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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 2000 REUNION AND ANNUAL MEETING CELEBRATING THE MAGNIFICENT MILLENNIUM AT DUXBURY MASSACHUSETTS

The 2000 Reunion and Annual meeting will be held in Duxbury, Massachusetts starting Friday afternoon 11 August through Saturday evening 12 August, 2000.

The venue will be the Parish Hall of the First Parish Church on Tremont Street (which is Route 3A), next to the large "Mayflower Cemetery."

We have inserted travel directions as well as reservation and accommodation information in this issue. Please mail your Reunion reservation forms to George DeLano in time to be received by **Thursday 20 July.**

Changes to the Tentative Schedule of Events. Unfortunately, it is unlikely that the DAR Grave Marking Ceremony

will take place because of insufficient lead time to make all the arrangements necessary for this event. Therefore, this event has been removed



Dr. Thomas Delano House circa 1667

from the "Updated" Tentative Schedule of Events. On the advice of our photographer we will hold the 2000 Reunion Group Photo Event at 11:30a.m. Accordingly, events scheduled Saturday morning have been advanced 30 minutes as shown below.

**"Updated" Tentative Schedule of Events
At the First Parish Church, Parish Hall
Duxbury, Massachusetts**

Friday, 11 August 2000

2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. **Registration.**
6:00 p.m.-10:00 p. m. **Welcome Light Buffet**
Fellowship and Pleasantries; featuring The
FORTUNE Cookie Contest, Craft Exhibits,
Genealogical, Historical and Book Displays as
well as Genealogical Consultations.

Saturday, 12 August 2000

8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. **Late Registration.**
9:30 a. m. - 11:30 noon. **2000 Annual Meeting
and Elections.**
11:30 a.m. - Noon. **2000 Reunion Group Photo**
Noon - Lunch - Individual Option
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. **1st Tour (A)** of Historic
DELANO homes*
3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. **2nd Tour (B)** of Historic
DELANO homes*
6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p. m. 2000 Reunion **Annual
Banquet** with Speaker **Jorge Andres
Delano.** Please see our separate article
about our speaker in this issue.

Sunday, 8 August 1999

Morning - Farewells and Departures.

*Please Note: Bus Tours. If there are only
enough riders to fill one tour bus, there will be
one bus tour from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Information concerning the number of tours will
be provided when you register.

Our 2000 Reunion Speaker

We are pleased that Cousin **Jorge Andres Delano** has agreed to be our speaker. Cousin Jorge has been researching his ancestor **Captain Paul Delano** (see *Bonnes Nouvelle* # 24 - September 1997, pg. 1). The research he will present is entitled "The American Involvement in the Independence of the Latin American Nations. Captain Paul Delano (1775-1842).

Cousin Jorge was born in Paris France in 1935. His Grandfather Jorge I, a Captain in the Chilean Navy had left Chile in 1907 to serve as the Naval Attaché in the Chilean Embassy. His Grandfather retired and stayed on in France with his growing family. His father Jorge II was born in Paris in 1908. When the German Army invaded France in 1940 the Delano family returned to Chile.

After attending a Jesuit School, Jorge, at the age of fourteen, followed the family's long standing tradition and entered the Chilean Naval School in Valparaiso. He left the Navy in 1956 to attend the University of Michigan and was graduated in 1959 with a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration.

He traveled to Venezuela to join the Mendoza Group that among other things specialized in cement and ceramic fixtures. In 1968 he was appointed General Manager and then, in the early 1970's CEO of Venceramica; now a large multi-national bathroom fixture producer, with factories in Venezuela, Chile, Ecuador, and the United States.

In 1995 Jorge left the Company as a result of a corporate take-over of Mendoza Group. Since then he has served as a consultant to the ceramic industry, headed a private investigation group in Caracas, started his own sanitaryware concern in Quito, Ecuador.

At present Cousin Jorge is finishing his Master's Degree in History at Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut.

KINDRED CRAFT SHOW

Historically, the DELANO family has been noted for its many skilled artists and artisans. We know that present DELANO KINDRED members have similar talents. The Duxbury Reunion in August will offer an opportunity for kindred to exhibit an example of a favorite craft. This is a show only, not a sale or a contest. Categories listed in the inserted entry form are examples only. Other crafts are welcome. Each person will be responsible for the security of his own item. The DELANO KINDRED will not be responsible for any loss or damage to the item.

If you have any questions about the DELANO KINDRED Craft Show at the Duxbury Reunion please contact Cousin Carolyn Clarke. Her address, phone and e-mail address are on the enclosed entry form.

