

Letters 7/4/2012

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Passing this info on FYI: NEHGS Database News

by Sam Sturgis, Digital Collections Administrator, and Ryan Woods, Director of Internet Technology

[Brooklyn, N.Y.: Brooklyn Cemetery Inscriptions, 1707-1882](#)

These records of Brooklyn, N.Y., cemetery inscriptions were published by the King's County Genealogical Club between 1882 and 1898. They record 1,416 births and deaths from inscriptions in four cemeteries in the Brooklyn area.

[Brooklyn, N.Y.: Baptisms and Marriages in the Reformed Dutch Church, 1660-1719](#)

These records of Brooklyn, N.Y., Reformed Dutch Church Baptisms and Marriages were published by the King's County Genealogical Club in 1898. They summarize 735 baptisms and 129 marriages.

HOTLINK to my blog about Shaker John Banta, KY

<http://bit.ly/JohnBanta>

If that doesn't work, go to my website www.carolynbleonard.com, choose from the top menu "Genealogy Tips" go all the way to the bottom and choose "Archives" then all the way to the bottom of that list and you will find: 47. Shaker John Banta. Click on that. --carolyn

Dear Carolyn,

yes John Banta did hold the first meeting of the Shakers at his barn on the Henry/Shelby County line at Pleasureville as written in a journal of the Shakers found in the collection at Western KY University and originally from the society at South Union....west of Bowling Green, KY. It also stated in the same journal that his son in law Francis Montfort JR was reluctant to join but is now one with us.....I suspected he didn't want to join and tried to talk his wife out of it, I think my gtgt grandfather was one of the ways he tried to talk her out of joining.....as if she were busy with a new baby she wouldn't want to join a society that separated you from your children very early on in their young lives. It of course, didn't work but Diana and I have taken to calling that

third child of Francis and Polly Banta Montfort, the Last Fling....this child went on to be my gtgt grandfather David Montfort....thank goodness.....for that last fling.....lol.

John was the son of Hendrick 3rd and second wife Antie Demarest and was a half brother to his son in laws mother...Charity Banta Montfort...nothing like keeping it in the family. Charity was the last child of HB3 and his first wife, Rachel Brower and probably, inadvertently, the cause of her mothers death soon after giving birth to Charity.

I have been able to finally figure out why she was called Charity as well.....the Dutch pronunciation of her given name of Geertje sounds more like Jerritie...or Charityshe had a niece whose name appears in the Shaker journals at Pleasant Hill as Jerritie Banta.....she was the daughter of Cornelius and Betsy Thomas Banta.....Betsy was the daughter of Elisha Thomas who owned some of the land where the Shakers located at Pleasant Hill and was among the first families to join with the Banta brothers and their sister Charity Montfort. Sooner or later, you just figure things out or something that meant nothing when first found.....begins to make sense down the road a bit.....lol.

At Pleasureville and thanks to the map and tour by Vince Akers it made sense finally about how Charity came to join the Shakers...somewhere I read where she and her husband attended a meeting...most likely the one at her brothers barn....and her husband was not impressed. His farm backed onto the farm of John Banta and I suspect when his son, Francis Jr married Polly Banta, the two took up residence with her parents and when his mother decided to leave her husband, she also went to live with her half brother, John...along with the youngest of her nine children, Sarah. Poor Francis Jr, he was surrounded by zealots and his reluctance to join must not have lasted long.

I need to get back working on my blog...have become rotten lazy lately.

barbara Whiteside ([Our Banta /Monfort /Shaker Expert! - AND maintainer of the Dutch Cousins Facebook Page](#))

Dear Carolyn,

Sadly, I won't be able to attend the gathering after all. Hope all who do will have a great time. Limited funds,

friend who is a great travel partner
unable to travel, I recently broke a hip.

I am sure that in a year the hip will heal, but I have
other items of personal life to attend to.

Joyce (Westerfield) Collins. California

We will be thinking of Joyce and hoping for a speedy and complete recovery.

POST WORTH REPEATING!

Hi Carolyn,

Conquest of a Continent, Nine Generations on the American Frontier has now had 42,329 pages read on Google Books. As you know, the entire book can be read on your computer for free. It closely follows the route that the Cousins took on your last Gathering.

Google has gone to a new format and some readers are having problems in pursuing this new format. Many are getting to the book with no pages read. They get to the book and a blank page shows up where the book should be. The answer is the three sideways exclamation points in the upper right hand corner of the screen. The following instructions will be helpful to those who wish to read the book.

You can read the entire book on "Google Book Search." Click the link below and then click the top book on the page (Conquest of a Continent, Nine) When the book comes up, click the three side ways exclamation points in the upper right hand corner. Then click "Chapter I" for the story of Hendrick's line of the family from two generation before they left Friesland for the New Netherland. You can read the entire book for free on your computer. And the neatest thing is that if you close a session, it will take you right back to where you left off the next time you want to read more. Click here to begin.

<https://www.google.com/search?q=Conquest+of+a+continent%2C+Nine&tbm=bks&tbo=1>
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Thanks for passing this along to the Cousins

Mike (Theodore M. Banta, Author)

Friend us, like us on Facebook - Dutch Cousins
Check out our website: DutchCousins.info

Follow me & my posts on Twitter! <https://twitter.com/>

Friend me, Like me on Facebook! <http://on.fb.me/FacebkFriend>

(I am finally learning how those work!)

Check out my webpage at www.carolynbleonard.com and read the Dutch Cousins info

Check out my OTHER webpage at www.whosyourdaddybook.com

Download free genealogy stuff at <http://bit.ly/Genealogystuff> (if that doesn't work, go to [whosyourdaddybook.com](http://www.whosyourdaddybook.com) and choose FREE STUFF

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I am from the Jacobus Westerfield and Maaria Demaree line whose son James Jacobus Westerfield married Ufmeij Phoebe Cozine so I am from the Cozine line, however, since all my dad's father was a Westerfield married to a Hoover I only look at the little circle here in Ohio County which in the Dutch Cousins would put me as a Westerfield. I am a Westerfield by birth as Westerfield is my maiden name. :) Lora Westerfield...Kyblueskies

I haven't read this yet (and I even have an advanced reader copy), but it sounds good. --Pam Ellingson

Zimmerman, Jean. The Orphanmaster. Viking. Jun. 2012. 432p. ISBN 9780670023646. \$27.95.

Among Jean Zimmerman's nonfiction books is The Women of the House: How a Colonial She-Merchant Built a Mansion, a Fortune, and a Dynasty. In fact, her first novel, The Orphanmaster, features a she-merchant in 1663 New Amsterdam, 22-year-old trader Blandine von Couvering, whose formidable trading powers as seen in the book's opening pages would put any Wall Streeter to shame. These are unsettled in New Amsterdam, not simply because the English are hovering hungrily. Orphan children are disappearing, some are turning up mutilated, and some folks think that a witika—a flesh-eating demon feared by Native Americans—is responsible. Blandine soon finds herself joining forces (in more ways than one) with Englishman Edward Drummond, reputedly a merchant but in fact a spy for the crown, in an attempt to find out what's really happening. So, detailed and authentic history of a time and place we don't think much about; the suggestion of horror; the edgy thrill of tracking down the bad guys, and the romance of...romance. This book is fun!

Here is a timeline from the New Netherland Institute:

<http://www.nnp.org/nni/Timelines/nlandscanda.html>

also, Virtual tour:

New Netherland Virtual Tour Homepage -Begin Tour Here

Howard Swain, Dutch Colonies mailing list.

"Free eBooks for Genealogy Research,"

two Weekly Genealogistreaders shared their own recommendations for eBook sources.

1. Mollie Lynch of Clarkston, Michigan:

As a retired librarian, I needed a hobby and wanted to assist people doing genealogical research so I started

genealogybooklinks.com. I began locating and providing links to freely available digital books, focusing on American biographies, genealogies, and history books. Today there are over 30,000 links from more than 35 sources (only the top sources are listed on the site). The current focus is on surnames, directories, vital records, and identifying smaller sites with local area-specific books.

2. Dee Grimsrud, a retired Wisconsin Historical Society archivist from Madison, Wisconsin:

The Wisconsin Historical Society has numerous county histories scanned, searchable, and free.

Carolyn, please let everyone know that I sent off 3/4th of my collection of Low Dutch items, plus Dorland/Darland items to Amalie Preston {to place in the Dutch Cousin Archives at the Harrodsburg Historical Society Library}. These are copies of original documents for the most part, so if {anyone goes to Harrodsburg to research this Fall}, the items should be there. Don't know how they categorize things, however there is a selection covering several different families besides Dorland/Darland and Vanarsdel.

Judy Cassidy

(NOTE: THEY ARE CATEGORIZED BY FAMILY NAME -carolyn)

OUR DUTCH COUSINS ENJOYED OUR VISIT TO THE WYCKOFF FARMHOUSE MUSEUM LAST FALL: OF INTEREST--

I am writing to introduce myself as the new Director of the Wyckoff Farmhouse Museum – the oldest house in New York City and one of the last examples of New Netherland architecture. I believe that some of my predecessors have been in contact with members of the Society of Daughters of Holland Dames over the years, and I would be delighted to continue those communications. As a lineal descendant of Jan Janse Verkerk (Van Kirk) and several other New Netherland immigrants, I suspect I would find quite a few "cousins" among your ranks as well.

Please feel free to contact me any time and be sure to let me know if you're ever interested in organizing a trip to the Wyckoff Farmhouse.

Yours sincerely,

Joshua Van Kirk

Executive Director

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NOTE: This message is to the attention of the group "Low Dutch Heritage"

Carolyn,

Thanks so much!

I am Great5 Grandson of Maj. Simon v. Arsdale by way of:

His son Simon v. Arsdale and his daughter Martha Ann v. Arsdale and her daughter Ellen Jane Valentine and her daughter Eleanor Cora Bowman and her daughter Nina Lee Cunningham and her son (my father) Gary Walter Granzow.

I am submitting an SAR application (which has never been done for Maj. Simon by anyone). Coincidentally we live 1 mile from the battle in Trenton area and the "Washington Crossing" location where George Washington crossed the Delaware River in 1776. We also live in a 1765 house so it was standing during the various battles in the area and is on local, state and National Historic Registries. It is quite amazing to now find that my Great5 grandfather may have been in this vicinity...!

Thanks for clearing up the "3" Simons. Do you have info on which one of the Simon's lived/stayed in the Old Dutch Parsonage in Sommerville (Raritan) NJ?

I'll check out your book. Thanks

Russell Granzow

This message is to the attention of:

--The Indiana Historical Society

--Low Dutch Heritage

--Jeffrey Graf, Research Department, Herman B. Wells Librar:

It has been suggested that I forward to and share with you the attached message sent this morning to The Dictionary of American Regional English.

My Dutch wife has urged me to to add a further comment about the phonetics of the word "goser" or "gozer". More precisely, what I meant about the pronunciation of the letter "g" in Dutch was that to a listener whose mother language was English that letter pronounced by a Dutch person would sound like an "h", and such an English mother tongue person would likely spell phonetically that word as "hooser", "hoozer", "hoosier" or "hoozier".

In any case, I hope that you might find this idea interesting and I welcome any comments you might have.

Best regards,

Gene Dye

Begin forwarded message:

From: Gene Dye <g.j.dye@wanadoo.fr>

Date: July 16, 2012 10:35:13 AM GMT+02:00

To: jdhall@wisc.edu

Cc: caestill@aol.com

Subject: Word origin "Hoosier"

This message is to the attention of Ms. Joan Hall, Editor-in-chief, Dictionary of American Regional English (DARE)

Dear Ms. Hall:

I am taking the liberty of writing to your attention at the suggestion of Carrie Estill. I believe that I may have come across a more plausible explanation for the origin of the word "Hoosier" than those commonly advanced.

