

Society of Mayflower Descendants

In The State of Alabama Capitol Colony Chartered 1990



January 17, 2017

To All Capital Colony Members Greetings from the Lt. Governor of the Capital Colony Alan M. Davis

It is time for our Colony Meeting.

Place: Montgomery Country Club in the Beauvoir Room.

Date: Saturday February 4, 2017

Time: 11:00 a.m. business meeting Meal: 12:00 Noon Program after the meal

Our speaker will be Mr. William Dean

He is currently the Associate Professor of Comparative Military Studies, at the Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL and also serves as the Adjunct professor Joint Special Operations University (JSOU), at Hurlburt Field, FL near Fort Walton Beach Florida. He attended the University of the South and received his MA and PHD from the University of Chicago. He served as the Coordinator of Peace War and Diplomacy Studies, Norwich University in Northfield VT and was a Lecturer at De Paul University, Roosevelt Univ., and Lyndon State College. He also received Grants and Fellowships to attend Chateaubriand (French Govt.) and the Air University Foundation Research Grant.

He had written the following books and publications "Americans in the Rif Rebellion" Revue Historique des Armees, "Reflexions sur la Guerre anti-Guerilla contemporaine" Penser les Ailes françaises "Limited Wars and the Future of Air Power: Lessons from the Past" <u>Penser les Ailes françaises</u> "French HUMINT Networks in Africa and Asia" Defense Intelligence Journal.

He has spoken on occasions the following subjects: "Russian Air Power in Chechnya" at JSOU, Hurlburt Field FL "Russian Air Campaign in Afghanistan" At JSOU; "Brown Water Warfare", to Seal Team 5 at Coronado Naval Base, CA; "Air Power and Small Wars", also to Seal Team 5 at Coronado Naval Base and the "History of the Middle East", to the Ranger Regiment at Ft Benning Ga.

He is also a member of the SAR and other organizations.

Our Meal will consist of Mediterranean Chicken served with Roasted Red Potatoes and Frenched Green Beans and Dessert of Key Lime Pie.

The cost will be \$28.00 per person.

RESERVATIONS: Call/E-Mail Alan M. Davis by Wednesday February 1, 2017

E-Mail address: amd7thcedar@charter.net Telephone No. 334-207-4884 (Cell) or 334-270-8657 (Home) Please leave message if not home.

You can pay when you get there and please make the checks payable to the Capital Colony.

We will have a short business meeting prior to the luncheon on Officers for the Colony.

Please, Please Please, if anyone wishes to serve as an officer for the Colony please let me, Mary Helen Mahan or Rich Hobson know.

I have served as Lt Governor for Ten (10) years now as well as the officers below and its time that someone else to give it a try. We only meet twice a year and it is not a hard job to do. Also I will be serving as Governor of the State Society in the next term.

The current officers of the Colony are:

Lt. Governor Mr. Alan M. Davis Vice Lt. Governor Mrs. Jerri Kight Secretary Mr. Rich Hobson

Treasurer Vacant Captain Vacant

Elder Mrs. Mary Helen Mahan

Asst. Historian Maxine Braddy (In an Assisted Living Home)

Assistant 1 Mrs. Georgia Carroll
Assistant 2 Mrs. Charlotte Hobson

BYLAWS

ARTICLE I Name

The name of this colony shall be "The Capital Colony of the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Alabama".

ARTICLE II Objects

This colony is established and governed by the State Society for social purposes and to promote the interests of the State and General Societies.

ARTICLE III Membership

Rules and regulations for membership are given in the State Society Article on "COLONIES", in its Constitution and By-Laws (Adopted May 24, 1986).

ARTICLE IV Officers

Officers of this Colony shall be Lieutenant Governor, Assistant Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Historian, Elder, and Captain.

ARTICLE V Meetings

Two regular meetings shall be held each year, on the First Saturday in February, and the other on the First Saturday in August to commemorate "Compact Day"; neither meeting shall coincide with the State meeting at that season. Other meetings may be held at the call of the Lieutenant Governor or Board of Assistants. (Amended June 25, 2011)

A quorum shall consist of 5 members of the Colony.



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STANDING RULES

1. ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

A Nominating Committee appointed by the Board of Assistants at the fall meeting preceding the Triennial Spring meeting before the General Society meeting shall present nominations for all officers at the spring meeting of the Colony. To be eligible for nomination, a member should reside in the Capital Colony area. Voting shall be by secret ballot with the majority of those present electing.

2. TERMS OF OFFICE:

Terms of office shall be 3 years, or less if necessary, to coincide with the State Society terms of office. Vacancies in office, with the exception of the Lieutenant Governor, shall be filled by the Board of Assistants. Should a vacancy occur in the office of Lieutenant Governor, the Assistant Lieutenant Governor shall immediately assume office, leaving the vacancy in the in the Assistant Lieutenant Governor.

