

PILGRIM TIMES

SPRING 2016

LUNCHEON PROGRAM: GOVERNOR GENERAL

LEA SINCLAIR FILSON
Governor General
General Society
Mayflower Descendants



Once she learned she was a descendant, Lea Filson joined the Mayflower Society in the state of Louisiana, a relatively small society, which gave her the opportunity to get involved in many areas. She was public relations chair at the state level before becoming the State Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary. From May 2002 - 2005, she served as the Louisiana State Governor. She has also been Editor of the Louisiana Drumbeats newsletter, and is presently Louisiana Deputy Governor.

In 2002, she volunteered to help with the national insignia program and Governor General Bob Davis appointed her General Society Insignia Chair. Lea

attended Congress in 2005 after being evacuated from New Orleans due to Hurricane Katrina. While there, she learned she had lost her home, but luckily the GSMD insignia was safe on the 4th floor of a storage unit. She sold insignia that Congress with the help of her Mother, Ellen Sinclair of the Illinois Society, using only photos. She continued as Insignia Chair until 2012. In 2010, she volunteered to take over the GSMD website and rework it. She oversaw its changes until it could be taken over by Plymouth staff. TheMayflowerSociety.org continues to be updated with new content and over 4,000 members have registered as of December 2014.

Lea was elected Executive Committee Member at Large at the 2005 Congress and reelected in the same position in 2008. In 2011, she became Assistant Governor General until this past September when she was elected Governor General, a position she is

proud and honored to hold.

Lea is descended from Mayflower passengers Isaac Allerton, Mary Norris Allerton, Mary Allerton Cushman, and Degory Priest.

Her career includes many years on-air as a broadcaster in both television and radio. That was the basis for her consulting company, LEAF Communications, where she specializes in media, marketing, and public relations.

Lea is Director of Communications for the New Orleans Tourism Marketing Corporation. She is happily married to Ronald Coulter Filson. The title of Lea's talk is: **Progress of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants: What that means to you and why this is a really exciting time to be a member!**

Reservation Form for the Spring Luncheon is on Page 7 of this issue of the Pilgrim Times.

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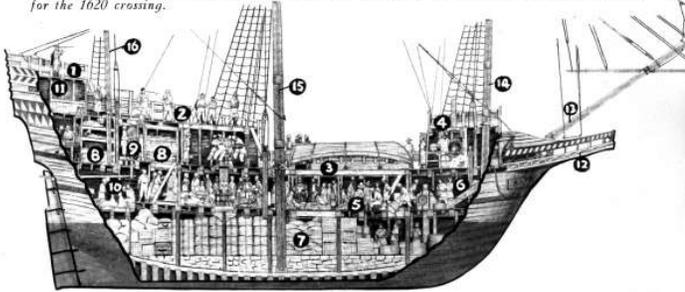
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This cut-away view shows passengers and crew as they would have been packed into the Mayflower for the 1620 crossing.



KEY TO DRAWING

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| 1. Poop deck. | 6. Crew's quarters. | 11. Captain's cabin. |
| 2. Half deck. | 7. Large hold. | 12. Beak. |
| 3. Upper deck. | 8. Special cabins. | 13. Bowsprit. |
| 4. Forecastle. | 9. Helmsman with whipstaff controlling the tiller. | 14. Foremast. |
| 5. Main deck where most of the Pilgrims were housed. | 10. Tiller room. | 15. Mainmast. |
| | | 16. Mizzen mast. |

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To submit articles of interest to the membership, please contact the *Pilgrim Times* Editor: Constance "Stanzi" Lucy
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ANNUAL MAYFLOWER SUMMER PICNIC

The Society will hold its 4th Annual Summer Picnic at a pavilion at the Air Force Academy's FamCamp on Sat., July 23, 2016. We'll have access to the pavilion from 9 AM to 2:30 PM that day. The reservation fee for the site was paid by the Colorado Mayflower Society, so it is FREE for the members and their guests to attend. The pavilion has a large grill, electrical outlets and many picnic tables. Bathrooms are nearby as is a children's play area. The picnic itself will start at 11 AM with our event going until 2:30 PM. The format will be "an old fashioned, bring a pot luck dish" (i.e., bring lunch and a dish to share) picnic. Please also bring utensils and charcoal/lighter fluid as needed. Games such as horseshoes, tether ball and "baggio" will be available for your enjoyment. Our member heading up the picnic planning, etc. is Mary Daley of Colorado Springs, Colorado. Mary may be reached at mwdaley@earthlink.net or (719) 264-0616. Please RSVP to Mary by July 12, 2016 so that we might have an idea of the number of people planning to attend.