By way of preamble, I would note that I was born in Indiana, hence my interest in the word "Hoosier". But I have lived most of my life in France, and my wife is Dutch, which accounts for my familiarity with the Dutch language.

It happened recently that a Dutch son-in-law described two suspicious characters perhaps out attempting to steal bicycles in Amsterdam as "gosers". In Dutch the "g" is pronounced like an "h" so the word sounds like "hoosers". The meaning of the word is "a guy" in the sense of "a rough or crude character". This is an old, somewhat archaic word now quite uncommon in Dutch usage and is sometimes spelled "goser" or "gozer". The standard Van Dale Dutch dictionary spells it with the "z" and attributes it to a Yiddish origin. In any event, the word still survives as a kind of street slang at least in Amsterdam.

I have been puzzled by the origin of "Hoosier" for a long time and have never found the existing explanations credible. Some are obviously incredible in that they refer to a word origin later than the 1833 date of the poem "The Hoosier's Nest" by John Finley which clearly establishes that the word as applied to people settled in Indiana was known on and before that date. Others which suggest an origin in regional usage in England (e.g. Cumberland dialect) fail to offer any explanation for why the word did not appear earlier elsewhere in the Colonies where such English speaking groups settled. This failing also applies to those explanations based on such expressions as "Who's there" or "Whose ear" which were in general usage everywhere in the Colonies for generations before 1833.

I suggest that it would be worth the effort to verify the hypothesis that "Hoosier" comes directly from "goser" as used by so-called "Low Dutch" communities which moved into Indiana from Kentucky around 1817. I do not have available here any particular resources to perform the necessary research, but I would offer the following based on a review of available information on the internet. It appears that Dutch immigration into the Colonies was virtually non-existent for a hundred years prior to the Revolution, and I find no evidence of any significant Dutch community settling in the Midwest before 1786. Then it appears that a group of "Low Dutch" came directly from the Netherlands to Kentucky where they settled on a tract of land perhaps purchased from or through Daniel Boone. Then in 1817 various of the "Low Dutch" left Kentucky and moved north to Indiana, particularly to Switzerland and Johnson counties and more generally the south-east and south-central areas of the state.

If this history is accurate, it would account for the appearance of the word "goser" in that particular place and time, and would explain why the word did not appear earlier elsewhere. Also, the poem "The Hoosier's Nest" speaks of a community of hardy, uneducated settlers busy settling that part of Indiana at the time, that is 1833. I can find no evidence of any particular group other than the "Low Dutch" generally engaged in settling there at that time.

I think it might be useful to try to verify if the word "Hoosier" appeared in any local newspapers or other documents particularly in Switzerland and Johnson counties during the period from about 1820 to 1830. If so, the thesis of a "Low Dutch" origin would seem to be supported.

In any case, I hope that this idea might be of interest to you and your publication.

Yours truly,

Gene Dye

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On Jul 19, 2012, at 7:47 PM, Larry Vanice wrote:

I was interested in seeing your thoughts on the origin of the Hoosier name. Your letter was forwarded to The Dutch Cousins.

I am a Hoosier and a descendant of the Low Dutch Van Nuys family who settled in New Amsterdam in 1652. From there, they moved to New Jersey and from there to KY. They were part of the group of Low Dutch from NJ and PA that lived on the Low Dutch Tract in Henry County, KY, bought in 1786 from Squire Boone, a brother of Daniel.

In the 1916 Vanice/Van Nuys family history book is a note that the KY settlers, around 1790, wrote to the Dutch Reformed Church in NJ asking them to send a minister for their church **who spoke Dutch**. That letter would support your idea that Dutch words were still in use in the early 19th century in KY/IN. But those Dutch speakers had been in America for over 140 years. The minister was not sent, and my KY ancestors became Presbyterians, joining a group of Scottish settlers who lived near the Low Dutch Tract. In 1837, my great great grandfather married a local girl whose father was born in Scotland. In 1840, they moved to MO, across the Missouri River from the salt works started by Daniel Boone's sons. Those Boones did a heap of travelling.

My great great great grandfather James Van Nuys was a sergeant in the KY militia and fought the British at New Orleans in 1814. I think the Low Dutch still held a grudge

against the British for making New Amsterdam into New York. I am sure they did not want to once again become subjects of the King of England. It was around the 1830's that James and his children changed the spelling from Van Nuys to Vanice. Perhaps they felt more American than Dutch by then.

Your letter is the first time I have seen suggested that any of the Low Dutch Company members came directly from Holland around 1786.

Larry Vanice, Fort Wayne IN

Tombstone Technologies Have Advanced

Some thoughts on gravestones, including some of the more recent developments.

<http://www.sentinel-standard.com/newsnow/x2078602972/Family-Tree-Talk-Tombstone-technologies-have-advanced>

It is interesting how they now use laser technology to carve photos into polished stone. They look really good and can show off any topic that is chosen for, or by, the deceased; from a photo of themselves to their favorite car, or pet, or beach scene, etc. Tombstones don't have to be simple, with just a name and two dates, any more.

The new technologies have advanced even more in the past few years. I have been reading a series of articles on special additions to the stone. QR codes are now being used in some places. These are new-style barcodes (those square ones we see popping up all over the place nowadays) which are laser engravings into the stone, which are then filled with a black paste-like substance, and then covered with glass. They are interesting because if you have a device, like a smart phone, you can scan the barcode and it takes you to a memorial site that contains anything and everything about the person buried there. It can have a biography, photos, recordings—basically anything we can have on the internet. And, it can be updated as people remember more about the deceased. Imagine, a website from the grave. If there is a genealogist in the family, this could be huge!

Just point that smartphone and you can find out all you ever wanted to know about Aunt Tillie (maybe I should get one of those smartphones). Google "tombstone barcode" if you want to learn more.

Jim Moses is a genealogy buff living in Lansing. Write to him at the Sentinel-Standard, 114 N. Depot St., Ionia, MI 48846 or email jmosesgen@gmail.com.

Thank you for thinking of me here in the middle of the country.

There is a lot of pride in the Ship.

I met a man who lives in Shenoah, IA and had retired from the Navy and we both mentioned the ship

I presume you have heard that the next meeting will be in IND in 2013

I am going to show off the pin at the Legion and any one else that will let me.

I still think of those days when we helped the folks off the bus. I am looking forward to seeing you there. Claude

Claude Westerfield

Carolyn,

My name is Penny. I am originally from Indiana. At the ripe old age of 67 I began looking at my genealogy. To my surprise I found, a great number of Low Dutch in my Mom's home county, Johnson County, Indiana.

My G-Grandmother was Ophelia Henderson (Dunlap). I then found Mary DeMotte, Terhunes, VanArsdalen, and VanNuys.

I am overwhelmed at the amount of information. I have the Hopewell Journey. I am now 70, still ADD and yet eager to learn more about "my family". Is there someone in your group from Johnson County, Indiana?

I talked with Mrs Van Nuys, author of the Hopewell Journey. I would love to have another person to help me record the most important part of my family's history for my grandchildren.

I joined the DAR and one of my supplements is Isaac VanNuys. I would love to know if V. Flora Quick was related to the General Quick of the Revolutionary War. Garret Terhune married Catherine VanNuys, Mary Terhune married Peter DeMott Mary DeMott married Thomas H. Henderson. I also have Freemans and Thompsons from Franklin. I have a revolutionary soldiers for both of these. John Thompson married Elizabeth VanArsdalen. Cornelius VanArsdalen b 1780 married Catherine Huff (Hough) the daughter of Peter Huff (Rev Soldier) and Abigail Bucaw or Brokaw. I would like to know more about Abigail Brokaw. Some say her name was Maritje Brokaw.

I think what I am wanting is a the most concise and accurate picture of these amazing people. I have read that the Low Dutch were around in 51-52 AD. I don't know if that is correct and if that relates to my guys.

I don't know what is real and what is not on the net. So far I have identified 21 families I am related to from Rev War. Each story is so amazing. I am just glad my husband is a Greek and his family didn't come to this country until 1900s.

I would just love to have a conversation with someone who is into their history.

Thanks

Penny

Dear Friends and Family,

Charles, Mary Jayne and John are writing to inform you of the sudden passing of Mary Katherine Gillot (Rynerson) our dear wife and mother, on Saturday, July 28th.

She was doing fairly well and looking forward to returning home with Charles last week, when a sudden malady struck and took her without warning. She didn't suffer nor see it coming. For that we're thankful. And the happy anticipation of returning home helped to elevate her in her final days.

Now she is free from her daily aches, pains and worries. Yet she continues to live on in our hearts and memories.

She hugs and kisses us all with a happy smile.

She will always be with us. Just imagine.

John

The service for Mary Katherine Gillot (Rynearson) will be held on Saturday, August the 4th at:

Singleton Funeral Home
7602 Madison Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46227
(317) 885-7585

It is about 1 mile north of County Line Road and Greenwood Park Mall.

Viewing at 10:00 am ~ Service at 11:30

Don't worry if you can't attend, or send flowers. You could make a little donation to the Humane Society in lieu of flowers, if possible. (<http://www.humanesociety.org/>)

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ARE YOU a genealogy geek? Here's a checklist:

http://www.huffingtonpost.co.uk/scott-phillips/are-you-a-genealogy-geek-_b_1911846.html

Genealogy Tourism is featured in the TravelOK e-mail "Genealogy vacations gaining in popularity – The National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum's prestigious publication, Persimmon Hill, recently published an article entitled "Have Ancestors, Will Travel" by genealogy author Carolyn B. Leonard covering the rise in genealogy vacations and pointing to Oklahoma as an example of a destination taking advantage of the trend. We've posted

the article on [TravelOK.com](http://www.travelok.com) with the museum's and author's permission and you can read it here."

http://www.travelok.com/files/Have_Ancestors_Will_Travel.pdf

I am the Van covenhovenn/ John Covenhoven--Caty Coevert descendant.1747-1832.
They are burried at Low Dutch cemetery near Straben Adams co PA.
Was/ & am looking for Lammentje/ Amelia covenhoven b: Sep 21 1779 married to William
Ferguson.b:1779 PA...
about 1800.So figure trhey were married near there.
Their 6 children were born in Adams co.PA with the Conewago settlement.
Sincerely,
Thelma

I just wanted the descendants of Lucas and William
Vanarsdale/Vanarsdel sons of Cornelius Vanarsdale of Mercer and Shelby Counties, KY to
know that at sometime in the future they can access copies of the original documents of
these men as well as those of their slaves. I donated these documents in order for
descendants to be able to enjoy them in the future.

The papers of Lucus Vanarsdale and his slaves Ruff, Sally, Jane Campbell, Drew, Alex,
Hayward, Newbert etc., Newborn B. Nathan B. etc. were donated to the Attala Co. LA public
library in Kosciusko. Ann Breedlove is the genealogy librarian.

The papers of William Vanarsdel of Bossier and Webster Parish and his slaves the children of
William Vanarsdel and Eliza Sergeant i.e. Union, Canada, Grandison and Penny plus the Lucius
son of William Vanarsdel and Susie are at Southern University in Shreveport, LA. We feel that
Lucius and Susie are

fictitious names used in order to protect their identity when he was interviewed in 1933 a
time of great racial problems.

They are all currently being cataloged but eventually will be available.

