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The 131st Rose Parade® theme "The Power of Hope" reflects the purpose of the 1620 voyage.

“The Voyage of Hope -1620”

These are exciting and busy times for The Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of California.

The Voyage of Hope – 1620 Rose Parade® float has started construction. By July 31, 2019, applications for those wanting to escort her on January 1st, 2020 will have been received. They will be reviewed in August and final selections made in September.

Float building and inspections will be occurring this summer with mechanical elements checked and double checked, road tests and adjustments made. Soon, the float will be taking shape and the Mayflower and her passengers will make plans to sail once again, 400 years after she embarked on her voyage across the Atlantic.

Dry decorating to prepare materials begins in November and by Decorating Week, December 26-30, she will be ready for decorating the float with seeds, dry material and fresh foliage. Along with decorating the float will be great opportunities to share the pilgrim story with the media.

If you are planning on attending the festivities, there will be lots of exciting things to do, too. Pasadena is bursting with parade events. We will be hosting a booth at “Live on Green” for the three days prior to the parade. The “Showcase of Floats” on the afternoon of January 1st and all day on the 2nd will extend our visibility to the public as they tour all the floats on display and learn about our organization.

For more information on all 2020 Activities:

<http://camayflower.org>

Sign up to help decorate or host our booth:

<https://www.camayflower2020.com>

Parade and Game Information: **<https://tournamentofroses.com>**

Rose Parade Grandstand Seats: **<https://www.sharpseating.com>**
(request 1580 E. Colorado to sit with other Mayflower Descendants)

Contact the committee: **camayflower2020@gmail.com**

Submitted by Carole Curran



Governor's Message

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your 2019-2021 California Mayflower Governor. It is a privilege to serve in the very historical celebration of the 400th Anniversary of the Mayflower arrival in the New World. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for all of us to participate in these historical events commencing on January 1, 2020 with the Mayflower float in the Pasadena Rose Parade.

Special recognition should go to 2020 Chairpersons Robert Dempster, Marcia Huntley Maloney and also Carole Curran, Scott Miller and Kathleen Loftman for their efforts to accomplish the 2020 fundraising goals and valiant efforts in achieving this historical opportunity that will give recognition to the General Society of Mayflower Descendants to the entire world.

In addition to the above goals, the immediate goal of the CA Mayflower Society is the urgent need to solve the long time application problems. Hopefully, with the updated bylaws that names one Historian who is in charge, there will be accountability for all the applications and the application checks. Assisting in these matters are at least five Co-historians and the CMC's in the colonies. To assist in these goals, an Office Manager/Librarian has been appointed to be responsible for operating the CA Mayflower Oakland office. With one person in charge, this should greatly assist in accountability of said office. It will also be helpful to the library intern to report to one person who is the Office Manager/Librarian.

An additional goal is to encourage membership participation in both the state activities and colony activities. Every CA Mayflower member who has a state or colony position should be mentoring his/her replacement. None of us are immortal and we are all replaceable, so mentoring is absolutely necessary for our Mayflower Society's survival.

Another goal is that we all live by our established code of conduct focusing on acting with integrity, dignity and honor; treating others with respect and consideration; supporting official actions and decisions of the board, among others listed in our code of conduct.

As we travel this journey together, I look forward to your participation and your suggestions are welcome.



Ray Raser
CA Mayflower Society Governor

Deputy Governor North

Dear California Mayflower Descendants,

It is truly a privilege to be elected Deputy Governor North of the State of California for the 2019-2021 term. It will be my pleasure to visit our North colonies, learn of their successes, meet their members and boards, and learn what their colony plans are for the 400th Anniversary of the arrival of the Mayflower in Plymouth, 21 November, 1620.



My goal is to perpetuate the memory of the Pilgrim Fathers and Mothers; engaging members to attend Colony meetings and events in our state. Being a Mayflower Descendant is a privilege, knowing our history is a gift worth sharing.

Colony Societies can promote the interests that are common to all the Member Societies of Mayflower Descendants which can best be served by a state body. Up to date information and news is in our California Mayflower Quarterly online and in print. You are eligible to receive both. Our website is camayflower.org.

I am available to answer any questions about our processes and programs.

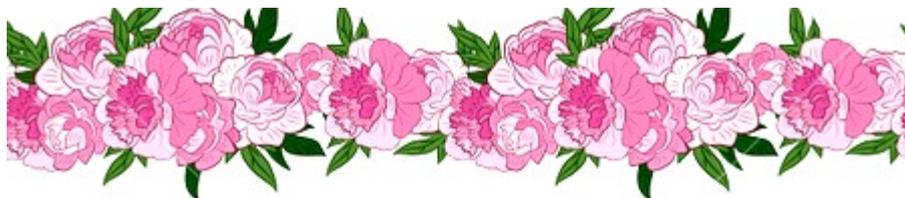
My business career as a travel professional of 35 years, business owner for 21 years, and travel professional credentials, working with the public and corporations has taught me useful skills for my volunteer positions.

My recent board experience includes El Dorado Hills Genealogical Society from 2006 to President 2017-2018; California Society of Mayflower Descendants, June 2017 – 2019, California Junior Membership Chairperson, Mother Lode Colony Member, Delegate and Elder; El Dorado Chapter D.A.R. 2017 – 2019 Parliamentarian; Travel Consumer Restitution Corporation, Board of Directors, May 2017 – 2019, California Seller of Travel Law, (DOJ) a consumer advocate arbitration board.



*Catherine Graham & husband Arthur,
Mayflower Trail*

*Catherine Graham
Deputy Governor North*



Deputy Governor South

For folks who may not know, my name is Scott Miller, I am the new *Deputy Governor – South*, having just been elected in June. I hope to get to every Colony in Southern California over the next couple of years to meet you personally. I am also the Governor of the Orange County Colony, so I will still be fulfilling those responsibilities too, so, it will be quite a busy two-years ahead. But, please, email me anytime and we can plan on having me attend one of your meetings. My email address is scottamillercalmayflowersoc@gmail.com



Marina & Scott Miller

As we look toward the next couple of years, there is so much to do. Of course, we are all focused on the 2020 activities throughout the State. This is a perfect time to have all of the Colonies, from Redwood Empire in the North to San Diego in the South, unite to make the upcoming 2020 events a success. Firstly, we have the Rose Parade® coming up very quickly with float preparations with the dry materials in early November. After Thanksgiving, decorating will be occurring in earnest and you can sign up to help at: www.camayflower2020.com.

Secondly, we have our “*Commemoration Ball*” Newport Harbor Cruise that will be held on Saturday, May 16th, 2020. It will be a formal event – black tie optional - on an outstanding Electra Harbor Cruise Ship, called the “*Eternity*”. It is a stunning, 4-deck ship that will have live music, a silent auction, Mayflower dignitaries, a wonderful dinner and much more. Sue Butler is the coordinator of the project and will be asking for help from all of the Colonies to make this a very memorable event.

Thirdly, we will be planning our trip to Plymouth for the 2020 GSMD Congress in September 2020. We usually have about 45 delegates who can caucus to vote for the upcoming slate of GSMD candidates to lead the Society and other issues that are presented to us to vote on. The events start on September 12th, 2020 and continue through September 19th or 20th.

Finally, I have been working on the new California Mayflower Website. Though, as of this minute, the site is not up and running, by the time you receive this Quarterly Newsletter, the website will be fully launched and active. All of the information about the 2020 Activities, participating in the parade, donating to support our Rose Parade® efforts and the State Society are there in tabs along the top of the page.

This is a once-in-a-lifetime period where we get to celebrate the 400th Anniversary of the Landing of our ancestors. This is the time when we can really show the world our pride in the seminal event of the Landing that literally changed the world and why it is important to reflect on today. We would not have the nation we have today without their “lighting one small candle” in 1620. Let us light our own proverbial “candle” beginning this Fall and throughout 2020 and send the light forward for another 400 and more years!

*Scott A. Miller,
Deputy Governor South*

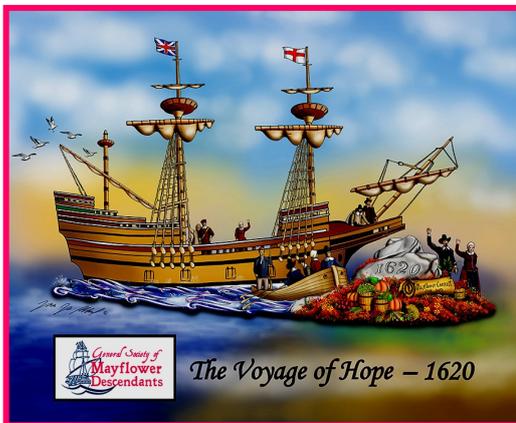


Mayflower 2020



Our Float: The Voyage of Hope - 1620

Rose Parade® floats are like building a custom truck, each one unique and with its own set accessories. Each float includes a driver and observer, sometimes more that are needed for the animation and working parts. The Voyage of Hope – 1620 will be about 55' long and is limited to 18' wide. The height must be able to collapse to 17' to go under a freeway bridge along the route. That is not much space to tell the complete story, so we need to focus on the most important facts. Consider each as a vignette of the pilgrim story.



The Mayflower float includes several important icons to our pilgrim ancestors. The largest element, of course, is the Mayflower ship which will be about 45% of scale. She is not at full sail to show that she has arrived in Cape Cod and is resting in the harbor, with a few passengers remaining on board, and seagulls can be seen flying nearby.

A shallop is carrying some passengers to their new land, ably assisted by a crewman. Families of men, women, and children came seeking a new way of life. It is important to show this through our riders and walkers who accompany the float. Period-correct clothing to illustrate those who embarked on this voyage is essential.

Plymouth Rock stands proudly to welcome them. Of course the engraved year 1620 wasn't on the rock at the time of the landing, but today's visitors will recognize this feature, so it has been included on the float as a familiar icon. Next to Plymouth Rock is the Mayflower Compact. This foundational document was important, not only to the new colony, but would be the basis of the United States Constitution.

The front of the float is adorned with a bounty of vegetation. To those history buffs, we understand that when the landing occurred, it was winter and this is not entirely accurate, however, in keeping with the need to have floral material on the float, the bounty that what this country would provide to those who survived the first winter and the Pilgrim – Thanksgiving connection is important. The Committee has received approval to include up to 51 float riders and walkers to illustrate the survivors. Applications are due July 31 and must include clothing photos. Please contact camayflower2020@gmail.com for more information or go to the California website: camayflower.org

The Wampanoag nation is also an important part of our story. Should descendants want to share in this event, we have secured a place for up to four. They are not depicted on this rendering as we have not received confirmation of their participation.

*Submitted by Carole Curran
GSMD 2020 Rose Parade Float Chair*

The Voyage of Hope-1620 Launch Party!

