

DEYO FAMILY ASSOCIATION



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New Paltz, New York 12561

www.thedeyofamily.org

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PIERRE DEYO HOUSE 1692

DFA website ready soon

After many months of the DFA operating without a website since 2011, the near future is filled with the anticipation of clicking on to another aspect of association history and legacy.

Current categories on the site menu will remain the same while content will be updated. Newsletter articles over the last few years will be incorporated. Plans for new and additional information are under consideration. The URL will also remain the same: www.thedeyofamily.org

The need to update was further pursued because of the interest and demand for more ways to promote membership, visiting our New Paltz campus during the ebb in pandemic restrictions with new hours of operation, and obtaining correct phone numbers and emails for new and existing members. Social Media platforms provided a source for some of this demand. Queries directed to HHS were transferred to us and vice-versa.

Highlights of changes “on the drawing board” include:

- ◆ Updating the Board of Directors list of officers.

- ◆ An addendum to the mission statement provided by John Kirby since its inception. (before 2011.)

- ◆ The Deyo House page will include additional photos of the original house and current house photos.

- ◆ Genealogy page changes will be more extensive. Suggestions include information for the database, possibly a new digital form to provide family names, numbers, and dates of birth, marriage, and death. More research and contacts need to establish procedures for reporting and submitting this info. Genealogy programs from *Brother's Keeper* to *Ancestry.com* will be updated and possibly incorporated. This research work is time consuming and labor intensive. Voluntary help may be sought.

- ◆ Membership page ideas date back to the August 2021 Annual Meeting when cross-country discussion produced creation of an electronic membership form and ways to make a payment and/or donation directly through the site, and a section on how to become a member.

- ◆ The Events and Happenings page would give dates of upcoming DFA/HHS events such as quarterly DFA Executive Board meetings, annual meetings, an HHS Gathering or Fall Harvest Festival, and lectures via Zoom or YouTube.

- ◆ Historical content tends to seep into many of the above categories. Some overlaps will be addressed to avoid redundancy or whether the repetition is actually a good thing for better understanding.

- ◆ Designating a contact person to properly direct inquiries will be another item on the “tweak list” as we prepare for the launch of our revised website coming to a newsletter for you real soon.

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HUGUENOT HISTORY

Industrial Revolution Innovators

In my previous articles, I have written about the visionary, persevering, and indomitable Huguenots in history, including Deyos. I attribute the foresight and fortitude these individuals have had to the ingrained Huguenot faith and diasporic experience. I myself was afforded character-building experiences that have developed a good work ethic, dedication, tenacity, and conviction. In my own family, I see a zest for life, travel, adventure, and uncovering the unknown mirrored in those of the stories and legacies of ancestors and other Huguenots. Some of those people include...



John Davison (J.D.) Rockefeller:

J.D. Rockefeller was a business magnate and philanthropist. As gas and electric became new forms of energy, J.D. recognized the potential for crude oil refinement. He, along with two other business partners, opened Standard Oil in Cleveland Ohio (my hometown!). Standard Oil became a monopoly and later was divided into ESSO, BP, Mobil, and Amoco, now well-known petrol companies. (Source: <https://www.huguenotsofpitalfields.org/famous-huguenots/rockefeller-jd/>)

Davis & Deyo:

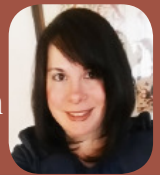
During this time, most households required some type of wagon or carriage. These could be small family carriages to stroll around the community, or large industrial wagons that could transport mercantile goods. Davis & Deyo was one such wagon/carriage manufacturer that created a wide variety of wagons and carriages. Many of the companies existed along the railroad tracks, making the intersectionality of railroads and transportation more accessible. (Source: <https://www.pressconnects.com/story/news/connections/history/2015/06/16/carriage-industry-circled-wagons/28815043/>)



Denis Papin and Christian Huygens:

Papin and Huygens both created early works associated with the steam engine. Unfortunately, neither of these men brought the steam engine to fruition. "Practical power-producing engines had to wait another 20 years for a Devonshire blacksmith named Thomas Newcomen." (Source: <https://www.uh.edu/engines/epi1281.htm>)

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The Cabrier Family:

Huguenot craftsmen also played their part with the design and manufacture of high-quality watches and clocks. The Cabrier family were a celebrated dynasty of Huguenot clockmakers who settled in London. Three generations of Charles Cabriers became well known for their beautiful clocks. The clock shown here was made by Charles Cabrier (II). (Source: https://huguenotmuseum.org/about/news/huguenot_categories/clock-and-watchmaking/)



see ...INNOVATORS on pages 6 & 7

GENEALOGY

Solomon LeFevre Deyo

New York City Subway Chief Engineer

Jeanne Ruczhak-Eckman
Seeker of Ancestors,
yours & mine.
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Many people want to do something great with their lives; they want to be remembered. On 27 October 1904, the New York City Subway opened and Solmon LeFevre Deyo became a local household name. Deyo served as chief engineer for the original New York City Subway.¹ He was Chief Engineer until he retired in 1918.² While the Subway system is a great feat, a greater legacy is children and grandchildren.

