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*Preserving Soule Heritage  
for Future Generations*

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Salt Lake City, UT

## MUSEUM CELEBRATION HONORS THE LEGACY OF GEORGE WILBERFORCE SOULÉ



**The Mississippi Industrial Heritage Museum**, located in the city of Meridian, holds the Soulé Live Steam Festival on the first weekend in November each year to celebrate the work of George Wilberforce Soulé and other industrial pioneers. In 2010 the event was held on Friday, November 5th, and Saturday, November 6th. The festival attracted a record crowd with several thousand visitors from 15 states and one foreign country.

Real steam engines operated on live steam and steam whistles sounded off at the new whistle station on the west side of the property. The museum's steam engine collection, along with visiting collectors' engines, was available for viewing. The newly installed permanent steam boiler powered the steam demonstration room, which features a large 1905 Watts-Campbell Corliss steam engine in operation. The 1870 Manchester steam engine on display, originally restored and operated by the Ford Museum, and a collection of handmade, miniature model steam engines delighted the crowds.

In the Soulé factory machine shop, blacksmith demonstrations were held at regular intervals. The longest operating line drive shaft in the U.S. powered belt-driven lathes and drill presses.

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## Editor's Comments

Happy New Year! This Winter 2011 edition ushers in Volume 45 of the Soule Kindred Newsletter and marks the beginning of the 45th year of Soule Kindred. To celebrate, articles from past years will be included in the newsletter throughout the year. The first one is a Soule family story, complete with lineage information, which can be found on page 6. I hope this story inspires you to send in your Soule family stories for inclusion in future issues of the newsletter.

Speaking of family stories, the cover article about an annual celebration in honor of George Wilberforce Soule is a downpayment on the story of an entrepreneur-extraordinaire. You'll learn about the life of this remarkable cousin in the Spring issue.

Of course, families have to live somewhere and we are fortunate to have an article contributed to us which explores a location in Duxbury once occupied by sixth-generation descendants of George (page 4). And families also accumulate "stuff" wherever they live. Our own Anna Bristol, gives us a peek at Soule family treasures for sale on eBay (page 10).

Finally, I am looking for a new Editor (see ad on page 15). Sue Eisdorfer has decided to make her temporary leave of absence a permanent one and head back to school. Sue set high standards during her four year tenure as Editor and I know I speak for all of you when I say, "Thank you, Sue, for a job well done. We wish you all the best in your future endeavors."

Karen L. McNally

If you would like to submit an article for publication, have a comment or correction, or would like to work on the Newsletter, please contact us at [editor@soulekindred.org](mailto:editor@soulekindred.org) or call us at 1-888-SKA-1620.

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Helen Soule

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## Museum Celebrates Soulé Legacy

The Industrial Technology program students from Meridian Community College demonstrated the antique machine shop equipment on both days. Other demonstrations included the broom-making demonstration, potter's wheel, antique print shop, spinning and weaving demonstration area and wood-carvers. A group of flint knappers showed Mississippi's earliest industry -- the creation of spear points and arrowheads.



**Bob Soulé and grandson, Maurice Jerome LaBiche, age 1 and a 12th generation descendant of George Soule.**

In 1979, Soulé Steam Feed Works site was listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The site was designated a Mississippi Landmark in Fall 2003. When Soulé Steam Feed Works closed, interested Mississippi leaders worked with owner G.R.G (Bob) Soulé to create the non-profit Mississippi Industrial Heritage Museum. It was designated the official state historical industrial museum in July 2004 by the Mississippi legislature. The goal of the Museum is to restore the Soulé buildings to the 1930's era and feature southern industrial manufacturing processes, including how steam engines were made. The Museum operates primarily through grants, donations and fundraisers.

Visitors are encouraged to take a tour of the Mississippi Industrial Heritage Museum in Meridian, MS, and learn more about your cousin George Wilberforce Soulé. For more information on the museum, see its website: [www.Soulélivesteam.com](http://www.Soulélivesteam.com)

Article and photos contributed by members George Robert Gara (Bob) and Helen Soulé. Look for the fascinating story of the life of George Wilberforce Soulé, 6th generation descendant of George Soule and founder of the Soulé Steam Feed Works, in the Spring issue.

### REMINDER!

**If you haven't already done so, now is the time to renew your membership in Soule Kindred.**

Members receive the annual Membership Directory, the Soule Kindred Quarterly Newsletter, assistance with their Soule lineage, and an invitation to the Annual Reunion (see page 8 for details regarding the 2011 reunion) as well as the opportunity to connect with cousins, both distant and close. You can become a member online at [soulekindred.org](http://soulekindred.org) or contact the Membership Chair, Helen Soulé at 1-888-SKA-1620.

**DON'T MISS OUT! RENEW TODAY!**



Work will begin soon on the **2011 Membership Directory** which will be ready for distribution in May. For those of you who have not yet submitted your lineage for publication in the directory, there is still time to send it to Helen Soulé at [membership@soulekindred.org](mailto:membership@soulekindred.org) or call her at 1-888-SKA-1620. If you need help completing your lineage, contact us at [familytree@soulekindred.org](mailto:familytree@soulekindred.org).

