



# *The Alabama Pilgrim*

The Newsletter for the Society of Mayflower Descendants  
in the State of Alabama,  
a Member Society of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants  
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Fall - Winter Edition

## COMPACT DAY MEETING AND LUNCHEON



**Saturday, November 2, 2019 - 11:00 a.m.**

**The American Village in the Rotunda**

**3727 Hwy 119,  
Montevallo, Alabama**

***Speaker – Desiree Mobed – Executive Director of Alden House Historic Site***

***Topic: “In Small Things Remembered” – a new look at Mayflower Pilgrims John and Priscilla Alden – a look at the fascinating legacy of America’s First Couple and their history at Alden House Historic Site in Duxbury, MA as archaeology provides a glimpse of their everyday lives beyond the Pilgrim Myth.***

**\*\*RSVP form is at the end of this newsletter. Please fill it out and send it in if you are planning to attend. \*\***

## Governor's Message

Dear Members:

I look forward to our meeting at **The American Village** in Montevallo November 2<sup>nd</sup>. We first had a meeting there in May of 2007. It was first opened in 1999 and was created to have representations of buildings important to our American History such as George Washington's home Mount Vernon and other structures related to our Independence from England.

I like to thank Kevin Selew and Brenda Gouge for a wonderful job they did hosting the State Meeting in Mobile. We have an opportunity to be like the California Society by participating in a parade, but one that has older origins than the Rose Bowl Parade, the Mobile Mardi Gras Day Parade which is the oldest pre-Lenten carnival celebration in the United States thanks to Brenda Gouge. The parade we will be in will be Sunday February 23, **Joe Cain Day**, to begin at 5:00 PM Le Krewe de Bienville (Mobile Route A) We decided at that meeting that if anyone who wishes to ride the float is to be charge \$100.00 per person to help with the cost of the float. Everyone who rides will also have to provide their own throw supplies (Moon Pies, beads, etc.). We will discuss more of this at this at our Compact Day Meeting.

2020 accommodations are in the **Mayflower Quarterly** so when hotels are available please make your reservations! The 400<sup>th</sup> anniversaries of the Pilgrim's landing in 2020 and the first Thanksgiving in 2021 are coming fast upon us and we have a unique opportunity to grow our membership while expanding our Pilgrim education mission.

We are still looking for our missing minute books and other documents from 1952-1986 if anyone, anyone knows where they are, please let me or one of the officers know.

Also, as D. G. G., I and Darlene attended the General Board of Assistant's Meeting this past Sept. 5 – 8 in Denver Colorado and toured the West in a 3640-mile trip. Put on your calendars May 2, 2020 for our next meeting in Montgomery. See my detailed report in the Deputy Governor General's section.

- Alan M. Davis

I will be accepting Newsletter items after this Meeting.

**ATTENTION!!!!** If you are planning to attend the 2020 General Congress September 12 -19, the hotels motels and bed and breakfasts in Plymouth and surrounding areas are booking up quick if they are not already booked up! There will be a great multitude of people attending the events leading up to the 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in the Plymouth area in those two weeks of celebrations. The Congress business meeting will be Thursday Sept. 17 and Friday Sept 18.



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## General Society Officers

**These two Officers represent the Alabama Society on the General Board of Assistants of the General Society.**

<b>Deputy Governor General</b>	Alan M. Davis	334-207-4884
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**All the officers serve the SMDAL membership. If we can assist you, let us know. We also welcome your help and suggestions.**



Two lovely Belles from the Azalea Trail Maids with Pat Harper

## The Annual Meeting held in Mobile on May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019



**Governor Kay Ivey's Proclamation to the State Society**  
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### **Summarized by Kevin Sellew, Lt. Governor, Gulf Coast Colony MAY THE 4TH BE WITH YOU !! A RECAP OF THE 2019 SMDAL SPRING CONFERENCE**

If you don't get the reference, allow me to explain. May 4th is known as Star Wars Day, because "May the 4th be with you" sounds like "May the Force be with you." Unlike the Star Wars universe of several centuries forthcoming in a galaxy far, far away, the members of the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Alabama gathered in a hotel meeting room in a historic hotel in a city far, far south in the state.

The site was the Battle House Renaissance Hotel in Mobile. Members came from all over the state, as well as Florida and Louisiana to commemorate our ancestors of 4 centuries ago.

The day started with sign-in of attendees who were greeted by two of Mobile's famed ambassadors -- the Azalea Trail Maids. All attendees found "Pilgrim Swag Bags" in their seats, the contents of which were compliments of the Gulf Coast Mayflower Colony.

Early arrivals were treated to several games of Pilgrim Bingo Trivia (with prizes for winners) called out by Brenda Gouge. Following were welcome videos from **Alabama Governor Kay Ivey**, Mobile County Commission President Connie Hudson and Mobile Mayor Sandy Stimpson. We also displayed a proclamation from the governor declaring May 4th, 2019, as "Mayflower Descendants Day" in the State of Alabama.

Lunch was served during which the video "This is America Charlie Brown: The Mayflower Voyagers" was played on the large video screen. After lunch, SMDAL Governor Alan Davis and First Lady Darlene Davis cut the large sheet cake that was baked for the occasion.



Next, Governor Davis conducted the business meeting with reports and presentations from himself, plus Deputy Governor Brenda Gouge, Secretary Nancy Logan, Treasurer Patricia Harper, Historian Mark Chesebro, Elder Regena Dawson, Gulf Coast Colony Lt. Governor Kevin Sellew and Tennessee Valley Colony Lt. Governor / Junior Membership Chairperson Stacy Smith, and Assistant (Deputy Governor) General Ann Ferguson. Reports for the Capital and Cahaba River Colonies were also offered by I DON'T REMEMBER (Alan? Mary Helen? Mark?) (Did I leave out anyone who spoke?)

Door prizes were awarded throughout the meeting, consisting of various Mayflower and Plymouth-themed gifts.

At the conclusion of the business meeting, two short videos were played that are useful to share with family members who we are trying to interest in becoming members of the society -- "The Pilgrim Rap" and "The Mayflower Voyage in under 3 minutes."

Next our featured presenter, Commander James Battles, regaled us on "The new Mayflower Guard and Weaponry at the Time of Plymouth Colony." We had hoped to have Commander Battles present to us live over the internet, but due to a scheduling conflict, his presentation was made via a prerecorded video. The reasoning behind our choice of a (very) out-of-state presenter was to offer a dynamic Mayflower/Pilgrim topic from an expert. To our knowledge, SMDAL has no budget for bringing in out-of-state presenters (travel, lodging, stipend, food, etc.) so we are advocating having live presenters via the internet. We just need to find the right technology and expertise. This was our first attempt.

