



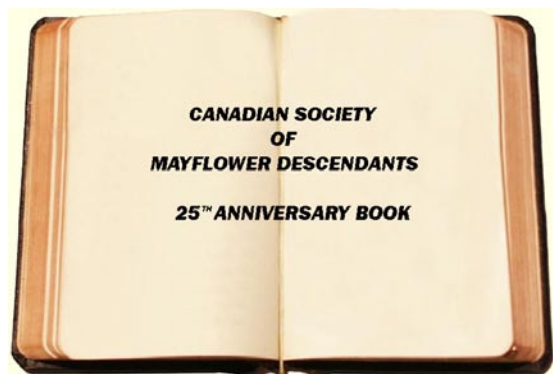
Canadian Pilgrim

Newsletter of the Canadian Society of Mayflower Descendants



Robert W. White, Editor

25th Anniversary Book Pre-Orders



We are now taking orders for the purchase of our 25th Anniversary Book. Please note that those who order EARLY will SAVE 20% off the regular price of \$40.00!!

This will be a treasured keepsake for you and your family and will make an excellent gift for children, grandchildren and other family members.

The book will be 8x11, with a beautiful leather-like hardcover. Accompanying the history of our society and colonies are many pictures of our members taken at society events over the years.

The second half of the book will contain the expanded membership roster with pictures and biographies of those of our members who chose to send them.

Pre-orders must be taken before we go to print, so please DO NOT DELAY. The sooner you order, the sooner we can send the book to print.

Early birds who send their orders before November 30th will pay only \$32.00, a 20% savings. Those who place their order after December 1st, will pay \$40.00. Send your payment (to CSMD) along with \$10.00 for postage and handling to: Joyce A. Cutler, 448 Third Line, Oakville, Ont. L6L 4A5.

Annual Meeting and Compact Luncheon 18 November 2006

Location

Toronto Cricket Skating and Curling Club,
141 Wilson Avenue, Toronto, Ont.
(416) 487-4581

Time

12:00 p.m. cash bar

1:00 p.m. luncheon

Cost

\$40.00, pp, buffet

Slide Presentation

"Historic Plymouth". See all the historic sites of Plymouth in pictures taken last September.

Directions

From Hwy 401 turn south on Avenue Rd. to the first light; turn left onto Wilson Ave. going east; the Cricket Club is a few hundred feet along on the right.

Parking

The club now charges for parking. The alternative for those who wish is a school across the road.

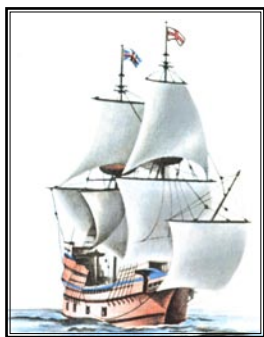
Governor's Column Fall 2006

Joyce Cutler



I am writing this column for our fall newsletter while on holidays in Plymouth with my daughter, Carole and two of my granddaughters, Andrea and Ashley. Carole and I wanted to show the girls first hand the land of our Pilgrim ancestors. In keeping with this theme I bought myself a T-shirt with the words, "PLYMOUTH America's Home Town," written across the front of it.

This evening as I sat on our motel balcony wearing my new T-shirt, I looked out over Plymouth harbour and saw *Mayflower II* docked at the wharf rocking gently



with the tide, I tried to imagine how Plymouth harbour might have looked in 1620 when our ancestors first arrived. Plymouth Rock has been re-located, but many of the original landmarks can still be identified. One of the Objects of our General Society's Constitution is "To perpetuate to a remote posterity the memory of our Pilgrim Fathers" and the members are

constantly working very hard trying to do this.

In keeping with this mandate our Canadian Society is publishing our Anniversary Book which will go to press this fall. It will contain the history of our Canadian Society since its beginning in 1980 written by our historian, Susan Roser; there will be a roster of our current members; also it will have a "Cousins" section which will put descendants of a common Pilgrim ancestor together and finally, there will be an assortment of pictures taken at different events through the last twenty-five years. You can find information on how to pre-order our book elsewhere in this newsletter.

This November at our annual Meeting and Compact Luncheon, Susan will show slides taken of some of our activities during our Plymouth 2005 trip. She will include various Plymouth landmarks, our day at Plimoth Plantation, and our visit to Cape Cod. Her vast knowledge of this whole area will make for a very interesting presentation, which I am sure we will all enjoy.