### 1967 In Review January - March

- ❖ 1/1 World Peace Day declared by Pope Paul VI.
- ❖ 1/5 Ronald Reagan sworn in as Governor of California.
- ❖ 1/15 The Green Bay Packers (NFL) defeated the Kansas City Chiefs (AFL) 35-10 in the first Super Bowl.
- ❖ 2/1 The US Federal Hourly Minimum Wage was set at \$1.40 an hour.
- ❖ 2/5 "The Smothers Brothers Comedy Hour" premiered on CBS TV.
- ❖ 2/21 Ford recalled 217,000 cars to check brakes and steering.
- ❖ 3/2 "Strangers in the Night" by Frank Sinatra won Record of the Year and "Michele" by the Beatles won Song of the Year.
- ❖ 3/14 The body of President Kennedy was moved from a temporary grave to a permanent memorial site at Arlington National Cemetery.
- ❖ 3/27 A North Vietnamese spokesman unequivocally rejected a new peace plan proposed by UN Sec. General U Thant.

## Duxbury Property Owned by Soule Descendants in the Late 1700s

# A peek into the past

### Duxbury's Early Settlers: Thomas Prence

The property granted to Thomas Prence comprised 80 acres. At the time, Prence was married to Patience Brewster, daughter of Elder Brewster; they had two children, Thomas, Jr. and Rebecca. Prence was the third governor of Plymouth Colony, serving 18 times (one-year terms) and when he was not governor, he was assistant governor.



BY LAMONT "MONTY" HEALY

In total, Prence had Thomas, Jr., and eight daughters. He was married to Patience from 1624 to 1634, when she died. He then married Mary Collier, daughter of William Collier, another Duxbury settler, in 1636, and finally married Mary Freeman, widow of Samuel Freeman of Eastham in 1662. All but two of his daughters settled in Eastham and his son Thomas went to England.

His daughter Mary married John Tracey of Duxbury, and his daughter Elizabeth married Arthur Howland of Marshfield. The colony records mention, "Arthur Howland is fined five pounds for making proposals to Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Prence, contrary to the mind and will of their parents." Arthur could not be dissuaded, however, and he



This is the first installment of a series of articles about Duxbury's early settlers, using land records and other historical documents. Contact Mr. Healy at [monty15@msn.com](mailto:monty15@msn.com) with any questions or comments.



The 80-acre property granted to Thomas Prence, the third governor of Plymouth Colony is today bordered by Kingston Bay, Bay Road and Tremont Street, and bisected by Soule Avenue (inset).

eventually married Elizabeth. Apparently, even Pilgrims had in-law issues.

Prence died in Plymouth in 1673 at the age of 73. His property passed to John Howland (Pilgrim), who Governor Bradford called "a lusty yonge man," and then to William Kempe (Kemp) on April 2, 1640, the last time it contained 80 acres. William Kempe was married to Elizabeth Partridge, the Rev. Ralph Partridge's

daughter. Rev. Ralph was the first minister of Duxbury's church.

At this point, it appears the easterly 40 acres (which includes present-day Soule Avenue, Spruce Street, Sanger Road and Beechwood Lane) passed into the Partridge family. First Elizabeth inherited the property upon the death of her husband William Kemp (1). (We use numbers to differentiate between people of

the same name but of different generations.) It is strange that a daughter would inherit property in the 17th century, but she must have been the Rev. Ralph's only child. Then the property was sold or given to George Partridge, likely an uncle or cousin, and he left it to his son, James.

The next known owner was Charles Turner who was minister of the Duxbury

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# The Prence property

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Church in 1755. He resigned the ministry in 1776 "because of ill health," but many believe it was because he was a Loyalist. He moved to what is now Turner, Maine (yes, they renamed the town after him,) and some of his stories refer to his stay in Duxbury and being jeered while preaching with the meeting house half empty (H. A. Fish).

Charles Turner, Jr. deeded the property referred to as the "Turner Farm" to Zedekiah Sanger, who succeeded Charles Turner as minister of the Duxbury Church. Rev. Sanger was quite successful as Duxbury's minister, and the meeting house would only hold half of the people who wanted to attend. (The Revolutionary War undoubtedly resolved this problem.) Rev. Sanger was the first minister to preach in the Meeting House that the Unitarian Church replaced. After about 10 years (1776-c. 1786) Rev. Sanger resigned; he tried navigation and failed, and then resumed preaching in south Bridgewater.

The next owners of the easterly 40 acres were James Soule (family members pronounce the name "sole" and it was originally spelled Soul), his sons James and Richard, and after them, Renslow Crosby who had married one of the family.

