



# California Mayflower Quarterly

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## *Pilgrims on the Mayflower II*

*L-R: Carole Curran, Gail & Ray Raser, Beth Stone,  
Scott Miller, Nancy Lennhoff, Jay Williams, George Garmany,  
Chuck Provost, Pilgrim Lady.*

*Scenes from Plymouth*



*L-R: Carole Curran, Jay Williams, Chuck Provost, Marcia Maloney, Pilgrim Lady, Scott Miller, Nancy Lennboff, Beth Stone, Gail & Ray Raser, George Garmany*



*FGG Garmany presented recognition awards to Marcia Maloney and Carole Curran for their work on the Rose Parade Float 2020*



*Jay Williams from Santa Barbara Colony with daughters Erica and Meghan*



*Can you find 1755 in front gate?*



*Gail Raser receiving the first Mayflower Society Registration packet from host Society Governor Barbara Lee Kelly*



*Scott Miller, Erica Hahn, Ken Whittemore, Susan Abanor, Joe Dunkle, Mandy Dunkle, Cathy Bambenek, Gail & Ray Raser*



*The Beautiful Mayflower House*



*The updated sign*



*The Famous Rock was cleaned for the 400th celebration*



*Marina Miller, GG Jane R. Hurt, Scott Miller at Plymouth Patuxet*

**Governor's Message**

Dear California Mayflower Society Members,

As we face the challenges, plan the initiatives, and execute the business of our State Society, may the spirit of our forefathers galvanize us - The steel in their spine, the love in their hearts, their unity "for the common good of their civil body politic."

May we build upon the strengths of our Society to solve issues that require attention, circumvent catastrophe, and prepare future generations of our posterity for their century. May they have wisdom beyond their years; may they have competence; most of all, may they have character and integrity. As Pilgrim descendants, we have been entrusted with a sacred four-hundred-year legacy. May we be worthy. May we be humble. And may we have faith that "the task ahead of us is never as great as the power behind us."



*Governor Scott Miller*



*CA Pilgrims L-R: Carole Curran, Marcia Maloney, Beth Stone, Nancy Lennhoff, Gail Raser, Jay Williams, Scott Miller, Ray Raser*

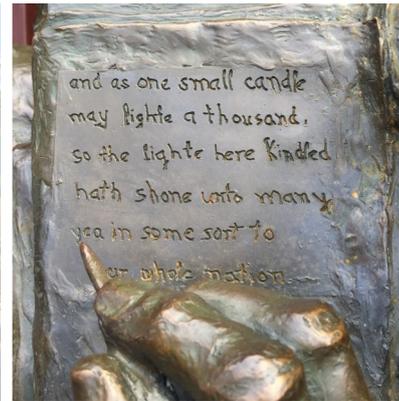
For our members who were not able to join us in our General Society's Plymouth 2021 Board of Assistants Meeting, Former Governor, Ray Raser was elected to be the State's Deputy Governor General (DGG), who will represent us in the GBOA meetings. I was elected to be the Assistant Governor (AG), who will fill in in Ray's absence.

We also approved a couple amendments regarding electronic meetings to be sent to the Congress for a final vote in 2023 in Plymouth. Next year's

GBOA meeting will be in Minneapolis, MN at the Mall of America.



*The Pilgrim Parade to the National Pilgrim Memorial Meeting House*



*The inscription on Governor Bradford's statue*



Pilgrims on the Mayflower II - L-R: Carole Curran, Gail Raser, Ray Raser, Beth Stone, Scott Miller, Nancy Lennhoff, Jay Williams, George Garmany, Chuck Provost, Pilgrim Lady

Many of us took photos, but I thought you would like to see some memorable ones Marina and I took. May these photos take you to three unforgettable highlights of the trip:

First: At the Mayflower Garden and the dedication of Governor William Bradford Statue, following our Pilgrim Parade to the National Pilgrim Memorial Meeting House, which is being fully restored.

Next: At Plimoth Patuxet, where we enjoyed a 17<sup>th</sup> Century Harvest Feast to commemorate the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the First Thanksgiving.

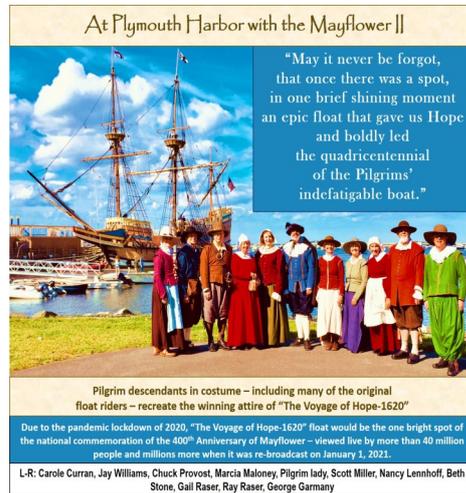
Last, but not least: At Plymouth Harbor, Pilgrim descendants in Costume, pay tribute to “The Voyage of Hope-1620,” the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary commemoration of Mayflower that the 2020 pandemic was not able to cancel.

Remembering this unstoppable float which, in one brief shining moment, brought the Pilgrims to life and immortalized the indefatigable Hope their voyage represents – words that come to mind harken back to Camelot: “May it never be forgotten”.

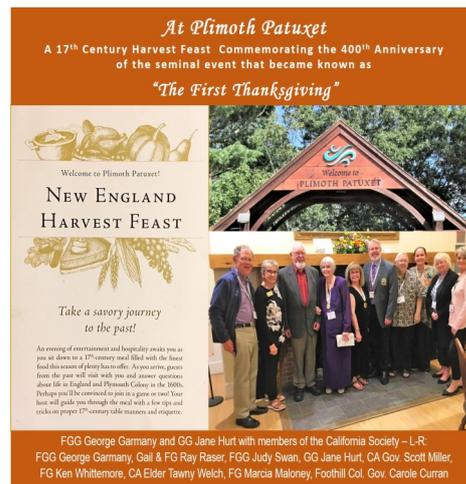
*Scott A. Miller*  
CA Society Governor



Former Governor General George Garmany and Governor General Jane Hurt at the Dedication of the Memorial to Governor William Bradford. Also, Elder General Rex Thomas Pike, led the prayer. Chip Bradford, President of the Bradford Compact Society, also gave a message



Pilgrim descendants in costume – including many of the original float riders – recreate the winning attire of “The Voyage of Hope-1620”  
Due to the pandemic lockdown of 2020, “The Voyage of Hope-1620” float would be the one bright spot of the national commemoration of the 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Mayflower – viewed live by more than 40 million people and millions more when it was re-broadcast on January 1, 2021.  
L-R: Carole Curran, Jay Williams, Chuck Provost, Marcia Maloney, Pilgrim lady, Scott Miller, Nancy Lennhoff, Beth Stone, Gail Raser, Ray Raser, George Garmany



FGG George Garmany and GG Jane Hurt with members of the California Society – L-R: FGG George Garmany, Gail & FG Ray Raser, FGG Judy Swan, GG Jane Hurt, CA Gov. Scott Miller, FG Ken Whittemore, CA Elder Tawny Welch, FG Marcia Maloney, Foothill Col. Gov. Carole Curran

**Deputy Governor South**

I attended the General Society of Mayflower Descendants Board of Assistants meeting in Plymouth, MA on September 5. This was my third visit to Plymouth but the first time for a Mayflower Descendants meeting. I had plans, as did many, to attend the celebration in Plymouth last September for the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Mayflower voyage. My biggest takeaway from the Board of



*Deputy Governor South Robert Lincoln, Ph.D. on the grounds of the Mayflower Society House.*

Assistants meeting and presentations this year was that much has been done to save the Meetinghouse / First Parish Church from literally falling down but much still needs to be done for the building to achieve its planned potential as a space for educational activities.

Last year, I had tickets for my wife, son, daughter, and myself to attend a number of the events for the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration. It would be the first time for them to visit Plymouth since only I went my first two times. We decided that even though it would be a much more muted affair, they would visit Plymouth for the first time this year. It was still a good trip touring the Mayflower II, the Jenny Grist Mill, and the Plymouth Plantation along with the general historical Plymouth area. I find seeing the Plymouth harbor and the Town



*Deputy Governor South Robert Lincoln, Ph.D., with children Danielle and Bobby (also Mayflower descendants), in front of the Mayflower Society House.*

Brook helps put in perspective how small these were compared to the rivers and harbors of Boston and New York which help explain why Plymouth was surpassed so quickly by these cities. For my children and I, the grist mill, is of special interest given



*Deputy Governor South Robert Lincoln, Ph.D., in front of the Meetinghouse / First Parish Church after processing from the Mayflower Society House with other descendants.*

that our immigrant ancestor Thomas Lincoln, “the miller”, had a similar grist mill in Taunton, MA. Since the last time I visited, Plymouth Plantation has added Wampanoag village lodgings and demonstrations to supplement the 1627 version of Plymouth. The demonstration of the burning out of a large tree to produce a long boat was especially interesting.