THE SECOND GREAT FORTUNE COOKIE CONTEST

We are pleased to announce that we will hold the Second Great FORTUNE Cookie contest Friday evening during the Welcome Buffet reunion event on 11 August. This contest, together with the Craft Show event, should add to the excitement of the evening.

Cousin **Verna Finwick** has kindly consented to administer the contest. It is an easy contest to enter and the rules are simple. Here are the rules:

1. Current members of The DELANO Kindred may enter.
2. It must be an original COOKIE recipe.
3. Bring enough COOKIES for everyone to sample after the judging.
4. You may enter as many COOKIE recipes as you can create.
5. A distinguished panel of "impartial" judges will choose the winner.
6. Judging will be 65% taste and 35% appearance and presentation.

If you have any questions please call Verna Finwick, (865)429-8411 or send her an E-mail: at ondovehill@msn.com.

Lemuel DELANO And the Protest of the Marshfield Resolves of 1774

As we celebrate the Fourth of July, we might recall the reasons for the revolt against Great Britain and the ensuing Revolutionary War, which involved our DELANO ancestors. Lemuel DELANO⁵ (Beriah⁴, Benoi³, Thomas², Philippe¹) was one such ancestor. Lemuel was born in Duxbury on 24 September 1741. His mother and his father died by the time he was eight years old. Eleazer Harlow was appointed guardian of Lemuel and his four brothers and one sister after his father died in 1748¹.

By 1750, most adult male citizens who owned property (which might include possessions in lieu of land) could vote. The lower "houses" of all the colonial legislatures were elected by those eligible to vote. Economically, the British laws controlled overseas trade. Until the Revolutionary War, laws that limited colonial manufacturing did not seriously offend colonists. They evaded these laws if they had to do so². After the French and Indian war ended in 1763, the British gained most of the lands controlled by France east of the Mississippi. In those days the colonists were loyal to England, but only twelve years later they rebelled against English rule.

The colonists lived in a society that was the most democratic in the world at that time, because at that time members of the lower classes, except slaves, had the opportunity to easily rise to a higher class³. But the British policy concerning the colonies took a sharp turn in 1763 when political leaders in London decided to keep a standing army in North America and proposed to support this army by taxing the colonists. This decision was made without consulting the colonists. From 1763 onward, a series of Parliamentary Acts gradually increased the widespread discontent.

The Proclamation of Oct. 7 1763, among other things, reserved the land west of the Appalachians for the Indians, thus prohibiting westward migration. In 1764 customs officers

¹ DIFP p. 64, generation numbers 315 thru 320.

² World Book Encyclopedia 1978, Vol. 4 p. 636.

³ Ibid, Vol. 16, p. 254

were ordered to strictly enforce the Navigation Acts that regulated colonial shipping. The Revenue Act levied a three-penny tax on each gallon of molasses shipped from non-British West Indian countries. In those days a penny was more significant sum than it is today. In 1765 Lemuel DELANO married Mary Eames and established his family in Marshfield a few miles north of Duxbury. Lemuel's brothers Benjamin and Sylvanus pursued careers in shipbuilding. Also in that year parliament passed the Quartering Act, which forced the colonists to provide quarters, fuel, candles, cider or beer and transportation for the British troops stationed in the colonies, and the Stamp Act. The Stamp Act which required the colonists to buy tax stamps and place them on such things as newspapers, playing cards, and legal documents, was met with anger and open defiance. Crying, "Taxation without representation is tyranny," the colonists refused to allow the stamps to be sold.

In view of the open colonial defiance the Stamp Act was repealed in 1766, but parliament passed the Declaratory Act which claimed full British authority over the colonies. This was followed by the Townshend Acts of 1767, which placed duties on tea, paper, lead, and paint, precipitated another crisis. The colonists began to boycott British goods. Parliament repealed the duties on all goods, but tea in 1770. In March of that year the "Boston Massacre" increased anti-British sentiment in the colonies and pushed opposition leaders such as Samuel Adams and James Otis into action.

In 1772 at Adams' urging, the Boston town meeting established a Committee of Correspondence to explain to other towns and the world the rights of the colonies and that Britain had violated these rights. Committees of correspondence were established in other colonies soon after. In 1773 parliament passed the Tea Act which allowed the British East India Company to receive rebates for the Townshend tax on tea and to sell tea cheaper in the colonies, through a monopoly of designated individuals. The intent was to undercut the Dutch, who had been smuggling tea into colonial ports. Thinking the colonists would buy British tea because of its lower price and the colonies

would lose their argument of taxation without representation, the Boston Committee of Correspondence twice asked the Governor to send the ships laden with tea back to England. The Governor twice refused the request. Adams and other leaders organized the famous Boston Tea Party in December of that year.