James (1) had a shipyard at the water's edge (just east of the current Landing Road Beach) where he had built a wharf and conducted a salt works. The Soules built a number of small craft. It seems that there was an active shipyard

## Famous Prence descendants

**Bing Crosby** – Singer and Actor

**Sarah Palin** – Fmr. Governor of Alaska

**Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry** – War of 1812 hero

**Matthew Perry** – U.S. Navy Commodore, opened Japan to the West

**Arthur Sulzberger Jr.** – New York Times publisher

**Orville and Wilbur Wright** – Flight pioneers

on this property for more than 100 years when it was finally sold to Edward G. Beechwood in 1922.

It appears that Soule Avenue got its name from the Soule family, Sanger Road from the Rev. Zedekiah Sanger, and Beechwood Lane from Edward G. Beechwood. The other streets probably were named for "what was there:" Spruce – spruce trees; Summerhouse – a summer house.

The westerly 40 acres of Prence's original 80, passed to Patience Kempe (Kempe, not because she was William Kempe's (1) daughter, but because she was William Kempe's (2) daughter) who married Dr. Samuel Seabury and probably was given this 40 acre lot by her grandmother Elizabeth (Partridge) Kempe Thatcher, who inherited the land from her first husband, William Kempe. Follow?

The land was in Dr. Samuel Seabury's possession before Feb. 13, 1689 when George Partridge referred to it in a deed (Ply. Colony Reg. of Deeds, Bk. 1, P. 142) (E.D.J.). Henry A. Fish describes at length the matrimonial alliances of the

Partridge, Kemp, Thatcher, and Seabury families as "causing no end of trouble to genealogists." No doubt!

Here's what we think happened: William Kempe (1) was a widower with a son William Kempe (2) when he married Elizabeth Partridge. William Kempe (1) died c. 1641, and his widow married the Rev. Thomas Thatcher in 1643 and they had a daughter Patience (named after her grandmother Partridge) who grew up to marry William Kempe (2), her mother's step-son.

According to Justin Winsor's History of Duxbury (1849), the inlet below Bay Road west of Landing Road was referred to as "Mosquito Hole" as early as 1639. This establishes a historical reason for why the southerly portion of Myles Standish Park is sometimes referred to as "Mosquito Village." For the most part, streets in this area are named after the early Pilgrim settlers.

The Shore Acres Inn was located on the southwest corner of the intersection of Soule Avenue and Tremont Street in the late 1920s. The Inn was owned by Louise Chandler and her husband Norman St George and catered to actors and actresses. After her husband died, Louise married actor Carl Stowe and they continued to operate the Inn for some time. It was not unusual to see Mrs. Stowe, noted for her striking outfits, out doing her daily shopping wearing white gloves and a large hat.

*Stay tuned to the Clipper for more stories about Duxbury's early settlers.*

Lineage of  
James and Richard Soule  
(Mayflower number in  
parentheses)

George<sup>1</sup> (32523)  
m

Mary Beckett

John<sup>2</sup> (32663)  
m

Esther Sampson

Joshua<sup>3</sup> (32716)  
m

Joanna Studley

Joseph<sup>4</sup> (32702)  
m

Mercy Fullerton

James<sup>5</sup> (32644)  
m

Abigail Seaver

James<sup>6</sup> (32637)  
m

Mary Bradford

Richard<sup>6</sup> (32915, 32916)  
m

Prudence Loring (1st)  
Lucy Loring (2nd)



As of January 15, 2011, the Charles Turner house, built in 1757 and located at 49 Soule Avenue, was for sale. You can view the house online at

<http://www.jackconway.com/properties/Duxbury/Soule-Ave/617812>

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## Second Family Story

by Elizabeth "Betty" (Sankey) Whitecotten

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*In celebration of Soule Kindred's 45th anniversary year, articles from past newsletters will be reprinted throughout the year. This article appeared 35 years ago in Vol. X, No. 1 (January 1976). The article has been edited slightly for clarity and space considerations. The editor at the time, Mary Crismore, had asked that members submit family stories, which she hoped would be an ongoing feature of the newsletter. This was the second such story. Maybe you, too, share some or most of Betty Whitecotten's lineage. Please send any Soule family stories you would like to share with your Soule cousins to [editor@soulekindred.org](mailto:editor@soulekindred.org) or the address on the back of the newsletter.*

I am happy to report that I have been accepted into the National Society Daughters of American Revolution (DAR). My membership was accepted on Bildad William Soule, a drummer boy of 16, who served in the latter part of the war. I understand that Bildad William Soule's name has recently appeared in the National DAR magazine, evidently I am the first applicant to base my DAR membership on his service record.

Another point of great interest to me was the name "Bildad". I have wondered if it might have been a nickname. This last year I started a special project to read the Bible from cover to cover. First I did the New Testament, then began the Old Testament and recently in reading the Book of Job, Chapter 2, Verse 11 there's Bildad, the Shuhite, one of the three close friends of Job who came to him to comfort and console him in his distress. The whole Chapters of 8, 18, and 25 are all Bildad counselling with Job. This was a great revelation to me and to all the family thus far, perhaps other members of the family have had similar thoughts concerning the name and may be interested to learn about it.

