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### **BONNES NOUVELLES**

*Learning about DELANO history and genealogy*



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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.

### **April 2022 - Editor's Note**

Hoping all of our members have been having a wonderful and safe April! Springtime on the East Coast has been a roller-coaster so far but the good has been a wonderful change from the very snowy winter. There is some very good information in this newsletter and it really gets me excited to learn more and more about our lineage and travel to visit more locations including Delano, MN, the UK, the Netherlands, and France! As always, please email us if there are any ideas or information you want to distribute to the Kindred.

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### **Reminder**

**2022 Reunion and Annual Meeting, Sept. 16-18 in Delano Minnesota!**

Plans are now very far along for another interesting, educational, and just plain fun

2022 Delano Kindred Reunion and Annual Meeting. The meeting dates this year are September 16, 17, and 18. Our meeting this year is being held in historic Delano Minnesota which is located about 35 miles or 40 minutes from downtown Minneapolis. Meeting details such as hotel and meeting registration, meeting agenda, and the local history talks will be found in future newsletters.

We are working with the Delano Historical Society, the Delano Arts and Cultural Council, and the City of Delano to make this meeting, we hope, one that you will always remember. We will hold all of our meetings in the high-tech Delano Community Room located in the Delano City Hall. If you are unable to join us in Delano, don't worry as we will again stream all of the talks and the annual meeting. Please circle these dates on your calendars and we will see you in Delano!

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## President's Note from Tom Delano

### President's Welcome - Tom Delano

It has been a very busy month of April so far and I hope all of you are now enjoying the beautiful Spring weather. This month's newsletter has more of a European focus and I hope you will agree with me that the Delano/de Lannoy family has a very unique European history when compared to the other First Comer families in Plymouth Massachusetts. By the time you receive this newsletter, the hotel, registration information, and meeting program for the Delano Kindred Annual Meeting and Reunion in Delano, Minnesota will be available on our website. This promises to be a very exciting and interesting meeting. The team of people in Delano I am working with to make all of the meeting arrangements are almost "off the charts" excited about our annual meeting being held in Delano. I know much of their excitement will rub off on you if you attend the annual meeting. I look forward to seeing many of you Delano's in Delano!

### **A Visit with Cousin Colonel William English CBE in Watlington, Kent, England**

Earlier in April, my business travel took me to London for a publishing trade show, but before the show, I took time to travel down to Kent to spend the weekend with William English and his wonderful family. William and I spent a lot of time



Here I am presenting William with his membership certificate to the Delano Kindred. The next photo is of William's family manor in Watlington, Kent. This manor house, the surrounding buildings, and acreage have all been in William's family for 8 generations.

discussing the fascinating European roots of our Delano family and his own non-Delano roots...which are also very impressive. We drove over on Sunday, April 3rd to Canterbury to see the Canterbury Cathedral, and the Crypt, where the de Lannoy family, and many other Walloon refugees, worshipped in the late 16th century. You may read more about de Lannoy's exile in England in George English's article on Philippe de Lannoy in this newsletter. Let me say another big thank you to William and his family for hosting me for a most wonderful weekend in Kent!



Inside Canterbury Cathedral just after the regular Sunday service. Next, I am standing at the entrance to the chapel still used to this day for French-language Protestant services each Sunday. The last photo is of the inside entrance to the French Protestant Chapel in the Canterbury Cathedral Crypt.



Here is a full view of Canterbury Cathedral with all of the construction scaffolding. The entrance to the Cathedral is seen on the lower left while the outside entrance to the French Protestant Chapel is not seen but is just beyond the transept on the far right of the photo.





### **Philippe de Lannoy – Our Unique Ancestor**

Philippe de Lannoy [pronounced Lan-Wah], our common ancestor, just nineteen years old, sailed to New England on the *Fortune* in 1621, the year after the *Mayflower* in 1620. He was one of, if not, the most unique of the first Pilgrims to New England. With grandparents from Flanders, who were French-speaking, and had also lived in England, Philippe was Dutch by birth.