Time ran out before we could get to the Facebook LIVE! Broadcast and the taking of Pilgrim Family Photos. Also, the weather was turning stormy and most attendees had long drives ahead of them.

I want to thank my wife, Theresa, and my son, Jeremy, for their behind-the-scenes contributions to the event. I was still recovering from recent surgery, so I literally could not have done it without them.

Our goal was to inject more opportunities for attendees to interact with each other and to HAVE FUN. Hence, our insertion of music, humor and the Pilgrim Bingo. Had we had time to do the Facebook LIVE! Broadcast and take the Pilgrim Family Photos, I feel it would have added even more comradery to the day's event.



I think Brenda Gouge summed it up nicely in remarks she sent me after the event: "Thank you so much for the great event - I think everyone had a wonderful time. Every time I looked around, they were enjoying themselves, they were visiting from table to table,

they were up and talking and milling around, and it was a more relaxed, different, fun kind of meeting."

**THANK YOU** to all who attended. We hope the experience was a good one.

### **HISTORIAN'S REPORT**

By Mark Chesebro

Welcome aboard New Members since the last Newsletter

<b>Ancestor</b>		<b>Name</b>	<b>GEN. No.</b>	<b>State No.</b>
William Bradford	12 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Lynn Suzanne Hanson Trench	94702	649
Richard Warren	11 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Joseph DeKalb Barker	94811	650
Stephen Hopkins	13 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Barbara Marie Blanchard	94812	651
Peter Brown	12 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Charlena Moore Freeman	94813	652
John Alden	12 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Ian Thomas Reed	94925	653
George Soule	11 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Sam Ross Stanley	94962	654
William Brewster	12 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Robert Jackson Eubank	95364	655
Samuel Fuller	11 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Heather Elizabeth Russell Golfos	95700	656
Richard Warren	13 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Valerie White Harris	95720	657
Isaac Allerton	11 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Mary Coyle Abbott Harkins	95757	658
Isaac Allerton	11 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Martha Edith Abbott White	95758	659
Thomas Rogers	11 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Nancy Elizabeth Smith Pike	95TBD	660

### **SUPPLEMENTALS**

Samuel Fuller	10 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Colleen Wood O'Steen	93717	625
Samuel Fuller	11 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Nancy Lucile Capell Logan	74549	437
Edward Fuller	11 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Nancy Lucile Capell Logan	74549	437
John Alden	11 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Brenda House Gouge	68168	533
Isaac Allerton	11 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Brenda House Gouge	68168	533
William Brewster	12 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Brenda House Gouge	68168	533
Mary Brewster	12 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Brenda House Gouge	68168	533
William Mullins	12 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Brenda House Gouge	68168	533
Pricilla Mullins	11 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Brenda House Gouge	68168	533
Mary Norris	11 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Brenda House Gouge	68168	533
Richard Warren	12 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Brenda House Gouge	68168	533
Samuel Fuller	11 <sup>th</sup> in Descent	Andrew Harris Lienau	58541	353

Please contact us about Supplemental Applications you want to submit. This is a good time for Supplementals, or to have your family members apply. The Plymouth Staff agree to work expeditiously with us.

**NOTE:** Also, there has been a 450% increase in applications over the last five years being sent to Plymouth and the verification time has increased to an average of **four and a half months**.

### **ELDER'S REPORT by Regena Dawson**

*N.B.*, in some cases, *in memoriam* information may be incomplete, or otherwise incorrect. Often, complete such information unfortunately does not reach our Society when a death occurs. In many cases, it is well after the fact that we learn of a death. Current Members would be very thoughtful to tell your families to notify the Sectary or Treasurer or one of the other State or Colony Officers when the time comes.

Would all Colonies notify me of the death of any member? You would be kind to send the following information: Name, Colony, SMDAL & GSMD Numbers, the Ancestor Descended From, Date of Death, Obituary if available. Thank you. Regena Dawson, 3107 Ray Blair Place, Huntsville, Alabama 35811-8908. Telephone: 256-852-6800, [RegenaCampbellDawson@gmail.com](mailto:RegenaCampbellDawson@gmail.com).

## In Memoriam



### Life Member of GSMD, Fay Belt Ireland, Passes at Age 95

Fay Belt Ireland, age 95, of Birmingham died peacefully in her home surrounded by family members on April 18, 2019. She is survived by her sons, Charles Byron Ireland (Linda), John Reynolds Ireland (Judy), Kelly Belt Ireland (Cheri), and William Reynolds Ireland Jr. (Patti). She is also survived by her thirteen grandchildren, Barney Ireland, III (Debbie), Laura Ireland, Patricia Ann Ireland, John Ireland Jr. (Stephanie), Katharine Ireland Kidd (Gavin), Scott Ireland Jr, William Ireland III, Lesley Ireland Sewell (Hunter), Kelly



Brightman Ireland, Mary Jama Ireland, Andrew Ireland (Catherine), Anderson Ireland, and Jackson Glenn Ireland. Fay was preceded in death by her parents, Fay and Lara Belt, and her husband, William "Little Bill" Ireland along with her brother, Phillip Belt and her son, Scott Brown Ireland.

A native of Birmingham, AL, Fay attended the University of Alabama for two years and joined Chi Omega sorority. She then transferred to Cornell University in New York where she was among the 170,000 women who joined the U.S. Cadet Nurse Corps during World War II, becoming a Senior Cadet Nurse in 1946 and later that year earning her Bachelor of Science degree in nursing from Cornell University. As a nursing student at Cornell, Fay and her fellow classmates took over many of the responsibilities of the staff nurses at New York Hospital who had left to serve in the Pacific during the war. Upon graduation she returned to Birmingham and served as a Sr. Public Health Nurse for the Jefferson County Department of Health, before marrying William "Little Bill" Ireland and raising five boys.

Throughout her life she remained passionate about the pivotal role nurses play in building healthy communities. Fay's philanthropy has touched many Alabamians, especially those involved in public health, education and the environment. The daughter of a nurse herself, she was a steadfast supporter of the UAB School of Nursing, generously providing for the establishment of both a namesake scholarship in 1999 and the School's Fay B. Ireland Endowed Deanship in 2011. Her enthusiastic advocacy and decades-long partnership touched countless lives at the School and across the UAB campus. In addition to her longtime service on the School of Nursing Board of Visitors, Mrs. Ireland was also active in many other worthwhile community organizations, having served on the Boards of Directors of the Birmingham Botanical Gardens and Glenwood Autism & Behavioral Health Center and as a Trustee Emeritus of Day 1, a ministry of the Alliance for Christian Media. Fay was also involved with the Governors Honors Program at Samford University, and as a lifetime member of the Alabama Wildlife Foundation and Ducks Unlimited.