1. Solomon LeFevre Deyo, Gardiner, Ulster, NY, son of Jonathan Nathaniel Deyo and Maria LeFevre, b. 16 December 1850; d. 1922; m. 24 June 1882, Harriet Goodrich Brandon,

Deyo married Harriet Goodrich Brandon on 24 June 1882. She bore him one daughter. Born in New York on 19 May 1895, their daughter was named Harriet Brandon Deyo.

Family of Solomon LeFevre Deyo and (1) and Harriet Goodrich Brandon

2. Harriet Brandon Deyo, New York, b. 19 May 1895; d. 10 February 1989; m. 30 November 1918, Royce Riker Spring.

Family of Harriet Goodrich Brandon (2) and Royce Riker Spring

On 30 August 1918, the young Harriet's engagement to Royce Riker Spring was announced. She was living with her parents in Norfolk, CT. They were married on 30 November 1918 in Manhattan, NY.³

She was a "prominent member" of the Norfolk community. She was an accomplished horsewoman.⁴ She bred Chesapeake Bay retrievers. During the Second World War, she organized the Red Cross Nurses' Aide Program in Easton, MD. She was also an active member of the Huguenot Historical Society of New Paltz.⁵ She died on 10 February 1989 in Easton, Maryland.

Harriet and Royce had three children: Preston G., Harriet, and Deborah.

3. Preston Gardiner Spring, New York City, NY, b. 27 January 1920; d. 15 May 2012; m. 15 December 1945, Dorthea Jones.

4. Harriet Bradon Spring, New York, b. 5 June 1922; d. 29 July 2018; m. 8 December 1945 John Nisbet Critchlow.

5. Deborah Deyo Spring, b. 1925; d. 1997.

>>>A group of financiers and city officials get a tour of New York City's first subway in January 1904. Associated Press Photo. >>>

Family of Preston Gardiner Spring (3)

Preston (1920-2012) worked in his family business, R.R. Spring. He enlisted in the US National Guard. He served in the US Army Infantry.⁶ He was a paratrooper in the European Theater, serving mainly with the 82nd Division.⁷ After the War, Preston rejoined the family business until it was sold. He then worked for the Maryland State Highway Administration from 1952 to his retirement in 1982.⁸ His obituary notes he is survived by two sons, two daughters-in-law, two grandsons, and a great grandson.

6. Royce Riker Spring II, b. 1950

7. Rodney V. R. Spring

Family of Harriet Brandon Spring (4) and John Nisbet Critchlow

Happy, as Harriet was known, earned her degree in early childhood education at Wheelock College in Boston. She and John Critchlow, known as Tom, became engaged then Tom joined the US Navy as a submariner. Tom's submarine sunk in 1943 and he spent over two years as a Japanese prisoner of war. He survived to come home and marry Harriet on 8 December 1945.⁹ Harriet bore Tom two daughters.

8. Margaret m. John Boquist.

9. Harriet Spring m. Peter Madden Swinehart.

Family of Deborah Deyo Spring (5) and Stephen Girard Kent

Deborah was born 23 May 1925 in Talbot County, MD. She graduated St. Mary's in Peekskill. In May 1945 her engagement to Ensign Stephen Girard Kent, who served in the Navy in the Pacific. She died 7 September 1997. They had three children.

