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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.

2002 REUNION AND ANNUAL MEETING CELEBRATING THE DELANO WHALING MASTERS

The Whites of Westport Regional Hospital-ity Center, located at the junction of I-195 and Rout 24 just east of Fall River, Massachusetts, will be the location of our 2002 Reunion and Annual Meeting. It starts Friday afternoon, 9 August, 2002 and lasts through Saturday evening 10 August 2002. About 50 years ago in Fall River, MA, the Lafrance family opened White's Family Restaurant in Westport. Since then the family has developed a range of hospitality and lodging facilities around the Westport & Fall River area. Because of the banquet facilities and its location across the street from the **Hampton Inn Westport-Fall River**, we have arranged for the use of the room facilities at the expanded restaurant, now known as **White's of Westport**.



Getting There: From Providence and the south: Take I-195 East. Take Exit 9, Sanford Road. Bear right and then take the first right. From Boston: Take U.S. 24 South from Boston to I-195 East. Then take Exit 9 as above. If you are coming from the north bypassing Boston on I-495, you will intersect with U.S. 24 South once you are south of Boston. Follow the directions above. Should

you be coming from Cape Cod or other eastern points, take I-195 West. Take Exit 10, Horseneck Beach/Westport, Route 88. Take the first exit - Route 6 West. Travel about ½ mile. We have inserted a map to aid in following the directions.

Advance Reservations: To adequately plan and support the meals, tours, and other reunion events, we must have advance notice of those who plan to participate in each event. Since all of these events are self-funded, it would help if you would send the necessary

funds for all the events in which you plan to participate. If you find that you can not attend, please let us know prior by **15 July 2002** and we will refund your costs including the registration fees for those in your party.

Accommodations: We have blocked rooms at the **Hampton Inn Fall River-Westport** at a group room rate of \$109.00 per night that includes a light breakfast. A 9.7% tax must be added to this rate. To take advantage of the group rate [Ph. (508) 675-7185] you must make your room reservation by **26 July 2002**. In making your reservation refer to the **DELANO KINDRED Group**. There are many other motels or Bed & Breakfast establishments, in the area. Please see the accommodation details inserted in this newsletter.

Registration: Registration will be held in the lobby of the of the **Hampton Inn Fall River** on Friday afternoon. Registrants will be provided with a "Welcome Envelope" of Reunion information and Name Tags. Late registration will be held Saturday morning, prior to the Annual Meeting, at the White's restaurant in the Colonial Room.

The Friday night **Welcome Buffet** will be held in the Colonial Room at White's Restaurant offering an excellent opportunity for DELANO fellowship and pleasantries. Genealogical consultations will also be available. Buffet selections include: assorted relishes, salads, vegetables, several hot dishes, carved Virginia ham, assorted pastries, and beverages. An open bar will also be available.

After the Annual Meeting and Group Photograph on Saturday morning for your convenience, we have made arrangements for an optional **Deli Buffet luncheon** served in the upper deck lounge before we depart for the tour. We believe this will be the most efficient way for everyone to be served and have some time to spare before departing on the tour.

Tour: TOUR OF THE NEW BEDFORD WHALING MUSEUM on **Saturday, 10 August**. The New Bedford Whaling Museum located in the center of the Whaling National Historic Park has the world's largest and most outstanding collection related to the history of American whaling in the age of sail. Over 30 sailings from the ports of Dartmouth, Fairhaven,

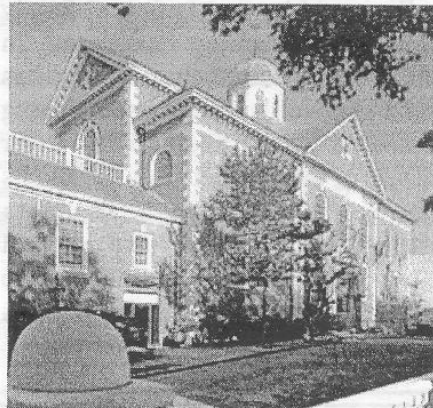
Marion, Nantucket, and New Bedford were under the command of **DELANO Whaling Masters**. Highlights include the 89-foot half-scale replica of the whaling bark *LAGODA*, a 66-foot rare blue whale skeleton and new interactive exhibits about whales and life aboard a whaleship. Also on view: scrimshaw, whaling implements, decorative art objects, paintings, photographs, and logbooks. The Seaman's Bethel, featured in the movie *Moby Dick* starring Gregory Peck as Capt. Ahab, is across the street.

