

at Historic Jamestowne, site of the original fort, Jamestown Settlement, an M-accredited 17th-century history museum, Anniversary Park, a complementary site developed exclusively for America's Anniversary Weekend featuring exhibi-

File Photo: Queen Elizabeth meets the crowd during her birthday on April 21, 2006. Taken by Jim Christian (www.flickr.com/photos/jimchristian/131822794).



In Memory of Our Forefather (Edward Maria Wingfield)

By: Venita Maria Benitez

A patentee of the Charter and 1st President at Jamestown, Virginia, in the presence of the RT. REV. Dr. John Inge, Suffragan Bishop of Huntingdon at the St. Andrew's Church, Kimbolton, on a Sunday 9th April 2006 at 3:00pm on the eve of the 400th Anniversary of the signing of the Virginia Charter of 1606 A beautiful service of consecration and commemoration and an unveiling of a memorial in memory of Edward-Maria Wingfield (1550-1631) was held. The Bishop's procession from



Carmen-Lilian Venitez, Cllr. Ian Wingfield and Venita-Maria Venitez taken in London in April 10, 2006

Kimbolton Castle to the ringing of the church bells. A Guard of Pikemen & Musketeers, Four Standard Bearers bearing The Union Flag of 1603, Edward-Maria Wingfield's Banner. The unveiling and dedication of the Memorial took place and the Bishop dedicated the Memorial. A member of the Wingfield Family read: The Wingfield Family prayer (1987) - O Lord, in these days when most of the troubles of the world stem from broken or divided families, and when the problems of abandoned children abound, we give thanks that we are able to meet together as the Wingfield Family. We thank you that the divisions and separations of past centuries are being bridged and that our family ties are being renewed and strengthened. O Lord, may this strength of world-wide family ties continue with our Wingfield cousins and descendants and may we continue with Your blessing to serve You throughout all generations. We pray as our fathers before us, in Jesus' name. Amen. An Extract from the Jamestown Prayer (Revd. William Crashaw, fl.1604 (Recited at each

Change of the Watch at the Court of Guard from Shortly after President Wingfield's time - amply showing the state of mind of those new Virginians.) "We know, O Lord, we have the Devil and all the gates of Hell against us, but if Thou, O Lord, be on our side we care not who be against us. And seeing by Thy motion and work in our hearts, we have left our warm nests at home and put our lives in Thy hands, principally to honour Thy name and advance the Kingdom of Thy Son. Lord, give us leave to commit our lives into Thy hands. Amen. THE MEMORIAL AT ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, KIMBOLTON EDWARD MARIA WINGFIELD OF STONELY PRIORY (1550-1631) FOUNDER OF AND FIRST PRESIDENT AT JAMESTOWN, VIRGINIA "where English civilization was first established on American soil" Son of Thomas Maria Wingfield, MP for Huntingdonshire, and grandson of Sir Richard Wingfield, KG., of Kimbolton Castle, Captain Edward-Maria Wingfield,

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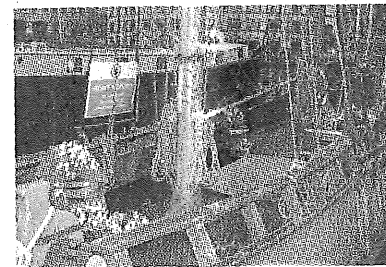
Letter From England

From: Wingfield, Ian
Sent: Wednesday, March 28, 2007 2:25 AM
To: support@thetexas Herald.net
Subject: Jamestown
Dear Editor,

I just wanted to write a quick note and appreciation to thank you about your coverage concerning the 400th anniversary of the founding of the colony at Jamestown, VA. It is important for us all at this time to remember those historical ties that bind us rather than separate. It doesn't matter what family origins we have the most important point is that we all share the democratic traditions of the English speaking world. I'm proud that one of my family's ancestors, Edward-Maria Wingfield, was the first President of the Jamestown colony. He went there to found a new colony based on the values and love that had informed generations past. It is vital that such values continue to be upheld and promoted today. I send greetings to all my American cousins and wish you a happy 400th birthday!

