



Congratulations Governor General Edward D. Sullivan, Esq.



Florida Society's own Edward Delano Sullivan, Esq., of Ft. Lauderdale, member of Alden Colony, was nominated from the floor to serve as Governor General, General Society of Mayflower Descendants, and was unanimously elected to serve for the term 2005-2008 at the Triennial Congress held in Plymouth on September 13, 2005.

Ed is a descendant of John Alden, William Mullins, and John Howland. His first office within FSMD was to serve as Colony Governor of the Alden Colony from 1988-1990. He then became Governor of the Florida Society in 1993-1996;

served consecutively as AG and DGG, FSMD, and lastly, as Counsellor General, GSMD 2002-2005.

Ed Sullivan was born and raised in Bridgeport, CT, attended public schools, where he graduated from high school in 1950. In 1954, he earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Industrial Administration from the University of Connecticut. Ed received a Commission in the US Air Force upon graduation, and continued his Law studies at the University of Oklahoma, where he graduated in 1958 with a Juris Doctorate. He was admitted to the Bar of Oklahoma, Connecticut, Florida, and the US Supreme Court. In addition, Ed holds a Certificate in Advance Management from Florida Atlantic University.

After 30 years of service with the Judge Advocate General (JAG) Corps, Ed retired as a Colonel in the US Air Force. During that service, he received

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Meet the New Florida State Governor Fran Lopus

Frances McLallen Lopus was born in Pennsylvania. Attended Grove City College. She is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, member and past Regent of the Ft LeBoeuf Chapter of the Daughters of the American Colonists, and a member of the Mayflower Society, serving as Secretary, Deputy Governor and Governor of the Myles Standish Colony.

Fran has a Real Estate Broker's License. She was also a District Manager for Field Enterprises, publisher of World Book Encyclopedia for 20 years. A job in which she always "felt she was selling education, not just selling books." Her favorite part of the job was going into the schools and teaching

children how to effectively use reference materials.

Fran organized and served as first President of the Presque Isle Woman's Club in Erie, PA. She also served on the board of the Wesbury United Methodist Community in Meadville, PA and was their President.



Fran and Ed have three children and four grandchildren. Her favorite hobbies are bridge and her grandchildren who are Junior Members.

From the Governor's Desk

I realize it is a great responsibility to assume the office of Governor of the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Florida. I am honored that you have chosen me, and I will do my very best to fulfill my duties. However, I know I cannot do it effectively unless everyone helps. We have a wonderful group in the State of Florida and I know I can count on everyone.

I want to remind you of the four objects the Society of Mayflower Descendants has adopted.

1. **TO PERPETUATE** to a remote posterity the memory of our Pilgrim Fathers...
2. **TO CHERISH and MAINTAIN** the ideals and institutions of American Freedom, and to oppose any theories or actions that threaten their continuity...
3. **TO TRANSMIT the SPIRIT**, the purity of purpose and steadfastness of will of the Pilgrim Fathers to those who shall come after us...
4. **TO PROMOTE** the interests that are common to all the State Societies.

During my term, emphasis will be placed on **EDUCATION**. Today our schools are under constant pressure to change things as we once knew them, I feel it is our responsibility as descendants of the Pilgrims to keep their story, principles, and search for **FREEDOM** in the New World alive.

I am looking forward to serving and meeting as many of you as possible during the next three years. Thank you for putting your trust in me.

Sincerely,
State Governor Fran Lopus

Did You Know?