These above activities are two ways in which we, the Canadian Society, are trying to perpetuate the memory of our Pilgrim Fathers, who founded PLYMOUTH America's Home Town.

Nova Scotia Colony Meeting

Fellow Mayflower Colony Member

There is an excitement in the air!

We are pleased to let you know that this year's fall session of The Nova Scotia Colony of Mayflower Descendants will be held in Yarmouth, Friday September 23rd and Saturday, September 24th, 2006. Yes, we are planning a real conference with some special events taking place.

Our special guest will be Mike Webber who plays the part of Francis Cook at the Plimoth Plantation. We are fortunate that a local business, Cook's Dairy, has agreed to cover the majority of his costs. "Francis" will be giving a 90 minute session on Saturday morning.

The program looks like this:

**Nova Scotia Mayflower Descendants
September 22nd and 23rd Yarmouth, NS**

Friday, September 22nd

Old Congregational Church in Chebogue

6:00 to 6:30 p.m. Registration for conference at the church

6:30 p.m. Welcome Gordon Wood

Tour of the Town Point Cemetery - Wilfred Allan

7:30 p.m. History of the Old Congregational Church and surrounding area

7:45 p.m. NS Colony of Mayflower Descendants Annual General Meeting - Part 1

Following the AGM a reception will be held nearby at the Archibald's on Chebogue Point

Saturday, September 23rd

Yarmouth County Museum and Archives
22 Collins Street in Yarmouth

9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Registration and tour of the Yarmouth County Museum and Archives

10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. A visit and talk from "Francis Cook" from the Plimoth Plantation

12:00 p.m. to 1:15 a.m. A light lunch provided of sandwiches, sweets, coffee, tea, , etc.

1:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Present day life on Plimoth Plantation by Mike Webber

2:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Part 2 of AGM and mini town hall planning for the future? Followed by How do I become a member of the Society/Colony?

Those of you who are remaining in Yarmouth area for

Saturday you are invited to take part in Uncle Jeb's regular "After Dark Ghost and Mystery Tour" which begins at 9:30 p.m., Saturday evening at Killam Brothers' Building. There will be no charge for those attending the Mayflower gathering. It will last approximately 1 hr 15 minutes and will end outside the Yarmouth Jail.

It appears as if the Conference fee will be \$20.00 for single and \$30.00 for two. This will include the Friday evening reception, the Saturday lunch, space rental at the museum and help cover the cost of bringing "Francis Cook" from Plimoth Plantation. This Conference will be open to all who are members or interested in becoming members of the Society and/or Colony.

We have negotiated a conference rate at the Comfort Inn on Starrs Road in Yarmouth (902-742-1119)

We appreciate the financial support of Cook's Dairy of Chebogue which has provided a grant to cover the majority of the costs of bringing Mike Webber, alias Francis Cook, to Yarmouth from Plymouth, Mass. We will need numbers for the various venues so if you are planning to attend please contact either Gordon or Gary as soon as possible.

Please contact
Gary Archibald 902-742-4195
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Please pass on this information to whoever you think may be interested in joining the Society in the future or just attending this conference.

Alberta Colony Report

The Alberta Colony of Mayflower Descendants is a branch of the Canadian Society of Mayflower Descendants that has 55 active members residing in Alberta. The 2006 Board meeting of the Alberta Colony was held on 23 April 2006 at the Strathmore Station Restaurant and Pub at 12:00 noon. At this meeting, the Alberta Colony's 2006 Board was determined and includes:

Gwen Gogolinski - Regent
Ann Murphy - Vice Regent
Phillip Thorpe - Past Regent
Fay Carlson - Secretary
Arlie Fawcett - Treasurer
Margaret Brodylo - Captain
Gary Mann - Historian
Terry Smith - Elder
Al Collins - Chaplain

This new board will need to be ratified at our AGM and

Compact Dinner to be held on October 28, 2006 at the Willow Park Golf and Country Club, 639 Willow Park Drive S.E., Calgary, Alberta. The Annual General Meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m., cocktails with a cash bar at 6:30 p.m., and dinner at 7:00 p.m. The cost is \$50.00 per person. To reserve, please make your cheque payable to the Canadian Society of Mayflower Descendants - Alberta Colony and send it **before October 14, 2006:**

to:

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British Columbia Colony Report

Bob White - Regent



Left to right: Frank Fishleigh, Bob White,
Pat Prince, Bob Prince

The Semi-Annual Meeting and pot-luck luncheon of the BC Colony of Mayflower Descendants was held on the 28th May 2006 at the Vancouver home of Joan and Dick Stace-Smith with 17 members and guests in attendance. (As of July 2006 there were 28 "paid up" members and associate members in the BC Colony.) At the meeting two new associate members, Barry Price and Marg Mangelsen, were welcomed. Both Barry and Marg are well on their way to completing the documentation for full membership. The meeting was followed by a short programme organized by Regent, Bob White.

The programme consisted of an explanation of the National Geographic Genographic Project and its application in genealogical research. Bob circulated a DNA report which had been completed on his wife, Mitzi, who is of Russian ancestry. The report showed that Mitzi White belonged to Haplogroup H.



Gary and Marg Mangelsen of Colwood, BC

Haplogroup H is one of 7 Haplogroups that migrated out of Africa 150,000 years ago. It is estimated that nearly 40 percent of the European Caucasian population belongs to Haplogroup H so there were no great revelations in this report.

Following Bob's presentation the National Geographic DVD on this subject was shown to the meeting. It should be noted that the June 2006 issue of The Mayflower Quarterly contains four articles relating to Mayflower ancestry and DNA projects.

The date of the BC Colony Annual Meeting was set for **26 November 2006**. The programme will be a DVD showing pictures taken at Plimoth Plantation in the spring of 2006.



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Library Report - Fall 2006

Joyce Cutler – Librarian

We have two new books in our Mayflower Library, which are as follows:

Mayflower Families Through Five Generations

Volume 13, Third Edition - **William White** - published in 2006


Volume 23, Part One - **John Howland** - published in 2006. First four generations of children - Lydia, Hannah, Joseph, Jabez, Ruth and Isaac

Please note that our library holdings are now on the website for our Canadian Society of Mayflower Descendants thanks to the efforts of our historian Susan Roser. These may be seen at the following address:

www.rootsweb.com/~canms/canada.html

Our library is housed in the Canadiana Room of the North York Central Library in Toronto. This department does not do in depth research, but they will check a limited number of appropriate resources for you.

Phone (416)393-7241,
intellisearch@tpl.toronto.on.ca



Necrology

The Canadian Society of Mayflower Descendants
mourns the passing in August 2005
of
William Archbold #364

Miles Standish House

One of the earliest 17th century archaeological sites in Plymouth Colony is the house of Miles Standish.

Plimoth Plantation-Spring 2006

Robert and Mitzi White



Our woodpile does not look like this!



Your editor at Plimoth Plantation.

Anno: 1621

"Aboute the later end of this month, one John Billington lost him selfe in the woods, & wandered up & downe some 5. days, living on berries & what he could find."



Dues Notice

Please remember that your 2007 membership dues of \$40 were required by November 30, 2006. Send your payment to:

Joyce Cutler, Acting Treasurer
448 Third Line
Oakville, ON
L6L 4A5

Many of our members have not yet paid for this year 2006. If you are one of these, please bring your dues up to date so that your membership is not terminated.

The Canadian Society of Mayflower Descendants depends on your dues and donations.

Why not pay several years in advance?

Donations

We are most grateful to members who choose to donate to our society.

Moving?

With each issue of the Canadian Pilgrim several are returned with the notation "Moved – left no forwarding address." If you are moving, please let our secretary, Deborah Clarke, know so we can ensure delivery to you.

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Canadian Certificates

Canadian membership certificates are available at a cost of \$5.00. Please contact the Canadian Historian, Susan Roser, if you are interested.



Canadian Society Pin

Description: Black background with a gold picture and letters. The diameter of the pin is about 7/8 of an inch with a push pin back. Pins will be available at our November Meeting for \$5.00 or by

mail order for \$6.25. Please make cheques payable to the Canadian Society of Mayflower Descendants (CSMD). Send orders to Joyce Cutler 448 Third Line, Oakville, Ontario, L6L 4A5.