**Dr. Ashley Elizabeth Campbell Lindley** AL#604, GS 91752 – 13<sup>th</sup> in descent from Richard Warren. Dr. Ashley Elizabeth Campbell Lindley, 33, passed away August 10, 2019 in

Birmingham, Alabama at the end of a long battle against pancreatic cancer. She was the beloved wife of Simon Lindley. Ashley and Simon, along with their dachshund, Cooper, shared eight years of marriage and adventures together. Ashley arrived in this world on New Year's Day 1986. She was born to the late Brian Campbell and Karen Arwood. Growing up in LaFollette and

Morristown, Tennessee, Ashley graduated from Morristown-Hamblen West High School and then headed to Alabama to attend the University of Alabama, Huntsville. At UAH she earned undergraduate, Master's and Doctoral degrees in physics. Her Doctoral dissertation was on Calculating Cluster Masses via the Sunyaev-Zel'dovich Effect. After earning her doctorate in astrophysics, Ashley's professional life commenced working for the United States Missile Defense Agency. Later, she worked for Northrop-Grumman Corporation working on national defense programs. While at UAH, Ashley pledged the Lambda Kappa Chapter of Delta Zeta Sorority and was a dynamo of energy and enthusiasm with friendship and kindness all around her. She continued her service to her sorority sisters in Delta Zeta as an Alumna Collegiate Chapter Delegate and recognized by Delta Zeta's 35 under 35 program for her outstanding professional accomplishments.

She was a member of Grace Presbyterian Church of Madison, Alabama; Rotary International, Madison, Alabama chapter; the Huntsville Symphony Orchestra Guild; the North Alabama Photographers Guild and Huntsville Photographic Society. Ashley was an accomplished musician who enjoyed playing flute, piano, organ, dulcimer and handbells. She was honored by the Huntsville Community Ballet Association for her contributions to emerging arts.

Ashley is survived by her husband, Simon Lindley; her beloved dachshund, Cooper; her mother, Karen Arwood; grandmother, Shirley Campbell; and grandparents, Alfred and Virde Warren.

Her funeral was held Saturday, August 17 at the First Presbyterian Church at 10:30 a.m. followed by a graveside service held at the Hamblen Memory Gardens at 1:30 p.m. Ashley wasn't one for dark colors so to celebrate her spirit, bright colorful clothing would be appreciated at the services. Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. on Friday, August 16 at Stubblefield Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, donations in Ashley's memory can be made to the Shiners Hospitals for Children (<https://donate.lovetotherescue.org>). Arrangements by Stubblefield Funeral Home, Morristown, TN.

### PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE

**We are still looking for our missing minute books and other documents from 1952-1986 if anyone; anyone knows where they are, please let me or one of the officers know.**



Brenda Gouge, Deputy Governor

Alabama is one of only two States in the U.S. where there are major, pre-Lenten, Mardi Gras celebrations. And, Alabama's (in 1703, when Mobile was the Louisiana Capital vs. New Orleans' first recorded Mardi Gras parade in 1837) was the path maker by many years. We are invited because it is the 400th anniversary of the landing of the *Mayflower*. Le Krewe de Bienville most kindly wants to help us do something unique to mark the occasion. Plainly, this is a once-in-our-lifetime event.

## Mardi Gras Parade Route A



Also, there has been a 450% increase in applications over the last five years being sent to Plymouth and the verification time has increased to an average of four and a half months. Friday afternoon was spent with Governor General George Garmany in a Best practice's discussion so that each Society Member can glean information from each other in order to operate smoothly. Also, we will have to look for the General Society in the future the possibility of the per capita tax to be raised from \$15.00 to \$25.00 or higher so we will have to raise our dues from \$30.00 to \$40.00 or \$50.00.

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**Assistant General Report**  
**By Ann Ferguson, Alabama Assistant General**

**Alan Davis and Ann Ferguson in front of the Denver Country Club prior to the Banquet**

Alan Davis and I represented Alabama as Deputy Governor General and Assistant General respectively at the General Board of Assistants meeting in Denver, CO, September 6-7, 2019. Our Governor General, Dr. George Garmany, described the state of affairs at GSMD as “good, but could be better.” We are on track for finalizing the plans and events for the 2020 commemoration of the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the sailing of the Mayflower. This can be found on our GSMD website. The excitement and anticipation of this event has turned in to a bit of a mixed blessing. Applications keep increasing, which of course is a good thing, but there currently is not enough staff to work them timely and the processing time has increased to fifteen weeks. Plus, our Executive Director has determined that it actually costs \$125.00 for every application but our current fee is only \$75.00 resulting in a loss of \$50.00 per application and a total loss of \$179,000 for the year. This deficit is being made up for by current members. Since the current application fee is in the by-laws it cannot be changed until the next General Congress in 2020. Look for that to be increased then. One-time 2020 expenditures have also resulted



in drained finances. The result is that although staffing has increased, it is still not adequate; cuts have been made to travel and some meetings are not being held face-to-face; the website and phone system are lacking in needed upgrades; and the percentage taken from reserves had to be increased from 4% to 5%. In spite of all efforts to reduce spending, there was still a small \$5,000 deficit in the \$1.6 million budget. Look for an increase in our annual per capita at the 2020 General Congress.

The good news is that GSMD has \$12.4 million in assets. The audit was completed with no findings. A new heat and air system was installed in the Mayflower House so that it can be used year-round, including being rented out as a venue. It also is to be painted. The Mayflower Store found on the GSMD website has many items for sale, including some specifically for 2020, which raises funds for GSMD. Sales are increasing. Genealogy lectures in Plymouth have started and are very popular. They are being recorded and will eventually be put on the website. Also, a program that member societies could use at meetings is being developed and will be put on the website. Silver Books are continuing to be researched, published, and sold, which is another source of funds. It was announced that the 2021 GBOA meeting will be in Plymouth to celebrate the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first Thanksgiving and the 2022 meeting will be in Minnesota.