- ...That 23 of the 52 Pilgrims that survived the first winter were children?
- ...That three of the children returned to England?
- ...That Francis Billington discovered another ocean? They were really two very large fresh water lakes — still known today as Billington Sea.
- ...The cost of a Mayflower passage in 1620 was approximately 1500 pounds or about \$1,000 today?
- ...Sugar and gum-dragon cakes were mixed with cinnamon and ginger to combat seasickness?
- ...The four More children were the only passengers on the Mayflower with known British Royalty connections? They were descended from King

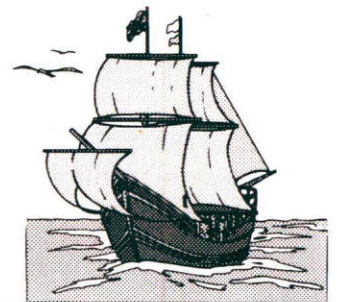
Governor General (continued)

seven Air Force medals, including the Legion of Merit. He has served on numerous city, county and Federal committees and board of directors. Today, Ed manages his family-owned multi-state residential apartment entity.

In addition to the Mayflower Society, Ed is a committee member of the Delano Kindred, Alden Kindred, and Pilgrim John Howland Society. He has been Chapter President and Florida State President of the Sons of the American Revolution, as well as that Society's National Trustee and President of the Council of State Presidents. Ed has also served as President of his Chapter of the Florida Huguenot Society.

Mr Sullivan is married to his high school sweetheart Elizabeth "Betty" Frank a registered nurse. Ed and Betty are the proud parents of seven daughters; Elizabeth Sullivan Rolfe (Mrs. Jeffrey) of Milford, CT; Alice Sullivan Tucker (Mrs. Curtis) of Oakland Park, FL; Kathleen Sullivan Flemming (Mrs. Carl) of Hutchinson Island, FL; Maureen Sullivan Fengler (Mrs. Kenneth) of Fort Lauderdale, FL; Caroline Sullivan Piper (Mrs. Daniel) of Virginia Beach, VA; Dr. April Sullivan Fitzgerald (Mrs. Mark) of Great Falls, VA; and Virginia Sullivan of Fort Lauderdale, FL. All are Life members in the Mayflower Society. At last count, Ed and Betty have 14 grandchildren.

Dorothy Seabury Hornus
Chair, Public Relations
GSMD/FSMD



David 1 of Scotland and
King Edward 1 of England.

- ... Women were not allowed to speak in church or interpret scripture?
- ...Church attendance was required? (three hours in the morning and three hours in the afternoon)
- ...Pilgrims did not celebrate Christmas or Easter?
- ...The Pilgrims introduced herbs to America? (basil, chives, fennel, parsley, rosemary, sage and thyme)

SOURCE: "Children of the Mayflower" compiled by Muriel Cushing, 2005, and "The Women of the Mayflower 1620" compiled by Margaret Harris Stover, 2004. These publications are available for purchase through the Tilley Colony.

Welcome New Members

The Florida Society of Mayflower Descendants welcomes our new members for the period of June 2005 through December 2005.

Alden Colony

Lynn Wright

Allerton Colony

William Roden
Michael Johnson
Barbara Pearson

Bradford Colony

Jeffrey Arnold
Anna Fisher
Bethany Lindsey
Christine Oberuc
Duncan Smith
Olin S. Wright

Chilton Colony

Shirley Purdey
Elizabeth Cason
Joan Shay

Cooke Colony

Daniel Yancey
Lara Yancey
Thomas Akers

Fuller Colony

Ann Wilson
Jean Maris

Hopkins Colony

Benjamin Patt
Kerry Morrison
Mary Keough
Mary Rainhard
Alvene Watson

Mullins Colony

Richard Sumner

Standish Colony

Alice Grady
Warren Goodell

Tilley Colony

Linda Anderson
Symphony O'Keefe
Greta Mahaffey

Warren Colony

Linda Fitzmeyer
David Kolster
Michael Kolster
Lansing Neal
Cynthia Neal
Richard Neal

New Junior Membership Chairman Announced

State Governor Fran Lopus has announced that **Stephanie Young** has been named the new State Junior Membership Chairman. You can reach Stephanie via email at: ssy1@bellsouth.net.

At the November State Meeting, former Junior Member Chairman Ken Carter reported that we ended 2005 with a total of 867 Junior Members. The **Chilton Colony** added the greatest number with 30 new Junior Members! Eighty-seven new Juniors were enrolled with the Standish, Tilley and Bradford Colonies, which boast the highest total number of Junior Members.