In preparation for the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, I had last year hired Kathy Hughes of San Diego, to produce Pilgrim attire for me. This year’s procession from the Mayflower Society House to the Meetinghouse was the first time I was able to wear it. I hope to wear it in the future for meetings with colonies.

*Dr. Robert Lincoln, Ph.D. Deputy Governor South*

**2021 Mayflower General Board of Assistants Meeting  
Plymouth, Massachusetts.**

A variety of events surrounded this BOA meeting. Many of these had been added because Congress could not be held in 2020, so it made this BOA meeting different, but very special.

On the evening of September 8, those of us who were in the Plymouth area and who had been involved in the Rose Parade activities, met for an evening of fellowship and dinner at a restaurant called 42 Degrees North in south Plymouth.



*Marina Miller, Carole Curran, Tawny Welch, Marcia Maloney, George Garmany, Chuck & Debra Provost, Beth Stone, Nancy Lennhoff, Meghan, Erica & Jay Williams, Harvey Soldan, Gail & Ray Raser, Scott Miller.*



*Tawny Welch and Marcia Maloney showing birthday cards from the Millers*

It was a relaxing evening of fellowship and good food. We also celebrated the birthday of Marcia Maloney and Tawny Welch.



*Erica Williams at CA Sales Table*

Mayflower BOA activities began on Thursday, September 9<sup>th</sup> with credentials pick-up, GSMD Store sales, member society table sales, tours and training day for the Mayflower Guard, Historian and education. In the afternoon was the Governor General's Forum



*Marcia Maloney, Tawny Welch, Carole Curran at Welcome Reception*

where there was a presentation about the Silver Books along with a look at the updated Mayflower Society website. You are encouraged to visit the website often as this is the site we can go to get updates on many items of Mayflower interest. Thursday evening, Massachusetts, the host society, held a welcome reception at the hotel for all to attend.



*Jay Williams, Ray Raser, Beth Stone, Gail Raser, Carole Curran at Welcome Reception*

Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup> was the BOA business session. Our California representatives were former CA Gov Ray Raser who is now serving as Deputy Governor General, or DGG, and our current CA Gov Scott Miller who is serving as Assistant Governor, or AG for the General Society and this goes along with their two-year term of office in California.

All other attendees were welcome into the assembly and sitting at the back of the room during this meeting. Ray was honored to carry the colors as part of the Mayflower Guard and to post the “Stars and Stripe” at the front of the room for the meeting.

Friday evening some of the California members attended the first sitting for those attending the First Thanksgiving Banquet at Plimoth Patuxet.



*Nick & Madison Grogan, Beth Stone, Sally Inglis, Erica, Meghan & Jay Williams, Erica Hahn, Charlotte Squary and Donna Grogan in front row*



*CA DGG Ray Raser, USMC Veteran, was honored to carry the US and Mayflower Flags*

Saturday there was a special event at Pilgrim Hall Museum and those who purchased tickets attended the viewing of the Plymouth Tapestry, a hand-stitched needlework arts project.



That afternoon we assembled in our pilgrim attire to attend the Pilgrim Progress. This was a walk from the Mayflower House to Cole's Hill for a wreath-laying at the foot of the granite sarcophagus

by the Governor General Jane R. Hurt, then on through the town square to the National Pilgrim Memorial Meetinghouse. Again, CA DGG Ray Raser walked behind Gov General Hurt carrying the flag of Saint George. This was a wonderful opportunity to see the work that has been done at the Meeting House, and to hear about the continued work being done on this project for the generations to come after us.



*Carole Curran, Marcia H. Maloney, Beth Stone, Nancy Lennhoff, Gail & Ray Raser, Jay Williams, Scott Miller ready for the Pilgrim Progress.*



*Governor General Jane R. Hurt and Captain General Carter Wiese laying wreath at Cole's Hill.*



*Ken Whitmore at Meeting House*



*CA DGG Ray Raser carries the Mayflower Flag of St. George*



*Lea Filson at Meeting House*

After this program, we walked back to the Colonial Revival Gardens at the Mayflower House for a reception and the dedication of the new William Bradford statue. Saturday evening was the second sitting of those registered to attend the First Thanksgiving Banquet at Plimoth Patuxet.



*Dedication of the Bradford Statue*



*Pilgrims on the Mayflower II*



*Saturday Night at Plimoth Patuxet: George Garmany, Gail & Ray Raser, Judith Swan, GG Jane R. Hurt, Scott Miller, Ken Whittemore, Tawny Welch, Marcia H. Maloney, Carole Curran*

Next September, the General Society BOA meeting will be hosted by the Minnesota Society and be held in Minneapolis, MN at the Mall of America. Something for all to do!

In 2023, Congress will be back in Plymouth so plan ahead if you wish to attend.



## State News

### **California Mayflower Society Board of Assistants Meeting**

*October 16, 2021, Oakland, CA*

*Hilton Airport Hotel*

*1 Hegenberger Road, Oakland*

In person meeting convenes at 9:30am, with business beginning virtually from the hours of 10:00 am – 12:00 pm. Executive Board meets Friday Oct. 15, 3-5:00 pm

*Kathleen Watson.  
Deputy Governor North*

### **California Mayflower Library and Office**

The California Mayflower Society library and office is located at 2201 Broadway, Suite LL 13, Oakland, CA. We are open for research on Fridays 10 am – 4 pm. Masks are required in the building.

The California Genealogical Society Library is located across the hall and is also open on Fridays. Gather your fellow researchers and materials and come visit us. If interest increases in the near future, perhaps the schedule can be expanded to one more day a week.

Contact Pat Friesen for questions: [xjester@aol.com](mailto:xjester@aol.com)

*Pat Friesen  
Library and Office Manager*

*Note: When driving to visit the Mayflower Oakland office, it is highly recommended to park in one of the adjacent parking lots where there is an on-site attendant, not on the street.*

### **CA Mayflower Editor's Report**

We are happy to have been able to attend the General Society's Board of Assistants meeting in Plymouth last month and have done our best to report to you on these activities. We appreciate members Jay Williams and daughters, and Scott and Marina Miller for sharing many photos with us for this publication.



*Ray and Gail Raser  
Whaling Museum Balcony*

You might notice there are some missing reports, but we do our best to remind members about reports due, and since we are all volunteers, we publish only the information we receive from our membership. As colonies begin to meet together in person again, we look forward to pictures and stories about this special time of sharing.

May your upcoming holidays be filled with loved ones and friends. We look forward to the next CA Mayflower Quarterly edition January 2022.

*Ray and Gail Raser  
Co-editors*

### California Mayflower Society 2022 Scholarship Program

This is a pre-announcement of our annual scholarship program which we are proud to offer in 2022. While the details of the program including the rules, the application procedure, etc. will be announced in our Mayflower website in early to mid-November, for now please know that the program will once again be open to high school seniors enrolled in the 2021-2022 school year, that are planning to enter college in the Fall of 2022 and that meet other requirements which will be posted on our website. Another important date to keep in mind is that all application submissions will need to be submitted by Tuesday, March 1, 2022.

The website will be :

<https://www.camayflower.org/scholarships.html>

When you log on to the website please be certain that you have entered the updated website reflecting the 2022 scholarship program.

Good luck and should you have any questions regarding this program please feel free to contact me directly at the numbers/addresses provided on the website.

*Larry Beston  
Scholarship Chair*

### Treasurer's Report

The transition from Susan to myself is very, very close to completed. Susan has been a great help in getting everything moved over. I am not sure that any of you realize, unless you have recently tried it yourself, but moving any sort of financial accounts from one set of principals to new ones is complicated. Evidently there was some sort of US Gov rules changes in January and the paperwork and identification requirements have increased. It seems that every financial institution has interpreted the changes in slightly different ways with varying forms and requirements.

Following good governance practices, and as is permitted by the individual financial institutions, the CSMD has endeavored to have myself, the Governor and our Secretary on all accounts.

Following in Susan's footsteps, I, our new Membership Chair Kim Pike and your new State Historian, Mandy Dunkle, are researching how to make our data collection and sharing more simple and streamlined. At this point in time, some data is entered three times. That's three opportunities for typos!

In light of the transitions, I ask that, for electronic correspondence you only use our official e-mail addresses. Mine is [treasurer@camayflower.org](mailto:treasurer@camayflower.org). If we are in the habit of doing that for all our officers, the next transition will be much simpler, change will then only require that setting the server to a new forwarding address. Likewise, for any Treasurer mail, please use POB 1088, Glendora, CA 91740-1088. Again, when the next transition happens, a forward from one address to a new one will be all that is required.

