was a relatively cool breeze in the shade outside. After "siesta" break, the group drove in convoy to Ingledew Farm in Oldhams to join in the Northern Neck Delano Reunion festivities.

We found large Delano Reunion signs along the road when we were five miles away, making it easy to find. You knew you were at the right farm because there was a large sign on the side of the barn which said DELANO. We had a short time to look around inside the barn and find that it was full of pictures and other interesting memorabilia of Captain George and his Virginia descendants. When we made the Pilgrimage Walk (with over 100 other cousins who were descendants of Capt. George Delano) through the corn field to Pleasant View Farm, about a quarter of a mile away, we found that it was really getting HOT!

We found the cemetery back a ways from the house. The four oak trees that were planted at the corners of the cemetery, back in 1991 at the time of the first reunion of the descendants of Captain George and Nancy Delano, were now approaching twenty feet in height. Even in the heat Pastor Marable Southall - Vess in her white vestments appeared cool as she led the inspiring Dedication Service. The rock of Massachusetts brown stone brought to Virginia by cousins **Frank P. Delano** and **Stan Terhune** looked impressive and was engraved as follows:

DELANO
Capt. GEORGE
(1784 - 1848)
NANCY
(d. 1863)

JOHN WESLEY
AUGUSTUS & MARY SPURLING
NAOMI CLARKE & MAMIE
SUSAN HANNAH D. HUDSON

From the Delano Family genealogy pamphlet distributed at the registration desk at the farm, we learned that:



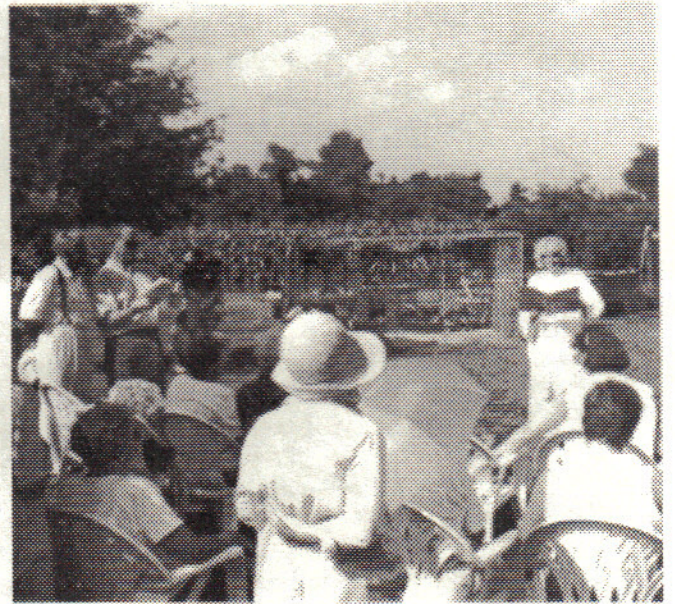
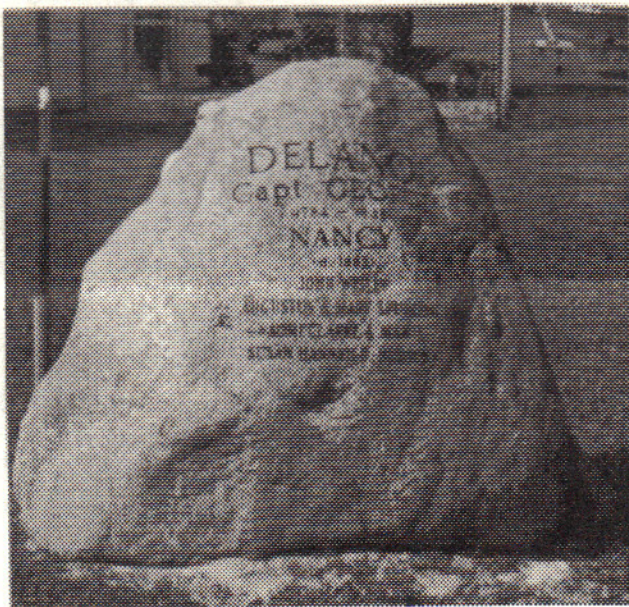
Upper left:
Visiting cousins

Upper right: More cousins

Middle left:
Muriel's certificate

Middle right: Civil War
speaker

Lower Left: Box lunches



Upper left: The barn
 Upper right: Inside exhibits
 Middle left:
 The cemetery stone
 Middle right: The dedication
 Lower left: Eatin' crab



THE 1997 REUNION

Group Picture

Front row (l.to r.): Megan Ralph, Bridgitte DeLano, the framed certificate, Susan Stryker, Carolyn Clarke, Chip Delano, and George DeLano.