2006 promises to be a great year with seven Junior Membership applications already pending!

Thank you Ken Carter for doing such a superb job, and thank you to our new Junior Member Chairman Stephanie Young for volunteering.

In Memoriam...

We mourn the passing of the following Mayflower members:

Eugene A. Fortine

Governor General 1999-2002

Douglas William Pope

Initiated and was the first Web Master for FSMD Website

Dr. Patricia M. Stanford (Dr. Pat)

GSMD Junior Chairman for over 20 years

Florida Mayflower Online

Florida State Mayflower Society
<http://www.geocities.com/flmayflower/>

John Alden Colony

<http://www.geocities.com/flalden/>

Issac Allerton Colony

<http://www.geocities.com/flallerton/>

William Bradford Colony

<http://www.geocities.com/flbradford/>

William Brewster Colony

<http://www.geocities.com/flbrewster/>

James Chilton Colony

<http://home.comcast.net/~jaschiltonmf/>

Francis Cooke Colony

<http://www.geocities.com/flcooke/>

Edward Doty Colony

<http://www.geocities.com/fldoty/>

Edward Fuller Colony

<http://www.geocities.com/flfuller/>

Stephen Hopkins Colony

<http://www.geocities.com/flshopkins/>

John Howland Colony

<http://www.geocities.com/flhowland/>

William Mullins Colony

<http://www.geocities.com/flwmullins/>

Myles Standish Colony

<http://www.geocities.com/flstandish/>

Elizabeth Tilley Colony

<http://www.geocities.com/fletilley/>

Richard Warren Colony

<http://www.geocities.com/flrwarren/>

Edward Winslow Colony

<http://www.geocities.com/flwinslow/>

37th General Congress Overview

PLYMOUTH, MA, SEPTEMBER 10-13, 2005

The first session of Congress began with reports of the General Officers, Committee Chairs and Appointed Officers. 49 Societies out of 52 including Canada and the District of Columbia were present. There were 272 Delegates, 48 Members and 164 Guests for a total of 482 attendees.

GSMD/FSMD Public Relations Chair Dorothy Hornus presented the first **Annual Public Relations Awards** for the General Society. The winner of the top award in the category of "Best Overall Public Relations Program 2003-2005," which encompasses honors for first place in Best State Society Website, Best State Society Newsletter, and media coverage went to the Pennsylvania Society of Mayflower Descendants. Runners-up included the Canadian Society for the "Best State Society Newsletter 2003-2005," and California State Society for the "Best State Society Website." The Maryland State Society received a special award for "The Little State Society that Could!" Honorable mentions were also given for several state societies that were considered worthy of note for their efforts. Florida received honorable mention for its webpage originality.

FSMD Historian Muriel Curtis Cushing received a 5 Generation Project Award for "Philip Delano of the Fortune MFIP, Part 1."

GSMD/FSMD Public Relations Chairman Dorothy Hornus received the Governor General's Excellence Award from Governor General Davis for her work as Public Relations Chair.

MILLENNIUM FUND "VOYAGE" UPDATE:

It will take approximately \$2 million to digitize the database. The Ohio Society was commended for selling the most Millennium Voyage tickets with the California Society in second place. *The "Voyage" has been extended so there is still time to climb aboard.* (See page 444 of the December 2005 issue of "The Mayflower Quarterly" for a blank form.)

Duane Cline, not present, retired as General Education Chairperson, 1990-2005. He will continue with his website, which is linked to GSMD's website. Noel Kurht was named as his successor.

Historian General Bette Bradway reported that lineage fees will increase but not before 2008. The suggested increase of \$100 will be effective in 2009. Lineage papers for wives of Mayflower passengers will not be accepted when maiden names are not known. When and if the maiden names are confirmed they will be added to the following lineage

papers which are now being accepted: Mary Norris, wife of Isaac Allerton; Joan Hurst, wife of John Tilley; and Elizabeth Fisher, wife of Stephen Hopkins.

