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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

In this issue we include the first section of a review of Cousin **George English's** article that appeared in the *Mayflower Descendant*. Titled "Ancestry and History of Philip Delano, Born Philippe de Lannoy," it was published in two parts – the 2007 Winter issue and the 2007 Summer issue. Because of the length of the first part, it was necessary to divide the first part into two sections. As a result some of the other articles intended for this issue will appear in later issues. We did include the highlights of the 2008 Reunion and Annual Membership Meeting held in Portland, Maine in June 2008, and Cousin **Carol Wolf's** article about Annie Edson Taylor's visit to the 2008 Reunion. As noted elsewhere, the 2009 Reunion will be held in Williamsburg, Virginia, on 20 and 21 June 2009.

### **Annie Edson Taylor And How She Came to Visit the 2008 Reunion**

By Carol Wolf

In April I received an email from Muriel Cushing asking if I could possibly do a talk on one of our famous 'cousins' Annie Edson Taylor. Muriel had written about her a couple of years ago in the *Bonnes Nouvelles*. She was the woman who went over Niagara Falls in a barrel in 1901 and was the first person to ever do it successfully and a woman. What Muriel did not know was that I had been intrigued by her story for over a decade.

In 1987 a book was published "Queen of the Mist", The Story of Annie Edson Taylor, written by Dr. Charles Carlin Parish, a longtime resident and amateur historian of the Niagara Frontier and edited by John W. Percy, a school teacher and the historian of the Town of Tonawanda, NY. A few years later John Percy did a presentation on Annie that I attended, and I purchased the book he signed. I read it and was fascinated that I rarely heard about her especially since we lived 20 minutes from Niagara Falls.

In 2001 during the Pan-American Centennial Celebration, a small theatre, Alleyway Theatre, presented a musical "Over the Falls", book, music & lyrics by Neal Radice based on the play written 10 years earlier by Arlene Brent Fanale. Dick and I went and loved it. Each time we went to Niagara Falls I thought about her.

Since I am a storyteller when I got Muriel's email the first thing I thought about was I cannot 'talk about' her, I will be her and Dick can be my manager Mr. Frank Russell. Well, Dick and I have never done anything like this together. Although, being involved in Masonry for many years, he has frequently memorized parts. So, I emailed Muriel back and said NO, I could not do the talk but I had talked to Annie and she was coming with her manager.

Now the work began, the reunion was the end of June! I reread the book, did research on the internet and tried to contact the Niagara Falls museum only to discover they would not be open until tourist season. After several weeks of finding no new information, I was frustrated.

That Sunday after church, I was talking with a young couple who had been attending our church for a short while. Six months previous Dick and I had been on a Mediterranean Cruise and spent time in the Holy Land and Egypt. We had just finished doing a Trip through the Holy Land program at our church. So, in our conversation, they asked if we were doing any other programs. I mentioned, not here, but in Portland, ME, we were doing something on Annie Edson Taylor. To which he said, "Oh, the woman who went over Niagara Falls?" I was impressed! I told him I was having a hard time finding more information on her. At which time, he took out his wallet and handed me a card- Paul Gromosiak, Niagara Falls Historian. "Call him," he said, "and tell him Bob from seafood told you to call." He explained to me he worked at Wegman's (grocery store) and Paul came in often and told him stories of the area's famous people. Well the next morning I called him and we talked over an hour and he directed me to the historian at the Niagara Falls library. I contacted her and spent most of a day reading and talking to her. She even allowed me to make copies of the original 1901 newspaper articles and she told me about another book, "Queen of the Mist: The Forgotten Heroine of Niagara" by Joan Murray. It is a book of poetry depicting her life.

Anna Edson Taylor was indeed a unique person. Documented information is limited but the stories Annie told, about herself, through the years are indeed fanciful.

She was born on October 24, 1838 in Auburn, NY, the daughter of Merrick and Lucretia (Waring) Edson. She was one of 11 children. He died in 1850 when Anna was 12 years old but the inheritance was sufficient to keep all of them exceeding comfortable. Her mother died shortly thereafter.

When Annie was 17 she attended Conference Seminary and Collegiate Institute at Charlottesville, NY where she studied to become a teacher. She met and married Samuel David Taylor. They had a son who died within a few days after birth. S. David went to serve in the Civil war and two years later, in 1864, was mortally wounded. So here she was, a young woman whose parents, husband and son had all died and she was alone.

Her life changed dramatically. She traveled around the country teaching, and then enrolled in a dance school to become an instructor. For the next 40 years, according to Annie, she lived a gypsy's life. At 60 years old she settled in Bay City, Michigan, opened a dance school that did not sustain her and her money was running out.

It was there, she read about the Pam American Exposition in Buffalo, NY and how all the people were going to Niagara Falls, that she got the idea to go over Niagara Falls in a barrel. No one had ever accomplished that feat. She designed her barrel and hired Frank "Tussy" Russell to be her manager.

Dick was great as "Tussy" and we had such a good time learning our parts and performing her life story.

Even with the threat of arrest, if she died, Frank made all the plans. So on October 24, 1901, Annie climbed into the barrel, was set adrift, fell 158 feet over the falls to the lower river and was recovered successfully. What a feat!

However, 20 years later she died penniless in the Niagara County Infirmary in Lockport, NY.

Thanks Muriel for inviting us to do this. We loved it!

And we thank Cousin **Carol and Dick Wolf** for taking the time and effort to bring Annie Edson Taylor to the 2008 Reunion on Friday night. Her presence with her manager "Tussy" Russell was delightful.



