

OREGON PILGRIM

NEWSLETTER OF THE SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS IN OREGON

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SPRING 2010 LUNCHEON MEETING **Saturday, May 22, 2010**

Hayden's Grill, SW 8187 Tualatin-Sherwood Road, Tualatin 97062
(Take Nyberg Road exit off I-5 and head west.)

Social Hour at 12:30 p.m., Luncheon served at 1 p.m.

The Oregon Society of Mayflower Descendants will welcome the General Society's Governor General Judith H. Swan. Elected at the 38th General Congress in 2008, she is from both California and Canada. In her initial Governor General's Message, she said her term (2008-2011) would be focused on three areas – education, records preservation and the Mayflower House.

We are pleased that she selected Oregon as one of the states she would visit during her three years in office.

The Board of Assistants of the Oregon Society of Mayflower Descendants will meet at 10 a.m. in a smaller meeting room (location to be posted in the lobby, or ask at front desk). Members and guests are invited to attend this meeting as observers.

The luncheon menu and choices are on the reservation form. Checks should be made payable to the Mayflower Descendants of Oregon and sent to the treasurer, Ms. Toby Hurley, 14925 NW Ridgetop Ct., Beaverton, OR 97006.

The best hotel choice this time around is the Comfort Inn Suites in Tualatin, about 2 blocks from Hayden's. The telephone number is 1-866-394-8289. Rates vary depending upon type of room, but are reasonable. It is also a pet friendly hotel for those so inclined.

SPRING 2010 REGISTRATION FORM

MENU CHOICES

- Rosemary Chicken Breast
- Grilled Salmon
- Penne Carponata (vegetarian pasta).

Lunches include a house salad, bread basket, potato and vegetable for the meat entrees, dessert, and coffee, decaf, tea or iced tea. Cost is \$25.

Reservation deadline: Monday, May 17, by noon
Cancellation deadline: Wednesday, May 19, by noon

Please help us out and avoid the risk of paying for a lunch you didn't eat or we not having a place at the table for you. Reservations for the luncheon meeting on Saturday, May 22, must be made AND paid for by Monday, May 17, at noon. If you register for lunch and cannot attend, you must cancel by Wednesday, May 19, at noon by calling Toby Hurley at 503-690-1981, or you will be charged.

-----Cut here and remit bottom with your payment-----

Your name _____ OR state No. _____

Lunch guest(s) name _____

Lunch selection: (1) Rosemary Chicken Breast.....No. _____ X \$25 = __
(2) Grilled Salmon.....No. _____ X \$25 = __
(3) Penne Carponata.....No. _____ X \$25 = __

Donations: To the Wampanoag Indian Scholarship Fund \$ _____
To the Oregon Mayflower Society\$ _____
To the Cascade Colony\$ _____
To the Mt. Hood Colony.....\$ _____

Dues (\$25 for 2010 if not previously paid).....\$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED.....\$ _____

Make check out to Mayflower Descendants of Oregon and mail with this remittance slip to: Ms. Toby Hurley, Treasurer, Oregon Mayflower Society, 14925 NW Ridgetop Ct., Beaverton, OR 97006

THE GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE FOR SPRING, 2010

*ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF ASSISTANTS AND MYSELF, I ONCE AGAIN BRING YOU
GREETINGS!*

As I mentioned in my last message, Governor General Judith H. Swan has accepted our invitation to visit the Oregon Society, and will be the guest of honor and speaker at our May 22, 2010 Spring meeting.

Governor General Swan is the thirty-first Governor General of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants, and is the third woman to assume the leadership mantle of our national organization. A long time Californian, Judy served as past Governor and Treasurer of the Orange County Colony (California), and was the Treasurer General for two three-year terms for the General Society, and was Co-Director of the Five Generations Project. She is also a Pilgrim Society trustee and Plimoth Plantation liaison. She was elected Governor General of the General Society in September, 2008. Judy is married with two children and five grandchildren, but still somehow finds the time for extensive service. We have the privilege of Judy "taking us on a tour of the Society's projects, its facilities, and looking into the future of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants" as well as talking about the *Women of the Mayflower*, a new committee established to study the lives, origins and ancestry of the women descendants of those who came on the *Mayflower*. As some of you may know, the General Society recently approved a policy that departs dramatically from past practice. They have opened lines from *all* wives of *Mayflower Compact* signers and children who were on the *Mayflower* and left descendants. To date only four of the wives who came on the *Mayflower* in 1620 have known maiden names. Mary Norris (wife of Isaac Allerton), Dorothy May (wife of William Bradford), Elizabeth Fisher (wife of Stephen Hopkins) and Joan Hurst (wife of John Tilley). Membership has historically been limited to descendants of male heads of household, so this represents a significant and welcome change.

