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## *Learning about DELANO history and genealogy* 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 Lanoy, the progenitor of most DELANOs in the Americas, who arrived at Plymouth in 1621 on the FORTUNE.

### FROM THE EDITOR

This issue includes information about the 2015 San Diego Reunion and important information about the 2015 Annual Membership Meeting held there in the Handlery Hotel. Details about the various DELANO KINDRED projects; some have been updated and some are new. If you have received a “Dues Reminder” for 2016, we hope you will take the time to pay your dues promptly. We hope you have a good Thanksgiving, a blessed Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

### THE 2015 SAN DIEGO REUNION

There were over 48 attendees at the September, 2015 San Diego Reunion. The weather was outstanding and the service provided by the Handlery Hotel was very good. The tropical plantings including various palm trees made one feel they were in the Hawaii or on a Caribbean Island. We are grateful that Cousin **Bonnie Jean MacDonald** kindly provided photos of this family gathering – many of which are included in the news about the Reunion and the Annual

Meeting. Her generosity is greatly appreciated.

On Thursday and Friday, registration was held at the entrance to the DELANO KINDRED hospitality room near the hotel’s swimming pool. Attendees took advantage of the camaraderie around snacks and beverages in the hospitality room which also had DELANO KINDRED Tee Shirts, various genealogy books and trinkets for sale.

The Friday afternoon Educational Symposium was well attended. Discussions included the proposed Y-DNA



Upgrade Project as well as the proposed support of the Plymouth Colony Records Project. Both of these projects are discussed in separate articles elsewhere in this newsletter.

The Friday night Welcome Dinner was held in a room near the Hospitality Room. The food served was excellent with the



entrees of steaks and Chicken Kiev (al la Handlery) done to perfection. The Speaker of the Evening was Tyler Hackworth of the Save Our Heritage Organization (SOHO) of San Diego. He gave a very entertaining talk about the history of the SOHO and its importance in saving many of San Diego's historical sites. He also talked about Henry Delano Fitch.



The Saturday morning Membership Annual Meeting was well attended. It is covered in another article in this newsletter. That afternoon many members visited the USS MIDWAY Museum which was spectacular. Thanks to arrangements with the Super Shuttle taxi service we were quickly and efficiently transported to the harbor pier where the famed Aircraft Carrier was tied up. There was much to see from the aircraft displays in the hangar deck and on the flight deck to tours below the engineering

spaces where the



ship was powered. One could also take a tour of the aircraft control bridge where the aircraft launches and recoveries were managed by the ship's Air Department Commander (the "Air Boss"). Also on this tour one could continue to the Command Bridge where the Commanding Officer and his designated Officers of the Deck controlled



the ship while it was underway.

The weather Saturday evening was warm and pleasant—almost Hawaiian—a perfect night for the Hawaiian Buffet Dinner under the stars. Before the delightful dinner, members gathered for the Reunion Group Photograph. It took several "takes" trying to get everyone "in" as much as possible.



Sunday almost everyone departed after "goodbyes" except the Board of Directors and some committee members who met to plan the rest of the Fiscal Year.

We thank Cousins **Mary Delano** and **Elizabeth Clarke** and others for making this Reunion an unforgettably pleasant event.

## 2015 DELANO KINDRED REUNION IN SAN DIEGO



We regret that we were unable to identify all the members in the photo at this time.

## THE 2015 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

### Call to Order

The Annual Membership Meeting of the DELANO KINDRED was called to order by Vice President Terry Delano shortly after 9:00 AM on Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at the Handlery Hotel in San Diego, CA. President Muriel Cushing, could not attend the meeting so Cousin Terry presided. It was determined there was a quorum of 29 members in good standing present. A motion to accept the agenda as written was approved.

### 2014 Annual Meeting Minutes

Unfortunately, Secretary Margaret Delano was unable to attend the



meeting, but provided an e-mail of the minutes of the 2014 Annual Meeting held in South Portland, Maine. A motion was approved to accept the minutes as read.