Thinking of the Soules family at Terre Haute, Indiana, and future generations who may be hunting their family lineage records, I have the names of the children of Origen Brigham Soules (grandson of Bildad) and Francis Ann Watkins-Draper Soules, they are:

- 1) Julia Esther Soules, born January 3, 1856, died 1943. Married George Franklin Sankey, September 23, 1875 (my grandparents). Their children: 1) Charles Origen Sankey; 2) Fannie Mae Sankey (m) Pearl Ripley; 3) James Raymond Sankey.
- 2) William Soules, born June 10, 1857, died 1944. Married Bertha Frazee, August 24, 1882. Their children: 1) Gertrude Soules; 2) Jessie Soules (m) Charles Hunter; 3) Esther Soules (m) Basil Whitlock; 4) Lou Soules (m) Dr. Herschel Brunker, daughter, Jane Brunker, deceased; 5) George Soules, daughter, Marianne Soules (m) Harmon Shaw.
- 3) James Soules, born March 21, 1862, died 1945 in North Dakota. Married Bele Jones, October 20, 1891, deceased). Remarried Wilhelmina Neukom, September 13, 1902. Children: 1) Frances Soules; 2) Mary Soules (m) Mr. Bing;
- 4) Eliza Jane Soules, born October 14, 1864, died 1951. Married, Wesley J. (Jack) Woolin. Child: 1) Hazel Woolin (m) Herman Modisett, had son Jack Modisett.
- 5) Charles A. Soules, born December 2, 1866, died 1940. Married twice. Children (1st) marriage: 1) Hobart Soules; 2) Randolph Soules; 3) Irene Soules (Aunt Mollie raised her) (m) Mr. McDermott, children: Rosemary McDermott, Dorothy McDermott and Arthur McDermott; 4) Origen Soules. Children (2nd) marriage: 5) Frances Soules; 6) Christine Soules; 7) Mary Soules; 8) Pansy Soules (m) Mr. Persinger; 9) Oscar Soules; 10) John Soules.
- 6) Mary W. Soules, born December 25, 1868, died 1946. Married Charles R. Vice, September 22, 1908. No children.
- 7) Fannie Soules, born January 5, 1869[sic], died 1877 (8 years age).
- 8) Warren Soules, born June 21, 1877, died 1946. Married, Lelian Graves, September 19, 1894. Their children: 1) Helen Soules (m) Prentice Fell, daughter Doris Ann Fell (m) Mr. Clingerman; 2) William Soules; 3) Grace Soules (m) Burr Fell, no children; 4) Russell Soules.

Some of my fondest memories of my childhood are centered around this family. Always my grandmother, Julia Soules Sankey and my grandfather had a big family gathering at Christmas in their home, with

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immediate family, the Charles Sankey family, the Ripley family, Uncle Jim, Aunt Mollie and Uncle Charlie Vice, Aunt Lyde and Uncle Jack Woolin, Hazel and Herman Modisett and Jack.

Then on New Years we would all go to Mary Soules Vice, "Aunt Mollie" Vice's home which was the old Origen B. Soules homestead, with Uncle Will and Aunt Bertha Soules and their family, Uncle Warren and Aunt "Lel" Soules and their family, and Uncle Charley and Auntie Soules and their family and always Irene Soules McDermott and her family, for a continued family gathering. What fun we had with those wonderful people!

Oh, what such delicious food, such wonderful heartwarming feelings of love and goodwill for one another, how we all looked forward to those gatherings! This family of 8 children, the 7th child, Fannie, died at 8 years of age, all remaining 7, lived to advanced years. Charles was the first one to pass away in 1940, at age 74; my grandmother, Julia Soules Sankey died in 1943 at age 87: "Uncle Will" William Soules died in 1944 at age 87; (He was the father of Gertrude Soules and Esther Soules Whitlock - both teachers in Vigo County for many years). "Uncle Jim" James Soules died in North Dakota in 1945 at age 83. He went to North Dakota when a young man, was elected Auditor of Dickinson. His daughter Mary Soules was a physician. "Aunt Mollie" Mary Soules Vice died in 1946 at age 78. "Uncle Warren" Warren Soules died in 1946 at age 75; and the last "Aunt Lyde" Eliza Jane Soules Woolin died in 1951 at age 87.

The family remained close throughout their lifetime and all were advanced in years when the break came, within eleven years all were gone. I feel it is a wonderful heritage that God has allowed me to have been born into this grand old family!

