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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 have included several articles that center around Franklin Delano Roosevelt who was born on 30 January 1882. These include Memories of FDR in New Bedford and Algonac, FDR’s maternal grandfather’s estate on the Hudson River. Also included is an article about Capt Samuel Delano Jr. and an update of the changes to the DELANO KINDRED Web Site. The date of the 2015 Reunion is scheduled for the month of September. Although the date is not yet firm it appears it will be third weekend in that month. With the reunion comes your opportunity to nominate a candidate for the Annual Charitable Drawing. We have included a nomination form for your convenience. We hope you have an enjoyable Holiday Season with your family and wish you a happy and prosperous New Year. Those members whose membership expires on 31 December 2014 will shortly be receiving renewal notices. Please complete them and return them as early as you can.

### 2015 Reunion and Annual Membership Meeting Scheduled for September In San Diego, California

We announced in the October *Bonnes Nouvelles*, the 2015 Reunion and Annual Meeting will be held in San Diego, California. Although the date is not firm, it appears at this time a likely date is Thursday 17 September to Sunday 20 September, 2015; so these dates are still “tentative.” Therefore the Annual Membership Meeting will likely be held on Saturday 19 September 2015.

Not many DELANOs settled in San Diego in years gone by. Probably the most well know of those few early DELANOs was Captain. **Henry Delano Fitch**<sup>6</sup> (Sally Delano Fitch<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Lt. Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, Philippe<sup>1</sup>).

Henry Delano Fitch was a native of New Bedford, Massachusetts in 1826-30. He was master of the Mexican brig MARIA ESTER, calling at California ports.

In 1827 he announced his intention of becoming a Mexican citizen and was naturalized in 1833. He was baptized at San Diego in 1829 as "Enrique Domingo Fitch." He eloped with Josefa Carrillo, the daughter of a very prominent San Diego family, which became a sensation throughout Spanish-ruled California. The story of their life together was featured in the 11 March 2001 *LA Times* entitled "A Love That Even the Governor Could Not Crush." Thanks to our alert readers it was covered in two parts in *Bonnes Nouvelle* s# 38 and #39 in 2001 & 2002, respectively.

He and Josefa returned to San Diego where he kept a general store in Old Town for many years. He bought and sold hides, tallow, and furs, outfitted otter hunters, and made trading voyages along the coast. In 1835 he was San Diego's first syndico (an equivalent of a trustee in English), and held other public offices. He was granted the lands of Sotoyomi Rancho in Sonoma County. He died in 1849 in San Diego and was the last person to be buried on Presidio Hill.

## **NOTICE OF DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF MOTIONS TO THE 2015 ANNUAL MEETING**

As noted elsewhere, the 2015 Annual Membership Meeting will be held Saturday 15 September in San Diego, California. 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 no later than 19 June 2015 (90 days before the Annual Meeting).

### **DELANO KINDRED Annual Charitable Drawing Charitable Organization Candidates Needed Do you have a name of a Charitable Organization for this Drawing?**

The 2015 Reunion will be the occasion of our seventh Annual Charitable Drawing. This drawing provides a one-time gift to a qualified local museum, conservancy or like institution whose holdings include DELANO documents, artifacts or memorabilia. These institutions must be a qualified tax-exempt 501 (c) 3 organization.

As a DELANO KINDRED member you are encouraged to submit the name of a candidate organization that you wish to be considered by filling out the form provided as an insert in this newsletter to Charitable Program Committee Chair, Cousin **Terri Sorensen** at the address on the form. You need to include the IRS Tax ID. Number or Employee I.D. Number which you can obtain from the candidate organization. Because the Charitable Program Committee reviews and selects those organizations that meet the standards of qualification, you should briefly describe the organization and what it does. Then briefly tell what DELANO items it has (such as artifacts, documents, or other holdings) or what programs it sponsors that are related to the DELANO family.

Please send your form to Cousin Terri so that she receives it by **5 June 2015**.

