

MYLES STANDISH COLONY NEWS



We regret that it was necessary to cancel our November 2020 meeting due COVID concerns. **We WILL meet virtually on January 13, 2021 via ZOOM.** Vice Governor Carolyn Alden will provide all members with the information necessary to join our ZOOM meeting. In addition to having our regular business meeting, we will introduce new fiction and nonfiction books written about the Mayflower Pilgrims. We may have a surprise author too! (Please RSVP using the insert inside the newsletter.)

We are optimistic that we will be able to meet again “in-person” on March 10, 2021 at Kensington Country Club. In March, we plan to honor the strength, courage, and faith of our Pilgrim ancestors with a candlelight service. Stay tuned for more details in February.

NEXT MEETING

JANUARY 13, 2021

11:30 -1:00 PM



Topic is “Mayflower Book Club”

VIA ZOOM



GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE DECEMBER 2020

Dear Myles Standish Colony Members:

Every three years, we elect a new Board for our Colony. I am both honored and humbled to be the new Governor of the Myles Standish Colony. Nancy Ratner has been the face and heart of our Colony for the past three years. Nancy remains on our Board as a Director and I am grateful for her continued help and guidance. Additionally, I am thankful to Dick Hazen and the nomination committee for recruiting a strong Board to join me. **As a group, we welcome your new ideas and assistance as we move forward.**

Due to continued COVID concerns, we have chosen to host our January 13, 2021 meeting virtually using ZOOM. We are optimistic that we will have our March 10, 2021 meeting "in-person" at the Kensington Country Club in Naples. Please consider buying a Myles Standish Colony car magnet. (See newsletter insert.) Proceeds will benefit our future educational programs both live and virtual.

As an introduction to myself, I have been a member of Myles Standish Colony since 2014 and have proven eight Mayflower ancestors thru my maternal grandmother and grandfather. I am a New England native who was raised in Southborough, Massachusetts. My husband and I now spend our winters in Bonita Springs and our summers on a small island off the coast of Portland called Long Island, Maine.

Although recently retired, I have degrees in occupational therapy and health care administration. I enjoyed a professional career with a nice blend of clinical, administrative and consulting positions. Retirement allows me to spend lots of time playing tennis, bicycling, gardening and walking our puppy "Tina".

I look forward to getting to know all our members better.

Warm Regards,

Ann Lambert Kremer, StandishColony@yahoo.com, or (239) 494-8500

Please join us for the January 13, 2021 Myles Standish Colony Virtual Zoom Meeting from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM. In addition to Colony business and announcements we will introduce the Myles Standish Colony Book Club. No charge. To RSVP, clip the form below and mail.

✂ (Clip here and mail) -----

I would like to be part of the January 13, 2021 ZOOM meeting at 11:30 AM

Name: _____

Send my ZOOM invitation to this email address: _____

My telephone number is: _____

I will be a first time ZOOM user and would like to be contacted for technical assistance: _____

Mail this form to Carolyn Alden: 4528 Coral Palms Ln, Apt. 6, Naples, FL 34116-1001

Myles Standish Colony, serving the Naples, Estero and Marco Island communities has a total of 147 members and a newly installed complement of officers as follows:

GOVERNOR: Ann Lambert Kremer:
standishcolony@yahoo.com, 239-494-8500

VICE GOVERNOR: Carolyn Alden:
carolynealden@gmail.com

RECORDING SECRETARY: Beverly Duncan:
revbev292@gmail.com

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY (Acting-seeking a volunteer): Ann Lambert Kremer:
standishcolony@yahoo.com

TREASURER: Linda Gadkowski:
linda.gadkowski@gmail.com

HISTORIAN: Angie Wakefield:
letsquilt@juno.com

JUNIOR CHAIR: Nancy A. Ratner:
eastontravel@hotmail.com

ELDER: Christel Walters:
christelmarlene@sbcglobal.net

CAPTAIN: David Burgess:
dhburgess@reagan.com

MEMBERSHIP CHAIR: Harvey Hilton:
harvey.hilton@gmail.com

DIRECTOR: Nancy A. Ratner:
eastontravel@hotmail.com



Beverly Duncan, Recording Secretary & Carolyn Alden, Vice Governor



Angie Wakefield, Historian and Harvey Hilton Membership Chair



David Burgess, Captain



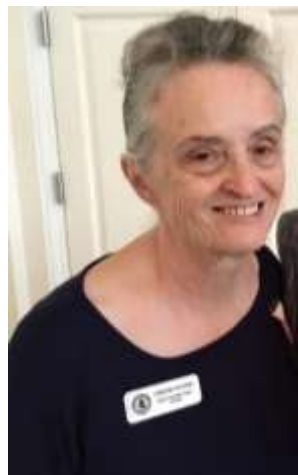
Linda Gadkowski, Treasurer



Ann Lambert Kremer, Governor



Nancy Ratner, Director and Junior Chair



Christal Walters, Elder



Holiday Gifts:



CAR MAGNETS: Increase awareness of the Myles Standish Colony. Proudly display a car magnet on your car bumper. **Price is \$8 each or 2 for \$15 and includes shipping to your home.** Size is approximately 6" x 4". These make great Stocking Stuffers. All proceeds will go to our general fund for future speakers and other educational purposes. Make checks payable to Myles Standish Colony and mail to: Ann Kremer, 15350 Scrub Jay Lane, Bonita Springs, FL 34135. (Be sure to include your shipping address.)

FUND RAISER FOR THE FLORIDA STATE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The State of Florida Mayflower Society is selling Jack Daniel's Premium Single Barrel Select. The bottles are engraved on each side and come with a Mayflower medallion. They are \$75.00 each. Proceeds go to the Scholarship Fund. Contact Nancy Ratner at (508) 238-1011 if you would like to place an order.



We have a Facebook Page: [MYLES STANDISH COLONY - NAPLES, FL](https://www.facebook.com/groups/mylesstandishcolony.naplesfl/)

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Myles Standish Colony, Florida Society of Mayflower Descendants

Annual Report, 12 November 2019 to November 2020

Angie Wakefield, Colony Historian starting 11 November 2020

Grace Knight, Co-Historian starting 16 August 2019

Transfers In/Out:

Lois Pecora (Warren descendant), Transfer In from California Society, 16 October 2020

Nancy Zolidis (William White descendant), Transfer In from Wisconsin Society 17 Oct 2020

Reinstatements: None

Applications:

Stephen Feldhous, initial from Hopkins begun Nov 2018

Anne Andreoulakis, initial from Brewster begun Mar 2018

Barbara McIntosh Chin, initial from Priest begun Aug 2019

Alexandra Pool, initial from White begun Mar 2019

Nancy Smith, initial from Alden or White, start date unknown

Kristen Longstreet, initial from Brewster begun 10 Dec 2019

Peter Scala, initial from Howland begun 28 Jan 2020

Tabatha Wichman-Kapp, initial from Alden begun 10 Apr 2020

Lawrence Swift, initial from Edward Fuller begun 13 May 2020

Ron Benson, supplemental from Edward Fuller begun 23 Jan 2020

Ron Benson, supplemental from Samuel Fuller, begun 4 March 2020

Austin Downey, initial from White begun 30 Oct 2019 (Junior program)

Magnolia Cahill, initial from Brewster begun Jun 2019 (Junior program)

Emily Montague, initial from Bradford begun 10 Jan 2020 (Junior program)

Jackson Bennett, initial from White begun 31 May 2020 (Junior Program)

John Westley Blackwell III, initial from White begun 31 May 2020 (Junior program)

Phillip Norton, initial from White begun 7 Oct 2020

Mary Pirro, supplemental from Alden begun 22 Oct 2020

Susan Szen, supplementals from Hopkins and White begun 2 Nov 2020

New Members Elected:

Jean Szen, initial from Soule elected 22 Nov 2019

Jim Wakefield, initial from Tilley elected 15 Jan 2020

Samantha Kalman, initial from Doty elected 4 Feb 2020

Kenneth Gay, initial from Brewster elected 28 Feb 2020

Susan Szen, initial from Soule elected 5 May 2020

Marianne Bowman, initial from Bradford, elected 12 May 2020

Timothy Szen, initial from Soule elected 27 May 2020

Elijah Hair, initial from Howland elected 17 Jul 2020

Linda Gadkowski, initial from Bradford elected 11 Aug 2020

John Morris Burrows, initial from Eaton elected 21 Aug 2020

Valinda Bilbrey, initial from Stephen Hopkins elected 25 Aug 2020

Susan Alden, initial from Alden elected 1 Sep 2020

Peter Wakefield, initial from Tilley elected 29 Sep 2020

Sharyn Shubert, initial from Warren elected 27 Oct 2020

Phillip Robert (Rob) Caito, dual membership 28 Nov 2020

Supplemental Applications Approved:

Gaile Johnson, 3 supps from J Alden, Priscilla Mullins and Peter Brown approved 31 Jan 2020