**2020 Updates:** Regarding the 2020 commemorative coin, FGG Lea Filson met with officials in Washington, D.C. to discuss design options. The Secretary of the Treasury makes the final decision. The sale of these coins issued by the U.S. Mint will not result in any financial gain for our Society. A 14.5-inch model of the Governor William Bradford monument to be placed in the Mayflower House garden was on display at the closing banquet. It gives the impression of elegance and sophistication in portraying Governor Bradford. The GSMD entry in the 2020 Tournament of Roses Parade is in the process of being built. An artist’s depiction of the float was on display. Governor General Garmany will be riding on the float as well as several others in historically accurate Pilgrim attire. The parade is watched by 50 million people worldwide, so this will bring unprecedented attention to our Society. The float is being considered to be selected as the first float in the parade. I am planning to travel to California in December to volunteer to help with the final decoration of the float. I am not aware of anyone else from our state planning to do this, so I will be representing Alabama in this endeavor.

Respectfully submitted,

- Ann Ferguson, Assistant General

**Junior Membership**

*The Alabama Society would keep bright the Pilgrims’ memory, cherish their heritage of liberty and freedom for which they sacrificed so much, and hand it on to new generations.*

SMDAL members are encouraged to sponsor young relatives for Junior Membership. **Junior Members whose information may need updating are listed in this Newsletter’s Further Announcements.** Contact Stacy Smith to update: [ssmithsmdal@yahoo.com](mailto:ssmithsmdal@yahoo.com); (256) 996-3979.

**Stacy Smith, 42458 US Highway 11, Valley Head, Alabama 35989-4834**

**Junior Membership application**

*An applicant must be sponsored by a GSMD member in good standing, be under 18 years of age, and be the sponsor’s lineal or collateral descendant. There is a one-time fee of \$10, payable to the SMDAL. A birth certificate may be requested. Junior members are not GSMD members. However, the SMDAL recognizes them and issues them a State society junior membership number. Junior members may not vote or hold office. At age 18, a junior member may transfer to GSMD membership provided the GSMD approves a usual lineage application. Such transfer to GSMD membership is encouraged before age 25. Junior members will be dropped from the SMDAL roll if they have not transferred to GSMD membership by age 25. **Please provide the following information to Stacy Smith with the \$10 fee:***

**Junior applicant name:**  
**Junior applicant birth date:**  
**Junior applicant mailing address:**  
**Junior applicant e-mail:**

**Sponsor Mayflower ancestor(s):**  
**Sponsor mailing address:**  
**Sponsor name and relationship:**  
**Sponsor e-mail & SMDAL Colony:**

***From the Desk of Patricia S. Harper, SMDAL Treasurer...***

The duties of Treasurer, of course, include the collection of dues, and I will appreciate your cooperation in the completion of this task in a timely manner.

Included in this newsletter is the **2020 Membership Renewal Form**.

**Members pay \$30.** Dues will be distributed as follows: GSMD receives \$15; Colonies receive \$6; SMDAL keeps \$9

Please fill out the form **completely** and mail it to the address at the bottom...or give it to me on **Compact Day** in October...or scan and email it to me. Paying timely will save much effort and money (I won't need to mail reminders).

**Life Members:** Please complete the Membership Renewal Form as well.

**Friends:** Please consider giving Friend memberships at just \$20.  
(at the bottom of the renewal form.)

As a reminder to those who have email, I will be sending an invoice prior to Compact Day (from QuickBooks). I can collect dues that day...saves postage!

**Dues may be paid in the following way:**

- Mail a check to the treasurer – payable to SMDAL
- OR...You may pay via PAYPAL to the email address below. Please add \$1.20 to cover their fees.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call, email or write me.

Thank you in advance for all your help! Blessings, *Pat Harper*

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The Mayflower Society  
**General Society of Mayflower Descendants (GSMD)**  
4 Winslow Street, Plymouth, Massachusetts 02360-3313  
Founded at Plymouth in 1897

Welcome! Any passenger who arrived in Cape Cod Bay on the *Mayflower* is considered a Pilgrim, with no distinction to be made based on their original purpose(s) for making that voyage. See [www.themayflowersociety.org/join](http://www.themayflowersociety.org/join).

After working on an application with the historian of one of many GSMD Mayflower Societies, any person able to document their descent from one or more of the following *Mayflower* Pilgrims is eligible and most welcome to apply for GSMD membership:

John Alden	Francis Cooke	Priscilla Mullins
Bartholomew Allerton	John Cooke	William Mullins
Isaac Allerton	Edward Doty	Degory Priest
Mary (Norris) Allerton	Francis Eaton	Joseph Rogers
Mary Allerton	Samuel Eaton	Thomas Rogers
Remember Allerton	Sarah ( ) Eaton	Henry Samson
Elinor Billington	Moses Fletcher	George Soule
Francis Billington	Edward Fuller	Myles Standish
John Billington	Mrs. Edward Fuller	Elizabeth Tilley
William Bradford	Samuel Fuller	John Tilley
Love Brewster	Samuel Fuller (son of Edw.)	Joan (Hurst) Tilley
Mary ( ) Brewster	Constance Hopkins	Richard Warren
William Brewster	Elizabeth (Fisher) Hopkins	Peregrine White
Peter Browne	Giles Hopkins	Resolved White
James Chilton	Stephen Hopkins	Susanna (Jackson) White
Mrs. James Chilton	John Howland	William White
Mary Chilton	Richard More	Edward Winslow



Many families hold a tradition that they are descended from the Pilgrims, which often kindles an interest in finding out more. As the Mayflower Society website observes, sometimes the stories of a *Mayflower* heritage are true, and it is easy to document a line of descent. More often, the documentation is missing and must be researched and supplied to prove one's line.



The good news is that advanced research techniques, improved genealogy library collections, and computerized resources have made the process easier. *Within each generation, you must provide proof of the birth, marriage, and death of the lineage carrier, and the birth and death of the spouse.* The best vital records are the birth, marriage, and death certificates for each person. Other documentation might include published genealogies, family documents, and other official records. If you have a relative who is a GSMD member, you may be able to use their lineage documentation to help you with your own documentation research.

Also, proof of lineage from the Pilgrims through at least the earliest generations can be found in *Mayflower Families Through Five Generations*, i.e., the ongoing GSMD "Silver Books." As indicated above, GSMD memberships are handled through individual Member Societies, including our own Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Alabama (SMDAL).