The tour group will leave White's after lunch at 1:30 p.m. and proceed by car to the Museum; about a 15 mile distance. The two-hour movie and guided tour will cost \$5.00 per person based on a 50-member group. We plan to make car pool arrangements at registration time and will provide detail maps on how to get there and where to park. Reservations must be made and paid for by **15 July 2002**.

2002 Banquet Dinner, Saturday 10 August. The dinner entrees include a choice of Yankee Pot Roast of Beef or Broiled Native Scrod accompanied by broiled potatoes, vegetable, dinner rolls, desert and beverage. An open bar will be available. All costs include sales tax and gratuity.

Banquet Speaker. Judy Lund, a former curator of the Whaling Museum, will tell us about the DELANO Connection to the Whaling Industry. We think it will be a very pleasant and informative evening.

On Sunday afternoon we are making arrangements for those who wish to see historic sites in the Marion, Mattapoisett, and Fairhaven vicinity. Details will be available at the registration desk on Friday and Saturday.



**Tentative Schedule of Events at the
2002 DELANO KINDRED Reunion
White's Restaurant Westport**

Friday, 9 August 2002

4:00pm-6:00pm Registration in the Hampton Inn Fall River-Westport.
6:00pm-10:00pm Welcome Buffet with no host bar, fellowship and pleasant-ries, as well as Genealogical Consultations.

Saturday, 10 August 2002

8:00am-9:00am Late Registration
9:00am-11:00am 2001 Annual Meeting and Elections
11:30am-12:00noon 2002 Reunion Group Photo
11:30am-1:00pm Lunch – Individual Option
1:30pm Depart for the New Bedford Whaling Museum Tour
6:00pm-10:00 2002 Reunion Banquet with Speaker

**“A Love That Even the
Governor Couldn't Crush”**

Part Two

As you recall, not wanting to implicate her parents and to prevent them from incurring the wrath of the jealous Governor of Spanish California, Josefa Carrillo had left her home at night to meet Capt. Henry Delano Fitch, her husband-to-be. Her cousin Pio Pico took her on his favorite racehorse whose ship was anchored off Point Loma in San Diego.

As they reached the shoreline, Fitch was waiting. He embraced her, then shook hands with Pico before lifting his bride and carrying her to the waiting boat. They made for the ship. By the time Josefa was missed at home, the couple had already set sail for Chile, where they were married on July 3, 1829. California could talk of nothing else; some people were scandalized, others cheered the lovers. Josefa shut herself in her room for weeks.



Sea captain Fitch, far left, and Carrillo, pictured in later years, fled to Chile to be wed after their San Diego nuptials were halted by order of jealous Gov. Jose Maria Echeandia. Aiding in Carrillo's escape to Fitch's ship was her cousin, Pio Pico.

Photos courtesy of San Diego Historical Society

Almost a year later, the couple returned to San Diego, their infant son enfolded in Josefa's arms. Josefa had to beg her father's forgiveness, scooting on her knees across the floor until he finally embraced her.

But the ordeal was far from over. Fitch was soon summoned by Jose Sanchez, the Franciscan vicar general, to account for himself. Instead, Fitch sent him their marriage certificate and sailed north on business with his wife and son.

Incensed, Sanchez sent word to Gov. Escheandia, whose thwarted love had been replaced by anger at the couples' defiance. On the grounds that the marriage was not legal, the governor arrested Fitch in Monterey and charged him with abduction and other "heinous crimes." Josefa was kept under house arrest.

Three months later the governor shipped them to San Gabriel Mission under guard to face trial. The prosecutor set out to prove that the laws of the church and the state had been broken and that their marriage was null and void.

For a month the accused couple was interrogated and witnesses testimony was gathered. Finally, the prosecutor conceded that their motives were honest and pure, and dropped the case. The real culprit, he went on, was the scorned governor.

So the vicar general found that the marriage, though "not legitimate" in the eyes of the church, nonetheless "was valid." But there was still penance to be paid. The couple was ordered to attend high Mass for three feast days while holding, and recite the rosary for 30 consecutive days. Fitch was ordered to donate a 50-pound bell to the plaza church in Los Angeles.

Vindicated and reunited after six months apart, Henry and Josefa returned to San Diego, where they had 10 more children in quick succession. Between his trips as a port-to-port salesman, Fitch kept a general store in Old Town and was prominent in politics.