**THE 2008 REUNION  
CELEBRATING THE DELANOs OF MAINE**

Our 2008 Reunion was held at the Holiday Inn By The Bay, located in downtown Portland, Maine. About 65 DELANO descendants and their spouses attended all or part of the Reunion.

Cousins **Howard and Mary Delano** traveled from California, Cousin **Carolyn Clarke** came from Utah, Cousins **Muriel and Ren Cushing** and **Ed and Elizabeth Sullivan** traveled from Florida. Cousin **Amy Stevens** came from Georgia, and Cousin **Cindy Prosser** came from Michigan. Cousins **George and Diana DeLano**, and **Malcolm Northam** came from Virginia. Cousins **Virginia and Edmund Bauer** traveled from Maryland. From New Jersey came Cousins **Kathleen and Steven Lyons** and Cousins **Miriam and Martin Bosak**. Cousin **Judie Oppasser** joined us from Pennsylvania. Cousins **Mary Ann and Emil Rad**, **Robert and Eleanor Webber**, and **Richard and Carol Wolf** traveled from New



York. Joining us from Connecticut were Cousins **Roberta and Frank Banks**, **Audrey Moran**, **Jean and Ava Paterwic** and **Jean Smith**. Cousins **Terry and Paula Delano** and **Phyllis and Les Skinner** came from Vermont. Cousins **Franklin and Susan Delano**, **Cathy Delano-Calamari**, **John Delano**, **Margaret Delano**, **Tom and Kris Delano**, **Justine Fontaine**, **Jeanne and Donald Martinez**, **Ann**, **Dorothea** and **Bob Harris**, **Frances** and **Richard Moon**, **Jennifer Rolfe**, **Marilyn Smith** and **Chuck and Marie Walker** represented Massachusetts. Representing the Maine contingent were Cousins **Jane Avery**, **Carlton and Marylyn Pratt**, **Carlton and Marion Schroeder**, **Marise Bloumquist** and **Sandy Delano**. There were four family groups representing the Philip Jr. Branch, one representing the John Branch, 14 representing the Dr. Thomas Branch, 13 representing the Lt. Jonathan Branch and four representing the Samuel Branch.

Members received their Welcome Envelopes, containing the Reunion Program, and name tags. They also received a packet containing copies of the 2007 Annual Meeting Minutes, committee reports, proposed budgets and other proposals to be presented at the Annual Membership Meeting.

After the Friday evening Welcome Buffet Cousin **George DeLano** welcomed everyone and asked everyone to introduce themselves. The hit of the evening was the “surprise visit” of **Annie Edson Taylor** with her manager “**Tussy**” **Russell**. Annie discussed her life and her ride over Niagara Falls in a barrel. Annie could not bring the barrel with her, but you can see a picture of Annie and her barrel on page 10 of *Bonnes Nouvelles* # 50 (Oct-Nov. 2005).



Saturday morning, members gathered in the Rhode Island Room for the 2008 Annual Meeting (discussed elsewhere). Afterwards, attendees gathered for the group photograph.

The afternoon tours were a harbor cruise and a trolley tour of the city that included a trip to the Portland Head Lighthouse (where Barzillai Delano and his grandson James were Keepers).

That evening after the Banquet Dinner, our speaker was State Historian **Earle G. Shettleworth** who discussed Portland’s history and architecture in the early and mid-eighteen hundreds.

We wish to thank Cousins **Jane Avery** and **Margaret Delano** for their fine work as the on-the-scene coordinators. Their efforts made the 2008 Reunion possible. We also wish to thank Cousins, **Diana DeLano**, **Cindy Prosser**, **Ren Cushing**, **Terry Delano** and other members who provided event photographs and assisted with the registration of attendees, and the other numerous details that made the Reunion run smoothly.

**Photos:** Upper photo: Jane Avery , Margaret Delano talking with Carroll Schroeder at the Registration Desk. Cindy Prosser and George DeLano discuss publications.

Lower photo: Carol Wolf, Malcolm Northam, Dick Wolf and Muriel Cushing converse.

## 2008 Group Picture

Those pictured are (from left to right and from the front to back):

Seated: Margaret Delano, Audrey Moran, Jean Paterwic, Chuck Walker

Row 1: Roberta Banks, Jean Smith, Kathleen Lyons, Ava Paterwic, Jane Avery, Diana DeLano

Row 2: Frank Banks, Judie Oppasser, Marie Walker, Mary Delano

Row 3: Marilyn Smith, Susan Delano, Howard Delano

Row 4: Ellie Webber, Mary Ann Rad, Franklin Delano

Row 5: Emil Rad, Mary Ann Bosak

Row 6: Bob Webber, Carlton Pratt, Marty Bosak

Row 7: Dorothea Harris, Ed Bauer, Virginia Bauer

Row 8: Terry Delano, Bob Harris, Carolyn Clarke, Muriel Cushing, Sandy Delano, Carol and Richard Wolf

Row 9: Betty Sullivan, Ed Sullivan, Jennifer Rolfe.

Row 10: Cindy Prosser, Phyllis Skinner

Row 11: Malcolm Northam, Amy Stevens, Paula Delano, Susan Nay, Leslie Skinner, Cathy Calimari-Delano

Row 12: John W. Delano, Ann Harris, Kris Delano, Tom Delano, Mary Delano



## THE 2008 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The Sixteenth Annual Membership meeting was called to order by President George B. DeLano at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday 21 June 2008, in the Rhode Island Room of the Holiday Inn By The Bay, in Portland, Maine. Committee Annual reports and copies of the current bylaws were available as handouts to all attendees. It was determined there was a quorum of over 33 members in good standing.