Judy Cassidy

FROM EASTMAN'S ONLINE GENEALOGY NEWSLETTER; subscribe at: <http://blog.eogn.com>

[Using WorldCat to Find Genealogy Books](#)

WorldCat is the world's largest network of library content and services. It is an online library catalog that lets you look up items in libraries around the world. The items available include books, electronic documents, journals, microform, and audio and video recordings. Best of all, WorldCat is available to everyone free of charge.

Today, genealogy ranks second only to porn as the most searched topic online. According to a January 2012 report by market research firm Global Industry Analysts, an estimated 84 million people around the world spend anywhere from \$1,000 to \$18,000 a year in search of their ancestors. Visitors to online genealogy sites are mostly white women, 55 and older, who browse the Internet from home—or, says [Ancestry.com PR Director Sean] Pate, “your Aunt Betsy, who’s got a real rabid appetite for digging into family roots.” It’s a demographic projected to grow 36 percent by 2020, three times as fast as any other group.

[TLC Network Reported to Be in Talks to Pick Up "Who Do You Think You Are?" TV Show](#)

This isn't an official announcement just yet, so don't go celebrating. Label this as a rumor. Bloomberg is reporting that TLC is in talks to pick up the U.S. version of the popular “Who Do You Think You Are,” a show that works with [Ancestry.com](#) Inc. to unearth the genealogy of celebrities, two people familiar with the discussions said.

[The above articles are available at http://www.eogn.com/wp/thisweek.htm](http://www.eogn.com/wp/thisweek.htm)

FROM THE DUTCH-COLONIES@rootsweb.com

Not sure if this will help much, but this is what I could find on the 'de Mareetz' family. of special note is the 1675 baptism where Samuel AND HIS wife are listed as witnesses for Jean's daughter Sara.

Hope this helps a bit.

Bob Billard

- (8) Bergen, N.J. DRC Baptisms 1666-1789 (Bergen_bap.txt)
- (16) Flatbush DRC Baptisms 1677-1754 (Flatbush_bap.txt)
- (25) Hackensack marriages 1695-1699 (Hackensack_marr.txt)
- (42) NA DRC Baptisms 1639-1730 (NA_DRC_bap.txt)
- (43) NA DRC Marriages 1639-1801 (NA_DRC_marr.txt)

1666 Jul 07; David de Mareez, Maria Sorier; Daniel; Walraven [42]

1680 Apr 21; Samuel de Mareetz, Maria Druwen; Magdaleen; David de Mareetz, Magdalena Druwen [42]

1681 Oct 03; Samuel de Mare, Marey Druwen; David; Jan de Mare, Marey de Maree, his mother [8]

1668 09 Sep; Jan de Mare, jm van Walcheren in Zeelandt; Jacomyn Dreuns, van Bylanderzy in Henegouwe [43]

1669 Aug 18; Jean de Mareetz, Jacomyntie Duurs; David; David de Mareetz [42]

1671 Jun 18; Jan de Mareetz, Jacomina de Terneu; Johannes; David de Mareets de Jonge, Magdaleentie de Terneu [42]

1675 Oct 12; Jean de Mareetz, Jacomyntie du Trieux; Sara; Samuel de Mareetz and his wife [42]

1677 Nov 22; Jean de Mareetz, Jacomyntie Druy; Simon; Samuel de Mareetz, Magdalena de Fonteyn [42]

1680 Apr 21; Jean de Mareetz, Jacomyntie Druwen; Jacomyntie; Moses La Contre, Maria Dreune [42]

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1697 ?? ???; David de Maree, (N. Harlem); Sara Bertholf, (Sluys) [25]

1699 ?? Nov; Cornelis Epke Banta, wid Jannetie de Pree; Magdalena de Maree [25]

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(INFO from Carolyn:) Donna Gaines is going great guns at getting things organized. She has most of her speakers lined up and let me tell you Dutch Cousins Gathering 2013 is going to be one of the best gatherings we have ever had.

Here are some of the tentative plans:

Our own VINCE AKERS has agreed to be our Friday dinner speaker on "After Kentucky" and you KNOW you don't want to miss that! Registration to pick up nametags, schedule, and maps will begin earlier on Friday the 20th. At 1:00 Lynn Rogers is setting up a caravan tour to some Low Dutch historic spots such as the Dutch Settlement at the town of Pleasant in present Switzerland County. (Lynn is that wonderful guy who took care of the memorial stones for our veterans in 2011.) Business meeting will be at 4 pm, and then DINNER with Vince.

AT some point Pam Ellingson will oversee the set up of family history tables so each different family name group needs to be working on that.

Ruby Ingram did a great job with the Silent Auction fundraiser in past years, but she is unable to do that at Madison so we are hoping for a volunteer. Anyone listening?

On Saturday Mary Jo Gohmann has agreed to present a 30-minute photo or video presentation of our 2011 Cousins bus tour from Kentucky to New York. What a challenge to condense those 11 wonderful action packed days into 30 minutes but I am sure it will be good. Mary Jo had a new iPad and captured every exciting event.

Donna is working on hiring a professional impersonator, Sue Livers who performs as the Wife of the Underground Railroad Conductor, Chapman Harris for Saturday night dinner.

Jim Cozine has ordered special pins with our Dutch logo which will be available as well as a new T-shirt design.

The Ryker/Riker society group voted to throw in with us, and I am getting those four pages of names/addresses included in our mailing list.

And ... Dr. Bob Schenck, the noted hand surgeon of Chicago, may be able to come join us and be a speaker as well. Dr. Schenck has published over 47 articles regarding hand surgery and is nationally and internationally known. He planned to join us in 2011, but instead took off driving an ambulance 10,000 miles from London to Ulaanbaator, Mongolia, and then donated the ambulance to help support charity orphanages. He kept an incredible journal with pictures along with way which I shared with our cousins. We visited the 1600s Schenck house in Brooklyn Museum which was the home of his ancestors as well as Gladys Dorrell's and other cousins. At the moment he is in Bali!

Info on Dr. Schenck: <http://www.midwestprs.com/midwestprs-blog-2/robert-r-schenck>

More info to come - but get September 20/23, 2013, on your calendar now and make reservations.

cousin Kim in Alaska thinks you may be interested in the following post:

BANTA - Descendants of Epke Jacobse Banta

<http://www.joanshollfrancis.com/genealogy/a-thru-g-names/banta-descendants-of-epke-jacobse>

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Permira Takes Lead in Possible Ancestry.com Buy-out

Permira Advisers LLP has emerged as the front-runner to take genealogy website [Ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com) Inc private, two people familiar with the matter said, in a deal that could top \$1.5 billion.

The price under negotiation could not be learned, but sources familiar with the matter had previously told Reuters that Ancestry was seeking more than \$35 per share for a sale, valuing the company at over \$1.5 billion.

You can read more in a Reuters article
at <http://www.pehub.com/168120/permira-takes-lead-ancestry-com-deal/>

Just wondering if you knew this lady whose maiden name was Westerfield.
She just passed. Her obituary was listed in the Harrodsburg online
page today.
Ruby Ingram

MARIETTA MCGINNIS

Marietta McGinnis, 85, of Harrodsburg, widow of W. S. "Jacky" McGinnis died Wednesday, October 3, 2012 in Lexington.

Marietta was born May 30, 1927 in Parksville. She was the daughter of the late Charles and Carrie Worthington Westerfield.

She was a dental assistant and a former employee of the State of Kentucky Department of Mental Health. Marietta was a member of the Harrodsburg Baptist Church.

Survivors include: six sisters, Thelma Kines, Dorothy (Bob) Wilson, Leota Westerfield and Julia (Robin) Henderson, all of Lexington, Sue (Kenneth) Black of North Carolina and Shirley (Bill) Martin of Harrodsburg. Several nieces and nephews also survive.

In addition to her husband and her parents Marietta was preceded in death by three brothers, Carl Westerfield, Vernon Westerfield and Charles Westerfield and two sisters, Joann Harrington and Ruth Price. Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Saturday, October 6, 2012 at the Alexander & Royalty Funeral Home with burial in Spring Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Bob VanArsdall, Billy McGinnis, Robin Henderson, John Scott, J. T. Kines, Jr., and Glynn Beck.

Visitation will be from 5 until 8 p.m. Friday, October 5, 2012 and after 7 a.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Carolyn,

Dr. Abraham "Rudy" Byrd is the current National Surgeon General for SAR and also sits as President of the Arizona Society SAR. His mother's family is from near Calhoun, Kentucky. Rudy contacted me because I had talked with him about the Dutch Cousins and about my wife, Caroline, being a Westerfield via her maternal grandmother.

Rudy is searching for the Nall family Bible and sent me the following inquiry:

"One of the enduring mysteries in our family is the whereabouts of an old "Nall family Bible" that gives birth and death dates of Judy's and my Nall 3rd great grandfather, James N. Nall. Her father, Allen Taylor Nall gave information from it for the Nall family book, but we never could figure where it came from, as it was not in his possession. During the visit last week, I found on a xerox copy of the Bible a notation for a Ruth Westerfield in Winchester, KY. Eureka!! Caroline is a Westerfield!! Do either of you know Ruth Westerfield? It may be happenstance, but the way it is written looks like she was the source, and therefore might have the Nall Bible."

Is there a way to list/post such an inquiry to the Dutch cousins without breaking member confidentiality or privacy? Dr. A. Rudy Byrd could be contacted at arb3574144@pol.net if any Westerfield cousins could help him locate the Nall Family Bible.

Thank you,
Tom Payne

"Genealogy vacations gaining in popularity – The National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum's prestigious publication, Persimmon Hill, recently published an article entitled "Have Ancestors, Will Travel" by genealogy author Carolyn B. Leonard covering the rise in genealogy vacations and pointing to Oklahoma as an example of a destination taking advantage of the trend. We've posted the article on [TravelOK.com](http://www.travelok.com) with the museum's and author's permission and you can read it here."
<http://bit.ly/OKtravel>

Hello Carolyn

If you'll visit our genealogy page on [TravelOK.com](http://www.travelok.com) (<http://www.travelok.com/Genealogy>) by [clicking here](#) then scroll down to the section titled "Top Oklahoma Genealogy Resources", you'll see your article there.

Thank you for such a great article and for your email today,

Rose Bemo
Digital Marketing Liaison, Travel Promotion Division
Oklahoma Tourism & Recreation Department
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Rose.Bemo@TravelOK.com

As for me ... I am still recovering from that terrible auto accident in late August. It has been six weeks now. I thought I would be over it by now but not yet. Recovery is WAY too slow. Other than that, everyone says I am doing okay. I think they told me to expect 10 to 12 weeks for recovery. I thought I would do better than that. but guess I am not as young and resilient as I used to be!

It's a great time to do genealogy since I can't do much else -- but can't even sit at the computer too long at a time. Thank goodness for good drugs! The accident reminded me how time slips away and that I must get as much proven and published before someone else has to reinvent the wheel.

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Sad News: Obituary

Cozine, Purdie Diehl (Del) age 77 of Mound, passed away peacefully Friday morning at Mayo Clinic with his family by his side. Preceded in death by both parents, both siblings, and by daughter, Lonnette Joy. Survived by wife of 54 years, Norrene; son, Glenn (Gail); daughters, Lisa (Bob) Hendrickson, Michelle (Brian) Kizzek, and Bridgette (Vaughn) Mulcrone; grandchildren, Adam (Kelly) and Nicole Cozine; Jessie (Jake) Nordvall, Jake and Luke Hendrickson; Erica Fjerstad; Danielle and Connor Cozine; and Elliott and Lourdes Mulcrone; great-grandchildren, Nadine Farag and Charlotte

Cozine. Memorial service will be held on Tuesday 10/16 at 2 PM preceded by visitation at 1 PM and followed by luncheon. Memorial Service located at Wooddale Church, 6630 Shady Oak, Eden Prairie. Memorials to the family. We love you Del and will miss you deeply.
Published in Star Tribune from October 14 to October 16, 2012
Del Cozine was my second cousin, the closest relative I have found in Dutch Cousins. He will be missed.