We are sailing The Voyage of Hope-1620 down Colorado Boulevard next year, January 1, 2020! The Float Decorating Committee is seeking Mayflower members, friends and families to volunteer their time and talent with Team Mayflower. Our goal is that our float is completely self-decorated. To that end, Fiesta Parade Floats strongly recommends we secure 60-70 volunteers per shift. We need your help! This committee is taking reservations now! Information about what to expect and how to register for your preferred date/shift is available at www.CAMayflower2020.com. Sign up now to decorate. If you're visiting from out of town, there is some information relative to Accommodations and Transportation on the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of California website at www.CAMayflower.org and join us on Facebook at Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of California.

Beginning November 16 and again November 30 volunteers will gather at Fiesta Parade Floats in Irwindale, California to learn about and participate in dry decorating activities. Dry decorating involves preparation of the various materials used to create the floats; coconut is a favorite. This phase is popular since the shifts are just 4 hours and most tasks are accomplished while seated. Everyone young and old, will have a blast!

December 26th through 30th is commonly referred to as Decorating Week. During this phase, volunteers are working an 8-hour shift, often standing, kneeling, crawling or climbing. Volunteers learn about glue management (a coveted skill) and how to fetch/apply the various materials used on our float. Leaves, straw, seeds and more are carefully trimmed, glued and placed so that every surface of the float is covered. The last 2 days of Decorating Week are a whirlwind. This is when perishable materials are added to the float. Each element of the float is checked and double checked. Finally, in the wee early hours of December 31st the float is complete and ready for final judging later that morning. Fiesta Parade Floats has assigned the very experienced and kindred Sherrie Snow Fowler to supervise Team Mayflower as we decorate The Voyage of Hope-1620. If her name sounds familiar, it's because Sherrie is a Mayflower cousin. Coincidence? I don't think so! Looking forward to sharing this once in a lifetime experience with you!

*Karen Schwartz
Float Decorating Chair*

Diana Stevenson Stone Participant in 2020 Rose Parade

To The 2020 Committee,

As a 10th generation granddaughter of Mary Chilton, it would be the greatest joy to be part of the 2020 Rose Parade, on our uniquely designed float.



Almost 70 years ago, as a teenager in Pasadena, I worked in those cold hangers, gluing colorful petals, twigs, seeds and all kinds of leaves on floats, right up until the last hour before the parade began! For me, it would be an honor to participate and represent our great heritage of 1620! Attached please find a few photos. (A more authentic costume is being made for me to wear in 2020.)

Thank you for all that you do to keep the story of our courageous ancestors alive!

*Roots Tech. 2019
GG George P. Garmany &
Diane Stone, Salt Lake City.*

*Most sincerely,
Diane Stevenson Stone*

THE VOYAGE OF HOPE - 1620

Carole Curran GSMD 2020 Rose Parade Float Chair	CAMayflower2020@gmail.com	Karen Schwartz Float Decorating Chair
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www.CAMayflower2020.com
Optimized for use on desktop, tablet, iPhone and Android Want to Volunteer? Here's How You Can Help!

There are a variety of parade related events for which we need your help! Visit the "General Volunteer Information" page at www.CAMayflower2020.com for a description of the various events with photos of our members in action! Consider the event type best suited to your ability and availability.

1. To view available dates and times to volunteer during Dry Decorating or Decorating Week click "Sign Me Up to Decorate" from the menu. To view available dates and times to volunteer to host one of our information booths, click "Sign Me Up to Host" from the menu.



2. Choose from among the many morning and afternoon shifts available (represented as calendar cards) for those interested in Dry Decorating shifts or have more time to give and wish to volunteer during Decorating Week. Click "Tell Me More" for details.

3. Review detailed information about what you can expect during your shift, together with date, time, location and map. To register to volunteer for the shift you are viewing, click on the "Register Now" button. To view a different shift, take the back button to the calendar card.

4. Register by completing the required fields. Click on "Confirm My Reservation". You will receive a confirmation email at the address you provided. You will also receive a reminder email a few days before your scheduled shift.

Mayflower 2020 Donation Challenge

You have been given a challenge!

Between now and Compact Day in November 2019, every dollar you contribute to our Mayflower 2020 fund will be matched up to **\$20,200**. This applies to all individual donations made by Mayflower members, their friends, and their relatives. Your donation will be doubled by the matching funds, which in total will raise **\$40,400** toward our goal of **\$500,000**. We are about half way there. Please help us meet our goal for a spectacular float and other memorable commemorative activities.

Please send your donations to:

Susan Oldfield, Treasurer

The Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of California
P.O. Box 457
Woodlake, CA 93286

If you have questions about this challenge, please contact Marcia Maloney, California Mayflower 2020 Ambassador at: camayflower2020@gmail.com

CA Mayflower Bi-Annual Meeting

June 15, 2019



2020 Presenters



Tim Estes reveals the "Voyage of Hope" Mayflower Float



Gov. Ray Raser & Captain Miles Standish

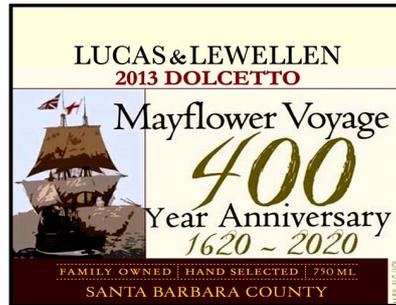


Marcia transfers Governor's Medallion to Governor Ray

**Available for your Next General Meeting:
Special Label Mayflower 400 Anniversary Wine**

Show your support for the Mayflower 2020 Commemoration by donating \$35 and receiving a bottle of Limited Edition.

Mayflower 400 Label wine! Lucas and Lewellen, a family owned winery located in Santa Barbara County, have teamed with the California Society of Mayflower Descendants to offer special label wine commemorating the 400 year anniversary of the Mayflower Voyage. At this time, 2016 Chardonnay and 2013 Dolcetto are only available to Mayflower colonies in cases of 12 bottles. Colonies in California have been receiving donations at their meetings to support the Mayflower float in the Tournament of Roses parade on January 1, 2020 and then giving those donors this special label wine.



Please consider ordering a case to have available for donations at your next meeting. The wine is a wonderful memento of our 2020 commemoration and a great gift for Thanksgiving.

Lucas & Lewellen/Toccata

Order taken by: _____

Quantity: _____

Special Case Donation

Case(s)

2016 Estate Chardonnay - Mayflower Label	12 Bottles	\$420.00
2013 Estate Dolcetto - Mayflower Label	12 Bottles	\$420.00
Half and Half - 6 bottles of each vintage	12 Bottles	\$420.00
Shipping per case - Orders outside of California		\$20.00

Note: This special label wine is only available through the Mayflower Society and only for a limited time. Donation includes tax and freight. Lucas & Lewellen Vineyards will ship to the address below but, by law, an adult must be available during the day to sign for shipment. Consider using a business address. Email this form to lorraine@vcnet.com. Phone 805/558-5158 with any questions. For more information on the winery, visit LLWine.com.

Please allow 4 to 6 weeks for delivery.

Recipient DOB: _____ (An adult will need to be available during the day to sign for shipment)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone#: _____ E-mail _____

(Required by shipping carrier)

(if you'd like to be notified when your package ships)

Payment: Check to California Society of Mayflower Descendants \$420 per case, add \$20 per case for shipping outside of California.

Mail to:

Mayflower Wine
c/o First on Scene Training
4607 Lakeview Canyon Road Suite 362
Westlake Village, CA 91361



Mayflower 2020 Commemorative Gifts

We will soon be marking the 400th anniversary of the voyage of the Mayflower and the founding of Plymouth Colony. This is an exciting opportunity to commemorate the Mayflower landing and the passengers and to share their inspirational story.

Stanley London has partnered with the San Diego Colony and the California Mayflower Society to help raise money to fund our 2020 events. Stanley London offers replicas of maritime instruments used during Mayflower times. Each instrument is engraved to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the Mayflower voyage. These timeless keepsakes make great gifts, and your donation will help support our float and other educational and historical projects.

The items may be ordered from the California Mayflower Society website at:
<http://www.brasscompass.com/Mayflower-San-Diego-Colony.htm>.



San Diego Colony Hosts Petal Clipping Event

The San Diego Colony will be hosting our San Diego Colony Petal Clipping event on August 10, 2019 at the Village Church in Rancho Santa Fe from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. There will be three shifts: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.; and 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Members and friends from all colonies are welcome to join in on the fun. We will be serving a light lunch and refreshments. The event will be held in the Fellowship Hall.

You will need to bring with you one to two pairs of sharp scissors and a “tray” to hold the petal clipping. A banker box lid or cardboard from a case of water or soda, for example, works best. You will be taught proper dry petal clipping that will help decorate our float, meet new people, and have fun! Items will be available for donation to help us raise monies for our 2020 activities, so don't forget to bring your checkbook, cash, or both.

For more information or to sign up, contact Amy D'Lima at amydlima@gmail.com
Kathy Loftman at loftman@earthlink.net or call Kathy at 858-756-1718.
You may also sign up at: www.CAMayflower2020.com.

A New Play Celebrating the Saga of the Pilgrims

On November 16 and 17, 2019, the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of California will present a new play at Hanna Boys Center in Sonoma, California, entitled FREEDOM'S SONG, written by Redwood Empire Colony member Antoinette Kuhry.

Ms. Kuhry has written this piece to celebrate the 400th Anniversary of the Pilgrims arrival in Plymouth in 1620, but also to tell a story of freedom. Despite the hardships of the trip the "Pilgrims formed a steadfast breath, of brave new right to age-old wrong, with freedom, freedom, freedom's song."

A one-act drama, inspired by William Shakespeare who was writing and performing his wondrous works during much of the time-period of the play, FREEDOM'S SONG follows the story of Pilgrim William Brewster, Kuhry's ancestor, and many of the other separatists who left England to go to The Netherlands and then to America to obtain the freedom of religion that they sought.

But beyond their search for religious freedom, a democratic civil society took form in their colony which ultimately reached its fulfillment in the First Amendment to the United States Constitution. Among those featured in Freedom's Song are Queen Elizabeth I, William Brewster, Pastor John Robinson, Edward Winslow, Thomas Brewer, Robert Cushman, William Bradford, Mrs. Chilton and Mary Chilton.

The ingenuity and bravery of this group of people were remarkable. They and other reformers, who were working against the status quo in England in the reigns of Queen Elizabeth I and King James I, were often in danger and many were arrested and some executed. The separation of Church and State, so admired and accepted in the United States, was not permitted under these monarchs. So the Crown and the bishops were as one, holding all civil and religious power in their joint embrace. They needed each other. As James I did so revealingly state: "No bishop, no King".

Antoinette Kuhry, Producer of Freedom's Song, who was the Artistic Director of Sonoma City Opera until 2010, produced 33 operas and other events. She is a singer and performed in many of the early operas. During her tenure at SCO, she produced two world premiere works: *THE DREAMERS*, which told the story of early Sonoma characters and the pioneers, and *EVERY MAN JACK*, a biography of Jack London, the title role performed by California opera luminary, Rod Gilfry. Ms. Kuhry has a BA in Speech from Creighton University and an MA in Dramatic Art from University of California at Davis. She was honored with the designation of Treasure Artist in 1996 by the City of Sonoma Cultural and Fine Arts Commission and also later served on that Commission.

