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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 of the Bonnes Nouvelles we include information about the 2020 Reunion and the 2020 Annual Membership Meeting in Manassas, Virginia. The extraordinary situation caused by the Corona Virus-19 has caused our printing establishment to be closed due to the "lockdown" in Northern Virginia. Consequently, this issue of the *Bonnes Nouvelles* will only be available on the DELANO KINDRED Website (www.delanokindred.us). We hope that threat of this virus will be greatly reduced by September to allow to the 2020 Reunion in Manassas to be held as planned. Besides the article about the 2020 Reunion and Annual Membership Meeting, we have included a Book Review of "America's First Visit to JAPAN, April 29-May 8, 1791, Voyage of the Lady Washington and the Grace", written by Scott Ridley and Hayato Sakurai. The story is largely based on the information contained in the Logbook of the ship Grace written by Samuel Delano Jr. You may recall the details of the Logbook and its preservation by the Duxbury Rural & Historical Society (DRHS) was discussed in the November-December Bonnes Nouvelles NL#91 on pages 10 & 11. Also included are articles about the donations to the DELANO KINDRED Contribution Program, the donation to the Plimoth Plantation and the opportunity to nominate a qualified organization to be a candidate in the Annual Charitable Organization Drawing. We look forward to seeing you at the 2020 Reunion and Annual Membership Meeting in Manassas in September.

2020 REUNION AND ANNUAL MEETING MANASSAS VIRGINIA

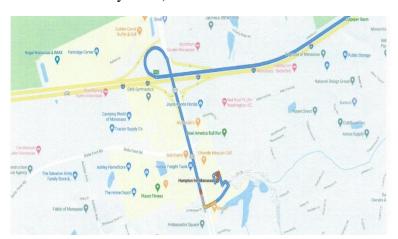
On Friday, 25 September to Sunday, 27 September the DELANO KINDRED Annual Meeting and Reunion will be held at the Hampton Inn in Manassas, Virginia at 7295 Williamson Blvd. This will be the first Reunion held in Virginia since the 2008 Reunion held in Williamsburg, VA. Consequently, the 2020 Reunion theme is "Reconnecting with Virginia". The Hampton Inn is located about one mile south of the Manassas National Battlefield Park. Our Saturday afternoon tour will include a visit to the park's headquarters.

Getting There: By Air: - the closest major airport is Dulles International Airport, just about 18 miles to the north and a relatively short drive by car or taxi — about 18 miles (25 minutes under normal driving conditions). Leaving the airport, take VA 28/Sully Road to I-66 West (to Front Royal). Leave I-66 West at Exit 47A and merge onto VA 234 Business (Sudley Road) towards Manassas. Turn left onto Williamson Blvd and the Hampton Inn will appear on the left.

By Car – The Hampton Inn is located about 3/10ths of a mile south of I-66 which runs from Washington D.C. westward just west of Front Royal, VA, connecting with I-81 which runs north and south through the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia.

From I-81 via I-66 continue east to Exit 47 (route 234 Business Sudley Road) and turn left onto Williamson Blvd.

From the south on I-95 towards Washington, take Exit 152B (Dumfries Road towards Manassas) continue to I-66 and take the exit towards Washington. Take Exit 47 (route 234 Business - Sudley Road) and turn left onto Williamson Blvd.



From the north on I-95 towards Washington, take Exit 27 (towards Silver Spring) onto the I-495 Beltway north of Washington D.C. Cross the Potomac River into Virginia. Take Exit 49 towards Front Royal merging on to I-66 West, then leave I-66 at Exit 47A and merge onto (route 234 Business - Sudley Road) towards Manassas. Turn left onto Williamson Blvd.

From the north and east via US Route 50, leave US. 50 via Exit

78 merging onto the I-495 Beltway north of Washington D.C. heading west (towards Baltimore and Silver Spring). Cross the Potomac River into Virginia and follow the above directions.

From the north and west via I-270, merge from I-270 on to I-495 north of Washington D.C. Cross the Potomac River into Virginia and follow the above directions.

