

THANK GOODNESS FOR PILGRIMS!

by Pam Banegas

Thanksgiving is right around the corner and, let's be honest, we're already salivating with anticipation just thinking about the feasting to come! In the U.S., we discuss in school those first settlers who came to the New World because they were seeking freedom, specifically religious freedom. They chartered a course no one had dared take before. The sheer courage and determination required is not just admirable, but remarkable! Thanks to these Pilgrims of old, the United States came to be and I, for one, am thankful.

There are many modern-day pilgrims such as Thomas Edison, the Wright Brothers, Mother Teresa, even Steve Jobs! They were originals in their "fields." Ann Hambly is also a modern-day pilgrim! She <u>IS</u> the original borrower/owner advocate in the CMBS Commercial Real Estate world. As a veteran servicing CEO, Ann saw owners were lacking some freedoms in how to interpret policies, etc. She had the sheer courage and determination to charter a course where no one dared take before and created 1st Service Solutions – the original borrower/owner advocate – in 2005, literally inventing a niche!

Just like the Mayflower voyage, there are turbulent seas and outcomes are not always predictable. As the Pilgrims of old, 1st Service Solutions is ready to put their heads together, stand with you shoulder-to-shoulder, weather any kind of turbulence, and create outcomes that we may give thanks.

As we celebrate this Thanksgiving holiday, let us give thanks to ALL of the PILGRIMS who have dared to dream and had the courage and determination to forge a path for the rest of us to enjoy. 1st Service Solutions, with a grateful heart, wishes you a very HAPPY THANKSGIVING!