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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

April 2018

Greetings Cousins and Friends

The 2018 Reunion to be held in Fredericksburg, Virginia is fast approaching and it is my hope that we will have a great turnout. As you can tell from the reunion brochure and registration form, it will be a great historical event. We will visit Washington D. C. and the many historical sites around and near to Fredericksburg.

Those in attendence will hear from the many committees that have been working on your behalf during the last two fiscal years. Among those that will be reporting their activities is the Deacon John Doane Research and DNA Committee, chaired by Dick Doane of Texas. They have uncovered some exciting new data, and are pursuing new leads, even as you read this newsletter.

Arlene Thompson, our historian, has been working deligently on getting The Doane Family, Volume III data completed. We are in the proofreading process at this time, and it is our goal to have the data ready to go to the printer within the next 30 days. If we do not run into any problems we should have Volume III books available at the reunion.

Have a great spring and summer and I look forward to seeing you all in Fredericksburg!

Kenneth M. Doane

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President

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It's Almost Reunion Time!



55th Biennial Doane Family Association Reunion Fredericksburg, Virginia July 23-28, 2018

We hope you have registered for the July 55th Biennial DFA Reunion. As you can see from the registration flyer you received several weeks ago, a great program of activities, history, genealogy, and family bonding is planned and we want you to be there! Registrations are coming in and the tours are filling up.

If you receive this newsletter after the June 1 deadline and forgot to sign up, please call registration chair, Ann Doane for your options. It is possible that you could still register. If you have general reunion questions about lodging, meals, tours, etc. please email reunion2018@doanefamilyassociation.org.

Committee chairs, as you prepare your reports for the reunion, be sure to be have them in a WORD document so that you can email them to secretary Laurie Doane Zupsic and to Janet Jeffries immediately after giving your report. This will help immensely in collecting information for the 2018 *Proceedings*. It would be greatly appreciated if you could bring these documents on a flash drive if you are not traveling with a laptop.

The Reunion Committee Hard at Work

Here are four members of the planning committee taking a break during their February meeting. Various members of the committee, chaired by Jane MacDuff, have been meeting regularly to ensure that we have a great DFA week. Ann Doane made sure the group maintained their energy by serving her delicious caramel apple dip and graciously shared her recipe. Standing from left: Elizabeth Perry, Ann Doane. Seated from left: James Thomas Doane and Brian

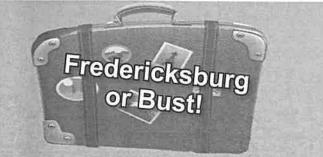
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Caramel Apple Dip
From the kitchen of Ann Doane
8 oz cream cheese, softened
3/4 cup brown sugar
1 tsp vanilla
1/2 cup chopped nuts
Cream together cream cheese, brown sugar and vanilla.
Spread in pie plate or tart dish.

Top with chopped nuts.

Serve with sliced apples.



Chapter News

New York

The 2018 New York Chapter reunion will be held at Dwyer Memorial Park, Little York on Saturday, August 4 at 1 p.m. in Pavilion #1. This is right off Exit 13 of Interstate 81. We do have a New York Doane Facebook page and we welcome anyone to join, if you are interested to see what we do. Craige Rogers is the President of the chapter. His email is Z1haulers@outlook.com and his phone number is 607-310-8021. This year we are going to put items into a time capsule. At each reunion, we have games and raffles that help fund the following year's reunion.

Michele Rogers, New York



Face painting activity, 2006



A 2016 group shot



Kids' pie eating contest, 2010

Ontario

The Ontario Chapter met April 21 to discuss plans for 2018, and also to discuss the long-range future of the group. Attendance has been gradually decreasing over the years and the chapter is considering its options going forward as there are very few younger members.

Cora Brodie, Ontario

Foundation News

The Directors of the Doane Family Foundation gratefully acknowledge recent gifts to the James E. Doan and Barbara M. Doane Endowment Fund. Since the successful completion of Dr. Jim Doan's Challenge in November, gifts of cash and securities have continued. Many thanks to you, and the many others who have donated to the Fund since its inception in 2016. Your

generosity will make it possible to establish a fund dedicated to providing scholarships to Doane students in the future. Ken Doane (Chairman), Dr. James Doan (Vice Chairman), James Thomas Doane (Director), Dr. Jacque Carter (Executive Director), Jane Doane Anderson (Secretary/Treasurer)

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Elisha Doane III Reunited with His Wife Jane Cutler

By James Thomas Doane

In the Fall 2017 Doane Family News (page 9) I told of seeing the wedding button portrait of Elisha Doane III (A.A. Doane #242) at the Historic New England exhibit entitled "Jewelry of Life and Love" at the Eustis Estate Museum in Milton, Massachusetts.