## **Reports**

### **Auditor's Report**

Cousin George DeLano gave the Auditor's Report for the Fiscal Year ending 1 June 2015. The audit disclosed there were a few minor changes in some of the items, but these changes did not affect overall total of funds. A motion to accept the Auditor's Report was approved.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer David Grinnell gave the Treasurer's Report which provided the financial status from 1 June 2014 through 31 August 2015. Cousin David reported there was \$9,563.00 in the checking account, \$18,284.00 in CDs providing \$28,525.00. There is \$492.00 in pre-paid membership Liabilities. He noted that the Board recently approved a contribution of \$500.00 to the Millicent Library in Fairhaven, MA, which is not shown in his report. He stated the DELANO KINDRED was in good financial shape. After some discussion a motion to file the Treasurer's Report for Audit was approved.

### **Election of Officers**

Next on the Agenda was the election of Officers. The Nominating Committee's Report listed the nominees as follows: Cousin George (Terry) Delano III for President, Cousin William G. Delano for Vice President, Cousin Margaret L. Delano for Secretary, and David L. Grinnell for Treasurer. Cousin Terry asked Cousin George B. DeLano to preside during the elections. Cousin George asked for nominations from the floor and it was found there were none. According to the bylaws a motion was made to accept the nominees by acclamation. The motion was approved and Cousin George turned the meeting over to our new President Cousin Terry Delano.

### **Nominating Committee Change**

Cousin Terry noted that since William Delano had been elected Vice President, according to the bylaws, he could no longer serve on the Nominating Committee—an elected position. He noted that Cousin Donna Delano had to fill this position. Since no one present volunteered to fill the uncompleted term of this position Cousin Donna was elected.

## **Reports Continued**

### **Contact and Website Reports**

Cousin Terry gave the Contact Committee and Website Committee Reports. All contact queries received were via the DELANO KINDRED website. It was noted the number of contact queries had increased. Occasionally Cousins Muriel Cushing and George DeLano answered the queries when needed. All current members are now on the Website's GoDaddy database. He noted that some members have not provided e-mail addresses so they cannot be provided with Website User IDs which are necessary for access to the members-only portion of the website.

### **Membership Report**

Cousin Carolyn Clarke reported there were 311 active members. . She pointed out that the population is aging and there continues to be a struggle of getting new members to replace those that leave the organization. She has seen more West Coast members this past year than previously. In the past, the members were coming from Massachusetts and Virginia. She reminded the group that she is looking for someone to replace her as Membership Chair.

### **European Research, Newsletter and Educational Program Reports**

Cousin George B. DeLano reported that the information on the Du Bu family (Philippe's mother's line) researched last year was disappointing since there were very few Du Bu entries in the Leiden Records before 1621. None of these sparse Du Bu entries showed any relationship to Philippe's relatives. It appears to be time to move the focus to records in the Lille, France area.

He also reported that most of the past newsletters are available on the website. He needs to scan some of the old newsletters and send them to Terry for upload to the website. He noted that newsletters were a “right” of membership and the costs are covered by membership dues.

Cousin George DeLano reported that the Educational Program would now include the support of the Plymouth Colony Records Project, which is discussed elsewhere in the newsletter; provided that the financial support is approved in the FY 15-16 Budget.

### **DNA Upgrade Program**

Cousin Terry Delano discussed the DNA Upgrade Project covered elsewhere in an article in this newsletter.

### **Tax-exempt Organization Progress**

Cousin David Grinnell gave a summary of the DELANO KINDRED progress in its status as a 501 (c) (3) organization. He was concerned that the Delano Kindred was not meeting the requirements the IRS has for 501(c) (3) organizations. He pointed out that there is a need to spend money, but there is also a need to actively solicit funds and recommended there be a permanent committee created that would be chartered to attract public support. It was pointed out that the proposed Plymouth Colony Records Project and the Delano DNA Upgrade Project would fit the IRS criteria. The possibility of initiating a DELANO KINDRED Scholarship Program was raised. President Terry Delano asked Cousin Harry Delano to research the IRS criteria for Scholarships and submit a proposal for a Scholarship Program.

