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From the President

1987 was an exciting year for the Association, in so many ways, but 1988 could well be even more exciting. A highlight in this regard is the historical research project in Drenthe Province sponsored by the Association. The early results of that project were so promising that the project has been continued on an expanded basis. All of us stand to gain a better understanding of our family in the Netherlands and the context in which Steven Coerte decided to leave for America.

Another highlight was the progress in computerization. The membership lists are now on computer and we can actually look forward to having the genealogy on computer. Of course, the computer is only a tool, but one that we intend to use in ways that both support the overall goals of family knowledge and family togetherness. However, the value of the computer is only as good as the information that is fed into it. That is where we as Association members come in. Let me be specific.

Our Genealogical Committee, chaired by Rev. William J.F. Lydecker, has taken the lead in soliciting activity vital to our informational needs, for example the researching of wills and deeds at courthouses, reporting on tombstone inscriptions, and checking census records. This is work -- many would say "fun" -- that can be done by

amateurs as well as experienced genealogical researchers. The Genealogical Committee and our Genealogist are prepared to advise, coordinate and assist as we member-volunteers work in our local areas.

Please, at a minimum, provide the Genealogical Committee with the information they solicit on your own family, and give us the benefir of knowledge you might have or can obtain on Voorhees houses in response to the questionnaire that is enclosed elsewhere in this Newsletter. All of this information is grist for the mill from which will come the genealogical and historical publications of the future.

So, my New Year message to all of you is to get involved and do what each of us can to help satisfy both our own current interests and those of generations to come.

Don Vorhis

ARE YOU MOVING?

Please keep us advised of any changes in your address, if you move or if you have a new summer or winter address. Send your new address with a copy of your old mailing label to:

> George and Pat Davis 310 Rockland Ave. River Vale, NJ 07675

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Plan Now To Attend The 56th ANNUAL MEETING

DATE: Saturday Afternoon, October 8, 1988

PLACE: First Reformed Church,

New Brunswick, NJ

LUNCHEON

Luncheon prior to the meeting will be provided by the Women's Guild of the Church. Details will appear in the next Newsletter.

PROGRAM:

To be determined.

The New Brunswick Hyatt-Regency Hotel will be holding a block of rooms for Association members. The Hyatt-Regency is located within easy walking distance of the First Reformed Church. Reservation details will appear in the next Newsletter. New Brunswick is also served by a number of other hotels.



ABOUT YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARDS....

We recently received a note from one of the members which commented on the sometimes long period of time between when he sent his dues, and when he received his membership card. By word of explanation (not excuses), we offer the following:

- 1. All of the work of the Association is done by volunteers, in most cases in their spare time.
- 2. In order to keep the costs of postage to a minimum, the membership cards are sent out with the next Newsletter, except in the case of new members and new life members.
- 3. About 15% of the dues remittances are sent to the Editors, President, Membership Chairman, etc., instead of

the Treasurer. These take a little longer as they must then be sent to the Treasurer.

4. The Post Office doesn't help. Darlene Vorhies sends this story: A local referral sent her check and ancestral chart to the Treasurer, Bob Buttler in New Jersey, and her check came back from the New Jersey Treasury Dept. (but they kept her ancestral charts - the devils!). So I asked her to bear with us, for it had to be the wrong delivery, and to try again. And the Post Office gave me the old run around about going by the zip code. The only things in common with Bob's address and the final destination of the errant letter, were the word "Treasurer" and "New Jersey"!

Regional

Meetings

DARLENE VORHIES writes that a midwest reunion is being planned for Sunday. Sept. 4, 1988 (Labor Day weekend). It will be at the Lockridge Community Hall, Lockridge, IA, starting at 1PM. (Lockridge is 40 miles west of the Illinois border, just off US Rte.34). It will feature a cooperative lunch, (out-of-staters are not expected to bring anything but themselves). genealogical exchange and lots of good plain fun! For anyone coming from a distance, the Iowa State Fair and the Midwest Old Thresher's Reunion are also on that weekend. For more information, contact

> Darlene Vorhies RR 1 Box 37 Fairfield, IA 52556

Planning a regional reunion? We can provide peel-off address labels of members in your area. Let us know what state(s) or range of zip codes you need. Contact the Newsletter Editors.