Canadian Society Website

Visit our Society's website for up to date information on meetings. You will also find a listing of our library holdings at the North York Public Library; listing of Pilgrim related Family Societies; listing of research articles under Mayflower head of family; Mayflower DNA news; as well as information on our society.

www.rootsweb.com/~canms/canada.html

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Editor's Column

Robert W. White



I recently acquired a copy of Nathaniel Philbrick's book *Mayflower* and have spent many pleasant hours reading and digesting this very compelling narrative of the Pilgrim voyage and early years in Plymouth. Philbrick re-introduces us to the cast of characters that dominate the Pilgrim world of the 17th Century. These include such well known names as William Bradford, Edward Winslow and Benjamin Church as well as the important native leaders of the period.

I had not read any of the earlier works by Nathaniel Philbrick so had no basis on which to make comparisons. I have, however, read many of the other recent books on this subject including *The Times of Their Lives* by James and Patricia Deetz and *The Pilgrims and Pocahontas* by Ann Uhry Abrams neither of which left much of a lasting impression.

I found that Philbrick's *Mayflower* turned one dimensional figures into well rounded human beings with all of the flaws that one might expect to find within any similar group. This includes his portrayal of the native leaders such as Massasoit and his son Philip. Much of the book deals with the Pilgrim relationship with their Indian neighbours and the shift from peace to war as the maturing colony no longer found the Natives useful. The result was, of course, the bloody and unnecessary war known as King Philip's War. This conflict seriously damaged both sides and set the stage for all future contact with the original peoples of the Americas.

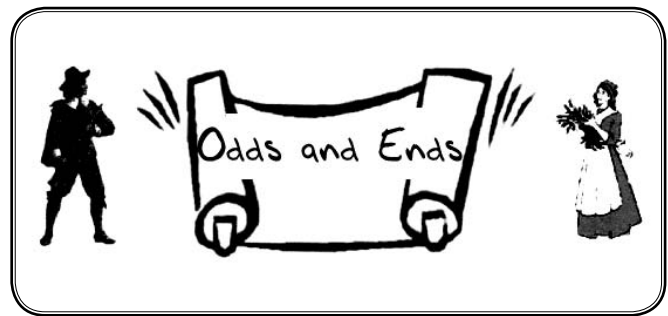
The impact of European diseases on the local Indians had already begun before the arrival of the Pilgrims but was compounded by the permanence of the new colony at Plymouth. This does not suggest for a moment that Philbrick portrays the Indians as noble savages set upon by evil Europeans who desired their land and possessions. Miles Standish and Benjamin Church may well have been ruthless in their conduct of the conflict but the Indians were just as capable of deceit and savagery. It is, however, to Philbrick's credit that he does not take sides but rather sets out the facts as he sees them.

It can be suggested that *Mayflower* is revisionist history and that Nathaniel Philbrick has perhaps strayed from the "truth" in order to make his book both exciting and readable. He sets out in print a fascinating story but to do this he has to have been able to read between the lines of Pilgrim history and to have gone well beyond the lines of Native oral history. This aside Nathaniel Philbrick has written a very credible and readable book.

In the words of David Mehegan of the Boston Globe:

"Philbrick avoids the overarching moral issues and takes no sides. He is telling a story about our early America and explicitly relates it to themes of later American history. It's about how dreams of harmony and prosperity, a godly Eden in the wilderness, changed to land-lust, racism, cynical expediency, and war. And about how a disadvantaged but relatively stable society was driven to desperation and finally decimated."

Perhaps the best recommendation I can make for this book is that my youngest son who has never shown the slightest interest in either the *Mayflower* or the Pilgrims has gone away with my copy.



Inventories of Pilgrim Possessions:

1620-1640



On July 1, 1653 the following law was passed in the Town of Plymouth:

"That the wills and testaments of those that die be proved orderly before the Governor and Council within one month after the deceased of the testator and that a full inventory duly valued be presented with the same. Also, if in case any may die without will, his goods be by his wife or other nearest to him inventoried and duly valued and presented to the Governor and Council one month after the deceased of the same person dying."