It is also not too early to be planning for 2020, year 400! 2010 is just ten years short of the 400th Anniversary of the Landing of our forebears. Your General Society is already working on Celebration Plans for this

Historic date, and all of us should be thinking of ways to celebrate in the State of Oregon, as well. The year 2020 presents our Society with a unique opportunity to bring awareness to our ancestors and new members to the State Society. If any of you have or think of ways to accomplish this, please contact me. We will also be looking into the organization of a 2020 Committee, so if this holds some interest for you, let me know. With a new slate of officers to be voted upon at the Fall meeting, now is the time to step up!

Please feel free to contact me at any time, as I am always open to concerns, new ideas or suggestions. My telephone number is 541.485.4321, and my e-mail address is imua@comcast.net. If you would rather write, my snail-mail address is 450 Country Club Road, Suite 340, Eugene, OR 97401-6076. In any case, I hope to see lots of you May 22nd!

With warm regards,

John W. Billington
Governor

OREGON SOCIETY of MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS

Minutes, Board of Assistants Meeting, Nov. 14, 2009

The board meeting of the Oregon Society of Mayflower Descendants was called to order by Governor John Billington.

Present: John Billington, Patrice Petersen, Jane Gipson, Neil Watson, Terri Schieber, Doug Davee, Leslie Davee, Richard Bellingham, Paul Lawrence, Betsy Lanning.

Absent via prior notice: Toby Hurley, Theresa Boock, Cleve Twitchell.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved as read in the Pilgrim.

Treasurer's report: Toby Hurley, pending.

Historian's report: Doug Davee reported 11 new members, 4 new Jr. members, and 2 new Supplementals since the Fall meeting. Reimbursement of expenses was approved contingently.

Cascade Colony report: Neil Watson presented 100 Mayflower Descendants brochures which he had ordered. Next meeting will be January 16, 2010.

Mt. Hood Colony report: Terri Schieber reported that Beth Stroble, author of Full Sail, was their speaker at the last meeting. Next meeting will be February 18, 2010 at Hayden's Grill.

Old Business:

- ❖ John reported that the following offices should be able to write checks from the Mayflower account: Governor, Treasurer, Deputy Governor; and Historian on a temporary basis.
- ❖ John reported that Governor General Judith Swann will be our speaker on May 22, 2010, and that we should do something special for her. John will be making a list of ideas for her, and of interested participants for this event.
- ❖ John reported that we needed a review committee to work on award parameters, and to look at applications for our scholarship program. The board approved the award scholarship to be awarded in 2010.
- ❖ There were no takers for the position of Jr. Members Director, but Doug reported that there was a possibility that a new member would be interested. It was suggested that this position could be combined with the Education chair.
- ❖ Terri said we needed to nominate and approve GG and AG delegates. It was pointed out that they would be nominated and elected next year along with the new Oregon Society officers. Tabled.
- ❖ A position of database manager should be an appointed position. Neil Watson, who has carried this responsibility, was appointed.
- ❖ Work on the bylaws is still in John's hands.

New business:

- ❖ Doug suggested that Paul Bumpus, the Historian General, be invited to speak at our next fall meeting (the second Saturday in November 2010). Suggestion was approved.
- ❖ Patty Keene has donated a collection of research materials, documents and photos. John will pick them up and meet with her to discuss placement.
- ❖ Glen Alan Cheney, author of Thanksgiving: *The Pilgrim's First Year in America*, will donate \$3.00 to the State Society for each book that we order from him, on a limited time basis.
- ❖ John reported that he received an email from a prospective member suggesting the creation of a mentorship program to assist those navigating the application process. Doug outlined his mentorship that every applicant receives from him in the performance of his duties as

- Historian. It was decided that no further action needed to be taken at this time.
- ❖ John brought up the issue of life memberships for the OSMD. Board members, who have had experience with life membership in other states, stated that in their experience the program created more paperwork and in the long run is a money-losing program. After discussion, it was decided that the Oregon Society should not begin a life membership option at this time.
 - ❖ Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Leslie Davee, Secretary

OREGON SOCIETY of MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS

General Meeting minutes, Nov. 14, 2009

The general meeting of the OSMD was called to order by John Billington, Governor.