1988 Dues Reminder

Don't forget that dues for 1988 are past due. If you haven't sent yours yet, please send your check made payable to "The Van Voorhees Association" to:

G. Harold Buttler
72 Upland Ave.
Metuchen, NJ 08840

Dues are tax deductible: Active- \$5, Junior- \$2, Sustaining- \$10, Contributing- \$25, Life- \$150.

COMMITTEE REPORT

HISTORY COMMITTEE

Reports from Chairman Manning Voorhees are that the research in the Dutch records by Drs. Jan Folkerts continues to shed new light on out immigrant ancestor. Manning writes:

Jan Folkerts recently wrote that he has identified Steven Coerts' first wife and an unknown son.

The name of the first wife was found on the marriage certificate of daughter Marchien. She was married in Ruinerwold, on November 19,1664 to Roelof Oostinge of Spier.

Marchien was mentioned on the certificate as a daughter of "Steven Cours and the late Aaltjen Wessels".

The baptismal registers in Meppel revealed a son born to Steven Coerts in 1640. The son was named Wessell. Steven Coerts was identified as "Steven Cours uit de Oosterbuur". This is Oosterboer, which is a small village outside Meppel. It is interesting that Wessell was found in the baptismal registers. He may be the only child that has been located in this manner.

Drs. Folkerts also reports that he has some new data on Steven's relatives in Amsterdam, but he gave no specifics.

This is a very exciting development and fills an enormous void in our knowledge about Steven Coerts.

(Ed. note: It is safe to say that the research to date has been more productive than anyone expected at its outset. Drs. Folkerts had originally warned against undue optimism as to the results which could be expected. That he has determined the identity of Steven Coerte's first wife, the subject of a 100 year search, is by itself satifaction of the goals of Drs. Folkert's work.)

QUESTIONNAIRES, INFORMATION, HELP !!!!

In recent issues of the Newsletter, and continuing below, you have been requested to fill out various quest-ionnaires, and otherwise provide information and/or assistance to the Association. Please be assured that all of this information is being put to good use.

GENEALOGY

The genealogy questionnaires, which first appeared in the May 1984 Newsletter, and subsequently requested of all new members, have been used by the Genealogy committee as a basis for new research and in answering queries. They are now being prepared for input to a computerized genealogy database which should greatly improve the work of this committee. The information contained in Volume I of the new genealogy is being put in the database (the first five generations of the Jan and Albert lines are completed, and parts of the Coert and Lucas lines are done).

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

The member information from the general questionnaire in the Jan. 1987 Newsletter has become the basis for our new membership database, one product of which is the new in-house mailing label capability. This should simplify keeping up with members who move, etc. We hope to produce a membership directory this year. Those who indicated an interest in one or more of the committees have been or should soon be, contacted by the committee chairman. And most importantly, the thoughts and ideas expressed by many of you on ways that the Association can improve, and new projects to be implemented, are being considered by the Executive Committee.

(This is where we ask your help again).

At the centerfold of the Newsletter are two questionnaires, which we ask you to use, if appropriate.

The first is a family record chart and an ancestor chart (2 pages). If you have never submitted on of these, please do so. If you have submitted one for yourself, we request that you submit additional forms for as many generations in your Van Voorhees line as you know. There is no need to go further back than the most recent generation listed in the Genealogy (please indicate the person number from the book, e.g., Albert 332 or Albert 720). If you have more than one line, please submit them all! If you already have your genealogical information in a similar format (e.g., LDS charts, American Genealogical Soc. charts, etc.), just photocopy your completed charts. THIS IS THE BASIC INFORMATION FOR THE GENEALOGY OF THE CURRENT GENERATIONS.

The second is a Van Voorhees Historical Site form (2pages). Our hope is to eventually be able to publish a listing of sites of interest to the Van Voorhees Family Members.