10. Mary Day Kent, b. 20 May 1947; m. Edgar Bermudez.

11. Stephen Royce Kent, Summit, NJ, b. 15 March 1954; m. Sally R. Searle.

12. Katherine Deyo Kent m. Christopher Langridge, son of Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Langridge.

Family of Stephen Royce Kent (11) and Sally R. Searle

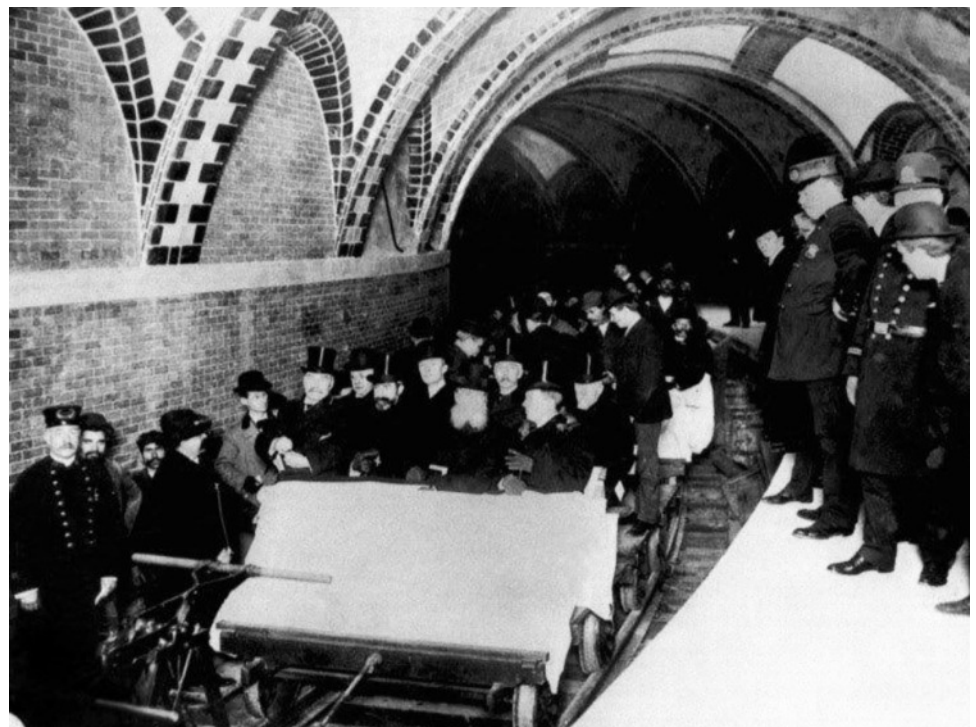
Stephen and Sally were married 23 July 1983 in Bowdoin, Maine.

Family of Katherine Deyo Kent (12) and Christopher Langridge

Katherine graduated Hannah More Academy in Reisterstown and from Wellesley College.

Our children and grandchildren are often our greatest legacies.

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MEMBERSHIP MATTERS!

**DAVID
LENT**

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Dollar\$ and \$ense

TIAA CREF REPORTS
DEC 31, 2021

DEYO FUND I

(Temporarily Restricted)

\$193,226.47

DEYO FUND II

(RESTRICTED)

\$167,529.68

HISTORIC VALUE

\$123,488.12

MEMBERSHIP REPORT SUMMARIZED

(as OF JANUARY 31, 2022)

DUES PAID AS OF JAN 31, 2022

NEW LIFE MEMBERS *	4
FAMILIES	17
INDIVIDUAL	<u>50</u>
TOTAL	71

* SUSAN CHRISTENSEN

* ROBERT MOSES

* SEAN NONN

* JOHN L. REDDING

AT THE END OF 2021

THERE WERE:

LIFE MEMBERS	31
INDIVIDUALS	98
FAMILIES	<u>51</u>
	180

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death of a member.**
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Have you done your DNA? Join our DNA Project.
<https://www.familytreedna.com/groups/newpaltz>
Deyo Family Association <http://www.thedeyofamily.org/>
Facebook (DFA) *Deyo Family Association*

Salutes to the Flags

USA Pledge of Allegiance

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.



Huguenot Salute to the United States Flag

Flag of the United States, we salute thee.
In thy red, we shall ever see the blood of
our Huguenot fathers and mothers,
which was so gloriously shed for thee.

In thy white, we shall ever see blended the
choicest lilies of France,
fragrant with purity and devotion to God.

In thy blue shall speak of the unswerving
character and purpose of the Huguenot.

In the name of our father's God and our
God, we pledge our allegiance to thee.
May God keep us steadfast and in joy or
sorrow may we know as they knew
that underneath are the Everlasting Arms.



Salute to the Huguenot Flag

I salute the Huguenot Flag, emblem of
the high courage and abiding faith of our
ancestors, whose memory is a light unto
our feet, a chart to enrich our lives,
and a heritage to cherish in our hearts.

Types of Memberships

Individual Annual: \$40

Household: \$60
(includes family in house)

Deyo Life: \$400
(onetime payment –
no annual dues)

Membership bonus incentives:

◆ Complimentary Historical
Huguenot Street friend/member-
ship included
and use of
the HHS library.

◆ Free guided tour of
the Deyo Homestead
when you visit
Huguenot Street
by appointment.

◆ Gift Shop 10% discount.

DFA Newsletter 2021-2022 Deadlines

DFA newsletter deadlines are the
first of the month prior to DFA Execu-
tive Board meetings for the following
month's publications of February,
May, August, & November.

All DFA Executive Board
meetings are at 10:00 a.m.:**
Feb. 12, 2022 via Zoom,
May 7, 2022 via Zoom

Aug. 7, HHS GATHERING??
& Annual DFA Reunion??