Eric Thompson, Director, is uniquely suited to stage *Freedom's Song*. He teaches religion and is the Academic Senate President at Santa Rosa Junior College, Santa Rosa, California, but also has an extensive background as an actor and director. Mr. Thompson has played many Shakespearean roles, notably fools, including Macbeth's Porter, Hecate, Friar Lawrence, Puck, Bottom, Oberon, Ariel, Trinculo, Stephano, Feste, and Master Ford.



*Toni Kuhry explains her play
"Freedom's Song"*

He has also taken on the roles of Ebenezer Scrooge (7 times), Einstein in *Picasso at the Lapin Agile*, and Orgon in *Tartuffe*, to name a few. Mr. Thompson has directed about a dozen productions, taught theatre history and acting, and performed in film and TV.

Cast members have experience around the San Francisco Bay Area and many will show their ingenuity in this play by taking on more than one role. As an example, Susan Gundunas, who will play both Queen Elizabeth and Mrs. Chilton, has over 50 roles to her credit as a singer and actor, in opera, musical theatre, dramatic theatre, concerts and recitals and has appeared with companies and orchestras in California, Nevada, Idaho, and Tennessee. She has played Elizabeth I before in Renaissance Voice's annual Boar's Head Festival. The Chorus, in the ancient Greek tradition, will have an important role to play as narrator and commentator on the action, and its speeches are in verse.

The November 16 opening performance will also be the Compact Day for the Redwood Empire, Alameda, and San Francisco colonies and so a thanksgiving dinner will be served after the play is performed. The November 17 performance will be for the general public.

Tickets for members and guests for the November 16 performance and dinner will be sold through the membership letter. Others of the general public who wish to see the play only may also buy tickets for either November 16 or 17, 2019. Tickets for the general public will go on sale September 15, 2019 and can be ordered by calling 707-996-3357.

Antoinette J. Kubry
akubry@vom.com

Audit Committee

1. Financial Reports:

Since the last BOA meeting, I have examined the receipts and disbursements for the month of April 2019.

First, I reconciled all of the deposits with the bank statements. Then spread the deposits by account category from the Deposit Detail and compared the results with the Summary of Financial Transactions.

Next I reviewed each Check Register and spread the amounts by account category and again compared the results with the Summary of Financial Transactions.

Therefore based on the sample of April 2019 transactions, it is my opinion that all receipts and disbursements are being properly categorized in the Financial Reports distributed to the BOA.

2. Investments:

Without any detailed information on the Investment Portfolio the review will be performed after the BOA meeting.

3. Budgets:

A detailed review will be performed after the BOA meeting when we have the May Financial Reports and the Treasurer's explanations.

Wayne E. Staples
Audit Committee Chair

Board of Assistants and Membership Meeting

June 15, 2019

The Board of Assistants June meeting along with the Bi-Annual Membership Meeting was held on June 15, 2019 in Oakland. The membership meeting only happens once every two years, so it is important for all members who can travel to do their best to attend. This year, since it was in the northern part of the state, there was a good turnout of members representing the northern colonies.

The general business was to elect new officers for the next two years along with discussion and voting on proposed bylaw changes. Two exciting announcements were made at the meeting of interest to all. The first was the unveiling of the rendering of the Mayflower float for the 2020 Tournament of Roses Parade. The other was the presentation of the new website for the state. Probably the most important thing about the new website is that all colonies will be able to have their information placed on the website. This should allow for better communication between the colonies and the membership. There are still a few items being worked out, but it should be up and running quite soon.

All colonies have a governor or a delegate who attends the Board of Assistant meetings four times a year. He or she represents you, so if you want your voice heard, speak with your governor or delegate and ask them to represent you at the BOA meetings.



2017-2019 Board of Assistants

Seated: Susan Oldfield, Susan Astarita, Jan Landt, Sally Johnson, Marcia Huntley Maloney, Ray Raser, Scott Miller, Pat Friesen

Standing: Miles Standish, Cathey Graham, Bob Trapp, Diane Sweeney, Ray Garrett, Kathy Watson, Gloria Gibbel, Susan Christopher, Sue Butler, Lorraine Kocen, Robert Lincoln, Myrile Savage, Jonathan Dickey, Kenneth Whittemore, Budd Leef, Wayne Skala, Gail Raser



Swearing In Elected Officers

Sally Johnson-Membership Secretary, Susan Oldfield-Treasurer, Jan Landt-Elder, Scott Miller-Deputy Governor South, Cathey Graham-Deputy Governor North, Ray Raser-Governor and former Governor Marcia Huntley Maloney . Not present: Marlene Mandeville, Recording Secretary



2019-2021 Board of Assistants

Jonathan Dickey, Sally Johnson, Kathy Watson, Karen Schwartz, Kathy Loftman, Carole Curran, Scott Miller, Susan Oldfield, Cathey Graham, Gail Raser, Ray Raser, Marcia Huntley Maloney, Miles Standish, Jan Landt



Thanks Susan Astarita for taking our minutes for the past four years!



Incoming Captain Miles Standish leading the pledge.

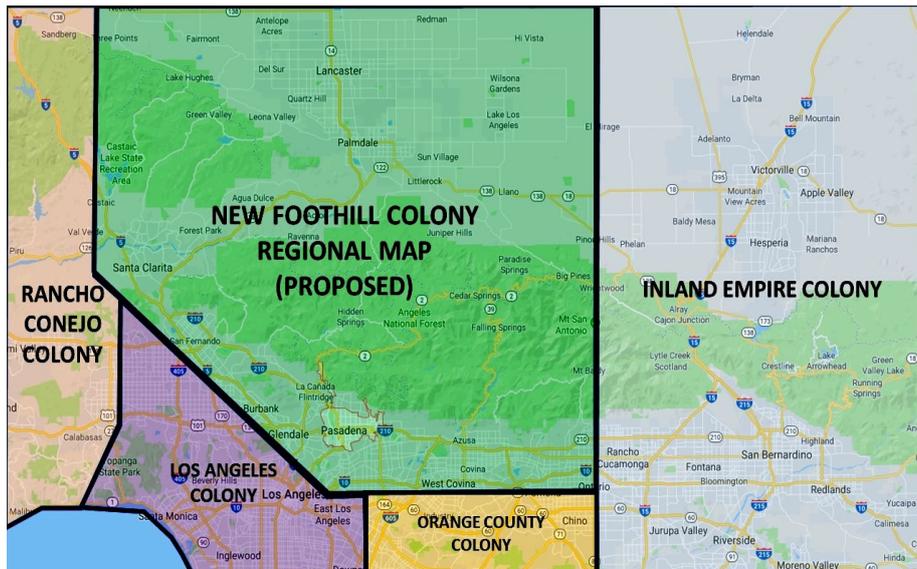


Scholarship Winner William Lew

Forming A New Colony

Last year a number of members in the San Gabriel Mountain region of the metro Los Angeles area requested that a new colony be formed to serve members in that area so they may have an opportunity to participate in colony events.

This Colony would be called the Foothill Colony and serve the San Gabriel Mountain region and incorporate the Lancaster and Palmdale area (please see map of proposed region). Most of the petitioners are currently not able to attend meetings or be involved in colony activities due to distance from existing colony meetings. With the advent of the 400th Anniversary of the voyage of the Mayflower and the renewed interest due to the General Society of Mayflower Descendants 2020 Rose Parade float, petitioners are enthusiastic to meet the needs of the public interest, which will be a by-product of participating in this international event.



Carole Curran, who lives in the foothill area has volunteered to assist in gathering the signatures necessary on the petition to form the new Colony and present same to the Board of Assistants at our October BOA Meeting. This is an opportunity for all the Mayflower members who live in the mapped area to be part of starting a new colony. If you live in the Pomona Valley, San Gabriel Valley, La Canada-Flintridge or Lancaster-Palmdale area, and all the areas between, please contact Carole Curran for further information at: mayflowerfoothill@gmail.com

Santa Clara City Library, An Important Resource

Santa Clara City Library sclibrary.org
2635 Homestead Rd.
Santa Clara, CA 95051
(408) 615-2900
Hours: Sunday 1-5, Monday-Thursday 10-9,
Friday and Saturday 10-6



We have an extensive genealogy collection which began with a collaboration with the Santa Clara County Historical and Genealogical Society in 1967 and is ongoing. They share a workroom with my office in the Heritage Pavilion, a wing dedicated to Local History and Genealogy.

We provide books (10,000+), periodicals, subscription databases and genealogy assistance to the general public. We have recently updated our silver and pink Mayflower books so we have the newest editions. These resources are available whenever the library is open. There are regular classes and programs for genealogists.

This library and the Santa Clara County Historical and Genealogical Society are sponsoring a lineage event with a short talk about the Mayflower in recognition of the upcoming 400th year celebration. It will be held on Saturday, September 21 from 1:30 – 4:30 in the Redwood Room at the Santa Clara City Library. This is the description we have for publication:

Lineage Societies: What are they and how can I join? Highlighting the Mayflower Society which will be celebrating 400 years since the arrival of the Mayflower in 2020

1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, September 21 in the Redwood Room organized by Sue Fitzpatrick, Librarian, Santa Clara County Historical and Genealogical Society and Mary Boyle, Local History/Genealogy Librarian

Come and learn the benefits of membership in lineage societies and hear a short talk in honor of the upcoming 400th anniversary of the Mayflower's arrival. Information including application details to various lineage societies will be provided.

We have someone looking for Mayflower representatives and a speaker. If you could assist that would be most appreciated. We would also appreciate any assistance with creating a display that could be kept for 6 months to a year highlighting the Mayflower's 400th. Our display cases are secure and safe. The cases are 21" deep, 47" across and 27" tall. A replica or model of one of the Mayflower ships would be most welcome as would a flag. I could arrange to pick up and return the items if that would be helpful.

Mary.

