

The DuVal Family News

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2001 Reunion Planned In June

Plans for the next DuVal Family Association meeting and reunion are still **tentative** but shaping up quite nicely, according to DFA President Judith Hamby.

The reunion will be held in conjunction with the next board meeting June 21-23, 2001 at the Omni Hotel in Richmond, Virginia. DFA members and their families will be able to register by mail prior to the meeting. Registration forms will be mailed to all members in April.

On Thursday, June 21, registration will take place at the hotel from 1 p.m. until 8 p.m. Once members are registered, they are encouraged to attend a genealogical workshop conducted by DFA Genealogist Joseph Hayes in the Potomac E Room. This event was very well attended in 1999 and Joseph is a highly knowledgeable genealogist. Later in the day, from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m., a DuVal Family reception will be held followed by a Hospitality Suite from 8 p.m. until midnight.

On Friday, June 22, the DFA Board will meet from 8 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. The DuVal Family Association General Membership meeting will follow from 10:45 a.m. until 11:45 a.m. At noon, DFA members will attend luncheon with an update on local and historic DuVal properties. The afternoon includes a choice of Richmond guided tours. The first tour includes a tour of historic St. John's Church (30 minutes); the Virginia State Capitol (30 minutes); and a drive-through tour of Hollywood Cemetery. The second excursion includes a walking tour of Hollywood Cemetery (two hours) with a drive-by of local historical DuVal sites. The evening calls for dinner on your own.

Saturday, June 23 begins early at 8 a.m. when the family will depart the hotel for a day-long adventure in Gloucester County. The tentative itinerary calls for us to arrive in Gloucester in time for the "Gloucester 350 Celebration," parade, which will be followed by luncheon at the historic tavern Seawell's Ordinary.

After lunch, a special dedication of the memorial marker to Daniel DuVal will be held at Ware Parish Church Cemetery. DuVal Family members have contributed the cost of the marker. Plans for the ceremony are still incomplete at this time. At 6 p.m. we will return to the Omni Hotel.

For those interested, a re-enactment of Patrick Henry's speech at St. John's Church will take place at 2 p.m. This proved to be a very popular event at the last reunion. There is no admission to the re-enactment, but donations are welcomed. Other tours may be arranged through Richmond Discoveries at (804) 222-8595.

DuVal Descendants Book Underway

Hello Cousins:

Work is progressing on a major project by the DuVal Family Association. At the Board meeting held at the Smith's Grove, Kentucky home of DFA Genealogist Joseph Hays this past June, we outlined a plan to publish a comprehensive history of the "Descendants of Daniel DuVal."

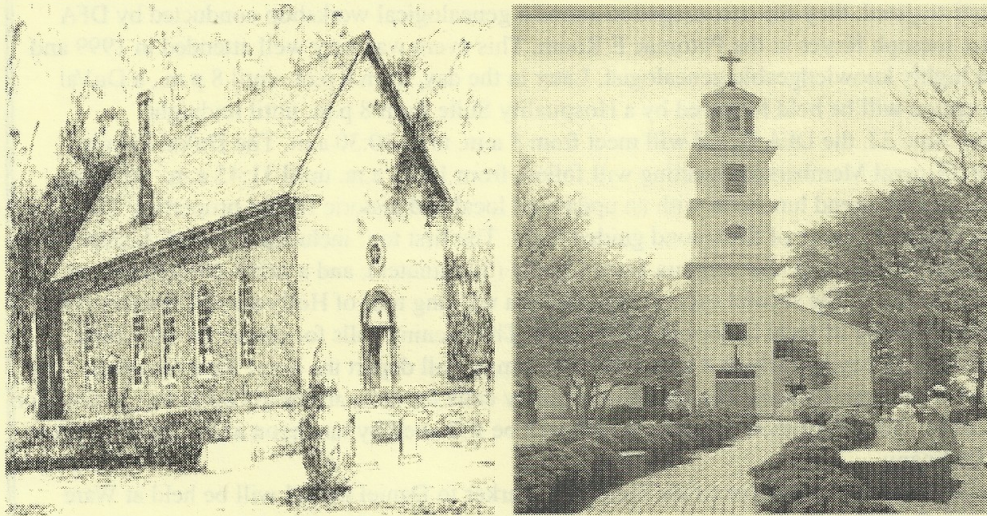
This comprehensive history would include all known publications to date. In addition, it will include all information that has been gathered by the DuVal Family Association. If done correctly, this project will be a lengthy one. In order to accomplish such an undertaking, it was decided to approach it in three phases.

The first phase is intended to be completed and presented at our June 2001 meeting in Richmond, Virginia. At that time, we will present in hard copy an outline of all gathered materials. We hope to make it available to proofread for corrections and additions. This will be in loose-leaf format so that the DFA can update it with your corrections and new information.

A chart approved by the Book Committee, which we hope you will be able to use to help collect information on the family, will be mailed to all members soon. You need not be limited to the categories on the chart. Feel free to add or omit as you need. Make as many copies as you like or contact Pat Koenig or Joseph Hays for more copies.

A cut-off date of Jan., 31, 2001 was planned for information to be submitted for inclusion in the presentation this June. Any information received after this date will be included in Phase II of this project.