Thanks to all of you who have taken advantage of the early on-line 2022 dues payment. It saves your society money in postage and dues packet reproduction. Money that is always better spent on supporting your colonies and our other activities.

I'd also like to thank those of you who decided to donate the \$2 dues overpayment to the society. Although they are not yet likely to receive this quarterly, I'd also like to thank our prospective members who had sent in their applications during the application fee switchover and, rather than asking for a \$15 refund, decided to donate the additional funds to our society.

Please be aware that in order to be able to close the annual financial statements for the society in a timely fashion, we have set the 15<sup>th</sup> of February as the deadline for reimbursement requests for the previous calendar year. I hope that you are all doing OK in these interesting times and look forward to when future opportunities arise for all the cousins to meet in person. Until then, stay well and be mindful of changes that come.

*Harvey Soldan  
Treasurer*

### Historian Report

Since our BOA meeting on June 19, 2021, our State Society has been moving forward with streamlining and working hard to organize our files. The same is true with our Historian department and this officer is excited to be working with our team, office staff, and even Plymouth to help make this happen. Plymouth has announced a "Virtual Vault" program where one Historian from each state will be designated to access Plymouth's files virtually for California's approved applications and their submitted documents. This will allow us to fill in any gaps that we may have here at the state level, including documentation that we may not have (especially for newer applications). This is an excellent first step in becoming digitized and allowing the General Society and the State Societies a connection to preserve and archive our member's lineages.

Applications are steadily heading to Plymouth for review with new member applications and supplementals averaging about 20-25 applications going out to Plymouth each month. Plymouth is working to get applications approved quickly, though a massive influx of applications (over 700!) received in December 2020 has brought their approval turnaround time to be about 8+ months. Hopefully with the addition of new verifiers (in various parts of the country) working remotely and the ability to pull applications virtually for their convenience, this could help speed things up.

**June 19<sup>th</sup> to Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021: 57 new applications and 38 supplementals were approved.**

August brought the approval of our 10,000<sup>th</sup> member! Steve Caron and his father joined the society after they were approved on August 6, 2021. Their passenger is James Chilton and they will be members of the Orange County Colony. We hope to have an article from Steve soon to publish in either our fall or winter addition of The CA Mayflower Quarterly.

September brought many of us to Plymouth for the 2021 GBOA hosted by the MA State Society. I had never been to New England before and was so excited to visit and meet other Historians, State Governors, and GSMD officers. There are a lot of exciting advancements coming up for GSMD and I'm excited to be a part of it. As more news comes out, I will be sharing those details in our next Quarterly.

Have a wonderful 400<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving to you and your family!

*Mandy Dunkle  
Historian*

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## My Stethoscope

I retired my first stethoscope today. I bought my Littmann Cardiology III during my first term of medical school in 1999. It came with a penlight, otoscope, ophthalmoscope, manual blood pressure cuff, tuning forks and reflex hammer, all contained within a traditional black leather physician's bag with my initials in gold. Receiving your medical student diagnostic kit is one of the rites of passage for all of us who enter this profession. I still own all of these items. Most are in that same black leather bag on a shelf in my office. But it was my stethoscope that I have used most often since then, well, until today.



That stethoscope was with me in the Caribbean where I placed it on the bodies of mock and real patients. I listened to patients with dengue fever, Jamaican vomiting sickness, as well as diabetes and heart disease. I almost lost it on a bus outside of Kingstown, St. Vincent and the Grenadines. An old man with hardly any teeth ran after me when it fell from my white coat on the seat beside him. I was so appreciative; I gave him a hug and bus fare. I used my stethoscope at Highland Hospital in Oakland when I saw my first patient as a third-year internal medicine clerk, a young woman with HIV and Churg-Strauss Syndrome.

It bore witness to a young man screaming "F\*CK YOU!" at me because my resident refused to give him narcotics in the emergency department for his chronic back pain. When I transferred to Northeastern Ohio Univ, my stethoscope moved from hospital to hospital while I worked in my third-year clerkships, from auscultating a quiet belly of a six-year-old girl with an acute abdomen to an Asian-American man getting electroconvulsive therapy for depression to visiting the home of an Amish family worried about their teenaged boy with pneumonia. I heard the muffled explanations to my attending about how "the onions didn't work" as I heard egophony in his chest.

My stethoscope then accompanied me on my away electives in internal medicine in Scripps Mercy in San Diego where I saw a patient with Familial Mediterranean Fever and then on to San Francisco General Hospital where I took UCSF's famed AIDS Elective to UC Davis and gastroenterology before returning to Ohio to finish up my medical school by seeing patients in the Burn Unit at Akron Children's Hospital for my surgical sub-internship.

My stethoscope then went with me to Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in New Hampshire, where I used it in various units, on the general medical floor, in the bone marrow unit, in the ER, on codes, at the White River Junction VA and at a retirement home auscultating a murmur on a WASP veteran of World War II. It helped me listen to the lung crackles of one of my heroes, another dying WWII veteran who served as a Marine in the South Pacific. My stethoscope was with me when I heard him tell his family not to cry for his grave prognosis because "every day since '45 has been gravy." I listened to the heartbeats of former surgeon generals, governors and senators.

My stethoscope came with me on my allergy electives at UCLA and a private allergy practice in Crescent City, CA. I took my stethoscope with me on volunteer trips with Los Medicos Voladores (the Flying Doctors) at a migrant clinic south of Indio, CA. My stethoscope walked the halls of Yale-New Haven Hospital with me for three years during my allergy and clinical immunology fellowship.

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We assessed asthma patients together, consented patients with unstable coronary lesions for aspirin desensitization in the cardiac ICU, worked-up kids with primary immunodeficiencies and desensitized a pregnant woman with penicillin allergy to penicillin to treat her secondary syphilis and hopefully keep her baby from that spirochete's ill effects. We even heard the worsening stridor of a patient with hereditary angioedema requiring that he be quickly intubated.

After my training, my stethoscope traveled with me to Colorado for seven years where I learned the efficiencies and joys of private practice. And eventually, it moved back to California for the last four years. There hasn't been anywhere that I have practiced medicine where my stethoscope wasn't in the pocket my white coat, until today.

My stethoscope taught me about murmurs, rubs, crackles, rhonchi, wheezing (lots of wheezing!), bowel sounds, E to A changes, fluid levels, COPD, bruits, normal and abnormal bowel sounds and opening snaps. I even heard the machinery murmur of a patent ductus arteriosus in the chest of my eldest daughter, and the lack of the same murmur after that PDA was coiled closed. I've been through two sets of earpieces, two diaphragms, and two bell covers. The acoustics have waned in recent years from being washed and re-washed and washed again. It was making me think that my hearing was beginning to fade. No, it wasn't my aging ears that were failing, but the PVC tubing breaking down that muffled the sounds I was straining to hear. My new Cardiology IV scope is like trying readers on for the first time. I can see! I can see! Now, I can actually hear those subtle murmurs again!

My stethoscope helped to keep patients alive so their children could fly in to sit with them when they died. And it helped me to pronounce the deaths of twenty or so of my fellow humans. It witnessed so many tears, even a few of my own. It also could tell of those who we saved, those who went home with their parents, those who survived an epic motor vehicle collision with a moose, those who were scared mentally but not physically, those who were shot by accident and on purpose. My stethoscope was witness to the things that matter most like discussions of DNR status to talking with families in palliative care consults to getting consent for a cardiac catheterization. It also was there with me for the frivolities of physicians trying to unwind, for the dark humor that doctors utilize to cope. It heard my attendings and colleagues express doubts and argue about appropriate next steps for treating complicated patients.

Earlier this year my wife received a sword that her great(x3)-grandfather, a lieutenant who served in a West Virginia Union Militia regiment, carried during the Civil War. I've often wondered about what horrific things that sword witnessed in its youth.

I also wonder if I should find a similar way to display my stethoscope. Certainly, a companion of the last 20 years of my professional life deserves more than to be stuck away in a physician's bag sitting on a shelf. If my descendants someday come across my stethoscope, I hope they will be able to know and appreciate the history of this special device. Thank you, my old friend.

*The article was originally published at KevinMD.*

*Matthew S. Bowdish  
CA Mayflower Surgeon*



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## Junior Membership Report

California Junior Members who are in the Southern California area on Saturday, October 30th are invited to attend the Plimoth Plantation West event hosted by the San Diego Colony. This year the event will be from 10am to 4pm at the Hall of Nations in Balboa Park, San Diego. The event hosts will be dressed in Pilgrim attire. There will be booths with games, toys, crafts, food samples and Mayflower ancestor information.