**Minutes of the 2007 Annual Meeting:** The minutes of the 2007 Annual Meeting had been previously distributed to members present for their information and review. The minutes were approved as written. Secretary Margaret Delano was available to answer any questions about them.

**Treasurer's and Auditor's Reports and Approval of Budgets:** Treasurer Cynthia Prosser presented the FY 07-08 Treasurer's Report. Auditor George DeLano discussed the Society's Financial Condition based on an eleven month preliminary Audit. The FY 07-08 Consolidated Balance Sheet had been provided to the members present. He said the final FY 07-08 Audit Consolidated Balance Sheet will be available on the members-only website [www.delanokindred.org](http://www.delanokindred.org) when ready. A FY 07-08 Charitable and Educational Program Worksheet was also provided. The members accepted the Treasurer's Report and approved the FY 08-09 Administrative Operations Budget of \$4178.00 based on an expected income from membership dues. Subject to the final FY 07-08 Audit, the members approved the funding recommendations made concerning the Memorial Fund Budget, the Charitable Program Funding of up to \$450.00 with a possibility of an additional \$100.00 for a Charity Drawing and the Educational Program Funding of up to \$332.00 for two YDNA tests and a dollar equivalent of up to 1000 Euros for the European Research Project. Additionally, funds were identified and approved for a possible contribution to the Vrouwekerk Memorial Plaque (about the dollar equivalent of 2000 Euros and is dependant upon contributions from

other organizations), and possibly providing a \$200.00 grant to the Duxbury Rural & Historic Society to assist transcription of certain papers in the Capt Samuel Delano Jr. collection.

**Nominations and Elections:** The Nominating Committee's report contained in the Nominee Information Sheet handout was presented. Directors elected for two-year terms were: Cathy Delano-Calamari, Herman W. DeLano, Paula F. Delano, Thomas F. Delano, Ann Harris, L. Reynolds Le Vally, and Floyd S. Sanford. Elizabeth Clarke was elected to the Nominating Committee for a three-year term.

**Committee Reports:** Various Board members and Committee Chairs were available to answer questions about the various reports provided to the members in their "handouts" at registration time. Besides the financial reports mentioned above, reports highlighted include: the Contact Committee (over 86 queries answered), the Genealogical Program (the DNA Project, progress in, the DFIP series, Regional Genealogy progress, and European Research Project), the Membership Committee (our total is still decreasing and members are not completing their ancestral lines on the membership form), and Website Operations (although our five websites are highly ranked by search engines, efforts must be made to refresh the information on our primary site [www.delanoye.org](http://www.delanoye.org), a designated task to be assigned to the Website/Internet Committee).

Some of these Committee reports were discussed in detail with the membership at the Friday Welcome Buffet. These included:

- The DNA effort in FY 08-09, which would be funding enough for two 37-marker tests available for one U.S. candidate and one European candidate if proper documentation is received for these candidates.
- Discussion about focusing European Research on Leiden about Philippe de Lannoy, and his family from his birth until the time he left Leiden. While Dr. Bangs would be the best candidate to do this research, it is not clear that he will have the time during this coming year due to his involvement in other matters including the publishing of his new book and the forthcoming celebration of the 400th anniversary of the Pilgrims' arrival in Leiden. If unavailable, perhaps another qualified researcher may be found and the scope of the FY 08-09 research effort may need to be changed.
- Plans for our Memorialization effort were discussed. This included a discussion by Tom Delano about the Society's support for the Duxbury Rural & Historic Society's effort to transcribe selected papers in the Capt. Samuel Delano Jr. collection, and a discussion of the proposed contribution to the Vrouwekerk Memorial Plaque.

**Changes to the bylaws:** All changes to the bylaws approved at the 2007 Annual Meeting have been made.

No new changes were contemplated at the time of the 2008 Annual Meeting.

**New Proposals:** No new proposals were received.

**Old Business:** It was noted that during the Friday night program following the Welcome Buffet, that new DELANO KINDED tee shirts were available by ordering from Cousin **Cynthia Prosser**. Samples were displayed at the Buffet. It was also note that Cousin Cynthia had copies of the GHAHD and DFIPs available for purchase.

**New Business:** There was no new business, other than the discussion of the Memorialization Programs mentioned earlier.

**Other Business:** The 200 Reunion will be held in Williamsburg, VA in June at dates and venue yet to be determined. More details will be announced in the Oct-Nov. 2008 *Bonnes Nouvelles*.

**Adjournment:** There being no other business, the Annual Meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:15 a.m. Members then assembled for the Group Picture.

## **The Location of the 2009 Reunion**

The 2009 Reunion will be held in Williamsburg, Virginia, on Friday, 20 June and Saturday 21 June 2009. More details will be available in the next issue of the *Bonnes Nouvelles*. Williamsburg was by far the most favored venue selected on the 2007 Annual Questionnaire.

## **Updated Contribution Form**

We have inserted an updated Contribution Form that enables contributions to be designated to our two Memorialization Projects – The Vrouwekerk Bronze Plaque and Support to the DR&HS Project to transcribe selected papers from the Capt. Samuel Delano Jr. papers. We thank all of those who have made the effort to contribute to these various projects.