My Mayflower and DAR lineage:

\*Mayflower ancestors

- |  |                                    |                |
|--|------------------------------------|----------------|
| 1)*George Soule (m) Mary Becket  | *John Alden (m) *Priscilla Mullins | *Wm. Mullins   |
|  |                                    | *Alice Mullins |
| 2)John Soule (m) Rebecca Simmons   | Elizabeth Alden (m) Wm. Pabodie    |                |
|  | Mary Pabodie (m) Edward Southworth |                |
| 3)Moses Soule (m) Mercy Southworth   | Mercy Southworth (m) Moses Soule   |                |
| 4)Isaac Soule (m) Agatha Perry   |                                    |                |
| 5)Moses Soule (m) Eleanor Williams   |                                    |                |
| 6)Bildad William Soule (m) Jemima Butler                                       |                                    |                |
| 7)Charles William Soule (m) Almira Baker                                       |                                    |                |
| 8)Origen Brigham Soules (m) Ann Hussey (1st); Frances Ann Watkins-Draper (2nd) |                                    |                |
| 9)Julia Esther Soules (m) George Franklin Sankey                               |                                    |                |
| 10)Charles Origen Sankey (m) Nettie V. Owsley                                  |                                    |                |
| 11)Elizabeth (Betty) Sankey (m) John P. Whitecotten                            |                                    |                |

The above are my lineages through George Soule, John Alden, Priscilla Mullins, Wiliam and Alice Mullins. All proven Mayflower lineages with Membership in the Indiana Society of Mayflower Descendants. Early Soule ancestors in Indiana made Indiana Society of Mayflower Descendants my choice for membership there. Many of my family are Mayflower Society members. Hopefully they will desire to become DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) members also.

I'm happy with this and hope to help others whose lineages are in direct lines with mine.

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*Elizabeth "Betty" (Sankey) Whitecotten served on the Soule Kindred Board of Directors from 1981-1986 and also was at one time the Soule Kindred newsletter indexer. She died in Santa Fe, NM, on May 13, 2004.*

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# Calling All Soules!

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## It's Time to Make Your Plans to Attend the 2011 REUNION

**A**s reported in the Fall Newsletter, Reunion Chair, Andy Turner, has been working with Ancestor Seekers to plan an exciting Soule Kindred Annual Reunion June 14-17 in Salt Lake City. Attendees will have ample opportunity to meet cousins, see the sights, and spend time researching ancestors at the largest genealogical library in the world. Here is the planned schedule of events:

### ***Tuesday, June 14***

**Arrive** at the Plaza Hotel at Temple Square.

**3:00-4:00 p.m.** Sign in, collect Welcome Packs, and meet our hosts Keith and Carol Spillar from Ancestor Seekers.

**4:30 p.m.** Welcome at the Plaza Hotel followed by Buffet and Event Introduction at the Joseph Smith Memorial Building.

**7:00 p.m.** *Where Do We Go From Here?* -- Soule Kindred Open Forum.

### ***Wednesday, June 15***

**Morning and Afternoon.** Research at the Family History Library. Professional researchers will be available to provide help to members of our group at regular intervals from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon and 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Guests who wish to spend more time at the Library will be pleased to learn that it is open from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Evening.** Choose between the following activities (1) LDS Church History Museum Tour and (2) Temple Square Garden Tour. There will also be a Soule Kindred Panel Discussion on this evening.

### ***Thursday, June 16***

**Morning and Afternoon.** Spend the day at the 450 acre This is the Place Heritage Park, Utah's premier living history attraction. Includes lunch at one of the Park's historical buildings.

**Evening.** Tour of the Conference Center and attend Tabernacle Choir rehearsal.

### ***Friday, June 17***

**Morning and Afternoon.** Bus tour to Tracy Aviary, lunch at the Lion House, and bus tour of Red Butte Garden.

**Evening.** "Farewell" Dinner and Annual Meeting at the Lion House.

Cost per person – Complete package from \$416.50 to \$633.00.

Register online at <http://www.ancestorseekers.com/slcrt/view.php?type=overview&id=22> or by phone at 1-877-402-6846.

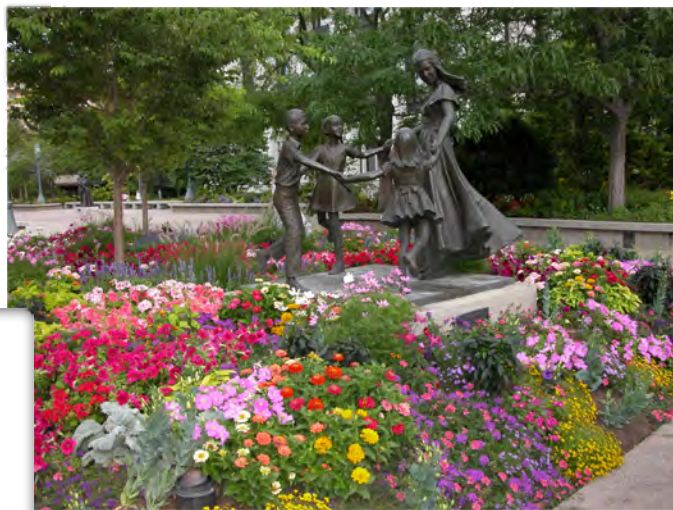
If you have any questions, please contact Andrew Turner, 2011 Reunion Chair, at [reunion@soulekindred.org](mailto:reunion@soulekindred.org) or (520) 577-0586.