Please return both questionnaires to:

George R. Davis 310 Rockland Ave. River Vale, NJ 07675

Finally, we ask you to volunteer to do basic research of wills, deeds, census and church records, tombstones, etc. A packet of standard forms, with easy to follow instructions, will be sent to you if you volunteer. All it takes is a little of your time. Contact:

Rev. William J. F. Lydecker 19 Oak St. Allendale, NJ 07401

PASS-ALONG NEWSLETTERS

Several members have written that they "pass-along" their Newsletters to cousins, aunts, nephews and others who are interested in the Family. This is a great way to introduce these folks to the Association. We encourage all of you to do this, and at the same time invite your "pass-

along" reader to join the Association.

And you "pass-along" readers - if you weren't invited to join, you are now - just use the application elsewhere in this Newsletter. Membership is painless, inexpensive and you will receive your own Newsletter first-hand - no more pass-along!

VanVoorhees Historical Sites

As a "cover story" for the new Van Voorhees Historical Sites Identification Project, we are including in this issue a reproduction of a view of the David C. Voorhees residence at Blawenburg, Somerset Co., NJ. This is reproduced from James P. Snell's "History of Hunterdon and Somerset Counties, New Jersey" (1881).

Material in that history tells us that David C. Voorhees was one of eight children of John A. and Elizabeth (Skillman) Voorhees. John A. was the son of Abraham and Leah (Nevius) Voorhees and grandson of John Voorhees (Genealogy #236, p. 133). The last named John purchased the land at Blawenburg (known in 1881 as the "Voorhees homestead") in 1754. The deed bears date of "the first day of May, in the twenty-seventh year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord, George the second, Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and fifty four," and is between "Abraham Van Horne, of the city of New York, merchant, and Catherine, his wife, of the one part, and John Van Voorhees, of the County of Somerset and Eastern division of the Province of New Jersey, yeoman, of the other part." For the 2012 acres of land he gave £806, "Current money of the colony of New York" - about \$20 per acre. The land is located on the north branch of Beden's Brook, in the township of Montgomery.

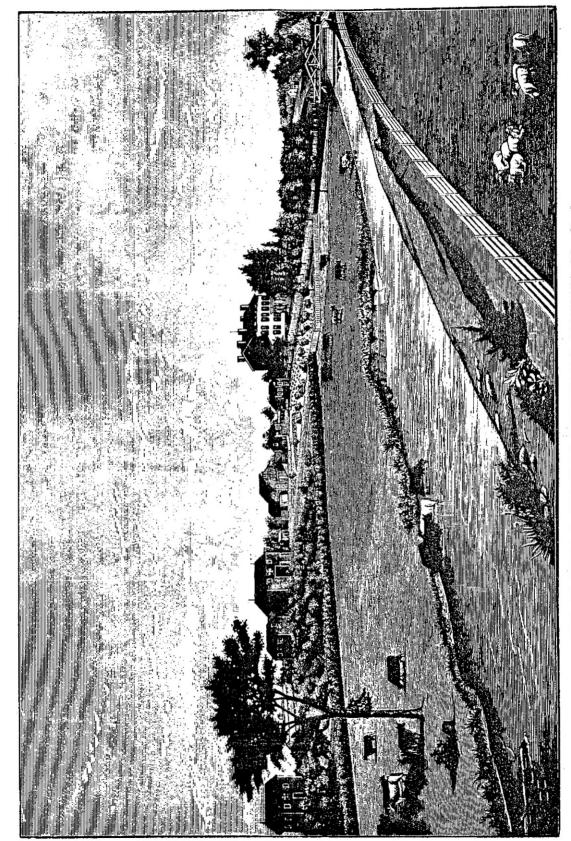
Quoting from Snell:

"Maplewood" is the residence, at Blawenburg, of David C. Voorhees, previously mentionned as one of the sons of John A., and great -grandson of John Van Voorhees, the first of this family at Blawenburg. The children of David C. are the fifth generation who have lived on the place.

At our request, Association Genealogist Al Stokes recently visited the house, which is on the Great Road at Beden's Brook in Blawenburg. Al reports that the house is still standing. It is in a poor state of repair and is apparently unoccupied at the present time.