The Charitable Program Committee will review the candidates submitted to assure the qualifications are met. At the 2015 Reunion a drawing will be held of all qualified candidate organizations. The name of the candidate drawn will receive a check for \$100.00 from the DELANO KINDRED and that organization's name will be withdrawn and "retired" from consideration for the next Annual Drawing. If, at some time in the future, all qualified organizations have been selected then all the previously selected organization names would "come out of retirement" and be placed back into future drawings.

We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to help support these institutions, either large or small, that may not be well known or well endowed that have DELANO items in their holdings. The Drawing is another means of documenting the DELANO KINDRED as a charitable organization.

## NEW MEMBERS

We are happy to welcome our new members who have joined our Family Society since October 2014.

### New York

**Katherine L. Patton** of Brooklyn

### South Carolina

**Fred W. Caswell** of Hilton Head Island

**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.

## YOUNG FDR IN NEW BEDFORD

We were pleased to receive a copy of the following article about FDR's visits to New Bedford (just across the Acushnet River from Fairhaven) which was included in the 12 October edition of the *South Coast Today* newspaper from Cousin **Ann Harris** of Marion, MA. We were able to obtain several photographs of the young FDR taken by a New Bedford photographer. We included one in this article. We believe that FDR's "Cousin Julia" was Julia Delano b. 14 August 1848, the daughter of Capt. Joseph Clement Delano who lived at 20 Hawthorn Street in New Bedford (see pg 502 of the GHAAHD and accompanying photo). We thank Cousin Ann for bringing the article of our attention.

*South Coast Today*

October 12, 2014 12:00 AM

**For FDR, New Bedford held special memories**  
By Peggy Mederios



Franklin Delano Roosevelt was irresistible. He had enormous charm and intelligence and FDR more than any other president after Lincoln saved the nation.

My parents grew up during the Depression and then saw World War II. They taught me that FDR was close to God. Period. End of discussion.

I was enthralled with Ken Burns's series on Eleanor, Franklin and Teddy Roosevelt. The Delano family had ties to both Fairhaven and New Bedford. The Homestead in Fairhaven was exactly that for them.

FDR was not born in Fairhaven; however, his mother Sara Delano and father James brought him for his first Thanksgiving and he was placed to sleep in the Delano family cradle.

As Jeffrey Ward writes in "Before the Trumpet, Young Franklin Roosevelt," "Warren Delano eventually had seventeen grandchildren; none of the others was ever permitted to sleep in his old cradle."

This child was adored by his parents. He was educated at home until he was 15 by tutors and then sent to the Groton School. Franklin had never been around children in his very sheltered life and it was a shock.

During his years at Groton and then Harvard, he often fled to Fairhaven and — I was delighted to discover — New Bedford.

During the fall of 1897 he visited his grandfather, Warren Delano II in Fairhaven. He also went to New Bedford and had photographs taken at the O'Neil Photographic Art Studio, 88 Purchase St. Ironically the Hastings Building was the site of Ronald Reagan's local campaign headquarters. Most of us knew it as Grant's. There was talk of saving it — not that anyone in the 1980s knew about O'Neil. As things go in New Bedford, there was a fire and the building was demolished.

On May 25, 1897, a very hungry boy was fed from New Bedford. Groton was a place that featured hard Spartan living, plain food, and little heat. One boy during Franklin's time is reported to have been found in tears. Asked why he replied, "There are no carpets here."

In "FDR — His Personal Letters — Early Years" (edited by Elliott Roosevelt, 1947), there was a recollection:

"Dear Papa and Mama,

—»Aunt Anne sent me a regular feast from New Bedford. It is composed of a lb. of figs, 2lbs of dates, 1 doz. Oranges and a box of ginger snaps"» It is pouring here today and I am spending the time of filling an empty void with Aunt Annie's supplies: I do not know what I should do without them."

FDR felt safe in New Bedford and Fairhaven. On Feb. 11, 1901 he wrote his mother "... got into Fairhaven in time for lunch. After lunch drove all over New Bedford and Fairhaven in a buggy & saw a fire in New Bedford & had a glorious time."