Directions:

The location of the FamCamp area is on the northern part of the Air Force Academy. The picnic location is accessed via the Academy's North Gate entrance off 1-25, then turn left (south) onto Stadium Blvd (you'll see a big aircraft (B- 52) at the turn) and go 1.3 miles to turn left into the FamCamp area

via Academy Drive. There is a sign on the right side of Stadium Blvd. pointing left which says "FamCamp/Picnic Area." Take first left onto Peregrine Drive (another FamCamp sign on right) and then a quick right onto a dirt road (before the FamCamp office). You'll see a sign (on pole under a diamond-shaped "Children Playing" symbol) which says Picnic Area # 2, 3. Follow dirt road until you see Picnic Pavilion # 3 (marked with building number 9017). Those without a Depart of Defense ID card (active duty, retired military or dependent) CAN NOT get through the Academy's South Gate entrance off of 1-25, so plan to use the North Gate entrance. The FamCamp area is in a part of the base specifically open to the public.

*Submitted by:
Mary Warren Daley*



COMPACT RECAP



Governor **Michelle Brown** and Deputy Governor **Jeanney Scott Horn** present **Kyle Clark**, our speaker at the last Compact Dinner a certificate of appreciation. We always have wonderful speakers at our events thanks to Jeanney.

Many of our board members dressed in our pilgrim attire for the event. Thank you Assistant Governor **General George Garmany**, Historian **Sandra Carter-Duff**, Board member **Richard Jeffords**, and Governor **Michelle Brown**.



2020 COIN SERIES

Hello from your Governor's desk,

The Mayflower society is again asking for your help and participation in contacting your Congressmen and Representatives in order to have commemorative coins minted for the 400 year commemoration of the landing of the Mayflower in 2020. I have sample letters for your Congressional contacts and your State Representative contacts. Please take a moment to add your information to the letter (personalizing it if you want) and sent it along with the Bill that we are trying to get passed. To make it easier for you, I have compiled the contacts to who you can send the letter and Bill.

Please send your letters to the Congressional Chief of Staff or Legislative Director for your Senators and Representatives. Please attach either S.1715 for your Senators and HR.2980 for your Representatives, then the staff folks will know what to do next. It takes an act of congress in order to get these coins minted and we need your help. Thank you in advance for your help and participation. [See more info on Page 4.](#)

Kind regards,
Michelle L. Brown
Governor, Colorado State Society of
Mayflower Descendants

HELP WANTED!

Assistant Secretary for the Board

We have an opening on the Board of Assistants for an Assistant Secretary. This person would fill in for our Secretary if she is unable to attend any regular or board meetings to take minutes. The person would also be responsible for our sales table at our Spring Luncheon and Compact Dinner. They would sit at the table before the meeting to sell product and then take the sales items home until the next meeting. Please let someone on the Board know ASAP if you are interested or you can email Michelle Brown at brownm657@comcast.net.

DUES INCREASE

From Your Executive Committee and Board of Assistants:

Per our Bylaws Article VI "Dues and Fees," Section 2, "Fees shall be determined by the Board of Assistants."

In 2014, the General Congress approved an increase to the dues paid by each state to the General Society of \$4 per member. This increase took effect with the February 2016 payment to the General Society. Our State Society has also experienced increased costs over the last few years. The Executive Committee and Board of Assistants discussed the financial impact of this increase at the last Board Meeting and determined that a dues increase to our members should take effect with collection of 2017 dues beginning January 2017. Dues will increase by \$5 to \$35.00 annually.

This would be a great time to consider a Life Membership! Currently Life Membership is \$450 (our Bylaws state it as "15 times the annual rate" of \$30). When the dues increase takes effect January 2017, the cost of Life Membership will increase to \$525.

If you have any questions, or would like to become a Life Member, please feel free to contact our State Treasurer, Liz Gaudreau, at: COMayfloweTreasurer@gmail.com or Liz.Gaudreau@gmail.com, or you may call her at 720-379-5874.

2016 BOA MEETING

2016 General Board of Assistants meeting 9/9 – 9/11, 2016

Registration is now open for the General Board of Assistants meeting in Indianapolis, IN in September. This would be a great meeting to attend to get ideas for when Colorado hosts this meeting in 2019. If you are on the 2019 committee and are interested in attending please let Michelle Brown know and she will forward the registration packet to you. Michelle's email address is brownm657@comcast.net.