I have made my reservation.
Hope you are all feeling better.
Mary Park, Maryland

(The Gathering) SOUNDS LIKE FUN! CURRENTLY I AM IN INDONESIA AT THE ASIAN-PACIFIC HAND SURGERY MEETING! LOOKING TOWARD NEXT YEAR! KEEP ME INFORMED AHEAD OF THE DATE. THANKS, DR. BOB SCHENCK

More than 70 million indexed genealogy records have been added to the free FamilySearch.org over the past couple of weeks.

NEWS FLASH: Judy Cassidy just sent this message: I saw this in the USA Today.

9:11AM EDT October 22. 2012 -

PROVO, Utah (AP) — Genealogy website Ancestry.com has agreed to be acquired by a group led by European private equity firm Permira Funds in a cash deal valued at about \$1.6 billion.

Copied from the Vanarsdale message board:

Subject: VanArsdale Genealogy Maud Van Arsdale (or VanArsdale) b 3/17/1870 d 10/7/1891

<http://boards.rootsweb.com/surnames.vanarsdale/299/mb.ashx>

Message Board Post:

A friend of mine has a very old headstone in his back yard. It reads "MAUD. Wife of JEFF VANARSDALE" with the above birth and death dates. If there is any family out there who happens to

know who these people are, I've got a photo of the headstone that I can send to you. I'm also sure he'd appreciate knowing a little more about the people.

Important Note:

The author of this message may not be subscribed to this list. If you would like to reply to them, please click on the Message Board URL link above and respond on the board.

Carolyn

cc Donna

Here is what the pins will look like.- size is 1-3/8" wide.

sending this just in case you want to add this to your next DC email
or otherwise use the logo... Jim C



STYLE A

1- I have received the lapel DC logo pins from the maker.

2- new books as pointed out by the Holland Society - may be of interest to the DCs

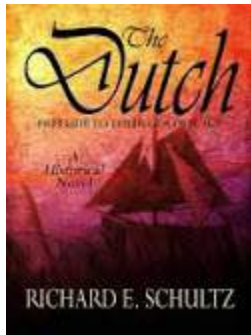
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Dr. Firth Haring Fabend's recently announced book, New Netherland in a

Nutshell, is a wonderful new book which encapsulates in great detail the development of New Netherland. The Holland Society joins Russell Shorto, Charles Gehring, Director of the New Netherland Research Center, and Jippe Hiemstra, President of the New Netherland Institute, in recommending this delightful literary and informative account of New Netherland

To order: www.newnetherlandinstitute.org.



Still further, Richard Schultz has authored a new book entitled, *The Dutch: Prelude to Their Golden Age: A Historical Novel*. Schultz has won wide praise for an award-winning novel. The novel deftly covers 1,500 years of history, woven into a tale of two families, in under 200 pages. To order: <http://eternalpress.biz/book.php?isbn=9781615726424>

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from **Claude Westerfield** <westerfieldcl@hotmail.com>

Carolyn: I am going to change to Hotmail . Would you share this

Yahoo has not cleared up I am going o keep monitor Yahoo, but cleaming up hundres of email in no fun

Claude

The Schulz book is available at Amazon and for the Kindle Fire if anyone is interested....at 9.95 for the Kindle....Firth Fabend's book is only available through the New Netherlands project.....

barb w.

Because of all the devastation in New York caused by Hurricane Sandy as we watched it unfold on TV, Jon and I were thinking of Justin Ferate, our tour guide who led us around to help search for the Low Dutch footprints just one year ago.

I just received this note from him and wanted to share with the group:

Dear Carolyn,

We are fine. Our apartment is out of the flood zone and we didn't lose power, so we are blessed.

Because of the difficulties with transportation, a number of clients have canceled, but I was already working too much as it is. Perhaps someone was sending me a message!

Some of the people in Lower Manhattan were hit hard, but businesses are still working – amazingly since the subway system and Metro North are not. That's a million and a half people who now need to find an alternative way to get into Manhattan every day! At the coffee shop where I usually have lunch, the staff-members have all "crashed" with friends in Manhattan. Hopefully, the subways will be working soon so they can see their own homes again.

Somehow, New Yorkers are always indomitable. Give them a problem and they'll come up with a solution!

In any case, again thank you!! Your message was very sweet to receive.

Justin



Dear Friends,

The Netherland-America Foundation's **5 Dutch Days** will be taking place next week. Please note that some events require advance registration.

Please click on this link to discover more!

<<http://us1.campaign-archive2.com/?u=656f30e5faa9c27de1b126d88&id=5bddec5613&e=e67358179b>>

Justin

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***** LATEST NEWS*****

Tuesday's Event: October 30, 2012

POSTPONED: Opening Reception: Strangers in a strange land featuring Martin Basher, Marc Bijl, Jasmina Cibic, and Craig Leonard is postponed to Sunday, November 4, 2012 at 5-8 pm.

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CANCELLED: Private Tour of Dürer to de Kooning: 100 Master Drawings from Munich at The Morgan Library & Museum 9:30 am – 10:15 am

Thursday's Event: November 1, 2012

CANCELLED: Private Tour: Four Freedoms Park, Roosevelt Island 10:00 – 11:00 am

Friday's Event: November 2, 2012

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Perhaps nowhere was the scene more confused than at a refueling station in Brooklyn, where the [National Guard](#) gave out free gas — an effort to alleviate the situation. There, a mass of honking cars, desperate drivers and people on foot, carrying containers from empty bleach bottles to five-gallon Poland Spring water jugs, was just the latest testament to the misery unleashed by Sandy.

Read more:

<http://www.newstimes.com/news/crime/article/Lights-in-lower-Manhattan-misery-in-outer-regions-4005511.php#ixzz2BDU63sVi>

From Janice & Eddie Cozine, Kentucky cousins:

Hi Carolyn, hope all is getting better in your recovery.

I broke my right wrist last Sunday and now in a hard cast from my fingers to almost my shoulder. Eddie has been a huge help since I'm unable to do nothing. lol The up-coming Holidays will be a big challenge for both of us.

I am forwarding a message to you from one of the hotels we stayed in at Gettysburg. I thought it was a thoughtful gesture on their part.

Best, Janice :)

Subject: Courtyard Gettysburg

Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2012 10:02:19 -0400

From: "Wakefield, Beth" <Beth.Wakefield@interstatehotels.com>

To: <jco@windstream.net>

Hi Janice,

I hope you are well! It has been over a year since your group, Dutch Cousins, stayed at the Courtyard Gettysburg. I wanted to take this opportunity to reach out to you to see if you are interested in returning to the area. We will be commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg in 2013, so it will be a great time to come back to visit!

If you are looking for a new destination for your group, please let me know. I have many "sister" hotels all over the US and I may be able to assist you in finding accommodations in a different destination.

Thank you!

Beth Wakefield, CTA

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**Leonard
Carolyn**

5:51 PM (18 hours ago)

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12:01 PM (26 minutes ago)

to **westerfieldcl**, **Westerfield, me**,
Barbara, Donna, Davis, Abbott,
Rogers, Leonard

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Perhaps nowhere was the scene more confused than at a refueling station in Brooklyn, where the [National Guard](#) gave out free gas —

an effort to alleviate the situation. There, a mass of honking cars, desperate drivers and people on foot, carrying containers from empty bleach bottles to five-gallon Poland Spring water jugs, was just the latest testament to the misery unleashed by Sandy.

Read more:

<http://www.newstimes.com/news/crime/article/Lights-in-lower-Manhattan-misery-in-outer-regions-4005511.php#ixzz2BDU63sVi>

From Janice & Eddie Cozine, Kentucky cousins:

Hi Carolyn, hope all is getting better in your recovery.

I broke my right wrist last Sunday and now in a hard cast from my fingers to almost my shoulder. Eddie has been a huge help since I'm unable to do nothing. lol The up-coming Holidays will be a big challenge for both of us.

I am forwarding a message to you from one of the hotels we stayed in at Gettysburg. I thought it was a thoughtful gesture on their part.

Best, Janice :)

Subject: Courtyard Gettysburg

Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2012 10:02:19 -0400

From: "Wakefield, Beth"

<Beth.Wakefield@interstatehotels.com>

To: <jco@windstream.net>

Hi Janice,

I hope you are well! It has been over a year since your group, Dutch Cousins, stayed at the Courtyard Gettysburg. I wanted to take this opportunity to reach out to you to see if you are interested in returning to the area. We will be commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg in 2013, so it will be a great time to come

back to visit!

If you are looking for a new destination for your group, please let me know. I have many "sister" hotels all over the US and I may be able to assist you in finding accommodations in a different destination.

Thank you!

Beth Wakefield, CTA

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Letters 11/8/2012

Janice Cozine,

Sorry to hear about your accident. . . that is really an inconvenience at this time of year. . . well, I guess it is bad about anytime of the year. . . Write the hotel and tell them that we would love to come back. . . just fill Carolyn in on it SLOWLY. . . . ha ha. . . we had so much fun. . . don't know when I ever enjoyed such a trip. AND learned so much. I would like to have spent more time in the G-burg area. Glad we all are not in NY or NJ now. John's sister is in south Jersey and they are fine, thank goodness. . . .

carla Gerding

Dear Carolyn,

I am concerned about the Riker-Lent Homestead which stands on the perimeter of LaGuardia in Queens.

I wonder if you have any way to connect with the Smith family to inquire about its status.

We just got back into our home after being without power for 6 days. We consider ourselves lucky in Baltimore.

Hope you are doing ok.

Best,

Mary Park

On Nov 5, 2012, at 9:45 AM, Bill Greer wrote:

Hi, Carolyn,

Hope you are doing well and the Dutch Cousins are going strong. NYC is a mess but my part of Brooklyn is high and distant from the waterfront so except for downed trees was generally spared the brunt of Sandy.

A fellow from Curacao recently contacted me. He and his siblings are bringing his 70-year old mother from the Netherlands to NYC in May. He asked me about guides for walking tours. It sounded like you were happy with the guide your group used during your visit here. If so, can you let me know who it is?

Thanks.

Bill

NOTE: Wm "Bill" Greer is author of the "Mevrouw Who Saved Manhattan" and treasurer of the New Netherland Institute in NYC. He was our dinner speaker last year at the Fraunces Tavern on our Journey to find the Dutch Footprints in New Amsterdam.

Does anyone have a map that shows Hangman's Neck on Long Island?

I'm a little puzzled about the problems caused by Sandy. They can't get food or gas for their generators and cars. The New York Marathon had to be canceled. Last night my son-in-law was watching a Giants football game played at home. I understand that stadium is in New Jersey just across the river from New York. The stadium looked full or almost full. Did all those people walk there just to get a hot dog or a slice of pizza and forget about their shortages?

Becky Jolly Vaught

Thanks, Carolyn. I have seen nothing on the homestead. La Guardia was a mess – runways were completing underwater for quite awhile.

Bill

Hi Bill, Glad to hear you were not in the line of fire this time. Do you have any info about the Riker-Lent Homestead which stands on the perimeter of LaGuardia in Queens?

Re John Westerfield for President of DC

I second Claude's nomination of John Westerfield for this post and offer my continued support as a serving board member.

Jim Cozine

Dear Carolyn,

So glad your children gave you a party to celebrate your 75th birthday, and I had remembered all along that you were born in August! We are so near in age, and I was always so happy in knowing you were so vibrant and looked so good. Me, well I showed my age more but danced and jumped up and down on my birthday-my family gave me a party, too. So grateful I have lived this long; especially after the sickness I had this summer. So happy that I seem well now.