In 1840, he was granted 48,000 acres of Rancho Sotoyome, a name derived from the Indian word *satiyomi*, which means "brave or handsome ranch." It was centered on what would become the town of Healdsburg in northern California's wine country.

But Fitch never lived there. He died in 1849 at the age of 49 and was the last person to be buried in the cemetery of San Diego's original settlement, the Presidio. After her husband's death, Josefa moved to their northern rancho.

She died in 1893 at age 82. On the other side of the country where she died, her, her great-great-grandson was 11 years old. His middle name was the same as his great-great-grandfather, Delano, and he would become the 32nd President of the United States: Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

Now to the genealogical relationships of this article. First of all, we are not aware of any other "Fitch-FDR" relationships other than the line through the Lt. Jonathan Branch and his 13th off spring Thomas (DIFP #35). Henry Fitch is related to FDR, but not as closely as stated in the preceding paragraph. While Henry's line falls through Thomas's first son Thomas II (DIFP #159), FDR's⁸ (Sarah Delano Roosevelt⁷, Warren⁶, Warren⁵, Ephraim⁴, Thomas³, Lt. Jonathan², Philippe¹) line falls through Thomas's third son Ephraim (DIFP #161) so they are not related as grandparents. It appears that Henry Delano Fitch is Second Cousin Twice Removed.

We thank all our "alert readers" who were involved in sending us this article. Alert reader, Cousin **Warren C. DeLano** of Santa Monica, sent one to us last March. We received a second copy via a circuitous route when an unknown California alert reader sent it to Cousin **Mary Skinner** who sent to Cousin **Phyllis DeLano** (both of Kalamazoo, MI). Cousin Phyllis sent on to your editor in Virginia.

NEW SECRETARY FOUND

We are happy to announce that a candidate for appointment as DELANO KINDRED Secretary has been found. As you know because we are incorporated in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, our Secretary must be a resident of that state. Your Nominating Committee has contacted most eligible members who reside in Massachusetts and finally found Cousin **Robert Bisbee Delano** willing to serve in this important capacity. We thank Cousin Bob for taking the initiative and stepping forward to serve in this office. As a rule we only include a member's middle initial, but since we have four Robert B. Delanos as members in the DELANO KINDRED we wanted there to be no confusion who our Secretary will be.

Cousin Bob will be coordinating with former Secretary Cousin Dorothea A. Harris in the turnover of the Secretarial Records. We wish Bob every success in this new post.

NEW MEMBERS

We are happy to welcome our new members who have joined our Family Society since October 2001.

Massachusetts

Hugh C. Kelley of Quincy

Virginia

Graceanne Barbour of Vienna

Thomas Holladay of Arlington

WELCOME ABOARD COUSINS!!



ONLINE HELP: SEARCHING FOR MISSING COUSINS

Larissa Bingham passed on this information concerning missing family members. She wrote: "I was searching for my cousin Elsbeth for the last two years, and finally found her online through <http://www.net-vestigator.com>. I was so happy to find her that I'm passing on the URL in hopes that someone else can find their missing family member." We thank Larissa for this helpful information.

DEPARTED COUSINS

Barbara DeLano Argana

We sadly report the death of Cousin Barbara DeLano Argana of Scottsdale, Arizona.

Cousin Barbara was a first cousin to one of our founders, the late David Kumpf. Barbara passed away on 27 October 2001. She had been a member of the DELANO KINDRED since 1999. She descended from Philippe De Lannoy through his son John Delano born in 1644 who married Mary Weston. We send our belated but heartfelt condolences to her daughter Cyndy Bensema who lives in Arizona.

William Hedge Delano

We also sadly report the death of Cousin William Hedge Delano of Jonesboro, Georgia on 21 November 2001. Cousin William had been a member of the DELANO KINDRED since 1992. He was born in Plymouth, Massachusetts, and attended Plymouth schools before going to the University of Kentucky and then onward to Tufts University in MA. After college he was employed by the Personal Finance Co. in Plymouth and then opened and managed their Hyannis office. He lived in Centerville, Osterville and Hyannis, MA before moving to Georgia.

During World War II he served in the Army 5th Airforce as a CWO/master marine with an Emergency Rescue boat Squadron. He participated in nine campaigns and in the liberation of the Philippines.

He was employed in the textile industry from 1960 to 1993, when he retired as Chief Executive Officer of Paris Manufacturing Company.