Yours sincerely,

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Biography of Edward Maria Wingfield

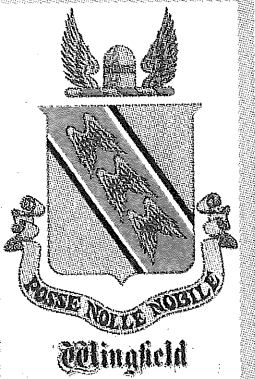
Captain Edward Maria Wingfield, sometimes hyphenated as Edward-Maria Wingfield, (born 1550 in Stonely, Huntingdonshire (now Cambridgeshire); died in 1631)[1] was a soldier, Member of Parliament, (1593) and English colonist in America. The grandson of Richard Wingfield and son of Thomas Maria Wingfield, he became the first elected president in what is today the United States of America.

Captain John Smith wrote that Wingfield was one of the early and prime movers and organizers in 1602-1603 in "showing great charge and industry"[2] in getting the Virginia Venture moving: he was one of the four incorporators for the London Virginia Company in the Virginia Charter of 1606 and one of its biggest financial backers.[3] He recruited (with his cousin, Captain Bartholomew Gosnold) about 40 of the 105 would-be colonists, and was the only shareholder to sail. In the first election in the New World, he was elected by his peers as the President of the governing council for one year beginning May 13th, 1607, of what became the

first successful, English speaking colony in the New World at Jamestown, Virginia. He chose the site, a strong defensive position against land or canoe attack, and supervised the construction of the fort in a month and a day, a mammoth task.

But after four months, on September 10th, because "he ever held the men to working, watching and warding",[4] and because of lack of food, death from disease and attack by the "naturals" (during the worst famine and drought for 800 years), he was made a scapegoat, and was deposed on petty charges.[5] On the return of the Supply Boat on April 10th 1608, he was sent back to London

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3 May 2007: Richmond
Afternoon:
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Evening: Arrival in Williamsburg.

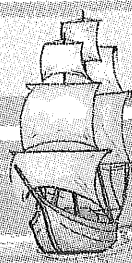
4 May 2007: Williamsburg

Morning: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh arrive at the Jamestown Settlement. The Queen tours the Fort whilst The Duke of Edinburgh tours the ship SUSAN CONSTANT.

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness arrive at the Jamestown archaeological site. The Queen visits the museum whilst The Duke of Edinburgh visits the vault (conservation facility).

The Royal couple view part of the original well before a tour of the dig and site. They present a gift to people of Virginia.

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100th Anniversary of Jamestown

A Proclamation by the President of the United States of America

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Previous visits of Queen Elizabeth II to the United States of America

The Queen, accompanied by The Duke of Edinburgh will pay a State Visit to the United States of America in May 2007, to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the Jamestown settlement.

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh have made three State Visits to the USA: in October 1957 (President Eisenhower), in July 1976 for the US Bicentennial (President Ford), and in May 1991 (President Bush). Her Majesty and His Royal Highness also made an official visit to the West Coast of America in February/March 1983.

Visits by American Presidents to the UK include:

President and Mrs Kennedy dined with The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh at Buckingham Palace in June 1961;

President Nixon had lunch with The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh at Buckingham Palace in February 1969;

President and Mrs Reagan made an official visit to the UK in June 1982, staying at Windsor Castle;

President and Mrs Bush had lunch with The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh in June 1989;

President and Mrs Clinton visited The Queen in December 2000 at Buckingham Palace;

President and Mrs Bush had lunch with The Queen in July 2001 at Buckingham Palace;

President and Mrs Bush made an official visit to the UK in November 2003.

Queen Elizabeth II visit focuses attention on 'new' Jamestown Sets the stage for America's Anniversary Weekend

Williamsburg, VA— Queen Elizabeth II's visit to Jamestown on May 4 will be quite different than the one she experienced 50 years ago. She'll find a richer, more complex depiction of the people, politics and importance of Jamestown made possible by recent archaeological discoveries and compelling new research. She'll also find new museums, exhibits and facilities that showcase the Jamestown story as never before.

Queen Elizabeth last visited Jamestown in October 1957 during events commemorating the 350th anniversary. Her 2007 visit occurs on the eve of America's Anniversary Weekend, the centerpiece of the 18-month international commemoration of the settlement's 400th anniversary. Anniversary Weekend reintroduces the world to Jamestown, helping visitors discover how the settlement made democracy, free enterprise and cultural diversity defining characteristics of American society.

These themes are brilliantly conveyed at newly opened world-class facilities at Historic Jamestowne, site of the original fort, Jamestown Settlement, an M-accredited, 17th-century living history museum, Anniversary Park, a complementary site developed exclusively for

rating interactive events, children's activities and inspiring patriotic performances.

