



The Doane Family News

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President's Message



Don Brodie

Dear Cousins,

Summer has arrived, and I hope you all enjoy this special time of year.

A committee met recently in Warrington, Pa., (Bucks County), to make plans for next year's Doan(e) family reunion to be held Aug. 11-17, 2002, at George School in Newtown. There is much Doan(e) family history in this general area.

Founded in 1893, George School was created by women and men of faith whose vision was to form an educational community rooted in the spirit of the Quaker experiment, which was begun by George Fox in the 17th century in England.

The campus is located in a safe, suburban neighborhood with lovely gardens and open lawns, beautiful woods and acres of playing fields. The campus is a mile's walk from Newtown, a charming, historic town.

Sincerely,

Don Brodie
President

Make Plans To Attend The Next DFA Reunion— Bucks County, Pennsylvania Site Chosen

Interest has been high for a reunion in this area, due to the notorious reputation of the Doan Outlaws who resided in Bucks County beginning in the mid-1700s. Termed "Revolutionary era Robin Hoods," this band of five brothers and one cousin were considered robbers, felons, burglars, spies, and traitors. A highlight of the reunion will be a Doan Trail Tour with stops at the Doan family homestead, Plumstead Meetinghouse, Doan's Tavern, Pipersville Inn, Devil's Hole, Doan Cave, the village of Newtown, and other significant sites that the outlaws frequented.

There are numerous historical and recreational sites in the Bucks County area which will provide an excellent opportunity for sightseeing. See covered bridges, wineries, and museums; and experience unique shopping in New Hope, Newtown, and Peddler's Village. Bucks County is within easy driving distance of Philadelphia; Valley Forge National Park; Gettysburg National Historic Park; Washington, D.C.; New York City; Atlantic City; and Hershey Park.

A group of DFA members met in Doylestown in June to discuss the reunion. Those in attendance were Don Brodie, DFA president, Richmond Hill, Ontario; Kay Blair Hartman, Sterling, Va., DFA historian; Ethridge Doane, Jr., Hartly, Del., DFA treasurer; Evelyn Doane, Hartly, Del.; Cora Brodie, Richmond Hill, Ontario; Dorothy Doan Baker, Pittsford, N.Y., former DFA president; Albert Doane, regional vice president, Lorain, Ohio; and Joyce Jeffries, Doane College. Kay Hartman will chair the 2002 event, and Ethridge Doane will handle registration.

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Catriona Le May Doan, Award-Winning Speed Skater

Catriona Le May Doan eclipsed her own world record in the 500 metres at the Olympic Oval in Calgary, Canada, in January 2001. Doan and her husband, Bart, are natives of Saskatoon. Even Bart is amazed at how good she is. Three hours after setting a record in the 500 metres, Doan set a Canadian record in the 1,000 metres. Winning is normal for her, as she finished first in the World Cup standings in 1998 and 1999, although dropping to fourth in 2000. Other stops during the year, were the World Cup Circuit in Germany, Finland, Holland, then the finale in Calgary in early March.

In Germany, Doan won the gold medal in the women's 500 metres and remained undefeated internationally this season in six races. In The Netherlands, she continued her amazing season in World Cup long-track speed skating with victories in the 500 and 1,000 metres. This was her seventh victory in eight 500-metre races this season. It was her first victory in the 1,000, and first double gold performance on the same day since a World Cup in Japan in December 1998. She entered The Netherlands race 10th in the 1,000 World Cup standings. She leads the overall standings in the 500 metres with 770 points. Doan is a former gold medallist.

Editor's Note: This information was taken from *The Ottawa Citizen*, and sent in by Lyn Winters, a DFA member from Ontario, Canada.

Horace Doane Celebrates 90th Birthday

A very active member for many years in the Doan(e) Family Association, Horace K. Doane, celebrated his 90th birthday March 7, 2001, while wintering in Florida with his wife, Ruth. A regional vice-president from Michigan, Doane was thoroughly surprised when most of his family showed up from all over the country to take part in the big celebration.

As usual, Doane handled everything in his normal stride, without any physical repercussions. Attending the gala were: daughter Mary Lou Thiessen, Richland, Mich.; her daughter, Sonny Hicks, and sons Zachery, Joshua, and Gabriel, from Blountsville, Ala.; daughter-in-law Helen Jeanne Doane from Canton, Mich.; her son, Mark, and his fiancée, Linda, who live in New Jersey; Helen's daughters, Anine Rajala, Ishpeming, Mich., and Kathy Milske, Ypsilanti, Mich.; Horace's son, Dick, and his wife, Mary, from Tempe, Ariz., with their daughter, Christine Johnson, Mesa, Ariz., and son and daughter-in-law, David and Tanya Doane, Chandler, Ariz.