The passage of this law has made available to researchers the wills and inventories of no less than twenty-three individuals who died in Plymouth prior to 1640. These documents include the wills and inventories of four *Mayflower* passengers – William Mullins, Samuel Fuller, Peter Brown and Francis Eaton. These documents may be found in the first three volumes of the *Mayflower Descendant (Vol. 1-1899)*. The inventories contain no description. The item in question is listed by name and usually valued. Unfortunately very few of these articles have survived to the present day.

The Grave of Myles Standish

The Old Burying Ground in Duxbury, located on the north side of Chestnut Street, was in use during the first 150 years of the community. It has been called the oldest continually operated cemetery in the United States. Original wooden markers soon disintegrated and little record of early burials could be found. Many graves were, however, later given more permanent stone markers. Some of these have also not stood the test of time. Early graves were sometimes given both headstones and footstones with the bodies facing East so that the remains would be ready to meet the Risen Lord.

In Myles Standish's will he stated that:

"And if I die in Duxborough, my body to be laid as near as conveniently may be to my dear daughters Lora Standish, my daughter, and Mary Standish my daughter-in-law."

It was not until after the Civil War ended in 1865 that an effort was made to find the Standish grave in the Old Burying Ground. After a clean up of the cemetery was undertaken two graves marked by triangular stones were opened. It was later determined that these two stones marked the headstone and footstone for Laura Standish's grave. This being the case it was assumed that Myles Standish was indeed buried between the plots of his daughter and daughter-in-law. To this end a commemorative stone in memory of Myles Standish was erected in the vicinity of the triangular stones.



Memento Mori



House Interior - Plimoth Plantation

Merry Mount and Governor Bradford

Merry Mount was originally founded in 1624 as a trading post by an English captain named Wolastone but the post soon after passed into the hands of one Thomas Morton, whom Bradford called a "petie-fogger" with "more craft than honestie." Morton had emigrated with Wolastone from England to Plymouth Colony in 1624 but was unable to get along with Pilgrim leaders and moved on with Wolastone to find a new location in which to carry out trade with the Indians. The colony of Merry Mount was originally called Mount Wollaston [Wolastone] and located not far from the present town of Quincy, Massachusetts.

Bradford not only condemned Morton's "Athisme" but also deplored his "quaffing and drinking both wine and strong waters in great excess" with the Indians and inviting their women "for their consorts, dancing and frisking together" and even "worse practises." In turn Morton mocked the pious Pilgrims and made up names for their leaders. Myles Standish, a soldier of diminutive stature, was called "Captain Shrimpe" and John Endicott became "that great swelling fellow, Captain Littleworth."

Morton's greatest sin, in Bradford's eyes, was erecting a maypole, which the governor interpreted as a blatant demonstration of paganism. Indeed, the entire Merry Mount Colony, even the symbolism of its name, represented the impious hedonism of the Elizabethan

world from which the Plymouth settlers had escaped. Miles Standish was dispatched to capture Morton and put an end to this thorn in Bradford's side. This was accomplished without a single shot being fired. Morton stated that this was to avoid unnecessary bloodshed but Bradford attributed the success of Miles Standish's mission to the drunken state of Morton and his followers.

Morton was brought before Bradford in chains where he was to be tried for his alleged crimes. Bradford did not dare hang him because Morton had important connections in London. Instead he was exiled to a deserted island until a ship could be found to transport him back to England. It was "Captain Littlewoth" or John Edicott who was sent back to Merry Mount to chop down the maypole and disperse the inhabitants of this den of debauchery.

Morton managed to escape from his island and make his own way back to England.

Undeterred he promptly returned to Plymouth only to be arrested and sent back to London where he busied himself in attempt to have the Plymouth charter revoked and in writing sarcastic accounts of Plymouth and Massachusetts. In 1643 he returned again to Massachusetts and was imprisoned in Boston before being released to spend his remaining days in Maine.

There are many explanations for the reaction of Bradford to Thomas Morton and the Merry Mount settlement. It was a given that he was offended by the practises of Morton and his followers, however, he also objected strenuously to the fact that Morton openly

The Geneva Bible

The Geneva Bible used by the Pilgrims was sometimes called the "Breeches" Bible. The term arises because of the translation of Genesis III:7 where it was stated that Adam and Eve on realizing that they

were naked "sewed fig leaves together and made themselves breeches."

