



# BONNES NOUVELLES

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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.

### A MEETING WITH A CHILEAN COUSIN

As we mentioned in the September *Bonnes Nouvelles* we were about to meet with Cousin **Juan Pablo Délano** in Washington D.C. on 14 September. Cousin **Victor Delano** graciously hosted a small gathering of DELANOs at the famed Chevy Chase Golf Club just over the District of Columbia line in Chevy Chase, MD. It was a delightful and historic meeting in a most pleasant setting. We are pleased to include Cousin **Frank Delano's** record of the event which was already disseminated on the [bigtree@3n.net](mailto:bigtree@3n.net).

#### Dinner with Juan Pablo Délano

In the event the block-long stone wall along Connecticut Avenue in Washington doesn't convey the message, The Chevy Chase Golf Club in Washington advertises itself with a small sign at the entrance saying "Private."

Through that gate, past the huge old portraits of women in gowns and men in riding habit in the club's meeting rooms, in a scattering of white wooden lawn chairs at the edge of a

verdant enormity of grass and greens and fairways, a fascinating bridging of time and distance occurred Sunday night when four North American Delanos dined with two South

American cousins. Victor Delano hosted the dinner. Victor is a retired Navy Captain like George DeLano, president of the DELANO KINDRED. George was there with his wife Diana and before our

South American cousins arrived, Victor told us of two previous contacts with the Chilean branch of the family.

In 1907, Victor's father was a fresh Annapolis graduate on board a ship in the Great White Fleet making its famous circumnavigation. He became ill and was put ashore at Valparaiso. When word got out that the young American naval officer named Delano was ill, Chilean Délanos descended upon his hospital and supervised his recovery.

In 1962, Victor, also an Annapolis graduate, was a young Captain in Chile with a

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JUST A REMINDER  
THE 1998 MEMBERSHIP YEAR  
STARTS 1 JANUARY  
HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES  
FOR 1998?  
IF YOU ARE NOT SURE PLEASE  
CHECK YOUR ADDRESS LABEL

## JOEL ANDREW DELANO, COMPILER OF THE GHAAHD, GRAVESITE FOUND

There have been many inquiries about Joel Andrew DeLano the compiler of The Genealogy History and Alliances of the American House of DELANO 1621 1899 (known to the DELANO KINDRED as the GHAAHD). Where did he die? Where is he buried? And what happened to his papers? Here is a man who devoted nearly ten years researching and recording our ancestors and now, nearly 100 years later, none of us know what became of him.

Thanks to Cousin **Don DeLano** of Port Huron, MI we now have the answers to two of these questions. When learning of the search for Joel's grave by Cousins **George** and **Herman DeLano** (*Bonnes Nouvelles* #21), Don started off early (rising at 2 a.m.) and through rainy weather and a flat tire, drove to Grand Rapids, MI to find these results for the KINDRED.

**Joel Andrew DELANO** (GHAAHD pg. 357-359) died in Grand Rapids, MI of bronchitis at the home of his niece Florence (DeLano) Dickerson on 25 April 1901. His brother Dennis, who is recorded as the "informant" on Joel's death record, worked with Joel as co-compiler of the GHAAHD and the presumption is that Dennis, who died later on 14 May 1906, retained the paperwork. Both Joel and Dennis were widowers and lived with Dennis's daughter Florence until their deaths. Florence would have then received the papers used to compile the GHAAHD. Don DeLano is still trying to locate their whereabouts by contacting descendants. Incidentally, Don is descended from George Washington DeLano, brother to Joel and Dennis.

Joel A. DeLano is buried in the Oakhill Cemetery at 647 Hall St. S.E., in Grand Rapids, MI. His gravestone, shown in Don's accompanying photograph, calls him Capt. which is his last active duty rank and indicates he was the Commanding Officer of Company F of the 51st. Indiana Volunteer Regiment. He was promoted to the rank of Major in the 51st. Indiana Veterans Volunteer Infantry 1 Oct. 1865 by Gov. Oliver P. Morton of Indiana. He was mustered out of the regular Army service on

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## PAUL HINCKLEY DELANO FERGUSON

**Paul H. Delano** was born in New York City on 2 April 1806, the son of Paul Delano and Ann Ferguson. He was educated in Boston, but when his father, an experienced Master of transatlantic sailing vessels went to Chile to assist with the formation of the Chilean Navy under Admiral Lord Cochrane, young Paul wanted to become a mariner like his father.

At the age of fifteen, as a midshipman, **Pablo Délano Fergusson**, as he was known, became the aid-de-camp to Lord Cochrane. At this young age he participated in the capture of the Spanish frigate *ESMERALDA* at the port of Callao, the last strong hold of the Spanish in Peru.