(Snell material provided by June V. Wick)

Ed. note: The idea for the Historical Sites Identification Project started when Bernice and Jim Van Voorhis (Manhattan Beach, CA) wrote to Manning Voorhees inquiring about Van Voorhees places to visit in the Westchester/Hudson Valley, NY area, and Manning's "total lack of an intelligent response" (Manning's words). We also admit to freely "borrowing" from the Wyckoff House and Association, Inc. New Jersey Chapter house identification project form. If you have any ideas for other Association projects, please contact one of the Executive Committee members.



res. Of david C. Voorhees, blawenburg, somersey Go., N. J.

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THE VAN VOORHEES ASSOCIATION

VAN VOORHEES SITE IDENTIFICATION PROJECT



Note: VanVoorhees as used here includes the name in any of its many spellings. Location of a VanVoorhees house which was owned, built, or lived in for some time by a VanVoorhees and is historically or traditionally known as a VanVoorhees House: or other site which has historically or traditionally been associated with the VanVoorhees family. Please type or print (black ink). Use additional sheets if necessary. 1. Name of site: 2. Type of site: House Church Monument Cemetery Public Building Other 3. Address: City State 4. Date Built or Established: Zip 5. Is house/site now on any historical register? National State other_ Local none 6. Does house/site have a historical marker? Yes No 7. General description of house/site: ANSWER ITEMS 8 - 15 for HOUSES ONLY 8. When was the house <u>first</u> occupied by a VanVoorhees? date_____ 9. When was the house last occupied by a VanVoorhees? date____ 10. Approximate size: ____ft. x ____ft. ____stories 11. Number of rooms: ___kitchen ___dining room ___living room ___bedrooms _bath other_____ 12. Outbuildings: 13. Has the house been enlarged recently? Yes No 14. Has any restoration been done on the original house? Yes No good 15. General condition of the house: Dexcellent fair Door ANSWER ITEMS 16 - 17 for ALL SITES EXCEPT HOUSES 16. What is the association between the site and the VanVoorhees family? 17. If site is a church or church-affiliated cemetery, what is the religious denomination?

ANSWER REMAINING QUESTIONS (on reverse) FOR ALL HOUSES/SITES

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Minutes of the 55th Annual Meeting of the Van Voorhees Association Somerset (NJ) Marriott Hotel 10 October, 1987

The meeting was called to order by President Donald G. Vorhis at 2 p.m. Two of the original founding members of the Association, Elisabeth Ripton and Sarah Veghte, were present; and they were recognized by President Vorhis, and given a round of applause. The Reverend William J.F. Lydecker gave the invocation in both Dutch and English.

The Secretary was then introduced to the membership. The reading of the Minutes of the last Annual Meeting was suspended by motion and by vote, the membership having had a chance to read the printed Minutes in the Newsletter, and no amendments being forthcoming from the floor.

The Treasurer, G. Harold ("Bob") Buttler was introduced, and gave the Treasurer's Report, which showed the following:

Checking Account:

Balance, 1 Oct., 1986: \$ 1,094.67 Income: 16,233.39 Disbursements: 16,696.79 Balance, 2 Oct., 1987: 631.27

Savings Accounts:

Net Income, 4 Accounts: \$ 4,319.33 Total Value, 4 Accounts: 71,720.84

The Treasurer's Report was approved, by vote of the membership. A full copy of the report is appended to this record.

Arthur Voorhees, Membership Committee Chairperson and Vice President, reported that we have gained 43 new members this year: 39 regular, 2 sustaining, and 2 life. We have over 400 paid members, now; and California has the greatest number of members, with New Jersey a close second. A list of members by state is now available, for those who are interested in forming regional groups.

Manning Voorhees, Historical Committee Chairperson, discussed the research, paid for by the Association, being done in the Netherlands. Drs. Jan Folkerts has reported that he believes our ancestor, Steven Coerts, may have been an itinerant farmer. Though he has found traces of this family back to about 1100, not much is known about the family before 1640; and the Executive Committee, this morning, authorized further research in different areas of the Netherlands.

President Vorhis, in the interest of time, suspended the report of the Genealogical Committee, except to mention that William Lydecker, Chairperson, was appointed, this morning, to the role of official liaison between the Association and the New Netherlands Project.