By train. Take the Amtrak to the Amtrak Station in Manassas (MSS). The Manassas Station is about 4.5 miles away from the Hampton Inn by Taxi.

Reservations: We have blocked 15 rooms at the Manassas Hampton Inn for Friday, 25 September and Saturday, 26 September at the rate of \$106.22 including tax. You can make your room reservation by calling the Inn, on or before 4 September 2020 at (703) 369-1100. The DELANO KINDRED Group Code is DKR. Should it be necessary to cancel your reservation



you must notify the Hampton Inn 48 hours before arrival. A free breakfast is served form 6AM to 10AM.

Registration: Registration will be held in the Hampton Inn Banquet Room at 5:00PM on Friday, 25 September. Registrants will be provided with a "Welcome Envelope" containing reunion information and name tags. Following registration there will be ample time for attendees to meet and greet one another. An open beer and wine bar will be available then and during the catered, **Welcome Buffet Dinner** that follows. Late registration will be held on Saturday, prior to the Annual Membership Meeting.

Banquet Speaker: Our Speaker will be a member of the Historic Preservation Division of the Prince William County Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism. This Division is

responsible for the preservation of four historic sites in the county. These sites do not include the historic sites of the vast Manassas National Battlefield Park, which is preserved by the National Park Service.

Tour: On Saturday, at 12:55PM, we will tour (with attendees' vehicles) the key sights at the Manassas Battlefield starting at the Headquarters about a mile north of the



Hampton Inn. An introductory movie starts at 1:00PM. After the movie we can take a short walk from the Headquarters to a nearby historic battle site and the Henry house. Later we can visit the historic Stone House, with soldiers' initials carved into the walls and floor, about two miles away and then visit the Bull Run Stone Bridge. There will place on the Registration Form for those attendees to indicate that can take others with them on the tour.

Tentative Schedule of Events At the 2020 DELANO KINDRED Reunion, Manassas, Virginia

Friday, 25 September 2020

5:00 PM – Registration, "Meet and Greet" and Happy Hour with open (no host) bar.

6:00PM -- Catered Welcome Banquet Buffet with open (no host) bar.

7:00PM – 8:30 PM Reunion Speaker.

Saturday, 26 September 2020

9:00AM – Late Registration in the Hampton Inn Banquet Room.

9:15AM – 10:45AM Annual Membership Meeting in the Hampton Inn Banquet Room.

10:45AM – Annual Reunion Group Photo (immediately following the Membership Meeting).

11:00 AM-12:00PM Genealogical Consultations in the Banquet Room.

11:00AM – 12:45PM Lunch on your own.

12:55PM – 4:00PM Tour of the Manassas National Battlefield.

Evening: Dinner on your own.

Sunday, 27 September 2020

10:00AM – DELANO KINDRED Board Meeting, Farewells and Departures.

NOTICE OF DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF MOTIONS TO THE 2020 ANNUAL MEETING

As noted elsewhere, the 2020 Annual Membership Meeting will be held Saturday 26 September in Manassas, Virginia. In accordance with the DELANO KINDRED Bylaws (changed at the

2007 Annual Meeting), all Motions to come before this Annual Meeting must be received by the Secretary, Margaret L. Delano, no later than 27 June 2020 (90 days before the Annual Meeting).

America's First Visit To JAPAN April 29 – May 8, 1791 Voyage of the Lady Washington And the Grace

By Scott Ridley & Hayato Sakurai

In an article about the reception held by the Duxbury Rural & Historic Society on page 11 of *Bonnes Nouvelles* # 91, we mentioned the above titled book coauthored by Scott Ridley and Hayato Sakurai which told about the first American visit to Japan. We were pleased to receive a copy of this book sent by Cousin **Tom Delano** who attended that reception. We provide a review of this book below.