It should be noted that this battle at the port of Callao was a Délano family affair. Besides young Paul there was his father, Paul Délano Tripp, who was the Chief of Convoy for Lord Cochrane and was in charge of the 16 ships carrying the invasion force of infantry, cannon and horses. In this respect his father was the equivalent of the amphibious commander in the amphibious warfare operations of today.

He retired from the navy and on 3 September 1826 he married his first wife Teresa Gregoria Edwards Osandon. Concerned that the Chilean Délano line was in danger Teresa bore him fourteen children. She died in 1844 and he married Petronila Rojas who bore him five more children. We understand he married four times, the last being Maria de las Mercedes (Biggs) Arey who bore him six more children. Truly Pablo Hinckley Délano can be called the father of the Chilean Délanos

In 1837 he was appointed Consul in Talcahuano by U.S. Charge d'Affaires Richard Pollard and he held this post until 1846 when he accepted the position of Consul of the Free City of Bremen, Germany, for the Province of Concepcion. It is interesting to note that when Paul H. Délano was American Consul at Talcahuano, Chile a "cousin" Franklin Hughes Delano (great uncle and namesake of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt) was Chilean Consul in New York.

While in Concepcion he dedicated himself to agriculture and industries. He established

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### DELANOs IN THE NEWS AND KUDOS

Cousin **Verna Finwick**, of Sevierville, TN has been providing 40 minute presentations to school age children and adults about why the Pilgrims and the Puritans left England, what the voyage was like, who were "Saints" and who were "Strangers," how they adapted to living in a New World, and the role of the Indians in their lives. She has documented her relationship to seven passengers on the MAYFLOWER. In Puritan costume and using herself as an "object lesson," she entertains and teaches through story telling and games. Verna has taught over two and a half thousand children and over a thousand adults in Tennessee through classroom visits, radio and TV. She generally works with one to three classes at a time, changing her program with each grade level. Nice going Verna!

Cousin **Robert Huber**, of Lexington, VA who is also a member of the Pilgrim John Howland Society, was honored with a Howland Society special Centennial award "For his outstanding editorship of the prize-winning and genealogical important Howland Quarterly and for his wise and relaxed leadership of the Howland-Tilley tours to England . . ." Congratulations Bob!

From the Kalamazoo Gazette we learned that Cousin **Suzanne Parish**, of Hickory Corners, MI was one of three inductees into the Experimental Aircraft Association (EEA) Warbirds Hall of Fame in Oshkosh, WI on 31 October 1997. Suzanne "was thrilled," she said, "especially being the first Lady Warbird pilot inducted." EEA President Tom Poberenzy said that his organization was proud to recognize and honor men and women who have contributed so much to the world of flight.

As you may recall, Suzanne is a member of the Michigan Aviation Hall of Fame (March/April 1995 *Bonnes Nouvelles* pg. 6). She and her husband, Pete, co-founded the Kalamazoo Aviation History Museum in 1977. Her "trademark," the pink P-40, was the color of the "desert pink" camouflage used in World War II in the Libyan Desert. The P-40 has been retired because it "couldn't keep up with me anymore" she said. She now flies a T-34 trainer or, for longer distances, her Conquest I twin turbo prop. Congratulations Suzanne!

Cousin **Muriel Cushing**, as the DELANO KINDRED Genealogist, has had two corrections published in the December 1997 *Mayflower Descendant*.

The first correction was discussed in the article "Another ALDEN Line?" in the June 1997 *Bonnes Nouvelles*. Though further research was being done at that time, Muriel was finally able to establish, through circumstantial evidence, that Mary (Delano) Hanks was a child of Thomas<sup>3</sup> Delano (whose mother was Rebecca Alden) and his wife Hannah Bartlett (GHAHHD pg. 181) and not of Philip<sup>4</sup> and Elizabeth (Dingley) Delano (GHAHHD pg. 126 & 127). As the editor of the *Mayflower Descendant* noted, the children of Thomas Delano and his wife Hannah Bartlett "...have presented a complex problem for the researchers of both the Alden and the Delano families. In the first volume of the *Mayflower Families Through Five Generations* on the Alden family, soon to be published, five probable children will be included, all based upon circumstantial evidence. One of those children is Mary Delano who married first John Hanks and second John Simons based upon the research by Mrs. Cushing."

The second correction involves two Jonathan Delanos. One was the son of Jonathan<sup>3</sup> Delano and Amy Hatch (GHAHHD pg. 296) and the other was the son of Jabez<sup>3</sup> and Mary Delano. Both lived in the Coventry, CT area. The identities of these two Jonathans are difficult to discern. A contributing factor to this difficulty is that Jonathan<sup>3</sup> who, as Tolland, CT Town Clerk, placed the births of his entire family on the Tolland records when, in fact, they were born elsewhere. Since Lt. Jonathan<sup>2</sup> Delano married Mercy Warren, granddaughter of Richard Warren of the MAYFLOWER, this correction will affect the Warren Family research by the Mayflower Society as well as the update of the GHAHHD. The correction in this branch is on page 6.

