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***CA Mayflower Members Showing “Voyage of Hope” Float  
Rendering at GSMD-BOA Meeting in Denver, CO.***

*Sue Butler, Cathey Graham, Marcia Maloney, Gail Raser, CA Gov. Ray Raser,  
Erica Hahn, and Miles Standish.*

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## Mayflower Code of Conduct

Every person representing the General, or California, Society of Mayflower Descendants in any official capacity, such as participation in the Society's programs or activities, service as an elected or appointed officer or representative, or otherwise identifying him or herself as associated with the GSMD or the CA Society of Mayflower Descendants, shall conduct him or herself in a manner that reflects commitment to the heritage and historic values of the Society and espouse only the highest ethical standards of conduct.

All representatives of the Society shall:

- \***act** with integrity, dignity and honor and refrain from behaviors or expressions intended to be harmful to others, such as abusive language or threatening behaviors;
- \***treat** others with respect and consideration, regardless of race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, marital or family status, disability or national origin and of any opinions or traditions different from the representatives own;
- \***support** official actions and decisions of the SMDSC governing bodies and the positions adopted and promoted by the SMDSC, even if the representative does not personally agree with the action;
- \***cooperate** and collaborate with other SMDSC representatives and publicly support the SMDSC policies, actions, decisions and positions adopted by SMDSC;
- \***prepare** prior to meetings at which deliberation will occur, to actively engage in the business of the meeting by respectfully offering well informed opinions about issues under debate and discussion;
- \***refrain** from public or open criticism of the SMDSC elected officials, employees or other SMDSC representatives;
- \***respect** the confidentiality of information received in the course of official action, including meeting debate and discussion, information contained in the SMDSC official records and communications disseminated by the SMDSC to representative, until advised that such information may be publicly released and discussed;
- \***objectively** review all information provided and deliberate prior to forming an opinion or taking a position when serving as a voting member of an SMDSC board or committee;
- \***abide** by all policies and procedures adopted by the SMDSC, including the Conflict of Interest policy, and to promptly sign and return the annual disclosure statement required;
- \***support** the Constitution and Bylaws of the SMDSC and to exhibit positive leadership qualities.

*From CA Mayflower Policies & Procedures Manual*

## Governor Message

As Governor of The Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of California, I certainly inherited many challenges and the responsibility of forming a team to solve the many issues, along with preparing to celebrate the 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our ancestor's arrival in the New World in 1620. California has taken a leadership role in this 2020 celebration by putting together a Mayflower float to sail down Colorado Blvd. at the January 1, 2020 Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade. Kudos to Bob Dempster, Marcia Maloney, Carole Curran, Kathleen Loftman, Jane Wong and Karen Schwartz for their leadership in the 2020 Rose Parade float activities.

One of my first duties as Governor was to bring the official greetings from GSMD GG George Garmany to the Sons of the American Revolution National meeting in Santa Ana. My next official duty was to attend as AG the GSMD BOA annual meeting in Denver, CO. As an official member of the GSMD Color Guard, it was a privilege to post the "colors" at the opening session of the BOA Denver meeting. It was very enjoyable to renew many friendships developed by participating in the GSMD and the historic sites tours of England and Holland, several GSMD triennial meetings, BOA meetings and visits to Plymouth.



*"Voyage of Hope"*

I also presented to the North San Diego County Genealogical Society in Carlsbad. The power point program was titled "The Mayflower Society and Available Records". The 66 members present at the meeting asked many interesting questions and indicated they enjoyed it very much.

There certainly are many challenges ahead of us and within these challenges it causes us to remember our Code of Conduct and communicate to each other through the proper channels of communication as we participate in the many once in a lifetime activities of 2020.

It is the duty of every member of the California Mayflower Society to honor and practice and support the Mayflower Code of Conduct that is published in our policies and procedures manual along with on the inside cover of this edition of the California Mayflower Quarterly. It is also the responsibility of each Colony Governor and officers to practice and communicate the Code of Conduct to their membership.

We look forward to the many special activities planned for this upcoming year of 2020 and the many once in a lifetime activities planned for us. Let's work together to support the activities and work toward making this a positive year for all of us.