Second row: Norma Smith, Dianne Conwell, Charlene DeLano, Semena Tinsley, Kitty DeLano, Nancy Delano, Lee Delano, Frances Mitchell, Margaret Delano, Virginia Kelley, Anne Bromley, Betty Delano, Pat Gray, Jean Jones, Allene Delano, Guila Wells, Diana DeLano, and Muriel Cushing.

Third row: Robert Bisbee Delano, George Conwell, Rick Ralph, Verna Finwick, Warren DeLano, Jeanne Delano, Ed Delano, Harvey Finwick, Frank Delano, Robert Barnes Delano, Ernest Delano, Herman DeLano, D. Dean Delano, Ren Cushing, Wilton Delano, Lancelot Delano, and J. Delbert Wells.

Pictures on page 7, all names from left to right.

Upper left: Guila and J. Delbert Wells talk with Lee Delano.

Upper right (foreground): Anne Bromely, Virginia Kelley and Martha Delano,

Middle left: Muriel Cushing shows her framed certificat to Susan Stryker,

Jeanne Delano, Kitty DeLano, and Megan Ralph.

Middle right: Frank Delano tells of DELANOs in the Civil War.

Lower left: Herman, Bridgette, and Charlene DeLano with box lunches.

Pictures on page 8.

Upper left: The DELANO barn on Ingledew Farm.

Upper right: Some of the displays inside the barn.

Middle left: The inscribed stone monument in the Delano Family Cemetery on Pleasant View Farm.

Middle right: The Dedication Service with Minister Marable Southall - Vess.

Lower left: Warren DeLano, Kitty DeLano, Megan Ralph, and a mess of Crabs.

JOHN WESLEY DELANO (1833 - 1842) was the fifth child of Captain George and Nancy Delano.

AUGUSTUS DELANO (1826 - 1867) was the second child who married MARY SPURLING (1816 - 1891).

NAOMI CLARKE (1853 - 1870) was the wife of Captain George's grandson George Taylor Delano (1848 - 1933).

MAMIE DELANO (1870 - 1870) was the child (infant) of George Taylor and Naomi Clarke Delano.

SUSAN HANNAH D. HUDSON (1848 - 1868) was the tenth child who married Robert Hudson.

After the dedication ceremony we returned to Ingledew Farm. There was a cooling breeze that drifted under the large tent and into the barn. We found a place at a table for a wonderful Northern Neck Summer Feast of Steamed Crabs, Fried Chicken, Country Ham, and fresh tomatoes and vegetables and many other delicious delights. The serious, experienced crab eaters brought their own "crab pickin equipment" to easily remove the meat from the shell.

While waiting for the music to start we had a chance to look at the exhibits in the barn. Probably the oldest and perhaps the most cherished item was the small leather covered box Captain George gave to Nancy Delano. There was a computer as well as a copying machine so that you could make your own genealogical descendancy lines or copy some of the genealogical data available there.

We met and visited with many people there. We met the youngest cousin there -- **Susannah Lindsey Gilmore**, who was two weeks old. We talked with **Garnett Delano** who may have been the oldest cousin there; since he was over 93 years old. In earlier years Garnett had taken photographs of almost every plate in the front of an original GHAAHD, thereby ensuring that a record was made of those plates. On our second time through the food line we visited briefly with **Sara Delano Kelly** who was one of the many ladies who help serve the delicious meal. Later there was plenty of foot-stompin music provided by the "Ramblers" an aggregation of Northern Neck, Country and Western musicians.

It was a most memorable and enjoyable evening. We heartily thank cousin Frank Delano

and the many cousins who worked so very hard to make it happen!

We joined many of our DELANO cousins at the Ebenezer United Methodist Church in Sunday. The service was a pleasant and fitting finale to an unforgettable Reunion.

KUDOS

As Tony the Tiger would say: THE 1997 REUNION WAS GRRRRREAT!!!

We wish to thank **Frank Delano** and the entire Delano Reunion Committee for a well organized, super, and unforgettable Reunion on the farm and also **George DeLano** and all those who helped him with the DELANO KINDRED Reunion and Meeting. It was a great "double-header".

We have heard from many of our cousins who attended the Reunion and kindly wrote notes to us about how much they enjoyed it, including cousins **Dianne Conwell, Ed Delano, Warren DeLano, Guila and Delbert Wells**.