Muriel's corrections have not only benefited the research of the Mayflower Society and the update of the GHAHHD, but have given the DELANO KINDRED exposure in one of the more prestigious genealogical publications in world. Great work Muriel!

Cousin **Ginger (Virginia) Stender** of Tacoma, WA reports that she donated a GHAARD to the Fiske Library in Seattle. She is a member of that library and tries to help by adding to the library's genealogy collection. She has also donated some books through the 17th Century Colonial Dames headquarters in Washington D.C. Donating to your favorite library's genealogical collection is a GREAT IDEA! Good going Ginger!

## LOST AND FOUND THE GREAT FORTUNE COOKIE

### GHAARD CORRECTIONS

As mentioned elsewhere in this issue, our Genealogist **Muriel Cushing** has, through extensive research, found two corrections to the GHAARD. One of these corrections affect two Jonathans in the Lt. Jonathan DELANO Branch as follows:

GHAARD pg. 328.

**JONATHAN<sup>4</sup> DELANO** (Jonathan,<sup>3</sup> Lt. Jonathan,<sup>2</sup> Philippe<sup>1</sup>), son of Jonathan and Amy (Hatch) Delano, born at Dartmouth, Massachusetts, 2 Dec. 1715,<sup>1</sup> died at Tolland, Connecticut, between 31 May 1758 (will) and 2 February 1759 (when Nathan Harvey and Gideon Delano attested to his will).<sup>2</sup>

He married at Coventry, 2 November 1743,<sup>3</sup> **SUSANNAH WEST**, DAUGHTER OF Ebenezer and Susannah (Wales) West, born at Lebanon, Connecticut, 17 January 1718/9,<sup>4</sup> died after 31 May 1758 (husband's will).

Children of Jonathan & Susannah (West) DELANO, born at Coventry:<sup>5</sup>

i. **MARY**,<sup>6</sup> b. 18 Sept. 1744.

ii. **SUSANNAH**, b. 15 Feb. 1745.

iii. **ELIZABETH**, b. 31 Oct. 1747.

GHAARD pg. 421.

**JONATHAN<sup>4</sup> DELANO** (Jabez,<sup>3</sup> Lt. Jonathan,<sup>2</sup> Philippe<sup>1</sup>), son of Jabez and Prudence (Hibbard) Delano, born at Coventry, 23 November 1735,<sup>6</sup> died at Hartford, Vermont, 11 February 1816.<sup>7</sup>

He married, recorded at Tolland, 8 October 1754,<sup>8</sup> **ANNE/ANNA LADD**, daughter of Timothy and Esther (Parker) Ladd, born at

Coventry, 31 October 1734;<sup>9</sup> died at Hartford, Vermont, 11 February 1816.<sup>10</sup>

Children of Jonathan and Anna (Ladd) **DELANO**, recorded at Tolland<sup>11</sup> and Coventry<sup>12</sup> (GHAARD, pg. 328, claims Esther b. Amenia, N.Y.):

i. **JABEZ**,<sup>7</sup> b. 1 July 1755; d. "aft. 1776 in the field Rev." (GHAARD, pg. 328).

ii. **JONATHAN**, b. 10 Aug. 1757.

iii. **ANNE**, b. Coventry, 10 Aug. 1759.

iv. **PHILIP**, b. 15 June 1761 (GHAARD, says 14 Jan. 1761).

v. poss. **CALEB**, as twin to Philip, b. at Coventry, 15 Jan. 1761.

vi. **ESTHER**, b. 13 Aug. 1764.

vii. **ZEBULAN**, b. 19 Feb. 1767.

viii. **CLARENDA**, b. 10 June 1769.

ix. **MARGARET**, b. ca. 1773 (GHAARD pg. 328).

x. **HIBBARD**, b. 26 Aug. 1776 (GHAARD pg. 328).

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1. Warren MFIP, #205

2. Hartford, CT PR, #1572

3. Coventry Town Records, 137

4. Lebanon VR 1:327 (Barbour)

5. Coventry Town Records, 35

6. Coventry Town Records, 35

7. LDS Film #27765

8. Tolland VR, 1:97 (Barbour)

9. Coventry Town Records, 71

10. LDS Film #27756

11. Tolland VR, 1:97 (Barbour); The discrepancies in the dates may have been because the grandfather Jonathan<sup>3</sup> Delano, as Tolland Town Clerk, "placed births of his entire family" on the Tolland records when, in fact, they were born elsewhere (GHAARD pg. 328).

12. Coventry Town Records 35

### 1997 QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS

As you know it has been the policy of your DELANO KINDRED Board to annually seek your views concerning specific questions, through our Annual Questionnaire and also to offer an opportunity to comment on anything you wish. We received a good response and thank all those members who took their time to answer and return their copy of this year's questionnaire which was forwarded in the September issue of the *Bonnes Nouvelles*.