We send our belated condolences to his wife of 60 years, Una Best Delano, his son Robert W. Delano, two daughters Una Penny Waters and Pamela Gilbert, and six grandchildren all living in Georgia.

VROUWEKERK DEVELOPMENTS

So far this year the news about saving the Vrouwekerk Church ruins in Leiden, The Netherlands, continues to be good. Although the Vrouwekerk ruins were not going to be disturbed in the previously updated "Aalmarkt Project" (Aalmarkt means eel market) favored by a coalition of the Aldermen and the Mayor, the urban development project, as planned, would destroy some other historic buildings in the area near the church ruins.

An ad hoc "Aalmarkt Referendum Workgroup" had obtained the necessary signatures to force a citywide referendum on the development project to save more of these historic buildings and other historic monuments.

The threat of a referendum in The Netherlands is a very extraordinary expression of dissatisfaction. As a result an agreement was reached in late January between the Aalmarkt Project coalition and the Referendum Workgroup.

The result is the Aalmarkt Project will be withdrawn and the Workgroup will withdraw their referendum. Dr. Jeremy D. Bangs reports "the gains for historic preservation that had been achieved in the revised (urban development) plan will be retained while other aspects will be re-examined in an attempt to find compromises." A project group headed by the Inspector of National Buildings will examine the renovation plans in order to save more buildings and monuments. Dr. Bangs will be a member of this project group.

A new urban-renewal plan will be drawn up after the project group makes its recommendations. While the new plan will not be produced before 1 October 2002, Dr. Bangs believes this agreement represents a significant shift of thinking in Leiden's city government as it "chooses to move forward with appropriate care for its historic values."

1870 MICHIGAN CENSUS ONLINE

Thanks to an alert reader we pass this information on which may be useful for those who have access to the Internet. Budding genealogists can check out their family tree—examine the roots—through the 1870 Census Index for Michigan, which is now available on line at <http://www.libofmich.lib.mi.us/genealogy.html>. The index is a list of the family names in each household residing in every county and township in Michigan in 1870. The project was accomplished by the Library of Michigan's Public Information Office and the Network and Information Systems division"

DELANO KINDRED GENEALOGY PROJECT

In the 2001 Annual Questionnaire many of our members indicated they were not aware that all members are eligible to participate in the DELANO KINDRED Genealogy Project. Many indicated they did not receive a Genealogy Project Preliminary form. The DELANO KINDRED Genealogy Project offers all members the opportunity to participate in a major goal of your Society—perfecting and updating the DELANO Genealogy (Book two of the GHAAHD) compiled by Joel Andrew Delano in 1899.

In order to accomplish this goal the participation of all DELANO KINDRED members is needed. Your documented line of descent from Philippe De La Noye (Philip Delano) will contribute to this effort and is accomplished by completing two forms. The first is the Genealogy Project Preliminary Form. After that is completed, and sent to **Cousin Muriel C. Cushing**, our Genealogist, she will send you the second Genealogy Worksheet. When completed, the worksheet shows documentation from sources other than the information stated in the GHAAHD. Cousin Muriel will provide instructions about the different types of sources that can be used to document the your lineage.

Those members who have completed the documentation of their descendancy from Philippe De Lannoy are eligible to receive a certificate that recognizes their effort and their contribution to the DELANO KINDRED Genealogy Project. Cousins **Verna and Harvey Finwick** designed this multicolored certificate. A 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 sailing into Plymouth on a misty day. The black printed citation under the FORTUNE says, “The Delano Kindred is a society organized to

perpetuate the memory and genealogy of the ancestors 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 member to complete her documentation, we have taken the liberty of using her certificate. You will note that the certificate also identifies the Branch and sub-branch of he 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 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 is a fine looking certificate and is well worth framing.

This is an “All Member Project” so we hope you will respond to this effort just as your ancestors did over 100 years before when they responded to Joel's “circular” requesting their help in his compilation. If you haven’t received or are not sure if you have received a Preliminary Form, please contact our Genealogist **Muriel C. Cushing** at **605 Via Tunis Drive, Punta Gorda Isles, FL 33950**. She will be happy to send you a preliminary form.



GENEALOGY OF WILLIS ALMONT DELANO PRESENTED

Last October Cousins **Marjorie and Ernie Towers** traveled to Berlin, NH to a meeting of the Berlin and Coos County Historical Society.