This 43-page book provides a large amount of information, much of it is based on the Logbook written



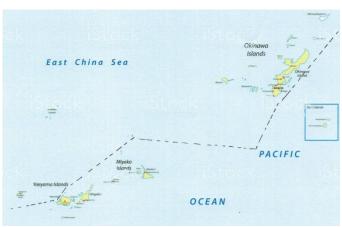


by Samuel Delano Jr. (DFIP#371IV), and local Japanese history. The Introduction provides a historic background of the situation of the Pacific region surrounding Japan, the first visits by foreigners, the Japanese policy of "Sakoku" – or self-isolation, the otter fur trade, the view of British attempts to block other countries trade with Japan and a discussion of the Captains of the ships, the *Lady Washington* and the *Grace*. The route the two ships took from Macao, south of Formosa, through the Luzon Strait, then northeastward towards Japan is shown in this article. It is similar to the map on page one of this book. Eleven pages of

the book include copies of navigational notations and remarks from the Logbook.

The first Chapter "Crossing the South China Sea", follows the progress of the ships with "remarks" from Samuel in the logbook. This information is spliced into the ship's daily routine and the impact of the weather, the sea conditions and Kuroshio current which is like the Gulf Stream current off the East Coast of the United States.

Chapter Two "The Black Current" is named for the Kuroshio Current (so named because it is a darker blue than seas outside its flow), follows the route of the two ships northeastward east of Formosa including a brief stop at the Yaeyama Islands in an attempt to obtain fresh water, then passing Okinawa and onward to Japan in very stormy seas. The route of the ships is shown as a dashed line. A more detailed map of the Yaeyama Islands and a copy of the written logbook



remarks made in script by Samuel Delano is provided in this chapter.

Chapter Three "Kushimoto" tells of the arrival at Kushimoto including the early morning sightings of Samuel and crew of the ships as the stormy clouds started to clear. The



accompanying diagram shows the ships' anchorages, the location of various villages, the watchtower and the stream on Oshima Island. Here the reader obtains the Japanese excitement as the two ships were sighted by Japanese lookout (called a "kako") in a watchtower on Oshima Island's Kashinosaki Point when the clouds briefly cleared, and the visibility improved. Once the ships were sighted the alarming word was spread throughout the villages in the area around. The ships, seeking shelter from the wind and rain, first anchored a half mile north of Oshima Island about one and a half miles south of the village of Kozo. Kozo was the administrative center of the region. The headman of Kozo, Nakanishi Rizaemon, sent off a warning by runners to the other villages. He was duty bound to inform the daimyo in Wakayama Castle that was 75 miles away that there were two foreign ships anchored between Kozo and Oshima Island. Within a short time after the ships anchored Japanese long boats from Oshima village came out in the rain. The men in the boats made signs that the Americans should leave. Even though Captain Kendrick encouraged the Japanese to come on board they would not do so. The wind and rain finally stopped and the Japanese returned to shore. Kendrick then sent two boats to the north shore of Oshima Island, looking for fresh water near a gushing stream. The crew in the boats were armed with muskets, pistols and sabers for protection. The kako and men from Oshima Island, worried by the two boats, stood on a ridge above the stream with long spears. They were relieved when the crew, finding the stream a satisfactory source of fresh water, returned to the ships. The result of this landing and the fact that the ships would not leave worried Nakanishi and the other headmen, because historically headmen could be punished for these types of incidents. The men on the *Grace* and the *Lady Washington* prepared for another storm that evening. Even though the weather did not let up the following day the ships' boats went to the stream on the island to fill their water casks. The Japanese men came closer this time and there was an unsuccessful attempt to talk with the crew. When the crew left to return the ships, the Japanese boats followed, and a few came alongside the ships. After attempts were made to offer trade Captain Kendrick caused a letter to be written by one of the Chinese crewmembers. It explained they were from the United States, what their cargo was, where they were going and appealed to for compassion and for giving assistance to foreign ships in distress. Although the Japanese could not read the letter, it was taken and was translated into Japanese by a scholar in one of the villages.

