



Palmetto Log

The Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of South Carolina
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Governor's Message



Dear Fellow Pilgrims,

You may notice some changes in this edition of the Palmetto Log because we have a new Editor and a new program for formatting the newsletter. After many years of service to the SMDSC as a past Governor and as Editor of the Palmetto Log, Kathy Handel retired from her position. We were fortunate to have Carolyn Richbart accept the position of Editor of the Palmetto Log and she was duly elected at our Compact Day Luncheon. We appreciate all Kathy's work on behalf of our Society and welcome Carolyn's willingness to contribute in a like manner.

Our data base contact information is much more complete thanks to your cooperation in returning the information sheet with your dues this year. We were able to "track down" many members and enjoyed phone conversations with them as we updated their status. We are working to improve your receipt of the Palmetto Log, dues notices, and notices of upcoming events that will be of interest to you. Please promptly notify Margaret Collar and me of any change in your contact information.

The number of attendees at our recent luncheons has increased and that is a positive result of better communication. Your Board is anxious to foster greater involvement in our society by its membership and we welcome your participation in our activities.

Our Deputy Governor Paul Weiland is working with Nick Maher to arrange our next luncheon in the Beaufort area and details are provided in this Log. This is part of our plan to

arrange membership meetings in different sections of our wonderful state.

We will not be voting on Bylaw changes in April because the National Society will be making their changes this year and we will wait until they are complete before changing our Bylaws to conform. This is based on the advice of our DGG Jeannette Taylor and our AG Sarah Clingman.

It may be of interest to you to learn that your Board of Assistants has simplified the process for reinstatement of past members. If you know of a past member whose membership is no longer in effect, but is interested in a reinstatement, please ask them to contact our treasurer Jeannette Taylor to learn how this can be accomplished.

As always, I welcome your input and suggestions in regard to our Society. If it is negative input, we will try to address the problem, and of course positive feedback is most welcome. You can contact me at patsayko@msn.com. I look forward to seeing you at our April Luncheon.

Your Governor,
Pat Sayko

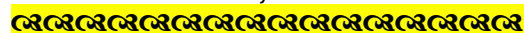


Margaret G. Young Passes Away

Margaret G. Young passed away on January 13, 2010 at the age of 93. She was Governor of the Society of Mayflower Descendants of South Carolina from 1980 to 1982. She was living in Sun City West in Arizona.

Mrs. Young was preceded in death by her husband Frank.. A memorial service was given on January 30 at Shepherd of the Hills United Methodist Church in Sun City West.

Our Society is sending a memorial donation to the GS Mayflower House Museum



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Greetings From Your SC Historian

Because of many, many hours invested by applicants researching and documenting their papers for submittal to Plymouth, I am pleased to announce that during 2009 the SC Chapter added 49 new members, plus 2 transfers from other states. I really do want to commend these newest members for their hard work and cooperation. As some of you know, Plymouth is really "tightening up" on documentation requirements, more thoroughly scrutinizing submitted corroborative material than ever before. Many previously approved papers are no longer acceptable as the sole basis to approve new applications without additional references being presented. Plymouth will not accept "carte blanche" certificates from other genealogical societies as proof of descendancy. Some state and municipalities make it extremely difficult to secure birth, marriage, and death certificates. During the past year Plymouth actually closed a previously approved line due to newer documents which disproved the lineage as originally presented. All this can be occasionally frustrating, but in reality is really practicing good solid genealogy. The internet and many genealogical web sites have made the job of documentation far easier, and the staff in Plymouth is a joy to work with.

Please keep in mind that members of your immediate or extended family may apply for membership by using any approved paper as a basis for theirs. Even if yours is an older approved paper, I can usually find enough extra

material on the web to satisfy Plymouth. Minors may join as junior members and secure a regular membership after their 18th birthday. Out of state family members can join through any State Society regardless of where they live. I have copies of all previously approved SC applications and can order copies from Plymouth of any others, so it is a relatively simple matter for me to create new applications from those. Many of you are descended from more than one passenger and therefore can submit supplemental applications. Please also consider a gift membership for a child, grandchild, sibling, parent or any other family member.

*A belated Happy New Year to all,
Nick Maher
SC Historian
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In Memoriam

Goodbye to our dearly departed
Mary Allerton Barnes born 1941 of
Charleston passed away May 22, 2008

Catherine "Kay" Vincent born 1912 of West
Columbia passed away on July 31, 2009. She
is buried in Crescent Hill Memorial Gardens.