The British government asked Boston and Massachusetts to pay for the lost tea. This caused a reaction throughout Massachusetts. On 31 January 1774, the town of Marshfield, located next to Duxbury, passed three "Resolves." The feeling in Marshfield ran high on both the Tory and the Whig sides and the "Resolves" only were passed by one vote. This action moved the prominent citizens of Marshfield, including Lemuel DELANO, to sign the following protest as quoted in the *Massachusetts Spy*, of 23 February 1774.

"A protest signed by a large number of the prominent inhabitants of the town of Marshfield against the proceedings of said town on the 31st of January last," as follows: "We the subscribers think ourselves obliged in faithfulness to the community, ourselves and posterity, on every proper occasion to bear our public testimony against every measure, calculated to destroy that harmony and unanimity which subsists through the colonies and so eventually to the destruction of those liberties wherewith the Author of Nature and our happy constitution has made us free. Were they not already notorious, it would give us uneasiness to mention the Resolves which were voted in this town in 31st of January last."

"To the first of these Resolves we do not object; but do heartily join in recognizing our loyalty and subjection to the King of Great Britain and our readiness to be ever subject to the laws of our legislature."

"In their second Resolve, they say that the 'measures and proceedings in the town of Boston in the detention and destruction of the teas, belonging to the East India Company, are illegal, unjust and of a dangerous tendency,' against

American Revenue Act and when by the virtue of the people in not purchasing any goods loaded with duty, the malignity of the act was in some measure evaded, a scheme was devised and prosecuted by the ministry, to enforce said act by permitting the East India company to force their infectious teas upon us, whether we would or not. At this, not only inhabitants of Boston, but of the whole province were very much and very justly alarmed and while they were prosecuting every method that human wisdom would devise that the tea should be sent back undamaged, it was destroyed, but whether by the people of that town, or any other town of this province does not appear."

"3dly. They resolved to instruct their Representative 1st to endeavor that the perpetrators of these mischiefs be brought to justice. This appears to us to be the business of another department. We have executive courts and officers, whose business it is to punish offenders and we trust they are faithful. 2dly. They instruct him to endeavour that his town be excused from paying for said teas, which we think might have been omitted, at least, till there was a probability of a requisition from proper authority for payment. They conclude with a denunciation 'of all methods of imposition, violence and persecution, such as has been most shamefully exercised upon a number of inhabitants of Plymouth by obliging them to sign a recantation' &c: Such bitter, virulent and injurious reflections on our brethren at Plymouth ought not to have taken place until some shadow of proof had been adduced to the town, that any such violence &c. was ever practiced by them on a single person. The occasion of this our protest has given us great uneasiness and we were confident those extraordinary resolves would not have taken place but by the insinuations of a certain gentleman who seems willing his constituents should share in the resentment of the whole country, which he has incurred by his conduct in a public

character. We mean not to countenance riotous and disorderly conduct but, being convinced that liberty is the life and happiness of a community, are determined to contribute our last mite in its defence, against the machinations of assuming, arbitrary men, who, stimulated with a lust of dominion and unrighteous gain are ever studying to subjugate this free people." Marshfield, Feb. 14, 1774. (signed):"⁴

The "Protest" of the prominent citizens of Marshfield was an example of the reaction that spread across the colonies. The British decided to take drastic action and established the Intolerable or Coercive Acts early in 1774 which closed the port of Boston until the city showed repentance for its "tea party." The act also increased the British authority in Massachusetts by changing its charter so that the Crown elected the Massachusetts Council and severely limiting town meetings. Boston and Massachusetts refused to pay for the destroyed tea.

"In September of the same year 'patience ceased to be a virtue,' and the inhabitants of the surrounding towns decided they could not permit Mr. (Nathaniel Ray) Thomas (the "certain gentleman" mentioned in the protest) to longer remain among them; accordingly they marched to his house, but their bird had flown."⁵ The *Boston Evening Post*, of 12 September 1774 said;

"We hear from the County of Plymouth that, on Wednesday last, upwards of 2000 of the substantial yeomanry collected from several towns of Plymouth, Hanover, and Pembroke, repaired to the house of Nathaniel Ray Thomas, of Marshfield, one new to the Council; but, having had some previous intimation of the intended visit of the people, he thought it unsafe to remain, even in Marshfield, and accordingly fled, the night before, with all speed, to the City of Refuge."

