

WINSLOW HERITAGE SOCIETY



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ENDORSED FAMILY SOCIETY



In 2014, during the GSMD Congress, then Governor General, Bruce McGunigle, led Pilgrims' Progress to the sarcophagus on Cole's Hill in Plymouth. There he read off the names of the Pilgrims who died through the first winter in Plymouth whose remains are said to be interred there. (Photo by John Myers)

WINSLOW HERITAGE SOCIETY WILL HOLD ITS 4TH ANNUAL MEETING IN PLYMOUTH

In accordance with the By-Laws of the Winslow Heritage Society, this year's annual meeting will be held in Plymouth, MA, during the General Society of Mayflower Descendants' Congress. Congress will take place from September 8-13, 2017. Congress details may be found on the GSMD web page.

Winslow Heritage Society is currently working with Hotel 1620 in Plymouth on two possible meeting dates for our annual meeting, Sunday evening, September 10 or Monday evening,

September 11. So, mark your calendars tentatively and we will send out an announcement and reservations form soon. Hope to see you there!



2020 Celebration

The Mayflower II

GSMD Member Societies, as well as Family Societies, are being challenged to commemorate the 400th Anniversary of the Mayflower voyage in 2020. Winslow Heritage Society is soliciting ideas from its members for a group project that WHS can do to acknowledge this important historical date. Ideas should be presented to Kathy Myers at jkmyers2@verizon.net or by mail: 2540 Beechtree Road, Falls Creek, PA 15840, no later than July 1. All ideas will be presented to the Executive Committee for consideration.

Member, Bruce Fensley, Makes a Difference

WHS members may recall reading about Bruce Fensley's efforts to clean up a gravesite belonging to his ancestor, Abner Winslow. The clean-up was accomplished through the Freetown Cemetery Association under the direction of Mike McCue. Below is part of a thank you letter from our Society to that group, followed by the before and after photos. Through Bruce's efforts, a new stone was expected to be delivered in April.

*Mr. Mike McCue
Chairman, Freetown Cemetery Commission
Town Hall
P. O. Box 438
Assonet, MA 02702*

Re: Abner Winslow Gravesite

Dear Mr. McCue:

On behalf of the Winslow Heritage Society, thank you for the efforts expended by you and your landscape team in restoring respect to a Revolutionary War Veteran's gravesite. Bruce Fensley, Secretary of the Winslow Heritage Society, has made us aware of the fine job that has been done.

While I am not a direct descendant of Abner Winslow, we are both descended from Kenelm Winslow of Marshfield, MA. As a matter of fact, the descendants of the five Winslow brothers who came to America on the Mayflower or during the Great Migration are scattered all across the country.

While it was not possible for us to take part in such a project as you took on, it is gratifying to know there are people who have such community spirit and interest in remembering one of our country's Patriots.

Please extend our thanks to your entire team.

Kathy Myers, Governor



Abner Winslow Gravesite, Before



Abner Winslow Gravesite, After

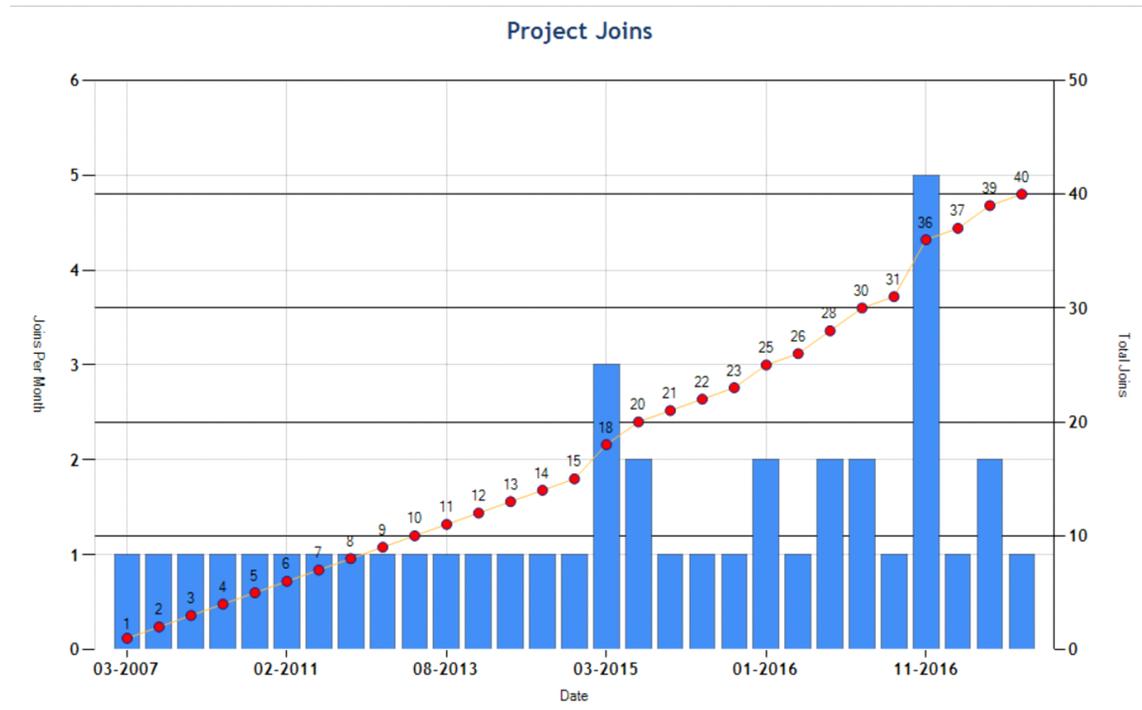
THE DEPUTY GOVERNOR'S CORNER



Winslow DNA Project @ Family Tree DNA

Judy Quinn, Project Administrator

The graph below depicts the growth of the **Winslow DNA Project** since its slow beginnings in 2007. The Project had only reached 18 members eight years later. Between 2015 and 2017 we have more than double our membership!