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**New Members
Elected Jan 16, 2019**

Alameda Colony

Patricia Kay Cooper
CA 9387 G#94415
11th from Richard Warren

Emily Howland
CA 9391 G#94457
13th from William Mullins

Madeleine Layne Howland
CA 9392 G304458
12th from Richard Warren

Michael Timothy Black
CA9395 G#94495
12th from John Alden

Andrew Scott Miller
CA 9399 G# 94554
11th from Peter Browne

Inland Empire Colony
Kenneth James Moorehead
CA9393 G#94459
13th from Isaac Allerton

Myralynn (Portlock) Reichmann
CA 9394 G#94460
11th from William Bradford

Mother Lode Colony
Paul David Cecchettini
CA9397 G#94537
12th from John Alden

Orange County Colony
Miranda Duval Dunkle
CA9388 G#94416
12th from John Billington

Gary Eldred Cox
CA9398 G#86112 NV#454
12th from John Howland

San Diego Colony
Robert Dean McGuire
CA9386 G#94379
12th from John Howland

San Francisco Colony

Barbara Helen Patterson
CA 9400 G# 94555
11th from George Soule

Santa Barbara Colony

Lynda Goddard Holloway
CA 9390 G#94456
12th from George Soule

Sequoia Colony

Alicia Therese Chappell
CA9389 G#94455
14th from William Bradford

Member at Large

Justin David Brierly
CA 9396 G#94536
14th from Richard Warren

**Supplementals
Jan 19, 2019**

Inland Empire Colony

Barbara Matulich
S#2145 CA9173 G#91629
13th from William Brewster

Michael Philip Bodman
S#2148 CA 5760 G#59564
12th from Mary Allerton

Michael Philip Bodman
S#2149 CA 5760 G#59564
13th from Mary Norris

Los Angeles Colony

Beth Marie Stone
S#2146 CA9260 G#92970
13th from John Billington

Carole G. Curran
S#2151 CA8910 G#88060
12th from John Alden

Carole G. Curran
S#2152 CA8910 G#88060
13th from William Brewster

Carole G. Curran
S#2153 CA8910 G#88060
13th from William Mullins

Redwood Empire Colony

Deborah Jane (Clary) Cochrane
S#2150 CA9183 G#91793
12th from William Brewster

San Joaquin Valley Colony

Scott Andres Jones
S#2147 CA9229 G#92525
13th from Edward Fuller

Santa Barbara Colony

Sally Ann Guiney
S#2143 CA9143 G#91222
12th from William Brewster



**New Members
Elected Jun 15, 2019**

Alameda Colony

Carol Anne Chetkovich
CA 9456 G#95146
12th from John Alden

Fred Carlton Bundock
CA 9463 G#95216
11th from John Alden

Patricia Ann Smith
CA 9471 G#95300
12th from William Bradford

Inland Empire Colony

Kathleen Susan (Schubert)
Pettersen
CA 9443 G#94940
11th from George Soule

Susan Soule (Walley)
Schubert
CA 9444 G#94941
10th from George Soule

Los Angeles Colony

Susan Vera (Gustafson) Griffin
CA 9434 G#94846
12th from William Brewster

Kevin McEntee
CA 9445 G#94965
11th from George Soule

Ralph Wesley Ward
CA 9436 G#94848
11th from Francis Cooke

Monterey Bay Colony

Carolyn Alexander Perez
CA 9464 G#95217
10th from John Alden

Mother Lode Colony

William Eldon Charter
CA 9430 G#94759
12th from Priscilla Mullins

Stephanie (Good) Ramsey
CA 9431 G#94760
12th from Giles Hopkins

William Charles Jones
CA 9435 G#94847
12th from John Howland

Callahan Bradford Shelley
CA 9448 G#95052
11th from William Bradford

Jared Hutchison Shelley
CA 9449 G# 95053
12th from Myles Standish

Maile Kikia Shelley
CA 9450 G#95054
12th from Priscilla Mullins

Melanie May Roberts Daniels
CA 9454 G#95127
11th from George Soule

Janet Ann Schultz
CA 9459 G#95184
12th from William Brewster

Margaret Sandra Young
CA 9460 G#95198
11th from George Soule

Katrina Clark Dean
CA9465 G#93037 OR#1071
12th from William Brewster

Orange County Colony

Marc Hugo Estrada
CA 9432 G#94844
12th from John Alden

Melissa Ketty Estrada
CA 9433 G#94845
13th from John Alden

Candice Ann Mills
CA 9440 G#94885
12th from William Brewster

Susan Lee Schweitzer Garrett
CA9452 G#95101
11th from Edward Fuller

Dale Marie Fuller-Ramos
CA 9458 G#95183
12th from John Howland

Redwood Empire Colony

Madison Marie Acu
CA 9437 G#94882 Jr. LIFE
14th from Francis Cooke

Michelle Marie (Huebschle) Acu
CA 9438 G#94883 LIFE
13th from Francis Cooke

John Lawrence Yun
CA 9443 G#94887
13th from Francis Cooke

Marilyn Lee Simlens
CA 9453 G#95102
12th from John Howland

Sidney Frederick Tyler
CA 9472 G#95301
13th from Stephen Hopkins

San Diego Colony

Susan Kay (Engle) Insko
CA 9439 G#94884
11th from John Alden

Matthew Robert Leef
CA 9446 G#95003
13th from Francis Cooke

Mark Earle Smith
CA 9451 G#95055
10th from William Bradford

Jeanette Shiel
CA 9462 G#70896 CT#3875
12th from Stephen Hopkins

Holly (Rudigier) Moyer
CA 9468 G#95277
12th from John Alden

Tracy (Fiscus/Thomas) Schaelen
CA 9469 G#95278
12th from John Alden

Cynthia Ann (Mongan) Lesinski
CA 9474 G# 95325
13th from John Howland

San Joaquin Valley Colony

Patricia Carey Blanchard
CA 9447 G#95051
12th from George Soule

Joellen Wosser Wilson
CA 9473 G#67320 OH#2592
11th from John Alden

San Francisco Colony

Brant Alan Bradford
CA 9457 G#95182
9th from William Bradford

Santa Barbara Colony

Christine Ann Bassett
CA 9461 G#93052 WA#1791
11th from Constance Hopkins

Sequoia Colony

Jan Elizabeth Ralston
CA 9441 G#94884
12th from John Howland

Alan Chenoweth Davis
CA 9455 G#95128
12th from William Brewster

Lois E. (Nelson) Swift
CA 9470 G#95279
10th from John Alden

Supplementals
Jun 15, 2019

Inland Empire

Susan Maxfield Christopher
S2162 CA 8312 G#81106
10th from George Soule

Los Angeles Colony

Donald Henry Morris
S2168 CA 9162 G#91532
11th from John Tilly

Mother Lode Colony

Elizabeth Freeman Valentine
S2165 CA8705 G#85591
12th from John Tilley

Orange County Colony

Stephen Wayne Dixon
S2175 CA8453 G#82652
12th from Isaac Allerton

Karen Lee Chute Gough
S2176 CA5357 G#56121
13th from Richard Warren

Redwood Empire Colony

Deborah Jane (Clary) Cochrane
S#2166 CA 9183 G#91793
11th from Stephen Hopkins

San Diego Colony

Stephen John Pattison
S2172 CA9184 G#91794
13th from Stephen Hopkins

Sequoia Colony

Dawn Elizabeth Newman
S2169 CA9435 G#92443
13th from John Alden

Dawn Elizabeth Newman
S2170 CA9435 G#92443
13th from Francis Cooke

Dawn Elizabeth Newman
S2171 CA9435 G#92443
13th from Peter Browne

Mary Whitney (Weisiger) Andeen
S2173 CA8173 G#79608
11th from William Mullins

Mary Whitney (Weisiger) Andeen
S2174 CA8173 G#79608
10th from Priscilla Mullins

In Loving Memory

Orange County Colony

Sandra Dale Bright Peterson Callaway
May 25, 2019

Rancho Conejo Colony

*Patsy Ann Billingsley Madland
March 21, 2019

San Diego Colony

Dayna Marie Shiloff Hydrick
May 21, 2019

San Joaquin Valley Colony

*Patsy Ann Billingsley Madland
March 21, 2019

Sequoia Colony

Virginia Mae Nalley Woodson
November 13, 2018

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Be sure to notify our State Membership Chairperson: Sally Johnson at:
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He will notify your governor and everyone else who needs to know. This will enable you to receive your California Mayflower, Mayflower Quarterly and other mailings in a timely fashion.

California Mayflower

Next deadline: October 1st, 2019 . Send all text and photo submissions to Ray and Gail at:
camayflowereditor@gmail.com

Submissions to the California Mayflower Quarterly must be in digital format, either in the body of an email or as a Microsoft Word document attachment. Queries relevant to Mayflower families will be published pending space availability. PLEASE limit them to 75 words. Include your membership number and contact information.

NOTE the deadlines: They will remain the same year after year. Submissions prior to the deadlines are always appreciated.

Fall issue	October 1st 2019
Winter issue	January 2nd 2020
Spring issue	April 1st 2020
Summer issue	July 1, 2020

Visit the California Society of Mayflower Descendants on the web at:
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CA Mayflower Board of Assistants 2020 Meeting Schedule

August 17, 2019 - Email meeting to accept new members

October 19, 2019 - South

December 07, 2019 - Email meeting to accept new members

January 18, 2020 - North

March 21, 2020 - South

June 20, 2020 - North

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A Reminder to Members:

This is just a little "housekeeping" note, but if you move and stay in California and would like to attend a colony closer to your home, you need to notify our membership chairperson of your change of address and colony. In that way, you will receive meeting notices and information from this colony. Also, it only costs an extra \$2.00 to join another CA Colony. Some members enjoy being members of numerous California Colonies for the low price of \$2.00 per additional colony per year.

State News

State Historian - Planning for the Future

This is such an exciting time to honor our Mayflower ancestors, as we start commemoration events for the 400th anniversary landing at Plymouth Rock. We're expecting our membership to increase immensely next year due to our society increasing public education about our Pilgrim ancestors. The California Society in conjunction with the General Society will be kicking off activities on January 1, 2020 in the world-famous Rose Parade.

Picture the Ship of Hope (Mayflower) cruising down Colorado Blvd, in Pasadena, California. Imagine viewers at home thinking, "*I have an ancestor who was on the Mayflower.*" It is estimated the Rose Parade has over 5 million viewers and more than 35 million individuals living today are direct descendants. Now there's a pool of prospective members.

That being said, California is preparing to welcome new members with speeding up the application process. In the past we have depended on a few individuals to process membership applications for all California applicants. When I was elected to office last June, we had well over 500 applicants waiting on their membership application process and/or approval. Our past five Co-Historians could not possibly keep up with the workload. It was time to make a change.

Today we're working towards having Colony Membership Chairs (CMCs) in each Colony. These CMCs will work with applicants during the membership application process. We also have four State Assistant Historians: David Grinnell; Erica Hahn; Caroline (Corky) Peterson; Jeanette Shiel. These Assistant Historians will verify applications and assist CMCs with genealogy and application processing questions. Hands on training for new CMCs will be conducted by this officer.

Our State Society is now going from five Co-Historians processing applications, to Colony Membership Chairs in all Colonies, in addition to our four Assistant Historians to assist these CMCs and verify new membership applications. That's a boost of 340% in application processing volunteers. California is preparing to increase organizing for our beloved society, as we approach our 400th anniversary of the landing at Plymouth Rock.

*Sue Butler
State Historian*

Surgeon Report

Greetings Strangers and Saints: I am your new California Society surgeon and I wanted to briefly introduce you to the role of this position. Essentially, the surgeon is a member who has been duly admitted to the practice of medicine who is able to provide health information and potentially medical support to members of the California Society. The surgeon is also a voting member of the California Board of Assistants.