**You will want to register early. June is the busiest month for the Family History Library and hotel room availability can only be guaranteed for a limited time.**

***Registration Deadline: March 10, 2011***



*Lion House*



*Temple Square Gardens*



*Red Butte Garden*

*Inside the Family History Library*



## I Sold My "Soule" on eBay!

by Anna Bristol

The eBay bug bit me several years ago when I was browsing our Lutts family name. It was with great excitement that I found a picture post card of my great-great-grandparents' house, circa 1896. Ironically, the seller indicated the house was in Norwalk, Connecticut, rather than Ohio. That house has since burned to the ground, but having this visual evidence of its heyday, including our g-g-g-grandmother in the photo, is a treasure indeed! I won the bid at \$4.00, plus shipping, and added it to my post card collection of my home town.

Browsing eBay using "Soule" as my search word, hundreds of items appear under numerous categories. I check most frequently under Historical, Books, Post Cards, Collectibles, etc. to see what potential family treasure is being offered for sale.

The items shown here were found the first week of September 2010. The listings have been edited for space and clarity. The asking or sold price is indicated.

Would you be suprised to learn that back issues of the Sould Kindred Newsletter were being offered for sale?

If you have not yet browsed eBay, you can do so as a guest until such time as you may decide to bid on an item, or list something for sale. Take the plunge and see what family treasures may be awaiting you!

You need not sell your Soule on eBay. Memorabilia may be bequeathed to family members, your local or state historical society, or a genealogy center so that future generations may have a glimpse into your Soule.



Trade card, Soule Piano and Organ Inv't. Comp'y, Taunton, New Bedford, Brockford, Massachusetts. \$1.99



1800s vintage fabric swatches from the estate of a seamstress who worked in Richfield Springs, New York, in the second half of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. The swatches are from wedding dresses sewn for her customers. Each swatch is identified with the name of the bride; some are dated. These swatches have some genealogical value as well as historical value of period costumes. The brides are: Flora Wescott (Mrs. Snout) 1889; Mrs. Hannah Pritchards, December 28, 1854; Ora Soule (Mrs. Frank Cox), November 10, 1883; Miss Sillil Austin (Mrs. G. Brown), October 26, 1882; Gertrude Fletcher (Mrs. Crampfin?), 1882. Richfield Springs was a well known sulfur springs spa in that period and many folks from New York City came there for the summer. Foreign nobility and other guests also visited in the summers before the railroad diverted people to Florida in the 1920s. \$18.50

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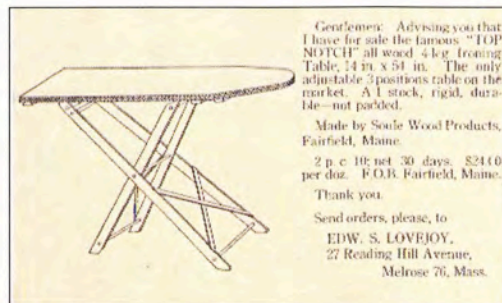
Photograph. A tense moment in the silent film, "One Moment, Please!" The new Straw Hat Revue played at Marines' Theatre, San Francisco. Ann Soule begs forgiveness of her husband, played by Louis Bennett, while William Rush, the 'intruder' registers old-time movie horror. \$19.99



Dresser jar, measuring 4 1/2" x 8 1/2", signed, *Florence Flannery to Carrie Soule, Easter 1898*, hand painted. \$658.00



Dr. Soule's Hop Bitters with berry motif. A great 1870s era bitters bottle in a semi-cabin shape, in excellent non-dug nor tumbled condition. A great crude example with many tiny bubbles and a great wavy texture to the outside glass. A perfect applied top. Due to many bubbles there are a couple shallow open bubbles. A great whittled color and maximum character. \$62.00



Trade post card, Soule Wood Products, 1949 (purchased to add to my laundry room motif). \$2.00



Trade card for Alfred Soule, Manufacturer of Human Hair Goods, Syracuse, New York. \$6.00

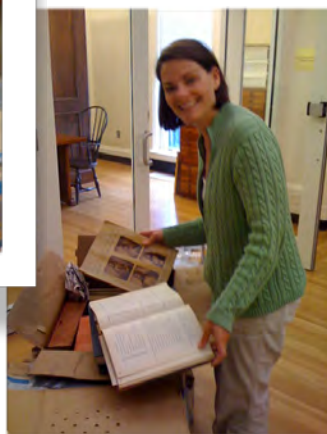


This is a nice early printed postcard showing the Merrill-Soule Company, a powdered milk plant in Union City, Erie County, Pennsylvania. \$9.99

## This and That



*Carolyn Ravenscroft, Archivist at the Drew Archival Library, Duxbury, MA, receives the Soule Kindred Archives in August 2010...*



*... and begins unpacking the books, genealogical records, and other documents in the collection begun by Col. John Soule, Co-Founder and first Historian of Soule Kindred.*

### Melba D. (Gregory) Alford

Melba D. (Gregory) Alford of Norwalk, Ohio, died April 6, 2010.