Let me show you the things you can learn from a simple Family Finder test. You'll learn your "ethnic origins". Here is an example of what mine looks like:

European	98%
British Isles	79%
East Europe	12%
Finland ⓘ	< 1%
Scandinavia	0%
Southeast Europe	4%
Iberia	3%

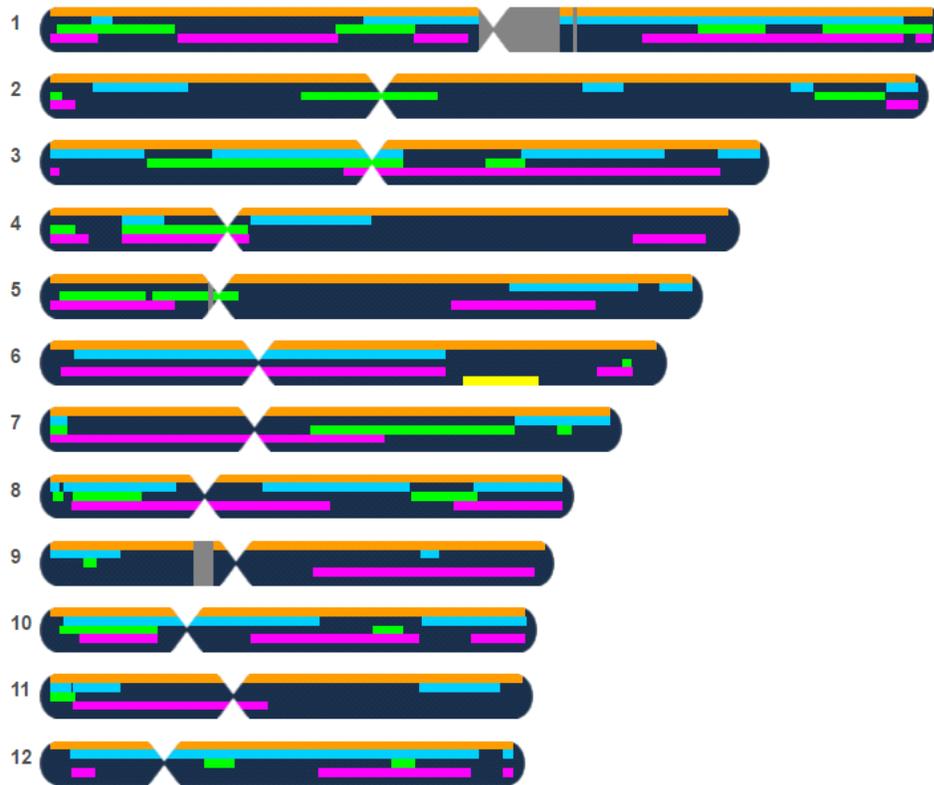
Some testing sites refer to this as a pie chart. Notice that currently it shows less than 1% Finnish. My paper trail has located just one male ancestor from Finland many generations back. I find this incredible that one person would even show up on a test!

You'll receive a very comprehensive listing of all of your matches. Without disclosing other's personal information, I'm including what the heading of the Family Finder - Matches page looks like.

As you can see, I have over 2,000 matches! No, I haven't looked at all of them! However, I was able to prove several of my 4th cousins wrong in their assumption of what our 3xgreat grandmother's maiden name was. I'll show the connection while telling you about chromosomes.

The next information you will learn is how to use the Chromosome Browser. The blue and grey you see below is me and my chromosomes. Again, I have cut the picture off so no other person's information is showing, but if you look in the bottom left corner you will see a section with the title Filter Matches by... You'll be able to compare yourself with others in your match list such as Immediate Relatives, Close Relatives, Distant Relatives, etc.

The next picture is showing me as the base person (navy blue), my daughter is orange, one of my nephews is blue, one of my nieces is pink and the green is a first cousin female. When you're actually doing this with your own information you can compare any other person(s) you would like and when you hover over the color it will tell you the chromosome number where you match, from which, to which, position and the number of matching centi-Morgans you share with that person on that chromosome.



If you will notice on Chromosome 6 there is a portion in yellow. That is "Tara", the person who I match with that proves who my 3x great grandmother actually was. (It's a long story)

I am always in "recruitment mode" so I'm asking all of you to consider DNA testing through Family Tree DNA, or uploading your results if you have already tested with another testing company.

After you enjoy the results of your Family Finder test you may then want to consider YDNA testing if you are a male and mtDNA testing if you are female or male. And... the best part of additional testing is that you don't have to submit another sample. Just order the test on line and they can run the test with the sample previously submitted.

If you have any questions, please send me an email and I'll try to answer appropriately. Others may have the same questions.

WHS MEMBER CANDIDATE FOR GSMD MEMBER-AT-LARGE POSITION



My name is Jane Schleinzer and I'm running for Member at Large of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants.

I'm a member of the Illinois Society. I have been an Assistant, Elder, Deputy Governor, Governor, and now I'm a Past Governor.

For the General Society, I have served on the Public Relations Committee, 2020, and the Insignia Committee. I'm responsible for getting the Mayflower Commemorative Coin Act submitted in the Congress and Senate in 2015.

I became a member of the Winslow Society in January of 2015. I descend from John Winslow.

I would appreciate your support and vote for Member At Large 2017-2020.

Thank you,

Jane D. Schleinzer

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Have you ordered your Winslow Silver Charm yet? Member price is \$125 plus \$7 shipping. (Tax applies to PA residents). To order, contact Kathy Myers at jkmyers2@verizon.net or call (814)371-5128