Among the comments included were:

"We had such a grand time at the Delano Reunion -"

"We thank you both for all the work you have done . . . It's great to see so many people interested in dead relatives as well as those that are still kicking, albeit not too high. It is very good, however, to see some younger people interested in their ancestors."

"We certainly enjoyed the part of the reunion we attended."

"Just a line to congratulate you on a fine meeting . . . it was well organized and you handled it very well. The facilities were very enjoyable and conducive to an easy, relaxed annual meeting."

"I liked this last meeting in particular because there was a local 'enclave' of DELANOs'. I am sorry that they did not attend the morning meeting- but assume the were busy setting up" (at Ingledew Farm)-"which was Fantastic!"

"I think I speak for just about everyone who was there when I say: "The Meetings went very well - The Barn Display was great; the Dedication was inspirational; and the Food, Music, and Fellowship, were all excellent. All in all: **A FOUR STAR RATING. Thanks for all you did!"**

THERE HAS BEEN A CHANGE IN YOUR MAILING LABEL

You may have noticed the label on your last *Bonnes Nouvelles* had slightly changed. We added one-digit after your name. That number represents the last digit in the calendar year that, according to our records, your dues have been paid. Several members including cousin **Wayne C. Dyer** of Groton, VT have suggested this or a similar change.

For example, if the number after your name is a "7", it means your dues have been paid through December 1997 and that you will need to renew your dues in 1998 to continue as a member in good standing in the DELANO KINDRED. When your 1998 dues are received an "8" should appear instead of a "7" after your name on the address label.

If you renew your dues for more than one year; for example, three years the number on your address label would change from a "7" to a "0" indicating our records show that your dues have been paid for the calendar years of 1998, 1999, and 2000.

We think this change will be an aid by reminding you when your status as a member in good standing will expire and that it is time to pay your dues. It will also allow you to check our record keeping system, and hopefully provide us with corrections when needed. We also hope it will reduce the number of reminder post cards that we have to send out yearly and thus reduce our administrative costs.

DEPARTED COUSINS

We sadly report the deaths of three of our cousins.

Jewell Hubbard Plass d. 17 Nov. 1995

It is only recently we learned of the death of Cousin Jewell Hubbard Plass of Loganton, Pennsylvania. Jewell joined the DELANO KINDRED in 1993.

Clifford Stansberry and Elouise (Delano) Stansberry

Cousin Elouise (Delano) Stansberry of Evansville, Indiana died on 8 March 1997. Elouise was born on 18 May 1929. We understand her husband Clifford died just about three weeks later. Cousin Elouise joined the DELANO KINDRED in 1996. Among her survivors are her brother, cousin George Franklin Delano of Evansville, her sister, cousin Georgia Sessum of Weatherford, Texas, and a nephew cousin George T. Delano, of Evansville. We extend our belated condolences to them.

PHILIPPE DE LA NOYE MEMORIAL PROPOSED INSCRIPTION

As noted in the Treasurer's Report at the Annual Meeting, the Memorial Fund has now passed \$2000.00. It is clear that we may be approaching the point where we must make some definitive plans concerning the proposed Memorial to Philippe De La Noye.

As you recall the 1996 Questionnaire dealt with various aspects of a Memorial to Philippe. The results of that questionnaire were provided in the March - April 1997 *Bonnes Nouvelles* on page 9. We urge you to read the summary of the results and the comments. As was noted by cousin **Nancy Delano** the amount of money to name a room at the new Duxbury Library was extremely high, given the funds we have available. Also, the library is not on Philippe's original land. Other possibilities for providing some sort of memorial at the library, when reviewed under closer scrutiny, appeared less desirable than originally thought.

Since this will be our first memorial effort, and the preliminary discussions with representatives of the Duxbury High School Board several years ago were met with favorable interest, a Memorial Marker on some of the original land owned by Philippe seems to be more desirable.

As you probably know, his original 40 acres of land include much of the grounds of Duxbury High School and some of the adjacent private land on the High School side of St. George Street.

There are many questions that have to be resolved by the Memorial Committee before their recommendation can be given to the Board. Among them are:

- The stone marker: What kind, what shape and what size is desirable?
- Footing: Will a footing for the stone be required? If so what is the cost? The present location of the marker:
- Where is the desired stone and what will be the cost to transport it to the memorial site and place it in a permanent position?
- The inscription: What will the inscription say? This is of primary importance, because the inscription can determine the shape, the size and of course, to a significant degree, the cost of the Memorial.