Nov. 5, TBA Quarterly mtg,

Newsletter process:

Editor receives articles, types,
prints, lays out sample newspaper
submitted to DFA Executive Board
for approval at quarterly meetings.

Corrections are made, sent to
printer, labeled, tabbed, stamped, and
mailed. Email subscribers get a PDF
in color and sometimes with extra
pages. Help us go green.

Doug Deyo receives DFA service plaque



Former DFA 2nd Vice President for membership, Doug Deyo, with plaque, and his wife Joanne, both DFA Life-time members, are flanked by Bill and JoAnn Deyo Dourdis, VP and President respectively, at a long-distance retirement ceremony at Doug and Joanne's new house in Nebo, North Carolina on November 18, 2021.

Plaque inscription reads:

**Presented with Gratitude to
DOUGLAS DEYO**
*for extraordinary
dedication and service to
the Deyo Family Association
2008 to 2019*

Doug's body of work was encapsulated on a two-page spread in the DFA newsletter summer edition, June 2019 with just some of the many topics he addressed, the causes he championed, and the cousins he met and embraced onto our membership rolls.

The constant theme of topics listed in those headlines and lead paragraphs gave an overview of his resolve for what we continue to strive for as an association.

As a Life Member by example, he was a quarterly reminder and the yearly enforcer of our DFA support and unity as a family and its legacy to our future generations. Christian and Pierre would be proud of him then as we are proud of him now.

His retrospective was seasoned with wit and humor, wisdom and pride, sprinkled by soul and heart.





This week, the Curatorial Department is pleased to present an oil portrait of Solomon LeFevre Deyo, who served as chief engineer for the original underground New York City Subway line which opened in 1904. The New York Herald stated at the time of Solomon's death in 1922, Solomon's "first railroad work was as a rodman on the Harlem River branch of the New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad. Later he was resident engineer in charge of construction from the Harlem River to Pelham Bay. ... Subsequently he became chief engineer of the Interborough Metropolitan Company [which oversaw construction of the subway]."

Born in Gardiner, New York in 1850, Solomon was the son of Jonathan N. Deyo and Maria LeFevre, as well as the older brother of Mary Deyo, who was featured in a recent HHS online exhibit (<https://www.huguenotstreet.org/exhibits>). After Solomon's death at age 71, he was buried at the New Paltz Rural Cemetery. Deyo Hall on Broadhead Avenue in New Paltz was named in his honor.

The portrait painting in the HHS Permanent Collection, gifted by Solomon's daughter, shows him with a slight smile and warm eyes. Photographs of Solomon at various ages appear in the Haviland-Heidgerd Historical Collection. What do you think of the likeness of the painted portrait?



Three photographs of Solomon LeFevre Deyo (including one as a child with his sister Magdalene), courtesy of the Haviland-Heidgerd Historical Collection, Elting Memorial Library.



"Portrait of Solomon LeFevre Deyo," 1879. Oil on canvas signed "Douglas." HHS Permanent Collection, Gift of Mrs. Royce R. Spring.

Industrial Revolution Innovators

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Solomon LeFevre Deyo:

Solomon Deyo was a Railroad man. He began as a rodman on several branches of the railway including the Harlem River, New Haven, and Hartford Railroads. He

later advanced to become a Chief Engineer on the original New York City subway system which opened in 1904. See additional information and images on pages 6-7 from

page 2 of this newsletter.

(Source: <https://www.facebook.com/98120211682/posts/10159549267556683/?d=n>)



Deyo Hall, named for Solomon LeFevre Deyo, after its recent repaint job.



Solomon's youngest sister Mary was a missionary to Yokohama, Japan, as a teacher in English and literature. Notice any resemblance to her older brother? (Photo from Haviland Heidgerd Historical Collection, Elting Memorial Library.)

ENDNOTES on Solomon LeFevre Deyo

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¹ Mabee, Carleton. *Gardiner and Lake Minnewaska*. Arcadia Publishing, 2003. Page 44

² American Society of Civil Engineers. *Proceedings of the American Society of Civil Engineers*, Vol. 48, Part 2. Pages 1913 – 1914.

³ Ancestry.com. New York, New York, U.S., Extracted Marriage Index, 1866-1937 [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2014.

⁴ Newspapers.com. *The Evening Sun*. 30 August 1918. Page 13.