As you are probably aware The DELANO KINDRED, INC., because of its incorporation in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, must hold at least one membership meeting a year. Since we must follow this requirement, the opportunity exists to have a Reunion annually with little additional effort.

Through the desires expressed in the questionnaire, we have a policy of holding the Reunion in the Duxbury-Plymouth area on even years and, on odd years, in another state at a location where there is a significant DELANO history. This policy has allowed distant members who are not able to travel to Massachusetts to attend a Reunion nearer their home.

The 1997 Questionnaire dealt with the expansion of the site area of the "even-year" Reunions. Here is a summary of the results of responses:

**1. Do you favor expanding the area of the even-year Reunions to include a larger area of New England?** YES--88%, NO--4%, No Opinion--8%.

**2. If your answer to question 1. is YES, do you favor expanding the area to include southern Massachusetts, for example a radius of 50 miles from Plymouth, which would include Boston, the Cape Cod area and southern Massachusetts to the Providence, RI border?** YES--85%, NO--4%, No Opinion/Not Applicable--11%.

**3. If your answer to question 1. is YES, do you favor expanding the area farther than 50 miles to include bordering states such as RI, CT, VT, and NH.** YES--65%, NO--26%, No Opinion/Not Applicable--9%.

**4. If your answer to question 1. is NO, do you favor continuation of the policy of having the Reunions/Annual Meetings just in the Duxbury Plymouth area?** YES--8%, NO--12%, No Opinion/Not Applicable--80%.

**5. Do you favor the continuation of the "odd-year" policy?** YES--88%, NO--4%, No Opinion--8%.

**6. If your answer to question 5. is YES, what location with a significant DELANO history, would you like a Reunion to be held; provided adequate facilities are available?**

States receiving a combination of state, region, write in, or other comment votes are: 10

California & Texas; 8 Colorado, Florida and Indiana; 7 Kentucky, Oregon, & Washington; 6 Arkansas, Georgia, and North Carolina; 5 Missouri; 4 Virginia.

**7. If your answer to question 5. is NO, what alternative suggestion for holding Reunions on "odd years" do you have?**

➤ Suggest that reunions be held only on even years, i.e. every other year. For those who travel a distance, they may wish to do family research on lines other than Delano. Holding the reunions in New England would allow for this as many of our ancestors came out of the N.E.

➤ Charlotte, NC.

➤ Could we skip some years. 1. Plymouth, 2. skip, 3. Outside MA, 4. Plymouth, 5. skip, 6. Outside MA, 7. Plymouth, etc.

**8. Have you any other comments or thoughts you would like to share with us about the Society?**

➤ I belong to a number of Mayflower Family Societies, all of which hold reunions around the same time in the Plimouth Plantation area. It is time to expand the area for the DELANO Reunions... In odd-numbered years, how about visiting other parts of the country, making it possible for those of us living far from Massachusetts to attend more easily. I'd love to see it held in Denver... many attractions nearby....consider a different week of the summer from time to time...how about mid-July once in a while, etc.

➤ The odd numbered year reunion should make us much more aware of the significant and major migrations and subsequent settlements of the DELANO family. Before a reunion is held in an area, an article could be included in the News Letter with a map or some sort of graphic showing where the DELANOs who settled there came from. The Michigan and Virginia reunions were good beginnings and hopefully they will build a greater interest for the membership to attend and be aware of their DELANO heritage over all!

➤ I think if the odd years were in areas where there are several DELANOs it would generate interest and membership. Advertise in advance of the meeting- to attract new members. If I

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**CHILEAN COUSIN** (continued from p.1) military group. At a reception, a beautiful Chilean woman read his name tag, embraced and kissed him, and announced she was his cousin. Then she invited him to meet her husband, who told Victor he was in the Chilean Navy. Victor asked him what he did and he said he was the Commander in Chief of the Pacific Fleet!

The strong naval ties are not surprising considering a Delano from Massachusetts was instrumental in founding the Chilean Navy. Capt. Paul Delano was born in 1775 in Fairhaven, MA, and died in 1842 at Talcahuano, Chile (interestingly, the same bay where Capt. Amasa Delano encountered Benito Cereno). An account of his activities in Chile, including Port Admiral of Valparaiso, can be found in the GHAAHD, pg. 470. His son Paul Hinckley Délano (1806-1881) served as a midshipman with Lord Thomas Cochrane, the famous British Admiral who helped the Chileans start their navy. Délanos have been involved with the Chilean Navy ever since.