### **FY 15-16 Budget and Proposed Changes**

Finance Chair, Cousin Paula Delano presented the FY 15-16 Budget which was approved. Since the European Research Project did not require additional funds for FY 15-16, Treasurer David Grinnell proposed that those budgeted funds be transferred to the Plymouth Colony Records Project and that the funding be increased to \$5000.00. Funds would be sent to the Leiden American Pilgrim Museum Foundation which will manage the work of this project. Vice President Bill Delano moved to increase the funding for the DNA Upgrade Project to \$2000. Cousin Carolyn Clarke amended the motion by adding a list of key DELANO surname members to have their DNA tests upgraded. The motion was approved.

### **Annual Charitable Drawing**

Cousin Elizabeth Clarke noting that no one had submitted a candidate for Annual Charitable Drawing moved that newly approved funds of \$200.00 be sent to the Museum of Northwest Colorado. It was noted that the Museum has a collection of Gerard Curtis Delano’s paintings and letters. She noted that the letters need cataloging and indexing. The motion was approved.

### **Fairhaven, Millicent Library Contribution**

Cousin Paula Delano reported that the DELANO KINDRED Board had approved an expenditure of \$500.00 for the Millicent Library’s refurbishment of its community auditorium which included upgrading tables and chairs. There would be a plaque for the DELANO KINDRED’s gift and plaques commemorating each of Philippe’s children. This was a new line item in the budget which was moved and approved.

### **Budget Changes affect on the Budget**

Treasurer David Grinnell noted that the budget changes would temporarily cause negative income over expenses in the monthly financial reports since funds would be coming from available cash and donations.

### **Mayflower Commemorative Coin**

President Terry Delano reported that Cousin Muriel Cushing informed him that the Mayflower Society is asking the U. S. Government to mint a coin commemorating the 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Mayflower arrival at Plymouth in 1620. She asked the DELANO KINDRED to support this request. A motion to support the Mayflower Society in this effort was approved. Individuals may also support this request by contacting their Congressmen. Please see the article elsewhere in this newsletter.

### Annual Meeting Future Venues

The venue for the 2016 Annual Meeting and Reunion will be in New England, possibly in Rhode Island. In 2017 the venue will be either in Savannah, Georgia or Craig, Colorado. The venue for the 2018 will be in the venue not selected for 2017.

### Adjournment

The 2016 Annual Membership Meeting was adjourned at 11:24 AM.

## PLYMOUTH COLONY RECORDS PROJECT

At the 2015 Annual Membership Meeting held in San Diego, the members present approved supporting the Leiden American Pilgrim Museum Foundation's (LAPMF) effort to transcribe and publish the remaining unpublished Records of the Plymouth Colony. The following is an overview that appears on the LAPMF website:<sup>1</sup>

These records are extraordinarily complete, covering many aspects of seventeenth-century colonial life. Despite this wealth of potential information, nearly half the official records of Plymouth



Colony (the governmental records of the Plymouth Colony) have never been transcribed and published. Town records (of the township governments) of the colony were also published only partially, leaving large amounts of information unknown. Histories of the Pilgrims and their colony are all distorted and skewed by their authors' unfamiliarity with these documents. Publication of the records will generate a comprehensive understanding of the lives of New England's first European settlers and their Native American neighbors. Over many years there had been an effort to transcribe and publish the Records of the Plymouth Colony. The effort started before the Civil War when Nathaniel Shurtleff and David Pulsifer completed the first 12 volumes consisting of the Court Orders, Judicial Acts, Miscellaneous Records, and Acts of the Commissioners of the United Colonies, Laws and Deeds (see photo on the left). The Civil War interrupted this effort leaving 11 volumes of manuscripts unpublished. Piled photocopies of these unpublished manuscripts are shown in the photo on the right.

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In the last part of the 19<sup>th</sup> century the effort to publish these documents was restarted with the publishing of town records of Plymouth (in 1889 by W. T. Davis) and then fragmentary records from some of the other towns that were published in the *Mayflower Descendant*. Since 1992, Dr. Jeremy Bangs has worked on the remaining towns; Scituate (in 3 volumes in 1997, 1999, 2001), Eastham (2012), Sandwich (2014) and Marshfield (2015). In 2012, an unexpected halt in funding from a major Pilgrim-related genealogical society caused a halt in the major portions of this LAPMF effort.