Nathaniel Ray Thomas was evidentially a newly elected Loyalist to the Marshfield Town

⁴ Briggs, L. Vernon, *History of Shipbuilding on North River, Plymouth County, Massachusetts, 1640 to 1872*, pp. 276 and 277, Boston 1889.

⁵ *Ibid.* p. 277.

Council. At his and 300 other Loyalists of Marshfield request, a company of the Queen's Guard, under Capt. Balfour, was sent down and quartered in Mr. Thomas' house. In September that year the First Continental Congress met in Philadelphia to defend rights of the colonies. It denounced the laws passed by parliament since 1763, agreed, through the establishment of a Continental Association, to not import any goods from Britain or Ireland after 1 December 1774, and none from the British West Indies after 10 September 1775 unless the abuses were corrected.

In reaction to the unrest Parliament declared Connecticut, Rhode Island, and Massachusetts in rebellion and passed the Restraining Act which barred the colonists there from fishing on the Grand Banks and among other things encouraged the use of force. The British Cabinet ordered General Gage, the Commander in Chief of British forces in North America to arrest colonial leaders, break up mobs, organize a Tory militia and use the troops in Boston. On the night of 18 April 1775, General Gage sent troops to Concord. The next day the skirmishes at Lexington and Concord became the first battles of the Revolution.

Lemuel DELANO joined the Continental Army in Captain Turner's Company in Colonel Thomas's Regiment from Hanover, MA. He served until mid-January 1777 and was promoted to Sergeant. In 1778 he moved his family west to Sunderland, MA—on the Connecticut River seven miles north of Amherst. He died there on 21 December 1792.⁶



Duxbury circa 1840

⁶ GHAAHD p. 160.

KUDOS

Robert B. Delano Receives The Alumni Distinguished Service Award During VPI Founder's Day Ceremony

Cousin **Robert B. Delano**, who has been one of the nation's most influential agricultural leaders for more than three decades, was recognized for his outstanding service at the university's recent Founder's Day Ceremonies. In receiving the Alumni Distinguished Service Award, Virginia Tech President Charles W. Steger cited Robert's leadership in agricultural and civic affairs for over three decades. Some of us know of Robert's six-year Presidency of the American Farm Bureau Federation, the world's largest agricultural organization representing more than 3 million farm families. This was the pinnacle of an exemplary career in agriculture and service to Virginia and the Nation. In 1981 U.S. News and World Report mentioned him as one of the nation's most influential leaders. His national presence in agriculture earned him a place with President Reagan as a U.S. Trade Representative from the private sector at the 1983 GATT conference in Geneva.

He was graduated in a wartime-accelerated program in 1944 with a degree in Animal Husbandry and almost immediately was sent to the India-Burma Theater as a member of the U.S. Army's horse cavalry regiment. In 1947 he returned to manage the family farm near Warsaw, VA which grew to a 500-acre grain operation. He helped organize his county's Farm Bureau in 1955 and four years later was elected to Virginia's Farm Bureau Board of Directors and remained on that Board for 21 years. He has served on the Governor's Commission on Industry of Agriculture, the state Air Pollution Control Board, and on the first Governor's Trade Mission to Europe, the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce, the Boy Scouts and other advisory positions of state level.

Robert has devoted considerable time and talent to support organizations at Virginia Tech's Colleges of Agriculture and Life Sciences as well and the College for Veterinary Medicine and other university alumni committees. Because of his service in many capacities to Virginia Tech, he was appointed by Governor Allen to serve on

capacities to Virginia Tech, he was appointed by Governor Allen to serve on the university's Board of Visitors. It's a belief in the role of the land-grant university, which defines schools like Virginia Tech, Robert says. "The land-grant university has three goals: extension, research and teaching and I have been involved in all three."

As many of us know Cousin Robert was a founder of the DELANO KINDRED and served as our Vice President for many years. Congratulations Robert! Your honors are well deserved!

We would like to thank Cousins Gary Grubb and Frank Delano for bringing Robert's honors to our attention.

James Whitlow Delano Awarded The 2000 Alfred Eisenstaedt Award

Cousin **James Whitlow Delano** was awarded the prestigious Alfred Eisenstaedt Award for the best photographic essay about far-off places this year. Perhaps some of you noticed the article about James and his work in the Spring 2000 issue of *Life Magazine* "Collectors Edition" which contains "The Best Magazine Photos of the Year."