Juan Pablo Délano, his wife Paulina, and their colleague, Becky from Guatamala, soon arrived. They all work for the Special Olympics and come to Washington a couple of times each year for meetings with the Kennedy Foundation that sponsors the program worldwide. Juan Pablo Délano is in his 40s and heads the Special Olympics in South America. He and Paulina live in Santiago and have two daughters, ages seven and four. Their girls stay with their grandmother while they travel as much as two weeks a month. He brought a suitcase full of information about his family, reckoning there are at least 1000 Délano cousins in Chile.

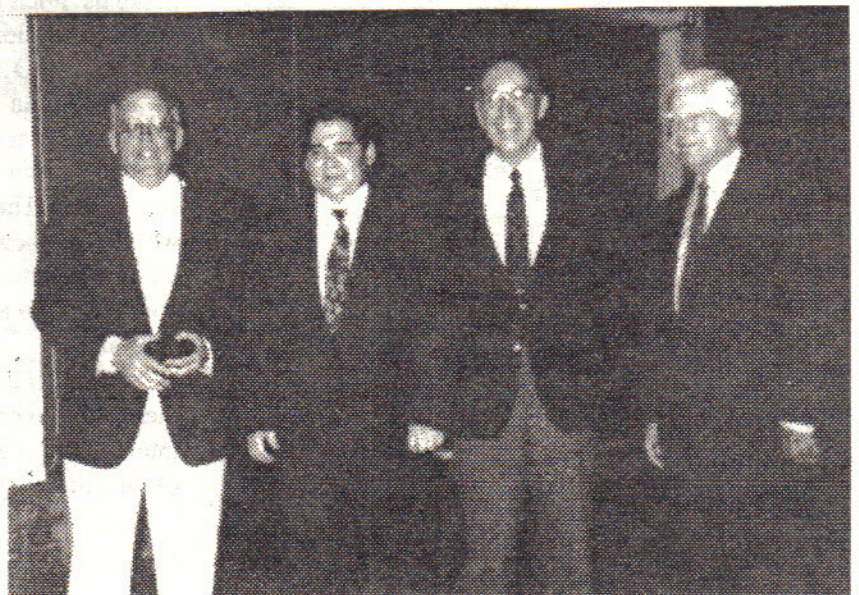
Perfectly fluent in English, he told many stories about this family. (In Chile, it is the custom for a mother's surname to be appended to a father's. Thus, Juan Pablo is Délano-hyphen-Thayer.) His father was a pediatrician in Lota, near Concepcion in the south of Chile. Concepcion was near the epicenter of an

earthquake around 1960 that has the dubious distinction of being the strongest earthquake ever recorded -- 9.2 on the Richter Scale. He remembers seeing the Pacific seemingly being sucked dry in the hours before an enormous tsunami flooded the coast of Chile. His family's house became a hospital for weeks afterward.

He told us about our South American cousins, particularly Jorge Délano. Jorge did not fit the family's military mold. To escape the national military academy, he jumped from the top of a flag pole and broke his nose. He became a noted artist and cartoonist and spent several years in Hollywood in the film industry. He made films in Chile and is regarded as a national film pioneer.

Over dinner on the veranda, the conversation ranged from the FDR Memorial (which they hoped to visit in a couple of hours of free time the next day), to the Philippe Memorial (Juan Pablo suggested copper in recognition of the Chilean connection), to Duxbury and Fairhaven (where Juan Pablo would like to visit), to pisco sours (Chile's famous cocktail of Chilean brandy, lime, sugar and egg white). We took photos of each other after every one else on the veranda had left.

It was all very friendly. George gave Juan Pablo fan charts that Muriel Cushing had prepared showing his Delano lineage and promised to send him a copy of the GHAAHD. Juan Pablo presented his cousins from the north with bottles of wine from Chile. He said he and his brother hope to organize a Délano reunion in Chile next year, perhaps in June, the Chilean autumn. He invited his Yankee cousins to attend. It is a 12-hour flight from Miami, but no time zones or jet-lag. "Stay with us," he said. "We'll drink lots of pisco sours!"



Frank      Juan Pablo      George      Victor



Paul Hinkley Délano

**JOEL...COMPILER** (continued from page 2)  
 1 Dec. 1865, so he used his highest rank which was much like a Reserve or a National Guard rank used today.

His brother Dennis is buried in Crandall Cemetery in Grand Rapids with his second wife Sarah Jane (Reed) DeLano and two of his daughters.

We certainly appreciate the great detective work by Cousin Don! Nice Going Don!

**PAUL HINKLEY DELANO FERGUSSON**

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mills and transformed land in the more arid Province of Maule into flourishing and productive fields. He also furthered coal mining with his brother William at Coronel near Concepcion.

When he died at Valparaiso on 11 February 1881, he had the satisfaction of knowing the Délano line was well established in Chile. Sixteen of his twenty-five children married and brought forth the third generation of seventy-two of his grandchildren.