*Ray Raser and SAR National President  
Warren Alter*

*Ray Raser  
CA Mayflower Society Governor*

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## Deputy Governor North

Dear California Member Cousins,

From September 4 – 7, I attended my first GSMD BOA Meeting in Denver, Colorado, George P. Garmany, our Governor General of The General Society of Mayflower Descendants' home state.

The Agenda was a series of informative meetings covering topics of business, finance, GSMD officers reports, 2020 committee chairmen reports, presentations from Family Search, the New England Historical Genealogical Society, various state officer reports and the head representative from Provincetown, Massachusetts on the topic of what they have completed plans for, and what Provincetown is doing for the celebration of the 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Mayflower ship landing, in their harbor.

The meetings, professional presentations and discussions were detailed, organized and executed at a high standard. I very much enjoyed learning from participants what our Society is doing and will be doing, and what it needs to do moving forward.

I recommend California Mayflower Members check on venues in Boston, Plymouth and Provincetown, each has its special offerings. Having been to each of the locations, seeing many of the attractions in the past few years, I highly recommend them all. There will be events happening throughout the year, including the opportunity to walk as a Pilgrim in Plymouth for the annual Immigrant Ceremony (free of charge) 30 spots left as of meeting. Mayflower II will appear in the three sites and details on her are available also.

Of special interest and exciting to me are the five Silver Books published this year, with two more titles coming, making it seven and at this time Edward Winslow Volume is at the printers, having been amended [we learned the maiden name of Susanna White, his second wife, at the 2017 Congress]. So much is being worked on by *our* representatives in the General Society, without which we could not be a State Society.

Registration for Congress will be coming soon. If you are planning to attend, book your accommodations as soon as possible. Colony Governors will be sent email to distribute to their colony when registration opens.

I suggest colony members check for links, events and news, on our state site, and the GSMD site online as we approach the events of 2020. So much hard work and planning deserves our attention. You can find out more about Mayflower II on Plimoth Plantation site and Mayflower II online. Societies like Alden Society, Duxbury, Myles Standish Society, and many more are hosting special events.

On October 1<sup>st</sup>, Historian Sue Butler, wrote she is pleased to announce we have one-two CMC's in each northern Colony. Congratulations Colony Governors in North.



*Catherine Graham*

*Catherine Graham  
Deputy Governor North*

## Deputy Governor South

By the time this issue arrives in your mail box, I will have attended a couple Colony Meetings in my new role of Deputy Governor South for the State. In August, I was honored to attend the Rancho Conejo Colony Meeting in Thousand Oaks on August 10<sup>th</sup>. I was invited to do my presentation: *“An Accidental Find Leads to a Monumental Discovery – God’s Providence in the Return of the Bradford Journal”*. What a neat time it was. The Colony actually had more people attend – 65 – than there are members in the Colony! They had a special William Bradford descendant “reunion”, since I am a descendant of William Bradford. There were 11 of us Bradford cousins who attended and we had a nice family picture taken together.

I want to share with you our new Challenge Coin for the Rose Parade Float.



This is the final coin for our set! From now through January 2020, for just a \$200 donation for the float, you can get the complete set of 15 coins that includes this new coin. For donations of \$40 for the Float you will get the individual Rose Parade Float Challenge Coin. They perfectly match the set of Colony Challenge Coins and are a stunning keepsake that you’ll want to collect to say “I played a part in the 2020 Rose Parade commemorating the 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Landing of the Pilgrims.” Get a few of them for gifts for your family.