Nancy Ratner, 1 supplemental from Thomas Rogers approved 16 Jun 2020,

Ann Kremer, 3 supps from Henry Samson, George Soule, Richard Warren approved 10 Jul 2020

Audray Clement, 1 supplemental from John Billington approved 17 Jul 2020

Ron Benson, 1 supplemental from John Howland approved 17 Jul 2020

Ron Benson, 1 supplemental from William Brewster approved 31 Jul 2020

Mary Pirro, 1 supplemental from Francis Eaton approved 7 Aug 2020

Valinda Bilbrey, 2 supps from Giles & Constance Hopkins approved 6 Nov 2020

John Blackwell, 1 supplemental from Francis Cooke approved 6 Nov 2020

Total of 14 new Myles Standish Colony members elected, and 14 supplemental applications approved, in the past year. 5 Initial Applications, and 1 Supplemental application, are currently at Plymouth awaiting review. Currently, Plymouth is taking 6 months to approve applications received.

Respectfully Submitted,

Grace Knight, Co-Historian, Florida Society of Mayflower Descendants



DEAR MYLES COLONY MEMBER:

The GSMD recently voted to increase member dues. Our annual member dues are now \$54.

Most of our members have already paid \$34.00 for their 2021 annual dues. It is most unfortunate that this new ruling and announcement came after we had already collected our 2021 dues. We apologize for this confusion but this was beyond our control and *we are now we are required to collect an additional \$20 from each member.*

PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20.00 AND MADE **PAYABLE TO MYLES STANDISH COLONY**

*Your Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Telephone: _____

(*Please indicate if your contact information has changed.)

Return this NOTICE WITH your check by December 31, 2020 to:

LINDA GADKOWSKI, Treasurer
2177 PAGET CIRCLE,
NAPLES, FL. 34112-4208

As always, we want to thank you for your support. Our society is entirely funded by the dues and generous donations from our membership. 🙏 (Life members do not pay the additional \$20.)



We fondly remember the following Myles Standish Colun members who have passed this past year: Marianne Bowman, Claudia Curle, James Wakefield. Our sincere sympathies are extended to their families.



Florida Society of Mayflower Descendants (FSMD) Scholarship Winner:

Congratulations to one of our Junior members, Makayla Kalman of Massachusetts who was a 2020 recipient of a FSMD scholarship. Makayla is fluent in Spanish and is studying International Affairs as a freshman at Emanuel College in Boston, MA. Makayla is the daughter of Myles Colony member

Makayla is the third Junior member of Myles Standish Colony to have won a \$2,000 scholarship from FSMD. The two other FSMD scholarship winners were Alexander Stetson, and Natalie Hall. Any Mayflower descendant who is entering their senior year in High School is eligible to apply for one of the two \$2,000 academic scholarships awarded by FSMD. **Contact Alvene Watson at membership.secretary@flmyaflower.com for more scholarship details.** FSMD also sponsors a vocational school scholarship for a Mayflower descendant, age twenty-five and under who wishes to pursue a career in the trades.

Once a junior member reaches the age of eighteen and prior to his/her twenty-fifth receives full membership with fees waived. We have 137 juniors currently enrolled in our colony and we generally have at least one or two who make the leap each year to full membership once they reach the age of eligibility. In 2020, we welcomed one Junior who transferred his Junior membership for that of a full member. He was: ELIJAH C.K. HAIR

Please reach out to our Junior Chair, Nancy Ratner at eastontravel@hotmail.com or by telephone at 239-331-3203 to learn more about Junior Membership. Applications for Junior membership are available here: [CONSTITUTION-BYLAWS-NOVEMBER-2020amended.pdf \(flmayflower.com\)](#)

Thinking about Life Membership?

[CONSTITUTION-BYLAWS-NOVEMBER-2020amended.pdf \(flmayflower.com\)](#)

If you have been a member in Florida for at least 5 years, may apply for life membership to the Florida State Society. Life memberships are not transferable to or from other state societies sand the fee is not refundable after the application is accepted. Life Members must pay all dues for the year following application. Payment, made payable to the Florida Mayflower Society (FSMD), accompanies an application in accordance with the following schedule:

Age 70 & over: \$ 500

Age 65 through 69: \$ 600

Age 60 through 64: \$ 700

Age 55 through 59: \$ 800

Age 50 through 54: \$ 900

Contact our Colony Treasurer Linda Gadkowski at: linda.gadkowski@gmail.com , or
Linda Gadkowski, 2177 PAGET CIRCLE, NAPLES, FL. 34112-4208