He often visited his Cousin Julia at New Bedford's great Delano house. She lived in the granite Russell Warren mansion that had been built for Joseph Anthony at the corner of Hawthorn and Orchard streets. Capt. Joseph C. Delano, Julia's father, had bought the mansion in 1845 adding a fully equipped private gymnasium with a marble floor. The house had 40 rooms.

FDR was a guest at family friend Katharine Grinnell's coming out party. The party was given by Julia Delano and held in her ballroom. Katharine never forgot that evening and talked about it years later in a news interview with the Boston Traveler.

Franklin's letters mention some of the visits:

October 26, 1903: Dearest Mama, "Next Saturday I go to Cousin Julia's in the evening."

October 30, 1905: "Tomorrow I go to Cousin Julia's . . . after the football game at which I again have to lead cheering."

When he was governor of New York in 1929 FDR wrote an introduction for a book of Clifford W. Ashley's Whaleship of New Bedford.

"Forty years ago, a little boy sat on the old string-piece of grandfather's stone wharf at Fairhaven. Close by lay a whaleship, out in the stream another lay at anchor, and over on the New Bedford side shore "a dozen tall spars overtopped the granite warehouses. Even then, he felt that these great ships were but the survivors of a mightier age." In the White House, FDR's desk and every available surface were crowded



with ship models. His collection eventually included over 200 fully rigged ships. The small boy never forgot New Bedford.

## ALGONAC

Many of our members have heard of FDR's grandfather's home named Algonac on the Hudson River a few miles north of Newburg, New York. We have included below a 1987 newspaper article about this estate and included a few photographs of it from the Warren Delano III photo album which is on the DELANO KINDRED website. As many of you may recall the DELANO KINDRED was given the photograph album by a relative of the Warren Delano III's home staff. We were able to determine that the "Mr. Delano" in one to the photographs was Sarah Delano's brother, Warren Delano III. Cousin **Ann Harris** copied the photographs on to a disk so that it could be placed on the website and Cousin **Diana Gardner** sent the photo album to the Roosevelt Library at Hyde Park. You can see all the photographs by logging on to the website at <http://delanokindred.us> and signing in with your assigned user name and password. Cousin **Terry Delano**, our webmaster, will assist you if you do not have a password.

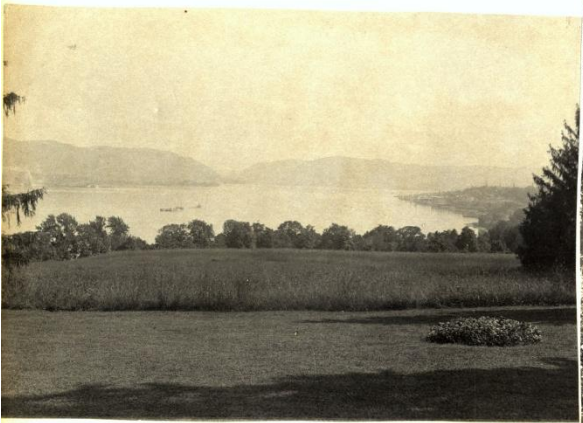
### Algonac

#### The Warren Delano II Estate<sup>1</sup>

In 1851 Warren Delano II, FDR's maternal grandfather, purchased a 60 acre estate two miles north of Newburg, New York. The site included a modest brick and stucco house which was later enlarged into a villa requiring 10 servants.



Andrew Jackson Downing, a famous Newburg architect, designed the enlarged version, which faced south to take advantage of the view of the Hudson River and the surrounding mountains.



The estate was named Algonac in tribute to the Algonquin Indians.

Kenneth S. Davis, author of *FDR: the Beckoning Destiny* said, "... the entrance hall was 19 feet square, the drawing room was 18 feet by 27 feet, the parlor 16 feet by 20 feet and furnished with heavy, carved, rosewood furniture, potted plants ..." Teakwood screens, Buddhist temple bells and other oriental objects reminded the visitor of the source of the family fortune—the China Trade.



