



# Society of Mayflower Descendants

In the State of Alabama

Capital Colony

Chartered 1990



August 31, 2018

To: All Capital Colony Members, State Board of Assistants members and Gulf Coast Colony members; greetings from the Lt. Governor of the Capital Colony, Alan M. Davis

It is time for our Capital Colony Meeting ----- **We extend to our Gulf Coast Colony Cousins a very special invitation to join us in Montgomery for this meeting.**

**Place:** Montgomery Country Club in the Beauvoir Room.

**Date:** Saturday, October 6, 2018

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

Our program will be presented by Edward H. Phillips who has graciously agreed to accept the Lt. Governor position in the Capital Colony. He will share his knowledge of the Mayflower and of the restoration of Mayflower II, which he has closely followed.



**Edward H. Phillips**

Ed is a descendant of John Howland, The Pilgrim, through his great, great, grandmother Annie Hughes and the Hughes family that settled in Cape May, New Jersey, in the early 1700s. He is a

native of Cape May and has been a member of GSMD since 2015.

Ed spent four years in the U.S. Air Force and during 1968 served in the Third Security Police Squadron at Bien Hoa Air Base, South Vietnam. In 1970, he married Letitia Rae Pierson. They had three children, all of whom remain interested in their Mayflower heritage.

Ed holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in journalism and aviation, is a commercial pilot and flight instructor, and spent 20 years as an aerospace journalist with Aviation Week & Space Technology Magazine before retiring in 2007. He has researched and written nine books and more than 100 articles on aviation history, and is closely following the restoration of the Mayflower II in Mystic Seaport, Connecticut.

Ed is looking forward to serving the Capital Colony as its Lieutenant Governor and getting to know all of you.

Ed, thank you so very much for your willingness to serve!

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**Thanks to the members who have served over the past decade with me. They are:**

Vice Lt. Governor  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
Captain

Mrs. Jerri Kight  
Mr. Rich Hobson  
Vacant  
Vacant

Elder  
Asst. Historian  
Assistant 1  
Assistant 2

Mrs. Mary Helen Mahan  
Mrs. Georgia Carroll  
Mrs. Charlotte Hobson

**Election of new Officers:** On Oct. 6, we will elect new officers to serve for the next triennial. Our Slate:

Lt. Governor	Edward H. Phillips	Elder	Amy Hill-Price
Vice Lt. Governor	Vacant	Asst. Historian	Vacant
Secretary	Vacant	Assistant 1	Vacant
Treasurer	Mary Helen Mahan	Assistant 2	Vacant
Captain	John Smith		

Thanks to those who have agreed to serve: Please contact Mary Helen Mahan at either 334-201-6070 or [mhm.smdal@charter.net](mailto:mhm.smdal@charter.net) if you feel that you could serve the colony and she has not contacted you. We only have 2 meetings a year and the jobs are not difficult. The Colony Bylaws are included at the end of this newsletter so that you may see what each job includes

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**Our Meal** will consist of Salad, Beef Straganoff served over Buttered Noodles, Asparagus, Cocoa Cake and Coffee and Tea. And of course those famous hot crackers.

**The cost will be \$28.00 per person.**

**RESERVATIONS: Call/E-Mail Alan M. Davis by Tuesday, October 2, 2018**

**E-Mail address: [amd7thcedar@charter.net](mailto: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**. **Do note that we will have to bill you if you make a reservation and are unable to come.**

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**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.

## 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 *Elder's Prayer* and the *Mayflower compact*, 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 *By-Laws* and *Standing Rules* 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 *Constitution* and *By-Laws* of the State Society.

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**The State Meeting (Compact Day) will be in Birmingham at The Club on Saturday, October 27, 2018 at 11:00 am. Hope to see you all at both meetings.**

In Kindred Spirit,

*Alan M. Davis*

Alan M. Davis, State Governor, Lt. Governor and Deputy Governor General