The California Mayflower Society is seeking Junior Members who are interested in making short video presentations about their Mayflower ancestors. These videos would be used for virtual classroom presentations. Onsite classroom visitations continue to be very limited during the pandemic. This challenge can be a great opportunity to educate California school children about our Mayflower ancestors. If your Junior is interested in participating please send an email to: [camayflowerjuniors@gmail.com](mailto:camayflowerjuniors@gmail.com).

*Amy Conboy*  
*Junior Membership Chair*

## Membership Secretary Report

Hello cousins! It has been a busy quarter.

I'd like to start off by thanking all of you who have responded to my preferences email. If you haven't received it, check your spam folder. If it's not there, we may not have your current email on file. You can email me at [membershipsecretary@camayflower.org](mailto:membershipsecretary@camayflower.org) to add or update your contact information.

We're looking for more ways to go green. If you'd like to receive an email notification when this quarterly newsletter goes online, rather than receive it in the mail, please let me know. I can also limit the number of newsletters for those families that are currently getting multiple copies. Just let me know which members want copies, and which ones want an email.

There have been many changes in our membership this quarter. The good news is that we have seen a record number of 15 reinstatements. We welcome you all!

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter total membership count is 2577, with 915 lifetime members of which 43 are Junior Life.

Do you have Twitter? If so, follow us [@Mayflower\\_CA](https://twitter.com/Mayflower_CA).

Lastly, if you have an email address on file, we'll be sending out dues notifications by email first and by US mail second. Check your spam folders if you haven't received your email. If you don't receive either by November 1<sup>st</sup>, please contact me to verify I have your correct address on file. Thank you, and Happy Thanksgiving to you all!

*Kim Pike*  
*Membership Secretary*



## New GSMD Website

We are very pleased to announce the launch of our new website at [www.TheMayflowerSociety.org](http://www.TheMayflowerSociety.org)

After nearly a year of hard work and dedication by our Technology Committee, with the support of the Library and Administrative Teams, Executive Committee members and Committee Chairs, our new virtual front door is open and ready for visitors!

While a website serves many purposes, our new site is designed to focus on the Society's Mission and key activities of research and education. With that focus as our roadmap, we will further engage prospective members, donors, researchers, and of course, our own members—all with a visually appealing design and easy, intuitive navigation.

You will also notice the official debut of "The Mayflower Society" as our public face, reflecting how we are so often called. Be assured, however, we are still very much the General Society of Mayflower Descendants. We encourage you to take a few minutes and explore all that the site has to offer now. Some new features include pages devoted to the Mayflower Voyage, the Mayflower Compact, Women & Children of the Mayflower and profiles of each of the 26 Mayflower Passenger Families with descendants.

For prospective members, there is expanded content about how to join The Mayflower Society, including Genealogy Tips and Tricks and Application Do's and Don'ts. For prospective donors, we're highlighting our giving opportunities and demonstrating the strong impact donations have on the future of the Society and the work we're doing. In the enhanced Members only area, members and Member Societies have access to a comprehensive menu of unique resources and Society contacts. And this is only the beginning! A new shop will debut soon and additional content, including more photos and videos, will be added in the weeks and months ahead.

Welcome to the new [www.TheMayflowerSociety.org](http://www.TheMayflowerSociety.org)

## Historian's Brick Walkway

*by Gail Raser*

In the Mayflower House Colonial Revival Gardens, a new brick walkway has been built which leads to the new William Bradford statue. This walkway is to give recognition to those serving or have served in the position of state historians. We were pleased to see the bricks purchased to date for four California Historians: Edith Bates Thomas, Patricia Friesen, David Grinnell and Myrtle Savage. As with the other brick walkway, more designated bricks will be put in place in the future. Check with the General Society website as to their schedule.



*Patricia Friesen & David Grinnell*



*Edith Bates Thomas*



*Myrtle Savage*

**New Members from Jun 19,  
2021 to Sep 17, 2021**

**ALAMEDA COLONY**

Nicole Sophia Curtis-Brown  
GS# 100302 CA# 9991  
13<sup>th</sup> from Richard Warren

Harry Joel Curtis-Brown  
GS# 100303 CA# 9992  
12<sup>th</sup> from Richard Warren

Jeanette Yvonne (Brown) Fleming  
GS# 100304 CA# 9993  
13<sup>th</sup> from Richard Warren

Natalie Yvonne (Brown) Rasmussen  
GS# 100305 CA# 9994  
13<sup>th</sup> from Richard Warren

**FOOTHILL COLONY**

Mary Jean Pitzer  
GS# 100343 CA# 9997  
13<sup>th</sup> from Thomas Rogers

B. Harvest Kloster  
GS# 100387 CA# 10002  
12<sup>th</sup> from Richard Warren

**INLAND EMPIRE COLONY**

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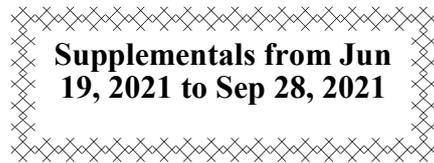
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# *In Loving Memory*

**Alameda Colony**

Alice Dekker - 06 Feb 2020  
Donald C. Thatcher - 09 Sep 2020

**Foothill Colony**

Frank Hall - 29 Dec 2020

**Los Angeles Colony**

Dr. David Jay Dahl - 20 Jun 2020  
Helen Geoffrion - 13 Apr 2021  
Susan Cairns - 14 Aug 2021

**Mother Lode Colony**

Walter Jackson Willoughby III - 31 Jul 2021

**Orange County Colony**

Theodora Krogh - 01 Jan 2020  
Arthur Goddard - 13 Feb 2021  
Dr. Richard Schutz - 27 May 2021  
Dr. Jason H. Stevens - 18 Jun 2021

**Rancho Conejo Colony**

Virginia Gunderson - 17 April 2021

**San Diego County Colony**

Edward Lee Rudisill - 12 Oct 2020  
Marjorie Hall LaGrone - 05 Mar 2021

**San Francisco Peninsula Colony**

Adrienne Mitchell - 12 Aug 2020  
James Alan "Jay" Ingwalson - 31 Jul 2021

**San Joaquin Valley Colony**

Joan Dollinger Roden - 15 May 2021

**Sequoia Colony**

Patricia A. Keller - 24 Feb 2021  
James Warren "Jim" Hall - 05 Apr 2021

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Be sure to notify our State Membership Secretary, Kim Pike at:

kimpikemayflower@gmail.com

She 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.

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### California Mayflower

Next deadline: January 02, 2022 . 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.

Winter issue	January 2nd 2022
Spring issue	April 1st 2022
Summer issue	July 1st, 2022
Fall issue	October 1st 2022

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Visit the California Society of Mayflower Descendants on the web at:

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Visit the General Society of Mayflower Descendants at:

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### CA Mayflower Board of Assistants 2021-2022 Meeting Schedule

#### Winter 2022 Executive & BOA Meetings – South

Jan 14, EX BD 3:00-5:00, Jan 15, BOA 10:00 – 12:00

#### Spring 2022 Executive & BOA Meetings- North

Mar 18, EX BD 3:00-5:00, Mar 19, BOA 10:00-12:00

Mark your calendar to save these dates for future meetings:

#### Summer 2022 South

June 17-18, 2022: 10:00-12:00

#### Fall 2022 Executive & BOA Meetings North

October 14-15, 2022

#### 2023 Dates to Schedule

Jan 13-14, 2023: Mar 17-18, 2023: June 16-17, 2023

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## Colony News

### Mother Lode Colony

Plans to resume meeting in person were set aside due to continuing pandemic issues in Sacramento and neighboring counties, so the new program year launched on September 18 with another virtual meeting conducted via Zoom. Twenty-four members participated and the Ancestor Roll Call revealed 60 ancestor connections with 21 Mayflower passengers.

Member Jennifer Smith presented a powerful and moving talk on the Wampanoag Language Reclamation Project, accompanied by an informative Power Point presentation. During follow-up discussion, we were reminded of the four decades in which our ancestors and the Wampanoag lived in harmony. The Colony, so impressed by the Project and wishing to extend a renewed hand of friendship to the Wampanoag people, voted to make a \$400 philanthropic donation to support this important cultural heritage educational program. The amount was chosen to commemorate the 400 years since our people celebrated together at what we now view as the first Thanksgiving feast. This is one small effort in the Society's work as an educationally-oriented philanthropic organization. The Project may become our special Colony philanthropy in the coming years and **we encourage other colonies to learn about the Project and offer their support.**

Quarterly Executive Board Zoom meetings remain a useful tool for planning and membership development. Teamwork makes a difference! Our newly created Membership Committee has done extensive work to update the Colony's official roster. A letter was mailed to each member for whom we do not have an email address and working telephone number. Enclosed with the letter were a form for providing that information and a postage-paid return envelope. Many responses are still outstanding, but through this process we have received some updates and identified a few deceased members, as well as some that must be classified as "lost" due to the Postal Service designating the letter as undeliverable. Ongoing maintenance of the email roster is extremely important because our communications and meeting notices are sent via email. Kudos and thanks to **Bonnie Brown** who maintained the email contact list for several years but recently had to resign her Email Coordinator position. In our latest meeting notice broadcast, only one email on the current email address list was found to be inoperable. That is significant progress resulting from great teamwork! We still need email information for approximately thirty members (ten percent of our Colony). **If you received that letter and form, please complete and return it.**

Our **Compact Day has been moved to Saturday, November 20, 2021.** Plans for a Compact Day luncheon are moving forward, but will be adjusted to a virtual meeting should pandemic issues make that necessary.