<sup>1</sup> Newburg Evening News, 15 May 1987 pg 10A, "Historic Estate Home of Delano Family" by Ruth Valenti

The mansion had two towers and verandas. It burned in 1916 and was rebuilt by the Delano Family without the towers. It was sold after the death of Frederic A Delano in 1946 for home development in the growing neighborhood nearby.

“Algonac” became the family code word for “good news”.

### Some Significant Dates in DELANO History January, February and March

#### Birthdays:

12 January 1868: Triplets **Gracie Thomas Delano, Carrie Shillaber Delano and Benjamin Franklin Delano** were born to Winslow Thomas and Katherine (Winslow) Delano. (The accompanying photograph was taken in 1870 – courtesy of the Drew Library in Duxbury MA).

January 21, 1874: **William Adams Delano**, an American architect, was a partner with Chester Holmes Aldrich in the firm of **Delano & Aldrich**. The firm worked in the Beaux-Arts tradition for elite clients in New York City, Long Island and elsewhere, building townhouses,



country houses, clubs, banks and buildings for colleges and private schools. Moving on from the classical and baroque Beaux-Arts repertory, they often designed in the neo-Georgian and neo-Federal styles, and many of their buildings were clad in brick with limestone or white marble trim, a combination which came to be their trademark.

30 January 1882: **Franklin Delano Roosevelt**, 32<sup>nd</sup> President of the United States was born.

19 February 1747/8: Jonathan Delano married his cousin Ruth Delano. Jonathan was the keeper of the light on Sequin Island off the coast of Maine. His son Spencer followed him as a keeper of that light as did his grandson George. Jonathan Delano saw smoke and heard cannon ...”from that island” in the famous battle of BOXER and the ENTERPRISE (War of 1812).

21 February 1763: **Captain Amasa Delano**, in 1817, published a book about his travels, voyages and discoveries in the “Pacific Ocean and Oriental Islands”.

21 March 1642: **Dr. Thomas Delano**, the fourth child of Philippe de Lanoy was born. He married Rebecca Alden in October 1667.

#### Events:

January – February 1783: The sailing ship PEACOCK was “frozen in” at Fredericksburg, VA due to the ice on the Rappahannock River. Capt. Amasa Delano, the ship’s master spent these months in Fredericksburg.

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.

27 March 1634: The Plymouth Colony Tax List “rated” Philip Delanoy 9 Shillings.

## CAPTAIN SAMUEL DELANO Jr. Brother of Captain Amasa Delano

We were pleased to receive an e-mail from Cousin **Muriel Cushing** about Captain Samuel Delano Jr. a brother of Captain Amasa Delano, who was renowned for his *Narrative of Voyages and Travels in the Northern and Southern Hemispheres: Comprising Three Voyages Round The World; Together with a Voyage of Survey and Discovery, in the Pacific Ocean and Oriental Islands 1789 - 1807*. This book, with its lengthy title was published in Boston in 1817 and a second edition was released in 1818<sup>2</sup>.



Cousin Muriel alerted us to the Duxbury Rural and Historic Society (DRHS) Drew Archival Library's featuring the Delano Triplets which we included on the article about Significant Events.

The old sealskin covered trunk Franklin Hoyt discovered in the attic of the old house in Duxbury contained a very large cache of papers belonging to Capt. Samuel Delano Jr. and also some papers of Capt. Amasa Delano. The papers in the trunk were given to the Drew Archival Library and represent a very large collection of the Delano brothers' papers. It should be noted that the DELANO KINDRED contributed \$700.00 to the

DRHS to catalogue and transcribe these papers. Without further adieu we include Cousin Muriel's article below.

### CAPTAIN SAMUEL DELANO

By Muriel Cushing

A short time ago the Duxbury Library featured the Delano triplets. I thought most of you would be interested but I also would like to tell the story of the triplets grandfather Captain Samuel Delano, born in Duxbury, 5 December 1769 and married Lucy Winsor.