-- The Duval Family Association Book Committee



During the upcoming DuVal Family Reunion in June, tentative plans call for a marker of dedication to be placed in the Ware Parish Church cemetery, left, in honor of Daniel DuVal. St. John's Church in Richmond, right, will host its annual re-enactment of Patrick Henry's famous "Give Me Liberty" speech.

DuVal Cookbook To Be Offered In Richmond

DuVal Association members Gina Thompson and Deana Snow have been working hard all winter on putting together a Family Cookbook. The book has just recently gone to the printer and will be available for sale at the upcoming Richmond reunion and meeting in June.

The idea behind the book was to publish old family recipes complete with the memories that surround them. Since membership in the DuVal Family Association now represents members from coast to coast, Canada and Europe, the selection of recipes promises to be a broad mix of tastes and traditions.

The book will be distributed across the United States, Canada and Europe, according to DFA President Judith Hamby. The price of the cookbook has not yet been determined.

Please be sure to look over the book at the reunion and purchase a heirloom copy. Copies may also be purchased by mail for those who cannot attend the Richmond event. Please contact Gina Thompson or Deana Snow for details.

New DFA Lending Library Has Old Treasures

Judy Hamby and Pat Koenig have established a lending library for cousins interested in locating books about family history.

Judy Hamby's selections include:

"Huguenot Immigration to American" by Baird originally published in 1885. This was originally a two-volume book but Judy's copy is combined into one book.

"Huguenots in Britain and Their French Background 1550- 1800," subtitled 'Contributions to the Historical Conference of the Huguenot Society of London 24-25 September, 1985' by Irene Scouloudi.

Pat's book list includes:

"Adventurers of Purse and Person 1607-1624/25" by Meyer and Dorman.

"Burke's American Families with British Ancestry"

"Richmond During the Revolution 1775-83"

"My Beloved South" by Mrs. T.P. O'Connor

Judy also has magazines and newsletter from the following list of historical organizations:

The Order of Descendants of Ancient Planters

The National Huguenot Society

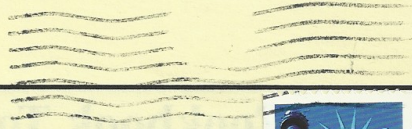
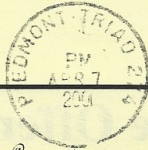
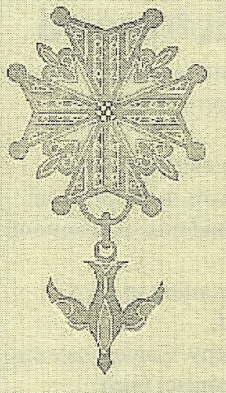
The United States Daughters of the War of 1812

The Daughters of the American Revolution

Continental Society Daughters of Indians Wars

Order of the Bruce Family in America

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Family Association Reunion and Meeting
In Richmond, VA. June 21-23, 2001***



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New DuVal Findings From Salt Lake City

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I spent twenty hurried hours over two days in Salt Lake City last summer and found a couple of things about early Duvals I had not seen before.

A History of Colonial Caroline, Virginia By T.E. Campbell, Dietz Press, Richmond, VA, 1954, Page 406: "Artisans. In the early years of Caroline's history, the artisans were among the most favored groups of the county's people. There was a shortage of skilled workers and they were paid well for their services. In 1742, the freeholders had to send all the way to Westmoreland to hire James Senior, a wheelwright. But as the number of Negro slaves in the county increased, the position of the free skilled workers became more precarious. Planters taught their more intelligent slaves trades. Many free artisans became bankrupt.

Skilled workers lived in all sections of the county. But many of them had their homes around White's shop in upper St. Margaret's, Cheadle's Shop near Chesterfield, Ware's Shop near Conway's Warehouse and in Port Royal. Listed below are the skilled workers whose names appear in the Order Books. The date given is the first time a name appears. Most artisans continued to line in the county many years after this date. Joiners and carpenters: 1732 - Benjamin Duval, Robert Farish, Daniel Duval."

Culpepper County Deeds, Vol. 1, Deed Book A 1749-1753, Deed Book B 1753-1756, compiled by John F. Dorman, Washington D.C. 1975, pages 213-216, 21 Nov. 1754.

"William Gren of Culpepper County to Daniel Duvall of Caroline County. Lease of 200 acres, part of a larger tract near the Ragged Mountain...on the south side of Hughes' River being a corner between the land of William Green and Robert Green...on Landrum's Run...land of Nicholas Green...to Robert Green's line... Yearly rent on 1 January, 1060 pounds of tobacco to be delivered at Falmouth, Fredericksburg or Royston's Warehouse. If Daniel shall work more than seven titheables on the land, to pay for every titheable beside the 100 pounds of tobacco additional rent. For seven years or during the life of any person whom Daniel Duvall shall think fit.

Daniel Duvall shall keep an orchard of apple trees with one hundred and fifty trees free from cattle, horses, sheep and goats."

For those of you descended from Daniel's son, James Duval, I also found some information about his inventory of slaves - he owned 13 in 1802 and his estate was found to be worth approximately 259 pounds, 8 shillings. Interestingly, his administrators were Daniel Duval and Benjamin Duval, though not the same two mentioned above! I also descend from James' son, Benjamin.