Invocation was given by Richard Bellingham, Elder.

Pledge of allegiance was led by Paul Lawrence, Captain

Ancestral roll call given by John Billington, Governor

Five kernels of corn ceremony given by Doug Davee, Historian

Reading of the Mayflower Compact given by Neil Watson

Terri Schieber introduced our speaker, Caleb Johnson. His presentation was on his research on the women of the Mayflower, and the children of their first marriage. His website is **Mayflowerhistory.com**

Business Meeting

Old business

Minutes were approved as read in 'The Pilgrim'.

Treasurer's report was approved as read in 'The Pilgrim'. Historian's report was approved as read in 'The Pilgrim'.

New business

Governor Billington announced the visit of the General Society's Governor, Judith Swan, to be May 22, 2009, our next meeting.

- ❖ John Billington reported on the formation of the OSMD scholarship program, discussing presentation of eligibility and application prerequisites.
- ❖ Volunteers were solicited for the position of Junior Membership director. None were offered.
- ❖ John reported the donation of research materials, historical books, documents and photos. He will pick up and receive the materials.
- ❖ John announced that author Glenn Alan Cheney will donate \$3.00 from the sale of his book: Thanksgiving: the Pilgrim's First Year in America. Offer stands until Thanksgiving of this year.
- ❖ There was no new business
- ❖ Next meeting will be May 22, 2010, Hayden's Grill
- ❖ Meeting was adjourned by John Billington, Governor.

Respectfully Submitted by Leslie D. Davee, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

Income

2008 member dues \$0
 2009 member dues \$25
 2010 member dues \$3875
 2011 member dues \$50
 Fall luncheon \$1375
 Donations to Wampanoag Scholarship Fund \$155
 Donations to Mt. Hood Colony \$105
 Donations to Cascade Colony \$55
 Application fees \$125
 Junior membership Fees \$12
 Supplementals \$300
 Rebate from Glen Cheney for books purchased \$24

Total income \$6166

Expenses

Fall luncheon \$1770.44

Web expenses	149.40
Expenses for Pilgrim	300.27
Silver Books for Historian	489.00
General expenses	153.22

Total expenses \$2862.33

The following National Numbers are seriously past due. If, however, you paid your dues (check your register), please **ignore** the following:

Dues past due for '10 (25): 639, 603, 485, 583, 884, 890, 878, 841, 846, 723, 530, 554, 712, 530, 554, 880, 200, 589, 628, 636, 806, 914, 688, 783, 908, 514, 870, 338, 885, 473, 451, 394, 677, 917, 918, 739, 701, 608, 146, 905, 830, 611, 895. 784, 858, 412, 796, 911, 454, 912, 898, 813, 446, 635, 188, 811, 376, 542, 826, 889, 832

Dues seriously past due for '09 ('09-'10): 659, 565, 658, 853, 881, 882, 894, 883, 879, 662, 670, 833, 429, 812, 886, 887, 653, 883

Please make out a check to **Mayflower Descendants in Oregon** and mail to **(Ms.) Toby L. Hurley**, 14925 NW Ridgetop Ct., Beaverton OR 97006. Do NOT mail to Cleve Twitchell.

Thank you!!!!