Margaret Ann Daniels born 1938 of Florence
passed away November 2, 2009. She is buried
in Florence National Cemetery.

Florence Dahmen Tumbokon, born 1938 of
Spartenburg passed away December 3, 2009.
She is buried in Beaufort National Cemetery.

Muriel H. Willeford born 1922 of
Charleston passed away December 6, 2009.
She is buried in Bishop Gadsden
Columbarium.

Update on Membership

Life Memberships will no longer be an
available option.

Emeritus Members are at least 80 years of
age and have been members of our society
for at least 5 years.

Past Members: The Board of Assistants passed the following motion on January 9, 2009:

"The Past Member (whether from resignation or dropped for non-payment of dues) will be required to pay the current dues and a reinstatement fee of an equal amount in order to effect the reinstatement. A member who wishes to claim Emeritus status must pay regular dues for a period of 5 years from the date of reinstatement. The reinstatement fee is not to be credited to this payment of dues."

Responses to Relationship Puzzle

Our SC Mayflower Society has an interesting relationship puzzle for you to solve. One of our society members is a descendant of John Howland and Elizabeth Tilley through one of their daughters. She married a new member of our Society who is descended also from John and Elizabeth Howland, but through another of their daughters. They have two sons who are junior members. How would you describe the genetics and relationship of the two junior members? Are they more closely identical than that of ordinary siblings? Responses to this question were invited in our past newsletter. The following responses have been received.

1. Not only are the siblings brothers, but they are cousins. Not only are they cousins, but their parents are cousins. Not only are the parents cousins, but the children are cousins of their parents. Distant cousins, very distant cousins, but cousins none the less. Place the line of descent side by side, and compare. 1. Common ancestor, 2. Brothers/Sisters 3. 1st cousins 4. 2nd cousins, and so on. If the lineage does not line up exactly, then they are removed by 1, 2 or 3 generations, whatever the difference. Remember that there are 4 lines here, one from John Howland, through the mother to each son, then from John Howland, through the father to each son. And that precludes

any other intermarriages that have not been introduced here.

2. There are different types of DNA in your body and in this case, Y-chromosome and mitochondrial DNA are excluded since the children are not descended on direct Y-chromosome or mitochondrial lines from Howland and Tilley. That leaves autosomal DNA to which I refer you to an excellent article written by Jack P. Hallman in the June 2006 issue of the "Mayflower Quarterly" titled, "On Inheriting Mayflower Genes: A Lesson in Human Genetics". On page 120, he gives an example using John Alden and Priscilla Mullins where 12 generations removed would give a descendant the probability of 1/47 in inheriting a Mayflower autosome. The fact that the children have two different sources of Howland-Tilley autosomes might increase their inheritance odds some.

One more thing to keep in mind, children do not inherit the exact same autosomal DNA from their parents. That would go for the Howland daughters as well. They would not have inherited exactly the same autosomes from their parents. It would be interesting to know if the children have ANT matching DNA that can be traced to their common ancestors and there may be a way someday soon to find that out. But for now, my answer to your quest "Are their genetics more closely identical than that of ordinary siblings?", probably not.

Mayflower Essay Competition for Elementary/Middle School Students: Summer Reading

I am so proud of the winners of last year's essay contest. The elementary school essay was written by Strahley Benson, daughter of member, Mary Carlisle Benson of Columbia, SC. The middle school essay was written by John Kennely McDonald, grandson of member John K. McDonald of Mt. Pleasant, SC



John McDonald and Strahley Benson lead the Pledge of Allegiance at the Compact Day Luncheon on Nov. 1

In the continuing effort on the part of the SC Mayflower Society to educate our junior members about their Mayflower heritage, elementary and middle school students will have an opportunity to compete in an essay contest. There will be two financial awards, one for the elementary student and one for the middle school student.

One **\$500 bond** will be awarded to the winning elementary student and another **\$500 bond** will be awarded to the winning middle school student.

This year the essay should be **about one of your ancestors**.

Elementary school student essays should be a **minimum of 3** paragraphs as follows: 1) Introduction 2) Supporting paragraph 3) Final concluding paragraph.

Middle school student essays should be a **minimum of 5** paragraphs as follows: 1) Introduction , 2) 3 paragraphs 3) Final concluding paragraph

I look forward to learning more about your ancestors and what you have found out about your family.