⁵ *The Star-Democrat*; Publication Date: 13 Feb 1989; Publication Place: Easton, Maryland, USA; URL: <https://www.newspapers.com/image/93905525/?article=db1bca9a-4ba0-4471-991b-1faf7a67d0a2&focus=0.49884248,0.08452858,0.64442915,0.34440023&xid=3355>

⁶ National Archives at College Park; College Park, Maryland, USA; Electronic Army Serial Number Merged File, 1938-1946; NAID: 1263923; Record Group

Title: Records of the National Archives and Records Administration, 1789-ca. 2007; Record Group: 64; Box Number: 03413; Reel: 63

⁷ Newspapers.com – *The Star Democrat* – 27 May 2012 – Page 7. The Star Democrat. Easton, MD: 27 May 2012.

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⁹ *The Star-Democrat*; Publication Date: 29 Jul 2018; Publication Place: Easton, Maryland, USA; URL: <https://www.newspapers.com/image/467068600/?article=7ca11ad3-aada-46b0-8b89-384cebec5f22&focus=0.017789641,0.029403111,0.18601087,0.42922515&xid=3355>

¹⁰ *The Baltimore Sun*; Publication Date: 27/ May/ 1945; Publication Place: Baltimore, Maryland, USA; URL: <https://www.newspapers.com/image/373939747/?article=6a0993cc-eeaf-4983-beb7-e3ae9b8a253a&focus=0.010799031,0.11865693,0.13662532,0.39167064&xid=3398>

Valerie Anna (Borello) Deyo

Sept. 26, 1928 - Jan. 12, 2021 (age 92)

Valerie Anna Deyo, 92, passed away peacefully at home in Harlingen, TX on January 12, 2021. Valerie was born in San Benito, TX on September 26, 1928 to John D. and Mary Carolina Borello.

After graduating high school, she completed Western Union Training School in Springfield, MO, and returned home to work for the local Western Union office. Later, she was employed as a telephone operator at Southwestern Bell in Harlingen.

While working as a phone operator, Valerie frequently handled calls from Fred Deyo, a young Harlingen businessman. She and Fred met while having lunch at Day's Drug Store and had their first date on Christmas Eve, 1949. The couple married on March 11, 1950. Together, they operated Vannie Tilden Bakery in Harlingen and Brownsville until their retirement in 2002. Valerie became noted for the beautiful birthday and wedding cakes she decorated for many Valley families.

Valerie's lifelong dream was to be a wife and mother, and she was a successful working mom to her four daughters. She was also a skilled seamstress who sewed many intricate pieces of clothing including ballet costumes, quilts, doll clothes, dresses, and themed aprons worn by the bakery employees.

She enjoyed stitchery and crewel embroidery, completing an heirloom wedding gown, Christmas stockings for each grandchild, samplers, and keepsake pillows. Valerie also enjoyed caring for her many tropical plants and flowers. In retirement, Valerie met weekly to play Hand and Foot with a group of good friends.

Valerie's feisty Italian spirit, infectious



laugh, compassionate heart, storytelling, and Grandma lessons will be missed by so many. She was a woman of strong principled convictions and work ethic, never wasteful, and a proud American who instilled those values in her family.

Valerie was preceded in death by her devoted husband of 55 years, Fred Deyo; her parents, John and Mary Borello; and her siblings, Mary Moore, Joe Borello, Frank Borello, Lenora Rix, and Julia Conlisk.

In Memoriam

She is survived by her daughters, Sandra Kimball (Gary) of Colorado Springs, CO, Donna Huebner (Joey) of Corpus Christi, TX, Valerie Sue Green (Chuck) of Dallas, TX, and Beverly Armstrong (Scott) of Woodward, OK; ten grandchildren, Dana Kyle Kimball, Kelley Huebner McClure (Clay), April Huebner Gregory (Johnny), Matt Huebner, Dana Marie Green Stoke (Chris), Bryan Green (Valerie), and Bridget Green Pieratt (Ryan); Lindsey Armstrong Kuehner (Ben), Callie Armstrong Crawford (Michael), Shelby Armstrong and 14 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her childhood friend and sister-in-law, Joyce Borello (Joe) of Phoenix, AZ, and numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial service for Valerie took place Saturday, March 13, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. at Buck Ashcraft San Benito Funeral Home. (Click on the link below to view a live-stream of the memorial service.)

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorials be made to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (www.jdrf.org), 200 Vesey St., 28th Floor, New York NY 10281; the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children (www.scottishriteforchildren.org), 2222 Welborn St., Dallas, Texas 75219; or to the charity of choice.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Buck Ashcraft San Benito Funeral Home, 1400 W. Business 77, San Benito, Texas 78586. www.sanbenitofuneralhome.com 956.291.4180.

(Submitted by Donna Huebner.)

[Valerie was a long-term member and supporter of the Deyo Family Association and her daughter Donna is following in her footsteps.]

DATES TO REMEMBER

For more details, go to www.huguenotstreet.org

Pre-book your tour experience online.