3. DUTIES OF OFFICERS:

The *Lieutenant Governor* shall preside at all meetings and social functions, shall represent the Colony at State Society meetings, submit an annual report to the State Governor and to the Colony, and appoint committees as needed.

The *Assistant Lieutenant Governor* shall assume the duties of the Lieutenant Governor when necessary, shall serve as Hospitality and Program Chairman and assist the Lieutenant Governor as needed.

The **Secretary** shall keep an up-to-date roll of members of the Colony and record the minutes each meeting, sending a copy to the State Secretary within 30 days.

The *Treasurer* shall receive and disburse all monies and shall keep an accurate record, showing dates, sources, for what was paid and the amounts.

The Assistant Historian shall assist the State Historian when called upon, shall help prospective members with their working papers to see that the papers are properly filled out, shall keep a written history of the Colony as well as a scrap book of pictures and articles of interest to the colony.

The *Elder* shall officiate at all meetings when called upon, shall read the <u>Elder's Prayer</u> and the <u>Mayflower compact</u>, and shall conduct memorial services and other religious services as the occasion may require.

The *Captain* shall execute all directions of the Lieutenant Governor, shall act as Marshall, lead the Salute to the Flag (of the United States), and be custodian of the flags attending to their proper display.

The above 7 officers, plus no fewer than 2 or more than 4 other members, elected from the floor at the Triennial Meeting, shall serve the Lieutenant Governor as *Board of Assistants*.

4. AMENDMENTS:

These <u>By-Laws</u> and <u>Standing Rules</u> may be altered, added to, or deleted by vote of a majority of members after a quorum has been established; such action may in no way conflict with the <u>Constitution</u> and <u>By-Laws</u> of the State Society.

There will be a State Board of Assistants Meeting in Birmingham on Saturday January 21st, 2017 at 10:00am for all the officers.

The State Meeting will be in Montgomery at Wynlakes Country Club on Saturday April 29th 2017 at 11:00 am. Board of Assistants meeting at 10:00 am.

Here are the minutes of the August Meeting:

MINUTES

A meeting of the Capital Colony of the Society of Mayflower Descendants of the State of Alabama was called to order at approximately 11:10 o'clock a.m. on Saturday August 6, 2016 at Montgomery Country Club.

The following Officers were present: Alan M. Davis – Lt. Governor, Rich Hobson- Secretary, and Mary Helen Mahan – Treasurer/ Elder

Lt. Governor Alan Davis welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming to the meeting.

The *Elder's Prayer* and the *Objects of the Society* were read by Lt. Gov. Davis.

The "Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States" was led by Lt. Gov. Davis.

The Mayflower Compact was read by Lt. Gov. Davis.

Roll call was held and the members who were present introduced themselves, their guest and listed their ancestor(s). Ancestors represented: John Alden-2, John, Elinor (Wife), Francis (Son) Billington-1, William Bradford-2, William Brewster-3, Peter Brown-1, James Chilton-2, Francis Cooke-1, Edward Doty-4, Edward Fuller-5, Stephen Hopkins-3, John Howland-3, Pricilla Mullins-2, William Mullins-2, Friends of the Society - 3

The minutes of March 12, 2016 were read and approved as read.

The Treasurer's Report was given and with a balance of \$870.34 in the checking account.

UNDER OLD BUSINESS

There was a re-discussion of asking members to serve as officers for the Colony.

UNDER NEW BUSINESS

The Lt. Governor, Alan M. Davis asked the members present to consider about serving as officers for the Colony for the upcoming term.

ANOUNCEMENTS

Lt. Gov. Davis said that he will be attending the General Board of Assistants Meeting in Indianapolis, Indiana this September 8-12th. Ann Ferguson and Ellie Lienau said they will be attending as well. Ann Ferguson reported on her trip to Washing D.C. to help lobby for the 20-20 coin for the General Society to be minted by the Government. They held a press conference and all who participated about 20 others from various states were dressed in Pilgrim costumes she also explained the process of how things work in Washington. She also urged everyone to please contact your Representative or Senators and had form letters available.

There being no further business to discuss our meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:43 o'clock a.m. After the meeting delicious meal was served

After the meal Lt. Gov. Alan Davis introduced our speaker **Ret. Col. Jeffrey Benton** who spoke on the early settlers who entered Alabama through the North and Central parts being the Tennessee Valley and the Black Belt River regions. He then shifted his topic to the Saints/Pilgrims who were our ancestors. He discussed that the various regions of England more or less dictated which part of the colonies they settled. Those of East Anglia settled in New England area and those from South and West England tend to settle in the Southern Colonies. He made an interesting comment on that nearly 70 percent were indentured servants who were usually orphans, debtors and who were sometimes kidnapped a term coined in the 1600's.

Alan M. Davis, Lt. Gov. - Secretary pro tem

In Kindred Spirit,

Alan M. Davis

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Lt. Governor - Capital Colony,

Deputy Governor of the State Society

Deputy Governor General - General Society Officer for the Alabama Society.