## ANCESTRY AND HISTORY OF PHILIP DELANO BORN PHILIPPE DE LANNOY

*by George English*

In the July-August 2007 of the *Bonnes Nouvelles* #55 we reviewed the French Version of Cousin **George English's** Article about the ancestry and history of Philip Delano. As you may remember it was published in *Le Parchemin*, a publication for the Office Genealogique et Heraldique de Belgique (know as the OGHB). We mentioned that a reorganized version of this article, designed for English readers, was scheduled to be published in the *Mayflower Descendant* in two parts. We were pleased to see that the *Mayflower Descendant* did publish his article in the Winter 2007 issue and in the Summer 2008 issue in two parts as expected. Because of the length of Part I and the available space in the *Bonnes Nouvelles* it is necessary to divide Part I into two sections. The first section is the discussion of the various sources Cousin George used and analyzed in his development of this work.

### Part I (Section One)

#### REVIEW OF PUBLICATIONS

Part I (appearing in the Winter 2007 issue<sup>1</sup>) includes a review of eighteen publications about the Delano – de Lannoy family; starting with the *The Genealogical History and Alliances of the American House of Delano 1621 to 1899* (GHAHD) and ending with the *Historia y Genealogica de la Familia Délano en Chile* by Marcela Moreno Sepulveda (a former member of the DELANO KINDRED). After citing the first listing of Philip Delano in John Farmer's register of the first settlers of New England,<sup>2</sup> Savage's further descriptions<sup>3</sup> and Jane Austin's historical novel<sup>4</sup> that includes a story about Philippe's "brother" Jaques de Lannoy's (relationship undocumented) romantic relationship with Patricia Mullens, he cites the GHAHD as the first serious and detailed study of the family.

#### First Source - GHAHD (1899)

Cousin George discusses in detail some of the errors made by the Editor, Mortimer Delano, in the first book of the GHAHD<sup>5</sup> as well as what he got right. He states "This genealogy has been the subject of both fair and unfair criticism down through the years. Its presentation has been rightly criticized. The genealogy unquestionably has a number of errors."<sup>6</sup> He also points out the problems Mortimer had in obtaining limited information from various French and other sources and problems translating French (citing one case) which added to his confusing relationships of the noble de Lannoy family. He notes that Mortimer had only extracts of the Pruvost's History<sup>7</sup> and had Mortimer been in possession of the entire history his work would have been more accurately written.

#### Second Source – Franklin Roosevelt and the Delano Influence<sup>8</sup> (1946), Chapter I

The book, written by Daniel Webster Delano Jr. and published after FDR's death, is Cousin George's second source and as he points out "has been responsible for a number of problems and misunderstandings."<sup>9</sup> George points out that Chapter I of this flowery-phrased historical book is based on Book I of the GHAHD and Austin's *Standish of Standish*. As we know from previous issues of the *Bonnes Nouvelles*, the arrival of this book in Leiden caused considerable consternation among the archivists in the Municipal Archives due to the inclusion of the erroneous information taken from the GHAHD.

<sup>1</sup> Mayflower Descendant, Vol.56, 1: 70-90 (Braintree, MA) hereafter MD.

<sup>2</sup> John Farmer, *A Genealogical Register of the First Settlers of New England* (Lancaster, MA 1829 rep. w/add.1847, Baltimore 1964), 82.

<sup>3</sup> James Savage, *A Genealogical Dictionary of the First Settlers of New England* (Boston 1860-1862), 2:34.

<sup>4</sup> Austin, Jane G. *Standish of Standish, a Story of the Pilgrims* (Boston 1890).

<sup>5</sup> *Book the First, The Heraldic and Genealogical History of the Maison de Franchimont & de Lannoy*, Ed. Mortimer Delano de Lannoy (New York 1899), 7-93.

<sup>6</sup> George English, *Ancestry and History of Philip Delano Born Phillippe de Lannoy*, MD, 71.

<sup>7</sup> Alexandre Pruvost, *Historie des Seigneur de Tourcoing* (Tourcoing 1863), 120-183.

<sup>8</sup> Daniel Webster Delano Jr. *Franklin Roosevelt and the Delano Influence* (Pittsburg, PA 1946), Chapt. I "Whence Came the Delanos?", 33-42.

<sup>9</sup> MD, 72.

**Third Source - Het Geslacht van Jan de Lannoy<sup>10</sup> (1954)**  
**(The Family of Jan de Lannoy)**

B. N. Leverland's work "The Family of Jan de Lannoy" is a frequently referenced work and was probably in response to the previously mentioned "FDR and the Delano Influence". As is pointed out Leverland shows that D. W. Delano Jr.'s above mentioned information taken from the GHAHHD is indeed erroneous and casts suspicion about Austin's story in *Standish of Standish* that Philippe had a brother named Jacques de Lannoy. Leverland indicates that by association with other textile workers, and lack of documentation showing noble affiliation, Guilbert de Lannoy was not related to nobility as D. W. Delano indicates. Cousin George points out that Leverland apparently had not seen a copy of the GHAHHD and, at that time, he was not aware of documentation that Jean de Lannoy (Philippe's father) and Marguerite de Lannoy were brother and sister.

**Fourth Source- Col. Albert de Lannoy's article about**

The History and Origins of the Delano-de Lannoy family in the United States<sup>11</sup> (1955)

This is the first work by Col. de Lannoy, of Belgium, cited by Cousin George. He notes that most of Col. de Lannoy's article references the GHAHHD, Austin, D.W. Delano Jr. and an author Robert Goffin (who wrote about the Dutch origins of FDR). Consequently Col. de Lannoy's article repeats the errors in these references, but as English points out, he does question Mortimer Delano's second and seventh "general proof" reasons in the GHAHHD (page 48) which have to do with heraldry interpretations rather than genealogical documentation. One should recall that Mortimer Delano claimed to be versed in heraldry and used coats of arms information to supplement unavailable genealogical documentation.