<sup>1</sup><http://www.leidenamericanpilgrimuseum.org/recordsoverview>

Currently two volumes of Plymouth Colony deeds (totaling 300 transcribed manuscript pages) are finished but need editing and indexing. To continue this effort the DELANO KINDRED agreed to fund the completion of this work so that these deeds may be published (bound as one book) in 2016. This support will be in keeping with our Society's 501 (c) (3) tax-exempt status - being organized exclusively for charitable and education purposes. The cost for the two volumes of deeds is \$5000.00. There are four more volumes to be transcribed, edited and indexed. Clearly, if the Plymouth Colony Records Project is to continue, we will need support from other interested organizations as well as tax-exempt contributions from our membership.

It should be noted that one will find reference to Philip de Lanoy (Philip Delano) and other early ancestors in the Plymouth Records'. For instance Philip Delano, being a freeman, was a member of the Plymouth Colony Grand Enquest. The Grand Enquest was a grand jury of sorts, elected from the freemen, which would hear complaints and swear out indictments for credible accusations. These cases would be heard by the General Court. He was also a juror on the Plymouth Colony General Court at times. There are many deed transactions, wills, and memorandums etc. in these records that involve our early DELANO ancestors.

## **COMMEMORATIVE COIN PROJECT**

By Muriel Cushing

It has been nearly 400 years since our ancestor Philippe De Lanoy first left his footprints on American soil. How our family has progressed, expanded and made its own mark on our history. What a great tribute to Philippe are his descendants who became President of the United States, military leaders, astronauts, sculptors, painters and other famous men and women. The DELANO KINDRED is an organization that instills great pride in our family.

Beginning with the second generation and third generations nearly all of his descendants married into Mayflower families and the Mayflower Society is now preparing for a big 2020 commemoration marking the founding of Plymouth Colony. Within the first year Philippe was active in contributing to the building, planning and development of our great nation.

As DELANO KINDRED members we now have the opportunity to support the Mayflower Society to share their inspirational story with the world. One of the first initiatives is to encourage the United States Congress to pass an Act directing the US Mint to issue a commemorative coin series recognizing key historical elements during the establishment of Plymouth Colony.

At the San Diego meeting in September it was voted that the DK would support the Mayflower Society by writing or Emailing their local Congressmen to pass the Coin Initiative Bill that is now before Congress. We are asking our members, to send emails or write letters in support of this legislation. Please use the template letters found at <https://www.themayflowersociety.org/2020-commemoration>. Bill HR.2980 is sponsored by Representative Bill Foster (D-IL) and Bill S.1715 is sponsored by Senator John Hoeven (R-ND).

If you don't know who your US Representatives are, you can find them at [www.house.gov](http://www.house.gov) by entering your zip code in the appropriate spot on the webpage. Find contact information for your Senators at [www.senate.gov](http://www.senate.gov) inserting your state's name in the upper right hand corner of the webpage.

## **THE DELANO KINDRED Y-DNA UP GRADE PROJECT**

As a result of the new DNA discovery that the DYS492=11 marker may likely be present in all of the branches of our family, the DELANO KINDRED agreed to budget funds for the Y-DNA Upgrade Project

which will further define the “DELANO Y-DNA”. The DNA pattern at 37 markers is characteristic of all DELANO surnamed males going back to before 1575. This project will involve upgrading previously graded male DELANOs from each family branch of our family from 37 DNA markers to 67 DNA markers to be able to determine if the DYS492=11 marker is also present in all of our family branches and thus further define DNA characteristics of our family . Interestingly, the DYS492=11 marker is also present in the Y-DNA line of member Jeff Delanoy whose line of descent goes back through the New Amsterdam Delanoy’s through Haarlem, Holland rather than through Leiden as our family line does. Cousin **Carolyn Clarke’s** article outlines the goal of the Upgrade Program. Due to space limitations a companion article by Cousin **Terry Delano** could not be included in this newsletter. Cousin Terry’s article discusses the technical aspects and chronology of the discovery of the DYS492=11 marker in his DNA and also in Jeff Delanoy’s DNA.