To receive a membership application and lineage research guidance, contact the Member Society through which you want to apply. Member Society contact data are available on the GSMD website, as well as in a downloadable Membership brochure providing other such helpful membership information: [www.themayflowersociety.org](http://www.themayflowersociety.org). **If you want to inquire about Alabama Mayflower Society membership, or if you are an existing SMDAL member and wish to encourage someone else to inquire about SMDAL membership, please contact or encourage others to contact our friendly, competent Historian Mark Chesebro: cell telephone, 205-520-8978; [mchesebro@yahoo.com](mailto:mchesebro@yahoo.com).** You may contact the GSMD with membership questions or for general information (508-746-3188; [membership@themayflowersociety.org](mailto:membership@themayflowersociety.org)). You also can use for a fee the GSMD website "Mayflower Lineage Match Form", [www.themayflowersociety.org](http://www.themayflowersociety.org). GSMD staff will work to provide you a report comparing your proposed family line to the GSMD database from over 90,000 accepted members since 1897. Such information is available only to the GSMD national office and not to professional researchers. Again, welcome!



We publish these unapproved minutes for two reasons. Most important is so that members who were unable to attend will learn of our activities as noted at our Society's meetings. We believe you will find something of interest and will decide to attend on a future occasion. The other reason is so that those who attend might be better prepared to approve the minutes without having them read at the meetings, saving everyone's meeting time.

**THE SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS**  
**IN THE STATE OF ALABAMA**  
**Annual Meeting Minutes, May 4, 2019,**  
**The Battle House, Mobile, Alabama**

**Gulf Coast Colony Lt. Governor** Kevin Sellw opened the day's events by playing a video from Mobile Mayor Sandy Stimpson who welcomed us to the City of Mobile.

Kevin Sellw played a video from the President of the Mobile County Commission Connie Hudson who also welcomed us to Mobile. Kevin Sellw played a video from Governor Kay Ivey who proclaimed May 4, 2019 as "Mayflower Descendants Day" in Alabama.

**Deputy Governor** Brenda Gouge read the Proclamation by Governor Kay Ivey and presented it to those present.

Kevin Sellw opened the meeting by having everyone play a game of Mayflower Bingo/Trivia. Prizes were given out to winners and fun was had by all. Lunch was held at this time. During lunch Kevin had a "Peanuts" Mayflower video playing.

The meeting was called to order by Governor Alan Davis.

There was a roll call and guests were introduced and welcomed.

Governor Alan Davis welcomed everyone to the meeting. Alan thanked the Gulf Coast Colony and Kevin Sellw for hosting today's meeting.

The Elder's Prayer was led by Elder Regina Dawson.

The Mayflower Compact was read by Governor Alan Davis.

The Mayflower Objects were ready by Governor Alan Davis.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag was led by Gulf Coast Colony Captain Jeremy Sellw.

After lunch Kevin asked Alan and Darlene the "First Couple" to cut a cake that was decorated with the Mayflower Logo. Cake was enjoyed by all as the day's dessert.

The minutes from the meeting on October 27, 2018 were not read as they were published in the newsletter. There were no additions or corrections to the minutes so they stand as printed.

### **Reports of Officers and Committees:**

**Governor Alan Davis**- Governor Alan Davis stated that the meeting in November would be held on November 2, 2019 in Birmingham. He said that in the Spring of 2020 the meeting would be held in May in Montgomery and that in the Spring meeting of 2021 is when we elect new officers. We need new blood to help with the running of the organization

**Deputy Governor Brenda Gouge** – No report

**Secretary Nancy Logan** - No report

**Treasurer/Finance Patricia Harper**- Pat gave her financial report. She provided a copy of the report to all present. Pat said that if there were every any questions to please contact her by phone or by email. There were no questions about the financial report.

**Historian Mark Chesebro** – The historian's job is to help fill out applications and send them to Plymouth, in the past year we have had 34 applications approved and 12 supplemental applications. There are currently 8 applications in Plymouth waiting approval and 3 supplemental in process. Mark reported that in Plymouth they have had two records months in applications in March and in April. In those two months they received 640 applications for membership. Mark has ordered the new brochure to put in the new member packets which talks about the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary coming up next year. Mark reported that when we have a new application to go to Plymouth it costs the state \$75.00 for processing. It currently costs Plymouth almost \$130.00 to process each application so he thinks that in a couple of years the fees will increase enough to at least cover the expense, probably at the next Congress. Plymouth has started coming out with the sixth generation Silver Books, they have come out with Brewster and Billington to the sixth generation with more to follow. The General Society has partnered with Ancestors to put the fifth generation of the Silver Books on their Ancestors for everyone. Because Plymouth is getting so many applications right now that they are making an effort to streamline the process at the same time that they are trying to upgrade the applications. To this end they are no longer requiring that the first five generations be listed.

**Elder Regina Dawson** - No report.

**Captain Ann Kilgrow** – not present

**Librarian Carol Kitchens** – not present

### **REPORTS OF COLONIES:**

**Cahaba River Colony – Lt. Governor Inge Tingle**- not present

**Capital Colony** - Alan Davis - The Capital Colony

**Gulf Coast Colony – Lt. Governor Kevin Sellew** – The Gulf Coast Colony appreciates everyone's support of the t-shirts. They are going to have another order for t-shirts soon, if you would like one please go on the website and put in your name on the list. They cannot order until they have 50 t-shirts sold. The money from the sales will go to the Gulf Coast Colony. Kevin reported that his colony was in the Mayflower Quarterly selling t-shirts. Alan Davis reported that several Alabama members have been in the Quarterly several times including himself and Ann Ferguson. Alan suggested that if anyone have anything they would like to see in the Quarterly to please submit it, the information is on the website for the GSMD.

**Tennessee Valley Colony – Lt. Governor Stacy Smith** - Stacy reported that the Tennessee Valley Colony had met in the Fall of 2018 and toured the newly renovated Archives Department of the Huntsville Public Library. It was very educational and enjoyable. Their next scheduled meeting will be in late August or early September in order not to conflict with the state meeting so that members could attend both meetings.

Alan Davis – We do have a website for the state society and on that website, there are pages set up for each colony for their news and events and meetings. Please submit that information to Pam Pittman so that she can update each colony page on the state society website.

**Members-at-Large** – none present

**Junior Committee Stacy Smith** - There are 64 junior members in the state of Alabama right now which is about where it stays the last few years. Please urge your young family members to join. Junior members must be sponsored by an adult member. There is a onetime only \$10.00 fee. The information is always in the Alabama Pilgrim (our state newsletter) with his contact information.