To start the process, cousin **Frank Delano** has proposed an inscription. He has talked with several people who are knowledgeable in the inscription field including John Benson, the stone lettering master who designed the lettering for the inscriptions in the FDR Memorial, recently dedicated in Washington D.C. (see page 6 of *Bonnes Nouvelles* number 23 of June 1997). Among other things Benson said, "Writers in stone learn brevity."

With this in mind Frank proposes the following:

HERE LIVED

PHILIPPE DE LA NOYE

FATHER OF THE DELANO FAMILY IN THE
AMERICAS

Your Memorial Committee would like your comments and suggestions! Please use the Special Memorial Inscription Questionnaire provided with this *Bonnes Nouvelles*. Please make any comments or suggestions about the inscription in the form of a COMPLETE inscription.

1997 NEW MEMBERS

We are happy to recognize our "cousins" who have become new members joining the DELANO KINDRED during the period from mid-May to mid July. Welcome Aboard Cousins!

California

Evan Wolfson
Jenny Rebecca Owen-Wolfson

Massachusetts

Nathan E. Tissot

Virginia

Esther Packet Elliott
W. Edward Elliott
Rebecca Delano Pritchard

E-MAIL ADDRESS

Cousin Ernest Towers informs us he has an E-Mail address which is as follows: erniet3@juno.com

WE HAVE MADE CONTACT WITH OUR COUSINS FROM CHILE (continued from page 1) and Cabin Boy. The ship was brought safely into port by the survivors.

In 1818 he was contracted by the Chilean government to command one of the U.S. built, sailing ships purchased by Chile to be used in Chile's struggle for independence from Spain. Commander Paul Delano was the "Captain" of the 830 ton, 28 gun, corvette CURIACO, which arrived in Valparaiso in June 1819. On arrival the ship received the name INDEPENDENCIA. In Chilean history Paul Delano became known as Commander Don Pablo Délano Jefferson. At this point we are at a loss to understand the reason for the name Jefferson, since genealogically in Chile, his name is Pablo Délano Tripp, following the Spanish custom of using both his father's and then his mother's surnames.

Commander Don Pablo Délano did not serve on the INDEPENDENCIA, but he accompanied Admiral Lord Thomas Cochrane (Commander of the new Chilean Navy) as Chief of the Convoy of 16 transport ships which carried 4,400 Chilean and Argentinean soldiers, 35 artillery guns and 800 horses in the campaigns for Peruvian Independence in 1819 and 1820 and again in an expedition to Mexico in 1821 in support of the final effort to gain Mexican independence from Spain. Later that same year while in command of the LAUTARO, he participated in the famous night combat at Callao, Peru (Lima's seaport), which ended in the capture of seven Spanish vessels and the surrender of the defending forts.

In 1822 he was Commander of the Navy Yard in the Port of Valparaiso. Two years later he was commissioned to construct the first pier of that port which could be partly lifted in order to protect against northerly storms. He also worked on the installation of the first Chilean nautical signal service. Later he became the Commander of the Port of Talcahuano. In 1830 he wrote Capt. Jabez Delano Jr. that Talcahuano had experienced an earthquake and the ensuing tidal wave. "I have lost everything I possess on earth, and am now ready for the first fashion." In 1837 he was called to equip the expedition against General Santa Cruz of Bolivia, which was being prepared by the Chilean government.

Until mid 1840 he was again Commander of the Port of Valparaiso. During this time he directed the construction, in accordance with his own drawings, of the first beacon (telegraphy) of Chile located at Playa Ancho, Punta Angeles. He retired for reasons of health and died 4 February 1842 at the age of 66 years.

Commander Paul married Ann Ferguson in Fairhaven on 13 April 1800. They had five children. One son, Paul Hinkley Délano (or Paul Délano Fergusson), had four wives and twenty five children so there was reason to believe that there were many Délano descendants of Philippe De La Noye in Chile.

Cousin Victor Delano of Chevy Chase, Maryland, has been trying to obtain addresses of our Chilean cousins. In early July he obtained, through one of his contacts, the name of Senora Adriana Délano de Villaseca of Santiago, Chile. Your President, George DeLano, wrote a short letter to her explaining the DELANO KINDRED's interest in contacting our Chilean cousins.

In a week and a half he was delighted to receive a phone call from Adriana Délano telling of her interest and that she would be happy to send any genealogical information we would like through her son Alfredo Villaseca Délano, who travels frequently to the United States. She also said that her nephew, Juan Pablo Délano T. is very interested in genealogy and that she would inform him of our interest.