A native New Yorker, James apprenticed with photographers Annie Leibovitz and Deborah Turbeville before picking up his gear and moving west across the Pacific six years ago. Now based in Tokyo, he has traveled throughout Asia from the rain forests in Borneo to the high deserts of Tibet. The equipment he carries with him is a 40-year old Leica and a single 35mm lens. "China reminds me of old, industrial New York City," says James. "It has that rough edge to it and that energy of life."

His photographs have been praised for their honesty, intimacy and being unadorned. "People in the U.S. know little about Asia, and oftentimes there are misinterpretations," explains James. "In a sense, I am a translator of Asian culture to the world."

He plans to publish his own collection of photographs which rarely show the "cliched images of Asian temples and trains." "There's a lifetime of work over here," he says. "Whether I spend the rest of my life here or not is an open question."

We send our congratulations to Cousin James and wish him every success with the publishing of his photographs!

Cousin James was a former member of our Society and a brother of one of our former Directors, Cousin Jeanne Delano. We thank our alert readers Cousins John and Katy Delano of Helena Montana for spotting this award and bringing it to our attention.

The PBS TV Ancestors Series Returns

For those of you who missed the highly acclaimed PBS television series called "**Ancestors**" there is good news. Cousin **Ren LeVally** reports on the DELIST that this excellent genealogy series will be aired again with a new format in 13 episodes during June this year. The series highlights sources that genealogists use such as newspapers and immigration, military and census records and so forth. The series will be shot on locations around the world.

Each episode in this new series weaves dramatic personal stories of family history discovery with expert instruction from some of the nation's top genealogists and librarians. For additional information call your local PBS station or check out

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~rwguide/notable/tv.htm>.

Thanks Ren for this information!

STILL LOST AND NOT FOUND

When Cousins **Brookins** and **Laura Delano** returned home after the 1999 Grand Rapids Reunion and visiting Michigan friends, Brookins was surprised to find a **stowaway raincoat** in one of his suitcases. He remembers borrowing a raincoat from someone at the Reunion, but thought he had returned it. To his surprise it traveled with him from Michigan to Vermont. Brookins does not remember from whom he borrowed it.

Since then the weather got a little cold in Vermont; the raincoat recently turned up at your Editor's home in sunny Virginia Beach. It has been enjoying its vacation at the beach, but we would like to return this stowaway to its rightful owner. Any one with knowledge of who the rightful owner is please contact your Editor, George DeLano.

Vrouwekerk Update

Since March there have been some significant developments in the effort to save the Vrouwekerk. In April, the good news was that the International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) – an advisory organization for the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) – had decided to take up the cause of saving the Vrouwekerk and other monuments in the Aalmarkt shopping center area. At that time there had been no definitive change in the City of Leiden's position to demolish the church ruins.

After Easter, The United Church of Christ, becoming aware of the danger to the ruins, joined the protest by issuing a press release with a statement by their President supporting the preservation of the ruins and starting a petition drive. About the same time the Pieterskerk website in Leiden posted an erroneous release that claimed that the Pilgrims never worshipped in any other churches except the Jean Pesijnhof – where John Robinson lived for a time.

Dr. Bangs fired off a letter to the Burgemeester of Leiden, who is also the Chairman of the Pieterskerk Foundation, citing the erroneous information posted on the website and pointing out that this caused “doubts to arise about the competence and motivation of the members of the foundation.” Bangs went on to say, “One can expect that the increased international attention which will be an aspect of interest from ICOMOS will be of more than minor significance, not only for the preservation of the Vrouwekerk ruin but also for the conservation of the Pieterskerk.” Bangs then reminded the Burgemeester of the plan by Alderman Van Rij (the leading proponent for the destruction of the Vrouwekerk ruins) to use the Netherlands central government's increased monument–restoration subsidy to cover the 11.5 million guilder cost over-run in Van Rij's city hall modernization project.

In early May the United Church of Christ Petition had gained the signatures of many “mainline” Protestant and Anglican Churches, many Conservative or Evangelical Churches, the Roman Catholic Church, the LDS Church (Mormons) and others. The signatories came from the United States, Belgium, Turkey, and

Norway. Three of the Churches relate to the two largest Reformed Churches in the Netherlands.

In mid-May Alderman Van Rij resigned his position on the Leiden City Council. It is understood that this was a result of a special session of the City Council. We understand there were other “internal personnel or policy shifts” although it is not clear what impact they will have on the basic plan to demolish the ruins. Dr. Bangs was also scheduled to present his plan to conserve the Vrouwekerk ruins to the Council. His plan, which is available on the delanoye.org website, is shown on page 9.