Albert Stokes, the VVA genealogist, was introduced to the membership, and noted that he is on the 6th generation, but lacks much information from the Mid-West, especially from KY, OH, IN, and IL. He requested volunteers to visit courthouses in those areas, and abstract much-needed information.

Robert Voris, Publications Committee Chairperson, noted that over \$16,000 worth of books, or approximately 1,000 copies, have been sold. He promised the membership that, after the unanticipated delays in getting the copies of Volume I out, the proofs will be readied before orders are even taken, for Volume II.

Pat and George Davis were recognized for an outstanding job in editing the Newsletter. George noted that, with the help of a volunteer member of the Association, Steven Shyers, the mailing list is being computerized. George noted that contributions to the Newsletter are always welcome, and requested that members notify of any address change.

The meeting was then turned over to Arthur Voorhees, Vice President, for the election of officers to the positions of President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Cornelia Mason, Chairperson of the Nominating Committee, put forth the names of Donald G. Vorhis for President, Candace Voorhies for Secretary, and "Bob" Buttler for Treasurer. Nominations from the floor were requested and none were forthcoming. The membership accepted the 50 absentee ballots received by the Nominating Committee, by a show of hands. A vote was taken and, by a unanimous show of hands, the proposed slate of officers was elected.

President Vorhis recognized his wife, Lois, for her on-going support of his involvement with the VVA, and then introduced, to the membership, several more members of the Executive Committee: Lucas Line representative, Elizabeth Edgar; Members-at-large, Alice Adams, and Donald Sinclair; and Publicity Committee Chairperson, June Wick. He also reported on the unfortunate accident of Coert Line representative, Frank Van Voorhis, who fell from a ladder and was unable to attend today's meeting.

Scott Voorhees, Program Chairperson, then introduced our featured speaker, Dr. Leonard Dawson, President of Voorhees College, Denmark, South Carolina. Accompanying Dr. Dawson were Mr. Herbert Keenheel, Treasurer of the College; and Willie Jefferson, a Voorhees College graduate and Director of Alumni Affairs.

Dr. Dawson gave a fascinating history of the college, from its founding by Elizabeth Evelyn Wright, in 1897, to the present. That the founder, black and female, and struggling against nearly-insurmountable odds, succeeded in her dream of creating an industrial training school for blacks, is a testimonial to the courageous tenacity of the human spirit. Describing the difficulties encountered by Ms. Wright as she attempted to raise the money to establish her school, Dr. Dawson noted that, without

the generosity of Ralph and Elizabeth Rodman Voorhees, the college might never have been established. Mr. and Mrs. Voorhees not only donated the money for the purchase of the land on which the college was built, but they continued to be interested in its progress; and Ralph Voorhees corresponded with Ms. Wright about many practical and administrative matters. The letters written by Mr. Voorhees are now in the Voorhees College Archives, and Dr. Dawson read from several of them.

Though the college has grown and now offers a full college curriculum, the population which Ms. Wright so desired to serve is still being served. Most of the student body is from the rural South, 98% of them are first-generation college students, 98% receive financial aid, and the median family income is less than \$12,000 per annum. The college is Episcopal-church affiliated, and places an emphasis on excellence and the motivation to succeed. Mr. Keenheel noted that, though the school had serious financial difficulties in the early '80s, there have actually been surplus funds for the last four years, in spite of federal cut-backs. The college does no external borrowing, has a positive cash flow, and is on very firm financial footing. He mentioned that Alan Voorhees, who is a member of the Board of Trustees, had been very helpful in effecting this turn-around.

In summation, Dr. Dawson stated that portraits of Ralph and Elizabeth Rodman Voorhees hang in a place of honor at Voorhees College, and that their generosity has affected hundreds of thousands of lives. VVA President Vorhis said that he would like to see a strengthing of the ties between the Association and Voorhees College.

The 55th Annual Meeting was brought to a close at 3:20 p.m. The Reverend Vorhis Cantrell gave the benediction, and the meeting was adjourned, with a punch reception and socializing to follow.