### **Exciting DELANO DNA Discovery**

(By Carolyn Clarke)

You may remember that some years ago a number of direct descendants of Philippe Delanoy, having the DELANO (or a variation) surname, had basic Y-DNA tests to prove the relationship of all of Philippe’s sons.

One of those who tested was George (Terry) Delano 3rd. Recently he completed the most extensive Y-DNA series that is offered by Family Tree DNA. It was discovered that Terry possesses an unusual marker. A genetic marker is a gene or DNA sequence with a known location on a chromosome that can be used to identify individuals, or species. (Wikipedia)

This marker is known in genetic language as DYS-492. Most of those who match the rest of Terry’s results have a DYS-492 number of 12 – his is 11. Don’t worry, you are not expected to understand all of this!

A more extensive series of tests than those previously performed is required to identify the DYS-492 marker. In the past ten years the knowledge of DNA and testing capabilities has expanded greatly.

Investigation showed that one other person in the DELANO DNA Project has had done further testing. He is Jeff Delanoy. He is not descended from Philippe, but from Abraham Delanoy. Abraham was an early settler of New Amsterdam, and had spent time in Leiden. The earlier DNA test had shown that Jeff was a distant relative of Philippe’s sons. Surprise! Jeff also displayed the DYS-492 = 11.

This is of great significance, as it probably indicates that this mutation occurred in some generation previous to Philippe and Abraham. It may prove that Philippe and Abraham had a common ancestor.

Our goal now is to determine if this distinctive marker is present in more DELANO/Delanoy men. It will require that additional testing be done on those who were previously tested and also testing additional men. Those previously tested have been contacted to see if they are willing to have their original tests upgraded. Testing of at least 67 markers is required.

If the test results show that the DYS-492=11 is distinctive of DELANO/Delanoy men it could be a major advancement in identifying others who are related, and could be a boost to the European research of Philippe’s ancestors.

Any male having the DELANO/ Delanoy surname is invited to participate in this project. If you would like more information on having a 67 marker or greater Y DNA test done, contact Terry Delano (gdelano2000@yahoo.com) and join the DELANO DNA Project. The more men tested increases the accuracy of this study.

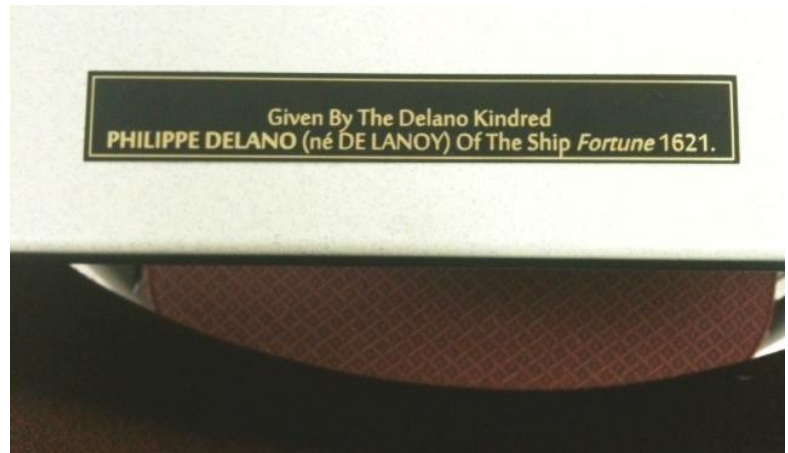


## DELANO KINDRED CONTRIBUTES TO THE MILLICENT LIBRARY REFURBISHMENT PROJECT

In mid July, Cousin **Cathy DELANO** alerted the DELANO KINDRED Board to a much needed refurbishing project at the Millicent Library in Fairhaven MA. The construction of the Millicent Library was originally funded by one of Fairhaven's generous benefactors, Henry Huddleston Rogers. The library is named after his daughter Millicent Rogers who died in 1890. The library was designed and built in 1892 as a memorial to Millicent who loved to read and greatly enjoyed libraries. Currently, the library is in great need of new chairs and tables for the community auditorium. The existing rickety