**Fifth Source – Margaret English's correspondence with M. Boeke  
 & with the Archivist of Leiden<sup>12</sup> (1962-1963)**

It is this correspondence that confirms independently, that Guilbert de Lannoy and his wife came from Canterbury to Leiden and joined the Walloon Church on Easter in 1591. It adds new information about Margerite de Lannoy's first betrothal in 1592 showing she was the daughter of Guilbert de Lannoy. It is noted that since B.N. Leverland was head of the research department in the Leiden archives he was then aware of this new information about Guilbert de Lannoy and his family in 1963.

**Sixth Source – Office of Genealogy and Heraldry of Belgium  
 "Question<sup>13</sup> & Answer (1973)<sup>14</sup>"**

In the OGHB journal *Le Parchemin* W. C. Kitzerow asks what the genealogical relationship was between Philippe, his father Jean, his grandfather Guilbert de Lannoy, and the GHAHHD connection of Guilbert being the son (disinherited) of Jean de Lannoy (identified as Jean<sup>C</sup> in English's article and as Jean 11-A in the GHAHHD) and his father Philippe de Lannoy (identified as Philippe<sup>D</sup> in English's article and as Philippe 10-A in the GHAHHD). Kitzerow erroneously concluded that the wife of Guilbert de Lannoy (our Philip Delano's grandfather) was Marguerite de Ligne. The answer to this question stated that Jean<sup>C</sup> was the son of Philippe<sup>D</sup>.

Later Count Baudouin de Lannoy later corrected the relationship information<sup>15</sup> about Philippe<sup>D</sup> and Jean<sup>C</sup>. He identifies the four children of Jean<sup>C</sup> and then explains the feudal system of succession in Flanders. In doing so, he notes that if Guilbert<sup>B</sup> had been a son of Jean<sup>C</sup> (a brother of Marie, who was Jean<sup>C</sup>'s daughter), that he would have challenged the succession of Yolande de Lannoy (daughter of Baudouin de Lannoy (Jean<sup>C</sup>'s half brother)). Cousin George points out that at the time of Yolande's succession as dame de Tourcoing that Guilbert<sup>B</sup> was in England and probably was in no position to act. Count de Lannoy also referred to a 1950 de Ligne genealogy that does not list Guilbert<sup>B</sup> de Lannoy and the husband of Marguerite de Ligne.

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<sup>10</sup> B.N. Leverland, "Het Geslacht van Jan de Lannoy" *Ons Voorgeslacth*, 9 [1954]: 79-85. Editor's Note: An English translation of Leverland's work is available on our website The American House of Delano [www.delanoye.org](http://www.delanoye.org) – located in the Document Repository.

<sup>11</sup> Albert de Lannoy, "Historie des origines belges de la famille Delano-de Lannoy axs Etats-Unis d' Amérique" in *L'Intermédiaire des Généalogistes* No. 60 [1955]:409-414.

<sup>12</sup> Margaret English correspondences with M. Boeke of the Bibliothèque Wallonne, Leyde (1963) & Miss A. J. Versprille, Archivist of Leiden, 21 November 1963.

<sup>13</sup> W. C. Kitzerow, Question 2301, in *Le Parchemin* No. 165 [1973]: 163.

<sup>14</sup> "Answer to question 2301, in *Le Parchemin* No 167 [1973]: 314.

<sup>15</sup> Baudouin de Lannoy "Answer to question 2301" in *Le Parchemin* No. 168 [1973]: 372.

### **Seventh Source – Col. Albert de Lannoy’s further answer to Kitzerow<sup>16</sup>(1974)**

Col. Albert de Lannoy published an additional answer to Kitzerow in 1974 which Cousin George believes was the most comprehensive and reliable source of the de Lannoy family to that date. Albert de Lannoy’s additional research mentions all the betrothals/marriages and baptisms. Cousin George notes that Col. de Lannoy is the first known person to publish information that Guilbert de Lannoy’s family first went to England (which Boeke found in 1963) and notes that this is the first article that records Guilbert<sup>B</sup> had a son named Pierre and that Guilbert<sup>B</sup>’s wife was Jeanne du Bus. Albert de Lannoy states that more children could have been born to Jean<sup>A</sup> and Marie de Lannoy between 1596 and 1600 because birth records for that time did not exist. Among other things Col. de Lannoy states that the de Lannoy genealogy before the 17<sup>th</sup> century, listed in the GHAHD, is “a pleasant fantasy which is peppered with major errors.”

### **Eighth Source – President Grant’s Ancestry<sup>17</sup>**

In his article, McCracken continues the misspelling of Philippe’s father Jean<sup>A</sup> as de Laune (instead of de Lannoy) probably having picked it up from the error in Savage’s *A Genealogical Dictionary of the First Settlers of New England*. McCracken includes the GHAHD error of Jean’s betrothal as being in Tournai instead of Leiden, but then goes on to cite Greenlaw’s<sup>18</sup> frequently quoted criticism of the GHAHD; “on page 24 (of the GHAHD) are given eleven generations of Jean’s purported ancestry which we reject completely as probably fictitious.”