The occasion was a presentation of the Genealogy of Willis Almont Delano in notebook form to the Society for its collection.

Headquartered in the Moffett House, a home donated by Mary Moffett, widow of Dr. Irving Moffett in 1996, the Society has the largest collection of historical data, artifacts, and memorabilia north of Manchester, NH. Public areas include a Reading room and two Reference Rooms, one of which contains records of Canadian families.

Willis Almont Delano descendant's family lines are Delano, Lang, Anderson, Long, and Wagner. At present there are about 125 of his descendants, most living in Coos County (New Hampshire's most northern county). Ten descendants are members of the DELANO KINDRED as follows: Addie R. (Lang) Flynn and Earl Anderson of Gorham; Bertina (Wagner) Fortin, Bonnie (Flynn) Mortensen, Birge Anderson Nottestad, and Arnold Wagner, all of Berlin; Jean (Wagner) Shields of Milan; Michael Anderson of Holiday, FL; Beverly (Anderson) Panjian of Arlington, MA; and Mary (Anderson) Iverson of Royal Oak, MI

Willis Almont Delano's¹⁰ line runs: Perly Kelly⁹, Francis Swan⁸, Abial⁷, Jabez⁶, Zebedee⁵, John⁴, Jonathan³, Dr. Thomas², Philippe.¹ This line moved to ME when Zebedee⁵, born in Scituate, MA moved to Maine and died there. His son Jabez⁶ settled in Livermore, ME. Abial⁷ born in Livermore, moved north to Rumford, ME, and his son Francis Swan⁸ moved northwest to Upton, ME. Perly Kelly⁹ was born and live in Upton and Willis Almont¹⁰ was born



in nearby Rumford and migrated further northwest, crossed New Hampshire and settled in Dummer, New Hampshire. His descendants settled in Dummer, Milan, Berlin and Gorham situated in the Androscoggin River Valley.

As with all genealogies, this publication entitled *The Ancestors and Descendants of WILLIS AMONT DELANO 1891-1949* is a work in progress. If you have any additional information to contribute on these lines please contact Cousin Ernie. His address is in the Directory.

NEWS FROM OUR MEMBERS

CHILEAN BIOGRAPHICAL EFFORT RECEIVES MORE HELP

In our June 2001 issue we reported the plans to publish a book or books containing the biographies of Capt. Paul Delano Tripp and Paul Hinckley Delano Ferguson and their many descendants. Cousin **Marcela Moreno-Sepulveda** reports that **Admiral Daniel Arellano Walbaum** will help Cousin Marcela and Cousin **Jorge Andres Delano** with this great effort. Adm. Arellano is the great grandson of Mrs. Irene Delano Walbaum of Valparaiso who contributed greatly to the GHAHD and received a deserved "special mention" from the compiler, Maj. Joel Andrew Delano. Adm. Arellano is the Director of the Chilean Naval Academy and a cousin of both Marcela and Jorge. We wish them good luck with this large undertaking.

MEMBERS FEEL THE IMPACT OF SEPTEMBER 11th BY BEING OUT OF THE COUNTRY

By now we have all heard stories by many of how the September 11th affected them in many different ways. Two of our members were

outside the U.S. at the time and were affected or were witness to some of the effects; though fortunately these were not ones of the very tragic events. Cousin **Susanne Winkler** was in France at the time. Her natural response was to return on any earlier flight to the U.S. Because of the flight ban over the U.S. and the Canadian lock down of flights, the closest she could get to home by switching her airline ticket, was Reykjavik, Iceland. President Bush lifted the ban on the day her regularly scheduled return flight and she was able to return. Even though the flight was delayed, it was the most enjoyable and the most memorable flight she had ever taken. Cousin **Jorge Delano** was in Ecuador and had been traveling to the U.S. on a student's visa to finish his Master's Degree at Trinity College. He was planning to return and finish up his degree. September 11th resulted in the cancellation of his and most other students' visas. We understand he finally was able to return to the U.S. on a new visa after Christmas.

A NOVEL ABOUT RURAL TEXAS PUBLISHED

Cousin Geneva Delano Crain of Lometa, Texas wrote that her third book, a novel, had been published. Titled *Sometimes Love*, it is a story about a teenaged girl, Cassie Landel, growing up in a rural Texas community in the late 1940's and 1950's. She weaves her story in with those of others in the town as the impact of changes of WWII, rural electrification, a new telephone system and the Korean War affect them all. Although it is a novel some of the incidents are true to some extent. "I feel I was blessed to grow up in the fifties," she said. "Some of the things that were noticeable at that time were the fact that drugs were not a problem, girls would never have entertained the idea of drinking, people didn't have to lock their houses when they left, people helped their neighbor, and for the most part were fairly truthful."