Many of you may know of Captain Amasa Delano who wrote a narrative of his sealing expeditions "*Delano's Voyages*" and of his famous story of Benito Cereno<sup>3</sup>. Captain Amasa Delano wrote his memoirs after retiring from the sea but little is known of his two brothers Captain Samuel Delano and Capt. William Delano who travelled with him in their own ships. A small booklet written by Franklin K. Hoyt and published by the Duxbury Rural and Historical Society tells of finding an old seal covered trunk in the attic of an old house in Duxbury that was purchased in 1910 by his father-in-law, Clifford Potter. The old trunk belonged to Captain Samuel Delano. "As I learned to read Samuel Delano's old script, I pieced together a most amazing voyage that the Delanos took to the South Seas, in vessels they built in their own shipyard in Duxbury."

Samuel Delano was a master builder, master rigger and navigator. He and his two brothers Amasa and William were brought up in their father's shipyard, Samuel being 5 yrs. younger than Amasa. Although he was not as famous as his older brother he proved to be the better businessman and after leaving the sea carried on a profitable shipyard and a store for ship's supplies. It is his "old, dilapidated trunk covered with moth-eaten sealskin" that was found in the attic of an old house on Plumfield Lane in

<sup>2</sup> Editor's Note: Because of the long title the Narrative is generally referred to as *Delano's Voyages and Travels*. The GHAAHD includes a copy of the original title page along with the complete index and Preface. For those interested in reading this book a copy of the edited edition is available American Classics series by Berkshire Publishers of Stockbridge, MA. This copy is edited by Eleanor Roosevelt Seagraves, a granddaughter of FDR

<sup>3</sup> Editor's Note: *Benito Cereno* is a novella by Herman Melville. In developing the novella Melville drew almost exclusively on the memoir of the real Captain [Amasa Delano](#).

Duxbury nearly 200 yrs. later. It is on the Bay side of Plumfield Lane that his father's shipyard was located and most likely taken over by Samuel in later years.

Franklin Hoyt relates "When Samuel was a young man of 24, he was duck hunting with three friends on Long Beach of Duxbury during a severe northeaster. When the storm began to increase in intensity, the hunters decided they had better return home. Just then they heard three reports of a cannon, which they knew must be the signal of a vessel in distress. They ran to the outer beach where, through the blinding snow, they could just make out the form of the superstructure of a vessel that had been wrecked off Branche's Point and had been driven in by the gale and was breaking up on a sand bar off Duxbury Beach. The four men on the beach realized that it would be impossible to launch their boat through the high surf. Samuel Delano, however, threw off his clothing and, at the risk of his life, dove through the surf and swam toward the wreck. His friends on the beach supposed that he would never be able to reach the wreck and would drown in the attempt, but he did get to the stranded vessel and climbed up on to it where he stood naked and exhausted before the astonished crew who thought him a ghost. The captain of the ship "*Rodney*" and his family, and all the members of his crew would certainly have perished in that boisterous sea if Samuel had not been able to tell them to stay with their ship until the tide receded, when they would be able to wade ashore on a sand bar<sup>4</sup>."

George Whytock, Commander of the "*Rodney*" wrote from London to the trustees of the Humane Society of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and ordered a gold medal to be struck in gratitude to Samuel Delano, Jr. "for his humane exertion in saving the officers and crew of the Ship *Rodney* stranded at Duxbury." On the other side of the medal was the bas-relief of a swimmer plunging through high waves towards a sinking vessel with a Latin phrase inscribed on it with the date November 25, 1792. The phrase in Latin means "Without fear of the angry sea."

The medal was last in the possession of Dr. Samuel Delano of Boston, (1899) grandson of Capt. Samuel Delano and son of Henry Tolland Delano of West Medford, MA.<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>4</sup> Editor's Note: The table where the men of the *Rodney* sat after their rescue resides in the King Caesar House in Duxbury, MA. It is belied to have been owned by Capt. Samuel Delano Jr. (please see photo below).