**Assistant General Ann Ferguson** - Ann read the following report:

As Alabama's Assistant General, I am pleased to report to you that I will be attending the GSMD General Board of Assistants meeting and Training Day in Denver, Colorado, September 6 and 7, 2019. I also will be attending the 42<sup>nd</sup> GSMD General Congress next year in September 2020 for the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary Commemoration which, in addition to the two days of business meetings, will involve a variety of activities including a Mayflower Compact Re-enactment Ceremony in Provincetown Harbor featuring the Mayflower II and a Pilgrim Progress in Boston through the Boston Public Garden and Boston Common, in Pilgrim attire, ending at the Massachusetts State House for the Official State House Salute to the 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, following by a Descendants Reception. In Plymouth there will be a Fort Church service, Pilgrim Progress, dedication of the new life-sized bronze statue of William Bradford in the Mayflower Society House gardens, and a 400<sup>th</sup> black tie Anniversary Gala. There also will be several tours available for attendees and guests. Awaiting approval is the Massachusetts Mayflower Society's Naturalization Ceremony. If you plan to attend, investigate hotel accommodations now. The host hotel and other major hotels in Plymouth booked up the first day they began accepting reservations.

Regarding the National Pilgrim Memorial Meetinghouse, as we all know the funding goal of \$3 million was met in December 2018 and ownership of it was transferred to GSMD. The first priority is to repair the outside of the church so that the Tiffany windows, each one of which tells a part of the

Pilgrim story, can be re-installed. The ultimate plan is to establish an educational center where visitors can learn of the Pilgrims and their continuing legacy of sacrifice, courage, religious freedom, and self-government.

I have received from our GSMD Member-At-Large Lisa Pennington the following updated information regarding our 2020 commemoration projects: 2020 Commemorative Stamp – The U. S. Postal Service is currently working on designs with the Stamp Committee. It appears there will be 2020 Mayflower stamp and GSMD Governor George Garmany is expecting an update this fall.

**2020 Commemorative Coin** – As you will remember, for an organization to get a commemorative coin a literal act of Congress is required. Unfortunately, Representative Keating from Plymouth refused to introduce a bill in Congress to create coins which would benefit GSMD, Plymouth 400, or the Wampanoags. The U. S. Mint waiting as long as it could for this bill to get introduced, but could not wait any longer, Former Governor General Lea Filson and other groups have been working with the U. S. Mint to create coins commemorating the sailing of the Mayflower and they will be made, but no money from the sale of these coins will benefit GSMD. It will go to the Mint, Very disappointing.

Mrs. Pennington provided me with a draft 2020 Proclamation which can be used with state local government officials, schools, churches, and civic and patriotic organizations.

Every Member Society has been asked to have some kind of commemoration for 2020. Probably the biggest one, with the largest outreach of 55 million people world-wide, is California's entry in the January 1, 2020 131<sup>st</sup> Tournament of Roses Parade. The float is entitled "The Voyage of Hope – 1620." They are currently accepting financial donations at their GoFundMe site with more information available at their website [camayflower.org](http://camayflower.org). If you have an historically accurate Pilgrim costume, they are currently taking applications for parade riders and walkers. Apply at [camayflower2020@gmail.com](mailto:camayflower2020@gmail.com) by July 31, 2019.

Here in Alabama, I was contacted in April by Barbara Welch, editor of the Delaware Society's newsletter, requesting my permission to include in their Spring 2019 issue the article I wrote on the Mayflower II which appeared in the Fall 2017 issue of the Mayflower Quarterly Magazine. She thought it would be a perfect fit for their Spring issue which looks toward the plans for the 400<sup>th</sup> Commemoration. She told me she would attribute it to me if I gave permission which I of course did. I asked her to email me a copy of the finished newsletter which she did, and it is quite attractive and informative. I suggest you look it up online. Finally, for those who like to plan even further in advance, the 2021 General Board of Assistants meeting will also be in Plymouth to celebrate the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the First Thanksgiving.

**Deputy Governor General Alan Davis** – The General Congress will be held from September 12 through September 19, 2020. Check the website for more information on that meeting. We have been asked to not wear pilgrim attire on the streets of Boston during that Congress. Alabama can have 9 representatives to Congress. Please let him know if you would like to attend as a representative of Alabama. The registrations fees are \$85.00 for early birds, \$100.00 for regular registration and \$125.00 for late registration (after May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020).

**Old Business:** No old business

**New Business:**

**Newsletter:** Alan stated that as many members know Michel Marcoux resigned in March as a member of the Board of Assistants and as Editor of the Alabama Pilgrim (our newsletter) due to health reasons. We now are looking for a new editor and welcome any volunteers or suggestions of anyone who may be interested.

**Mardi Gras:** Alan said that Mobile, Alabama has the oldest Mardi Gras celebration in the United States. Mardi Gras started in 1703 in Mobile. The Crewe de Bienville Parade has invited us to participate in their parade on Sunday February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020. We have a float available that can hold about 25 people. The Board of Advisors decided to offer members this opportunity on a first-come basis. If we have more than 25 people interested, then they can walk beside the float. If you want to ride on the float the cost is \$100.00 per person as well as the cost of the things to throw. The participants must be in pilgrim costume. The parade will be on Sunday evening from about 5:00 PM to 7:00 or 7:30 PM. Alan passed around a picture of the float that is available to us. The parade is televised and would be a good advertisement for our Society. Alan stated that he will provide more information at our next meeting in November. The Compact Day Meeting will be in Birmingham on November 2, 2019, the speaker will be the Director of the Alden House in Duxbury, MA.

Alan adjourned the Business Meeting at 1:38 PM.

Kevin Sellow played the video of Commander Battles, the subject was "The Pilgrim's Arms and Armor".

Kevin then played two other short videos

The meeting was adjourned.

Nancy Logan – Secretary

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### Colony Activities

**Cahaba River Colony:** The Cahaba River Colony did not hold a Spring 2019 meeting. Inge Tingle, Lieutenant Governor. 205-903-4875; [inge.tingle@gmail.com](mailto:inge.tingle@gmail.com)

**Capital Colony:** The Capital Colony Society of Mayflower Descendants held its summer meeting on August 17 at Mr. Gus' Ristorante in Montgomery. More than 20 members attended along with three guests. Another person heard about the meeting and stopped by seeking information about how to join the Mayflower Society and was given specific instructions regarding contacts and how to begin the application process. After lunch a short film was shown that centered on the Separatists' struggle for freedom of religion in England and later, their years in Holland before traveling



to England where they boarded the Mayflower and the Speedwell for the transoceanic voyage to the New World in the autumn of 1620. The Colony's next meeting date and time will be announced before the end of this year. Respectfully submitted, Edward H. Phillips, Lt. Governor.  
Edward H. Phillips. 334-314-1247; [capemaypilgrim1948@icloud.com](mailto:capemaypilgrim1948@icloud.com)

**Gulf Coast Colony:** Due to my four surgeries this year, the schedule for our Colony has been lean. In lieu of a Colony Spring meeting, many of our members attended the SMDAL Annual State Conference held in Mobile on May 4<sup>th</sup>. And many also met up for the Mobile River Dinner Cruise aboard the Perdido Queen following the conclusion of the conference. We have had two highly successful T-Shirt selling campaigns to raise money for our coffers – one last October/November and one the last two weeks in July. We hope to fit in one more campaign before Thanksgiving. Contact our Colony Lt. Governor to get on the waiting list for either the SMDAL emblem shirts or for the Mayflower 400 emblem shirts. We need a minimum of 50 to start a new sales campaign. Our Compact Day Commemoration is tentatively set for Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup>.