Joel Andrew DELANO's Gravestone

**QUESTIONNAIRE** (continued from page 5)  
hadn't seen the small ad in the "YANKEE" I would never have known about the organization. It worked.

- Problem with selecting some states where we might like to have the Reunion where DELANO history might exist is that the limited number of DELANOs and/or limited available help in preparing for the activities may prohibit selecting such a location.
- I am a new member. I look forward to future meetings to meet other members.
- I would like to see Plymouth Plantation. Wasn't able to come the last time you were there.
- What is the date of the summer reunion? Fairhaven looks good. We might be away July or August.
- We are delighted to be members of this fine organization. We enjoyed the Reunion 1997 a great deal and look forward to attending others in the future.
- Greatly enjoyed my first and only Reunion at Stratford Hall, VA.
- I like the informal atmosphere at Stratford. It is much easier to meet new friends at functions such as we had there. I hope that Fairhaven works out as it is my "Home Country".
- I'm pleased to be a member and my thanks to all who make the Society a success.
- You and your cohorts are doing a fantastic job. I liked this last meeting in particular because there was a local "enclave" of DELANOs....
- It was so nice to receive the Certificate (of Recognition for contributing to the Genealogical Program). Everyone is doing a good job.
- I would like to see a list of "problem ancestors" listed in the *Bonnes Nouvelles* through the DELANO ancestry. I have one ancestor that I cannot find information on. Perhaps some member has information on her and if listed, with my name and address, I would hit "pay dirt". This list should be only those ancestors on DELANO lines from Philippe to oneself. Please consider this.
- The newsletters are great! Love them!
- I have learned about the places you have been through the Newsletter. It makes those places and the Newsletter more interesting. Keep up the good work.

## THE 1998 REUNION 7 - 9 AUGUST

During the 1997 Annual Meeting at Stratford Plantation, we announced that a Site Committee was investigating the possibility of holding the 1998 Reunion at Fairhaven, MA on the weekend following the ALDEN KINDRED Reunion. The Site Committee's report was reviewed by the Board at their meeting in mid-November and approved the venue of Fairhaven, MA for the Reunion on the second weekend in August 1998 (7 - 9 August).

Fairhaven, MA is the centerpoint of the Lt. Jonathan Delano branch of the DELANO KINDRED. Perhaps one of the most well known Delano's of Fairhaven was FDR's grandfather Warren Delano II (GHAHD pg. 505). The house he once owned is still there. Fairhaven was the home of many sea captains, many of whom were Whaling Masters listed in the genealogical archives of the Whaling Museum across the Acushnet River in New Bedford. The Acushnet Cemetery, about three miles north of Fairhaven, holds the marked grave of Lt. Jonathan Delano. This is the only marked grave of a child of Philipp De La Noye that we know of.

The tentative Reunion events scheduled are:

### Friday, 7 August 1998

- 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Early Registration at the Fairhaven Town Hall.
- 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Informal meeting for fellowship and pleasantries at a location yet to be determined.

### Saturday, 8 August 1998

- 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Late Registration at the Fairhaven Town Hall.
- 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. 1998 Annual Meeting and Elections.
- 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. Lunch - Individual Option
- 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Historical Tour.
- 6:00 p.m. to ? Annual Banquet with Speaker.

### Sunday, 9 August 1998

? to ? Church Service

We thank the Reunion Site Committee (Ernie & Marjorie Towers, Dorthea & Robert Harris and Bob & Nancy Delano) for their help and assistance. There will be more details in the March 1998 issue of the *Bonnes Nouvelles*.



### NEWS FROM OUR MEMBERS

Cousin **Guila Wells** of Jefferson City, Missouri sent us some Civil War information she found after her return from the 1997 Reunion. Her great grandfather's (Stephen Delano b. 1815, GHAHD pg. 418) two oldest sons were in the Civil War. 2nd. Lt. Richard Franklin Delano was given bounty land near Hutchinson, Kansas and he and his wife moved there before 1881. His parents moved there (with ten other children) and bought land in 1885.

The other son, William Henry Delano, served as a Private. He married in Indiana in 1867, and they lived in Hubbard, Arkansas.

"So that is how my great grandparents decided to go to Kansas where my father was born. He went to N.W. Oklahoma at age four with his parents (John Boyd and Belle Delano). They bought a relinquishment after the 1893 Cherokee Strip run," Guila wrote.

We were pleased to receive over 20 pictures of the 1997 Reunion from Cousin **Robert Barnes Delano Jr.** of Richmond, Virginia. We hope to display many of them at the 1998 Reunion for those who missed the event. Thanks Robert!

Cousin Nathaniel "Nate" DeLano Danko of Austin, Texas informs us that his class at Summit Elementary School had to give a report about their ancestors. Naturally, in his research he came across the fact that Philippe De La Noye sailed across the Atlantic Ocean in the FORTUNE. He drew a picture of the ship which he cut out as a cover for his report which briefly told of Philip DELANO's stay in Holland, his trip on the FORTUNE, and his service in the Pequot Indian War. The last item answered the teacher's question "Who was the first member of your family to serve in the military?" Nate also wrote about his relationship to Presidents Grant and Roosevelt.