Insignia Chair Lea Filson requested that members refer to the www.mayflower.org website for the new location for ordering insignia. Lea who lives in LA reported that there was no loss or damage to the insignia during Hurricane Katrina.

The GSMD General Board of Assistants meeting for 2006 will be hosted by the Colorado Society of Mayflower Descendants and will be held in Denver, CO. In 2007, the Florida Society of Mayflower Descendants will host this meeting.

The proposed Constitution and By-laws in the June issue of "The Mayflower Quarterly" were voted down.

Edward Delano Sullivan of the Florida Society was nominated from the floor and added to the slate of officers for the position of Governor General by Florida DGG Bonny Stover and seconded by past Governor General Mildred Ramos, VA.

The new officers of the GSMD are as follows:

Governor General

EDWARD DELANO SULLIVAN, FL.

Assistant Governor General

TERRY MCKANE, MI

Secretary General

FAITH EDWARDS, NM

Treasurer General

JUDITH SWAN, CA & CANADA

Historian General

ANN LAINHART, MA

Counselor General

MICHAEL PHILLIPS, CA

Elder General

REV. JEANNE LINDERMAN, DE

Captain General

STUART HALL, ME

Surgeon General

GEORGE GARMANY, JR, MD, CO

Members at Large

LEA FILSON, LA

CARROLL GOSLEE, KY

BEN PROCTOR, KY

June Clayton, former TV news anchor and reporter, spoke on "History in the Making" at Tuesday evening's banquet. A Mayflower Society Passport and membership were presented to Ms. Clayton, whose mother is also a Mayflower Society member.

General & Florida Society Awards Presented

By Dorothy Seabury Hornus, GSMD/FSMD Public Relations Chairman



Back row left to right: Margaret Stover, Ellen Kirby, Muriel & Ren Cushing. Speaking: Governor General Edward D. Sullivan.

GSMD AWARDS: Governor General Edward D. Sullivan presented certificates from the General Society for service and assistance rendered during the Triennial Congress at Plymouth, September 12-13, 2005 to Margaret "Bonny" Stover, FSMD DGG; Ellen Kirby, Muriel and Ren Cushing.

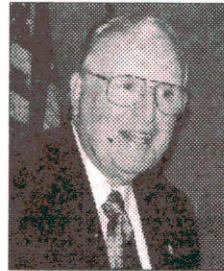
FSMD Annual Public Relations Awards presented by Governor George M. Allerton and Public Relations Chairman Dorothy Hornus at the Annual State Meeting of the Florida Society on November 18, 2005 were:

A **LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD** was presented to Jeanne Erb of Alden Colony, along with a certificate and a clock for her many years of faithful service to the Florida Society of Mayflower Descendants. Jeanne has served several terms as



Left to right: Jeanne Erb, Dorothy Hornus, George Allerton.

Colony Governor of the John Alden Colony, Ft. Lauderdale, as Deputy Governor General for GSMD, and as Deputy Governor of the Florida Society 2002-2003. During many of the Triennial Congresses, Jeanne always arranged for the "Florida Society Night" dinners and get-togethers of Florida Delegates and special guests. Mr. & Mrs. Erb are faithful attendees at all State Meetings. *Thank you for all of your hard work, Jeanne!*



Donald Winslow

BEST COLONY NEWS-LETTER AWARD went to Donald Winslow, Fuller Colony, Lakeland, for initiating and editing the excellent Colony Newsletter "FULLER SAIL," first newsletter of the Fuller Colony. Don received a certificate and a Pilgrim tie.

BEST MAINTENANCE OF WEBSITES AWARD went jointly to Muriel and Ren Cushing, Tilley Colony. Muriel Cushing initiated and has maintained the Florida Society website since 2001



Left to right: Muriel Cushing, Ren Cushing

in an outstanding manner; with timely updates and information, as well as maintaining the Tilley Colony site in addition to her State Historian duties. Ren Cushing assists Muriel and provides technical support to colony webmasters whenever his help is needed. Ren serves as the Florida Society Webmaster, and supervises operations of all Colony websites. He also serves as the Roll Keeper for FSMD; and he is Tilley's Colony Governor. Ren and Muriel received a certificate, along with a Pilgrim scarf and a Pilgrim tie.