On March 30th of this year my wife, Elizabeth Perry, her step-mother Sarah Smith, and I took a journey north of Boston to the city of Haverhill, Massachusetts. Haverhill is the repository of some of the wonderful treasures donated to Historic New England over the years.

We met Laura Johnson, PhD, Curator of Historic New England, at 151 Essex Street. The reason for our trip was to bring together, perhaps for the first time in a hundred and thirty some years, two miniature portraits. Sarah Smith had brought with her one of those portraits. Around her neck was the miniature portrait of her 4th great-grandmother, Jane Cutler. She had been given this family heirloom by her grandmother, Sarah Buck. The other portrait was that of Elisha Doane III, back in storage from the exhibit at the Eustis Estate Museum.

On June 24, 1783, Harvard graduate, Elisha Doane III married Jane Cutler, the daughter of John and Mary

Cutler of Boston. The miniature portraits could have been created before or after this date, but they were undoubtedly painted by the same artist. The wedding button portrait of Elisha Doane III was given to the precursor of Historic New England by Harriet Doane in 1937. Harriet was the granddaughter of James Cutler Doane (A.A. Doane #476), a son of Elisha and Jane (Cutler) Doane.

The miniature portrait of Jane Cutler in the possession of Sarah Smith had been passed down her family from Sarah Jane (Doane) Lawrence, a daughter of James Cutler Doane. More than likely both miniature portraits were in the possession of James Cutler Doane until his death in 1878. Perhaps after the death of his wife Susannah Wendell Hewes in 1879, these objects were split up, with the Elisha Doane III portrait going to David Stoddard Greenough Doane, father of Harriet, and the portrait of Jane Cutler going to David's sister Sarah Jane.

With Laura Johnson's assistance, we reunited Elisha Doane III with his wife Jane Cutler after many generations. I thought it was a special moment, and I think the others in attendance agreed. After the appropriate photos were taken, Laura Johnson took us on a great tour of the varied Historic New England collections in storage on Essex Street in Haverhill. This reunification of historic objects was one of those moments that I am glad I was a part of.

MILESTONES

Dick and Loa Celebrate



Dick and Loa Doane celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with their family at the Capital Grille, Austin, Texas in April. Dick is the chair of the Deacon John Doane Research Committee. He and Loa report that ten family members had a three-hour dinner in a private room named after Farrah Fawcett. They were married April 9th, 1958

in Chicago, Ilinois, and have now been retired in Sun City, Georgetown, Texas for the last 20 years. The Doanes met at Purdue University in 1957 when Loa asked Dick for a ride home for a weekend to visit her family. Their families lived in the same area, but they never knew each other in Chesterton, Indiana on Lake Michigan. Dick and Loa have two two sons and four grandchildren all born in Texas. They look forward to seeing everyone in Virginia this summer at the reunion where Dick will bring everyone up to date on Doane family research.

Alice Doane's Birthday

Alice Doane of Lincoln, Nebraska, will celebrate her 90th birthday with an open house on June 24, 2018. DFA members will remember Alice as an active participant in reunions and other Doane Family



Association activities in partnership with her late husband Ted, our long-time first vice president. Cards may be sent to her at Eastmont Towers, 6315 O Street, Apt 303, Lincoln, Nebraska 68510. In this photo Alice is shown with "Little Albert" who visited her in January.

DOANE FAMILY RESEARCH AND DNA COMMITTEE

Spring has arrived and soon the daffodils and tulips will be blooming as the days get warmer. I love this season. To me, spring is a symbol of life – a renewed life giving us new hopes and aspirations. The air and the earth are filled with new life. Not only is it time to get out into the fresh air, but it also a time to dig deeper into our family histories. To me it is important to learn more about our ancestors – where they lived, what they did for a living, who they loved and, sometimes, who they did not love. What was happening at the time of their birth and moving forward? I feel that to learn about their lives adds a richness to my life and to the lives of my children and grandchildren.

These words also ring true with members of the DFA Research Committee as we strive to learn more about Deacon John Done. Where was he born? What hardships did he endure? Did he have happy times? For most living in England during the early 17th century there were many hardships, religious persecutions, plagues and wars as the population grew steadily. With time, trade and commerce became an increasingly important part of the English economy and merchants became more respected. While nobility remained the highest class of society, followed by the gentry, gentlemen were not quite as rich but they were certainly well off. Below them were yeomen farmers who owned their own land, but often needed to work alongside their men. Below them came the mass of the population, craftsmen, tenant farmers, and laborers. For the upper class and the middle class, life grew more comfortable, but for the poor, life changed little. Thank goodness the nobility often left money in their estates to help the poor who suffered many hardships during this period. Where did Deacon John Done fit into this picture? Was he indeed a cordwainer or did he have a more comfortable life as a British attorney before he sailed to America? Will we ever have all the answers to our many questions?