<sup>4</sup>Editor's Note: The various pieces of correspondence leading to the gold medal awarded to Capt. Samuel Delano Jr. are found on pp 224,225 &226 of the GHAARD.



## NEWS FROM OUR WEBMASTER

We are pleased to include an update of the ongoing changes to our DELANO KINDRED web site from our webmaster Cousin **Terry Delano**. Over the years, since the crash of our first web site, Cousin Terry has been working to expand and improve our new web site. Cousin Terry's report gives an update on the changes that are in progress. We encourage you to view the web site. The web site has a members-only section that has DELANO genealogy and history as well other information, including many of the older *Bonnes Nouvelles*. Cousin Terry's report is provided below.

### OUR WEB SITE IS CHANGING

Over the next several months, our web site, [www.delanokindred.us](http://www.delanokindred.us), will be undergoing some major changes as we upgrade our membership process. You won't notice any difference if you visit the site as a guest, but you may notice some of these changes when you log in as a member. We have added some new fields to our on-line database, and some of these new fields are visible in the member profile that gets displayed when you log in. But, they are only visible to you, the Membership Chairman and the Webmaster.

If you do not yet have an ID for the web site and you would like one, please send a note to our webmaster, Terry, at [info@delanokindred.us](mailto:info@delanokindred.us) and request an ID. Or, you can go to the web site and select the "Contact Us" option.

#### WHY WE'RE DOING THIS?

Today, our membership registration and renewal process is entirely manual, and it places quite a burden on Carolyn Clarke, our membership chairman. In addition to handling new registrations and printing address labels for our newsletter, each Fall she sends out renewal notices to all members whose membership is about to expire and she must then handle the returned renewals and send out new membership cards. The most difficult part of her job is keeping track of all our members: renewal dates, address changes, etc. All this membership data is kept in a relational database... on her personal computer using her own database software! Carolyn would like to retire as membership chairman, but finding a replacement has proven elusive given the current membership processes.

In the first phase of this project, our goals are to move all of our membership data off of Carolyn's personal computer into a secure, on-line environment and to automate the membership tasks as much as possible. As these changes are made, you'll be able to see and update more of your own personal information on the web site.

And, wouldn't it be nice if each member could update their own address and telephone number, select whether they wanted to receive a printed copy of the newsletter or not, specify how much of their personal information they wanted to share in the membership directory, and perhaps even renew their membership and register for our annual meeting via the web site with a credit card? How about the ability to display and print an up-to-the-minute membership directory? All this, and more, will be part of the next phase of the project. Watch for more updates in the spring newsletter.

### WHAT IS THE GHAHD AND WHERE CAN I OBTAIN A COPY?

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

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

Mortimer Delano de Lannoy attempts to connect Gysbert (Guilbert) de Lannoy to one of these de Lannoy branches. His questionable “proof” on pg. 48 of the GHAARD has been shown to have significant errors. An article by Cousin George English (discussed in NL# 58 and NL #59), cites some of these errors. The more notorious errors include Jean de Lannoy (11-A) is not the father of Gysbert (Gilbert) de Lannoy (12-A) and Philippe de Lanoy’s mother was not “...Marie de Lanoy who married in 1605 her second husband, Jean Pesyn.” Documentation shows that Philippe’s mother married Robert Manoo. Consequently the painting shown as Illustration plate III is not Marie (le Mahieu) de Lannoy.

Through the research of Dr. Jeremy Bangs, we are able to document the 9 July 1575 baptism of Jean de Lanoy, the son of Guilbert de Lanoy (Gysbert de Lanoy) in the Church of St. Christophe at Tourcoing, now in France. . A selection from that article (in NL #55) is included on the next page.

In the last few years DNA tests of a descendant of Abraham de la Noy, mentioned as the “first of the Holland House of Lannoy in New Amsterdam” (New York City), have shown a 99% likelihood that the Abraham de la Noy (or Delanoy) and Philippe de Lanoy have a common ancestor who lived before or during 1575/6.

