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Greetings From Your Governor

The Holidays are fast approaching and I hope all of you enjoy Thanksgiving, Christmas and the New Year. May the New Year be Healthy and Happy.

The Fuller Reunion came off fine under the capable hands of our Deputy Governor Debbie Yingst. I was sadly unable to attend as I am awaiting left hip replacement surgery and the trip was too much for me. I am scheduled for surgery October 26 so should be healed enough to enjoy the upcoming holiday season. I understand everyone had an enjoyable time at the reunion and the tours were great. The Aspire Hotel had added a buffet dinner which I understand was very good.

There are two new Fuller's entered into our fold, Jane Keys' grandchild and our great grandson James McHugh. Don't forget to add your children, grandchildren & great grandchildren to the junior membership. Without the younger generation our Society will not be able to continue.

Plans are in the mill for our reunion next year to follow the General Society of Mayflower Descendants Congress meeting in Plymouth. When we get some arrangements set in concrete we will pass them onto you.

Have a Happy "Pilgrim" Thanksgiving and enjoy your Holidays until we meet again.

God Bless,

Jane Engleman, Governor

2016 Annual Meeting

The 24th Annual Business Meeting of the Fuller Society was held at the Aspire Hotel in Gettysburg, PA on October 8, 2016

Deputy Governor Deb Yingst welcomed everyone and gave the opening prayer.

Minutes- A motion was made by John Kemp and seconded by Kathy Dugas to dispense with the reading of the 23rd Annual Meeting in Williamsburg, VA. Motion passed.

Governor's Report: Deputy Governor Deb Yingst read the Governor's report. Greetings to my Fuller cousins. I am so sorry I am not able to be with you for our Fuller reunion. Both Harry and I had looked forward to being there and sharing with the great festivities. My surgery was supposed to be over by now, but circumstances made this impossible. I look forward to a great reunion with all of you next year after the General Society Meeting in Plymouth.

I thank Debbie Yingst for stepping in for me and I know she will do a great job seeing all of you have a grand time in both Gettysburg and Lancaster. The tours sound great and I am sure you will enjoy them.

Enjoy your time together, and also the holidays which are upcoming. Celebrate Thanksgiving remembering our Pilgrim ancestors. Have a Merry Christmas and a Healthy Happy New Year for you and your families. My love to all, Jane

Secretary's Report: Linda Hoffman reported there are a total of 256 members consisting of 180 regular and 76 life and that as of 22 October 2015 there have been 21 new members and 23 reinstated. She noted 26 members were dropped in 2016, but that is half the amount of last year which is due in part to the Society now accepting PayPal for dues through the website and

also to the efforts of Deputy Governor Yingst who emailed those who received their newsletter via email that were going to be dropped. 17 immediately paid through PayPal.

Treasurer Report: Marcia Shaw presented the Treasurer's report which shows the total equity for the Society is \$25, 766.19. She also noted the fees for PayPal are very minimal and don't have any impact on the financial stability of the Society. John Kemp made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Marti Kemp seconded. Motion approved.

Junior Chair Report: Roxy Pemrick reported that the Society has a total of 51 Juniors as of 5 October 2016. There are 6 new members since our last annual meeting in October 2015. She also reported she sent a letter with a copy of the Fuller Scholarship Award Application to 4 Juniors who were seniors in High School and turned 18 this year. She sent out activity and informational packets to all new members and put an article in the newsletter to encourage parents and grandparents to purchase a junior membership as a gift.

Deputy Governor Yingst asked all members to encourage Seniors to apply for the 2017 Bridget Lee Fuller Scholarship.

Deputy Governor's Report: Deputy Governor Yingst reported that the annual report for Maine was filed on 15 March 2016 and the IRS Form 990 was filed on 3 Mar 2016. She also stated that there were 14 CD's purchased in 2016, 10 for Edward and 4 for Samuel and noted that we now accept dues payments through PayPal on the website. The GSMD Historic Sites Tour will be from 19 Sep to 2 Oct 2017.

Larry Shaw was appointed as the Nominating Chair.

Secretary Linda Hoffman reported that the Board of Assistants voted and passed the following motions:

1. To change the verbiage in the newsletter and on the scholarship application to read that the essay is “at least 500 words”.
2. By-law change: Article 4, section 2 – to remove “*which is held in Plymouth or within a 100 mile radius of Plymouth just prior to the Triennial Congress of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants*” to now read “**Election of these seven officers (Historian and Webmaster excluded) shall be at the Triennial meeting of the Society. The newly elected officers shall assume their three year terms on January 1st of the year following their election. These officers shall perform the duties prescribed by Article V of these By-Laws.**”
3. A donation of \$250 to the General Society of Mayflower Descendants to have our information on their website’s GSMD Family Societies page. They will supply newly approved Fuller applicants with our Societies information.
4. A donation of \$250 will be sent to the Samuel Fuller School in Middleborough, Ma.
5. The 2017 Annual meeting will be held on Cape Cod.