Please send **3 copies** of your essay to Judith McKenna Williams, Education Assistant 112 Pond Edge Lane, Chapin, SC 29036 to be received by **August 1, 2010**.

Colonists' Lives: What They Left Behind

Life in the Plymouth of the New World was quite different than what our forefathers left behind. In this article I will be comparing the housing of the late 16th and early 17th centuries in Old England's countryside with that of Plimouth Plantation.

Much of England in those days was rural. the land was generally not fenced. Only

about 25% of the land was cultivated. It was mostly woods, moors, fens, commons, and the vast parks of the sovereign and wealthy land-owners. The sovereign alone had about 200 parks. The ploughed fields were usually separated by mounds of earth rather than fences. Large areas were dedicated to the grazing of sheep as the wool industry provided England's main export.

About every two to four miles a settlement could be found with a parish church, a few cottages and the manor house of the local squire who owned most of the land nearby. You can still find some of these villages in the English countryside and manors of the gentry with their large parks.

The squire lived in a two story house of brick, stone or half timbered with a roof of tile or slate. The rooms tended to be large and walls were covered with tapestry or oak panels. Few would have had glass in their windows as it was still very expensive and reserved for churches and palaces.

The freemen's homes had several rooms and a roof of reeds. In these days he may have had a feather-bed, sheets, and pillows. He was also now replacing his wooden eating utensils with pewter.

The cottages of the laborer was of clay upon a timber frame and roofed with straw. He seldom had more than two rooms or more than two small windows latticed with oiled paper.

Except for the bedrooms (if there was one) floors of most dwellings were strewn with rushes which could be swept out when dirty and replaced.

Most dwellings had some sort of garden. The gardens could have had melons, pumpkins, squashes, cucumbers, radishes, parsnips, carrots, cabbages, rape-seed, turnips and many kinds of salad greens. Potatoes were relatively unknown. This is what our ancestors knew how to grow. Gentleman may have had orchards with apples, pears, plums, walnuts, and filberts and more extensive orchards may have also had cherries, apricots, peaches, grapes, almonds and figs.

If you have ever visited Plimouth Plantation which depicts the lives of our ancestors in 1627, you know what their dwellings were like. They were like the dwellings described above that belonged to laborers. They were small with dirt floors, a fire right on the floor and tiny windows which could let out some smoke but provided little light. In the summer their houses were hot and buzzing

with flies and in winter they were cold and dark. When it was really cold they brought the chickens and goats into the house. They lived like this for years.

Imagine how important it must have been to them to be in the new world rather than Old England to accept these changes.

References:

Dexter, Henry & Dexter, Morton (1978) **The England and Holland of the Pilgrims.**
Waters, Kate. **Sarah Morton's Day**

Mayflower Quarterly Diamond Jubilee Edition

During the past 75 years the General Society has issued a Quarterly. This special edition includes what is considered some of the best articles since 1935. This edition will be a hard cover book of 288 pages with 16 color pictures. The cost will be \$50 + \$12 shipping. There is an order form in the Mayflower Quarterly or write to GSMD-Jubilee, PO Box 3297, Plymouth, MA 02361-3297 or telephone (508) 746-5058.

Happy Birthday to Ola Hitt

Ola Hitt of Aiken has been a long time member of our South Carolina Society. She will be celebrating her 100th birthday on April 18. Several of her friends are planning a celebration in her honor for April 17 at the First Baptist Church in Aiken. The party will be from 3-5 pm and if you are in the area you are welcome to attend and shower her with love. Please let Ester Cope know if you plan to attend at either her phone: (803) 652-3639 or her email: ecope@atlantic.net.

Ms Cope tells us, "Ola has spent her entire life giving back to the community, and helping others. She opened her home to Veterans for many years, taking care of their special needs, transporting them to appointments and just being their "mom". She is active in several heritage and lineage organizations" which she dearly loves. A display of her certificates and awards will be the focal point of the celebration. Our Society will present a certificate of recognition to her at the event.