**VISIT** Our Gulf Coast Colony Webpage: [www.GulfCoastMayflowerColony.org](http://www.GulfCoastMayflowerColony.org)

**CHECK OUT** Our Gulf Coast Colony Shirt Shop:

[www.MayflowerShirts.com](http://www.MayflowerShirts.com) (Coming *very* soon. Keep checking, please.)

**LIKE** and **FOLLOW** Our Gulf Coast Colony Facebook Page: [www.facebook.com/GulfCoastMayflowerColony](http://www.facebook.com/GulfCoastMayflowerColony)

Kevin Sellow, Lieutenant Governor. 251-510-8302; [tjk5405@mediacombb.net](mailto:tjk5405@mediacombb.net)

**Tennessee Valley Colony:** No report.

Stacy Smith, Lieutenant Governor. 256- 996-3979; [ssmithsmdal@yahoo.com](mailto:ssmithsmdal@yahoo.com)

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### **FURTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**From the Governor about 2020 Commemoration Activities:** The GSMD asks us to undertake at least one activity in commemoration of the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the *Mayflower* landing (2020). E-mail or telephone with suggestions: [amd7thcedar@charter.net](mailto:amd7thcedar@charter.net); 256-655-9452.

**From Former Governor Ellie Lienau: Fuller Society 400 Mayflower UK Tour:** The people of Harleston, U.K., have arranged a special historical and cultural program for their Fuller Society friends to celebrate Mayflower 2020 together, July 12-19, 2020, beginning and ending in London. We will visit the many places in East Anglia and London that played major roles in the Pilgrim story and the beginning of America. For details on this complete UK travel package, and as an indication of your interest, contact Governor Debbie or Ellie ( [info@harlestonsfuture.org.uk](mailto:info@harlestonsfuture.org.uk)).

**For Librarian Carol Kitchens:** Items of interest for our Scrapbook, including name, event, date, location. [carolkitch@mac.com](mailto:carolkitch@mac.com); 3874 County Road 852, Heflin, Alabama 36264-4638.

**Social:** "Twitter@ALMayflower"; [www.facebook.com/groups/AlabamaMayflowerSociety](http://www.facebook.com/groups/AlabamaMayflowerSociety)

**Moving?** Give Nancy Logan ([nclnurse@yahoo.com](mailto:nclnurse@yahoo.com)) street & e-mail addresses, & telephone(s).

**Replace a U.S. Mail Address with an E-mail Address.** Be sure to save us all money by giving your e-mail address to Treasurer Patricia Harper,

[SMDAL.TREASURER@gmail.com](mailto:SMDAL.TREASURER@gmail.com) & Secretary Nancy Logan, [nclnurse@yahoo.com](mailto:nclnurse@yahoo.com).

The Annual Meeting will be in Montgomery on May 2, 2020, either at Montgomery or Wynlakes Country Club.

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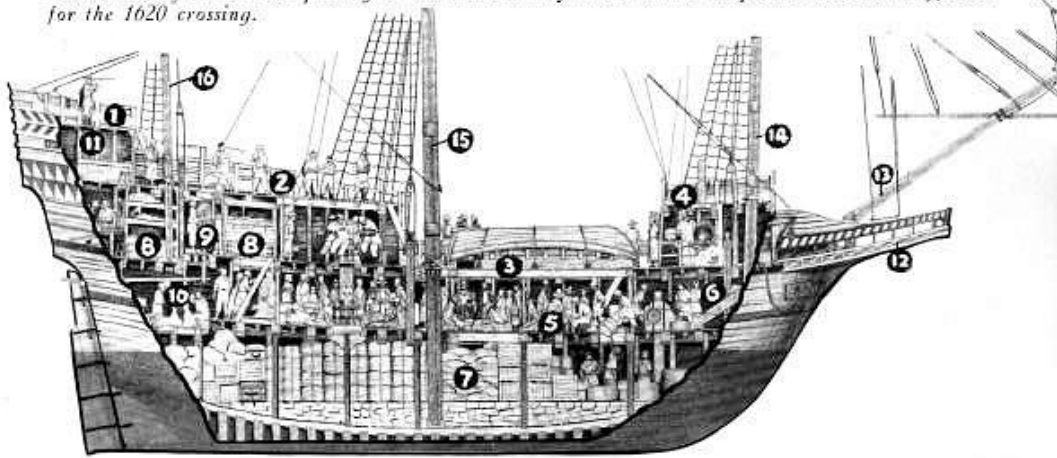
I will be taking on the duty of **Newsletter Editor of "The Alabama Pilgrim"** after this Meeting and will continue as such after my tenure as Governor is completed. So, I will be accepting items for the Newsletter after this meeting

– Alan M. Davis

### **A SPECIAL NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!**

We warmly welcome all the New and Potential Alabama Mayflower Society members who came in since our last meeting in Mobile. You are our fellow relatives, and we will greet you with pleasure on Saturday morning, November 2, 11:00 a.m., at our Compact Day Meeting and luncheon in Monticello at *The American Village*.

*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.     |

**ALABAMA  
SOCIETY OF  
MAYFLOWER  
DESCENDANTS**

**COMPACT DAY  
LUNCHEON & MEETING**

**Saturday,  
November 2nd, 2019 –**

**at The American Village in  
Montevallo, Alabama 3727  
Highway 119, Montevallo,  
AL 35115 Phone: 205-  
665-3535**



**The Alden House in Duxbury MA**

**Please join us for our annual Compact Day Luncheon and Meeting! We would love to have you! Bring your friends and family!! We have a wonderful guest speaker from Duxbury, MA, just outside of Plymouth. I think you'll love her program!**

**Cost is \$15 for adults and \$10 for children under 12. Menu is a choice of boxed lunches:**

- 1. Homemade chicken salad on a home baked sandwich croissant with chips, cup of fresh fruit and homemade cookies**  
**OR**
- 2. Club sandwich - turkey, ham, white and yellow cheese, bacon, green leafy lettuce and salad trio (chicken salad, pasta or broccoli) cup of fresh fruit and homemade cookies**

**Guest Speaker: Desiree Mobed, Executive Director - Alden House Historic Site**

Alden Kindred of America is the steward of the Alden House Historic Site in Duxbury, MA. John Alden and Priscilla Mullins arrived in Plimoth Colony on the Mayflower in 1620 and were married about 1622. In 1627, they moved to land in Duxbury where they raised their 10 children. That land has never been out of the Alden family. Now designated a National Historic Landmark, the property welcomes visitors for tours of the c. 1680 Alden family home, archeological site, and grounds and offers hands-on programs that "bring history to life."