I am a board-certified Allergist & Clinical Immunologist in private practice in the Sacramento area. I attended medical school in Ohio before completing an Internal Medicine residency at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in New Hampshire and a fellowship in Allergy & Clinical Immunology at Yale University School of Medicine in New Haven, Connecticut. It was in Connecticut that I started my family history research and my roots run deep in the Puritan ancestry of that colony as well as others in New England and the Mid-Atlantic. I am a fifth-generation Californian and I have been a member of the Mayflower Society since 2008. I descend from the Howland, Tilley, Mullins, Alden and Soule lines. My wife also has Mayflower ancestry (Chilton, Hopkins) and our daughters Olivia and Lily descend from 13 of the passengers aboard the Mayflower.

I am actively involved in a number of hereditary societies including the Society of the Cincinnati, OFPA, the Sons of the American Revolution, the Society of Colonial Wars, etc.

Apart from attending meetings, being able to urgently support members' medical issues, and voting on various initiatives for the California society, I have also given lectures to the Mother Lode and Redwood Empire Colonies on "Medicine at Plimouth Plantation." In that talk I review health issues related to the voyage of the Mayflower as well as the period shortly after landing in Plymouth, Massachusetts. While my free time is limited, I am willing to give this lecture to other colony meetings, so feel free to email me.

*Matthew Bowdish MD
Surgeon.*

State Elder Report

The list of deceased members prepared by the State Membership Secretary has been reviewed. Names on the list not previously acknowledged in the *California Mayflower Quarterly* were submitted for publication in the April 2019 issue.

The Necrology service for the annual State Meeting has been prepared. Research was undertaken to determine complete names of those to be honored, i.e. given, middle and maiden names for female members, middle names rather than initials for male members. Many thanks to Christie and Bob Trapp for their assistance with this project.

*Jan Landt
State Elder*

Junior Membership Chair Report

The past two years, being Junior Membership Chair of State of California, has been a rewarding experience. I learned many things. Working to distribute Mayflower educational stories, ideas for fun, games and word puzzles, maps and books to new California Juniors and members from birth to 18 years. As of January 1, 2019, California registration is \$50.00 per child. A VALUE. No dues are required for any Junior child. Children must be direct lineage of sponsor and provide a completed application.

Thank you to the General Society of Mayflower Descendants Junior Membership Committee, I had the good fortune to meet while attending the 41st Congress of Mayflower Descendants, September 2017, at Plymouth, who provided wonderful quality pieces for me for our Juniors. I could not have done this without their guiding suggestions. I have to say the "This Day in History", are my favorite, created by GSMD educational committee for all Juniors, in an effort to ensure all Juniors across the country are receiving valid quality information about our ancestors. Every pdf, every suggestion is vetted, as well as suggestions for how to communicate with Juniors at various ages. They are perfect to educate children at local schools or family gatherings. Updated contact information for Juniors allows them to enjoy the program.



*Float Design Winner
Madison Grogan*

Thanks to Madison Grogan, First Place, Grace Jensen, Runner – Up, John Cooper and Jayden Asay, Honorable Mentions for their great designs and essay entries in our Float Design and Essay Contest, created by Scott Miller. We will be featuring the Juniors in our October issue. We wish them a memorable JANUARY 1, 2020!

*Cathy Graham
Former Jr. Membership Chair*

CA Mayflower Scholarship Awards

We are happy to announce the three winners of the CA Mayflower Scholarships for 2019. Thank you Kathy Gire for your leadership and your committee who read the scholarships submitted and made the final decision. Thank you members for supporting our youth with your tax deductible donations to the scholarship fund.

Dear Father,

I know that we weren't on the best of terms at the time of my departure, but now that I have children of my own, I have come to realize that you are probably wondering what happened to me and that I should have informed you long ago that I safely made it to the New World and am



William Lew
1st Place Winner

prospering here. I gained my freedom from the servitude of Stephen Hopkins and am now residing in a house near the coast in Plymouth. The location is nice, but occasionally the water reminds me of the harrowing trip it took to get here.

The voyage was miserable for many reasons. There were numerous storms and the ship was carrying too many people, creating crowded and unsanitary conditions. Because of the overcrowding, there wasn't nearly enough food to go around and I found myself without food on many nights. To make things worse, there was a group of passengers who, despite being the minority, began trying to rule over the rest of us. I got involved in quite a few arguments with these self-proclaimed "Saints," as they thought they should be able to assert their dominance because of their "moral superiority." Tensions continued to grow throughout the journey between the Saints and the rest of the passengers, the "Strangers" as they called us.

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After we finally arrived, the Saints and some of the Strangers decided we needed to all work together in order to survive and drafted a truce of sorts that they called The Mayflower Compact. I was one of the last to sign it as I was initially opposed to it, not wanting to agree to anything proposed by the Saints. However after some persuasion from other Strangers, I figured that although I signed it, that didn't mean I completely agreed with the Saints about everything. Since arriving, I have found myself in quite bit of trouble here in Plymouth. As you know, my temper can sometimes get the best of me and during my time under Hopkins, another servant, Edward Leister, and I had a bit of a scuffle. I believe we were the first duel to happen here in Plymouth and as punishment, we were sentenced to have our heads and feet tied together for a day. That was easily one of the worst days I've had since moving here, as the pain was immense. Thankfully Hopkins asked for our release and so we weren't forced to endure being bound together for an entire day.

Other than that, I have been doing fairly well for myself. I gained my freedom a few years back and have been a farmer ever since, raising my own crops and livestock. I have been involved in a lot of trading of both goods and even a bit of land, although some of these dealings have been rightfully considered fraudulent and have landed me in court a few times. Since acquiring my freedom, I have also found a wife named Faith Clarke, who came over on the ship Francis. We have three children as of now, but hope to have many more. Despite my initial feeling about the Mayflower Compact, over time I have come to respect it, although not so much that I would choose to hold any kind of position in this government.

Despite my many appearances in court, both for minor things like failing to keep my cows fenced and a few altercations with other colonists, the government elected by the Compact has always been fair to me with punishment, often only charging me a small fine. The Mayflower Compact established a government where all of us colonists would be represented and where we are all equal under the sight of God. This means that even though I may be the subject of many lawsuits, I am also able to sue others (even my own father-in-law over money) should I desire to. This message of equality is contrary to the attitudes of the Saints back on the Mayflower, and I've come to realize that this basis of the Mayflower Compact is truly respectable. I hope you are doing well and, despite our estrangement, I would like to hear news from home.

*Sincerely,
Edward Doty*

Dearest Cousin,

I write to you on this day, the 16th of October in 1691 Anno Domini, from Plymouth Colony, as this is the last day that my home may be called by that name. The foliage by the forest edge is drinking in the last rays of sunlight before they turn bright and beautiful colors. It is as though they know that these are the last days that light will shine on Plymouth Colony. I suppose that nothing much will change tomorrow. Everyone will continue about their daily duties, and it will matter to none that this land is part of the Massachusetts Bay province.



*Juliana Larson
2nd Place Winner*

Nevertheless, to me, it will always matter. This land, since I was four years old, has been my home. I don't remember the journey to America on the *Mayflower*, nor the political discussions that formed our government. All I understood as a child was that this is where I belong. When you have lived in a place for 71 years, don't you think it becomes part of your being, dearest cousin? Most of the other passengers of the *Mayflower* are gone. There are few to reminisce with nowadays.

Mostly I delight in my darling children and beautiful grandchildren. But I have lived to see the formation of a people. We who have supported one another through all times, bearing pain and sharing joy. This is why I write to you cousin, because I must put some effort into remembering those days gone by, when Plymouth Colony was the only home I knew. Already people are beginning to refer to this beautiful place as Massachusetts, but I hold on tightly to the last moments when it is still Plymouth to me. Soon the charter will arrive and our government will hold its last sessions as a colony, until our jurisdiction is taken over by Massachusetts. When my father signed the Mayflower Compact, he was determined to have religious freedom; I was a toddler who cared more for the freedom to explore the ship than the freedom gained to worship as we pleased. As I matured, however, I began to realize the wisdom behind creating a binding document that introduced the concept of self-government. The writers of the document imagined a world in which man could self-govern, through laws that promoted unity and free expression. That compact bound us together in mutual service and enterprise, linking our survival, one to another.

And so my dearest cousin, I write to you mourning the loss of title of this beautiful land that was the first soil for our family. I mourn, yet I know that this new legislation warrants rejoicing, for it means that our people are growing, our country expanding, and a new way of life is flourishing.

Every action we take is for the betterment of ourselves and our nation. O, how I wish you could see it cousin, the last rays of sun are sinking over the horizon in a spectacular display of color and light. The setting of an era, and the rising of a new age.

*With all my love,
Mary Allerton Cushman*

Dear Captain Jones, my Cousin,

November 1621- Plymouth Colony

I hope this letter finds you in good health after your journey home to England. I know you and your crew were as sorely tried last winter by sickness as those who were on land. I think of you often, and write of the events since you left us in April.



*Nicole Goulart
3rd Place Winner*

The Settlers have come to mutual agreement with the Indians. Neither they nor we will cause each other harm. If you recall Squanto, the Indian interpreter, he has helped us throughout the spring to plant future crops. Despite his help and our efforts, the wheat and the peas did not come out. Squanto has taught us invaluable skills in fishing and trapping this summer as well. Just a few days ago, after we had gathered a plentiful fall harvest of Indian corn, a celebration of thanksgiving to the Lord was held. For three days we rejoiced over our winter provisions with festivities and games. The Indians came with five deer, and joined our feast of gratefulness.

Thank you for taking back with you the will of William Mullins to be probated. It means much to me. Do you remember the pretty daughter William had? I admire Miss Mullins strength, having lost her father, mother, and brother during our harsh first winter. Though I am considered a “stranger” to the Separatists, Miss Mullins has allowed me to court her throughout the summer, and I am soon going to ask her for her hand in marriage. I pray the Lord will grant me the blessing of having her be my wife. If you are able, find the other two children of William Mullins and tell them of what has befallen their father, mother, and brother.

Thank you Cousin, for the employment you gave me on the Mayflower. Though the voyage was long and the winter harsh, here I am, living in the New World. I would not have this opportunity for adventure and growth had I not accepted your proposal to be a cooper. In this land there has already been hardships, heartaches, and many deaths. Yet the Lord has given us our daily bread and taken care of us in our need and want.

As you know may know, in the days before we arrived at Cape Cod, Pilgrim leaders wrote a Compact betwixt the Separatists and the “strangers” as they call those of us who were not part of their congregation. They created this agreement for the betterment of all people, making it possible for us to work together as settlers in a new land. Our Compact binds the colony to respect the King, live according to the Christian faith, and stand by the laws that we created. My deepest thanks for giving me the opportunity to come and live in the New World. I soon hope to construct a sturdy home in anticipation of Miss Mullins accepting my hand. May God bless you with health.

*Yours, Etc.
John Alden*

Colony News

Sequoia Colony

Sequoia Colony members and guests met at Michael's Restaurant at Shoreline in Mountain View on Sunday, June 23. Marcia Maloney, Immediate Past California State Society Governor, was our speaker. Marcia gave an interesting talk on some of the children on the Mayflower voyage and handed out a list of all of the Mayflower children and their lives. Next she spoke of the Mayflower float in the coming 2020 Rose Parade in Pasadena. The colony voted to give a generous donation toward the cost of the float and hopes that individual members of the colony will also make private contributions.