Also attending were: daughter Mary Ann Sindt and husband, Gordon (Junior), Three Rivers, Mich.; and son and daughter-in-law, Bob and Shirley Doane, Roanoke, Va., along with their daughter, Carrie Hammond, Indianapolis, Ind. All are members of the Doan(e) Family Association.

Editor's Note: Submitted by Dick Doane, Tempe, Ariz.

Daniel Doan Marker To Be Moved

As part of the 2002 reunion activities, the Daniel Doan marker in Newtown, Pa., will be rededicated on the grounds of George School. The school is located on property originally belonging to Daniel Doan, first of the clan to settle in Pennsylvania.

This summer, the marker is being moved from its present location on a busy intersection, where it is hard to view. Former DFA President Dorothy Doan Baker, Pittsford, N. Y., is working with local craftsmen who will remove the stone marker, clean the plaque, and situate the marker in a new landscaped setting. A rededication service, patterned after the original one in 1934, is being planned for next summer, during the Doan(e) family reunion.

Recent Donations to the Archives

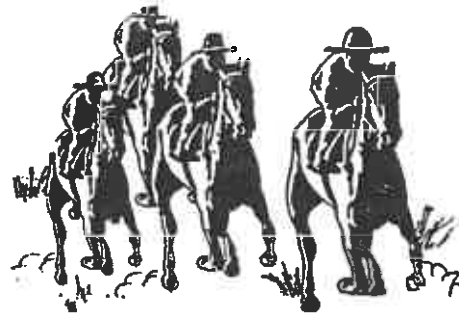
Terry McLean, Anaheim, Calif., recently donated a copy of *To God Be The Glory!, the Inspiring Story of William H. Doane, One of America's Pioneer Gospel Song Composers*, to the Doan(e) family archives. McLean received the book from his grandmother, Vera Doane Pickens Francis, many years ago. The book, by Alfred Smith, is a collection of 50 songs written by Doane, and also an account of his life. The soft-cover volume, printed in 1955, will be available for viewing in Boswell Observatory, where a collection of the Doan(e) family memorabilia is housed.

Mrs. H.B. Brehm, Pratt, Kan., sent a copy of the ancestry of Dr. Aaron M. Doan, Ontario, Canada to Crawford County, Kan., in 1868. Doan was a physician and surgeon, who carried his medical instruments in his saddlebag.

A copy of *The Doans in Bucks County, The Life and Times of the Plumstead Cowboys*, was placed in the Doan(e) family archives. The information can also be found on the internet website: <http://www.peterprints.com/doanes.htm>. For those people planning to attend the 2002 reunion in Bucks County, Pa., this would be interesting reading.

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MARY DOANE

from *The Morning Journal*, Lorain, Ohio, Sunday, February 11, 2001

(Vermilion) - Mary A. Doane, 86, of Vermilion, formerly of Lorain, died Friday, Feb. 9, 2001, at Community Health Partners, in Lorain, following a lengthy illness.

She was born June 25, 1914, in Cleveland, moving to Lorain in the early 1940s. She moved to Vermilion in 1991.

Mrs. Doane worked as manager of the former Sutter's Restaurant, Lorain, for 20 years, until her retirement in 1960.

She was a member of the First Congregational Church, Lorain, where she was a member and past chairman of the Board of Deaconesses and the Fellowship Supper Club. She was also a member and past president of Altrusa Service Club; former member of Lakeland Women's Club; and member of Wimodaugsis, all in Lorain; life member of the Doane Family Association of America; and a charter member of the Lorain Community Hospital Auxiliary, where she volunteered for more than 1,000 hours and helped establish the Auxiliary Snack Shop.

She enjoyed cooking, sewing, and travel.

Survivors include her son, Alan M. Doane; and daughter, Marsha L. Funk, both of Vermilion; and six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Neil Miller Doane (Vol. II, #1517), in 1983; 11 sisters; and her parents, Laszla and Elizabeth (nee Barko) Szabo.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Endowment Fund of the First Congregational Church, 423 Washington Ave., Lorain, Ohio 44052.

Walter A. Frey Funeral Home, Lorain, is handling arrangements.

DAVID ROBERTSON DOANE

from *The Cape Cod Chronicle*, October 12, 2000

(North Chatham) - David Robertson Doane died at his North Chatham home of cancer on Oct. 5.

He was the husband of Evelyn Steelman Doane for 44 years. A *Mayflower* descendent, he was born in New Rochelle, N. Y., in 1936. He was a graduate of New Rochelle High School and received his bachelor of arts degree in economics in 1957 from Bucknell University, where he was a member of the 1956 golf team MASCAA champions, vice president of Kappa Sigma fraternity, and a member of ROTC.