Philippe de Lannoy was born to Jean de Lannoy and Marie Mahieu around 1602 in Leiden, Holland. He was one of very few of the first Pilgrims who were not English. Both the de Lannoys and Mahieus lived in four different countries in less than 50 years in the fast-changing world of the 16th century Reformation in Europe. Sometime after arriving in Plimoth (now Plymouth, Massachusetts) his name was changed to Philip Delano. He is the progenitor of the Delano family in America. The de Lannoys almost certainly came from the town of Lannoy in Flanders more than 700 years ago. In the 16<sup>th</sup> century, both the de Lannoys and Mahieus were living in the Châtellenie (*Lordship*) of Lille, then in the French-speaking southern part of the province of Flanders (now in France). We know the precise district where the de Lannoys lived in Tourcoing - Verdequeue - because the baptismal record of Philippe's father Jean, dated 9 May 1575 in the Church of St. Christophe in Tourcoing has been found.

The Netherlands was then ruled by Spain, who instituted the Inquisition for the suppression of heretics, which included the emerging Protestants. The number of people who were burned, strangled, beheaded, or buried alive for religious reasons by the Spanish has been estimated at between 50-and 100,000.

The lives of the de Lannoys and Mahieus paralleled and intertwined with those of the Pilgrims from England in extraordinary ways. They were different from the English Pilgrims because they left their homeland due to persecution by their Catholic rulers, whereas the Pilgrims chose to separate from the Protestant Church of England. The de Lannoys and Mahieus fled from Flanders around 1580 to Elizabethan England. They lived in Canterbury, while the Separatist Movement was gathering momentum; and when the Spanish Armada was sent in 1588.

From England, they went to Leiden in Holland around 1590, nearly 20 years before Pastor John Robinson and the Separatists from Scrooby and Gainsborough arrived there. Philippe de Lannoy was born in Leiden and baptized in the Walloon Church called the Vrouwekerk on 6 November 1603. He subsequently became a member of the Leiden Pilgrim Separatist congregation led by Pastor John Robinson. The English Pilgrims would have been grateful to meet people like the de Lannoys and Mahieus, who spoke English and had lived in England for a dozen years. Thus, Philippe became affiliated with the Pilgrims who would leave for America on the *Mayflower*.

In New England, Philippe de Lannoy lived with his uncle, Francis Cooke, who had arrived a year earlier with his son John on the *Mayflower*. Philippe married twice and had nine children which the DELANO KINDRED refers to as the American lines. His first marriage to Hester Dewsbury in 1634 produced six children: Mary, Esther, Philip Jr., Doctor Thomas, John, and Lieutenant Jonathan. After his first wife's death, he married Mary Pontus in 1657 and produced three more children: Jane, Rebecca, and Samuel. Philippe passed away sometime between 22 August 1681 (the date on a memorandum serving as his will) and 4 March 1682 (the date on an inventory of his estate).

The noted descendants of the de Lannoys and Mahieus include five U.S. presidents, Ulysses Grant, Calvin Coolidge, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, George H. W. Bush, and his son George W., as well as U.K. Prime Minister Winston Churchill.

Another unique feature of Philippe de Lannoy is that his grandparents and precise origins are known, unlike most of the other *Mayflower* and *Fortune* passengers.

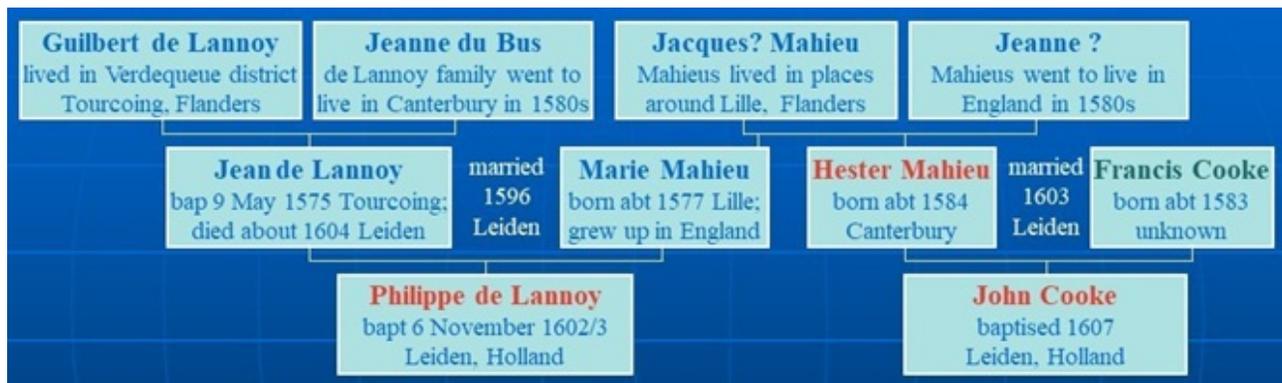
The proven ancestry of Philippe de Lannoy is shown above. We are fortunate to have the "**GHAHD**", an extraordinary tome documenting the DELANO family in America entitled "The Genealogy, History, and Alliances of the American House of Delano, 1621-1899". It was published in 1899 and is arranged into two "books".