68th Annual Meeting Notes

The 68th Annual State Meeting of the Florida Society of Mayflower Descendants was held Friday and Saturday, November 18 and 19, 2005 at the Holiday Inn - Catalina, Boynton Beach, FL. The meeting was hosted by the Isaac Allerton Colony, Edward S. Buckley, Colony Governor. Attendees and guests were greeted by Colony Treasurer Natalie Wilson (in Pilgrim costume) and Donna Fuller-Smith who distributed welcome envelopes. State Governor George Allerton extended our gratitude to the Allerton Colony Committee, Edward Buckley, Donna Fuller-Smith, Florence Kuschel and Gloria DeVito.

On Friday evening, members and guests visited with new and old friends at a delicious banquet. The tables were decorated with Fall leaves surrounded by fruit basket centerpieces, which were later given as door prizes. Governor General Ed Sullivan presented "Certificates of Commendation and Appreciation" to Ren and Muriel Cushing, Ellen Kirby, and Bonny Stover for their assistance during the recent Triennial Congress at Plymouth. Public Relations Chair Dorothy Hornus presented the annual Public Relations Awards. (See article "Society Awards Presented" on page 5.) The guest speaker James Ponce presented a fascinating and interesting talk on "Henry Flagler in South Florida."

68th ANNUAL STATE MEETING:

State Governor George Allerton called the Board of Assistants meeting to order at 8:30 AM.

It was discussed and voted to investigate the feasibility of initiating a secure URL website for maintaining the Florida Society Membership List. The list would be accessible only to members with a key password.

Deputy Governor Frances Lopus requested a vote to move the date for the annual scholarship applications from January 1 to March 1 each year, effective March 2006. The vote was unanimous in favor of the request.

The general meeting was called to order at 9:15 AM by Governor George Allerton with approximately 40 officers and members present. After opening exercises and announcements, a Memorial Service for deceased members was conducted by State Elder Robert Burt assisted by Allerton Colony Governor Edward Buckley and Chilton Colony Governor Kenneth Carter. A white carnation was placed in a vase while Colony members stood in respect as the names of their deceased members and ancestors were read. State Secretary Sheila See performed the Roll Call with 13 of the colonies represented. Sheila reported that there

will still be two newsletters even though the Spring Board of Assistants meeting will no longer be held.

Ren Cushing reported that our total membership was 1,178 as of November 2005. State Historian Muriel Cushing reported that we have 70 new members with 25 applications and supplements pending in Plymouth.

DGG Bonny Stover gave an excellent report on Triennial Congress held this past September in Plymouth.

Each colony report was read by the Colony Governor or a Colony representative. The colony reports were informative and provided creative ideas to the attendees.

William Bradford Colony Governor Laura Brock extended an invitation to the Florida Society to hold its 2007 Annual Meeting in St. Petersburg.

Former State Governor and DGG James Holyfield presided over the Installation Ceremony of a new Board of Assistants for the Florida Society as follows:

State Governor

FRAN LOPUS (*Standish Colony*)

Deputy Governor

ROBERT BURT (*Brewster Colony*)

State Secretary

SHEILA SEE (*Standish Colony*)

State Treasurer

SUSAN SHANNON (*Howland Colony*)

State Historian

MURIEL CUSHING (*Tilley Colony*)

State Elder

KENNETH CARTER (*Chilton Colony*)

Directors

CAROL YOVANOVICH (*Cooke Colony*)

NATE HEUBERGER (*Howland Colony*)

DALE SUTTON (*Mullins Colony*)

Assistant General

GEORGE ALLERTON (*Allerton Colony*)

Deputy Governor General

BONNY STOVER (*Tilley Colony*)

The Compact was read by Tilley Colony Governor and State Captain Ren Cushing; the benediction was given by State Elder Ken Carter, and the meeting was adjourned.