In late May a letter with a Petition signed by the President of the United Church of Christ, the Conference Minister of the Conservative Congregational Christian Conference, and President of the Unitarian Universalist Association plus nearly 1000 other signatories were mailed to the Mayor of Leiden.

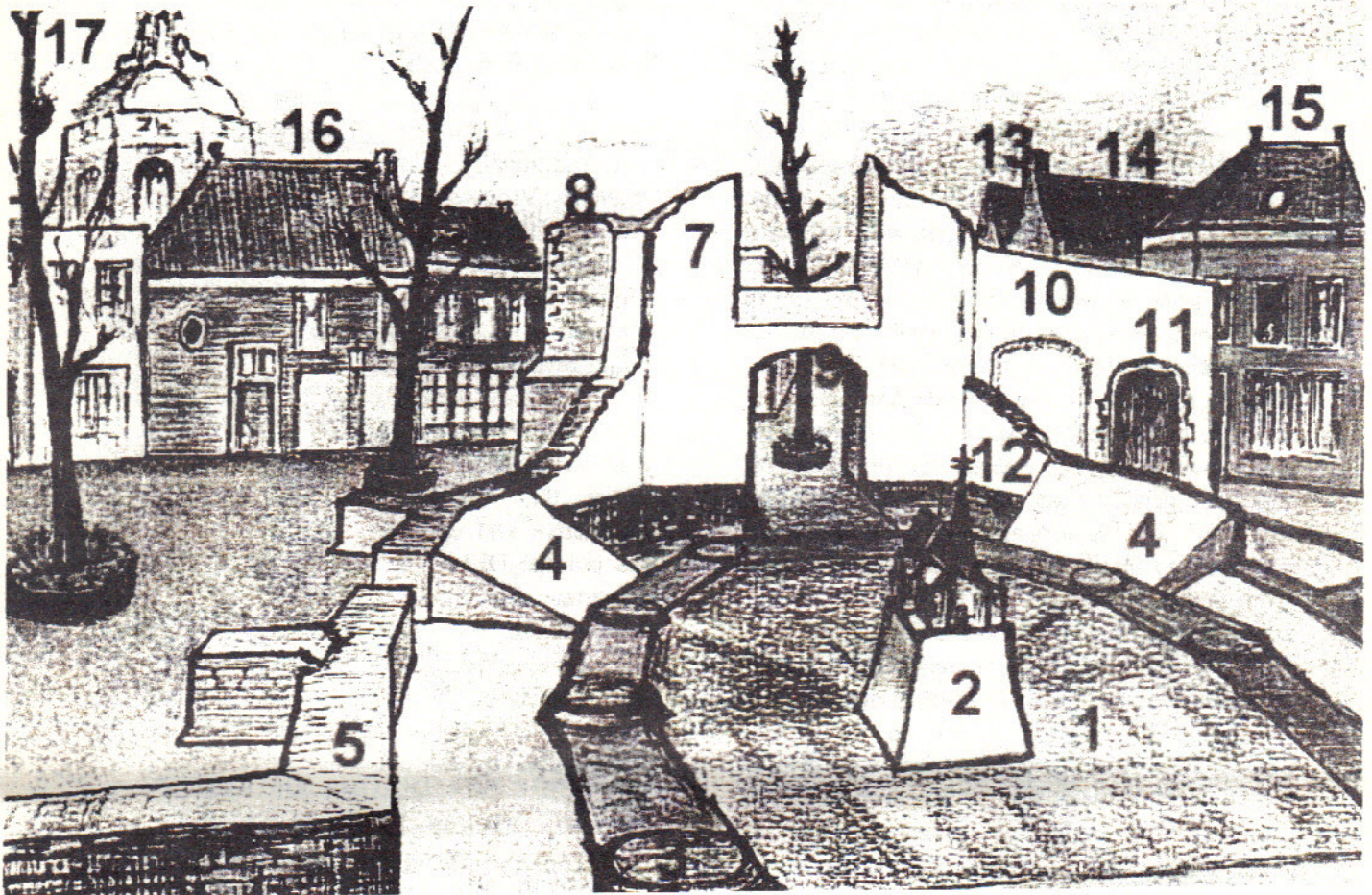
The deadline for filing objections to the demolition plan is 6 June. Dr. Bangs has already filed his objection as have many local groups.

At this point we do not know if the City of Leiden has changed their plan to demolish the ruins of the Vrouwekerk. The organizational arrangement of the local governments in Holland makes it difficult to change plans already in place. Please write the Mayor and tell him of your concerns about the destruction of the Vrouwekerk ruin. His address follows:

The Honorable Dr. J. K. T. Postma
Mayor of the City of Leiden
Stadhuis Plein # 1
Postbus 9100
2300 PC Leiden
The NETHERLANDS

We thank all those who have taken the time to write to the Mayor of Leiden or have signed the petition. Let's not let up yet on this effort. Please write and or ask your friends and relatives to also write.