*Scott Miller, Deputy Governor South, with all of his “Bradford Cousins” that attended the Rancho Conejo Colony meeting on August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019.*

We all need to help get *“The Voyage of Hope – 1620”* float down the boulevard in Pasadena on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020. Please donate today whatever you can in the many ways we’ve presented over the last couple of years. The Challenge Coins and Lapel Pins are a way you can donate and get a tangible reminder of this great event. Your colony has these new coins and the others available to acquire for a donation. Please do so right away, as all of the funds will help us raise the final funding needed to construct and decorate the float. Please keep checking the California Mayflower Website for all of the updates about the Rose Parade and all of the activities throughout 2020. If you haven’t seen our new website, check it out today at: [www.camayflower.org](http://www.camayflower.org)

I will be attending three different Compact Day Meetings in November. I’ve been invited to attend the Los Angeles Colony Compact Day on November 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Tam O’Shanter Restaurant in Los Angeles. They will be having noted History Professor, Carla Pestrana, Chair of the UCLA History Department. Her topic will be on the “1619 Project”, which is about the introduction of slavery into Jamestown in August of 1619. The Orange County Colony will be having their Compact Day on November 9<sup>th</sup> at the Huntington Beach Hotel near Bella Terra, in Huntington Beach. They will be welcoming Jacque Tahuka Nuñez, the famous spokesperson representing the Acjachamen Tribe from South Orange County, along with a National Champion Hoop Dancer from Arizona. I also am looking forward to visiting the San Diego Colony for their Compact Day Meeting on November 23<sup>rd</sup> in Carlsbad at the *Green Dragon Tavern & Museum* to hear famous Historian and Author, Caleb Johnson. This is a real “coup” for them in getting such a prominent and much sought-after Pilgrim Historian to speak to us at this time. If you want to attend, please contact the San Diego Colony for reservations, as seating is very limited.

*Scott A. Miller  
Deputy Governor South*

## General Society of Mayflower Descendants Board of Assistants Meeting

September 5 – 8, 2019- Denver, Colorado

Every September the Board of Assistants meets to discuss items relating to the General Society of Mayflower Descendants. Every third year, this becomes a members meeting and takes place in Plymouth, MA. This year the event took place in the home state of Governor General George

Garmany, Colorado.



*GSMD Color Guard at GSMD BOA Denver*

On Thursday, September 5, the Executive Committee met for a full day of discussions followed by a brief meeting of the 2020 meetings and events committee. Friday was a training and information day and I will say, the historian training meeting was a packed room, with standing room only. Historian General Marjorie Hurtuk presented a power point on the application itself and how to standardize notations on the form so all who read it understands the dates and notations.

Another training was for the scholarship, junior membership and the Mayflower Guard. At the same time was training for treasurers and governors where both former and current governors were invited to attend.



*CA Captain  
Miles Standish*

We were all invited to wear our cowboy & cowgirl hats to the luncheon. Some of the hat decorations even had replicas of the Mayflower as adornment. The luncheon speaker was Stephen J. Valentine from Family Search, International who did a presentation on “Your Family Search-A Discovery Experience”.

The afternoon was a continuation of the Governor General’s Forum where many items were discussed such as: Historians’ Initiative, Digitization Project Update, Planning for our future, Social Media-an Important Tool for Member Societies, and Member Society Best Practices.

There was a welcome reception hosted by the Colorado Society that evening. Saturday was a full day with the General Board of Assistants meeting from 9:00a.m. until 4:00p.m. with a break for lunch. David Allen Lambert, Chief Genealogist for the New England Historic Genealogical Society, gave an outstanding presentation entitled: *Plymouth Colony – Up in Arms*. The evening banquet was a sold out event at the Denver Country Club.



*2017 GSMD Historical Sites Tour Reunion*



*David Lambert from NEHGS presents at Denver meeting luncheon*



*Ray Raser, Noel & Karen Kuhrt, Gail Raser  
Noel is Sally Johnson's brother .*



*Jessica Schleinzer presents check of \$1,000 from Illinois Mayflower Society , a donation to TOR Float*



*Attendees at the GSMD banquet at Denver County Club  
Photo courtesy of GSMD*

**GSMD Governor General’s 1620 Club Day**

On Sunday, the day after to GSMD BOA meetings ended, there was a special day for the members of the Governor General’s 1620 Club. A day when the governor honors those people who have supported extra projects for Mayflower or the governor’s choice, that are not funded any other way except for donations of \$1620.