*M. Elizabeth Ware  
Mother Lode Colony, Governor*

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### Inland Empire Colony

Our first in-person meeting in a year and a half took place September 11, 2021. It was a hybrid meeting located at Russo's Italian restaurant in Banning. Twenty-one members and guests were in attendance as well as five members on Zoom.

The hi-lights of the meeting were: \* Our speaker, Sara Cochran AKA the Skeleton Whisperer, presented "*to Spit or Not to Spit; is DNA Testing Appropriate For Your Research?*" Sara discussed the three main types of DNA testing. The Y-DNA traces only the paternal lineage. This test is for males only and reaches back 400-1000 years. The MtDNA test researches only the maternal line which both males and females can take. It, too, can go back 400-1000 years. The Autosomal DNA test traces both paternal and maternal lineage. The test can be taken by both males and females; it will trace back approximately 6 generations. Another component of her presentation was on how to respond to people who become a possible DNA match on your tree. We thanked Sara for her most interesting program and her informative handout.



*Speaker Sara Cochran*

\* David Grinnell has compiled a book of the lineage of several of the Inland Empire Colony members. Those that participated will be able to access this resource online for help in finding supplementals. Thank you, David, for your hard work on this compilation which we enjoyed perusing at the meeting.

\* Virginia Chapman, a widow of a former Mayflower Descendant, donated her husband's large Silver Book collection to our Colony. The books found new homes with delighted members of our Colony for a small donation to our treasury. This gift prompted our Governor to share some history on the Five Generation Project which is now 62 years old. The concept of the project was developed by both George E. Bowman in Boston and Herbert Folger in San Francisco in the early 1900's. The format was developed from that of the *Alden Memorial* published in 1867. The Project was unanimously approved at the annual meeting of the General Board of the Society of Mayflower Descendants in New York City on September 19, 1959. The goal was to provide documentation from primary sources and publishing the findings for the use of the Historian General, the State Historian, the membership, and the general public. In 1975, the first "Silver Book" was published containing genealogies of the first 5 generations of descendants of Pilgrims Francis Eaton, Samuel Fuller and William White. Volume 2 was issued in 1978. Of course, there have been many compilers over the years working tirelessly on this Silver Book Project. It has expanded to include allied families—such as Delano, Church and Bartlett. We owe a huge debt of gratitude to all who have worked so hard to bring this Project to fruition. \* Since our meeting took place on the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 9/11/2001 tragedy, our Elder Carol Marderosian led us in a candlelight moment of silence and prayer for those who lost their lives and loved ones on this horrific day in our history.

\* Congratulations to our Colony Membership and Communications Secretary, Kim Pike, for her new position on the State Executive Board as State Membership Secretary. We know Kim will be a most valuable asset to the State Society as she continues to be for our Colony.

\* Our next meeting will be November 13, 2021, in Banning at Russo's Italian Restaurant. We will be feasting on a traditional turkey dinner! Jan Quigley from the San Diego Colony will be visiting us portraying Hester Cooke.

*Susan Christopher  
Inland Empire Colony, Governor*

## Orange County Colony



What a great trip several of us from the Colony had back in Plymouth for the General Society Board of Assistants Meeting & 1620 Club Dinner from September 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The weather was spectacular and everyone was glad to see each other...in person. For many, this was the first major trip they had made since the pandemic began in March 2020.

We also had an authentic 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Pilgrim Thanksgiving at Plimoth Patuxet that included dishes that would have been served in the 17<sup>th</sup> century, such as the “Mussels Seeth’d in Beer” and the “Fricassee of Fish.”



*Orange County Colony at the 1620 Club: Joined by Ray and Gail Raser (San Diego), and Tawny Welch (Rancho Conejo) – Orange County's Judy Swan, Nick Grogan, Donna Grogan, Marcia Maloney, with Colony and State Governor Scott Miller.*

Plymouth was beautiful and ready for us. All of the improvements they made for last year's ex-



pected 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary events were very much evident. At right, you can see me with the newly dedicated Governor William Bradford Statue in the Mayflower House Garden. I am humbled by the thought that here I am, Governor of both the State Society and the OC

Colony, exactly 400 years from when my ancestor, William Bradford, was elected Governor of the Colony in 1621. The Plymouth Rock Monument was deep cleaned and beautifully lit at night, as you can see above at dusk. The Mayflower II ship is so beautiful too! Going on it and seeing all of the work they did, replacing all of the old timbers and repainting the exterior, made the trip extra special. In my State Report you can see a couple pictures we took in our Pilgrim Outfits in front of and on the Mayflower II.

The OC Colony will be having our first in-person meeting, since February 2020 in November. Our Compact Day Meeting will be held at the Elks Lodge in Santa Ana, CA on Saturday, November 20<sup>th</sup>. We are so looking forward to getting back together again. One of the highlights will be having all of our four OC Colony Scholarship winners either attend in person or by video to introduce themselves and to read their essays. I need to make a brief correction to the Summer Quarterly announcement of the Winners of the OC Colony Scholarship. Madison Grogan won first place this year and received \$1500. She is attending Babson College in Massachusetts. I mistakenly said that “Michelle Grogan” won the scholarship. Michelle is Madison’s mother. Finally, we are full-steam-ahead for the OC Colony 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala Celebration at the Bower’s Museum in Santa Ana. We have notified all of the Southern California Colony Governors about the event and asked them to send out the flier to their colony members.

This goes for anyone in the State, if you are interested in attending, please let your Governor know you would like to attend the event, so that you can be added to the invitation list. He or she can notify us to send you an invitation. We are so excited that this event is finally coming to fruition, after being delayed due to the pandemic. You will not want to miss it!

*Scott A. Miller,  
Orange County Colony, Governor*

### Rancho Conejo Colony



*Display from our first In-person meeting! Historian Anne Fisher prepared the binders of our colony's history*

On August 28, 2021, we held our first hybrid meeting with total attendance of 30 members and guests. The meeting was held both in-person at Los Robles Greens and via Zoom for our members at home. Since the meeting was a hybrid meeting, we changed the order to have lunch at the end, so people at home wouldn't have to see what they were missing!

The opening invocation was given by State Elder Tawny Welch. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Anne Fisher. We all sang our Patriotic Song was America the Beautiful. Past Deputy Governor Don Morris gave a thoughtful reading of the Mayflower Compact.

Anne Fisher read the roll call; descendants of Alden, Allerton, Bradford, Brewster, Cooke, Doty, Fuller, Hopkins, Howland, Standish, Tilley and Warren were in attendance.

Assistant Deputy Governor Robert Dempster introduced our speaker, Guy Walker from Boston, England, who presented "The English Reformation leading to the Mayflower Sailing in 1620, Part II". Guy provided us with a genealogical chart of England's Tudors and Stuarts and lead us through the century before the pilgrims left for the new world. His presentation included photos of major churches from the Normans, Plantagenets, Tudors and Stuarts in England before 1620 as well as his hometown of Boston.

Recognition of Past Board: Lorraine belatedly recognized our past board with gifts from Plymouth.

Don Morris, Deputy Governor  
Tom Perkins, Recording Secretary  
Barbara Warren, Treasurer  
Helen Wyers, Colony Membership Chair  
Vicki Cooper-Lane, Corresponding Secretary  
Sharon Martin, Librarian  
Donna McCullough, Chaplain  
Robert Dempster, Past Governor



*Masked Holly Newcomb,  
Anne Fisher &  
Tawny Welch prepare to greet  
members before our meeting.*



*Assistant Deputy Governor  
Robert Dempster (right) greets our speaker,  
Guy Walker, as well as his assistant & son.*

Presentation of Coin Set to Gem Level Donors: for their donation to the Tournament of Roses Parade Float  
 Robert Dempster  
 Tawny Welch

Colony Yearbooks: the new 2021 yearbook were distributed to members.

Historian: Anne Fisher displayed the beautiful story-filled binders about our history as a colony that she had assembled. Members are asked to bring any contributions to our next meeting.