My grandson (son of my daughter) is still living with me, which has become such a blessing. He graduated from college in May and has a full-time job but plans to live with me until he gets better established. His sister is a senior in college at Western University in Bowling Green, KY, majoring in Spanish and has 2 more semesters after this one before she graduates. My son's son is a senior at the University of Kentucky with a dual major and will be graduating next May. I am so proud of all of them.

I have finally finished writing my family history book (wrote about my mother's side of the family as well as my father's side-I had 17 aunts and uncles, their mates and children), and it is at the publisher's now. It is only around 125 pages but will have several pictures-maybe it will be 150 pages with their addition. The publisher hopes to have it done before Christmas.

You can share this letter with the Dutch Cousins.

Hugs to you, too, and may you keep improving with your walking.
Ruby Bishop Ingram

Dear Carolyn,

All appears to be well on the Dutch House front. One of my concerns was the Alice Austen House (which is a Dutch house remodeled by the same architect who designed St. Patrick's Cathedral: James Renwick). It appears that there was no structural damage.

<<http://observer.com/2012/10/built-to-last-new-yorks-historic-houses-and-ships-unharmed-by-hurricane/>>

Fraunces Tavern was flooded, but appears to be in pretty good shape:

<<http://blog.downtownny.com/2012/11/lower-manhattan-update-11-7-12/#.UJst94Xbatc>>

I have not read anything that would lead me to believe that the Fidler-Wyckoff House sustained any damages. None of the Parks Department websites indicate any storm damages to buildings in City parks.

Likewise, the churches seem to have fared well.

Most of the Dutch properties were built inland and the areas that suffered were the waterfront areas.

Here's a Flood Zone map. Most of the properties are outside of these zones.

<<http://project.wnyc.org/news-maps/hurricane-zones/hurricane-zones.html>> Those hardest hit were the places right along the Atlantic Ocean.

All in all, I think all goes well for the Dutch houses.

All my best!

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Letters 11/17/2012

HI COUSINS:

I'm so excited over the gathering next year, and will be able to devote my time and attention to making it a super event after the first of January.

We are moving across country as some of you know. Our house in Fallon, Nevada closes on December 31st, and the house here in Holly Springs, NC closes Dec 13th. Christmas will be spent en route.

After December 13, 2012 my mailing address for the interim will be

PO Box 1234, Fallon, NV 89407

I will also be changing my email address but will give you that when I get it, since this present one is a Time Warner based service.

Thanks again, and hugs to all of you,

Donna Gaines, Coordinator, 2013 Dutch Cousins Gathering

note from Carolyn: THE LANYARD STORE is again donating lanyards for our next gathering. See the THANK YOU on our Dutch Cousins webpage and check out their catalog:

www.DutchCousins.org. When you click the link in the message, it takes you to their webpage. (SAVED US BIG BUCKS!)

My Riker ancestors remained in Queens County, NY, when Gerardus Riker went to Ky.... all descendants of immigrant Abraham Rijcken vanLent, many of whom are buried in the Riker Cemetery adjoining LaGuardia (sp ?) Airport. One of your correspondents asked how the Bantas and Rikers are related... Gerardus' eldest brother Abraham (b. 11/25/1711 & m. Elizabeth Concklin 1747) had 8th child Mary (Polly) b. 1/29/1860 who m. John Banta who was b. 9/1756 @ Sommerset, NJ. There may have been other connections but that is the only one that I found in writing my "The Rikers: Their Island, Homes, Cemetery, and early Genealogy" that some of your Riker correspondents may have.

Edgar Alan Nutt <edalnut@earthlink.net>

Hi Carolyn, Mary Banta, a daughter of Samuel and Dyna Dorland Banta married Charles Riker in Mercer County. Both are buried in Old Mud. I am sure there are other connections - especially through the Demarests. I attended the Riker Reunion many years ago - at least 25 years ago because of the connection to the Demarest family. There were a number of Demarests attending that reunion, which incidentally was held at Clifty Falls State Park. Joan Murray (author of The Bantas of Pleasant Hill)

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Hi,

My name is Sharon Holtkamp and through my genealogy work I have discovered my Low Dutch roots.

I am a descendant of the Brewer, Cosat and Comonger families coming out of the Gettysburg area.

Attending the Dutch Cousins Gathering next September sounds very interesting.

If you could put me on your email list I would really appreciate it.

Thanks!

Sharon Holtkamp

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My area in PA was hard hit (by hurricane Sandy) also, however, since our wires are underground, that was a big help. We were without electric for three days, however my son who lives in northern Bucks Co. along the Delaware area, still is without power a week later. Fortunately they have a generator. One area near them, a forest of over 300 mature pine trees, was completely wiped out, all sheared off about 1/3rd up the trunk of the trees, That I have never seen before, hard woods fared much better.

Judy Cassidy

Hi All!

Just wanted to sure a photo of my 20 year old nephew , Ryan Dullea, who has been part of the heroic efforts to help victims on the New Jersey shore. He is now daily working with seniors in assisted living center and making sure they have fuel for their generator. So proud of this young man and so sympathetic of the continuing needs of all the storm victims. The news article about Ryan Dullea' s former football coach leading the heroic effort in aiding victims of the Sandy storm is below. You can go

there and read about the great works of the Volunteer Fire Department. Ryan is second from the right in the rear of the photo. Just click on the line below.

http://mobile.nj.com/advnj/pm_31090/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=gEzQrtrJ

With good reason, my sister Eileen has said how proud she is of her son who was born as a

2 pound premature baby. He is a terrific young man in so many ways. Ryan is second from the right in the photo.

Best wishes,

Mary Jo Gohmann

Hi, Carolyn,

Has anyone mentioned possible flooding, surely, in the Bay Ridge section of Brooklyn, around Fort Hamilton, and also the Bensonhurst section of Brooklyn? We used to live there, back in the 60's, so I am curious! I have really no way of knowing if I get all of your Dutch letters, so I am asking. Hope you are feeling better. I did want to add that a lot of Lent descendants went as Loyalists, Dutch Loyalists, to the Yarmouth, Nova Scotia area in Canada.

Jean Simon

Huntsville, Alabama

Hi Carolyn, I just wanted you to know that I do not seem to have any problems getting your emails and I am on AOL. I hope you are doing better. How about letting me know how you are? I am doing much better finally. Now John has been having some problems but we are finally getting those straightened out. My neighbor and a group from my town left yesterday to go work for 10 days in Long Island. They go help with people who have been effected by storms, going all over the states. I believe there were about 70 who went this time. I wish I could have gone too but guess that is too much for me now.

Beverly Sullivan

Greetings (from an AOL member):

The subject item appeared in my SPAM and I promptly deleted it as I do all SPAM, unless I recognize the sender. Then it appeared as straight e-mail and I looked at it. The Riker mention tells me that you picked up my address from the Riker/Ryker HS. Tell me more; New Netherland Institute, apparently.

Bill Davidson,
Potsdam, NY.

NOTE: BILL, The Riker group has been unable to get volunteers and workers to carry on, so I think they disbanded and voted to throw in with us. You missed the email explaining this so I will try to find and re-send my welcome. I was able to unscramble about 50 names, addresses and emails including yours. We have several hundred on our email list of the different Dutch family groups from New Amsterdam who eventually wound up in Kentucky --Carolyn

From the Dutch-Colonies-Request mail list, Renee L. Dauven says:

Re: Aucke Jans Van Nuys; His Father and Brother in Amsterdam

(Renee L. Dauven)Aucke Jans Van Nuys is a pet project of mine. While not on my family tree as an ancestor (that I have yet found), he was the third and final husband of the woman who was my ancestress, Leysebet Janse. One of the reasons why I keep researching him is that I am determined to resolve, if possible, the question that I have about him in mind: Did he cheat Stoffel Jansen Romeyn out of Stoffel's patrimonial inheritance?

Aucke had difficult relationships with both his oldest step-son, Johannes Christofelsen (Schaers) and his step-son-in-law, Willem Jansen van Barkelo. This is evidenced in the law-suits that occurred. Claes Jansen Romeyn doesn't seem to have brought any law suits against Aucke; Claes just seems to have moved away, first to New Utrecht and then to New Jersey. But Stoffel remained in the area, becoming a carpenter like Aucke, rather than a cooper, as Stoffel's own father had been and the occupation that his older brother had chosen. In 1683, Aucke and Stoffel are witnesses together for a Gravesend deed. This is 11 years after Stoffel's mother is known to have died. So Stoffel maintained a relationship of some sort with his former step-father. By 1691, Jan Auckes, who baptism you have now found, appears to have moved to Jamaica. In 1692, Stoffel Jansen bought land in Jamaica, although I have found no evidence that he may have moved there. Hopefully, by the time I finish the read of some of the remaining town records that I have planned to do, I will have a better picture of the movements and actions of these fellows and will be able to answer my own question.

On 11/11/2012 9:57 AM, E Johnson wrote:

The father and brother of Aucke Jans Van Nuys of Flatbush, NY were Jan

Aukes, and Goosen Jans van Nuys of Amsterdam.

NOTE FROM CAROLYN: This name Aucke/Auke is common to our Low Dutch, we honored Cornelius Auke VanArsdale back in 2007 at Old Mud Graveyard. I think his descendant Ruby Ingram told me it was pronounced OKIE, very interesting to me since I am an "Okie" (grin). Does anyone know how it translates in English?

Letters 11/19/2012

Next Dutch Cousins Gathering!

Clifty Falls Inn (Indiana State Parks) Reservations phone number is: **877.563.4371**

Special rates for arriving Friday September 20 2013 - Departing Sunday Sept 22, 2013

Give the code Group #0920 DC or the inn will say they're full.

(INFO from Carolyn:) WE NEED VOLUNTEERS! Looking for a couple to be in charge of registration, and someone to handle the Silent Auction.

Louise and Randy Ledger handled registration duties for the 2009 gathering and prepared all registration materials for the 2011 gathering. So if you enjoy meeting people and greeting them with a smile, step up and let us know. If you are willing to do the computer work of registration, preparing name tags and luncheon tickets - speak up. If you want to handle both jobs -- then say so! We will give you an extra hug around the neck in 2013.

For the Silent Auction chairperson, Ruby Ingram made us all proud to see her listing the auction items donated by cousins, preparing the bid sheets, and then collecting the money and providing an account of money received. If you are willing to do any of these important jobs, please hit reply and let me know. You will be in the know -- the inner circle with information about what is happening when - and you get to know the officers and members much better with either of these duties.

Jim Cozine has ordered special pins with our Dutch logo which will be available as well as a new T-shirt design. All funds go for further restoration of the Old Mud Meeting House, our treasure in Mercer County KY, where Rev. Claude Westerfield will conduct the worship services on Sunday.

The Lanyard Store is donating off white lanyards with bulldog clip for our gathering. That will help a lot with the cost and we really appreciate their donation.

Donna Gaines is going great guns at getting things organized. She has her speakers lined up and let me tell you Dutch Cousins Gathering 2013 is going to be one of the best gatherings we have ever had. Here are some of the tentative plans:

Our own VINCE AKERS agreed to be our Friday dinner speaker on "After Kentucky" and you KNOW you don't want to miss that! Registration to pick up nametags, schedule, and maps will begin earlier on Friday the 20th. At 1:00 Lynn Rogers is setting up a caravan tour to some Low Dutch historic spots. (Lynn is that wonderful guy who took care of the memorial stones for our veterans in 2011.) Business meeting will be at 4 pm, and then DINNER with Vince.