*GG George Garmany Foundry Tour*

The group of pilgrims were ready to take off for our tour at 9:30 a.m., but just like our pilgrim ancestors, the ship, or should I say, the bus, was delayed. The Governor General came to the rescue by making calls and rearranged the schedule, and a few hours later we were off on our adventure. We

headed north to Loveland, CO to the lovely home of Dee and Julia Clements where we enjoyed our box lunch. Dee is the artist who has designed and shaped the bronze monument of William Bradford that will be placed in the gardens of the Mayflower house in Plymouth prior to the 2020 celebration.



*Artist Dee Clements in his home studio*

Dee has made a small-scale model of bronze which was displayed at the banquet on Saturday night.



*Bronze pieces get a wax mold*

It brought many positive remarks by those who came up close to view. The attention to details, including the Mayflower ship carved into the back of Bradford’s chair, brought smiles and appreciation from all.

The 1620 Club was given a close up view of

the form that will be bronzed for the Mayflower House garden.



*Erica Hahn, Ray Raser, Marcia H. Maloney and Executive Director Susan Belekewicz*

There was one picture taken of all the Bradford descendants who were in the group that day. We continued on to the foundry where the bronze image will be created. From the pictures you can see a few of the many detailed and important steps that it takes to create a bronze work of art. The owners were nice enough to come into their foundry to provide that special tour for us.



The owners explained the many steps it takes to make a bronze sculpture. Taking the mold apart into sections to make the bronze image, then putting it all back together to make it whole again takes a lot of skill. Then the final process is choosing the color of the final piece and shipping to its destination. For most of us, this was a real education along with an appreciation of the entire process.



*CA Mayflower Governor Ray Raser heads to 1620 Club banquet*

After returning to the bus, we were driven around the Benson Sculpture Garden in Loveland. This 10-acre garden was started in 1985 and now is the home for 164 pieces of sculpture on permanent display by world-renowned artists. Dee Clemens has several pieces of bronze art in this garden. At this point, time was of the essence so we



*DAR member Gail Raser with National DAR Past President Ann Turner Dillon*

didn't get to do the planned walk around the park, but we will certainly do that on any return visit to Loveland. Sunday evening we were treated to a dinner on the top floor of the hotel. There was a beautiful sunset and good fellowship.

Governor General George Garmany thanked his supporters and gave out certificates of appreciation. The guest speaker of the evening was Past President General of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Ann Turner Dillon who also lives in Colorado. Thank you GG Garmany for an educational and inspirational day. We appreciate your dedication to the General Society of Mayflower Descendants and look forward to all the events planned for 2020.

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

Part of the Annual Appeal, the Governor General's 1620 Club is a special donor category that allows the Executive Committee to fund unbudgeted items of need during a given year. Thanks to the 1620 Club, some of the General Society needs that have been realized include funding for new researchers for the Silver Books, an ADA-compliant bathroom for visitors with disabilities to the Mayflower Society House, and new database software to help streamline our process in the Plymouth office. Thanks to the FY 2017-2018 1620 Club members, GSMD was able to successfully remove 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 beloved headquarters.

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 where we honor recognition of scholarly contribution and advancement in *Mayflower* Pilgrim related research with the Pilgrim Academic Research Award. This past September, the Pilgrim Academic Research Award was given to *Mayflower* author Susan E. Roser. Past recipients include Dr. Jeremy Dupertuis Bangs (2017), Dr. David Landon and Dr. Christa Beranek (2016) and James W. Baker (2015).



## Mayflower 2020



### Come Sail Away with Team Mayflower!

The Voyage of Hope – 1620 will sail down Colorado Boulevard on January 1, 2020. We are counting on you to make her parade ready! Team Mayflower welcomes all GSMD members, your families and your friends to help decorate our float. No special skills are needed, just a willing spirit. Please consider volunteering your time and talents for this once in a lifetime opportunity.