### YOUR ADDRESS LABEL AND THE NEW MEMBERSHIP FORM

#### Label

The address label on your *Bonnes Nouvelles* will tell you what our membership data indicates as to your membership status for dues received at our Duxbury address before 12 December 1997. If there is a "7" after your name on your address label it means that our

records show that we have not received your membership dues for 1998 as of 12 December. If we receive them before 1 March 1998 your March 1998 *Bonnes Nouvelles* will be mailed to you. An "8" or higher number indicates that our records indicate that you have paid your dues for 1998 or for the years beyond. We do make errors; so if you believe we have made an error with your dues payment please let our Membership Chairman know this by sending a note to our Duxbury address.

#### The New Membership Form For 1998

We have tried to make the 1998 Membership Form easier to understand and hopefully more "user friendly". We think the new form arrangement will aid the accuracy of our record keeping. The form allows you to indicate whether you are: 1. applying for membership for the first time, 2. already a member and paying your Annual Dues, and/or 3. changed your address or telephone number.

We have included space for a 9-digit United States Zip Code which will also allow adequate space for mail routing codes of other countries. We have occasionally had difficulty determining which Descendant Member is the spouse of a lineal descendant, so we have included a space (b) to clarify who is who.

We would like to clarify our records as to which child (branch) of Philippe De La Noye your line of descent runs through; so we have added a space (e) for you to indicate.

Please use this form when renewing and when you have a change of address or telephone number. The recent telephone area code changes have quite muddled our records in that respect. Thank you for your cooperation.

#### 1997 NEW MEMBERS

We are happy to recognize our "cousins" who have become new members, joining the DELANO KINDRED during the period from mid-July to mid-December. As it turns out they are the two young sons of Robert Barnes Delano Jr. of Virginia -- **John Robert Delano** and **Philip James Delano**. Welcome Aboard Cousins!

#### DEPARTED DELANOS

**Barbara Délano Azocar**, aged 34 years, died tragically this spring in the ill-fated flight of

flight 603 which crashed in South America. Barbara was a published poetess from a well known literary family in Chile. Her first book of poems had been published in Montreal, Canada in French and Spanish when she was only 23 years old.

Born in Chile, she came to Mexico with her parents during the Pinochet government. She was living in Mexico City working as a Director of Publications and Agricultural Studies of the Legal Department of Mexico's Department of Agriculture.

She was graduated from the University of Santiago, Chile, and later from the University of Mexico. She has been recognized by Chile's Literary Magazine as one of Chile's outstanding female poets. At the time of her death she was making a surprise visit to her family in Chile. They did not know she was on the flight. She is survived by her father, Enrique Délano Falcón, her mother Maria Luisa Azocar, and a sister, Viviana.

Barbara followed the footsteps of her father, who is known as "Poli" Délano a well known writer of novels in Chile. He and his family had moved to Mexico for political reasons and had moved back to Chile a few years ago while Barbara continued her career in Mexico.

Barbara is a descendant of Philippe De La Noye through the Lt. Jonathan branch and Don Pablo Délano who sailed to Chile in 1819. The Délano literary tradition has suffered a great loss with Barbara's death. We send our belated condolences to her family.

We thank cousin Ernie Towers for bringing this sad event to our attention and to cousin Pablo Délano T. for providing additional information.

#### NOTED PHOTOGRAPHER

#### JACK DELANO DIES (1914 - 1997)

Our cousins **Ed Delano** of Dallas, Texas, **Victor Delano** of Chevy Chase, MD and **Hugh Delano** of Cranford, NJ brought Jack Delano's death to our attention. All three cousins sent us obituaries. We had planned to include this article in the September 1997 *Bonnes Nouvelles*, but we could not due to space limitations.

It is interesting to note that cousin Hugh's son Jonathan, who is based in Manhattan, is an

"up and coming" professional photographer and spotted the piece about Jack Delano in the N.Y. TIMES. Cousin Victor sent in a similar item he found in the WASHINGTON POST and cousin Ed sent us one from the DALLAS TIMES.

We knew of **Jack Delano** and unsuccessfully tried to make contact with him in Puerto Rico several years ago after seeing a copy of a 1993 newspaper story heralding his famous photographic exhibit entitled, "CONTRASTS: 40 Years of Change and Continuity in Puerto Rico." The exhibit was then being shown at the Newark, NJ Museum and featured 100 original photographs depicting his view of the people and countryside of Puerto Rico in the 1940s as contrasted with many of the same faces, but not necessarily the same persons, posed in the same way and in the same settings in the 1980s. For example, in the exposition there is a photo of an older woman watching a religious procession on Saint John the Baptist Day in 1946 and next to it a photo of a young women, participant in a 1980 folklore fest. Both women are in the same standing pose, holding their hands in the same manner, and looking to their left in exactly the same way. The younger women's facial characteristics are so similar to those of the older woman that, at first glance they might be grandmother and granddaughter.