A motion was made by John Yingst and seconded by Carolyn Schwender to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.



Treasurer's Report as of September 30, 2016

Income:

Donations	\$ 875.00
Investments	39.19
Dues	2,630.00
Annual Meeting	6,038.00
Total Income:	\$9,582.19

Expenses:

Annual Meeting	\$4,787.75
Charter	35.00
Newsletter	383.45
Operations	93.09
Website Fees	359.55
Total Expenses:	\$5,658.84
Total Liabilities and Equity:	\$25,766.19



Canons on the Gettysburg Battlefield.

Annual Meeting Memories 2016

Fuller Society members in the Amish Village Schoolhouse
and below: "How many horse power?"



More Annual Meeting Memories 2016



At the Fuller Society banquet, Dr. Walter Powell, Executive Director of GSMD, presents “In the footsteps of Mayflower Descendants at the Battle of Gettysburg”.



We dined at the Plain and Fancy Restaurant. Jack, our bus driver for the day in the bottom photo enjoying his coffee!



Photos by
Fred
Swegles and
Deb Yingst.

**It is not too early to start thinking about next year's
Fuller Society Reunion & Annual Meeting
which will be held on Cape Cod following the
Triennial Congress of the General Society of
Mayflower Descendants in Plymouth.
Come meet your cousins!
Elect the Fuller Society Officers!
Hope to see you at the
Fuller Society Triennial Meeting!**



Have you visited the Fuller Society website yet?

While the site still under construction, there is a very exciting feature that many members requested.

The Fuller Society now accepts dues and donations online.

No checks to write or stamps to buy!

The newsletters are not yet loaded to the new website.

There will be a Members Only page in the future.

Please visit the new website at the same address:

www.thefullersociety.org

If you encounter any problems, please email:

Fullersociety@aol.com

Turkey Sobaheg

A recipe from Plimoth Plantation



Sobaheg is the Wampanoag word for stew. Like most stews, this dish is easily adapted to seasonal ingredients. The ground nuts help to thicken the sobaheg. Variations of this dish are still made in Wampanoag country today.

1/2 pound dry beans (white, red, brown or spotted kidney-shaped beans)

1/2 pound white hominy corn or yellow samp or coarse grits

1 pound turkey meat (legs or breast, with bone and skin)

3 quarts cold water

1/4 pound green beans, trimmed and cut into 1 inch-lengths

1/2 pound winter squash, trimmed and cubed

1/2 cup raw sunflower seed meats, pounded to a coarse flour (or pounded walnuts)

dried onion and/or garlic to taste

clam juice or salt to taste (optional)

Combine dried beans, corn, turkey, seasonings and water in a large pot. Bring to a simmer over medium heat, turn down to a very low simmer, and cook for about 2 1/2 hours. Stir occasionally to be certain bottom is not sticking.

When dried beans are tender, but not mushy, break up turkey meat, removing skin and bones. Add green beans and squash, and simmer very gently until they are tender.

Add sunflower or nut flour, stirring until thoroughly blended.



Go Green! Help your Society save \$\$\$\$

and

Keep the dues at \$10.00!

If you are still receiving our newsletters through the U. S. Mail, please consider receiving future newsletters via email.

The newsletter is more interesting in color!

Do you have an article to submit for the newsletter?

Would you like to share a story about one of your Fuller ancestors or your Pilgrim experience?

Send an email to the Editor at FullerSociety@aol.com to remove your name from the mailing list or submit an article for future publication.



The GSMD Historic Sites tour has been rescheduled for September 2017. The itinerary again includes a stop at St. Mary's Redenhall to see the Fuller Society plaque. If you are a General Society of Mayflower Descendants member, watch for details in the Mayflower Magazine. If you are not a member and are interested in the tour, email Debbie at FullerSociety@aol.com.

You do not have to be a GSMD member to take the tour!

Junior Members

Christmas is just around the corner!

Are you looking for an idea for your children or grandchildren for Christmas? Our Junior membership is a one time payment of \$10.00.

New Junior members will receive a packet of facts and games about the Mayflower.

Junior membership is for ages 0 –18.

At age 18, adult membership may be obtained.

Please send check payable to “The Fuller Society” with the name of the child, birthdate and expected year of high school graduation to:

Roxy Pemrick

17 Cottage St, Greenwich, NY 12834.

Happy Holidays!



Welcome New Members!

Debby Ferguson-Tripp—MO

Dorothy Mayer—TX

Kay Janulewicz—NE

Scott Warner—GA

Beatrice Wadland—MA

Hope to see YOU next year in Massachusetts!

If you are interested in serving the

Fuller Society please let us know!