With my spring energy, I have a renewed hope that the answers are out there. To find them, however, we need a resolve which will go unchallenged and only we, the DFA members, can help reach that day when we can outline the entire life of our progenitor.

To reach this goal we need volunteers committed to the call of helping with our research, for it involves more than searching for vital records, We need members who have a commitment to exploring the records through internet searches, or trips to the library, in an effort to uncover facts pertinent to the hunt. We need volunteers with an expertise in transcribing ancient handwriting, translating Latin and Dutch records – the list goes on and on.

While we have recently hired a professional genealogist with feet on the ground in England, he alone cannot do it all. Neither can we dig into ancient records buried in the local archives on this side of the pond. Working in unison will save not only his time, but also our money.

We need to recognize that our membership is growing

up (okay, I mean older), and we are in dire need of younger people who are tech savvy and more creative in their searches – those who are not fearful of the internet and know how to dig further for information. If you know anyone who fits the bill, please get in touch with a recommendation and we will take it from there.

Our July reunion in Fredericksburg is the perfect place to meet your extended Doane family. The Reunion Committee has a wonderful week of activities and tours planned at an affordable price. Hopefully we will see you there.

Maureen Scott, Ontario

DNA Research: We have had a busy two years and over the last ten years we have changed from six testers in Deacon John's three son's lines to now with 154 members in Y-DNA for the male line, mtDNA for the mother's line and atDNA for all of the cousins in between over the last five generations. Most of the testing has been financed by the individuals, but the DFA has paid for some specialized testing to refine the male line from the original Y12 markers through Y25, Y37, Y67 & Y111. The average test is at Y37, but needs to be upgraded to get closer matches of our cousins.

We have spent all available money as of the start of 2018 bringing all research to a halt until after the reunion. This includes donations from a few members, which has helped to finance the professional genealogist, Mike Sharpe from England, who replaced our Derek Done from London. We invite all researchers to come a day early to the reunion and join us on Sunday, July 22 at 9:00AM, Fredericksburg, where we will organize the week's events, set a budget request and finalize the report to the reunion. All members should be prepared to take on a small portion of the work over the next two years, and recruit researchers to help Maureen and Mike on the internet activities to answer the question "Who is John Done?" At the reunion we will lecture on DNA and our part of the TREE, known as our haplogroup(Hg)= "I" which is one branch of the tree labeled starting at A. England is 50% Hg=R, along with many more Hg=E (the Cheshire Knights named Done), and our small group of Hg=I-L39 unique to England. We now have 40 cousins tied to our Plymouth Colony from the original 5 tested from there. Come to the reunion and learn more about our research, haplogroups, finance, and the new research called the BIG-Y costing \$575.00 for each test and needed to find out more about our cousins from Plymouth.

Dick Doane, TX

BYLAWS NOTICE

THIS IS THE OFFICIAL NOTICE TO THE MEMBERSHIP THAT THE BYLAWS & CONSTITUTION COMMITEE WILL BE SUBMITTING SUGGESTED CHANGES TO THE BYLAWS DURING THE 2018 REUNION PRESIDENT. Kenneth M. Doane



Memorial Record Reminder

Please contact Eunice Brabec, chair of the Memorial Committee, with the names of any DFA members who have passed away. This is important for maintaining the DFA address file, and also to assist the committee members as they plan the 2018 biennial reunion memorial services. The DFA has a very touching memorial service at each reunion, and we do not want to overlook any of our deceased family members. Please contact Eunice as DFA members pass, and not just before a reunion. Eunice can be reached at: a57graduate@astound.net or (650) 583-4985.

Are you Moving? Are you a "Snowbird?"

Please let us know if you plan to move or if you live in multiple locations through out the year. We don't want you to miss any DFA mailings, and we also don't want to pay for returned mailings. Doane University manages nearly 1,000 DFA addresses and it can get tricky. We are charged for returned mail if recipients fit the following categories:

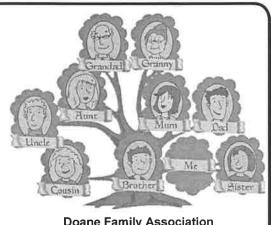
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MEMBERSHIP

Please urge your extended family members, and people you know with the surnames Doane, Doan, Done or variations, (and other interested folks), to join the DFA. Tell them we are a nice group of people, and have a great time at national reunions and at regional events. There is also much to learn about our family, genealogy, and American history by participating in this organization. Membership forms can be found on our website www. doanefamilyassociation.org or they may contact membership chair Jane MacDuff at 12154 Clipper Drive, Lake Ridge, VA 22192, (703)910-7995 or email membership@doanefamilyassociation.org. Let's build up our membership base!



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Ann Doane just told Little Albert that the Hospitality House in Fredericksburg has a very nice swimming pool. He got all excited and is working on his summer look. Albert says, if you like to swim, bring your suit, and he will see you poolside!