The letter apparently caused the headmen to change their strategy to friendship and hopefully to convince the ships to leave the area. The next day, 1 May1791, the Japanese came out to the ships with gifts of rice and wood, a sign of friendship. With the gift giving and friendship, two of the ships' boats went into the harbor and found it excellent for an anchorage of the two ships. Upon the return of the boats the ships weighed anchor and moved to the second anchorage between Oshima village to the east and the northern portion of Kushimoto village to the west

After the first restful night the crew of the ships experienced, they woke upon the morning of May 2nd to roosters crowing. Later the ships were surrounded by boat loads of curious visitors from the shore. It was a day of celebration for the Captains Kendrick and Douglas because they had entered Japan and established friendly relations with the villagers. Many cannon salutes were fired in the harbor in celebration. Among the interesting Japanese historical data in the book is a copy of the detailed sketch made by Koyama Danemon, the headman of Nishimukai village, located near the village of Kozo.

However, on May 3rd with morning rain and fresh wind from the northeast the mood of the headmen in the villages had changed. They came out to the ships with a message that the ships should leave because the headmen would be put to death as punishment if the ships stayed. Therefore, on the 4th of May, they weighed anchor planning to depart, but the weather turned worse so they returned to the anchorage. On the morning of May 5th, the ships again attempted to depart, but again bad weather cancelled their plans. The stormy weather continued through the 6th and 7th of May. This must have been agonizing for Nakanishi as well as the other headmen. By this time the daimyo in Wakayama, 75 miles away, would have received Nakanishi's message and would have mobilized his warriors. However, the storms that plagued the Kushimoto region also slowed the progress of the troops marching from Wakayama. The weather improved on Saturday afternoon of the 7th and the crew prepared the ships for their long voyage to the American northwest coast.

On the 10th of May, following the Kuroshio current past Japan into the Northern Pacific Ocean, Captain Kendrick, in the *Lady Washington*, and Captain Douglas in the *Grace* agreed to part company since the *Grace* was the faster ship. That same day officials and samurai troops arrived in Kozo. They conducted an investigation for four days. No punishments were recorded, but the visit of the two ships contributed to the tightening of Japanese coastal security, including more lookouts and better organized local militia.

DELANO KINDRED SUPPORT OF PLIMOTH PLANTATION

Each year the DELANO KINDRED donates \$500.00 to the Plimoth Plantation, located close by Plymouth, MA, in support of the Francis Cooke house and other Plimoth Plantation programs. As most of you know Francis Cooke was Philippe de Lanoy's uncle. He lived there with Uncle Francis and his family after they arrived. It is possible that he helped his Uncle Francis and Cousin John Cooke (who were Mayflower passengers) finish building this house in the very



Plimoth Colony Museum exhibits maintained by the historical and archaeological research staff current and well-funded, continue the (Mayflower II Restoration – so that it can also be used as a "Floating Classroom"), and a new

early days of the Pilgrim settlement. In the past these programs included the re-building of the Francis Cooke house that was badly damaged by fire in 2014 (NL#75, pgs. 5 & 6), The Rare Breed Project in 2016 (NL#81, pg. 5), the Restoration of the Mayflower II (NL#84, pg. 4), and the Construction of the "English Village" (NL#90, pg. 6). This year the DELANO KINDRED donation supported and ambitious funding campaign titled *Illuminate the Past, Inspire the Future* which has several projects, (A Bridge to the Past – that tells the story of the "Native Peoples of the Northeast Woodlands and Coast" in an interactive exhibit building), a Museum Endowment project to keep the



effort (the Center for 17th Century Studies at Plimoth). Also, in this campaign is a program to build a Warren House exhibit which will highlight life of Elizabeth Warren (the wife of Richard Warren of the Mayflower). Richard died in 1628, but the widowed Elizabeth was granted the status of a "Purchaser" belonging to her deceased husband. Consequently, she is the only woman on the 1626 list of Purchasers.¹

¹ Stratton, Eugene Aubrey, *Plymouth Colony, Its History & People* p.368 and p. 420, Ancestry Publishing, Salt Lake City, UT

Cousin **Terri Sorenson** the Chair of the DELANO KINDRED Charitable Program arranged for the donation to this major Plimoth Plantation funding campaign and our Treasurer, Cousin **David Grinnell** drafted and mailed the check to the Plimoth Plantation. A copy of letter of gratitude from the Plimoth Plantation is shown on the left.

