



# Mayflower Chronicles

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## **Compact Day Meeting Saturday November 7, 2009 Normanside Country Club, Delmar, NY Reception and Cash Bar 12:30 pm Luncheon 1:00 PM**

### **LT. Governors' Message November 7, 2009**

Our Albany Colony Website has grown actively and currently has Dep. Lt. Gov. Jim Roger's photographs from his slideshow gracing its pages. A hearty thank you to Karl Dannel for his hard work on this, and please take a look at <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~nyacsmd/index.html>.

Shortly, we will attempt to collect information for our long over due Colony directory, or Roster, and it appears we will need to ask for help with what information you wish included in the directory. We would like to include name, address, telephone and email as well as ancestors for which one has secured their membership as well as the supplemental so we can identify all our cousins. To facilitate this properly, a postcard will go out requesting this information to be returned via the postcard, or via email.

Our Fall meeting on November 7<sup>th</sup> will be entertained with, "FROM SCROOBY TO THE SECOND HARVEST", a play about English colonists who arrived in New England on the Mayflower. Eileen Patch, (playing Susanna White Winslow) is joined by Arlene Niemeyer (playing Elizabeth Tilley Howland) and Janice Gillig (as Mary Allerton Cushman). I want to personally thank Eileen (a Susanna White descendant) for offering to present this, and I look forward to the play

We look forward to a wonderful November Meeting, hope to see you there.

Rick Saunders, Lt. Gov.

Albany Colony

Dinner

Reservations in by

Oct 25!!!

**NEXT MEETING May 1,2010**

**Future dates Nov 6, 2010, May 7,2011**

### ***May 2, 2009 Meeting Minutes***

The Spring Compact Day Meeting of the Albany Colony, SOMD, held at the Normanside Country Club, Delmar NY, was called to order by Lt. Gov. Saunders at 1 PM.

The Invocation was given by Elder Arthur F. Young, Jr., followed by the

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America given by Co-Captain Robert Clemons.

Officers present were introduced by Lt. Gov. Saunders.

No **new members** were present to be introduced.

Self-introductions were made by the members including name, location, and ancestor.

Members & guests present - 40

**Secretary's Report:** minutes from the November 2008 meeting were approved as printed. Motion made by Art Young and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Richard Sauders Sr. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** The report was distributed and read by Betty-Jean Haner and included 10 deaths this past year: Elizabeth B. Altenhofen (G. Soule), William G. Howe (Stephen Hopkins), Wesley Webber (Richard Warren), Arnold Cogswell (Wm. Bradford), Mary Lois Oppenheim (Richard Warren), Nelson Ripley (Wm. Bradford), Mary Louise Bungay (John Howland), Wanda Canaday (Wm. Brewster), Anne Cleveland (Wm. Bradford), and Henry Hopkins Livingston (John Howland).

The report was accepted and will be filed for audit.

Committee Reports:

**Historian:** Bob Haff provided a six-month report on new members, transfers, approved supplements, deaths, and drops for a total membership of 189, as of 3/31/09. His report was approved as printed in the Chronicles. Motion made by Art Young and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bette Bradway. Motion carried.

**Bylaws:** No report.

**Chronicles:** The next article for the next issue will feature ancestor "John Alden" followed by "Isaac Allerton". Descendants, please submit information to our editor. Discussion followed regarding the mailing vs. emailing of the newsletter. Each time 250 newsletters are mailed out with only 50 people accepting by email. If the newsletter were to be primarily emailed, it was suggested to have a postcard notice mailed out with the meeting date, due to timing of reservations. Too many people did not receive notice of this meeting. No decision was reached nor motion made.

#### **ROLL CALL of Ancestors:**

John Alden 2  
Isaac Allerton 3  
John Billington 0  
William Bradford 4  
William Brewster 7  
Peter Brown 0  
James Chilton 3  
Francis Cooke 4  
Edward Doty 1  
Frances Eaton 1  
Moses Fletcher 0  
Edward Fuller 0  
Samuel Fuller 0  
Stephen Hopkins 8  
John Howland 7  
Richard More 0  
William Mullins 1  
Degory Priest 0  
Thomas Rogers 2  
Henry Samson 1  
George Soule 3  
Miles Standish 0  
John Tilley 5  
Richard Warren 6  
William White 2  
Edward Winslow 0  
Mary (Norris) Allerton 0  
Elizabeth (Fisher) Hopkins 2  
Joan (Hurst) Tilley 5

**Stephen Hopkins descendants had the greatest representation**  
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**Announcements/  
Future Meeting Dates:**  
May 1, 2010; November 6, 2010; May 7, 2011.