**September 2021 GBOA Meeting: Deputy Governor Tawny Welch will attend the Meeting in Plymouth,**

Massachusetts which will include a special 400th Anniversary celebration of the First Thanksgiving. Special Thanks to our Tech team, Ross and Bruce Kocen, who set up our first hybrid meeting.

Special Delivery: We are so excited to finally complete the set of Mayflower lineage books at the Thousand Oaks Library by donating the remaining six “silver books” to the Conejo Valley Genealogical Society for the genealogy section of the library. Special thanks to former Librarian Sharon Martin for purchasing, storing and arranging the donation of the books.

Next Meeting: We invite you to our next meeting on November 13, 2021 hopefully at Los Robles Greens. Our program will be “The Winthrop Fleet” by Robert Dempster, Assistant Deputy Governor.



*Lorraine Kocen, Colony Governor, in pilgrim dress with the six silver books, our donation to the Thousand Oaks Library.*

*Lorraine Kocen*

*Rancho Conejo Colony, Governor*

### Monterey Bay Colony

MBC has welcomed 13 new members this year. The 14<sup>th</sup> was submitted over 9 months ago and we are still waiting for approval. An interesting note is that seven of the 14 applicants are descendants of Stephen Hopkins. The newest members are: JoAnn Glennon (William White), Karen Fields Morgan (Stephen Hopkins), and Claudia Shaw (Stephen Hopkins). Membership was the successful goal of 2021 for the Monterey Bay Colony. At the May MBC meeting the speaker was State Surgeon, Dr. Matthew Bowdish. His presentation of “Medicine and Medical Care at the time of the Pilgrims” was excellent. His delivery was informative as well as showing his passion for medicine, the Mayflower and genealogy. Members appreciated his depth of knowledge and willingness to answer questions.

The Monterey Bay Family History Center Director JoAnn Robinson stated “they are open Tuesday mornings and Thursday afternoons. There are 3 volunteers and they would appreciate calling for reservations as they have to keep the numbers down.” Call 404-219-3425. The MBFHC has a complete set of Silver books. The next Monterey Bay Colony meeting will be held virtually on Saturday, November 13. This meeting will be our Compact meeting and several important business items need to be addressed. It will be wonderful to interact with our many Mayflower cousins, even though we are meeting virtually. All the new members are encouraged to attend so we can give them a warm welcome.

*Gloria Gibbel*

*Monterey Bay Colony, Governor*

## San Diego Colony

Our San Diego Colony participated in the 72<sup>nd</sup> year of the Coronado Independence Day Celebration Parade which took place on Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. The theme, “The American Dream,” fit perfectly with our organization’s vision. Twenty-seven of our members and their families along with five vehicles participated in the parade. There was much enthusiasm for our Mayflower entry, and we enjoyed interacting with the parade participants both before we started and as we marched down the parade route.



As we passed by each block, the parade block announcer proclaimed our message:

“2020-2021 marks the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the

Mayflower crossing: 1620 to 2020 and the first Thanksgiving or Harvest Festival. We are the San Diego Colony of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants who are direct descendants of the 102 passengers who made that daring voyage. Our



ancestors came here searching for a life of religious and civic freedom and to better their life situations. They were authors of the first true governing document created in this new world colony, the Mayflower Compact, which is considered to have set the stage for the Constitution of the United States. We invite you to join in our meetings and upcoming commemoration events throughout the year—whether you are a member, prospective member, or a friend!”

We will be conducting our Plimoth Plantation West 2021. Our event will be held on *Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Balboa Park in the Hall of Nations* which is part of the House of Pacific Relations, International Cottages. We are being hosted by the House of Spain. This event will commemorate the 400-401<sup>st</sup> anniversary of the Mayflower crossing and the first Thanksgiving or Harvest Festival that our ancestors participated in the first year after their arrival. This will be similar to the event we held in 2018.

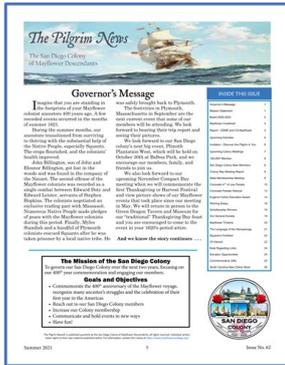


*Caleb Johnson*

Our Compact Day meeting will be held on November 20, 2021 commemorating the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first Thanksgiving/ Harvest Festival. Our presentation will highlight three major events that will have taken place since the last meeting: our participation in the Coronado 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade; the celebration at Plymouth, Massachusetts in September; and our Plimoth Plantation West. The meeting will be held at the Green Dragon Tavern and Museum. We plan to serve our “traditional” Thanksgiving Day dinner. As is our tradition, we encourage our members and friends to wear their 1620’s period attire to the meeting.

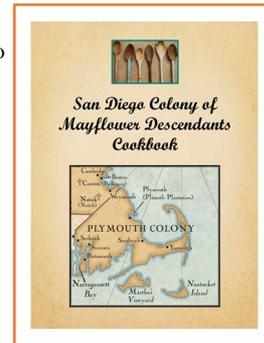
Our winter meeting will be held on Saturday, February 19, 2022 at 10:00. World recognized Mayflower historian, Caleb Johnson, will be presenting on his Mayflower research.

Our spring meeting will be held on Saturday, May 22, 2022 at 10:00. Amy Conboy will be presenting on our ancestors' involvement in the King Philip's War. She will describe how the war impacted the Mayflower colonists. Members from all colonies are welcome to join in all our events.



Our 26-page spring edition of the San Diego Colony *Pilgrim News* was published in August. It was full of interesting timelines and facts about what happened to our ancestors 400 years ago in the summer of 1621.

Our *San Diego Colony of Mayflower Descendants Cookbook* will soon be published! Our cookbook includes recipes of our ancestors that they used 400 years ago as well as the favorite family recipes of our colony



members and friends. We will be offering the cookbook for a donation.

Our members, friends, and members of other colonies are welcome to obtain a copy of the cookbook.

*Kathleen Loftman  
San Diego Colony, Governor*

### Redwood Empire Colony

It has been an interesting time here in the Redwood Empire, as the pilgrim qualities of resolve and sturdiness have truly been tested by the pandemic, wildfires and extreme drought. So far, it appears our spirit and bonds together have survived, and the few Zoom meetings now begin to focus on coming events and the future. We will prevail!

Our Fall Members Meeting was held via Zoom on October 2<sup>nd</sup> and enjoyed a presentation on 'Children of the Mayflower' by Marcia Maloney, State Public Relations Committee Co-Chair and former California Mayflower Governor. The presentation and good conversation that followed were recorded, so we may be able to share the meeting with our members who could not attend.

With the help of Kim Pike, State Public Relations Co-Chair, we were able to secure a video recording of Governor General Hurt's informative address to the State Board of Assistants meeting and create a private you tube posting for our members, so all could have a good understanding of activities at the national level.

We are now looking forward to our traditional gathering with neighboring colonies Alameda and San Francisco for observation of Compact Day, November 20<sup>th</sup>. We hope this may be the first in-person meeting since 2019, albeit likely celebrated with masks and vaccinations. So many are anxious to again enjoy the fellowship and camaraderie of those meetings.

Recent discussion among the Board members have been a bit focused on Membership. The idea is not as much the addition of new members as the activation and involvement of current members, and what we might do to attract and better serve them. In seeking examples and ideas, we hope to confer with other colonies and with the membership in the next few months. If you have any particular thoughts to offer, please send them to [cause@sonic.net](mailto:cause@sonic.net) or call me at: (707)974-1708.

*John McNeill  
Redwood Empire Colony, Governor*

## Alameda Colony

*Virtual Meeting, September 11, 2021*

Our original meeting scheduled as an in-person meeting was rescheduled 5 days prior as a zoom meeting because of the Alameda County Covid mandates. Our meeting was called to order at 10:35 a.m. by Colony Governor Bob Trapp. Governor Trapp lead the Pledge of Allegiance after the Opening Prayer by Christie Trapp.

Governor Trapp asked for a moment of silence in honor of those who perished on September 11, 2001, and their families and first responders who are still suffering from the event. The reading of the Mayflower Compact was done by Deputy Governor Roger Howland.

Minutes from the April 10, 2021, meeting, previously sent, were approved by the members in attendance. Roll Call of Ancestors was done by those in attendance entering the information in chat. Richard Warren and John Howland tied for the largest number of descendants.

Colony Treasurer Nancy Lucchese reported our bank balance.

Governor Trapp announced that the Alameda Colony gained two (2) New Members who were approved July 13, 2021; a father, Joel Curtis-Brown and his daughter, Nicole Curtis-Brown.