Cousin Geneva and her husband own a 600-acre working ranch that operates seasonally as a dude ranch. She maintains a practice in reflexology and lymph therapy and has been included in the publication *Notable Women of Texas*. When time is available, she and her cousin June Morris are at work documenting

their Lt. Jonathan Branch lineage back through his son Jabez (DIFP#29). Her ancestors came to Texas probably as a result of the U.S.-Mexican War of 1846-48. "I have always been proud of the Delano name and use it many times as the middle name of my signature," she writes. We wish Cousin Geneva well with her novel and success with her documentation.

DRY IN VERMONT HOT IN CHILI

Cousin **A. Brookins Delano** reports Vermont is still experiencing extremely dry conditions in the vicinity of Barre late in 2001-fall season. He reports that his and other well have gone dry, or close to it, because of the lack of significant amounts of rain. He says he has his line of Delanos and his grandfather's brother's family recorded. Now he has to have it printed.

Cousin **Paulina Baudet Tellachea** reports from Santiago, Chili that they are experiencing a really hot Summer.

Looks as though the El Nino has returned.

ANNUAL QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS

Our 2001 Annual Questionnaire attempted to develop a profile of our membership, determine their understanding of the Genealogical Program and identify those who were interested in helping or participating in various areas of the Society's endeavors. The questionnaire tried to determine the membership's views on the venue for the 2005 Reunion as well as other locations and some general questions about information that from time to time is placed in the *Bonnes Nouvelles* issues.

We thank those members who took the time to answer and send in their questionnaire. While the results only reflect those members who sent in their questionnaire, the results are interesting. Your Board has received a copy of the questionnaire results and will be mindful of them during their deliberations. We also thank those who indicated that they were willing to participate in various aspects of your DELANO KINDRED!

The 70 to 85 year old age group was the median of those members who answered the questionnaire. The average age was about 72 years old. The following is the age group percentages: 35-40 years, 7%; 40-55 years, 3%;

55-70 years, 30%; 70-85 years, 40%; and over 85 years, 20%.

Occupation and Experience covered a wide range. As would be expected over two-thirds of the respondents said they were retired from at least one vocation while some continued in a second vocation or as an occasional consultant. With some difficulty we attempted to group similarities as follows: Professional Services, (Law, Scientific, Engineering, Insurance & Investments, 26%; Government or other agency Clerical and Financial Administration, 17%; Education, 13%; Health and Human Services (Medical Administration, Nursing, Social Services), 10%; Transportation (Trucking or Aviation), 7%; Art & Ceramics, 6%; Lborer/Factory Worker, 6%; Business Owner, 3%; and Military Service, 3%.

In regards to the 2005 Reunion, 67% preferred Salt Lake City while 37 % chose Denver. Other Central U.S. venues mentioned were Kansas City and St. Louis. Other venues suggested included the west-coast cities of Seattle and San Diego, Valley Forge, France, and another reunion in Virginia.

Twenty percent of the respondents were not aware that we accept news contributions from our members and try to include them in the "News From our Members" section of the *Bonnes Nouvelles*. Six percent of the respondents were not aware that our mailing labels include the December 31st year that their dues are paid through.

Several questions addressed the DELANO KINDRED Genealogical Project. Twenty percent of the respondents were not aware that they are eligible to participate in the Genealogical Project. Thirty-seven percent indicated they had not received a Preliminary Form, but 62% of those who received the preliminary forms had completed and returned them to Muriel Cushing. None of the respondents indicated they were experiencing documentation problems. Thirty-seven percent of the respondents said they did not know that upon satisfactory completion of their documentation, they were eligible for a DELANO KINDRED Certificate citing their contribution to the Genealogy Project.

We are very grateful that several of the respondents offered to participate in various

capacities of your Society. Appropriate Committee Chairs will be made aware of their interest.

New initiatives or suggestions included: expanding our Genealogical publications—such as Regional Delano Families; emailing the *Bonnes Nouvelles* to members or placing it on the website for members only; publishing desire to have a complete regional family line, selling authentic DELANO family crests and family crest stationery as a fund raiser; sharing more photos of ancestors, historical sites, gravestones, etc.; sending membership and reunion information to the N.G.S., the F.G.S., and various state societies; and recommending wording of the Philippe De Lannoy Memorial Marker.