metal chairs and warped tables had certainly seen better days. "*The Friends of the Millicent Library*" developed a fund-raising opportunity to buy new meeting tables and more comfortable upholstered chairs. Contributors who gave \$50.00 to the project could purchase a chair and have an appropriately inscribed plaque placed on a table edge where the contributed chair would be placed. (The back of the red



upholstered chair is shown in the lower part of the photograph.) Many families descending from Fairhaven ancestors contributed to his project. The DELANO KINDRED Board decided to contribute \$500.00 for a chair named for Philippe De Lanoy and each of his nine children. The table that the chairs surround will have a plaque in its center signifying the DELANO KINDRED's contribution. Thirteen other DELANO descendants learned about the effort through their Millicent Library lifetime memberships. They contributed funds for chairs for a total of 23 chairs. In the draft press release Cousin **Muriel Cushing** is quoted saying, "It's comforting to think that the Delanos of past generations

through to the present day will be united in Fairhaven at the Delano table."

We heartedly thank Cousin Cathy for providing photos of the plaques and a draft of the news release which will be released soon.

### NEW MEMBERS

We are happy to welcome our new members who have joined our Family Society since August 2015.

Alaska: **Kathleen An Moran** of Eagle River

California: **Georgia B. Ardelt** of El Cajon

**WELCOME ABOARD COUSINS !!** We look forward to many years of fellowship with you and we hope that membership in the DELANO KINDRED will be a source of pride and pleasure for you.

## Some Significant November, December, January & February Events In DELANO History

During these four months many of Philippe's grandchildren were born. Rather than fill up a page of the births of his grandchildren, we selected some other events that were also significant in our family history.

**6 November** marks the 412<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Philippe de Lanoy's baptism (6 November 1603) in the Vrouwekerk in Leiden, The Netherlands. He was the son of Jan and Marie Mahieu de Lanoy.

On **9 November** we will mark the 394<sup>th</sup> year since the ship FORTUNE carrying Philippe arrived in 1621 at the New Plymouth Colony. The ship arrived just a few weeks after the first Pilgrim Thanksgiving.

On **25 December, 1620** the Pilgrims observed Christmas aboard the MAYFLOWER while the able-bodied men spent the day on shore felling trees and preparing the timber to build a platform for the ordinance to protect the plantation site and the harbor.

**January – February 1783:** The sailing ship PEACOCK was "frozen in" at Fredericksburg, VA due to the ice on the Rappahannock River. Captain **Amasa Delano**, the ship's master, spent these months in Fredericksburg. In 1817, he published a book about his travels, voyages and discoveries in the "Pacific Ocean and Oriental Islands".

On **30 January, 1882**, 131 years ago, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, the 32nd President of the United States, was born.

**February 1889:** **Joel Andrew Delano** of Grove, Newaygo County, MI and his brother **Denis Delphi Delano** decided to "commence a correspondence" with other Delano families to determine "from whence we came." Joel A. Delano became the compiler of the GHAARD published in 1899.

**4 February 1820: Christopher Delano**, captain of the brig WILLIAM, was found guilty of piracy and hung in Malta.

On **19 February 1747/8:** **Jonathan Delano** (in the Dr. Thomas Delano Branch) married his cousin **Ruth Delano**. Jonathan Delano was the keeper of the light on Sequin Island off the coast of Maine. Jonathan Delano saw smoke and heard cannon fire... "from that island" in the famous battle of the HMS BOXER and the USS ENTERPRISE during the War of 1812. The Boxer was captured and was sold at auction. That ship continued for at least a decade as a merchantman.

However, six US Navy ships in the future would be named the USS Boxer. The ENTERPRISE was the third US Navy ship to bear that name. Five more ships have been named the ENTERPRISE and one more is planned to be launched in 2025.