Since then there have been several exchanges of correspondence by FAX and, through the auspices of cousin Victor, arrangements have been made for a small meeting with cousin Juan Pablo Délano in Washington DC on 14 September. At the time of this writing we were delighted to have received a large amount of genealogical and historic information from cousin Adriana Délano de Villaseca. Some of this information was used in the above paragraphs about Paul Délano Tripp.

We plan to include a series of articles in future *Bonnes Nouvelles* about our Chilean Cousins. We are extremely happy that we have made contact with them! We have included a FAN CHART of Commander Paul Délano father of Paul Hinkley Délano on page 10 .

CAPT. AMASA DELANO'S ADVENTURES AND HERMAN MELVILLE

You may recall the article in the March-April 1997 *Bonnes Nouvelles* (pg. 8) entitled Amasa Delano and the Melville Society. It has long been asserted that Herman Melville, author of *Moby Dick*, had taken the story of Amasa Delano's recapture of the Spanish ship TRYAL off the coast of Chile and used it as the plot in his story entitled *Benito Cereno*. The article also told of the meeting of Professor **Kris Lackey**, University of New Orleans, with cousins **Muriel Cushing** and **George DeLano** during the 1966 Reunion at the Plimoth Plantation. It was then learned that Prof. Lackey was a member of the Melville Society, an organization dedicated to the study of the life and literary works of Herman Melville.

It has been reliably established that Herman Melville used Captain Amasa Delano's (GHAARD pg. 210) *A Narrative of Voyages and Travels in the Northern and Southern Hemispheres* (Boston 1817) as the principal source for the *Benito Cereno* story and it was also one of his sources for *The Encantadas*. A question that intrigues the Melville Society is how Melville discovered Captain Amasa's Narrative.

One possibility is a Hubbard-Delano connection that developed from the sale of a copy of *The Whale* (the early title of *Moby Dick*) on 26 January at Sotheby Parke Bernet in New York¹. Prof. Lackey kindly provided us a copy of the *Extracts of the Melville Society* about the sale of this particular copy of Melville's most well known novel. This copy was identified as "Property of The Estate of Henry Hubbard Middlecoff"². "What made this copy remarkable, however, was not its condition but two handwritten notes that it contained. The first of these is a ten-line presentation inscription in ink on the front free endpaper of the first volume: "Henry Hubbard / from his old Shipmate/ and Watchmate / On board the good ship / Acushnet / (Alas wrecked at last / on the Nor' West) / Herman Melville / March 23d 1853 / Pittsfield."³

Henry Fitch Hubbard, ACUSHNET shipmate of Herman Melville, was the grandfather of Henry Hubbard Middlecoff. Hubbard family tradition indicates that Henry Fitch Hubbard was a sea Captain in the "China Trade" sailing out of the east coast and that his ship put in to San Francisco for

repairs and became involved in the Gold Rush. He went back to the east coast with his ship and returned sometime later. He was settled in Stockton, CA in 1852⁴. Henry Fitch Hubbard's sister was named Sarah Delano Hubbard who was "the wife of Amasa Rice, a prosperous farmer of Pittsfield.⁵" According to the Extracts Melville took his family to Pittsfield, MA in mid-summer of 1850⁶. The Extracts go on to say, "The fact that the middle name of Hubbard's sister was "Delano" is enough to make any student of Melville wonder whether there is a connection between the Hubbards and Captain Amasa Delano. . ."7. "Indeed there is: Henry and Sarah Hubbard's mother Eliza" (Delano) "Fitch was a fourth cousin of Amasa Delano. (She was a great-great-granddaughter of "(Lt.)" Jonathan Delano (1647 - 1723)): and Amasa Delano was a great-great-grandson of "(Dr.)"Thomas Delano (1641 - 1723), a brother of Jonathan.)⁸". "It seems reasonable to suppose, therefore, that Henry Hubbard went to Pittsfield to visit his sister . . . and perhaps only after he was there did he learn that his former shipmate resided in the same town.⁹"

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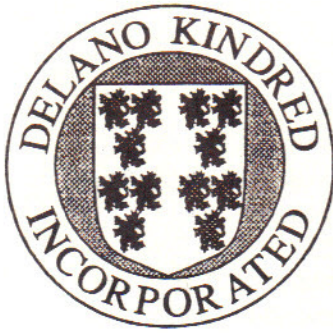
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