### **Ninth Source – Two Articles by Kerry Bate<sup>19</sup>(1976 & 1977)**

These two articles by Bate “Some Delano Questions” (1976) & “Some Delano Answers” were discussed at length in the *Bonnes Nouvelles* [2005] No. 49; pp 8-10 & No. 50: pp 4-6. His articles are summarized and, because of the number of errors, are not viewed as reliable sources.

### **Tenth Source – Plymouth Colony Its History and People 1620-1691<sup>20</sup> (1986)**

Stratton’s *Plymouth Colony...* is one of the popular and oft quoted books about the Pilgrims of New Plymouth. His discussion of what constitutes primary source material in the book’s bibliography has been adopted as the DELANO KINDRED’s benchmark for primary source and secondary material—discussed in *Bonnes Nouvelles* No. 49 “Reliable Genealogical Information Sources” pp 10-11. In his biographical sketch of Philip Delano, Stratton describes the GHAHD as a “...comprehensive family history with a large number of errors and awkward manner of presentation...”

### **Eleventh Source – Bangs “Leiden Records”<sup>21</sup> (1989)**

We have frequently cited Dr. Bangs “Leiden Record” in various issues of the *Bonnes Nouvelles*. Cousin George cites Leiden Records as a “sound and interesting article” about information that can be found in the Leiden Records. He notes that Bangs was living in Massachusetts at the time and could not easily check on updated information. He cites, as an example, of Bangs seeming unawareness of information contained in the Leiden Archivist’s response to Margaret English’s correspondence about the date of Margerite de Lannoy’s first betrothal.

### **Twelfth Source – Study of Pilgrims from the British Isles in Leiden<sup>22</sup> (1989)**

Cousin George notes that Johanna Tammel, a former Curator of the Leiden Pilgrim Collection in Leiden, compiled a study of the Pilgrims and other people from the British Isles in Leiden based on data from the register of betrothals and marriages from 1576 to 1640. Included in the register are the betrothals of Marie and Jenne de Lannoy, probable daughters of Guilbert<sup>B</sup> de Lannoy as well as the betrothal of Francis Cooke and Hester Mahieu. Tammel also includes the background history of the Flemish and Walloons who fled from Flanders to England to escape persecution. In this book’s appendices are the names and places of origin of the immigrants mentioned in the register. Cousin George notes that among the Flemish/Walloon and other non-British immigrants were 600 from Norwich, 420 from Sandwich, 245 from Colchester, 145 from Canterbury, and 128 from London.

### **Thirteenth Source – Keeper of the Leiden Records Letter<sup>23</sup>**

<sup>16</sup> Albert de Lannoy “Answer to question 2301” in *Le Parchemin* No. 169 [1974]: 49-51.

<sup>17</sup> George E. McCracken, “President Grant’s Ancestry” in *The American Genealogist*, 53 [1975]: 238.

<sup>18</sup> Lucy H. Greenlaw “Book Notes,” *The Genealogical Advertiser*, 3 [1900]: 61.

<sup>19</sup> Kerry William Bate, “Some Delano Questions” & “Some Delano Answers” in the *American Genealogist*, 52 [1976]: 91-92, and 53 [1977]: 172-173.

<sup>20</sup> Eugene Aubrey Stratton, *Plymouth Colony Its history and people, 1620-1691*, (Salt Lake City, 1986).

<sup>21</sup> Jeremy Dupertuis Bangs. “The Pilgrims and Other English in Leiden Records: Some New Pilgrim Documents” in *NEHGR*, 143 [1986]: 195-212.

<sup>22</sup> Johanna W. Tammel, *The Pilgrims and other people from the British Isles, 1576-1640*, (Peel, Isle of Man, 1989).



This letter was quoted in an article in *Bonnes Nouvelles* # 37 [2001] pp 9-10 in an article entitled “Portrait of Maria de Lannoy Pesijn”. Cousin George notes that the letter contains the wrong date for the baptism of Jenne de Lannoy (Philippe’s sister). The letter points out that Maria de Lannoy Pesijn is not Marie (Mahieu) de Lannoy (Philippe’s mother) and cites D. W. Delano Jr.’s “FDR and the Delano Influence” for causing the popular misunderstanding. Genealogically, the letter is of limited scope since it is addressing the popular misunderstanding that the portrait is of Philippe’s mother. Schelhaas only references D. W. Delano’s misleading work and does not mention that Delano’s information came from erroneous information in the GHAHD pp 48-49.

**Fourteenth Source – The Great Migration Begins...<sup>24</sup> (1995/2004)**

Anderson in his studies of the migrations to New England cites two dates of Philip Delano’s birth (the erroneous 7 December 1603 date found by Bate) and 6 November 1603. His work is updated in his *Pilgrim Migration* in 2004. It is noted that there is no ancestry of Philip Delano beyond his baptism because it is beyond the scope of the publication.

**Fifteenth Source – the DFIP preface in Volume I<sup>25</sup> (1999)**

Cousin George describes Cousin Muriel’s work as a valuable book, but notes that in the first edition in the 1999 preface there are wrong dates for the baptism of Jean and Marie’s de Lannoy’s daughter Jenne. It is believed this error has been corrected in the second edition. He also notes that Cousin Muriel indicates the de Lannoys were among the refugees who fled (Flanders) after 1578 instead of 1570 as estimated by the Leiden Archives. As it turns out, “after 1578” may be closer to their date of flight than 1570, because we now know that Philippe’s father Jean was baptized in Tourcoing in 1575. Among other things, English also notes the use of Dr. Bangs’ definition of Walloons used in the Bangs introduction to the Francis Cooke DFIP<sup>26</sup> and the repeats of Bangs’ suggestion that John Carver’s first wife, Marie de Lannoy of L’Ecluse, was a relative of Jan de Lannoy (Philippe’s father). Cousin George thinks this is unlikely.