AT some point Pam Ellingson will oversee the set up of family history tables so each family name group needs to be working on that. On Saturday Mary Jo Gohmann has agreed to present a 30-minute video presentation of our 2011 Cousins bus tour from Kentucky to New York. What a challenge Mary Jo has! -- to condense those 11 wonderful action packed days into 30 minutes, but I am sure it will be good. Mary Jo had a new iPad and captured every exciting event.

Dr. Bob Schenck, our nationally and internationally known cousin the noted hand surgeon of Chicago, will speak to us on "Travels of a Dutchman with Genghis (Khan)." His book, "Travels with Genghis," is available on Amazon.com. Dr. Schenck has published more than 47 articles regarding hand surgery. He planned to join us in 2011, but instead took off driving an ambulance 10,000 miles from London to Ulaanbaator, Mongolia, and then donated the ambulance to help support charity orphanages. Marcia Whitney-Schenck, his wife, is coming also.

Donna has hired a professional impersonator for Saturday dinner, Sue Livers, who will perform as Mrs. Chapman Harris and "The Underground Railroad." Madison Ind was a center for the Underground, and many of our Dutch ancestors were involved in the activity of helping slaves escape cruel masters in the south.

Any questions? suggestions? Hit reply and let us know.

For more info: check with our official webpage, Pam Ellingson webmaster: www.DutchCousins.org

Check out my webpage at www.carolynbleonard.com and read the Dutch Cousins info, and the LOWDUTCHHERITAGE

Download free genealogy stuff at <http://bit.ly/Genealogystuff>

Friend me, Like me on Facebook!

<http://on.fb.me/FacebkFriend>

also Barbara Whiteside manages a Facebook page, Dutch Cousins of Kentucky.

Located the following marriage:

Gerardus Ryker, son of John Rycken and Geertie Wiltsee was born 16 Nov 1740 Closter, NJ and died 15 Sep 1781 at the Long Run Massacre at Eastwood, KY . Gerardus was part of the "Low Dutch Colony" in Shelby and Henry Co., KY, married Rachel Demaree, dau of Samuel Demaree and Leah Demarest (in my wifes Genealogy) on 20 Nov 1762 in NY. Rachel was born 19 Nov 1743 Schrallenburg, NJ and died 1814 Madison, Jefferson Co., IN

Still checking thru my wifes Demaree Tree for more Ryker connections.

Robert Adlet

My sister pointed out to me that on Ancestry.com, they state that the Bantas all came from the Philippines. Someone ought to inform the idiots.....

Martha Banta Boltz

Hi Carolyn,

I am so disappointed that you are moving to NV. I live in Mooresville, NC and am just starting to learn more about my Dutch Cousins. They went to Johnson County, Indiana after Mercer.

They are DeMotte, VanArsdale, VanNuys, and a few more that may have stayed in New Jersey. I had hoped to get to spend some time with you and really get to know my heritage. Just bad timing. Are there any other Dutch Cousins in NC?

Penny Kerhoulas

Hi Penny ...

Oh no - I am not moving. I live in Oklahoma City. I am secretary of the Dutch Cousins and I will keep right on doing what I am doing here, and plan on meeting you and more cousins at Madison Indiana next year.

I have been Gathering Coordinator since the first one in 2005, and that job along with all the secretarial duties was getting to be too much, so Donna Gaines volunteered to be the Gathering Coordinator for 2013. She is the one moving from North Carolina back to Nevada. But it won't change a thing about the Dutch Cousins - we have more than 400 cousins scattered all across the United States, and even in Europe -- and they come from EVERYWHERE to be together and get re-acquainted at the Gatherings. We will see you there!

Learn more about your heritage and your cousins - Go to our official webpage:

www.DutchCousins.org Pam Ellingson, webmaster

Check out my webpage at www.carolynbleonard.com and read the Dutch Cousins info and the Low Dutch Heritage information.

Hugs, Carolyn

Looking for a roommate at Clifty Falls

Who could help me find a roommate for the hotel room for the 2013 gathering?

I went to the 2007 one and really enjoyed it, but need to save money in order to go to the 2013 one.

Thanks for all your hard work for the Cousins.

Love,

T. Joyce Collins (Westerfield)

FROM PEGGIE MENDOZA - THE RIKER HOUSE ON LONG ISLAND:

This is the response I received from Marion Smith regarding the damage to the Lent/Riker/Smith house.

Dear Peggie:

How thoughtful your gesture is. No – the property is not insured and the clean-up will be a year long process. The cemetery took quite a beating, but no additional stones were demolished. Donations from the Riker descendants are welcome towards the restoration and upkeep and should be made out to Marion Smith.

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**Thank you,
Marion**

Any Ryker/Riker descendants out there that would like to make a donation for the clean-up and restoration for the Lent/Riker/Smith house grounds? Any donations should be made out to Marion Smith. The address is:

**Administrative Offices
Lent-Riker-Smith Homestead
35-20 Broadway, 4th Floor
Astoria, NY 11106**

FROM JIM COZINE

re Cliffy Falls next Sept.

Our travel plans for next year include:

#1 a trip to Pella, IA for the Tulip Festival in May

#2 then on to a Navy Reunion in Newport, RI the following week..

#3 but the big problem I have is in Aug. - some of the sailboat Championships are in Hawaii for a whole week and if I do that then the travel funds will be completely gone for a Sept. trip to the DC gathering. - the sailing in Hawaii only comes up every 10 years for the boats I race and I have been to all the past three times - and this one would likely be the last time my body could still do it. So at this point I really can't say which way this is going to turn out.

Well I just wanted to let you all know..

note: we were just in Hawaii last week- we loved it. - Jim C

PHOTO L to R -our son-in-law and daughter - my wife and I

Hell-o Carolun,

11-17-2012 (about the STAATS family -Antje Pieterse STAATS born ca 1722 Breuckelen, Kings Co Long Island, New York, died believed ca 1768 NJ, married The Rev. Cornelius COZINE/Cosine/Cosyn/Kosyne ca 1743 Bushwyk, Long Island, NY; 11 children. Most of the Dutch Cousins tie back into this family. Marjorie Freise (or Freas?)

was a major researcher for the STAATS family history, killed in a car accident in 2009 - she is very much missed because she never finished her book.)

This "Dutch Lettlers" leaves me in the dark as I start. I have made a lot of "Staats" since I started my genealogy work about six years ago. My Dad and Mother (Grover C and Sarah Elliott) when i was about 6 years of old. My up-bring start with my mothers family (Elliott). and I had little knowledge of my Dad"s friends. I did ago up when I was 18 to see him as I had joynet the USNavy. I married a very lovable wife and she came back with me ro Wood River as I had joined the "48 month" group tjhe Navy had offered me and I started my first class in Alton Illinois and ending graduated from The College of Pharmacy in St.Louis. My wife and I had purchase our home in Wood River, Ill. and I was just one hour from school.

I becamed aquainted with Marjorie Freise. She and her busband came down from York, New York for the winter each year in Ferdinand

Beach which is about one hour from where I live, Jacksonville, Florida.

She track me out and said she was a cousin,about four or five, once removed. I an firstc cousin, once removed to Sean Staats in Tomball, Texas near Huston.He and I use our DNA. We were related upto to my great,great grandfather an he had two sons and we each went our way then.

Going my way right now is to bed.

I hope you have a wonderful THANKSGIVING.

Howard Elliott Staats

Letters 11/21/2012

Before we get to Thanksgiving and long before Christmas, we have another holiday coming up next week: Evacuation Day. So, break out the red, white, and blue, because Tuesday Nov 25 marks the 225th anniversary of the end of the Revolutionary War. We have MANY Revolutionary war veterans in our Dutch Cousins ancestry. Here are the ones we have honored so far at the Old Mud Meeting House in Kentucky:

Francois Adams, Hendrick Banta, Abraham Banta, John Banta, Samuel Banta, Daniel Brewer, Samuel Brewer, Samuel Britton, Henry Comingore, John Comingore, Daniel Coovert, Isaac Coovert, John Demaree, Laurens DeMotte, Peter DeMotte, Thomas Gaunt, Peter Huff/Hough, Rev. Thomas Kyle, Peter Luyster, Francis Montfort, Simeon Moore, Thomas Moore, John Moore, Samuel Moore, Gerardus Ryker Sr, Barnes (Barney) Smock, John Smock, Jacob Sartore, James (Sjeems) Stagg, Simon VanArsdalen, Peter VanDerVeer, Cornelius A. VanArsdall, Cornelius O. VanArsdall and

James Westervelt. We are thankful to claim and remember these brave Revolutionary War Veterans.

(Peter VanHarlen Cozine is honored as a war of 1812 Veteran)

Thanksgiving, our American feast day, inspires us to share our bounty and reflect on our blessings. Thanksgiving is also about celebrating family and the past. These characteristics dovetail very nicely with genealogical pursuits, and because the holiday frequently brings extended family together, Thanksgiving can offer great opportunities for asking questions, relating family lore, and reminiscing.

HERE'S WISHING ALL OUR DUTCH COUSINS A DELIGHTFUL THANKSGIVING WITH LOTS OF FAMILY AROUND.

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I am cleaning out things and I have three books I would be happy to donate to the silent auction. I just don't know where to send them.

1. Family Tree of Jacob Banta Vanosdol, 1788-1872 by Franklin Frick.

2. The Veriical Van Orsdol Lineage, by B. Vanosdol Schneider

3. The Vanarsale Family of Kentucky, Mississippi, Louisiana, A Shared History of Slave Owners and Their Slaves, by Judith Smith Cassidy, Covers the sons of Cornelius Vanarsdale of Mercer and Shelby and Grandsons of Capt. Luke Vanarsdale, in particular Lucas and his brother William Demitt Vanarsdale and their families, and touches on Ahanerus Vanasdale of Jefferson Co. MO and the heirs of Ambrose Jefferson dec'd. The slaves of Lucas and William Demitt Vanarsdale and their descendants are also included. The children of William Demitt Vanarsdale are direct descendants of Symon Van Arsdale.

If interested let me know where to ship them.

Judy Cassidy

forgot...updating the Dutch Cousins scrapbook.....its in line after Tom's Christmas car scrapbook, our wedding scrapbook and my college scrapbook.....lol. But it will be done and put somewhere that all can see it. I would still love to get copies of the newsletter that went out for the first two gatherings to put in the book if anyone has one to spare. Its the ones that listed the activities all in color for those two gatherings...well put together by Carolyn and misplaced by me.

barb whiteside

(Barbara Whiteside is the current historian for Dutch Cousins, and has just agreed to be my backup for secretary. I am sending her the mailing list, wouldn't trust it with anyone else but felt it important to have another copy with a member in case something happened to my computer. We do not share our email list with any other organization and will not exploit your addresses for any reason. That is why it is so ridiculous that AOL keeps labeling our Dutch Cousins email as "spam" --carolyn)

Thank you, Carolyn, for all your letters etc. below. I want to wish every Dutch cousin of mine, no matter how distant, Happy Thanksgiving! One of Claude Westerfield's emails or info garnered from the email from Carolyn below made me keenly aware again of my Low Dutch and High Dutch ancestry. The last Dutch ancestor in my tree was my great-great grandmother, Mary Van Norden, wife of Jacob Lyon Hatfield, and daughter of Gabriel Van Norden and Jannetje Westervelt. (She was also referred to as Jane Westervelt). Mary was born in New Jersey, Bergen County, on 13 Feb . 1772. This Hatfield – Van Norden family eventually settled in Tusket, Yarmouth Co., Nova Scotia, after the American Revolution. I think my gggm, Mrs. Mary Van Norden Hatfield, must have died in Nova Scotia. The Hatfields, much to everyone's surprise, were not of English origin. They were High Dutchmen originally from Danzig, then part of Germany*, or now Gdansk, Poland, who came to Mass. in the 1600s. My Mary Van Norden's ancestors came to New Amsterdam, now New York City, from Naarden (spelling correct, or maybe Njarden) outside Amsterdam, The Netherlands. I believe I have ridden a tourist bus from Amsterdam in the 1960s right through the town of Naarden, but I did not know the exact origin of my Low Dutch Van Norden ancestors at the time! Certainly, the name of Van Norden is Low Dutch!