Melba was the fourth of nine children born to the late John and Ruth (Heston) Gregory. She is survived by siblings Sonya Vondrak, Huntz Gregory, Anna Bristol, and Jeanine Gregory, all of Norwalk; Rita Mercer of Montpelier, OH; and Gregg Gregory of Sedona, AZ; and children Ann-Marie Kerr, John Brant and Scott Brant. Melba had a ready wit and brought gales of laughter with her spot-on one-liners. If there are garage sales in heaven -- that is where you will find Melba.

*Melba's sister Anna (Gregory) Bristol (George, John, Moses, Isaac, Moses, Charles W., Charles W., Charles W., Mary Eliza (Lutts) Heston, Idel Heston, Ruth Evelyn (Heston) Gregory) has been a member of Soule Kindred since 1998 and currently serves on the Board of Directors.*

### A TV Show You Might Want To Watch

Did any of you watch the show *Who Do You Think You Are?* when it aired in the Spring of 2010? *WDYTYA* followed eight celebrities as they journeyed into the past and experienced the joy of discovering their ancestors. An exciting journey we Soule cousins know very well.

Season Two begins on Friday, February 4 at 8 EST and 7 CST on NBC. Vanessa Williams is the first celebrity ancestor-seeker this season which will also include Steve Buscemi, Kim Cattrall, Ashley Judd, Tim McGraw, Rosie O'Donnell, Gwyneth Paltrow, and Lionel Richie.

### A Book You Might Want To Read

Thanksgiving: The Pilgrim's First Year in America by Gary Alan Cheney (2007) is, according to the publisher, "not a book about a holiday. It is about something that a few dozen survivors did after a year of suffering, death, struggle, and courage. They bowed their heads to give thanks."

Edward Delano Sullivan, Governor General of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants recommends the book as does Caleb Johnson, who praises Mr. Cheney for "faithfully retelling the story of the Pilgrim's first year at Plymouth."

### Meet the Soule Kindred

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## Soule Kindred Wants You!

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Do you have talents and skills that are not currently being used to their fullest? Do you want to do something satisfying and of great service for future generations? If then you might want to consider becoming a Soule Kindred volunteer by joining one of the following committees:

The **Membership Committee** is responsible for recruiting new members, membership renewals, oversight of the membership database, tracking membership trends, coordinating online membership information, providing updated lists for mailing labels, and publishing the Membership Directory.

Those of you with expertise in writing, editing, proofreading, layout, copyright law, etc. may be attracted to the **Publication Committee**. The Publication Committee oversees the development, content, production and distribution of the quarterly Soule Kindred Newsletter, the annual Membership Directory and other publications that may be created.

The **Research Committee** is responsible for the initiation, coordination, and supervision of research projects relating to the knowledge and understanding of Colonial American History, the Pilgrims, Plymouth Colony, and Mayflower passenger George Soule, his wife, Mary Becket, and their descendants, including DNA research. Those of you with interest or expertise in research may want to be involved with this committee. Results of research projects will be made available in Soule Kindred publications.

Are you excited to meet your Soule cousins? Do you like to plan events? Then maybe the **Reunion/Education Committee** is the place for you. The Reunion/Education Committee is responsible for helping to identify future reunion locales, assisting reunion hosts, and promoting educational programs at the reunions that reflect the mission of Soule Kindred.

The **Scholarship Committee** awards scholarships annually to descendants of George and Mary (Becket) Soule. The Committee members review applications and award the scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$1000 each.

**Soule Family Tree Project Committee** volunteers assist members in search of their Soule lineage. See ad on page 15 and the committee chair's 2010 report below.

The **Web Communications Committee** is responsible for the ongoing development, expansion, maintenance and security of the Soule Kindred website: [soulekindred.org](http://soulekindred.org). This may be the committee for you if you enjoy web development and maintenance and/or social media (e.g., blogs, Facebook, Twitter, etc.) and would like to use your expertise to improve Soule Kindred's public presence through its website.

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### Soule Family Tree Project Committee 2010 Report Summary

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The Board of Directors approved the creation of the Soule Family Tree Project Committee (SFTP) in April 2010. The mission of the SFTP in 2010 was to assist Soule Kindred members as they attempt to determine their lineage back to Pilgrim George Soule for inclusion in the 2011 Membership Directory. Committee members used resources readily available to conduct their research but did not provide detailed documentation.

Committee members are: Judy Hughes, Lynde Randall, Joyce Soles, Lois Sorensen, Mike Sowle, and Andy Turner (Chair). To date they have reached out to 152 members. In all, 52% responded and were helped. Andy is happy to report that as of December 31, 2010, the committee has lineages from 293 (85%) of our 345 members. Andy expects the SFTP committee to continue to add the lineages for current members (10 new members have joined effective January 1, 2011) and that the focus and leadership of the SFTP will evolve into other areas. Much has been accomplished in the first eight months of the SFTP and Andy thanks the committee members for their dedication and the members of SKIA for their cooperation. *[Editor's note: In my capacity as Soule Kindred's President, I, too, wish to thank the committee members for their success in bringing the number of completed lineages to 85%. I thank Andy, as well, for his leadership skills as chair.]*

# 2010 Soule Kindred Scholarship Recipients



Katelyn Paige Werner, daughter of Mark and Deborah Cox Werner, graduated valedictorian of New Braunfels High School in Texas. She is a student at Abilene Christian University, majoring in English, with a desire "to work in a publishing company or a science magazine seeing the works from conception to completion"

Katelyn evidences a wide variety of interests and abilities which are backed up in the recommendations of her math teacher and her geography teacher. She has been an AP student in both their classes.

