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GREETINGS TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE DFA FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

It was a great pleasure to see so many of you at the 1992 Reunion in Idabel, Oklahoma. The folks there put on a great reception for us. There is always a special feeling about seeing a part of our country through the people who live there. It is also special to see so many Doan(e)s together from so many parts of the United States and Canada. I believe thirty-two states and Canada were represented. Many thanks to Pat Doan Sullivan and her committee.

President Bill Doan retired from his office this year after having so ably guided our affairs since 1988. I hope to be able to carry on the good work. Thank you, Bill, I shall count on your continued support.

Imogene Haidet and her publications committee are already preparing the <u>Proceedings</u> for printing. Doane College President, Fred Brown, has offered to have them printed and mailed from the college. As you read the report from the reunion, I think you will find that much was accomplished.

Our Treasurer, Ethridge Doane, and Investment Chairman, Stoddard Jones, have been watching well over our finances. The DFA Foundation has grown well under Stoddard's enthusiastic promotion. Doane College will now have a DFA 4-year scholar. We are promised a biography of the recipient for a newsletter. Your gifts to the foundation are very welcome. The Endowment Fund has also been well cared for. A list of assets was presented by the treasurer. It was decided to open a brokerage account with these. Charles Doane, previous investment chair, and his committee have invested well and we are appreciative.

Elsewhere in this newsletter you will find lists of the DFA committees. We are always ready to expand membership on these bodies. If you are interested in being a part of one, please let me know.

We are looking to our Regional Vice-Presidents to be in contact with our Chapters, and to encourage growth locally and nationally. We should soon be able to top a thousand



John and Dorothy Doan Baker, Pittsford, N.Y., and Emma and Frank Barrows, Vestal, N.Y., at the Doane Family Reunion in Idabel, OK.

national members. By the time of this newsletter I hope to have visited chapter meetings in Ontario and New England.

Our forefathers in 1907 met and decided to meet again on a regular basis. How fortunate we are that they took this action.

Dorothy Doan Baker

Our 42nd International Reunion is now history, but we have many fond memories of our days spent in Idabel, Oklahoma. Thank you Oklahoma "cousins" for the warmth and fellowship we enjoyed with you. I know it involved many days of diligent work on your part.

PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

Russell Goodrich, husband of Betty Goodrich, and brother-in-law of Erma Phillips, president of the California Chapter, passed away on September 21, 1992 after a long battle with cancer. We wish to extend our prayers and sympathy to Betty, Erma and their families.

Betty has shouldered quite a load for over a year, and we hope that time will ease her pain,

and eventually she will have only happy memories of their life together.

Our National Historian, Emma Barrows, was hospitalized for over a week with a mysterious seizure. Doctors have not determined the cause of her problem. However, she is home once again, recuperating from her illness, and wishes to thank all of those who sent her cards and notes.

FOUNDATION UPDATE

We had a great reunion in Idabel, Oklahoma. Our treasurer, Ethridge Doane, came with two folding bulletin boards describing the difference between our Endowment Fund (for ourselves) and our Foundation (for others). These were set up side by side and people were encouraged to make donations to either or both. The response was excellent.

Many folks said that they finally understood the difference between the two funds. As of July 1, 1992, the Endowment Fund had a balance of \$183,122.69 (less \$20,000 on loan to the Foundation) and the Foundation had a balance of \$47,246.18. There were 18 donations to the Foundation in July, totaling \$927.18, which increased the Foundation total to \$48,173.36.

The most inspiring part was to see the growing interest in the Foundation and an increased understanding of how it gives all of us Doan(e)s an opportunity to participate, under the Doane name, in a benevolent program for society. This interest was strikingly illustrated by one of our younger members, Pauline Breeden, who asked me at the end of the closing banquet if it was too late to make a contribution. She had grasped the significance of the Foundation and wanted to be a part of it. Needless to say, I was pleased to accept her contribution.

We have received a total of 93 donations; several people have given more than once.

Since the Spring 1992 Newsletter, we have the following list of new donations:

Bushell, Elizabeth
Brehm, Ruth
Johnson, Betty Doan
Doane, Jim & Mary
Troxel, Dora & Ronal
Tooley, Arlene
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Garey, Edith C.
Doan, William C.
Doan, Eleanor
Baxter, Nancy Doan
Doane, Brian C.
Breedon, Pauline

Doan, Mrs. Win
Doane, Albert C.
Hendon-Wilson, Donna
Frank, Mary E.
Doan, Lorne & Edith
Lussier, Dorothy
McFall, David
Doane-LaVigne, Sylvia
New England Chapter
(Geo. Doane)
Doan, Bryan C.
Keen, Mrs. Charles M.
Conn, Melfourne &
Dorothea D.