INTRODUCTION OF THE 2020 COIN SERIE INITIATIVE

The first project of the 2020 Committee is to initiate a coin series to be issued in recognition of the Mayflower voyage and the establishment of Plymouth Colony. We are working with other planning organizations by asking the U.S. Mint to issue a commemorative coin series for the 400th anniversary of the pilgrims' landing in Plymouth. The coin program is described in the March Mayflower Quarterly. *Let's make Colorado a leader in getting support for this initiative.*

As you may know, Congressional approval must be obtained for the Mint to issue a commemorative coin, and the process begins by passing a bill in the House of Representatives. This is where we need your help. Congressman Bill Foster

(Illinois) will be introducing a bill in this Congress to commission a commemorative coin series in celebration of the 400th anniversary of the arrival of the Pilgrims. He will need many co-sponsors for this bill. If you have not already done so, please contact your Representative to ask him or her to co-sponsor that bill. If you would like a draft letter, please visit the 2020 Commemoration webpage at the GSMD website (<https://www.themayflowersociety.org>) to find a template. You may send it electronically or mail it by traditional post office. It will also be important that other members of your Society join this effort, so please spread the word to them. In addition, we are inviting Junior Members to write. Five years from now, many of them

will be old enough to appreciate those shiny new, and very special coins!

Now that the new Congress has convened, they will be getting down to legislative business. The draft letter also appeals to whatever sense of bipartisanship survives these first few weeks of the new session. You can look up contact information for your Representative by going to www.house.gov and entering your zip-code. This website should now include all those freshman members who just entered the U.S. House. Thank you in advance for asking your Representative to co-sponsor this bill. GSMD thanks the Illinois Society for initiating this proposal.

*George Garmany, MD
Chair, 2020 Committee, GSMD*



COLORADO MAYFLOWER SOCIETY 2020 COMMITTEE

The Colorado Mayflower Society 2020 Committee held its first meeting March 6, 2016 at the Douglas County, Philip S. Miller Library. Items discussed ranged from the use of the Colorado Society logo to possibly making minor changes depending upon its use and different ways to promote the Colorado Society. The ideas for promoting the Society were as varied as those present, to include Mayflower Descendant license plate frames, tee shirts promoting the 400th anniversary of the landing of the Mayflower, to window decals. Of the just mentioned items, license plate frames will be available for purchase at the Spring Meeting at the

Pinehurst Country Club; also a design for tee shirts will be available for member comments.

With the scheduled 2019 BOA meeting in Denver one item discussed was a commemorative pin to be given to each attendee. This pin will be available for purchase by the general membership in the future.

Also discussed was a 2020 Mayflower display to be placed at the main Denver Public Library and other locations along with a series of speakers at DPL on topics such as the Mayflower and 17th century Colonial America.

Items tabled for further discussion include the reading of the Mayflower Compact before the Colorado State

Legislature, a proclamation by the Colorado Governor for the 2020 400th anniversary of the landing of the Mayflower, a summer picnic with foods of the Pilgrims.

It was agreed upon by those present to meet again after the Spring Luncheon. The next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, June 5, 2016, 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm at the Douglas County, Philip S. Miller Library, located at 100 South Wilcox in Castle Rock. All are welcome, your ideas, participation and feedback is and will be appreciated.

*Richard F. Jeffords
2020 Committee*

SCOOPY MANOR, GAINSBOROUGH OLD HALL, ST. WINFRED'S & ALL SAINTS' BY JEANNEY SCOTT HORN

This past August, I had the wonderful opportunity to accompany historian Sue Allan, author of *In Search of Scrooby Manor*, for a personal tour of the Scrooby Manor site in Nottinghamshire, England. We also visited two nearby churches with strong Pilgrim associations and Gainsborough Old Hall, a still-standing Medieval Manor house that gives us an excellent idea of how Scrooby Manor would have looked in its prime.



At Scrooby Manor, there are now only a few modern farm buildings and a farmhouse (*above*) of previously unknown relationship to the original Manor remaining on the site. Sue's special relationship with the current owners (distant relatives of the Brewsters) made it possible for us to visit the site which is not open to the public. Sue's research has confirmed that the oldest part of the farmhouse was part of the Manor house in William Brewster's time, and it includes a room that was originally part of the Archbishop's Chapel. Scrooby Manor belonged to the Archbishops of York and it was known that a chapel had been there but until Sue's research no one knew that it was part of the old farmhouse! It's at the south end of the building on the second floor (1st floor in England) about where the large arch can now be seen on the outside of the western wall as seen in the above image. Though we were unable to enter the house that day—it is still a private residence—Sue was able to describe for us her remarkable discovery. Which is a major story in itself!