Again, a BIG THANKS to all those who responded to the Annual Questionnaire! Your Board will certainly take the information, comments and suggestions into consideration.



DELANOs IN THE NEWS

Seen "Credit Lines" at the end of a recent TV rerun of a "ROCKFORD FILES" episode

Captain BalduciLEE DELANO

TYLER DELANO

HELPS RAISE DIABETES AWARENESS

Standing before a large group, especially if you are eight years old can be a terrifying experience, but **Tyler Delano** was all smiles, on 14 August 2001, as he told more than 24 members of the Houlton Maine Diabetes Support Group about his battle with diabetes.

Compared to the three injections and four blood-sugar tests that Tyler has to deal with every day, speaking in front of a group of adults wasn't that bad. Tyler, who lives in Houlton, was diagnosed with Type I, or juvenile, diabetes when he was three and a half years old. Last year he was the Maine poster child for the American Diabetes Association.

"He's just like any other child," his father Dana told the group gathered at the Houlton Regional Hospital. "He likes sports like basketball and swimming. The real challenge is

you have to plan the day around food and insulin," Dana Delano said.

Type I diabetes, which is most common in children and is caused by damage to the pancreas, which makes insulin that maintains the glucose level in a person's blood. Type II diabetes, is most common in adults over 40 whose pancreas doesn't make enough insulin causing a high glucose level in the blood.

Tyler looks and acts like other boys his age, but he "just can't go on a four-hour snowmobile ride," his father said. In addition to his daily shots and tests, Tyler must also eat six times a day to maintain the proper blood-sugar balance—three regular meals plus three snacks. All of Tyler's meals must be monitored. "When we go to McDonalds, he can only have so many french fries. You think of fruit as being good, but he can't eat a whole apple, like most people," said his father. "He can only have half."

Diabetes, which if not controlled can damage a person's eyes, kidneys, and nerves. Nerve damage in some cases can necessitate amputation of the foot or leg. It is estimated that 16 million Americans have the disease and one-third or about 5 million don't even know they have it, according to the Diabetes Association.

We wish Tyler Delano every success in combating his diabetes. We thank whoever sent Cousin **Nancy Delano** the article about Tyler in the 16 August issue of the *Bangor Daily News*.

WHAT IS THE DIFP?

The DIFP is our acronym for the book titled PHILIPPE DE LANNOY or PHILIP DELANO OF THE "FORTUNE" 1621 and His Descendants for Four Generations, compiled by Muriel C. Cushing and published by the General Society of Mayflower Descendants.

The DIFP follows the same genealogical format as the MFIP. Because it was easier to remember, we use the acronym DIFP, which stands for "**DELANOS In First Place.**" Through the research of Muriel and many others, the DIFP is the most complete and accurate compilation of the first four generations in the Second Book of the GHAHD – The DELANO Genealogy.

The significant difference between the GHAHD and the DIFP is that in the DIFP each descendant in the first four generations has his

or her own family number. This means that each Mary, Philip, Hester, Thomas, John, Jonathan, Rebecca, and Samuel, have their own number so there is no confusion which John or Mary is being discussed. Because there are so many similar names (Jabez, for example), the GHAHD had several erroneous entries. These have been corrected.

We still have copies of the DIFP. Please see the enclosed publication order blank.

DELANO DRINKS

We don't advocate the consumption of alcoholic beverages—except for medicinal purposes or historic research. Many DELANOs have been known to appreciate an occasional libation. **FDR's** favorite was the **Dry Martini**, but contrary to James Bond of 007 fame he was not particular about whether it was "shaken not stirred." FDR was not particular about the garnish that accompanied that drink. An olive or a lemon peel or both for that matter was all right with him. It was said that when he made them himself aboard the Presidential Yacht he would use what ever was available resulting in some rather innovative accompaniments. In September of 1998 at a mini-reunion hosted by **Cousins Sara and Tom Kelly, Cousin Juan Pablo Delano Tellechea** introduced us to the **Pisco Sour**, made from the famed Peruvian Pisco Brandy. We are told the sour is a favorite drink in Chile as well as Peru, though made differently in each country.