The 69th Annual State Meeting will be held on November 17 and 18, 2006 at The Villages hosted by the James Chilton Colony. Details are forth coming.

FSMD Scholarship Update

In November, the Board of Assistants voted to change the deadline for scholarship applications from January 1 to March 1. The required essay title was also changed to "What My Mayflower Heritage Means To Me."

To obtain an application, contact Deputy Governor Robert Burt, 219 Allen Ave., Key Largo, FL 33037, or download one online from the FL Mayflower website at: www.geocities.com/flmayflower. Scroll down to the Scholarship paragraph and press on the icon. The application will appear and you can print it out.

Established in 2003, the FSMD Scholarship Fund is maintained solely by voluntary contributions by Florida Society members and colonies. Members are encouraged to donate to this worthy cause. It is a great way to remember a special occasion or to honor a loved one, plus help expand the educational horizons of younger Mayflower descendants.

FSMD Memberships

Life membership applications can be obtained from your Colony historian. You must have belonged to FSMD for at least one year before you apply. Fees are based on member's age: 65+ = \$350, 50-64 = \$450, 35-49 = \$550, under 35 = \$600.

Junior membership applications for children under 18 can be obtained from your Colony historian. Sponsors need to be a member in good standing in FSMD. There is a one-time fee of \$15.

Congratulations!

The Myles Standish Colony installed a new slate of officers and celebrated its "30th Anniversary" at their meeting in November. Congratulations!



Left to Right: FL State Governor Frances Lopus, newly elected Myles Standish Colony Governor Nancy Talleur and newly past Colony Governor Judy Corey

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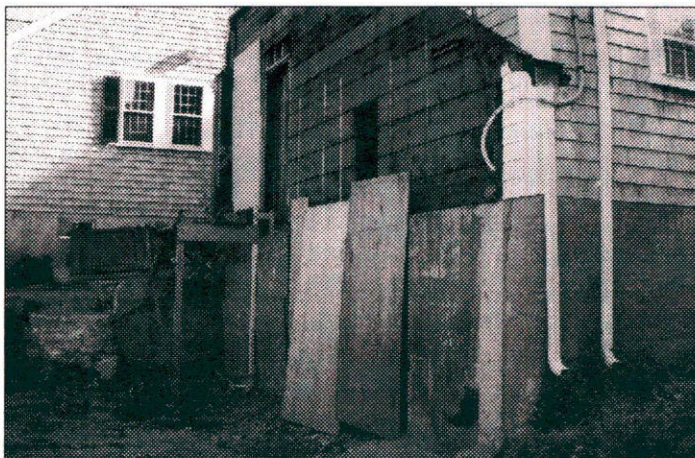
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9008 Calwood Court, Orlando, FL 32825-8062

Expansion Underway

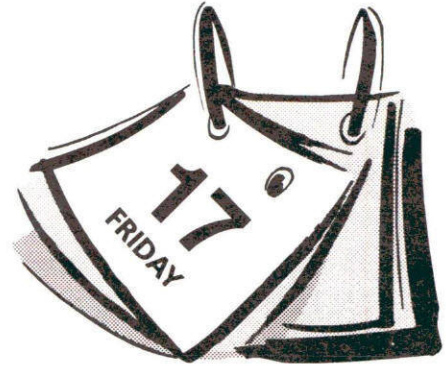
The following construction photos of the Mayflower Society's property were taken in September 2005.



Mark Your Calendars!

November 17-18, 2006
69th Annual State Meeting

hosted by the James Chilton Colony at The Villages



September 2006

GSMD General Board of Assistants Meeting

hosted by the Colorado Society in Denver, CO

Are You Moving?

Don't forget to notify "your" Colony if your address or telephone number changes. Colony Governors please send Ren Cushing your updated Colony membership lists. Thank you for your help.

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