Present at the meeting was Mayflower member Liane Jensen and her daughter Grace Jensen. Grace is the runner-up in the design contest for the float, and described her entry. In addition, Marcia Maloney presented the colony a certificate from the CA State giving Honorable Mention to Sequoia Colony for the Eugene Fortine award for education.

Sequoia Colony is pleased to present the new co-chairs of the Colony Membership Chairman position: Carole Shaver and Diane Douglass. They will be helping prospective members with their application requirements and submittals.



Grace Jensen is describing her float idea to the colony. Her mother, Liane Jensen, is by her side. Grace is the runner-up in the float design contest and will be riding on the float with her mother.



Marcia Maloney, Immediate Past California State Society Governor is speaking with Don McKell, husband of the Sequoia Colony Secretary, Pam McKell.

We so much appreciate their willingness to help others enjoy the many benefits of membership in the Society of Mayflower Descendants.

The Compact Day meeting in the fall meeting of the Sequoia Colony will be at the Allied Arts Guild in Menlo Park on Saturday, November 9th at 11:30 AM. Jonathan Dickey will be speaking on Leiden.

*Louise Sturges DeDera
Sequoia Colony, Governor*



Santa Barbara Colony

Santa Barbara Colony Life Member, Joyce Bayless, was recognized recently as an outstanding volunteer by San Luis Obispo County Genealogical Society and was featured in their latest Newsletter. Joyce donates her Mayflower Quarterly to the library after she reads them. She enjoys the corrections to the Silverbooks that are being added each issue. A descendent of William Brewster she was on hand when I presented the latest Volumes and plans to order her own copy. The Santa Barbara Colony is excited to receive Honorable Mention for the Eugene Fortine Colony Education Award.

I would like to thank Tami Wilkening our Book Chair who is always aware when new Volumes are released. Ruth Jackson Education Chair and Judith Cardinal Colony Membership Chair who worked closely with David Grinnell to donate Children's books to the Goleta Library. The Santa Barbara Colony sends David a big THANK YOU for his service.



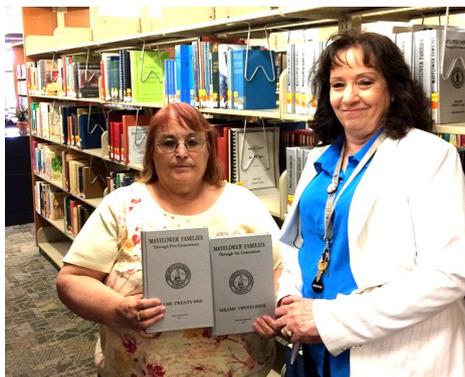
Joyce Bayless accepts Brewster Part 2 and Billington Part 3. Ray Garrett Proudly displays our Colony Honorable Mention Certificate.



Judith Cardinal at the Goleta library with Mayflower Children's books.



Tami Wilkening presents new volumes to Cindy Ransick of the Santa Maria Historical Society.



Tami Wilkening presents new volumes to Joyce Fischer of the Santa Maria Public Library



*Ray Garrett
Santa Barbara Colony, Governor*

Redwood Empire Colony

The Redwood Empire Colony held our latest luncheon meeting on Saturday May 4 at Cattleman's restaurant in Petaluma. The 30 people who attended were treated to a most interesting talk & slide show presentation by Matthew Bowdish M. D. who spoke on "MEDICINE AT PLYMOUTH PLANTATION" He talked about sanitation & illness aboard the Mayflower as well as just what might have caused so many deaths after the landing, when men returned to the ship after exploring the area. Was the 'fresh water' contaminated with typhoid or other pathogens? Needless to say, we obviously all descend from very 'strong stock'. Dr. Bowdish is a member of our Mother Lode Colony.

Sally Johnson, our outgoing colony governor, "passed the gavel" to our new Governor Wayne Skala & welcomed our newly elected officers Roger Rochlen, Deputy Governor; Candace McGuire, Secretary; Patricia Gibson, Membership Secretary; Antoinette Kuhry, Treasurer; Steven Moore, Chaplain; Ernestine Evans, Captain; and Mary Mitchell, Historian (Mary will stay in position until a replacement is recruited, due to family & travel commitments).



Pictured are Steven Moore, Chaplain; Roger Rochlen, Deputy Governor; Wayne Skala, Governor; Sally Johnson, Past Governor; Matthew Bowdish MD, speaker; Pat Friesen, Historian; Candace McGuire, Secretary; Patricia Gibson, membership Secretary; Toni Kuhry, Treasurer; Luke Baxter, Library Assistant; Ernestine Evans, Captain.

We were also pleased to welcome our new Mayflower Society Library Assistant, Luke Baxter, a recent graduate of Sonoma State University. Luke will be working part time at our Oakland Mayflower Society Library.

A hardy welcome was extended to our new members and their guests, Roger Whiting, (Bradford); Laura Dunn (Cooke); Carol Friesen & Alice Friesen (Chilton); Patricia Friesen (Alden) our long time member- officer has not yet determined their family name connection.

"THE PLAYS THE THING" - Toni Kuhry, our treasurer, gave us an update on the play she has written about our Mayflower ancestors. It will be called FREEDOM'S SONG and will be presented on Compact Day Sat Nov. 16 & Sun. Nov. 17 at the Hanna Boys Center in Sonoma. We will be sending out reminders closer to the performance dates to all Colonies about this historic production. A Standish descendent and a Billington descendent from the Redwood Colony have generously donated \$250 & \$100 respectively towards the production costs of this play. (Footnote to history, the Standish and Billington families have come together once again for the good of all.) Our ROSE PARADE fundraising continues to grow.

Sally Johnson has been selling bottles of Mayflower 400th ANNIVERSARY WINE at \$35.00 each (\$10.00 of each bottle sold will be donated to the float fund). Folks have been purchasing these historic bottles in advance of their 400th anniversary family dinners. 'PENNIES FOR PETS' jars continue to collect funds at each of our meetings. One of our Colony members purchased 30 MAYFLOWER BUMPER STICKERS at \$3.00 each from San Diego Colony governor Budd Leef. The stickers are now being offered (10 sold at our meeting) to our colony members at \$3.00 each. We plan on presenting all new Colony members one of the stickers as a welcome gift. Perhaps other Colonies might do the same. We also reminded our members they can purchase tickets to the ROSE PARADE on line at <http://www.sharpseating.com>

I would like to thank both Sally Johnson & Patricia Gibson for their work in encouraging attendance & gathering voting information for our members for the June 15th Mayflower meeting in Oakland .

Our next meeting will be Saturday Sept. 28 at McInnis Gulf Club in San Rafael. Our speaker will be Steve Beck, Historian, Anthropologist, Geologist & Author. Steve is the recipient of multiple awards. He has appeared on the History Channel, Discovery, PBS as well as Sacramento Public Access T V just to name a few. The subject of his talk will be WAGONS WEST: THE STORY OF WESTERN MIGRATION. We encourage you to invite friends & family to hear Steve talk. Special thanks go out to our Deputy Governor Roger Rochlen for his outstanding work in continuing to book interesting speakers for our Colony.

*Wayne Skala,
Redwood Colony, Governor*

San Joaquin Valley Colony

Our spring meeting was held May 4, in Fresno. Jonathan Dickey presented his talk on the Separatists in Leiden, and it was very interesting. Did you know the Separatists "sought to worship like the first Christian churches did: no church hierarchies, especially bishops, no trappings of clerical or ceremonial excess, no religious holidays, no vestments, no crucifixes, signs of the cross or other symbols of idolatry, no conformity to the Book of Common Prayer, and finally, to allow sermons."



*Governor Raser speaking with
Pat Fortine*

Susan Oldfield was voted in as the new Treasurer at the BOA Membership meeting. She will be replacing David Grinnell. Our Colony won Honorable Mention for the Eugene Fortine Colony Education Award.

Pat Fortine explains how the award came about. Named after her husband, Eugene, he became totally immersed in the Mayflower Society and was particularly interested in holding up our commitment to educate people about our goals and the philosophies handed down from our Pilgrim ancestors.

*Susan Rae Oldfield,
San Joaquin Valley Colony, Governor*

Inland Empire Colony

The business meeting was called to order by Governor Beverly Nickerson at 11:30am at Bob's Big Boy Restaurant in Calimesa, CA. She introduced David Grinnell, State Treasurer, and newly



Beverly Nickerson was presented with a Mayflower silk scarf from the Colony for her two years of leadership as our Governor.

appointed colony membership chairman; and acknowledged Kim Pike for her creation of our Facebook page, the only one in CA. Rick Clark led the Pledge of Allegiance and Pat Ranier read the Mayflower Pledge. Membership Secretary, Nancy Schlachter, introduced new members: Mona Lowe and Carol Koehler. All members introduced themselves and named their ancestor. The Mayflower Moment was given by Kim Pike ... Mary Allerton, wife of Isaac.

Cheryl Ralston Staples, Recording Secretary, read the minutes of the February meeting. Wayne Staples, Treasurer, gave his report including a colony donation of \$150.00 to the state for scholarships. Twelve bottles of Mayflower Wine were sold with \$10.00 each going toward the Rose Parade Float. Wayne Staples moved and Rick Clark seconded that the reimbursement of the \$300.00 be donated to the float as well. The motion carried. He will order another 12 bottles of the wine if enough people order in advance. The Pennies for Petals jar was circulated. Acting Elder, Anna Anderson, gave the prayer before lunch.

We reconvened at 1:15. Erika Hahn presented her fascinating program, "How the Jamestown Colony Led to the Sailing of the Mayflower". After analyzing the failures of the Jamestown Colony in establishing a permanent colony, it paved the way for the Pilgrim families to come to the New World and creating a lasting settlement. At 1:45 Governor Beverly Nickerson resumed the business meeting. Membership Secretary, Nancy Schlachter, conducted the Ancestor Roll Call. Richard Warren won with 10. Four people had the correct answer to the Mayflower question. Rick Clark's name was drawn for the free lunch. It was announced that mayflowerhistory.com is a site developed by Caleb Johnson that would be of interest to us.



David Grinnell, Membership Chairman, installed the new slate of officers. Governor, Susan Christopher; Deputy Governor, Rick Clark, Treasurer, Wayne Staples; Recording Secretary, Cheryl Ralston Staples; Membership Secretary, Nancy Schlachter; Facebook Coordinator, Kim Pike and Membership Chairman, David Grinnell.

Deputy Governor, Susan Christopher, reported on the Board of Assistants Meeting. The Rose Parade Float will be 110 ft. long. It will be a ship with masts either furled or unfurled. Dec. 26, 27, 29 will be the decoration dates. 51 Mayflower ancestors will walk or ride on it and there will be music. On August 10, there is an opportunity to assist with the dry elements of the float from 10 - 4 in Rancho Santa Fe.