**Sixteenth Source – Douxchamps’ study of the noble de Lannoy family<sup>27</sup> (2002)**

Douxchamps studied the noble de Lannoy family and its various branches while referencing many works in the 20<sup>th</sup> century and earlier. Cousin George notes that Douxchamps refutes some of the “traditional legends” such as the link to the Franchimont family because of the similarity of the two families’ coats of arms. Douxchamps lists FDR as a descendant of Jean de Lannoy (Philippe’s’ father), but it is noted that he includes some of the errors contained in Col. Albert de Lannoy’s 1955 work – the fourth source.

**Seventeenth Source - Pierre Roussel’s Article On Philip Delano<sup>28</sup> (2002)**

Cousin George points out that Roussel’s article is largely about Philippe in America, but does give the betrothal date of his parents and the baptism date of his sister, Jenne, and Philippe as well as Marie de Lannoy’s second marriage to Robert Mannoo. He mentions FDR as a descendant of Jean de Lannoy and quotes Cousin Muriel Cushing’s Delano DFIP.

**Eighteenth Source - Sepulveda’s Chilean Delano Genealogy<sup>29</sup> (2006)**

As previously noted Marcela Moreno Sepulveda wrote a rather large volume about the History and Genealogy of the Chilean branch of our family. It appears from Cousin George’s analysis of her work that she closely follows Mortimer Delano’s work in the first book of the GHAHD including the legendary Franchimont line connection, refuted in source sixteen, and indicates that Guilbert de Lannoy’s father was the Seigneur de Molembais (as stated on page 24 and in Mortimer Delano’s “general proof” on page 48 of the GHAHD). Further, Guilbert de Lannoy’s spouse is said to be Mahiemme, instead of Jenne du Bus and their son Jean de Lannoy is said to have been born in Canterbury. Your reviewer has seen at least one “genealogy” on the Internet that purports Jean was born in Canterbury instead of Tourcoing.

<sup>23</sup> T.N. Schelhaas to George B. DeLano letter, 9 April 1990.

<sup>24</sup> Robert Charles Anderson, *The Great Migration Begins: Immigrant to New England 1620-1633* (Boston 1995) 1: 517-521 and *The Pilgrim Migration : Immigrants to Plymouth Colony 16230-1633*, (Boston 2004).

<sup>25</sup> Muriel C. Cushing, *Philip Delano of the “Fortune” 1621 and his descendants for Four Generations*, (Plymouth, MA 1999).

<sup>26</sup> Ralph V. Wood Jr. *Francis Cooke of the Mayflower: The First Five Generations*, (Plymouth, MA, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed.1999).

<sup>27</sup> Hervé Douxchamps, “Les quarante familles belges les plus anciennes subsistantes: Lannoy” *Le Parchemin* No. 339 [2002]: 192-228.

<sup>28</sup> Pierre Roussel, “Philippe De Lannoy ou Philippe Delano” in *Nord Généalogie*, No. 177 [2002]: 330-32.

<sup>29</sup> Marcela Moreno Sepulveda, *Historia y Genealogía de la Familia Délano en Chile*, (Santiago, Chile, 2006), 114-115, 283-287.

In summary, Cousin George points out that although there are a number of errors and erroneous conclusions, the GHAARD has recorded the Delano Genealogy back to Guilbert de Lannoy of Tourcoing (Philippe's grandfather). He also cites confusion caused by direct contradictions i.e. "It is established indisputably that the de Lannoy's belonged to the noble de Lannoy family"<sup>30</sup> against Bate's comment in "Answers" (source nine) "Claims that Gysbert de Lannoy was a son of Jean de Lannoy are not correct". Cousin George concludes that what is significant about an analysis of these publications is:

- "Few of them are based on any meaningful research in the de Lannoys' homeland of Tourcoing and Flanders, or England.
- Most of the publications do not build on the body of knowledge in the normal way, because each author has been unaware of information known elsewhere.
- Almost every article has contained errors or omissions, many of which have still not been challenged and corrected."<sup>31</sup>

#### NEW MEMBERS

We are happy to welcome our new members who have joined our Family Society since March 2008.

##### CANADA, New Brunswick

**Rhonda Mary Shaddick** from South Esk

##### Colorado

**Catherine V. N. Greene** from Arvada

##### Florida

**Janice E. Harff** from Hallandale

##### Maine

**Susan M. Nay** from Richmond

##### Massachusetts

**Frances Kendall Moon** from Peabody

##### Michigan

**Janeen Lambert** from Sterling Heights

##### New Mexico

**Gail Louise Smart** of Silver City

##### New York

**Mary Ann Rad** from New York City

**Emil Rad** from New York City

**Esther Bartlett Tallamy** from Oakdale

##### Ohio

**Kyle W. DELANO** from Englewood

**Justin T. DELANO** from Englewood

**Melissa M. B. DELANO** from Englewood

##### Oklahoma

**George Wright Hillman** from Tulsa

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

#### News from Stephanie Delano

Cousin **Stephanie Delano** sent us some very good news. She wrote to Cousin **Margaret Delano**, "I have had a lot of wonderful things going on for me while being stationed out here in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. On August 11, 2007 in Newport News, Virginia I was married to Sergeant William R Butts, US Army (Still retaining my maiden name of Delano). On March 14, 2008 I reenlisted in the US Navy for six more years of service. And my proudest announcement is the birth of our first child on June 9, 2008, a baby boy, Ryan-James Delano Butts. He was born at Tripler Army Medical Center, Honolulu HI; at 2:34 PM Hawaii Standard Time, a very healthy 6 lbs. 14 oz. and 19 in.