Available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

For all following events: All ticket sales are final and nonrefundable.

Pre-registration required. \$20 General Admission. \$18 Discounted Admission
(For HHS members, seniors, students, active military members, and veterans.)

Springtime Medicines: A Nature Walk With Ethnoecologist Justin Wexler
Saturday, April 9, 2022 11:00 AM -12:30 PM

Birds! A Nature Walk With Ethnoecologist Justin Wexler Sunday, June 5, 2022 1:30-3:00 PM

"Women Composers of the Baroque: Strozzi, Jacquet de la Guerre, Bon" concert in the Crispell Memorial French Church Sunday, June 5, 2022 4:00-5:00 PM

\$8 General Admission \$5 Discounted Admission (For HHS members, seniors, students, active military members, veterans, and children under 13) Free Admission for children under 6 years of age

Family Day: Free Admission Sunday, June 19, 2022 10:00 AM 5:00 PM



DFA BIRTHDAY CLUB

THE DEYO (DE JOUX) FAMILY STORY

Your story begins in Europe. In France. The Sires de Iou (De Joux) were powerful "Mountain Lords" and date as far back as 1050 A.D. They lived in a fortress called Chateau de Joux, which is perched on a rocky spur in the Jura Mountains 600 feet above the village of La Cluse-et-Mijoux at an elevation of 3050 feet. The chateau (or castle) overlooks a valley pass on the French-Swiss border.

The De Joux charged a toll to people passing from France into Switzerland. In the 1400s the De Joux were considered aristocrats who owned farmland, a castle, the passage from France to Switzerland, and oversaw a little village.

They loved their country and fought for their King who sent them to fight in the Crusades. But around the 1590s trouble began for the De Joux. King Louis XIV was an ambitious King and declared that all of France should have one religion – that of Catholicism. This time period was known as The Reformation.

DEBORAH STACK

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Happy Birthday Deyo Family Kids!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE FOLLOWING DFA KIDS:

Here is the list of the Birthday Club kids for January through April 2022:

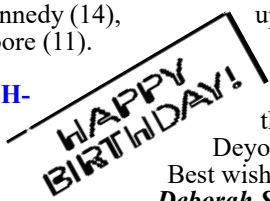
HAPPY JANUARY 2022 BIRTHDAY TO: Joseph Ames (15), Reynold Amos (2), Ryan Barnard (10), Jane Castori (3), and Claire Deyo (17).

HAPPY FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY TO: Carl Deyo (11), Carter Kennedy (14), Evan Levine (14) and Lucy Moore (11).

HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAY TO: Elliott Barnard (2), Norah Estes (11), Sadie Harris (9), and Dylan Schiffman (14).

HAPPY APRIL BIRTHDAY TO: Emma Alsdorf (18), Abigail Castori (6), Mikaelov Geurin (3), and Whitman Philipps (13).

NOTE: LOST BIRTHDAY CLUB MEMBER: LUCY MOORE. If anyone knows where Lucy moved, please email me at tmstack@gmail.com so I can mail her the birthday card. Thank you.



If you haven't already signed up your kids or grandkids to receive birthday cards, please complete the form below and send it to me. I'd love to send them a handcrafted card from the Deyo Family Association! Thanks!

Best wishes for a fantastic birthday!
Deborah Stack
DFA Secretary/Birthday Club Chairperson

DFA BIRTHDAY CLUB FORM

Child's Name _____ Date of Birth _____
 Child's Address _____
 Parent's Name _____ Telephone # _____
 Parent's Address (if different) _____
 Grandparent's Name _____ Phone # _____
 Grandparent's Address _____
 Date sent to club _____

Send form to: **DFA BIRTHDAY CLUB Deborah Stack, DFA Secretary**
 c/o Dourdis
 1525 Centre Road
 Rhinebeck, New York 12572