Your generosity has enabled the Foundation to increase the grants made at the 1992 Reunion. The Doane Museum of McCurtain County, Oklahoma was given \$500 and a Doane Family Scholarship of \$500 per year was established for Doane College. Previously, we gave Doane College \$500 every two years. The new scholarship carries the Doane Family name and it can be renewed each year if the student maintains good grades.

Please continue to send in your contributions to the Foundation.

A. Stoddard Jones, Chairman Doane Family Association Foundation

LOST MEMBERS

The following members were removed from the active membership list as of July 1, 1992. Their mail has been returned with no new address available. If anyone can supply a new address for any of these members, please notify the membership chairman.

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Who were the parents and ancestors of Lucia (Lucy) Doane? We believe <u>Doane</u> to be her maiden name. Lucy was married on 16 April, 1778 in Eastham, MA, by Rev. Edward Cleever, to <u>Ephraim Doane</u>. Lucy was born in 1761, probably in Eastham, MA. She died 20 Sept., 1828 in Ellisburg, NY. Ephraim (5) descends from Simean (4), Samuel (3), John Jr. (2) and Deacon John Doane (1). This information is derived from The Doane Family, Volume I, page 99, and from Ephraim and Lucy's tombstone in Ellisburg, NY. Contact: Mrs. Robert Lindner, 7421 West Day Forest Road, Empire, MI 49630.

PLEASE NOTE

Mrs. William (Janice) Doan has been appointed to serve on the Publications Committee, and she will be editing our Spring newsletter. Any news items which you wish to be published in the Spring edition should be mailed to:

Janice Doan

P.O. Box 293, Cynthiana, KY 41031-0293

The deadline for items mailed to Janice will be March 15, 1993.

CHAPTER NEWS

CALIFORNIA CHAPTER

The California Chapter held its 17th annual reunion on June 7, 1992 in Garden Grove. About 25 people attended, including our youngest and newest member, Bradley James Hunt. Four generations of this family attended. After a great picnic lunch and short business meeting, each of us told about a memorable family moment in the past year.

Bradley James Hunt, the son of Melisa (McLellan) and Joseph Hunt, grandson of Perry McLellan, and great-grandson of Evelyn and Roy McLellan was born July 9, 1991 in Anaheim, CA. He is a 13th generation descendant from Deacon John Doane. His paternal grandparents are William Alonzo III and Thelma Jane (Shumaker) Hunt of Manila, Philippines.

Our chapter congratulates Catharine (Katie) Doane Pribble on reaching her 100th birthday on January 31, 1992. As some of you will remember, in 1987 Catharine paid her dues in our California Chapter for 13 years, because she was planning to be around until the year 2000. At that time she said, "I am getting too old to travel, but certainly enjoy reading about the Doanes."

Michele Ramsey, daughter of Durward and Helen Stringer, was Mrs. Santa Ana in the Mrs. California Pageant held January 9-12, 1992 at the Los Angeles Hyatt. In the costume competition, contestants were outfits symbolic of the area they represented. Michele proudly wore Marine Corps dress blues that represented Santa Ana's close proximity to El Toro and in honor of her father who served over 30 years in the Marine Corps. Even though Michele did not win, it was a privilege to compete with 82 contestants from all over California.

Durward and Helen Stringer and Dennis McGorman's family spent April 29, 1992 in San Diego with Addie Ott. It was her 94th birthday. They had dinner at Tom Ham's on Shelter Island. Addie loves to go there. Addie still enjoys discussing Doanes and other family issues.

OREGON-WASHINGTON CHAPTER

Greetings to all you Doanes, Doans, clones, or however you spell your name. When it comes right down to it, we are one big happy family, no matter how we spell our name. The old saying is that "you can pick your friends, but not your family." After having gone to the annual Doan Family Picnic, I would have to say that I could not have picked a nicer bunch of people as my friends.

I would like to share a little bit about my background with the DFA. As a little Doan, almost every time I visited my grandfather, he would bring out the Doan Family book and other related papers. It was fascinating to see my name in the book alongside my father's, my grandfather's, and my great-grandfather's name, and so on, back eleven generations. It was difficult to conceive that I stood at the end of all these lifetimes. It was wonderous to think that all of these names, dates and accounts of their lives had some impact on the fact that I was alive, and even more specifically, that I was a Doan. It was a mystery that perhaps only a child, or that which is childlike in us, can entertain.