We also visited two churches connected with William Brewster...

St. Wilfrid's in the town of Scrooby was the church attended by Brewster in his youth. The building, *below*, is still essentially as it was in those times though only a few furnishings go that far back—including a narrow pew that now sits in one of the side aisles.

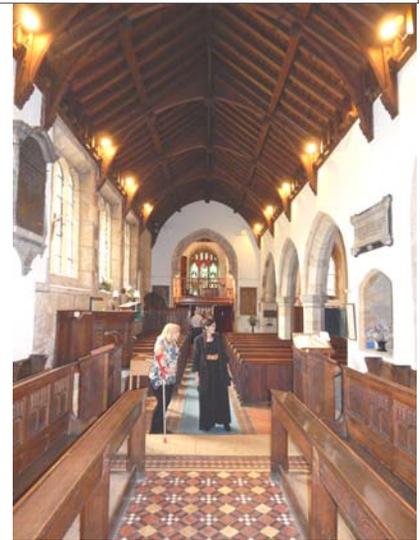
About 8 miles down the



Great North Road from Scrooby Manor—on which Brewster and William Bradford often walked together in deep discussion about religion—is All Saints' Church in Babworth which played a much more important role in Brewster's life as it was here that he came under the influence of the Separatist pastor Richard Clyfton and where he met and befriended William Bradford. This church is situated in a small remnant of the great Nottingham



Forest (*above*) with a view up the ancient North Road (which went from London to Scotland) where it passes by the churchyard. The existing church dates to the 15th century and so is the very building in which Brewster and Bradford would have worshipped.



(*above*) The church's connection with the Pilgrim Fathers is highlighted by the display of two spikes used in the construction of the Mayflower II, and the cover on the baptismal font is made of wood also recovered from that replica ship, shown below.



We also travelled to nearby Gainsborough Old Hall—a manor house that was a contemporary of Scrooby Manor that still survives and gives an excellent impression of what Scrooby would have looked like in its heyday, although Scrooby was well known to have been more elegantly appointed.

The trip was truly step back in time and a chance to walk in the footsteps of a Mayflower ancestor!

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE by Sandra Carter-Duff, Historian