Toby Hurley
Treasurer, Mayflower Descendants in Oregon
14925 NW Ridgetop Ct., Beaverton 97006 503-690-1981

HISTORIAN'S REPORT

**NEW MEMBERS
SINCE FALL 2009**

1. OR933
Gen 81348

- Helene Elizabeth
 "Beth" Lambright
 11th from Stephen Hopkins
2. OR934
 Gen 81360
 Carol Ann Meadows
 13th from William Brewster
3. OR935
 Gen 81379
 Barbara Jeanne Muncie
 11th from Richard Warren
4. OR936 Gen 81651
 Joan Barker Walker
 11th from John Alden
5. OR937
 Gen 72369
 Tammi RoAnn Mitchell
 12th from George Soule
 Transfer from Maryland
6. OR938
 Gen 72855
 Mari Ann Peterson
 11th from George Soule
 Transfer from Maryland
7. OR939
 Gen 78883

Roanna Peterson Mitchell
 13th from George Soule
 Transfer from Maryland

8. OR940
 Gen 73590
 Darlene Betty DuPont
 11th from Stephen Hopkins
 Dual Membership
 w/California

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL
 OUR NEW MEMBERS.**

NEW SUPPLEMENTAL

1. OR736
 Gen 71129
 Mary Jo Stoutenburg
 S1 11th from Francis Eaton

NEW JUNIOR MEMBER

1. JR477 Alana Belle Wharton
 Pilgrim: George Soule
 Sponsor: Jane Beryl Gipson
 Great Grandmother
 OR537 Gen 47648

MT HOOD COLONY REPORT

Mt. Hood Colony's winter meeting was held Feb. 20 at Hayden's Grill. Dorothy Krugner spoke on the history of buttons and brought many antique

buttons for us to view. The program was very well received and the meeting was run by Lois Streimer, deputy governor.

We plan to have our summer picnic on Aug. 8 at noon in Foothills Park in Lake Oswego. It will be a potluck, and children and grandchildren are welcome. Check our web site at www.mthoodmayflower.com for future details.

Our colony continues to donate the silver Mayflower Families books to the library system, and 18 volumes were recently presented to the Wilsonville Library.

- Terri Schieber, Lt. Gov.

CASCADE COLONY REPORT

The Cascade Colony Met January 16th at the Wild River Brewing & Pizza Co. in Medford. There were about 16 members, spouses and guests in attendance.

Jeff LaLande presented the program "An Ornerly Tradition"; 150 years of Southern Oregon Politics, and Why We Are the Way We Are.

Jeff LaLande has lived in the Rogue Valley for 40 years, having moved here after graduating from Georgetown University in Washington, DC. He holds a master's degree in archaeology from Oregon State and a doctorate in history from the University of Oregon, and has authored several books and numerous articles on regional history.

A nominating committee composed of Neil Watson, Yvonne Earnest and Lovella Moore was formed. The present officers agreed to serve another term starting May 2010.

The speaker for the May 15th meeting is Charleen Brown, speaking on "Lost Towns of the Rogue River Valley." The talk takes a look at some of these towns and their interesting beginnings and ends. Charleen has been president of Rogue Valley Genealogical Society since 2000.

-Neil Watson, Lt. Gov.

GENERAL SOCIETY OFFICERS

Deputy Governor General....Jane Gipson
Asst. Governor General....Betsy Lanning

OREGON STATE OFFICERS

Governor.....John Billington
Deputy Governor.....Terri Schieber
Secretary.....Leslie Davee
Treasurer.....Toby Hurley
Historian.....Doug Davee
Elder.....Rev. Richard Bellingham
Counselor..... Jane B. Gipson
Captain.....Paul Lawrence

Above officers, together with the following, are the board of assistants:

Betsy Lanning, Past Governor

Cleve Twitchell, Past State Governor, now Deputy Governor of the Cascade Colony, and Editor of the Oregon Pilgrim.

Theresa Boock, Patrice Petersen, Cheryl Fitzsimons, and Neil Watson, Lieutenant Governor of Cascade Colony.

MT. HOOD COLONY OFFICERS

Lieutenant Governor.....Terri Schieber
Deputy Governor.....Lois Streimer
Secretary.....Susan Foust
Treasurer.....Connie Ganz
Captain.....Paul Lawrence
Historian.....Toby Hurley
Elder.....Richard Bellingham

CASCADE COLONY OFFICERS

Lieutenant Governor.....Neil Watson
Deputy Governor.....Cleve Twitchell
Secretary.....Marilyn Johnson
Treasurer.....Helen Schreiner
Elderess.....Yvonne Earnest
Captain.....John Stewart
Historian.....Mary Frost