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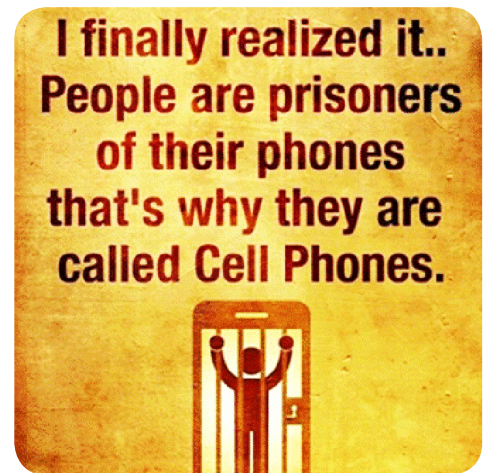
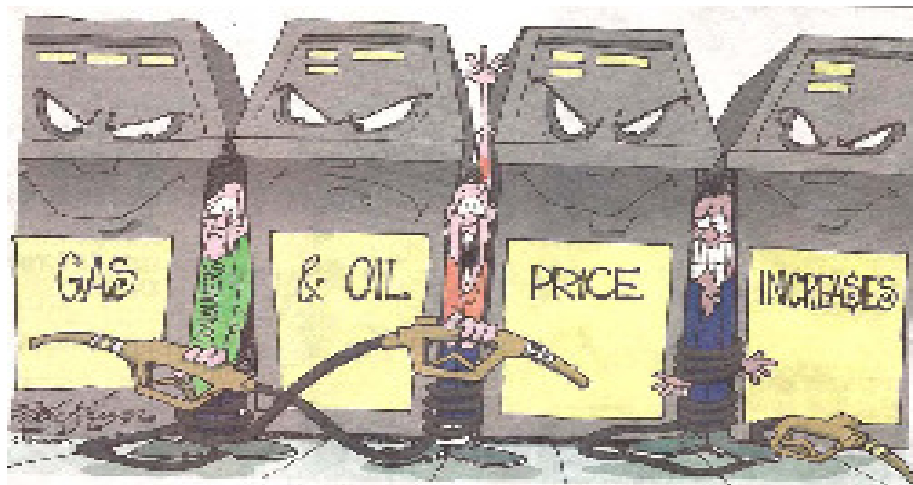
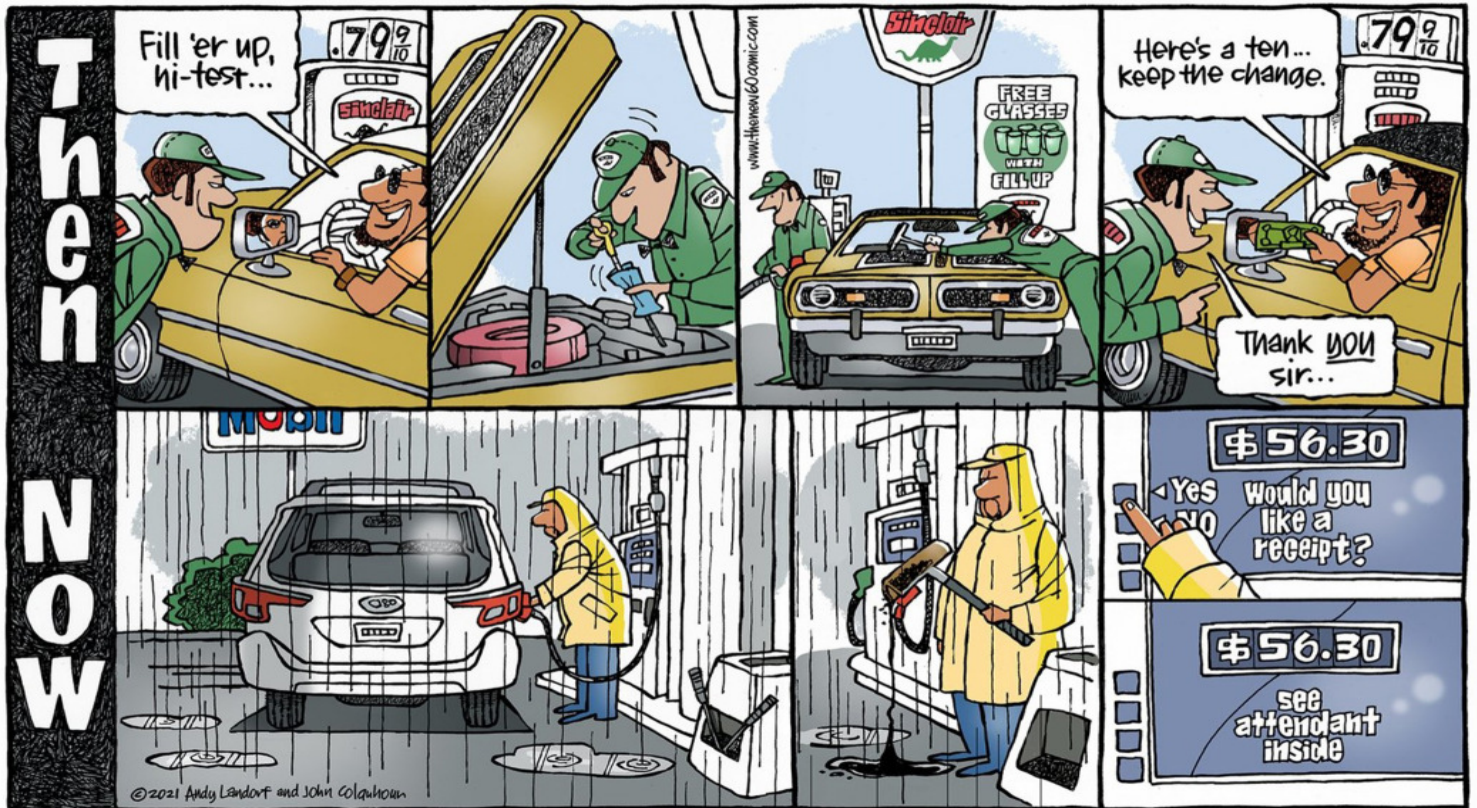
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The New 60