Deputy Governor Roger Howland introduced our speaker, Patricia A. Mapps, a dedicated Mayflower researcher. Patricia's program was "My Journey into the History and Wills of the Tilley family". Our members learned about some key players in England and the evolution of the Tilley Family's expressions of faith from Catholic Henry Tilley to the Protestant Robert Tilley to the Separatist John and Edward Tilley who were on the Mayflower in order to express their faith as they saw it. The program was enjoyed by all. We have request for a repeat of her talk in the future.

Governor Trapp asked everyone to save the date of November 20, 2021, for Compact Day which is being sponsored by the San Francisco Colony. An in-person meeting is being scheduled in Richmond with details to be sent later. The next Alameda Colony meeting is scheduled for an in-person meeting on Saturday, February 12, 2022, in Pleasant Hills with the program yet to be determined. The Closing Prayer was given by Governor Trapp. The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m. by Governor Trapp.



*Governor General Jane Riddell  
Hurt with Alameda Colony Gov.  
Bob Trapp at 2021 B.O.A meeting  
in Southern California.*

*Bob Trapp  
Alameda Colony, Governor*

## Sequoia Colony

The Sequoia Colony is planning to hold our Fall meeting in person on November 6<sup>th</sup> at the Allied Arts Guild in Menlo Park. After all this time on zoom, we will be extraordinarily grateful for a meal together, to see old friends, and to meet in person the new members who've joined the Society during the pandemic. Louise Throop has kindly agreed to speak about her research and will be inspiring us on the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first Thanksgiving.

*Sharon Winslow Erickson  
Sequoia Colony Governor*

### Foothill Colony

Seven members of the Foothill Colony attended the General Society of Mayflower Descendants in Plymouth, Massachusetts in September. We all had a grand time and learned about the work of the Society. Some states only had one or two representatives, so it was quite remarkable that California's Foothill Colony was so well represented.

In keeping with our program theme, "Let's Get to Know YOUR Passenger!" we will be exploring the Children of the Mayflower at our November 14 meeting. "Children on the Mayflower" will be presented by Roberta Scherbarth, who has been a member of the Orange County Colony of the California Mayflower Society since 2012, and is a descendant of Thomas Rogers. Roberta is a salesperson at Experian, where she has worked for almost 36 years. Roberta is very musical, and loves art, literature and history. She lives in Santa Ana, CA with her husband of 28 years, John.



L-R: Erica Hahn, Marcia Maloney, Tawny Welch, Harvey Soldan, Carole Curran, Scott Miller (Beth Stone, not pictured)



Roberta Scherbarth

There were over 30 children on the Mayflower, ranging in age from babies and little kids, to teenagers. Some were with their parents, some were indentured servants, and some were wards of people who were essentially strangers to them — all heading for the new world of America.

This presentation will give you insight into the sometimes funny, sometimes defiant and sometimes tragic stories of the children who sailed on the Mayflower in 1620. Join us on ZOOM Sunday, November 14 at 2 p.m. to learn more about the children who embarked on this tremendous voyage.

*Carole Curran  
Foot Hill Colony, Governor*

### San Francisco Peninsula Colony

Members of the San Francisco Peninsula Colony joined members of the Northern California Company Jamestowne Society and the San Francisco Sons of the American Revolution to celebrate Constitution Day on Saturday 18 September. The in person meeting was held at Lara's Fine Dining in Richmond CA. Speakers were Marston Watson (SAR), Jonathan Dickey (NCC Jamestowne Society) and Kathy Watson (SF Peninsula Colony). The premise was that the Magna Charta, Jamestowne Charter(s) and the Mayflower Compact were the basis for the Constitution.

Looking down the calendar, the San Francisco Peninsula Colony is coordinating the joint Compact Day celebration with Redwood Empire and Alameda Colonies. The date is 20 November at Lara's Fine Dining (in person and virtual).

*Kathy Watson  
San Francisco Peninsula Colony, Governor*

### Los Angeles Colony

The Los Angeles Colony will meet for its Compact Day Luncheon on November 13 at the Tam O'Shanter in Los Feliz using their outside patio area. If you do not receive an invitation via e-mail, please contact Governor Robert Lincoln at [drllincoln@yahoo.com](mailto:drllincoln@yahoo.com) so that I can update our records and send you one. The menu will include an entrée choice of Prime Rib, Roasted Turkey, or Wild Mushroom Ravioli. Our speaker will be Peter Small, historical impressionist. For our meeting Mr. Small will be attending as our first president, George Washington.

*Robert Lincoln  
Los Angeles Colony, Governor*

### Santa Barbara Colony

Activity has been rather quiet since our last zoom meeting on April 17, 2021 and our upcoming meeting on October 16, 2021. The one big event was attendance to the GBOA meeting in Plymouth last month by some of our colony members. I was accompanied by my two adult daughters, Erica and Meghan Williams and met fellow colony member Charlotte Squarcy at the "Plimoth Plantation" Thanksgiving dinner. The meal was little different than our traditional cuisine, featuring



*Jay carried banner in the Pilgrim Progress Parade*

more indigenous foods prepared in a seventeenth century style. Our hosts and hostesses for that dinner were re-enactors from the venue who helped make the evening both historic and lively.

When we first arrived in the Plymouth area a few days before the meetings, we had time to visit some of the less frequented historic sites like Provincetown (location of the signing of the Mayflower Compact) and "First Encounter" Beach. Most of the California members got together at a dinner organized by our state Governor, Scott Miller. We remembered familiar faces as we worked on the Tournament Of Roses float a year and a half prior. Special rose stickers were issued for our name tags. And, we all took turns that week manning the California booth to distribute the remaining Rose Parade Tee Shirts.

Despite the curtailing of many activities over the past year due to the pandemic, the General Society appears to be faring well as affirmed at the GBOA meeting. It was good to hear of and see the renovations to the Society House – using traditional rather than contemporary building techniques.

The gathering in the new acquired meeting house was also another special treat. I had the opportunity (in 1620 attire) to carry the banner with the guard on our march through Plymouth to both honor the Pilgrim Monument and open one of the first large gatherings at the meeting house. We had festivities at the Society House during the unveiling/dedication of the new William Bradford statue in the adjacent garden. But the biggest highlight was when the decorators and riders of the Rose Parade float gathered on the May Flower II ship for a photo opportunity.

*Jay W. Williams  
Santa Barbara Colony*

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### *The Governor General's 1620 Club*

The Governor General's 1620 Club Membership is a designation given to The Mayflower Society's donors who give at the level of \$1,620 or more per year. These donations are designated for special projects that would not otherwise be supported. Thanks to the 1620 Club, several of the Mayflower Society's needs have been realized, including:

- Funding for new researchers for the Silver Books.
- An ADA-compliant restroom for visitors with disabilities to the Mayflower Society House
- A new membership database to streamline processing in the Plymouth office.
- Removal of the historic balustrade on the Mayflower Society House in Plymouth. Without this timely action, the winter storms of 2018 would have destroyed the roof and significantly damaged our headquarters.
- Exterior painting of the Mayflower Society House.
- Website replacement

1620 Club donors receive an exclusive 1620 Club pin, and an invitation for two to the Governor General's annual tour, followed by the 1620 Club Banquet. During this banquet the Society recognizes the scholarly contribution and advancement in *Mayflower* Pilgrim related research with the Pilgrim Academic Research Award.

This event is held the day after Congress or the BOA meetings end. This year the tour was to the Whaling Museum in New Bedford, MA, and the banquet was held at the Indian Wells Country Club Kingston, MA.



*Ray & Gail Raser, Tanny Welch, Judith Swan  
Nick & Donna Grogan, Marcia Maloney, Scott Miller*



*Erica Hahn & Nancy Iderale at  
1620 Club*





7/7/2021

California Mayflower Society  
Ray Raser,  
914 San Pasquel Rd  
Escondido, CA 92025

Dear Ray,

Thank you for the California's generous donation of \$1620 to the General Society of Mayflower Descendants House Account. Because of your kindness, essential projects will be funded during the restoration of the Mayflower Society House.

Name for acknowledgement:  
California Mayflower Society.

If you would like to revise your name or would prefer to remain anonymous, please email [executiveasst@themayflowersociety.org](mailto:executiveasst@themayflowersociety.org) or call the Development Office at 508.746.3188, ext. 25. Again, thank you so much for your contribution.

With best wishes and sincere appreciation,

Jane E. Groves Riddell Hurt  
Governor General

*Ray and the CA Society -  
Thank you so very much for  
your most generous support  
of the Mayflower Society  
House restoration!!! It will  
be wonderful to bring the  
Old Girl back to her  
former glory for  
future generations  
to enjoy!  
Most sincerely  
Susan*

The General Society of Mayflower Descendants is a tax-exempt organization as described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Our tax identification number is 63-6005641. Your gift is fully tax-deductible as no goods or services have been provided to you in exchange for your gift. Please retain this letter for your tax records. It serves as a receipt for your gift.