**Colony Elections** -Nominating Committee Report - Bette Bradway presented the slate of officers as follows:

Lt. Governor--Richard C. Saunders Jr

1<sup>st</sup> Deputy Lt. Gov. - James Rogers

2<sup>nd</sup> Deputy Lt. Gov. - David Wade Morton, Ed.D.

Secretary - Priscilla S. Davis

Treasurer - Betty-Jean Haner

Co-Captains - Jacqueline Chamberlain, Robert Clemens

Historian - Robert Haff

Elder - Arthur F. Young, Jr.

Archivist - Eleanor Morris (volunteered from the floor to accept this position)

Motion was made and seconded for the Secretary to cast one ballot to accept the nominations as presented. Motion carried.

**Website:** Karl Danneil stated the Chronicles newsletter will be going on the Colony website soon.

**Old Business:** none

**New Business:** Samuel Fuller & Richard Doty family histories have been revised.

A new pink & blue necktie for the New York State Society is now available.

Brochures about the Mayflower Society are available. Rick Sauders has a brochure for the New York State Society. Albany Colony Membership Roster will be printed in Publisher. An electronic version will be emailed as a pdf file.

**Program:** 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the Mayflower II. 1<sup>st</sup> Dep. Lt. Gov. Jim Rogers attended this celebration at Plymouth in 2007 and showed the DVD he made of the event. It is very well done and most interesting to see. All members should see this!

Benediction given by Elder Young.  
Meeting adjourned at 3:05 PM.

Submitted by Priscilla S. Davis, Secretary

# ALBANY COLONY

From April 1, 2009 to September 30, 2009

<u>Membership Totals</u>	a/o March 31, 2009	a/o September 30, 2009
	14 Life	13 Life
	<u>175 Regular</u>	<u>176 Regular</u>
	189 Members	189 Members

## +++ADDITIONS

### Elected to Membership (3)

Douglas Bruce Marshall	81,272	5509	29 Nov 2009	John Howland
Wallace Coates Paprocki	80,670	5480	20 May 2009	William Brewster
Jeanne Parker Westcott	81,148	5501	26 Aug 2009	Thomas Rogers

### Reinstated (1)

June Newton Walker	69,101	4884	reinstated 7/27/09 (joined 2001,resigned 2006)
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### CHANGE TO LIFE

Carrolyn Tyron Davies	77,228	5309
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## +++DELETIONS

### Died (2)

Arnold Cogswell

Henry Hopkins Livingston (Life)

### Resigned (2)

Ralph P. Avery

Phyllis C. Baker

### Supplementals Approved

Phyllis Baker	William Brewster	12 Jun 2009
Michael Broad	Elizabeth Tilley	14 Sep 2009
Douglass Mabee	Edward Doty	13 May 2009
Nancy Anne Potter	Thomas Rogers	03 Jun 2009
Donna Marie Zientek	Elizabeth Tilley	24 Jun 2009 and Joan Hurst

03 Sep 2009

# AUTUMN MEETING November 7, 2009

## Normanside Country Club, Delmar, NY

### Reception and Cash Bar 12:30PM Luncheon 1:00pm

*Tossed Salad ,choice of dressing ,Dinner rolls with butter, Roast Turkey,Stuffing,Cranberry Sauce, Mashed Potatoes,Gravy,Vegatables, Dessert :Pumpkin Pie, Coffee, Decaf, or Tea .Price: \$24.00*

To the Pilgrims- a simple people, inspired by an ardent faith in God, a dauntless courage in danger, a boundless resourcefulness in the face of difficulties, an impregnable fortitude in adversity: thus they have in some measure become the spiritual ancestors of all Americans. To the Pilgrims." Pilgrims toast from Mayflower Quarterly June 2008

We must have all reservations in the mail by Saturday October 25 **Please make your check payable,\$24.00 per person, to ALBANY COLONY SOMD and mail with reservation form to: BJ Haner, 53 New Shaker Road, NY 12205-3615** For late reservations (**NO RESERVATIONS CAN BE TAKEN AFTER November 5**), please call Richard Saunders(518) 792-1412 (Glens Falls)

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ place(s) for me at the Autumn Luncheon Meeting, Saturday Nov 7,2009

Please list names of persons attending: (all entrees are \$24.00) \_\_\_\_\_

My check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed Signed \_\_\_\_\_

I cannot attend/ I wish to donate \_\_\_\_\_

**Hope to see you there!!!**



**All about.....John Alden** excerpted from Sept 2007 Mayflower Quarterly article by Alicia Crane Williams, A DESCENDANT OF John Alden, is the editor of the Alden family volumes in the Mayflower Families Through Five Generations series. and has also been genealogist of the Alden Kindred of America for more than 20 years.