The first "book" covers the history of the de Lannoy family in Europe as it was believed to be in 1899, while the second "book" contains the genealogical information of each family entity with known biographical and historical information, beginning with Philip Delano and his family. The "GHAHD" was a remarkable piece of work considering the travel and research limitations in those days compared with now but, understandably, has a number of errors.

Since 1899, many publications have contributed sourced evidence to our knowledge of the de Lannoys and Mahieus. Unfortunately, there has also been possibly more unreliable information published about Philippe de Lannoy than any other *Mayflower* or *Fortune* passenger. In 2021, I published the full scholarly,

evidence-based, genealogical, and historical articles about the de Lannoys and Mahieus in Europe:

George English, "Ancestry and History of Philip Delano, Born Philippe De Lannoy – Further Findings of the De Lannoy and Mahieu Families" and "An Updated Review of Publications," *Mayflower Descendant* 69 (2021): 5-29, 178-192.



### Last Call for Donations to the Alden Building Campaign

So far, between what the Delano Kindred has pledged and what our members have contributed, we have raised just over \$13,000 for the Alden Building Campaign (ABC). This fundraising campaign ends in early May, so this is the last call to make your contribution. Please remember that for every dollar you contribute, the Delano Kindred will match. Even better, for every ABC contribution dollar the Delano Kindred forwards to the Aldan Kindred, a generous Alden Kindred member has pledged to match. So, your ABC contribution of \$1.00 will really equal \$4.00.

The Alden's expect to break ground this fall on the expanded meeting facility and museum which means with a little luck the Delano Kindred can hold its 2023 annual meeting in this new facility or for certain its 2024 annual meeting. The new museum will have a focus on the 17<sup>th</sup> century Duxbury and the founding families including the Delano Family.

Please make your ABC contribution at the Delano Kindred website on the Donations page: <https://www.delanokindred.us/donations>



### Have You Renewed Your Delano Kindred Membership for 2022?

If you haven't renewed your Delano Kindred membership for 2022, it is still not too

late. To renew your membership, please log in to the Delano Kindred website and click on the Membership Links found on the right side of the Home page.

If you also know of other Delano family members and relatives, please pass the website and information along to them. We would love to expand the membership out and reach more Delano kin out there.

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## Upcoming Delano Kindred Events

- **May 25, 2022 – Delano Kindred Board of Directors Meeting on Zoom**
- **September 16, 17 & 18, 2022 – Delano Kindred Annual Meeting and Reunion in Delano Minnesota. Look on the Delano Kindred Website for the hotel booking and meeting registration information.**

Look for meeting registration information in the May 2022 newsletter or on the Delano Kindred website. The hotel information is presently available on our website under the Reunions menu. To make your reservation, please call the GrandStay Hotel and Suites in Delano at: 763.972.4303. Ask for either Ryan Klatke or Heather Bahn and mention you attending the Delano Kindred Annual Meeting/Reunion to get the discounted rate of \$149.00 per night for a double room.

If you missed the two events for the Alden Kindred and the Duxbury Cultural Council keep an eye on their [website](#). "John Alden and the Long History of Plymouth Colony" is now available on [their YouTube page](#) as is "King Philip's War".

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### DELANO KINDRED 2021-2022

#### Elected Officers and Directors

For complete contact information and a listing of the appointed committee chairs, members, and other appointees, refer to the Membership Directory in the members' section of [www.delanokindred.us](http://www.delanokindred.us)

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