Dr. Bangs' Vrouwekerk Ruin Conservation Proposal



Key to Vrouwekerk Proposals

1. This choir floor should be paved with "blue stone" slabs, as was customary in Dutch churches
2. Pedestal with bronze model of church
3. Foundations of inner choir wall to be exposed (presently covered)
4. Display panel for texts and maps, showing origins of refuge groups and their eventual destinations
5. Reconstructed wall indication; this was done on original foundations at street level in 1982
6. Exposed foundations to be shown under glass
7. Medieval wall
8. Medieval buttress
9. Open archway added ca. 1600; bricked up since ca. 1982
10. The sacristy or chapel wall was demolished in 1982. It should be rebuilt with its niche and portal (plaster and whitewash)
11. This portal should be moved back to its original position on this side of the sacristy wall. It was moved ca. 1982
12. This support wall (rebuilt in 1982) should be reduced in height. Although there was a wall here when the sacristy or side chapel was added, there may have been arches here, not a solid wall
13. House, ca. 1600
14. The low area is a 17th century Fire Department house
15. Pre-1600 houses with later details and altered gable on one of them
16. Five pre-1600 and 18th century houses
17. Marekerk 1649

Website Happenings

Cousin **Ren LeVally** continues to make more improvements and innovations on our delanoye website at <http://www.delanoye.org>. As Cousin **Frank Delano** points out Ren has created a "distinguished cyber gateway to the House of DELANO, contemporary and as well historical."

The DELANO KINDRED, the 2000 Duxbury Reunion, the DELIST, Cousin **Muriel Cushing's** DIFP, and Joel A. Delano's GHAHD are frequently mentioned.

Cousin Ren has added new feature—the "Researchers' Page" which allows "one-click access" to persons with particular interests, expertise or questions about the family. Cousin Frank points out the website has become "an important genealogical research tool containing hundreds of historical and bibliographic references to family members" and many copies of original documents "from the Edict of Nantes to letters both as graphics and transcriptions. There are also dozens of historical maps. Recently he has added online genealogical Research/Resource guides for all 50 states, Canada and several other countries. Ren says to access this feature select "Research/Resource Guides" from the tools menu or go to <http://www.delanoye.org/Sourceguide.cfm>.

Another new feature is the "Call for Papers" where researchers can post their work on the family. Cousin **Tom Patrick** has transcribed parts of his great² grandmother's journal and has sent it to the website. It is entitled *WAYSIDE PENCILINGS* by Evaline Amelia DeLano (1842-1882). "A journal kept by Evaline DeLano of Adrian, Michigan who, at age nineteen, accompanied her father to Colorado to sell supplies to miners working the gold fields of Clear Creek County west of Denver." Part two is a wonderful collection of poems and essays written between 1861 and 1880. This remarkable 42-page work is posted at <http://www.delanoye.org/EAD/>.

Near the end of May Cousin Ren added another research tool – a translation engine that can translate up to about a 1000 characters or one to two pages at one time between these languages.

English → French, German, Italian, Portuguese, or Spanish, and

French, German, Italian, Portuguese, or Spanish to → English

To reach the engine go to <http://www.dealanoye.org/Tools/Translate/>.

Additionally, Cousin Ren has posted a "Save the Vrouwekerk" section complete with the history of the church, its ruins and a chronology of the efforts to save the ruins of this historic edifice from destruction. This section is complete with pictures and a recording of Dr. Bangs discussing the ruins.

This may be old news to those members who subscribe to the DELIST, but for those of you who don't and have access to the Internet, be aware that Cousin Ren has developed a superlative and extremely useful webpage that has put the DELANO KINDRED on the web-universe. For those of you who do not own computers be aware that our Society is becoming well known through this internet medium. Be sure to mention the web-site to your genealogy friends who have Internet access. They will be pleased that you did.

We Have GHAHDs

That Will Be Mailed Without Delay.

In our annual "standard article" entitled "What is the GHAHD And Where Can I Obtain a Copy?" in the March 2000 *Bonnes Nouvelles*, we failed to note that when you order from Higgison Books it may take as long as 8 to 10 weeks to receive it. The reason for this delay is that Higgison waits until it has several orders before it runs off copies of the GHAHD.