Stephanie said "I am disappointed I won't be attending the annual reunion especially with it being in the area where I grew up! My family and military commitments still keep me from attending."

*We send our hearty congratulations to Cousin Stephanie, her husband William, and their new son Ryan-James. We also congratulate her on her promotion to Petty Officer 2<sup>nd</sup> Class.*

#### DEPARTED COUSINS

We try to include tributes to our departed cousins and to other notable DELANOs so that we may know something about them, their lives, and accomplishments and gain an appreciation of their experiences.

#### Florence H. Coughlin

Florence H. (Jozwiak) Coughlin, aged 93, died June 22, 2008 in Lewiston, Maine with her family by her side. She was born and educated in Chicago, Illinois and was the daughter of the late Joseph and Anna (Borowska) Jozwiak. She married Thomas F.

<sup>30</sup> Robert Goffin, *De Pierre Minuit aux Roosevelt, L'épopée belge aux États-Unis* (New York, 1943).

<sup>31</sup> MD: 80

Coughlin in 1944, and they moved to Lewiston. Together they raised a self-reliant, hard-working, intelligent family of two daughters and a son. She was Cousin Sandy Delano's mother-in-law.

She is survived by her son, Patrick Coughlin of Lewiston, who cared for her in her later years; her daughters, Maureen Zellenka and her husband, John, of Gloucester, Mass., and Kathleen Delano and her husband, Sanford, of Ipswich, Mass.; her grandchildren, Kim Delano of Ipswich, Mass., and Todd Delano and his wife, Lauren, of Ipswich, Mass.; and her great-grandson, Colby Delano. She is also survived by her stepsister, Sister Mary Pius Gutoski of Michigan, a stepbrother, Raymond Gutoski, and a half brother, Mel Jozwiak, both of California. Cousin Sandy said Florence was the soul of the family and managed the family funds and household needs while other members provided the equity to fund the family home. We send our condolences to Cousin Sandy and Kathleen and the entire family.

#### **Dorothy B. Delano**

We were sorry to learn of the death of Dorothy Bettle Delano, who passed away at the age of 88 in Naples, Florida. She was the wife of the late George Delano, Jr. and the step-mother of Cousin Terry Delano. Born in Haverford, Pennsylvania, she was a daughter of the late Griscom Bettle and the late Dorothy Gill (Ball) Bettle. She studied art and was graduated from Chatham Hall in Virginia in the Class of 1937. Before moving to Naples, she and her husband lived in Rhode Island. She was an avid golfer and won several Women's and Senior Golf Championships at Golf Clubs near her home.

She is survived by her sons John R. Greenwood, Jr. of Idaho, Peter H. Greenwood of Maine, David B. Greenwood of North Carolina, Richard G. Greenwood of PA, step-son George "Terry" Delano III of Vermont, a sister Edie Gardner of Florida, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, step-step-great-grandchildren and nieces and nephews. She was step-mother of the late Roxane Delano. We send our sincere condolences to Cousin Terry Delano and the rest of Dorothy's family.

#### **Howard Cyrus Delano**

We learned of the death of Howard C. Delano who passed away in April in Waldoboro, Maine. He was born in Friendship in 1939 and lived much of his life in Waldoboro. He was a small business man and owned a thriving Pizza House and later pool room in Waldoboro. In later years he was a clam digger. He spent his winters away from Maine either in Florida

or California. Howard was an 11<sup>th</sup> generation descendant of Philippe de Lanoy's in the Philip Jr. branch of the DELANO family.

He is survived by his mother, Grace Delano, of Friendship; son Tony Delano of Westbrook; daughters Kelly Delano and Vicky Simmons of Waldoboro; sisters, Patricia Chapman and her husband, Harold, of Waldoboro, and Marlene Powell of Friendship; brothers, Kendall Delano and his wife, Roberta, of Friendship, and Cedric Delano and his wife, Rusty, of Friendship; six grandchildren; many nieces and nephews. We send our condolences to his family and relatives.

#### **Stevens M. Delano**

We were greatly saddened to learn of the death of Cousin Stevens M. Delano of Sacramento, California. Stevens was a steadfast member and a stalwart advocate of the DELANO KINDRED since 1993. Born in Amarillo, Texas in 1931, he was the son of Herman Stevens Delano and Christine Mae Mc Ferron. If you followed the migration of Stevens' ancestors in the Lt Jonathan Branch of the family you would see that their path westward went through the states or "territories" from Massachusetts through Connecticut, New York, Michigan, Nebraska, Texas and Arizona to California. Stevens grandfather Willie Stevens DeLano traveled with his brother Fred Ellsworth DeLano from Michigan to Nebraska bringing the first alfalfa seeds to that area of the state in the 1880s.

You may have met Stevens and his spouse Erlene when they came east to our 1998 Reunion in Fairhaven, Massachusetts. They were both in attendance with many members of their family at our 2007 Reunion in Rohnert Park, California, so if you attended that Reunion you would have probably met them there. We will greatly miss Stevens and offer our heartfelt condolences to Erlene and her family.



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