Governor Bradford's Bible which is part of the collection held by Pilgrim Hall is a Geneva Bible. This particular Bible is in poor condition with many of its pages missing. The title page of the New Testament has, however, survived and gives the name of the printer and the date:

Christopher Barker ... London ... 1592

The Geneva Bible was never authorized for general public use

but was very popular among literate English citizens and became the most common household Bible of all classes. The Pilgrims carried with them the Geneva Bible when they removed from England to Leyden and eventually to Plymouth.

It was for seventy-five years the most popular translation and passed through over one

hundred and fifty editions. This was the Bible that continued to support and guide the Pilgrims throughout the difficult years during which they established a new home in the wilderness of North America.

Squanto

Squanto's usefulness to the Pilgrims was not exhausted by his role as an interpreter or as a source of expert advice about agriculture, fishing, and hunting, valuable as these were. Squanto had travelled abroad, he spoke English, and as a natural result his fellow Indians accepted his pronouncements on the ways of the white man as authoritative. Squanto was well aware of the great fear the Indians had of the plague, and his prestige grew when he played on this credulity. He spread the story that the English had buried the plague in barrels under their storehouse. The fear was reinforced by the fact that the Pilgrims stored their gunpowder in this manner. Squanto intimated that he had sufficient influence to get the English to release the plague, and, of course, his stature in the Indian community grew immensely



Traditional Native Dwelling - Plimoth Plantation

as did their fear of and respect for the Pilgrims. When they found out about this, the Pilgrims said they had no such power, and then they added, "But the God of the English had it in store and could send it at His pleasure, to the destruction of his and our enemies." This subtle difference was lost on the Indians, and they remained in awe of the Colonists.

Without Squanto, the Pilgrims might not have survived and their end could easily have been as mysterious as the complete disappearance which befell the Roanoke Colony earlier. Or perhaps, the few who did survive would have returned to England on the good ship Fortune which arrived from England in December, 1621.

Massasoit by Arthur Lord

(Arthur Lord was a prominent Boston lawyer and antiquarian and President of the Pilgrim Society from 1895 to 1925. He was reputed to have been one of the most important authorities on the Pilgrims in the early 20th Century.)

New Tools for Researchers of Early New England Families

The following is a press release written by Archive CD Books USA:

Columbia, Maryland -- 20 August 2006 -- Archive CD Books USA is proud to announce a major new collection of digitized books for researchers of early New England families.

For the first time, the *Compendium of New England Pioneers* makes all of the classic genealogical dictionaries of New England available on a single CD. The collection encompasses 14 books (22 volumes), nearly 8300 pages, and thousands of families of early New England settlers through several generations.

The titles in this collection were assembled in consultation with Robert Charles Anderson, FASG, an authority on New England research, and are so recognizable to experienced researchers that they are often simply referred to by the last name of the author. They include classic works by Eliot, Farmer, Hinman, Goodwin, Drake, Savage, Austin, Pope (2), Holmes, Flagg, Noyes, Bolton, and Spencer.

Bradford's Study of Hebrew

In his last years Governor Bradford began a study of the Hebrew language. In his own words he offered a cogent explanation for this exercise.

"Though I am grown aged, yet I have had a longing desire, to see with my owne eyes, something of that most ancient language, and holy tongue, in which the Law, and oracles of God were write; in which God, and angels spake to the holy patriarks, of old time; and what names given to things, from the creation ... for my owne contente."

The Pilgrim Monument

You might expect to find The Pilgrim Monument in Plymouth, Massachusetts, near the other Pilgrim attractions such as the Mayflower II and Plimoth Plantation.

The Pilgrim Monument, made entirely of granite, at 252 feet is the tallest all-granite structure in the United States and is located at the tip of Cape Cod in Provincetown. The reason for this location is an often overlooked fact that the Pilgrims spent five weeks considering Cape Cod as their home before deciding, instead, to sail across Cape Cod Bay, where they found a more protected area for settlement at Plymouth.

Nominating Committee Report

The NOMINATING COMMITTEE. of Dale Lahey, Mary Nichols, and Debbie Clarke propose the following candidates for election to the executive of the Canadian Society of Mayflower Descendants:

Governor: Joyce Cutler
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 Elder: Rev. Mel Donald
 Member at Large: Myrna Geldart
 Member at Large: Elizabeth Larrabee
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