If you are unable to attend but would like to honor Ola, you may send her a letter of congratulation in care of:

Ester Cope
2756 Silver Bluff Rd
Aiken, SC 29803

South Carolina Scholarship Competition

Attention graduating high school seniors and college students, \$1000 scholarship to the winner

It is the mission of Mayflower Descendants to perpetuate the legacy of their forefathers and mothers. What better way than to educate the young? It is important to teach the values and character traits that made them "survivors" under very difficult conditions, and to school the youth in the ideals that lead to the formation of a democratic government. Therefore encouraging intellectual growth will foster and protect freedom. One way to do this is by offering scholarships to students in the memory of those who came on the Mayflower in 1620.

The South Carolina Society of Mayflower Descendants encourages youth who are related to a member of the South Carolina Society and who are or will be attending a college or university to apply for this scholarship.

The following eligibility criteria have been set for the 2009-2010 Scholarship Contest that will be awarded July 30, 2010. Winner announced in August and will be found at www.scmayflower.com.

1. Applicant must be: a high school senior graduating in the spring of 2010 and enrolling in college for fall of 2010 or already attending a college/university with plans to continue college in the fall of 2010.
2. Applicant must have a lineage connection to a member of the South Carolina Society (i.e. parent, grandparent, aunt, or uncle)
3. The applicant may live outside the state of South Carolina.
4. Application must be post marked by

June 14, 2010 and sent to

Pat Sayko, 1014 Crooked Oak Lane, Johns Island, SC 29455

Society of Mayflower Descendants in South Carolina

2009-2010 Scholarship Application

(\$1000 award to winner)

Deadline to apply: June 14, 2010

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Complete the scholarship application below.
2. List on one side of an 8 1/2 x 11 piece of paper the following and in this order: extra-curricular activities, honors received and any pertinent information that will demonstrate community involvement and leadership.
3. Enclose a final high school transcript or latest college transcript.
4. Include a typed essay of 500-750 words on the topic of a specific Mayflower passenger and describe how this person contributed to the survival of Plymouth Colony during the winter of 1621 or if possible use your ancestor and identify one or more attributes of this person and the contribution they made to the Colony.
5. The application package must be complete and arranged in the order described above.
6. Three (3) copies of the completed application package are to be put in a 9 x 12 envelope which must be postmarked no later than **June 14, 2010** and sent to:

**Pat Sakyo
1014 Crooked Oak Lane
Johns Island, SC 29455**

Name of Applicant

Street Address

City, State, Zip Code

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____

Email: _____ Name of Mayflower Ancestor _____

Name of your connection in the South Carolina Society. What is their connection to you and their address?

Name of college or university you will be attending

Spring Luncheon

April 24, 2010

Hilton Garden Inn

1500 Queen Street

Beaufort (843) 379-9800

Gathering Time at 11:30 AM--Buffet Begins at 12 noon

Speaker:

Billy Keyserling

Mayor of Beaufort

Cash Bar Will Be Available

Buffet Menu

Mixed Fresh Greens and Cole Slaw

Green Beans Almandine and Mashed Potato

Chicken Marsala, Grilled Salmon and Roasted Pork Medallions

\$27.00

Children Under 12

Chicken Fingers, Fries, etc.

\$12

RSVP and check by April 15 to:

Nick Maher

36 Partridge Circle

Beaufort, SC 29907

(843) 522-8878

37ford@earthlink.net

I (we) will attend the Spring Luncheon on Saturday, April 24, 2010

Member _____

Spouse & Other adults _____

Children under 12 _____

Please find a check payable to GSMD-SC for

#Adults _____ #Children _____ total \$ _____

Carolyn Gliden
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www.scmayflower.com

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Luncheon Speaker

Billy Keyserling is presently serving his first term as Mayor of Beaufort. Billy's family has been a mainstay in the Beaufort community for years. His mother served in the South Carolina House of Representatives from 1977 to 1993, and his father was a Beaufort physician. Billy is a Beaufort native and himself served in the SC House of Representatives for two terms in the '90's, and was also on the Beaufort City Council. Billy graduated from Brandeis University Magna Cum Laude with a bachelor's degree in American Studies and also holds a graduate degree in Public Communications from Boston University. Beaufort is approaching its Tricentennial so Billy will probably speak on the history of Beaufort and Beaufort County.

Change Your Email?

If your email address changes please contact Margaret Collar at margaretanne.1212@gmail.com with your new address.

Dates to Remember

April 24, 2010
Spring Luncheon
Hilton Garden Inn
Beaufort, South
Carolina

May 7, 2011
Governor General Judy
Swan
visit in Charleston, SC.
Exact location TBA