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

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

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

There are errors in the Second Book as well. The DELANO KINDRED Genealogical Program is an effort to correct and update the GHAARD. Thanks to the efforts under the direction of our Genealogist, Muriel C. Cushing, the first publication (the DFIP) was published as volume I in 1999 containing the first four generations of Philipp de Lanoy’s descendants. Part I of volume II (DFIP I) covering the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> generations (Family Numbers 198-367) was published in 2004 and Part II of volume II (DFIP II) was recently published in 2011. The DIFP series has continued and the latest in this series is expected to be available shortly. Consequently the DIFP portion of the Publication Order form is being updated and should be available soon.

There were only 400 original copies of the GHAARD printed in 1899. However, we have good copies of the original with illustrations printed on acid free paper. If you wish to obtain a copy of the GHAARD within a few days, we have copies available at our Michigan address. We have inserted a GHAARD order form for your convenience. These are hard cover books with a gold embossed title on the cover. Our quick delivery price is \$81.50 plus \$10.00 shipping and handling for book mail.

Any profits made on the sale of the GHAARDs go the DELANO KINDRED Memorial Fund. Not only do you receive your copy of the GHAARD without delay; you also help our Memorial Fund grow.

## Research at Lille

(A Selection from J.D. Bangs 2007 Report in NL #55)

The logical place to expect pertinent information from the sixteenth century to be preserved is the regional archives of the Département du Nord at Lille, as the tendency is to consolidate ancient archival holdings in regional archives where they can receive proper, climate-controlled care. Typically, only relatively recent archives, those still in common current use, are retained in local town halls. So I went first to the regional archives at Lille, where I learned that my assumption was correct – that they have the information relevant to Lille, Tourcoing, etc.

### Delannoy

About a hundred years ago, Charles Cuvelier of Roubaix transcribed the baptismal, marriage, and burial records of the parish church of St. Christophe at Tourcoing, editing them alphabetically and producing several hand-written index volumes of the sort known as “répertoires.” In his entries he standardizes the spelling of the name as “Delannoy.” In the volume “de Defretin à Delannoy de 1590 à 1800, baptêmes, Mariages, Décès, Paroisse Tourcoing,” on the twenty-second page of entries under the name “Delannoy,” I found the entry that follows:

Tourcoing	Delannoy [p. 22 of that name]		
Prénom	Date du Baptême	Prénom du Père	Nom et Prénom de la Mère
Jean	09.05.1575	Guilbert	----- [blank]
Parraine	Marraine		
Christian, JeanClariche, Marie			

In the regional archives at Lille, no original documents of vital statistics (births, baptisms, marriages, death, or burial registers) that date from before 1793 are allowed to be handled. All have been photographed on microfilm. An index or concordance identified the film that contains the page from which Cuvelier had extracted the foregoing entry. Reading the entries I found the page, and this is a transcription of what I could read, differing slightly from Cuvelier’s spelling in his schematized extract:

[1575, May]

ix l Enfant guilbert de Lanoy  
 Jean {[one illegible word :] vEn depree [ ?]} p Jean Christien m  
 marie lariche

Thus Jean de Lanoy, son of Guilbert de Lanoy, was baptized on May 9, 1575, in the Roman Catholic parish church of St. Christophe at Tourcoing. Either his parents were still Roman Catholic or their Protestant views were kept secret. Calvinists did not reject their own baptisms that had occurred before they became Protestant. This attitude (against anabaptism) might have provided justification in dangerous circumstances for going along with having a child baptized according to Catholic ritual even when not agreeing with all aspects of it on theological grounds (such as the non-biblical rites of using salt and anointing with oil, of having the godparents swear, as stand-ins for the infant, the child’s rejection of the devil, etc.) So it is impossible to conclude that the family was still Catholic in 1575 even though their child was baptized in a Catholic ceremony.



Baptismal Font in the Church of St. Christophe at Tourcoing



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