*See the Introduction to "The Descendants of Matthias Hatfield" Compiled by Abraham Hatfield, FGBS, Compiler of The Hatfields of Westchester and Captain John Hatfield, Loyalist, Published 1954 by the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society
Jean Simon
Huntsville, Alabama

December 12, 2012. The Holland Society Library of New York Presents: "Exploring a Dutch Colony under English Rule: The Papers of Jacob Leisler Project." **Dr. David William Voorhees** will give a presentation on how the Jacob Leisler Papers Project at New York University is transforming our understanding of the transition from Dutch New Netherland to English New York in the period from 1660 to 1700. The Holland Society Library is located at 20 West 44th St., Suite 509. A wine and cheese reception will follow. Reservations for the talk can be made at: www.hollandsociety.org.

good luck with informing ancestry of anything...I have tried for years to make some egregious errors that are still being posted on ancestry....can't get addresses to get in touch with those posting the error either.....its a joke. However on the Banta....there is a line of Banta in the Philippines...one is on the Banta fb site....and who knows where or how they fit in.....possibly when the Dutch traded in that area with the Dutch East Indies??? Who knows????? With ancestry, I think its all money driven and no regard to putting errors out there with no way to correct them.

barb whiteside

As Thanksgiving approaches, that means that Black Friday, Small Business Saturday, and Cyber Monday can't be far behind. If you are shopping for a budding genealogist this holiday season, we'd just like to remind you that **"Who's Your Daddy?"** makes a great present. In 182 short chapters, we cover everything from pre-contact Manhattan to the rebuilding of the World Trade Center, with special attention to places that you can visit and explore on your own.

You have an array of buying options: Amazon.com currently has one of the best online prices, only \$4.95 for Kindle downloads.

Letters 11/25/2012

Today Nov 25 marked the 225th anniversary of the end of the Revolutionary War -- EVACUATION DAY.

From Charles Vanorsdale (NOTE FROM CAROLYN - WOW! I DIDN'T KNOW THAT. How interesting. Thanks cousin Charles!)

Hi Carolyn,

Yes, Evacuation Day is coming soon. We owe the spirit of the day to a Dutchman, John Van Arsdale. Here is the Wikipedia account (if you do not have access to James Riker's "Evacuation Day 1783"): British evacuation from New York

In mid-August 1783, Sir Guy Carleton received orders from London for the evacuation of New York City. He told the President of the Continental Congress that he was proceeding with the withdrawal of refugees, liberated slaves and military personnel as fast as possible, but it was not possible to give an exact date because the number of refugees entering the city had increased dramatically. More than 29,000 Loyalist refugees were evacuated from the city. The British also evacuated former slaves they had liberated from the Americans and refused to return them to their US enslavers as the Treaty of Paris had required them to do.

Carleton gave a final evacuation date of noon on November 25, 1783. Entry into the city by George Washington was delayed until after a British flag had been removed. A Union Flag was nailed on a flagpole in the Battery Park at the southern tip of Manhattan. The pole was allegedly greased. After a number of men attempted to tear down the British color - a symbol of tyranny for contemporary American Patriots - wooden cleats were cut and nailed to the pole and with the help of a ladder, a veteran, **John Van Arsdale**, was able to ascend the pole, remove the flag, and replace it with the Stars and Stripes before the British fleet had sailed out of sight.

Regards, Charles Vanorsdale

Happy Evacuation Day!

<http://blog.insidetheapple.net/2008/11/happy-evacuation-day.html>

From: <http://www.ocregister.com/travel/leiden-378224-city-pilgrim.html>

Hutspot, a stew of mashed carrots and potatoes inspired by a story that some of the first food the citizens had after the siege was provided by a young Dutch boy who found the root vegetables in the camp left behind by the Spaniards. Today it is often served alongside oliebol, an indulgent, doughnut-like treat. The tradition of a communal meal to give thanks for surviving an ordeal would be reborn in Plymouth, Mass., as Thanksgiving Day.

For Judy Cassidy who is donating books to the silent auction for funds for restoring the Old Mud Meetinghouse, and to Mary Jo Lahners who wants to buy the books, and for any others who want to make a donation, especially before the end of the year. Who knows if the the new regime will continue to allow income tax deductions for donations to non-profit organizations. Please make your check to "Harrodsburg Historical Society/Old Mud Meetinghouse" add a notation on your check that you are a member of Dutch Cousins, and the money is for Restoration of Old Mud Meetinghouse. Mail your check to:

Roxanne Leo, Treasurer
Harrodsburg Historical Society
PO Box 316
Harrodsburg, KY 40330

Harrodsburg Historical Society is a qualified 501©3 non-profit, charitable organization. You will receive a donation receipt to use for your tax return.

Lynn Rogers sent tentative plans for the Dutch Cousins Re-union Caravan Fri Sep 20, 2013

Approx 50 miles/ 1 hr 45 minutes of driving time without stops. We plan to have a list of gps addresses.

SUMMARY

The caravan will travel over back roads to the site of the 1820's Dutch Settlement at present Pleasant, Indiana. On the way we will stop at Low Dutch family related sites. We are still considering suggestions. Present plans include Eagle Hollow, an UnderGround RailRoad route, Rykers Ridge church & cemetery, Pleasant Township Cemetery and church site, Jefferson Church, Woodfill stone house, Demaree Toll Road House, etc.

Hello Carolyn and Happy Thanksgiving to you and your family and to all of our Dutch cousins.

Mary Park

PS Gerardus Riker, Jr. was also an 1812 veteran. I am working on a U.S. Daughters of 1812 grave marking in Madison when we meet in September.

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Letters 12/12/2012

Hoping all our Dutch Cousins are warm and toasty these cold nights, and ready to celebrate Christmas. Life is short so fill every minute with something joyful!

Next Dutch Cousins Gathering!

Clifty Falls Inn (Indiana State Parks) Reservations phone number is: **877.563.4371**
Special rates for arriving Friday September 20 2013 - Departing Sunday Sept 22, 2013
Give the code Group #0920 DC or the inn will say they're full.

Carolyn Leonard says: Wonderful Thanksgiving day with lots of family - inlaws and outlaws (grin) about 20 altogether at daughter Judi's home near Tulsa. One of the best ever. Great food - still talking about it today. Yesterday was great too; son Ross is here, we all went to the Y for my swim time, Jon & Ross worked out on the machines, then great dinner at Lai Thai, then to Penn Square Movie for LINCOLN. Great movie - The actors were perfectly matched to their roles; Sally Field as Mary Todd Lincoln was - as usual for her - incredible. and today the magic continues ... on our way now to the Y for another swim. Can walk unassisted in the water with NO Pain!

"To make a prairie it takes clover and one bee, one clover and a bee, and revelry. The revelry alone will do if bees are few." ~ Emily Dickenson

Judy Cassidy: Everyone should take the time to see the movie LINCOLN which is just breath-taking. Having worked on and researched their families, the slave families and slave descendants of Lucas and William Demitt Vanarsdale of Leake Co. MS and Bossier Parish, Louisiana, especially during this time period it was especially meaningful because the movie is not just about the man Lincoln but also about the 13th amendment. This was not just about freeing the slaves but about the Vote which freed slaves might cast and the fear that this created. The movie is brilliantly cast. I am sure you will all not just enjoy it but also learn from it.

Becky Jolly Vaught of Richmond VA: The first thanksgiving was by proclomation of Capt Woodland at Berkeley Plantation, Charles City County, VA on Dec 4, 1619. That was over a year before the Puritans arrived in MA

Saw this note in the December 2012 Harrodsburg Library Newsletter OLDE TOWN LEDGER: Regarding OLD MUD PRESERVATION, the custom-made windows are being produced even as we go to press, and are expected to be installed by the end of October. The window installation will be quickly followed by the flooring installation, and

**OLD MUD will be ready for visitors during the Christmas Homes tour on December 1.
Jerry Sampson has promised to send me some new photos of our treasure to
share with the cousins!**

DARWIN SAYLOR: Katy Saylor's (Jesse Kathryn Darland Saylor's) sister Aunt Jean (Eugenia May Darland Crippen) had fallen some time ago and was under going therapy for a broken knee cap. She developed shortness of breath so finally they hospitalized her Monday, for congestive heart failure. Mom and My brother Del and his wife had been to see her several times during Thanksgiving Week. She was the grand daughter of George and Lucinda Bridgewater Darland and the daughter of Eugene and Willie Mae Webster Darland. It was in Katy and Aunt Jean's memory that we made donations to Old Mud. Aunt Jean passed away Wednesday morning, November 27, in Twin Falls, ID. Arrangements have begun and I have suggested they put it in the East Washitonian/Pomeroy paper. She was 93 in September and was independent all of her life after her husband passed away in 1972.

BRYCE STEVENS: I would be happy to devote some time to transcribing records from the Pleasant Township Church in Switzerland County. (later it became known as Pleasant Presbyterian Church.)

While my Dutch line came through Clermont County, Ohio, into Ripley County, Indiana, many of their cousins did end up in Switzerland, often having come up through Kentucky.

I am willing to do whatever it takes to help reconstruct the Switzerland County, Indiana, records, where the courthouse records were so shamelessly hauled off to the county dump so many years ago. My Hammond line is at an absolute dead end in Switzerland because of that travesty, and so will any other family line be, unless we all work together to piece together that sad little county's history from the original records that come to light.

Count me in and let me know what I can do.

I'll have many cousins at the Clifty Falls meeting, but cannot get away from my teaching position to be there myself this year.

Besides my wonderful cousin Ellen, I see other names in your contacts I am very familiar with. It will be my great pleasure to work with those wonderful, talented researchers again. Barbara, Carolyn, it is good to be contributing along with you again as much as I am able. The current climate in the teaching profession generally sucks me dry ... three years to go!

Thank you for the invitation, and thanks to Cousin Ellen for the recommendation!

(NOTE: Bryce's grandmother was a Vanosdol. He also descends from Sijmon Janse van Arsdale through his younger son Jan, who married Lammetje Probasco. Also has Van Cleve, Van Nuys, Stryker, van Barkelo. (no Riker, Ryker)

FamilySearch, www.familysearch.org, provides free genealogy software to discover, preserve and share family history. Capabilities include editing and deleting incorrect data, collaborating with researchers working on the same family lines and submitting citations. You can receive update alerts and link to online photos and documents. For more information, go to <https://familysearch.org>.

If you use AOL for your email, please consider switching to a free g-mail, yahoo, or hotmail address. AOL often blocks the DUTCH LETTERS emails because I send them in alphabet groups, which they label as spam. Just hit reply and send me your new address ASAP so you won't miss an important issue. Thanks, Carolyn

Willempete Wyckoff was raised at her father's "Mountain Farm" 3 or 4 miles from Whitehouse in Hunterdon Co., NJ. Willeptje kept a record of her family. It was written in Dutch and about 7 pages long. These pages have been pasted into a historical scrapbook prepared some years ago for the Readington Reformed Dutch Church in NJ. It lists her four children by Peter Cozine who were all baptized at the Conewago Colony, and 6 children by Abraham Voorhees, her second husband, of Hunterdon Co., NJ.