There will be group tickets available for the parade in a special section on Jan. 1. On May 16, 2020, there will be a Commemorative Ball in Newport Beach with tickets being \$200. Each colony is expected to donate a quality gift basket for a silent auction. Mayflower greeting cards were also available for purchase.



Erica Hahn, former Governor of the Orange County Colony, gave an excellent program entitled "How the Jamestown Colony Led to the Sailing of the Mayflower".

Governor Nickerson read the slate of officers for 2019-2021. David Grinnell moved to close nominations with a second from Carol Barr. Officers will be: Susan Christopher, Governor; Rick Clark, Deputy Governor; Nancy Schlachter, Membership Secretary; Cheryl Ralston Staples, Recording Secretary; Wayne Staples, Treasurer; David Grinnell, Membership Chairman; Kim Pike, Facebook Coordinator. David Grinnell installed the new slate of officers. Past Governor, Beverly Nickerson was thanked for her leadership and was presented a Mayflower silk scarf. Benediction was led by Anna Anderson.

*Susan Christopher
Inland Empire Colony, Governor*

Rancho Conejo Colony

Governor Lorraine Kocen welcomed 57 attendees to our May meeting. In keeping with our theme, "Dress Like a Pilgrim", several members wore pilgrim dress. The Opening Invocation was given by Chaplain Donna McCullough followed by the Pledge of Allegiance by Captain Yvonne



New members Bob Ferrier, Glenn Ferrier and Taig Ferrier (all Billington) and Holly Newcomb (Bradford) are welcomed by Governor Lorraine Kocen.

Knerr. New member Holly Newcomb led the singing of "God Bless America".

"Hear ye, hear ye." In full Pilgrim dress, past Governor Robert Dempster gave a dramatic reading of the Mayflower Compact.

Cynthia Borchard, Treasurer, reported that our bank balance is \$4,103.00. Recording Secretary Tom Perkins gave a summary of the minutes of our last meeting, which were approved. Tom then read the Roll Call;

descendants of sixteen Mayflower passengers were in attendance. Governor Lorraine Kocen introduced our speaker Jane Wong, who is coordinating period correct pilgrim clothes for the Mayflower Tournament of Roses float.



Hear ye, hear ye! In pilgrim garb, former governor Bob Dempster gave a dramatic reading of the Mayflower Compact. His request for a martini was then fulfilled.

Deputy Governor Don Morris introduced our many prospective members and guests. New Members Holly Newcomb (Bradford), Bob Ferrier, Glenn Ferrier and Taig Ferrier (all Billington) were introduced and given member certificates. Then table by table, members came up to welcome them to our society. Governor Lorraine then announced that we have a California Mayflower Scholarship: Nicole Goulart, granddaughter of Judy Herrera and Berni Hilgaertner. All three attended our meeting. Governor Lorraine proceeded to announce the many 2020 activities happening locally and in Plymouth. Our colony will have a pop-up exhibit at the Channel Island Maritime Museum from January to March 2020.

And members will have many opportunities to help with float decoration and funding. Following lunch, Jane Wong presented “Dressing for the Voyage of Hope”, about how pilgrims dressed four hundred years ago. The pilgrims wore color, had few garments and many garments were bequeathed to heirs. Jane brought along beautiful samples she has made of pilgrim clothing for men, women and children and shared details from her extensive knowledge and research. Jane will ensure that clothing worn by float riders and walkers is period correct.



Jane Wong displays a men's doublet as part of her presentation "Dressing for the Voyage of Hope."

Special Thank You: to Helen Wyers, our Colony Membership Chair and past Deputy Governor for her sparkling personality in helping our new members with their applications. Helen also coordinated our meetings for many years, finding speakers and even writing a Mayflower play.

Next Meeting: We invite you to our next meeting on August 10, 2019 at Los Robles Greens in Thousand Oaks. Our speaker, Scott Miller, California Deputy Governor South, will give his presentation about his ancestor, Governor William Bradford.



Prospective member Shirley Vivion chats with Governor Lorraine Kocen who "Dressed like a Pilgrim".



Proud Grandma: Judy Herrera with granddaughter Nicole Goulart, California Mayflower scholarship winner

*Lorraine Kocen
Rancho Conejo Colony, Governor*

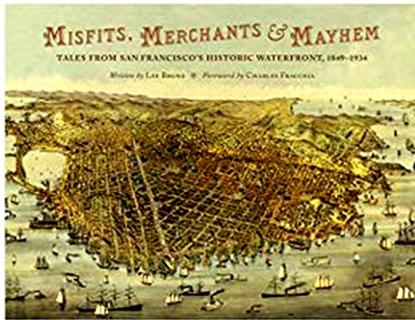
Los Angeles Colony

I attended the June 15 Board of Assistant and State Membership meeting in Oakland. There were several presentations on the 2020 Mayflower Descendants Rose Parade float. The float is especially pertinent to the members of the Los Angeles colony as there are opportunities within commuting distance for joining with other Mayflower Descendants in working on the float decorating. I have signed up to work at several shifts this November and December using the website <http://www.camayflower2020.com>. Other members of the colony have let me know that they have also signed up. I look forward to working with other Mayflower Descendants at these shifts as we together remember and celebrate the sacrifice and courage of our ancestors four hundred years ago.

*Robert Lincoln
Los Angeles Colony, Governor*

San Francisco Peninsula Colony

We held our May 18th meeting at the Delancey Street Restaurant, SF. Our guest speaker was author Lee Bruno. He described nearly a century of waterfront history, ranging from the Gold Rush to the Jazz Age, telling the tales of the enterprising entrepreneurs, reckless financiers, tireless reformers, visionary architects and city planners, and bohemian artists, musicians, and poets who all



heeded the call of promise. With more than 100 historical images, Misfits, Merchants & Mayhem celebrates the famous (and infamous) characters whose charismatic personalities and perseverance created the institutions, businesses and cultural fabric of San Francisco. <http://leebrunosf.com>

Our next meeting will be our Compact day celebration with the Redwood Empire and the Alameda Colonies. Please see our website for more details www.mayflowersf.org. This spring we emailed a survey to our membership in hopes of better understanding how

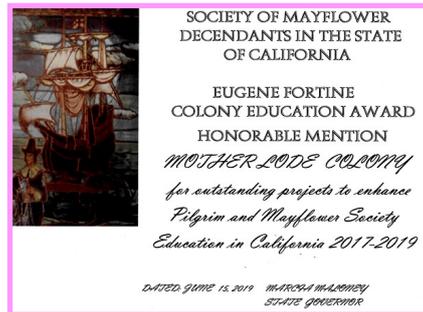
our members wish to participate in our Colony and the types of programming that is of interest to them. We found out that our members attend meetings with interesting speakers and would like more offsite meetings. We will keep our existing schedule of Colony meetings in January and May and joint meetings in March and November. If you are not receiving our emails, please email your contact info to: mayflowersf2@gmail.com. Finally, we understand that a few of our Northern California Colonies are interested in a 2020 celebratory event in the fall, however building a committee to create this event has been difficult at best. We feel our time is better served to promote and help fund the TOR and the Newport Beach ball in the spring.

*Alexandra Kromelow
San Francisco Peninsula, Governor*

Mother Lode Colony

The Mother Lode Colony gathered on May 18 at the Cliff House in Folsom. We welcomed a new Mother Lode member, Jonathan Dickey, who has recently moved closer to our Colony. He is our State's Counselor and will be the next speaker at our September 28 meeting. On May 18, our speaker was James Baker whose topic was "Smashing Brick Walls with Autosomal DNA." Mr. Baker also explained how DNA helped to find a Revolutionary War Veteran. We are pleased to announce that Mother Lode member Catherine Graham was elected to the position of Deputy Governor North in our recent election.

Our next meeting will take place on September 28 when Jonathan Dickey will return and lead a discussion on Jeremy Depurtues Bangs' book about what happened before the Mayflower sailed to America. The book is titled "Strangers and Pilgrims, Travellers and Sojourners."



*Kathy Gire
Mother Lode Colony, Governor*

San Diego Colony

San Diego's Spring luncheon was held on Saturday, May 18th in Carlsbad, CA at The Green Dragon Tavern and Museum. The meeting was called to order by Assistant Governor Kathy Loftman at 11:30 am. Invocation was given by Colony Elder, Joyce Shiloff, and Bill Peters led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Pilgrim Pledge was led by Colony Parliamentarian, Bill Smith.

Assistant Governor Kathy Loftman welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending the meeting. She mentioned that in May we would be not only saluting our Pilgrim Ancestors, but also Mother's Day. Additionally, for Memorial Day we will remember our loved ones who have passed, and particularly we will honor those who died during service to our country.

Special guests attending this meeting were introduced. They were:

Bill Peters—President, San Diego Chapter SAR

Ray Raser—California Mayflower Governor-South; Co-Editor of the CA Mayflower Quarterly

Gail Raser—Co-Editor (with Ray Raser) of the California Mayflower Quarterly

Jan Landt—CA State Elder and former Colony Governor

Jan Quigley—State Recording Secretary, Daughters of 1812

Kathy Loftman—CA 2020 Committee Member and San Diego Colony's Assistant Governor

Marilyn McPhie—our Guest Speaker

New Members Welcomed - During our May Colony Meeting, Membership Chair, Judith Reale, and Colony Assistant Governor, Kathy Loftman, welcomed and made presentations of mementos to three newly approved Mayflower Society members in attendance. Congratulations, Kaye, Vicki and Liz, and thank you for joining us! We are so happy to welcome you to our San Diego Colony Family, and hope to see you at many Mayflower functions in the years to come.

May's Guest Speaker - Our guest speaker for this meeting was local San Diego historical storyteller, Ms. Marilyn McPhie. Her presentation to



us was entitled *Letters from Rubbish Alley: Stories from Leiden before the Voyage*. Marilyn

had researched many of the lives of the Pilgrims and shared letters that Mary Chilton, Joan Hurst Tilley, and John Robinson (a Pilgrim who was not a passenger on the Mayflower) might have written about their lives at the time. Thank you, Marilyn. Your presentation was very interesting and entertaining, and pardon the pun, but it was right up our alley. Assistant Governor Kathy Loftman thanked our guest speaker and presented her with a Colony Certificate of Appreciation.

SD May Meeting guest speaker, Marilyn McPhie, San Diego Colony Member, John Farrell, Receives "Honor Flight" Recognition, SD Mayflower Colony Member, John Farrell, was invited to participate in the "Honor Flight" program for veterans. After the trip, John spoke to our Colony about the visit, and the deeper meaning for this "Greatest Generation" members.



L-R: New members Kaye Hambleton, Liz Koehn, SD Assistant Gov. Kathy Loftman, SD Membership Chair, Judith Reale, and new member, Vicki May.

His selection was reported to us via his daughter, Sandra Phillips (also a SD Colony Member).