Board Happenings

Board of Director Changes

Cousin **Mary Bertschmann** resigned from the Board of Directors after serving on the board since 2010. During that time Mary was also the Executive Secretary of the Huguenot Society of America headquartered in New York City. Mary occasionally provided newsletter articles and other support including translations from French to English in several articles. We thank her for her support and wish her well in her retirement.

Cousin **W. Becket Soule** of Ottawa, Canada was appointed to fill the vacancy on the Board. He is the second Canadian to be on the Board. The first Canadian to serve on the Board was Ramsey Anderson who lived in Moncton located in New Brunswick, Canada and served on the Board from 1995 through 1997. We congratulate Cousin Becket on his appointment to the Board.

Annual Meeting Elections.

The 2020 Annual Membership Meeting will include the election of the Board of Directors who will served for the next two years. Also, Cousin **Matthew Delano** who was appointed Vice President must be ratified as Vice President at this meeting. A member will also be appointed by the Board to the Nominating Committee for a three-year term. The Nominating Committee Chair, Cousin **Mary Delano's** term expires this year.

NEW MEMBERS

We are pleased to greet our members who joined our society since December 2019.

Connecticut: Steven J. Chapman fromMinnesota: Mark Rizzardi from VadnaisDerbyHeightsIllinois; Susan P. Delano from AltonNew York: Julie Brinkman from BataviaMassachusetts: Kathy McGonigle fromOhio: Michael D. Dennis from AkronLakevilleVirginia: Hope Bosworth form KingMichigan: Cheryl Van Houten from BayGeorgeCityVermont: Matthew N. Dodds fromWilliston

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.

Thanks to Our Contributing Members

The Board of Directors of The DELANO KINDRED Inc. wish to thank those whose names appear below for their generous and tax-deductible gifts and donations to the various funds of the Society, during the year ending on December 31, 2019.

Anonymous Banks, Roberta Capachione, Carol Colgren, Joan Connelly, Bernard Delano III, George (Terry) Delano, Danny Delano, David Delano, Donald Lee Delano, Fred Delano, Gary

Delano, George B Delano, Jonathan Delano, Margaret Lee Delano, Mary L

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Poniatowski, Dorothy Prosser, Cynthia Ann

Ross, Mary Sanders, Caroline Schumacher, Linda Soule, Warren Sparrow, Paul Sullivan, John Wagner, Dona Walker, Marie Wolf, Richard

Donations to our DELANO KINDRED Contribution Program totaled \$8100.00 as follows:

General Memorial Fund: \$2530.00

Memorialization Program

Gravestone Preservation Project: \$368.00

Charitable Programs;

Annual Charity Drawing: \$82.00 Plimoth Plantation Support: \$342.00

Educational Programs:

DNA Program: \$91.00 European Research: \$0.00 Educational Website: \$1471.00

Other Donations:

Leiden American Pilgrim Foundation: \$110.00 Plymouth Colony Records Project: \$220.00

Restoration of Log Book: \$4285.00

As we start the new calendar year, we hope you will consider making a contribution to the DELANO KINDRED Contribution Program as part of your charitable giving for 2020. Forty-four donors participated in our 2019 Contribution Program. If the remaining 198 DELANO KINDRED members gave \$11.98 (the average price of two McDonald's "Big MacMeals") the total contributions in 2019 would have been \$10,472.04! Surely your Family Society is worth a charitable donation close to the price of two "Big Mac-Meals".

All charitable donations to the DELANO KINDRED Contribution Program are tax deductible and greatly appreciated by your Board of Directors. We have inserted a copy of the DELANO KINDRED Contribution Form in this issue for your convenience. Please note that it lists the various projects (Memorialization, Charitable and Educational) that make up our Contribution Program that are in keeping with our organized purpose as a 501 (c) (3) tax-exempt corporation.