## THE PURPOSE OF THE ALABAMA MAYFLOWER SOCIETY



*The Objects of the Alabama Society shall be to perpetuate to a remote posterity the memory of the Pilgrim Fathers; To maintain and defend the principle of civil and religious liberty, as set forth in the Compact of the Mayflower, "For the glorie of God, and advancemente of the Christian faith and honor of our countrie"; To cherish and maintain the ideals and institutions of American freedom, and to oppose any theories or actions that threaten their continuity; To transmit the spirit, the purity of purpose and steadfastness of will of the Pilgrim Fathers to those who shall come after us, an undiminished heritage of liberty and law; To promote the interests that are common to all the State\*\* Member Societies of Mayflower Descendants which can best be served by a federal body; To secure united effort to discover and publish original matter in regard to the Pilgrims, together with existing data known only to antiquarians; To authenticate, preserve and mark historical spots made memorable by Pilgrim association.*

## MISSION STATEMENT OF THE ALABAMA MAYFLOWER SOCIETY

*To promote Mayflower history and ideals*

### *Elder's Prayer*

*Almighty God, who in former times didst lead our Pilgrim Fathers into this land of freedom, give Thy Grace, we humbly beseech Thee, to us, their children, that we may always approve ourselves a people mindful of Thy favor and glad to do Thy Will.*

*May we have the vision, courage and diligence to help establish the foundations of a new and better world, wherein dwelleth Peace and Brotherhood. And, may we aspire to new goals as we look upon our land that rich past all the dreams of all the yesterdays. Our hills are packed with treasure, our fields heavy with harvest—Surely this is the day of Thy Power and of our opportunity. "*

*Lord God of Hosts be with us yet— Lest we forget — Lest we forget." — Amen*

### *The Pilgrim Pledge*

*In the name of God, Amen. I Pledge myself to hold aloft the lamp of civil and religious liberty lighted by the Pilgrims at Plymouth Rock, to recall and cherish the sacrifices and struggles made by them for the common good, to study their lives, deeds, faith, courage, and character, and to draw inspiration therefrom, to emulate their spirit, to be loyal to the flag and institution of the country whose founding was so greatly aided by their word and wisdom, to do everything within my power to deserve and preserve the heritage, and at all times and in all ways to profit by their Pilgrim example.*

### *The Mayflower Compact*

*Signed in the cabin of the "Mayflower", November 11<sup>th</sup>, Old Style, November 21<sup>st</sup>, New Style, 1620.*

*"In the name of God, Amen we whose names are underwritten, the loyall Subjects of our dread souveraigne Lorde, King James, by the grace of God, of Great Britian, France and Ireland king, defender of the faith, etc.*

*Having undertaken, for the glorie of God, and advancement of the Christian faith, and honor of our king and countrie, a voyage to plant the first colonie in the northerne parts of Virginia doe by these presents solemnly and mutually in the presence of God, and one another, covenant and combine ourselves together into a body politick, for our better ordering and preservation and furtherance of the ends aforesaid; and by virtue hereof to enact, constitute and frame such just and equal laws, ordenances, acts, constitutions and officers, from time to time, as shall be thought most meete and convenient for the general good of the colonie, unto which we promise all due submission and obedience.*

*In witness where of we have herunto subscribed our names at Cap-Codd the 11 of November, in the year of the raigne of our sovereign lord King James of England, France and Ireland the eighteenth, and of Scotland the fifty-fourty, ANO Dom1620."*

**Note:** The reason for "New Style" and "Old Style" is that eleven (11) days were added to adjust the calendar in 1752 during King George II's reign when they switched from the Julian calendar, which was still being used in England, to the Gregorian calendar being used in continental Europe since 1582 that was established by Pope Gregory XIII.



**SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS IN THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
2020 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM**

**2020 – Annual Dues \$30.00**

**Pay by: December 31, 2019**

<b>Name</b>		<b>Date</b>	
<b>Address</b>			
<b>City</b>		<b>State</b>	<b>9-digit Zip Code</b>
<b>Phone</b>	<b>E-mail</b>		

**IMPORTANT: Select Colony of Choice (Check 1)**

<input type="checkbox"/>	Cahaba River Colony
<input type="checkbox"/>	Capital Colony
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gulf Coast Colony
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tennessee Valley Colony
<input type="checkbox"/>	None

***Friends of the Pilgrims*** – This is a special membership for friends, spouses, or relatives who are not Society members.

Friends support the Society's principles and goals.

**Friends of the Alabama Mayflower Society Dues (\$20.00)**

<b>Name</b>			
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<b>Phone</b>	<b>E-mail</b>		

**Relationship to SMDAL member**

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**Send check payable to SMDAL to:**

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Dawson, AL 35963*

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The Alabama Pilgrim  
Alan M. Davis - Governor  
7340 Old Barn Road  
Montgomery, AL 36117

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**RSVP by U.S. Mail, E-mail or Telephone**

I/we will attend the SMDAL's Compact Day Meeting and Luncheon on Saturday, November 2nd, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at The American Village, Montevallo, AL. \$15.00 per adult \$10.00 per child (12 and under)

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, we plan to attend \_\_\_\_\_ # of Guests

\_\_\_\_\_ Check to SMDAL enclosed

or

\_\_\_\_\_ Pay at the door (you will be billed if you do not cancel by Tuesday, October 29th).

\_\_\_\_\_ Use PayPal (add \$1.00 for their fees) Pay [smdal.treasurer@gmail.com](mailto:smdal.treasurer@gmail.com)

\_\_\_\_\_ # of chicken salad boxed lunches

\_\_\_\_\_ # of club sandwich boxed lunches

\_\_\_\_\_ # of child's meals

PLEASE RESPOND NO LATER THAN TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29th to:

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Andalusia, AL 36421

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or [334-222-0347](tel:334-222-0347).