We have understood from **Cousin John Osborne** that Pisco Brandy was known in San Francisco in the 1850's. The brandy, made from native Peruvian Quebranta grapes, took its name from the port from which it was shipped. The famed Bank Exchange Bar in the Montgomery Block building gained an international reputation for its **Pisco Punch**. To one reporter of that day "the invention of Pisco Punch did more to advance civilization than the driving of the Golden Spike." We wonder if **Alonzo Delano** of literary fame (see NL# 29 pg. 1 Dec. 1998) ever encountered the drink while he was in the wholesale grocery business in San Francisco in those days.

The renowned **Captain Amasa Delano**, while in the port of Fredericksburg, VA in the late 1700's introduced the **Rum Swizzle** (frothed rum, water, ice and bitters) to an acquaintance visiting from the College of William & Mary. It was Amasa's favorite drink at the time (see NL# 31 pg.10, June-Sept. 1999).

Now, thanks to the eagle eye of **Cousin Ernie Towers**, comes the **DELANO Ciapir-**

inha, recognized in the January 2002 issue of *Bon Appetite* (pg. 82) as one of the two best drinks of the year. The DELANO Ciapirinha is named after the famed DELANO Hotel in Miami Beach and is made from limes, fresh lemon and lime juices, sugar and ice. We thank **Cousins Ernie and John** research on this subject. Recipes are available upon request.

WHAT IS THE GHAAHD AND

WHERE CAN I OBTAIN A COPY?

The **GHAAHD** is our acronym for the lengthy title *The Genealogy, History, and Alliances of the American House of Delano 1621 to 1899* (New York, 1899) compiled by Major Joel A. Delano and arranged by Mortimer Delano de Lannoy. This volume is the most comprehensive DELANO family history known to us. It contains two books.

The First Book, of 93 pages, entitled "The Heraldic and Genealogical History of the Maison de Franchimont & de Lannoy: from 476 to 1621 A.D.:" is edited by Mortimer Delano de Lannoy. It traces the history of the various branches of the de Lannoy family from Hugues de Lannoy who was a knight at a tournament in Aachin (Aachen, Germany) to the early 1600's.

Mortimer Delano de Lannoy attempts to connect Gysbert de Lannoy to one of these de Lannoy branches. His questionable and much ridiculed "proof" is given on pg. 48 of the GHAAHD. Although we are not yet able to document his "proof" through other independent documentation, we can document that Gysbert de Lannoy did exist, that he said that he was from Tourcoing (now in France), and that he is the grandfather of our ancestor Philippe De La Noye (de Lannoy).

The Second Book, containing about 439 pages, is entitled "The DELANO Genealogy: from 1621 - 1899" and is compiled by Major Joel Andrew Delano. This monumental effort contains the genealogy of all branches known to him in 1899. Some branches are more complete than others are since the compiler had to rely on the accuracy and completeness of the responses of many cooperative DELANOs throughout the Americas. At the end of this book is a section entitled "**Unknown Branches**" containing lines that the compiler and his assistants could not connect to one of the main branch lines.

At the back of the GHAAHD is one of its most useful sections - the **General Index** (18 pages). If you know the surname of the mother and the first name of the father of the DELANO you are searching for; you can cross-reference these names using this index and find the page number where they are listed.

Although reputable genealogists have pointed out "a large number of errors" (particularly in Book One) and a somewhat "awkward manner of presentation," the DELANO KINDRED Board adopted the GHAAHD as the major genealogical source for this Society.

The DELANO KINDRED Genealogical Program is an effort to correct and update the GHAAHD. Thanks to the efforts under the direction of our Genealogist, Muriel C. Cushing, the first publication (the DIFP) was published in 1999. Additional publications are in progress.

There were only 400 original copies of the GHAAHD printed in 1899. However we have good copies of the original with illustrations printed on acid free paper. If you wish to obtain a copy of the GHAAHD within a few days, we have copies available at our Duxbury address. We have provided a publication order form for your convenience. These are hard cover books with a gold embossed title on the cover. Our quick delivery price is \$81.50 plus \$8.00 shipping and handling for book mail.

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

If you don't mind waiting up to ten weeks to obtain a copy, you can order copies from Higginson Books, Derby Square, Salem, MA 01970, phone (978) 745-7170. Their price to DELANO KINDRED members is \$50.00 plus shipping and handling. Be sure you mention the DELANO KINDRED when you order. In the past the normal contact has been Emily Wheeldon, who is at their office Tuesday through Friday.