Departed Former Cousin of Note

We sadly announce the death of one of our former members **Edward Delano Sullivan**. Ed joined the DELANO KINDRED in 2003 and remained an active member for 12 years. His line of descent is through the Thomas and Rebecca Alden branch of our family. During the time he was a member he was also the Governor General of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants (GSMD). In a short talk at the 2006 Reunion in Burlington, Vermont, he told us GMSD was compiling the Mayflower Families in Progress (MFIP) genealogical publication series that was planned to cover at least five generations. He said the rationale for doing this was that five generations from the arrival of the Mayflower in 1620 would, in most cases end with the Revolutionary War. Knowing that the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) and Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) have high documentation requirements, it would then be fairly easy to connect those lines of descent to the Mayflower Descendants.

Ed was born in Bridgeport Connecticut; the son Joseph and Eugenia (McCallum) Sullivan. After he was graduated from Harding High School and the University of Connecticut, he earned a Juris Law Degree from the University of Oklahoma where he was stationed in the U.S. Air Force. He served 30 years in the Air Force JAG Corps and retired as a Colonel.

In 1954, he married his grade school sweetheart, Elizabeth (Betty) Frank. Together they had seven daughters. We remember Betty attending many of our reunions with Ed.

In civilian life, Ed worked at the Eveready Machine Company, then as a practicing attorney before becoming the Purchasing Agent for the City of Bridgeport. He built several apartment buildings and houses in Bridgeport and Florida. After moving to Fort Lauderdale, FL, Ed and Betty enjoyed cruising and traveled the world. Besides Betty, his daughters, Elizabeth Rolfe, Kathleen Fleming, Maureen Fengler, Caroline Piper, Alice Tucker, April Fitzgerald and Virginia, their families, and 14 grandchildren, he leaves a sister, Joan Kelly, and brothers, Joseph, Daniel, Brien and John as well as many nieces and nephews.

We send our sincere condolences to Betty and the entire family.



DELANO KINDRED INCORPORATED

DELANO KINDRED INCORPORATED TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING

Manassas, Virginia Saturday, 26 September 2020, at 9:15 AM at the Hampton Inn - Manassas

(Proposed Agenda)

Call to order and opening remarks Determination of a Quorum Agenda Approval

Special Election: Vice President vacancy

Minutes of the 2019 Annual Meeting Auditor's and Treasurer's Reports Committee Reports

Charitable Committee
Contact Committee
Education Program
Finance Committee
Genealogy Program
Internet Website
Membership
Memorialization

(Summation of FY 19-20 Progress)

Charitable Drawing

Other Business that may be presented Tom Delano: Duxbury 2020 Status Terry Delano: DNA Project

Proposed Budget Overview and Details

2021 and 2022 Annual Meetings/Reunions: Times and Locations and planning committee discussions

Questions, Answers and Ideas

Elections:

Directors of the Organization, for 2 year terms

Volunteers for the Nominating Committee for appointment of one member for a three-year term

Adjourn and gather (location TBA) for annual reunion group photograph

Reminder for 2021: Please note that proposals, motions, or other items of business intended for presentation at the 2021 Annual Meeting should be submitted to the Delano Kindred secretary for inclusion in the prepared agenda by at least 90 days before the date of the 2021 Annual Meeting.

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CURRENT RESIDENT OR

THE 2020 DELANO KINDRED REUNION WILL BE HELD AT MANASSAS, VA SEPTEMBER 25TH THROUGH 27TH – RESEVATION FORMS IN THIS ISSUE

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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.

It has been our practice to mail one *BONNES NOUVELLES* to each member-household address. We would be happy to mail one copy of each issue of the *BONNES NOUVELLES* to each member at a household address if desired. If you wish an additional copy, free of charge, for another member in your household, please send the name and membership number of that member to the editor.