La Mesa Flag Day Parade



Our Own 'Classic' Mayflower Float

The "Honor Flight" program recognizes and rewards veterans from WWII, and the Korean and Vietnam wars with a special trip to Washington, D.C. where their service is celebrated over several days. While in the Washington area, they visited the National Memorials for World War II, Vietnam, Korea, Abraham Lincoln, the U.S. Marine Corps and Iwo Jima. Other sites on their itinerary included the U.S. Air Force Memorial, U.S. Navy Yard Museum, National Electronics Museum, and Arlington National Cemetery. Female veterans also toured the Women in Military Service for America National Memorial, where they had a special recognition ceremony.

John, your Family, Friends, Mayflower Cousins, and John Howland are very proud of you, and we most SINCERELY THANK YOU for your service to our country! HUZZAH !!

La Mesa Flag Day Parade- On June 1st, members of our colony participated in the La Mesa 2019 Flag Day Parade and Celebration. Testing both our Pilgrim

shoes and our royal waves, we had a wonderful time donning Pilgrim attire and walking or riding for a little under a mile. Kathy Loftman had prepared several hundred Mayflower coloring handouts for the children along the route. What fun we had handing them out and making people smile along the way. With our adrenaline flowing, the parade seemed to be over all too soon. Many thanks to Kathy for organizing us (not an easy task), and to the member participants. 2020 Rose Parade, here we come!

Rose Parade Float 'Petal Clipping Event' - On August 10, 2019, the San Diego Colony will be hosting a Rose Parade Float "Dry Petal Clipping Event".

It is open to members and families from around SoCal and will be held from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. It will be held at the Village Church, Rancho Santa Fe, located at 6225 Paseo Delicias Rancho Santa Fe, CA 92067. If you are interested in helping, please make sure you RSVP to Amy D'Lima at amydlima@gmail.com so that YOU know what to bring and WE know how many people to prepare for. Kathy Loftman is available for questions as well at loftman@earthlink.net.



*SD Pilgrim Flag Day Parade
Maidens*

A Special SD Colony November Event: Our November 23rd, 2019 "Mayflower Compact Luncheon" will be a special event where our guest speaker will be renowned Mayflower historian, author and speaker, Mr. Caleb Johnson (<http://mayflowerhistory.com/>). We will be inviting Mayflower members and guests throughout California via their individual colonies to join us in San Diego. More information concerning this event will be announced later, so please watch your email for it.

*Budd Leef
San Diego Colony, Governor*

Eugene Fortine Trophy Award

Every two years at the Membership Meeting, the Fortine Trophy is presented to the colony who has completed the application and has done the most educational, community and colony activities during the previous two year period. This year the trophy was won by the San Diego Colony for their hard work in community outreach and also their reaching out to new members. The Plimoth Plantation West did a great deal to educate the community about the pilgrims. Congratulations to the San Diego Colony for all their efforts.



San Diego members receiving the Gene Fortine Award presented by Pat Fortine.

L-R: Gail Raser, Kathy Loftman, Ray Raser, Pat Fortine, Budd Leef, Jan Landt

Monterey Bay Colony

Monterey Bay Colony Acting Governor Gloria Gibbel attended her first ever Mayflower State General and Board of Management meeting with Past Governor Verona Flint on June 15 in Oakland. It was an excellent opportunity to meet the state officers, past and present, and the representatives of the many colonies as well as learning of the many activities being organized for the next year.

The exciting celebration of the 400th Anniversary of the Mayflower was explained in detail. The Rose Parade float designer presented the latest design of the float and explained the timeline of the project. Fundraising efforts were explained as well. Some of the individual colonies presented their unique fundraising projects. Invitations to join in the festivities of the Rose Parade were discussed. Members can sign up to help decorate the float, walk in the parade, attend the parade, or whatever your level of participation can be. Great appreciation to the State Society for providing MBC a small website as part of the State website. More information will be forthcoming.

Membership growth for the MBC is a major goal! The new role of the Chapter Membership Chair (CMC) was explained. Currently CMC Gloria Gibbel has four prospective members who are interested in joining. The next meeting of the Monterey Bay Colony will be Saturday, November 16 at the Monterey Peninsula Country Club to celebrate our annual Compact Day luncheon meeting. The Speaker will be Elizabeth Barratt, journalist, writer, author and historian.

*Gloria Gibbel
Monterey Bay Colony, Governor*

Orange County Colony

Orange County had their April Membership Meeting at the Mesa Verde Country Club in Costa Mesa on April 27th. What an exciting meeting it was. First, we had over 50 members attend,



Madison Grogan, Float Winner

which is a good turnout for our April gathering. A key feature was that we congratulated our very own, Madison Grogan, who won the California Mayflower Junior Float Design Contest. Madison, a very articulate and creative young lady, read her essay to us. At right is State Governor, Marcia Maloney, and Scott Miller honoring Madison Grogan at the meeting. As the first-place winner, she will be riding on the float on January 1st, 2020. The State Society will also be purchasing a full period Pilgrim outfit for her, which was one of the first-place prizes in the contest. She makes the entire OC Colony (especially her Grandmother, Donna Grogan, and the entire Grogan clan) so proud and we wish her well, as she prepares to go to college.

We were also honored to have prolific historical actress, Judith Helton, come to our meeting to present, *“Abigail Adams: A Guided Tour of Life in the 18th Century”*. What a treat it was to see the many items she brought with her used in the 1700s that told the story of how it was to live at that time. She also knew so much about the era and the Adams’ Family. It was like we were transported back in time with Abigail Adams herself. In the first picture, I am with Assistant Governor, Marlene Mandeville, and Abigail Adams (Judith Helton). Also, you can see all of her wares that she brought on the table behind her. She also showed us how to use a spinning wheel. If you would like a great, entertaining speaker to come to your Colony Meeting, please consider inviting Judith Helton.



*Marlene Mandeville,
Judith Helton, Scott Miller*



*Abigail Adams
spinning wheel*

Finally, the OC Colony continues apace with our California 2020 Fundraising for the Rose Parade ® Float. So far, we are about \$3600 for the Colony. We continue to sell the State Challenge Coins, but we have raised over \$700 in the *“Pennies for Petals”* jars we handed out to the members. The *Lucas & Lewellen 400th Anniversary Wine* has also been a real hit. In all, we’ve gotten donations for 5 cases of wine, raising \$600 for the float. Please encourage your Colony to do these pretty simple things and you’ll raise a significant amount for the parade.

*Scott Miller
Orange County Colony, Governor*

The 50th Anniversary Genealogy Jamboree A Success!

The California Mayflower Society participated again in the Annual Genealogy Jamboree at the Los Angeles Marriot Burbank Airport in Burbank from June 1st – 2nd. Coordinated by the Orange County Colony, we had great representation by folks from all around Southern California, specifically the OC, LA, SD and RC Colonies.



This year, we significantly upgraded our table at the Jamboree. We purchased three retractable display panels that sit behind the table and a new table runner

with our logo on it. It looks so much more professional and allows us to clear off the table so that we can speak with a couple people at the same time.



Bille Lou Mitchell, Ray Raser, Marcia H. Maloney



In the photo, you can see Scott Miller, OC Colony Governor, and Carole Curran from the Los Angeles Colony showing off our new set-up. We had about 100+ folks visit the table and 60 of them left their names and contact information for us to reach out to them with information about the Society.

One caveat to all of this, we were told that there will not be a Jamboree next year. The organizers felt that they needed to take some time off and assess the direction the Jamboree will take in the future.

It seems that the primary focus of the Jamboree has become all about DNA and dominated by large Ancestry Search Companies. Several of the smaller societies did not attend this year. We will be notified when they start it up again and, hopefully, we will have our table there again.

David Lawrence Grinnell

We are honoring our past state treasurer David Grinnell by sharing some of his life story with you. We appreciate the hours of work he has done on a volunteer basis over his years as our state treasurer and appreciate his willingness to keep working with us in other positions

David Lawrence Grinnell was born in Newport, Rhode Island on September 17, 1943. He attended elementary school, junior high and senior high schools in Newport, graduating from Rogers High School in 1962. After a sojourn in Washington, DC, David came back to Rhode Island to attend Bryant College in Providence, from which he graduated in 1968 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration. After working in public accounting for a few years, David decided to try his religious vocation, attending Holy Cross Monastery in West Park, New York for three years. Although that experience didn't develop into Life Vows, it did teach him important spiritual values which he tries to maintain to the present day. After leaving the Monastery, David again returned to Rhode Island to pursue his career in accounting, working first for the City of Newport, and then for an inpatient drug and alcohol rehabilitation Center.



In 1976, after several attempts to stop drinking on his own, David joined Alcoholics Anonymous and began a totally new chapter in his life. After two years of sobriety, David married a girl he met in AA, Janice Louise Lauver. He and Jan were married for 15 years; they had a son, Nathan David Grinnell born in April 1980 and a daughter Jodi Michol Grinnell, born in February 1982. Today, David is the proud grandfather of two wonderful, spirit-filled children, Ryder Holmes Grinnell and Lila Collins Grinnell. David's son and his wife and the two grandchildren live in Georgia; David's daughter, recently married, lives in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

In 1993, David and Jan were divorced; through the steps in AA, they realized that they were living a lifestyle that was contrary to what their Higher Power had intended. David began yet another chapter in his life.

During the summer of 2002, David met a man at a Men's Retreat and after months of traveling back and forth between Rhode Island and Buffalo, New York, they decided to make a commitment to each other. In September 2008, they were legally married in Indio, California and in October 2009 they moved from Rhode Island to Palm Springs, California. David immediately became involved with a local Sons of the American Revolution Chapter and with the Inland Empire Colony, California Society of Mayflower Descendants. He became Treasurer of both groups as well as the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Ohio.

At the State Membership Meeting, held on the Queen Mary on June 15, 2013 David unofficially became the State Treasurer and at the next Membership Meeting, was officially elected to the position.

The last six years have been a period of growth for the Society as well as for David. He has had the privilege and honor of working with three past State Governors, each with their own unique leadership style.

The Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of California is on the brink of another period of growth as the 400th anniversary of the landing of the Mayflower approaches. The previous Boards of Assistants have successfully gotten us to this point and it's time now for new leadership including a new Treasurer.

David belongs to over 40 lineage societies, in addition to the General Society of Mayflower Descendants; including The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution; The Society of the Cincinnati; The Order of the Crown of Charlemagne in the United States; the Order of the Norman Conquest; The Merovingian Dynasty; The Baronial Order of Magna Charta; Order of the Descendants of the Justiciars; Descendants of Lady Godiva; National Guild of Saint Margaret of Scotland; National Society of Saints and Sinners; The Order of Alba; Order of the Kings of Wessex; and the Order of the Monarchs of Rheims.

May God Bless The Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of California and its new Leadership team.



Victor, David's husband; Jaclyn, his daughter-in-law; Jodi the bride, his daughter, Nathan in the back, his son; Justin, my new son-in-law with his hand on Lila, David's granddaughter; next to Justin, David with his hand on Ryder, his grandson



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