Friends of Fraunces Tavern:

Our crews have been working hard to reopen in time for the Holiday Season and we are almost there!

Please follow us on Facebook to get daily updates on the Museum and Restaurant's status.

Fraunces Tavern Museum needs your help now more than ever. To learn how you can help the Museum please email Museum Director, Jessica Baldwin at:

director@frauncestavernmuseum.org

Thank you,

Jessica Baldwin

Fraunces Tavern Museum Director

Letters 12/19/2012

EDWARD BOWMAN, Oklahoma: I have a question that perhaps some of our dutch cousins could answer. If a person were baptized in 1652 in Amsterdam in Holland would it have been in the Old Kerk or New Kerk or would they still have been Catholic rather than Dutch Reformed?

Mark Towsley, Arizona:

I saw this info online and wondered if you or your Dutch specialists had any information. I was searching for the ancestors of my 11th grandfather: Pieter Claesen WYCKOFF.

Here is the discussion when I was researching his father . . .

"There is considerable debate about whether a Claes Cornelissen of Boda, Sweden, born in 1597 is the same person as Claes Cornelius/Cornellissen Van Schouw (Brouwershaven, Zeeland, Netherland). This debate has been particularly advocated by the Wychoff descendants; however, even they admit that there is no proof of such a connection, and several well-known Dutch researchers discount this theory including William Hoffman, Harriet Striker-Rodda, Claes van Schouw descendant, William Peterson, and Edward Lee Hoppin. The latter writes: 'a study of the records and associations of the two men reveal them to have had nothing in common and to have been unlike in characters, social positions and material circumstances. They never appear in any public record in any way suggesting that they were related. Their homes in the Old World were widely separated.'"

More About Claes Cornelissen Van Schouw:

Fact 1: Claes has no relationship to Wyckoffs, as given by some Wyckoff genealogists.

Fact 2: IS THIS TRUE? HOW DO I PROVE IT IS SO OR NOT?????

Can you help?

Beverly Sullivan, Marion AR

Well, my news is not that good. My husband John has just been diagnosed with lung cancer. He is to have surgery soon, we do not know when yet. He is having all the test like pet scans and stress tests now. But the oncologist says we caught his early and they do not think he will even have to have chemo or radiation. We will not get to go spend Christmas with our kids but will be here at home instead. Our grandson who lives with us will be here so we will have a quiet day. We are okay with this and know we will get through it also. Wishing you and all the other cousins a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Robin Barnett, Texas:

Please add me to your mailing list.

My father was Robert Banta of Smithfield, KY. I am a descendant of Henry Banta b. 23 JAN 1762 in Somerset County, New Jersey.

David Smock, Florida

With best wishes to you and all the Dutch Cousins for a happy holiday season and good health in the new year.

Met vriendelijke groeten, to repeat best wishes in what our Low Dutch ancestors called Nederduitsch. (a picture card of "Winter Night in a Dutch Town" by Jacob Cats (Dutch, 1741-1799))

Dr. Wm. "Bill" Van Osdol, Oklahoma

I'm forwarding two letters from my friend in Margraten NL:

"Dutch is a word derived from Middle Duutsch or Duetsch and was originally applied to continental West Germany speakers. By 1600 it had to be come to be used as a language spoken in Flanders (Belgium) and the Netherlands, which was then still Holland. (Dutch) Exclusively used by the people of the Netherlands after the independent as state Netherland (1815). Shortly said Dutch is a name for our language and is coming from the old Germany language as Duutsch and this old language was spoken in all lowlands. I hope you can follow me."

Met vriendelijke groeten

Charles Kesselaer

New Paltz, NY

2012 has been an exciting year with the reopening of the Abraham Hasbrouck House and many exciting new exhibits and programs. As the year draws to an end, please consider giving to Historic Huguenot Street (HHS) at this time.

Tax-deductible donations may be sent to HHS, 88 Huguenot Street, New Paltz, NY 12561. We look forward to seeing you on the street in 2013!

Sincerely,

Tracy McNally, Executive Director

Who are the Huguenots? (click below)

http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?e=001v5s9BoZqTvMeb0pCfD1ibyDFGiBqcO0MA-IHhYHhf2BfvjsRkJQKAiWJQ7VwE_0J1iKfoYEKK-r36McMnnMGjuoIL_oyaNbk3k7QGmGheEbodoVX_a-xUQ==

Judy Cassidy, Pennsylvania

No cards this year as Jimmy is in the hospital with pancreatitis, cause not determined. He was taken on an emergency two week ago in severe pain and as an ALS patient these things are always tricky. He was doing

great, going to be part of a video on how to use his computer, is now a character in someones novel, and pretty healthy. So I am hoping that by the end of next week, they will feel it is safe enough to send him. He developed pancreatitis from Nexium they believe.

We all made it through Sandy the storm, but that was an experience, The winds were tremendous and we were in the center of the action. We were without electric for 4 days, Jim's family for two weeks although they do have a generator. Let me tell you it gets cold in a house with no electric, we did have hot water and could cook on the stove, but the house stuck from burning all those Yankee candles at the same time we never use, but it was light. Trees and wires were just everywhere, we had no personal damage but some people in our area did.

Our grandson, Sean, has been accepted to William and Mary college in Williamsburg, VA on early admissions so that is great news and a terrific place to visit.

If I had one piece of advise for the "cousins" it would be to DOCUMENT and cite every piece of information they have. Right now I am writing an article on an ancestor of a different line for my grandson who might be able to get a grant for college, and the research was done back in the 1960' and 1970's. So many of the people who sent things to me are now deceased and back then when it was so easy to get documents from historical societies and the county court houses, well those days are over, as for the most part is the information on many counties on Rootsweb. So it is a real dig for this information.

Meanwhile hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and great new year.

David Smock, Florida

It is really gratifying that the Dutch Cousins Newsletter is so full of interesting and useful information.

Hats off to you.

Cordially, David

Letters 1/26/2013

[Carla Gerding, Turner's Station, KY](#)

Louisville (SDF) generally has much much cheaper air fares than CVG and it isn't that much farther. . . exit 34 off of I-71 to Bedford and follow US 421. I would definitely check out both. .
.Carla

[Guy Montfort from ??](#)

Just an FYI - Louisville airfares are often much cheaper than Cincinnati as Southwest flies there – many people from Cincinnati drive the extra two hours and fly out of Louisville to save money – it can be a huge difference in airfare

Becky Vaught, Richmond VA

I would personally fly to Louisville, KY if I were going. Cincy is second choice depending on schedules

Donna Gaines, (now moved and almost settled in Fallon NV)

Thank you all for your suggestions on where to fly into. I guess the only thing left for me to do is to see which airport has the best flights and prices. I will be flying out of Reno, NV, and greatly appreciate the time you took to reply to my query.

Hi,
FYI only.....1/22/13

I tried to enter the 'group code' for the Dutch Cousins, on the hotel website, but nothing would come up. (it would say invalid)
I called and talked with someone this morning about 'my' reservations, just to be sure all was well.
They told me the code does not work and I could not check or verify any info through that site. A person would need to call.
They do have 15 rooms left for the DC group.
I will check on the best directions for the Cousins using Louisville Int'l Airport.
Louisville Airport IS closer than the Cincinnati Airport.
Janice Cozine :)

[Last issue of the Letters](#), I asked for the source of information about ancestor Gerrit and Jacobus COZINE being Cartmen in Colonial New York/New Amsterdam.
Jim Cozine gives the source of "occupation: Cartman" as his book, Finding our Wooden Shoes, which refers to the minutes as quoted. He is now working on revising and updating his book, which is going to be a wonderful resource for all of us.

From Jim Cozine of Las Vegas:

re cartmen -look in Wooden Shoes - many entries

From 1680 to 1709 showing Gerrit Cosyn and son Jacobus

As cartmen - all entries are from the minutes of the Common Council Of the city of New York 1675-1776

Betty Jean and Richard Willerton Anderson, Alabama

Saw in the Dutch Cousins UPDATE that Jim Cozine had donated the logo pins for the Gathering. What a wonderful idea! Would you mind giving us the e-mail to reach Janice and Eddie?

We (Richard is the Banta connection) won't be able to attend. Rich has a blood clot in his right leg and is on blood thinner. He isn't able to ride, therefore we must stay at home until this is corrected. We would like to contribute to the restoration of the Old Mud Meeting House. We could at least buy some of the pins, please?

Thank you,

Click on this hotlink or copy and paste it into your browser:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5OngRFkfOew>

to watch a U-Tube video of Firth Haring Fabend titled "Cornmeal Mush and Other Myths: The Dutch Experience I..." (Independent Scholar), presents during the Henry Hudson, New Netherland, & Atlantic History Symposium @ SUNY New Paltz.

Thank you, Carolyn, and also Jim for the nice plugs! I will be speaking tomorrow night at 7 at the Ridgewood Public Library in Ridgewood, NJ, on "The People of New Netherland: Roughnecks, Multi-taskers, Grantees, or All of the Above?" Cosyn Gerritsen van Putten was very much a multi-tasker! Will be giving the same program at the Albany Institute of History and Art on Feb. 10 and at the Bergen County Historical Society on April 7. All to promote *New Netherland in a Nutshell: A Concise History of the Dutch Colony in North America*. Only 125 pages! You can read it in a couple of sittings!

Go to <www.newnetherlandinstitute.org>, the website will come up, and the ordering information is on the first page. You pay for it with a PayPal account. The book can also be ordered through my own website, <<http://members.authorsguild.net/fhfabend/>>

Firth

Big news today! You can now order *New Netherland in a Nutshell: a concise history of the Dutch Colony in North America* by Firth Haring Fabend and published by the New Netherland Institute in 2012 from Amazon. To go directly, click on <http://amzn.to/V824S1>

Heaven on Earth: Shakers, Religious Revival and Social Reform in America

Siena College is accepting applications for *Heaven on Earth: Shakers, Religious Revival and Social Reform in America*. Two, one-week NEH Landmarks of History and Culture Workshops for 80 teachers (40 teachers per workshop) will be held in Albany, New York, July 7-13 and July 14-20, 2013. This workshop examines the history, culture and legacy of the Shakers in America.

Participants will engage in interactive seminars with scholars; investigate Shaker artifacts and primary documents at the New York State Museum and New York State Library and tour three historic Shaker sites: Watervliet Shaker Historic District, Hancock Shaker Village, and Shaker Museum Mount Lebanon. Throughout the workshop participants will brainstorm on how to apply their discoveries to curriculum and bring the fascinating history of the Shakers to life for contemporary students.

K-12 teachers in the fields of language arts, social studies, art, music, philosophy, and technology are encouraged to apply. Prior knowledge of Shaker history is neither required nor expected. Full-time and part-time classroom teachers and librarians in public, charter, independent, and religiously affiliated schools, as well as home schooling parents are eligible; other K-12 school personnel will be considered based on availability. Workshop participants will be awarded one \$1,200 stipend towards program costs. For full program description and application procedures visit: www.siena.edu/shakerworkshop

Jennifer Dorsey, Ph.D., Project Director

Heaven on Earth: Shakers, Religious Revival and Social Reform in America

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Please forward to any teachers who you feel may be interested in applying. Thank You

Carolyn, Would you please ask if any of our Dutch cousins live in the North Carolina area? I would like to feel connected with them before the September gathering. My name is Penny Kerhoulas (married a Greek). I live in Mooresville NC, but am from Indiana and most of my Dutch cousins are still there. I have Demotts, VanArsdales, Hough (Huff), VanNuys, Terhune and Thompson, not sure about some of the others from Harrodsburg.