### Updated Contribution Form For FY 15-16

We have inserted an updated DELANO KINDRED Contribution Form in this newsletter. This form enables you to contribute to the designated Contribution Programs of your choice. We have added The **Plymouth Colony Records Project** to the Educational Programs. Contributions to these programs are tax-deductable. They are as follows:

- The General **Memorial Fund Account** for those who do not care to designate contributions to any particular program or project. Each year the Membership at our Annual Membership Meeting approves funds from this account that may be used for the various designated programs and projects in the programs listed below:
- The Memorialization Program supporting the **Gravestone Project**.
- The Charitable Programs supporting the **Plimoth Plantation** and the **Annual Charity Drawing**.
- The Educational Programs supporting the **Plymouth Colony Records Project**, the **Y-DNA Project**, the **European Research Project**, and our **Educational Website**.

We thank all of those who have made the effort to contribute to these various projects in the past. Your support to the Contribution Program enables your Society to achieve its 501 (c) (3) purposes.

### **DELANO KINDRED ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES**

We have inserted an updated copy of the Elected Officers and Directors, Committee Chairs and Members, and other Appointees in this newsletter. As a result of the elections held at the 2015 Annual Meeting, Cousin **Terry Delano** took over the Presidency from Cousin **Muriel Cushing** and Cousin **Bill Delano** moved from the Nominating Committee to become our new Vice President. Cousins **Muriel Cushing** and **Donna Delano** became members of the Nominating Committee. Cousin **Jackie Delano** will gradually take over the Membership Committee Chair from Cousin **Carolyn Clarke** who has held that post since 2006. Before that Cousin Carolyn had held the Membership Development and Membership Data Base Management Post since 2003. Cousin **Donald Platte** will be the new Membership Development Chair. Cousin **Mary Delano** graciously relieved Cousin **George DeLano** as Auditor. Cousin George had held that position since 1996. We are pleased that Cousins **Lady** and **Peter Atwood** have agreed to be the on-sight chairs for the 2016 Reunion in Rhode Island.

### **DEPARTED COUSINS**

We belatedly report the sad news that Cousin **Henry Irvin Stahr, Jr.**, of Scituate Massachusetts, passed away on March 11, 2014 at the Mount Sinai Medical Center, Miami Beach, Florida. Born in Bethlehem, PA, he was the son of Henry Irvin Stahr and Alice Stockwell Stahr. Henry was a member of the DELANO KINDRED since 1993 and his line of descent was through the Philip DELANO Jr. branch of the family. He has contributed articles to several *Bonnes Nouvelles* over the 21 years of membership. After being graduated from Mercersburg Academy, he attended the Massachusetts Institute of Technology through the V-12 Navy College Training Program, and served briefly on active duty until the end of World War II. He received his MBA from the University of Pittsburg and began a 36 year career with Westinghouse Electrics Switchgear division as a quality assurance manager. Upon retirement he moved to his childhood home in Scituate.

He was brother to the late Martha Stahr Carpenter (Jesse) and Sarah Louise Stahr (Reddy). In addition to Jane, his wife of 27 years, he leaves behind three children from his first wife, Florence Sheffler Stahr, whom he married in 1953 and who predeceased him in 1981: John Stahr (Jennifer) of Sudbury, Carol Savage (James) of Winchester, Tricia Stahr (Mark Cwetna) of Boulder, CO; four children by his marriage to Jane: Andrew Thompson (Loren Brigham) of Providence, RI, Chris Thompson (Deborah) of Smithfield, RI, James Thompson (Pamela Storey) of Jamestown, RI, Mary Thompson (Joan Connors) of Geneva, Switzerland; nieces Alice Moat (David) of Orefield, PA. and Sally Carpenter of Crozet, VA; thirteen grandchildren, and one great granddaughter. We send our condolences to his family.



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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. Comments and requests for back copies may be requested by writing to George B. DeLano, Editor, at 4277 Wiltshire Place, Dumfries, VA 22025-3148. The back newsletter cost is currently \$3.00 per copy.

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