"Jack Delano was one of the few surviving members of the group of photographers who fanned out throughout the United States in the 1930s on behalf of the New Deal's Farm Security Administration and produced what have become iconic images of the Great Depression" writes Margaret Loke of the N.Y. TIMES. Although not as well known as some of the other F.S.A. photographers "Mr. Delano created images of people and places of surpassing elegance." she writes. His composing and use of light in his works have been compared to the Dutch artist Vermeer.

Born in the Ukraine on 1 August 1914 as Jacob Ovcarov, he came to the United States with his parents when he was eight years old. He grew up in Philadelphia, first wanting to become a concert violinist, but later changing to becoming a magazine illustrator. While studying at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, at the urging of his fellow students, he changed his last name to Delano . . . "after one student suggested that her family allow him to use her name which was Delano." His parents had already changed his first name to Jack in honor of the boxer Jack Dempsey.

In 1940 he was hired by Roy E. Stryker, the well know head of the historical section of the F.S.A. His first assignment was to photograph

every aspect of workers' lives along the Eastern Seaboard from Maine to Florida. It was probably about this time that, as we understand, he photographed the farms near Fredericksburg, Virginia, before the lands became part of Ft. A. P. Hill, an Army Training Camp. Also during this period, and while he was a military photographer during World War II, he visited Puerto Rico, a place he found entrancing.

After the war and after winning a Guggenheim fellowship, he and his wife Irene Esser returned to Puerto Rico to do a book of photographs on the island. It took over two decades to complete the project titled "Puerto Rico Mio" which was published by the Smithsonian Press in 1990.

Although Jack Delano is not genealogically a cousin, as cousin Ed pointed out, we wish we had successfully made contact with him in 1993. We wonder who was the woman student at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, who suggested he use her DELANO surname. He is survived by a son Pablo, of Hartford; a daughter, Laura Duncan of New York City, and three grandchildren.

We thank cousins Ed, Victor, Hugh, his son Jonathan, and others for providing the information about Jack Delano.

#### A COPY OF AMASA'S VOYAGES FOR SALE

We had a call from **Nora Delano** of Duxbury saying she has a first edition copy of Captain Amasa Delano's *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*, printed in Boston by E.G. House, for the author, 1817.

Nora says that this copy is in good condition, but is missing one of the maps that went with the book when it was published. As you recall we reviewed an edited and condensed revision of this original edition by Eleanor Roosevelt Seagraves, in the March - April 1997 issue of the *Bonnes Nouvelles*.

Nora is willing to take the best bid over \$400.00 for this original first edition. She is now in Arizona and can be reached at (602) 986-8722.

#### MEMBERS RECOGNIZED FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO THE DELANO KINDRED GENEALOGICAL PROGRAM

In the September issue of the *Bonnes Nouvelles* we discussed the effort to perfect and update the GHAHD -- a major goal of THE DELANO KINDRED. In the article also displayed is a small replica of the Certificate of Recognition given to those members who complete the required documentation of their line of descent back to Philippe De La Noye. With this issue we commence the listing of those who received the Certificate of Recognition. We have over 88 members who have received these certificates so we will list the recipients names in "document order" over the next several issues as space permits. The following members were issued their certificates on 16 August 1997.

1. Lois Caswell Wheeler
2. Marjorie Taylor Delano Towers
3. Lucius S. Delano
4. Sanford R. Delano
5. Muriel Curtis Cushing
6. Elsie Hinckley Warner
7. Richard Earl Weakley
8. Joyce Hundley Nitzel
9. Russell Walter Patrick
10. Charles Franklin Peck Jr.
11. Helen May Pratt
12. Christine Tissott
13. Georgia Delano Sessum
14. Vickie McGraw Sherman
15. John Hervey Somers
16. Virginia LeMay Stender
17. Betty DeLano Vary
18. Sterlin C. Spooner
19. Charles R. Gidley Jr.
20. Clarence M. Walker
21. Ella G. Haines
22. Louise Gower Worster
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25. Rollin Borne
26. Fannie G. Brown
27. Winsor Bruce
28. Sarah G. Budds
29. Lillis B. Chafe
30. Agnes Cornell Chambers
31. Richard A. Cherry
32. George Thomas Conwell
33. Ward R. Crowley
34. William Harley Dartt
35. Martha DeLano Davis
36. Wayne C. Dyer
37. Arthur Brookins Delano
38. Frank W. DeLano
39. Megan Ruth DeLano Ralph
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