PICKLES



Golf carts in HHS’s future--again

The DFA donated two used much-needed golf cart utility vehicles to HHS in 2001. With proper stewardship, care, and maintenance over the past 20 years, only one has survived the rigors of daily use, but can no longer keep up with the high demands of our 10-acre site.

Loosened pandemic restrictions allow for more personal and family visits to the street. These and other improvements are needed to promote more “boots on the grounds.”

Heads up: DFA and HHS will launch a capital campaign to purchase two new electric vehicles: a mid-size utility vehicle for maintenance use and a six-passenger transport for tours and guest convenience—hopefully ready for opening day in early May, 2022.

Considerations include lead-time availability, batteries, necessary options like windshields, canopies, bed lift, freight charges, delivery fees, service contract and maintenance warranty, delivery dates, terms and conditions, and not-for-profit discounts.

Meetings and brainstorming began in December, 2021. Lists were compiled for respective needs of each vehicle. The effect on the environment—thus the need for

noise and fume emissions considerations, new versus used for longevity and fewer repairs, and saving time and the backs of the crew are also serious issues.

HHS will garner support from other family associations as well to make this a corporate and collective fundraiser or capital campaign so it’s not a burden to any one particular family association. Total cost of the two new vehicles is in the \$25,000 to \$30,000 range.



DFA Commemorative Board gets more requests



Email subscribers can magnify this board to read clusters of engraved plates.



“NICE BODY.” Stewart Crowell, Brian Kennedy, and Bill Havranek, inspect the golf cart tailgate after formal presentation ceremony on November 16, 2001.

The Deyo Family Commemorative Board Endowment Fund began in May, 2004, the brainchild of Chuck Alsdorf, DFA Genealogist and Historian who later became DFA President. Chuck procured the wood, designed, carved, sanded, and finished the board singlehandedly. The board’s purpose is to honor a special family member, living or deceased.

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



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Good, bad, happy, sad

*Dear Cousins and Valued Members
of our Family Association,*

Winter is waning here in the northeast. It has been a roller coaster ride with storms and low temperatures.

The DFA Board met again this quarter by telephone conference. Jeanne Eckman and Jinai Amos have collaborated wonderfully on the Solomon Deyo story in this issue. Jinai emphasizes his lifetime achievements and Jeanne the genealogical investigation of him and his family. Great job, ladies, and most appreciated.

The yearly membership drive has been most successful. From January 1 to March 1, 2022, \$4,790 in membership dues was received and \$1,565 in donations. By now, if you have paid your dues, you should have received a letter from HHS acknowledging that it included a one-year complimentary membership in HHS. With that HHS mem-

bership card included with the letter, you are entitled to a 10% discount at the HHS Museum Gift Shop on Huguenot Street and one free tour per year of the Deyo House.

Unfortunately, Alivia Messina, Annual Gift Manager for HHS, has left. She worked diligently with me on keeping our membership lists current. She also sent out our newsletters via email and did follow-up email reports so we know who opened their newsletters. She also trained her successor and left written procedures as a back-up reference.

We are so excited that Tami Deyo is back on board as our website director. She is working with us to redesign the DFA website and get it back up on the internet.

We redistributed membership responsibilities. David Lent, our treasurer, started filling in as membership chairperson temporarily three years ago, and we are most grateful for his work and dedication. Historian Jinai Amos has graciously offered to take on keeping our membership listings

current with HHS's cooperation. HHS receives all dues and donations sent in by you and they, in turn, will report to her. Keeping everyone's addresses and emails current so that members receive their newsletters is her priority. She is your contact person to update your information and report deaths and any family stories you want to share.

As you make vacation plans, consider visiting Historic Huguenot Street and the Deyo Homestead. As always, let us know when you are coming. We would love to meet you and share your visit to where our ancestors began their story in settling in the United States. We share a great heritage and want to keep their story alive.

We will have elections for board members this year. We can always use as much help as possible to keep the family association going. Our current board has served faithfully for over 25 years. If you can serve on the board or help in any way, please contact one of us.

JoAnn