A First Lieutenant in the U.S. Army, Doane served in the 151st Engineer Corps, Fort Benning, Ga., where he was a company commander.

Following his military service, Doane was employed at Towers, Perrin, Forster & Crosby Reinsurance Company from 1960-86, where he became a vice president and director.

He was a former member of the Union League of Philadelphia and Huntingdon Valley County Club. At age 49, he retired and moved to Cape Cod, where he had spent summers since childhood. After his retirement, he bought a house in North Chatham built by his great-grandfather, Captain Rufus Nickerson.

He loved living on the Cape and enjoyed boating, lobstering, duck hunting, antique cars and playing golf at Eastward Ho!, where he was a member. He was involved in the community as former director of the Chatham Historical Society and former director of the Chatham Conservation Foundation, as well as serving on the harbor planning and waterways committees. He was also a member of the Cape Cod Antique Car Club

and the Cape Cod Model A Club.

Besides his wife, he is survived by one daughter, Deborah L. Doane of Laguna Beach, Calif.; one son, Jonathan Doane of Harwich; one grandson, Tyler Doane of Laguna Beach; his father, Carroll F. Doane of Fort Myers, Fla.; and a cousin, Hillary LeClaire of Chatham. His son, Dr. Jeffrey Doane, preceded him in death.

A celebration of his life was held at St. Christopher's Episcopal Church, Chatham. Memorial donations may be made to the church or Hospice of Cape Cod.

GENE DOAN

Gene Mustard Doan, 69, North Pekin, Ill., died Friday, May 19, 2000, at his residence.

Born Nov. 27, 1930, in Peoria, Ill., to Harry Clifford and Margaret Mustard Doan, he married Claire Ohlinger on Dec. 30, 1961, in Inglewood, Calif. Besides his widow, one sister, Catherine Doan, of Bullhead, Ariz., survives him. An infant brother preceded him in death.

Doan was a Korean Conflict veteran. A graduate of Northrop Aeronautical Institute, he worked for Caterpillar, Inc., for 32 years, last working as a test cell coordinator, retiring in December 1995.

Doan was a member of the Doan(e) Family Association of America. He was an active member of First Missionary Church where services were held on Tuesday, May 23, 2000.

Editor's Note: Gene presented a genealogical workshop at the 1980 DFA reunion at Earlham College. He was a great admirer of William Howard Doane's music, and *To God Be the Glory* was sung at his funeral.

CHARLES N. DOANE, JR.

Charles N. Doane, Jr., of Essex, Conn., died Sunday, Dec. 3, 2000. He was born in Essex, Jan. 6, 1912. He was the son of Charles N. Doane, Sr., and Edith Palau Doane.

Many local residents knew Doane, as he worked with his father selling meat, door to door, from a refrigerated delivery truck. The Doanes operated the business for more than three decades, including the Great Depression of the 1930s and World War II. He became postmaster in Essex, and served in that position until his retirement in 1974.

Doane was an active Democrat, and served five terms as a member of the Board of Selectmen in the 1950s. He also served on the Board of Finance, Zoning Board, and Zoning Board of Appeals. He was moderator at many town meetings. The Board of Selectmen honored Doane in May 1966 by proclaiming a "Charlie Doane Day," which recognized him as "an Essex original: farmer, gentleman, and friend." He was a member of Essex Congregational Church, Essex Historical Society, Democratic Town Committee, and Essex Land Trust. He was a charter member of the Essex Lions Club, and a trustee of the Essex Savings Bank. Doane served on the state commission that supervised the construction of the original Baldwin Bridge over the Connecticut River between Old Saybrook and Old Lyme.

Doane and his wife, Marion, were active members of the Doan(e) Family Association for many years. Doane was a reunion chairman, regional vice-president, and a member of the investment committee.

His wife preceded him in death. His son, Charles N. Doane III; his daughter, Jane Doane Anderson; his brother, Robert L. Doane; four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren survive him.

Editor's Note: Charlie's daughter, Jane Anderson Doane, her husband, Ralph, and several of their family, attended the 2000 DFA reunion at Doane College, Crete, Neb. Their photos are on p. 56 of the latest *Proceedings*.

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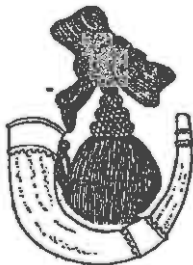
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George School



George School, Newtown, Pa., was selected as the meeting site of the 2002 Doan(e) family reunion. A Quaker boarding and day school for grades 9-12, the facility has meeting, dining, and lodging facilities. This location has special significance, as it is on the site of the original Daniel Doan farmstead.



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