She is the recipient of the 2010 Col John E Soule Memorial Scholarship.



Julia Elizabeth Bernas of Framingham, Massachusetts is studying Pre-Pharmacy at Western New England College in Springfield, MA. She is the daughter of Gar and Susan Langlois Bernas. Julia excelled in both English and Math, participating as a teaching assistant in the Senior World Literature class. Outside of class she is an active sports person, participating in Cross Country, Soccer, Varsity Lacrosse, and Ice Hockey.

Julia is the recipient of the 2010 George Standish Soule Memorial Scholarship.



Sidney Ellen Yondo is the daughter of Ward and Angela Owens Yondo. She is a graduate of Catholic Central High School in Grand Rapids, MI. Sidney is attending Valparaiso University in the Nursing program. Her teachers say of her: "She set an example of leadership, dedication to her studies and demonstrated responsibility and was consistently focused on her education. In her part time job, "Sidney performed various office duties in a responsible, reliable and trustworthy manner. "The nursing community which she aspires to enter will be very fortunate to have her as a member.

Sidney is the recipient of the Avis Roberson Haner award for 2010.

Submitted by B.J. Haner  
Chair, Scholarship Committee

## Help Wanted - Volunteers Needed

### Oral History Coordinator Wanted

The year 2017 will mark the 50th anniversary of the founding of Soule Kindred. As we look ahead to this momentous occasion, we also need to look back and preserve the remembrances of those who were there at the beginning with an Oral

History Project that highlights founders, long-time members, former

officers, and others who have made a significant contribution to the organization. Interviews will be featured in the Newsletter and on the website. If you are interested in overseeing this project, interviewing, or helping in any capacity, don't be shy. Call 1-888-SKA-1620 or e-mail [info@soulekindred.org](mailto:info@soulekindred.org).

### Love Genealogy?

If you have have a passion for genealogy or have ever been the recipient of one or more Random Acts of Genealogy Kindness and would like to pay that kindness forward, this is your chance to do so. We're looking for volunteer genealogists to assist Soule Kindred members in discovering their Soule lineage. Contact us at [familytree@soulekindred.org](mailto:familytree@soulekindred.org) or 1-888-SKA-1620 to become part of the **Soule Family Tree Project** team.

### EDITOR NEEDED

Have you been looking for a way to utilize your writing, editing, and graphic design skills? Do you like learning about history and genealogy? Are you interested in volunteering in a meaningful way? Then, Soule Kindred has the perfect opportunity for you -- **Editor of the Soule Kindred Newsletter**.

The job of the Editor is to oversee the development, production and distribution of the quarterly Soule Kindred Newsletter: Winter (January), Spring (April), Summer (July), and Autumn (October).

Vital to the position is the exercise of good editorial judgment as the Newsletter is the voice and public face of the organization. Content should reflect the mission of Soule Kindred and contain timely news about the policies and activities of the Kindred, i.e., elections, events, deadlines, milestones, research and publications. Some issues, articles or excerpts may appear online. Experience with layout, graphics, and the use of templates is helpful as the Editor must solicit items for publication, edit contributions, do layout, and create pdf files for printing, storing, and placement on the website.



The Editor also administers an annual operating budget. The Publication Committee provides assistance, support, and guidance, such as help with article solicitation, proofreading, and copyright law.

**If you are interested in becoming the Editor, please contact Karen McNally at [info@soulekindred.org](mailto:info@soulekindred.org) or by phone at 1-888-SKA-1620.**

### Give the Gift of Membership

If you're looking for something unique for friends and family, consider a Soule Kindred gift membership. It's a gift that gives all year, supporting our work while informing your loved ones about their family history. To purchase a membership, simply visit [soulekindred.org](http://soulekindred.org) or call 1-888-SKA-1620. Memberships are essential to our present and future as we honor the past.



### Give a Donation

And support the preservation of Soule heritage for future generations. To donate, visit [soulekindred.org](http://soulekindred.org), click on Donate, and choose either the Colonel John Soule Research and Publication Fund or the Soule Kindred Memorial Scholarship Fund. Or send a check to the Treasurer, Andrew Turner at 7331 E. Rocky Creek Pl., Tucson, AZ 85750. Please be sure to let Andy know which fund you are supporting.

### Want to be more involved?

**Don't see anything  
on this page  
that inspires you?**

Well, you're in luck. Soule Kindred does offer other opportunities to volunteer and be actively engaged in the organization. To find out more, check out the committee descriptions on page 13, and contact us at [volunteer@soulekindred.org](mailto:volunteer@soulekindred.org) or by phone at 1-888-SKA-1620.

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