Respectfully submitted, Condace Foother

Candace Voorhies, Secretary

Editor's Note:

The minutes of the 55th Annual Meeting are reproduced above for the information of the members of the Association, and also as an aid to those who plan to attend the 56th Meeting in October. It is planned that, if there are no objections, reading of the minutes during the meeting will be omitted.

The Van Voorhees Association was represented on Feb. 15, 1987 at the annual Bergen County Heritage Day Exhibit. A display table made information and some items for sale available to those interested. The Association was represented by June Wick, Rev. Bill Lydecker, John Archibald, Scott Voorhees, Michael and George Davis.



This is YOUR Newsletter. We welcome material for all departments, and are particularly seeking short (1-3 pages) articles of genealogical or historical interest to the family, including material previously published elsewhere, but not generally available to the Association's membership.

Anyone wishing to contribute material for the Newsletter is requested to send it to the editors:

Mr. & Mrs. George Davis 310 Rockland Ave. River Vale, NJ 07675 While reading through a copy of the Association's "Roster of Members-May 1947" recently sent to us by Mrs. Harold Holtz, we noted the following item in the introductory material:

"Not all members have reported changes of addresses promptly; some do not report at all! That the passing of some members has not been recorded is quite evident. Hence this new Roster of Members must lack complete accuracy. Members are requested to report errors and omissions and also further data respecting their families. The new Genealogy cannot be successfully compiled without such data."

To this we can only say "not much has changed in forty years". Please keep us posted of any change in your address, so that you don't join the list of "lost cousins" below. If you know the present address of any of these cousins, please contact the editors (Names and last-known residences listed).

Kurt P. Jorgesen Auburn, ME
William Reed Voorhees Soquel, CA
Mrs. Roland W. McKinney Lockport, NY
Ms. Nia McEldowney Seattle, WA
Dr. Harry V. Unfug Arlington, WA
Todd, Tina & Susan Voorhees
Point Pleasant Beach, NJ

Genealogical Query

Genealogical Queries will be published on a space available basis, are restricted to those pertaining directly to a Van Voorhees descendant only, and are subject to editing. All queries are published with the understanding that a copy of any information received by the party placing the query will be forwarded to the Genealogy Committee Chairman, whose address appears elsewhere in this Newsletter.

GQ 16- I have been able to trace my ancestory only back to AARON VOORHIES, born before 1775, died before 1830, probably in Wayne Co., TN, since he appears in the 1820 Wayne Co. census. He married in Rowan Co., NC on 7 Aug 1788 to Rebecca Woods who was born before 1775 and died after 1840 in Wayne Co., TN. Their daughter, Sarah "Sally" Voorhies m. Benjamin J. Allen, Jr. 10 Aug 1811 in Maury Co., TN. Is this Aaron the son of Albert Voorhees (Albert(3); Lucas (2); Steven (1)? Any help would be greatly appreciated by Helen J. Hayes, Box 77, Blair, OK 73526.

In Memoriam

HELEN L. BOWMAN of Petersburg, VA died Dec. 21,1987 at the age of 90. Adescendant of the Albert line, Miss Bowman was a member of the Association since 1934. A life long resident of Petersburg, she was a teacher and principal in the Petersburg Public School system until her retirement.

CLARA VORHEES SHANNON died on Jan. 17, 1987 at Dallas, TX, in her 89th year. Born and raised at Hopewell, NJ, Clara lived most of her adult life in Texas, although she always thought of New Jersey as home. In later years, Clara was active in church affairs, and kept a wide circle of friends, which extended "back home". Her Texas family has grown from three children to include fifteen grandchildren and a handful of great grandchildren. Clara was a member of the 1984 Van Voorhees trip to the Netherlands, and had attended at least one recent annual meeting.

HILDA VORHEES BEANS, sister of Clara V. Shannon died Thanksgiving Day, 1987.

(Tear Here)

return completed applications, with remittance to:

The Van Voorhees Association Arthur Voorhees 1900 SW 83rd Ave. Fort Lauderdale, FL 33324

Upon acceptance of this application, further information will be requested.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

THE UNDERSIGNED, A DESCENDANT OF
Steven Coerte Van Voorhees
HEREBY APPLIES FOR MEMBERSHIP IN

The Van Voorhees Association

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