If you wish to receive a copy of the GHAHD within a few days we have a few copies available at our Duxbury address. These are hard cover books with a gold embossed title on the cover. Our quick delivery price is \$81.50 plus \$5.00 shipping and handling for book mail. Priority mail is \$7.00.

Any profits made on the sale of the GHAHDs we have on hand will go the DELANO KINDRED Memorial Fund. Not only do you receive your copy of the GHAHD without delay; you also help our Memorial Fund grow.

NEW MEMBERS

We are pleased to welcomed 10 DELANO Descendants into our Society since February 28, 2000 to through May 30, 2000. They are:

California:

James K. Delano of Palo Alto

Colorado:

Sharon Delano Keigley of Grand Junction

Massachusetts:

Gustavus C. Lane of Marshfield

Michigan:

Mary Iverson of Royal Oak

New Hampshire:

Birge Nottestad of Berlin

New Mexico:

Carol Fowler Pearson of Las Cruces

Alan E. Korpinen of Los Lunas

Vermont:

Bertha G. Delano of Tunbridge

Virginia:

Richard Delano Huber of Bluemont

Wisconsin:

Mary Hitch Bowles of Custer

WELCOME ABOARD COUSINS!
IT'S GREAT TO HAVE YOU WITH US!

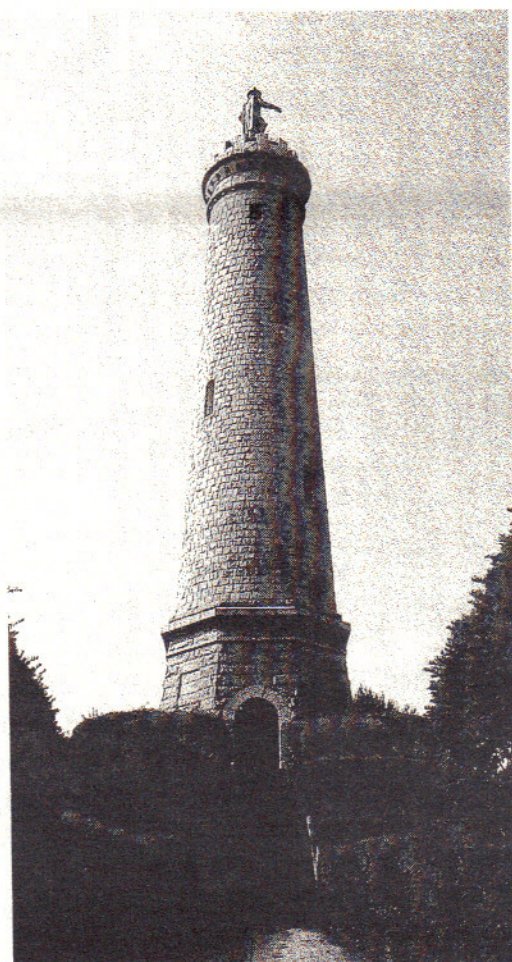
NEWS FROM OUR MEMBERS

We heard from Cousin **Tom Delano** in Duxbury that Katherine Pillsbury, one of Duxbury's well known authors who has recently written *Duxbury, A Guide* (see *Bonnes Nouvelles* # 29 of December 1998 pg. 8), was flying to Santiago, Chile and wished to visit with some of our Chilean Cousins. We were happy to pass on to her Cousin **Juan Pablo Delano Tellechea's** Santiago address. Cousin Juan Pablo reports that he had a delightful visit with Katherine. We found out that Katherine's son also lives in Chile.

Cousin **Brookins Delano** of Barre reported that the maple sap was running well this spring in Vermont. He was planning to go over to East Shoreham, VT where he grew up to identify some graves on a map he made five years ago. We reported several years back that Cousin Brookins was busy with a project of mapping a cemetery where most of his Brookins ancestors are buried near that town. He says the oldest stone is dated 1802, which, he assures us, was

considerable before his time. There are about six generations of Brookins in the cemetery.

Brookins says that his ancestor who cleared the land is buried there. That ancestor fought at Ft. Ticonderoga with Ethan Allen. He liked the area around East Shoreham so much that he returned after the hostilities and purchased a 100 acres "and started what my grandfather married into." That first Brookins built the house that is still in use. He said all the land was covered with white pine. "They used the stumps to build fences with." Cousin Brookins says the stumps were still there when he lived there and they show that the trees were 24 to 30 inches in diameter. He says he and his wife Laura plan to be at the Reunion.



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Articles and information about descendants of the DELANO Family are always welcome and greatly appreciated by your editor. Every effort will be made to include them as soon as space permits.

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