CHAPTER NEWS, continued

Knowing about my family background has helped me to appreciate how events in the history of our country were part of the lives of those who came before me. They were both the good and the bad, the notable and the common man. Take Deacon John Doane, who came as a pilgrim to Plymouth in 1629 and served on the first council of the colony. He shared their vision and helped shape the direction our country was to follow. Or what about the Doan Outlaws who were the first organized gang in our country. They almost turned the course of history by revealing to the unresponsive British what would have been George Washington's last bold attempt to attack by crossing the Delaware River. Then there is my own father, Almon Doan, who was one of the tens of thousands of courageous men who landed on Normandy Beach during the first wave of the invasion on D-Day, June 6, 1944. He miraculously is one of a handful who lives to tell about it. These and other events our family has not only lived through, but took part in, impressed upon me that the events of the past and the circumstances surrounding them are very much a part of our lives and should not be forgotten.

Today, families often live hundreds of miles apart. The DFA offers an opportunity for you and your family to belong to our extended family. The picnic Saturday, August 8th, at Washington Park should be a lot of fun. I hope to see you there.

John Doan, President (#97) (#1357)

Ruth S. Doane, 91, a 61-year Cashmere area resident, died Sunday afternoon, June 30, 1991 in the Cashmere Convalescent Center. She was born in Crystle, N.D. on May 25, 1900 to Stephen O. and Margaret (Jonasson) Soper. Survivors include her sons, Wayne Doane of Wenatchee and Ronald Doane of Cashmere, seven grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1975 and 11 brothers and sisters. (#507) (#1460)

Note: # in () is ancestor number in Vols. I and II of Doane Family Books.

ONTARIO CHAPTER

The annual reunion of the Ontario Chapter of the Doane Family Association was held in the historic village of Sparta near St. Thomas on September 8, 1991. The day was hot and sunny and the village welcomed the Doans with open arms.

The Doans gathered to learn about the Quaker Jonathan Doan and his family, who were among the earliest settlers of Sparta. Jonathan Doan's family would be described in modern terms as people with a social conscience.

After a potluck lunch prepared by the Doan ladies, a brief business meeting was held and then Sally Martyn, a local historian, spoke on the impact of the Jonathan Doan family on the early life of the village.

Alan Doan's family was recognized for winning the prizes for the oldest member, his mother (Eve - 90 years of age); the youngest, his grandson of 2 1/2 months; and the largest family group, that totaled twelve.

Those attending were able to visit the Sparta Museum housed in the old Forge and Anvil constructed of clay and straw in 1827 and managed by the Women's Institute. The graves of Jonathan and Jane Doan and their son, Joshua, who was hanged for a rebel in the 1837 uprising, were also visited, along with the Quaker Church which is still used for services. The local shops and art gallery were also enjoyed.

CHAPTER NEWS, continued

The Doane Family had a unique experience on Sunday, Oct. 20, 1991 when they celebrated the first birthday of twins Erin and Devon Doane at their home, R.R. 2, Norval. The twins are the daughters of John and Joan Doane.

Following the twins' party, grandparents Jim and Alma Doane attended the 100th birthday celebration of Aunt Dorcas (Doane) Kennedy in Brighton, Ontario. The birthday lady received many plaques, as well as gifts, including 100 red roses. (Alma Doane's note: Aunt Dorcas is one of seven children born in Doane House on Lot 92, south of Quaker Meeting House on Yonge Street to Fredrick and Nettie Doane.)

AUTISM STORY RESULTS IN RESEARCH

Since Lori (Osborne) Altobelli's story went nationwide, the calls have poured in from Maine to California. By Tuesday, Mrs. Altobelli was so exhausted she put a message on her answering machine telling callers to contact "20/20," the ABC news magazine that aired a segment on March 13, 1992 on her discovery of a cluster of autism cases in Leominster, Massachusetts.

Lori gained prominence in July, 1990 when she went public with her discovery of 14 children with varying degrees of autism whose mother or father once lived within a half-mile radius of the former Foster Grant Co. plant on Route 12. By the time "20/20" completed taping in March, 1992, the number of cases had risen to 43.

Mrs. Altobelli and her husband, Larry, who grew up behind the plant, have a son, Joshua, 5, who is autistic, and a son, Jay, 3, whose speech development is delayed. Their 7-year-old daughter is normal.

One result of the nationwide exposure was a four-page letter from Roland D. Ciaranello, M.D. of Stanford University, asking if members of the cluster would be willing to participate in chromosome mapping, which would seek a genetic-toxin connection. Mrs. Altobelli has long theorized that the autism is the result of a mutation of one of the parents' genes caused by one or more airborne chemicals.

As a result of Mrs. Altobelli's determination, together with her appearance on national T.V., research has now begun on this mysterious disease.

(Lori Altobelli is the daughter of Faith Osborne, whose mother was Mildred Marjorie Doane. Volume II, Para #1295, Page 386.)

DOANE BOOKS AVAILABLE

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Please note: Many of these renewals are for 1992, the (A-92) signifies this. That means your dues will expire at the end of 1992. Early renewals are appreciated. Thank you.

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