In preparation for the 400th anniversary, Historic Jamestowne, a partnership between APVA - Preservation Virginia and the National Park Service, has opened new facilities to showcase the original site of the first permanent English settlement in North America. The recently opened Historic Jamestowne Visitor Center offers an overview of Jamestown's 92-year history as capital of Virginia through exhibits and a multimedia presentation. Exhibits on the

landscape relate the archaeological features to the people and events that took place at this national landmark. A prominent feature is the archaeological remains of the original 1607 James Fort. The fort site—long thought to have eroded into the James River—was discovered in the mid-90s, and has yielded more than a million artifacts that have reshaped the understanding of the early years of the colony and how the colonists, African Americans and Virginia Indians lived, worked and interacted.

The "Archaearium" is a new concept in archaeological museums that opened in May 2006, bringing to life the people of Jamestown through the artifacts they used and the words they spoke. More than a thousand of the artifacts unearthed during the excavation of James Fort in recent years are on display, and they reveal a new understanding of the struggles and adaptation that occurred on Virginia's shores.

Historic Jamestowne will have wide variety of historical programs, living history presentations and musical performances, in addition to an increased number of interpreters and staff members on-site throughout Anniversary Weekend to enhance visitors' experience.

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The Queen's State Visit to the United States of America, 3 to 8 May 2007

The Queen, accompanied by The Duke of Edinburgh, will visit Virginia to mark the 400th anniversary of the Jamestown settlement. Other highlights include an arrival ceremony at the White House and a visit to the Kentucky Derby.

Full programme for the visit:

3 May 2007: Richmond

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400th Anniversary of Jamestown A Proclamation by the President of the United States of America

Four centuries ago, after a long journey, a small group of colonists stepped boldly onto the shores of the New World and established the first permanent English settlement in North America. During the 400th anniversary of Jamestown, America honors the early pioneers whose epic of endurance and courage started the story of our Nation.

The ideals that distinguish and guide the United States today trace back to the Virginia settlement where free enterprise, the rule of law, and the spirit of discovery took hold in the hearts and practices of the American people. Noble institutions and grand traditions were established in Jamestown. Amid tremendous difficulties, a determined few worked the land and expanded into the wilderness. Without knowing it, the colonists who built communities at Jamestown laid the foundation for a Nation that would become the ultimate symbol and force for freedom throughout the entire world.

Much has changed in the 400 years since that three-sided fort was raised on the banks of the James River. Today, we are a strong and

growing Nation of more than 300 million, and we are blessed to live in a land of plenty during a time of great prosperity. The long struggle that started at Jamestown has inspired generations of Americans. Advancing the right to live, work, and worship in liberty is the mission that created our country, the honorable achievement of our ancestors, and the calling of our time.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE W. BUSH, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim 2007 as the 400th Anniversary of Jamestown. I encourage all Americans to commemorate this milestone by honoring the courage of those who came before us, participating in appropriate programs and celebrations, and visiting this historic site with family and friends.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this sixth day of April, in the year of our Lord two thousand seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-first.

GEORGE W. BUSH

A Mother's Day Message

The day before Mother's Day, a woman stopped at a flower shop to order some flowers to be sent to her mother who lived 200 miles away. As she got out of her car she noticed a young girl sitting on the curb sobbing. She asked her what was wrong and the girl replied, "I wanted to buy a red rose for my mother. But I only have seventy-five cents, and a rose costs two dollars." The woman smiled and said, "Come on in with me. I'll buy you a rose." She bought the little girl her rose and ordered her own mother's flowers. As they were leaving she offered the girl a ride home. "Yes, please!" she said. "You can take me to my mother." She directed the woman to a cemetery, where the young girl placed the rose on a freshly dug grave. The woman returned to the flower shop, canceled her order, bought an armload of flowers, and drove the two hundred miles to her

at his last start, was expecting to head home on Monday. Hamish Marshall and Martin were making plans to travel to the Caribbean as replacements.

"He knew straight away he was gone," New Zealand team manager Lindsay Crocker said. "It was a light session, the bowlers were only ambling in at medium pace, not any nasty pace, and it was a misjudgment more than anything."

New Zealand's batting order is in tatters, with a hamstring strain expected to sideline No. 3 Ross Taylor for Thursday's match against West Indies.

Asian American Community

ry Reid of Nevada met with Asian ty leaders today to discuss issues ng the topics discussed were the on reform, the Filipino-American ino Veterans Equity Act of 2007, rses.

Filipino American Associations