9/13/2021

Ray & Gail Raser  
914 San Pasqual Rd  
Escondido, CA 92025

Dear Ray & Gail,

Thanks so much for generously giving to the 1620 Club this past year! Every year, we focus our efforts toward something of great need that is not budgeted and that is due to your participation in the Governor General's 1620 Club. This year, because of your generosity to this special part of the annual fund, we have a brand new GSMD website.

For those who were not able to attend the tour and dinner held in your honor during the General Board of Assistants meeting in Plymouth, I am enclosing a certificate. I hope you will enjoy this small gesture of appreciation.

With our busy lifestyles, while we all attend different things at different times, we have one thing we all do together – contribute to the 1620 Club. Please know that your continued contribution provides needed funding for projects that the annual appeal cannot support, and, importantly it provides us an opportunity to distinguish you for your generosity in supporting the Society.

I invite you to rejoin the 1620 Club for the 2021-2022 year. Together we will strengthen the Society so that GSMD can continue its mission of lineage research and education.

If you would like to renew your membership to the 1620 Club, you may either donate online or send a check. To donate online, please go to our website [www.themayflowersociety.org](http://www.themayflowersociety.org) and click on Give. Under the donor level, choose 1620 Club, complete form and submit. If you would prefer to send a check, please make it payable to GSMD, and mail it to GSMD, Attn: Development, 18 Winslow Street, Plymouth, MA, 02360.

If I can help you with questions or concerns regarding the Society, I am available and would love to hear from you.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jane E. Groves Riddell Hurt".

Jane E. Groves Riddell Hurt  
Governor General  
General Society Mayflower Descendants  
[governorgeneral@themayflowersociety.org](mailto:governorgeneral@themayflowersociety.org)

Enclosure

## New Bedford Whaling Museum

It was a privilege to visit this museum with other members of the Governor Generals 1620 Club on Sunday, September 12, 2021.



*Front Entrance to the Whaling Museum, New Bedford, MA*



*There were usually six whaleboats on board the large ships when they would go out to hunt for whales. The whalers would stab the whales with the harpoons and drag them to the large ship*

### Mission

The New Bedford Whaling Museum ignites learning through explorations of art, history, science and culture rooted in the stories of people, the region and an international seaport.

### Vision

The Museum seeks to advance understanding related to the influence of the whaling industry and the port of New Bedford on the history, economy, ecology, arts, and cultures of the region, the nation and the world.

We will expand our capacity to tell the stories of the many diverse communities that shared in the creation of this history, through excellence in our collections, scholarship, and all forms of public engagement.

In doing so the Museum will be recognized as a compelling destination that inspires all visitors to reflect on the complex issues that

shaped the past, remain critical today, and inform a sustainable future.

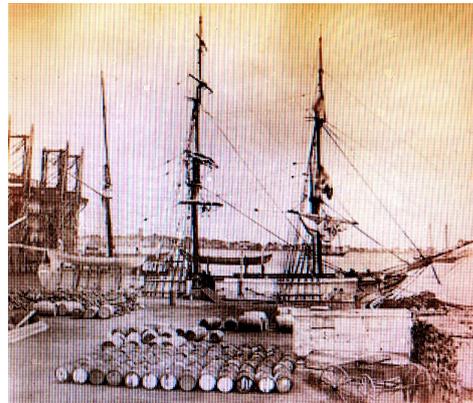
The above statements come directly from the New Bedford Whaling Museum website, and this is exactly what they are doing at the museum in New Bedford, Massachusetts.

The city of New Bedford was once known as “The City That Lit The World” because of the whaling industry and the whale oil that was used in most lamps.

In the 1850’s more whaling voyages sailed from New Bedford than from all other world ports combined. From the US Colonial period till petroleum was discovered in the 1860’s, high quality whale-oil, derived from whale blubber, lit most of the world.



*Whaling was not a job for the faint of heart, but a dangerous occupation. Note the spears above the painting*



*Photo of a print of a ship used to haul the smaller whaling ships out to sea. Note the barrels of whale oil that has been unloaded on the dock from the ship.*



*"Lagoda" is the world's largest whaleship model at 50% of the original ship's size*



*Bark - cross section*



## *Quincy, MA: Home of John Adams National Park*

**John Adams - a descendant of Mayflower passengers John Alden and Priscilla Mullins.**

John Adams Jr. ( October 30, 1735 – July 4, 1826) was an American statesman, attorney, diplomat, writer, and Founding Father who served as the second president of the United States from 1797-1801. Before his presidency, he was a leader of the American Revolution that achieved independence from Great Britain, and he served as the first vice president of the United States. Adams was a dedicated diarist and regularly corresponded with many important figures in early American history, including his wife and adviser



*John Adam's statue at Quincy, MA  
Ray Raser & John Adams are both  
descendants of Henry Adams*

Abigail Adams and Thomas Jefferson. John was born on a family farm in Braintree, MA. His family was puritans who were affected by their religious culture, laws and traditions.



*Outside the Adam's Crypt*



*Ray Raser standing in the crypt of John & Abigail Adams*

As the eldest child, he was compelled to obtain a formal education. At age 16 he entered Harvard College in 1751 where he studied law. In 1764 John married Abigail Smith Adams and they had six children.

It was because of her strength and being able to care for the home, that John Adams was able to serve his county.

John and Abigail's son, John Quincy Adams, became the sixth president of the United States serving from 1825 – 1829.

*Note: The Quincy MA Chamber Office requested masks be worn.*

## *Finding More Ancestral Connections*

The Mayflower Society updated website has an additional link to assist many, especially those who have proven their Sons (Daughters) of the American Revolution (SAR/DAR) patriots. Please see the Patriot to Passenger link on the front page of the updated Mayflower Society website.

### *Patriot to Passenger*

As more and more information becomes available online, descendants are reaching out to connect their Revolutionary War Patriot with a *Mayflower* passenger. Many Daughters and Sons of the American Revolution (DAR and SAR) are asking if they also have an ancestral tie to a *Mayflower* passenger and are interested in learning how they may become a member of The Mayflower Society.



The **Patriot to Passenger Project** is a growing published list of Revolutionary War Patriots who descend from *Mayflower* passengers. The intent is to build a bridge between lineage societies. Many Mayflower Society members are also members of other lineage societies.

The **Patriot to Passenger Project** is a way to help others discover their link to a *Mayflower* passenger and benefits existing members with possible discovery of additional Mayflower lines of descent they can then submit as supplemental applications.

**Please note:** generations are only documented to the 5th generation in the *Mayflower Silver Books* (a few may include additional generations). Documentation beyond the first five generations may be required and proof from other lineage societies may or may not be considered acceptable by



*Mayflower as viewed from the garden*

The Mayflower Society.  
Work with your Member Society Historian for additional information.

The project is a work-in-progress. If you have ideas, thoughts, or suggestions, please contact Muriel Cushing at [Flash1620@comcast.net](mailto:Flash1620@comcast.net).

Website:  
[thmayflowersociety.org/genealogy/patriots-to-passengers](http://thmayflowersociety.org/genealogy/patriots-to-passengers)



*Mayflower Flag flies Proud*

*Photo Credits: Ray Raser*

*1620 Club Reception & Dinner*



*Jessica & Jane Schleinzer, Beverly & George Garmany, Ray & Gail Raser, Jeffrey Stark, Christine Schlosser*



*Quilt from the State Societies in the Mayflower Office*



*Mayflower Garden Walkway*

### *The Mayflower Guard*

The Mayflower Society has created The Mayflower Guard to serve as the ceremonial color guard. The Mayflower Guard attend GSMD meetings and events appropriately dressed and equipped as were Mayflower passengers who formed the militia of the Pilgrims in 1620-1621. The Mayflower Guard visibly promotes the education and understanding of the Pilgrims through their historically correct apparel.



*Mayflower Guard entering Meeting Room*

The Mayflower Guard performs color ceremonies at GSMD Congress, Boards of Assistance Meetings, as well as other official ceremonies of the GSMD such as Pilgrims Progress and memorial ceremonies such as wreath laying as needed and required. The Mayflower Guard also serves as an honor guard for the Governor General on special occasions to serve as visible ambassadors for the GSMD. Mayflower Guardsmen provide an easily identifiable and colorful focal point at events.



*Mayflower Guard Presents Colors at BOA Meeting*



*Guard Ray Raser carries the Flag of St. George from Mayflower House to Meeting House with GG Hurt & Captain Wiese*



*Guard Ray Raser places the US Flag at front of the Meeting House*

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