They were “America’s First Couple” but we really don’t know that much about John and Priscilla Mullins Alden. We can calculate that John was born about 1598 because he was about eighty –nine years of age when he died in 1687. We don’t know what date our famous ancestors were married– again our best guess is about 1623. John Alden was a hopeful young man who was hired to serve as cooper on the ship Mayflower while she was preparing to sail from Southampton, England. Coopers or wet carpenters were required by law to sail on any ship carrying passengers to tend to the caskets and barrels of food and drink, making certain they did not leak and that seawater did not contaminate the contents. When the Mayflower passengers arrived in New England, they gave John the choice of staying with them or going home with the ship. He stayed. The exact reasons he stayed are unknown to us now, but certainly the opportunity to own land and make a better economic future for himself was a part of it. Another reason undoubtedly was that pretty young lady named Priscilla. Even though John may not have yet aspired to her hand, and although he was not originally one of the religious group, he apparently embraced the church, becoming a respected member.

The story of how John proposed to Priscilla was reputedly handed down through the generations of the family until it was made famous by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow’s (a descendant of John Alden) poem, *The Courtship of Miles Standish* in 1858. The basic story is that when the widowed Miles Standish wanted to remarry, he sent his friend, John Alden, as a messenger to plead the cause with Priscilla. She, however, with an open and pleasant countenance” turned the tables by asking, “Prithee, John, why do you not speak for yourself?”. John is reported to have blushed, bowed and excused himself while he went to deliver the bad news to Miles before returning and making his own declaration to Priscilla. The 1814 account of John describes him as ‘said to have been a man of most excellent form with a fair and ruddy complexion.” John became a farmer and their first home was within Plimoth Plantation, but after the division of land in 1627, John and Priscilla resettled in Duxbury. In 1632 the Alden’s built a permanent home on 100 acres they had been granted in Duxbury. At his death John deeded over 600 acres to his sons.

John knew how to read and write and was given positions of responsibility in the colony– magistrate, Assistant to the General Court, Colony Treasurer, acting Deputy Governor. John’s obituary noted that “ he had served his colony for many years. The hearts of Saints ( Pilgrims) intirely did him love, His Uprightness so highly did approve, that whilst to choose they had their liberty, Within the Limits of this Colony, Their Civil Leaders, him they ever choose. His walk was holy, humble and sincere”. The last paragraph of one of his epitaphs was directed to his descendants. “Let Alden’s all their Father imitate, And follow him till they come to death’s state, And he will them most heartily embrace, When he shall meet them in that blessed place. And let New England never want (ie lack) a Race, Of such as may be fill’d with Aldens Grace.”

**Some Famous People descended from John Alden** : Presidents John Adams, John Quincy Adams, and Calvin Coolidge, Marilyn Monroe, Orson Welles, Dick Van Dyke, Dan Quayle, Poets Henry Wadsworth Longfellow and William Cullen Bryant,

## ALBANY COLONY DESCENDANTS OF JOHN ALDEN



## CALLING ALBANY COLONY PILGRIMS

I thought we could do a series of articles written by descendants of each of our forefathers. Next up is **Isaac Allerton** so if there are any descendants of Isaac Allerton from our Albany Colony that would like to write something please send or email to me and it will be published next Chronicles.

# Directions

Head North on US 9W East from exit 23(I 87 & I 787)  
Turn LEFT onto Delaware Avenue (Highway 443 West)  
Go 3.6 miles and turn RIGHT onto Salisbury Road  
Look for a sign at the traffic light on Delaware & Salisbury  
with an arrow directing traffic to the Normanside Country Club  
Go to the end. Phone # Normanside CC 518 -439- 2117

Contact joyce052@aol.com if  
you want to have the  
newsletter emailed to you Go  
green like our ancestors!!!

## Notice of Websites

General Society of Mayflower  
Descendants website  
[www.themayflowersociety.com](http://www.themayflowersociety.com)

Albany Colony Website  
<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~nyacsmd/index.html>.



PLEASE NOTE THE NEW ADDRESS

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SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS  
59-113TH STREET  
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