NEW MEMBERS

Gail M. Beets
11th from Standish

Pamela Joy Berg
11th from Bradford

Toni M. Bullock
13th from Chilton

Jan Elise Cannon
13th from Hopkins

Sandra S. Corricello
11th from Warren

Carol S. Edmond
13th from Warren

Shirley Ilene Edgar
12th from Alden

Conrad Dale Ericksen
11th from Howland

Judith Gay Glades
12th from Howland

Alexandra Shires Golan
12th from Rogers

Vytorra Gwin
15th from Warren

Nyssa Gwin
15th from Warren

Rebecca L. Halverson
11th from White

Autumn Hayes
12th from Alden

Sharyn K. Herian
10th from Eaton

Susan Abbot Lausten
10th from Standish

Barbara J. League
13th from Hopkins

Theresa Marie Lowe
13th from Alden

Margery McKnight
12th from Howland

Donald Charles Metcalf
11th from Howland

Robert S. Mitchell
12th from Howland

Kirsten Ann Nelson
14th from M Chilton

Martin Robert Nelson
15th from Chilton

Joan B. Newell
12th from Hopkins

Carl A. Pendleton
12 from Brewster

Catherine Rands
13th from Brewster

Alan Forrest Rice
11th from Alden

Johanna C. Santucci
11th from Brewster

Dorothy M. Sellers
13th from Alden

Sandra Wolff Snyder
10th from Standish

Jennifer Stanton
13th from Howland

Carol Joyce Taylor
11th from Warren

Danielle Nicole Thiret
13th from Chilton

Brenda Colleen Uribe
12 from Bradford

Roger Alan Walton
11th from Soule

Benjamin Eric Wilkinson
12th from Howland

Donald Edward Wilkinson
12th from Howland



JUNIOR TO REGULAR

Megan Noel Brabham
12th from Soule

Hessa Ruth Miller
11th from Doty

Melanie Higgins Reeves
15th from Tilley

Sam Wood
12th from Fuller

TRANSFERS IN

Margaret Ellis
11th from Hopkins

Janet Lee Herman
11th from Howland

RESIGNATIONS

James Meritt Barton
11th from Warren

Patricia A. Hofer
11th from Howland

Holly Kern Thomas
12th from Soule

NEW DUAL MEMBERS

Esther Jennifer Goldman
14th from Bradford

Richard H. Mucciaccio
14th from Priest

IN MEMORIAM

Ruth M. Christian
12th from Fuller

Margarette Florentino
13th from Brewster
11th from Alden

Lynn G. Kitzmiller
11th from Doty

Victor E. Johnson
9th from Cooke

Ron Myatt
11th from Alden
12th from Mullins

Marnita Cushman Oliver
12th from Allerton

Shirley L. Sutphen
11th from White

NEW JUNIOR MEMBERS

None

REINSTATEMENTS

Raymond Baker Edwards
13th from Chilton

NEW LIFE MEMBERS

Sandra L. Carter-Duff
13th from Billington

Roxanne Marie Holcomb
12th from Brewster

Denise M. Main
12th from Warren

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE SPRING LUNCHEON OF THE COLORADO MAYFLOWER SOCIETY

*****SATURDAY, MAY 21ST, 2016*****

SOCIAL TIME 11:30 AM ~ LUNCHEON 12:00 | \$36.00 PER PERSON.
PINEHURST COUNTRY CLUB, 6255 W. QUINCY AVE., DENVER 80235

~~~ BILL OF FARE ~~~

AIRLINE CHICKEN

*WITH BLACK STRAP MOLASSES, GRILLED FRESH ASPARAGUS
AND ROASTED BABY RED POTATOES*

MEDALLIONS OF BEEF

*MARINATED AND GRILLED WITH MUSHROOM BORDELAISE,
GRILLED ASPARAGUS AND ROASTED BABY RED POTATOES*

VEGETARIAN/VEGAN OPTION

*STUFFED TOMATO WITH SPINACH MUSHROOM DUXELL & WALNUT PESTO,
GRILLED ASPARAGUS AND ROASTED BABY RED POTATOES*

*EACH ENTRÉE BEGINS WITH PINEHURST COUNTRY MIXED GREEN SALAD
WITH A CHOICE OF TWO DRESSINGS AND BREAD BASKET;*

*AND ENDS WITH WHITE CHOCOLATE MOUSSE IN A DARK CHOCOLATE CUP WITH RASPBERRY DRIZZLE
AND COFFEE & TEA.*

Ice Tea and Lemonade and a Cash Bar will be available.

THE PROGRAM WILL FOLLOW THE LUNCHEON.

Reservation Form for the Mayflower Spring Luncheon

Pleas RSVP no later than **May 17th**. Remittance enclosed @ \$36.00 p/p: \$ _____

Please make checks payable to: Colorado Mayflower Society and remit to Mayflower Society Treasurer:

Elizabeth Gaudreau, 7451 Windlawn Way, Parker, CO 80134

Meal Selection: (A) Airline Chicken | (B) Medallions of Beef | (C) Vegetarian/Vegan

Names: (Please Print)

Entrée (A, B, or C)

Member:

Phone/Email:

Comments: (Please list any dietary restrictions.)



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WHAT'S FOR DINNER? PILGRIM STYLE



How would you like to live in a time when children drank beer but didn't drink milk? A time when deer and swan were considered delicacies and lobster was everyday food? Welcome to England and New England in the 1600s!

Though the English from this time ate some of the same foods that we do today, their diet was quite different from ours. In fact, people back then had a very different idea of what foods were good for them. To their minds, bread, beer and meat were the best foods, although they couldn't often have them in New Plymouth.

In the 1600s everyone ate according to the season. Back then many foods were available only at certain times of the year. No matter how much money you had, there were some foods that you just couldn't have. Without refrigeration and the fast shipping that we have today, foods couldn't be brought in from other parts of the world before they spoiled. So, it was im-

possible to have fresh strawberries in December.

After the colonists first arrived in Plymouth, they had three really difficult years. There were no food shops in New England, so the colonists had to produce their own food. They struggled to grow crops in a climate that was different from England. Fishing was difficult because most of the colonists weren't trained as fishermen and they brought the wrong sized fish hooks! Supplies from England didn't come as frequently as they wished, so whole years went by without any imported goods like sugar and butter.

Things did improve, though. The colonists got better at fishing. They began to grow more Indian corn, which they learned to cultivate from the Wampanoag People. And they learned the best ways to hunt and trap animals such as deer, rabbit, turkey, geese, duck, and other wildfowl. The domesticated animals that they brought from England -- chickens, goats, sheep and cows -- were increasing in number and were able to be eaten. And supplies such as sugar, spices, oil, vinegar and wine began to be sent over on ships yearly. Some colonists wrote letters back to friends and family saying how good their diet had become -- better than when they lived in England or Holland. Plymoth.org

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