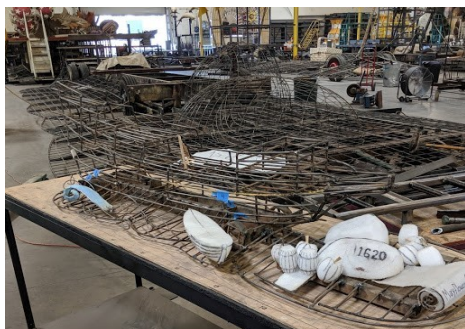
Our goal is to be completely self-decorated, so your participation is vital to the project. Visit us at [www.CAMayflower2020.com](http://www.CAMayflower2020.com) for detailed information and to register for one or more of the 24 shifts we have scheduled. Our float will be 55' long, 34' tall (lowering to 16') and 18' wide. The ship will be decorated in brown and gold flaxseed with accents of bronze strawflower and ground walnut shell. White sweet rice and dark brown nyjer seed accentuates the detail on the ship. The rigging will use an array of materials including sesame seed, clover seed and natural hemp. Rolled oats, with accents of ground nutmeg and cinnamon,

create the aging detailing on the sails. Plymouth Rock will be decorated in a mixture of light and dark lettuce seed, black poppy seed and white sweet rice creating the granite-like material. A bountiful array of fresh and sculptured pumpkins and squash, amid Harvest-toned shades of roses will depict the Thanksgiving celebration after the Pilgrims first harvest. There will be thousands of light and dark blue iris, white roses and sprays of dendrobium orchids and gypsophila to create Cape Cod bay where the Mayflower took shelter during the first harsh winter.

On November 16 thru November 30, volunteers will commence dry decorating activities. Dry decorating involves preparation of the materials used to create the float. This phase is popular with volunteers since the shifts are just 4 hours and most tasks are accomplished while seated. Volunteers, young and old, will have a blast!

December 26 through 30 is referred to as Decorating Week. During this phase, volunteers are working an 8-hour shift, often standing, kneeling, crawling or climbing. Team Mayflower will apply material directly to the float under the direction of a Fiesta Parade Float Supervisor and Team Mayflower Shift Leads. The last 2 days of Decorating Week are a whirlwind. Fresh flowers are placed in individual water filled vials to be placed one by one on the float. Each element of the float is checked, and double checked. Finally, in the wee early hours of December 31<sup>st</sup> the float is complete and ready for final judging later that morning.

Over 230 generous, dedicated volunteers have already registered for this unique opportunity. Fiesta strongly recommends we secure 60-70 volunteers per shift. We need your help! Please, consider participating in this momentous celebration. To secure your preferred date/shift go to [www.CAMayflower2020.com](http://www.CAMayflower2020.com).



If you are visiting California to enjoy the festivities, 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](http://www.CAMayflower.org) and join us on Facebook at Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of California.

*Karen Schwartz  
Float Decorating Chair*

### Ancestor Tribute - Pilgrim Memoriam

Here's your opportunity to memorialize your pilgrim ancestor. Harvest-toned roses, light blue and dark blue irises, and dendrobium orchids will be adorning The Voyage of Hope – 1620 float on New Year's Day. Each delicate flower will be carefully placed in a vial of water to endure the trip along the parade route.

Consider dedicating a vial to your Pilgrim ancestor, or, perhaps to a loved one or even yourself! Up to 20 characters can be accommodated on each vial. All it takes is \$16.20 per vial to be a part of this remarkable commemoration. Which Pilgrim will you send on this voyage? Which family member will you remember?



Purchase online at [camayflower.org](http://camayflower.org) by December 23 and be a part of the kickoff of the 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Voyage of Hope! You will have the opportunity to write your name/s when you pay. We have the unique opportunity and honor to witness and celebrate the 400th anniversary of the crossing of the Mayflower and the arrival of the passengers in the new world.

### Rose Parade Route



### *Souvenir Voyage of Hope – 1620 Postcards*

Ever wish you got something in the mail other than bills? How about a beautiful postcard, one that commemorates our Pilgrim Ancestors, Plymouth Rock and the Mayflower Compact? Here's your opportunity to send New Year's greetings to your family and friends near and far.



For only \$5 the addressee will have a souvenir that actually rode on the Mayflower 2020 Rose Parade® float! It's almost as good as being there! The postcards will be mailed by January 4, 2020 and will arrive the following week. What a great way to start off the New Year with your personal message of HOPE!

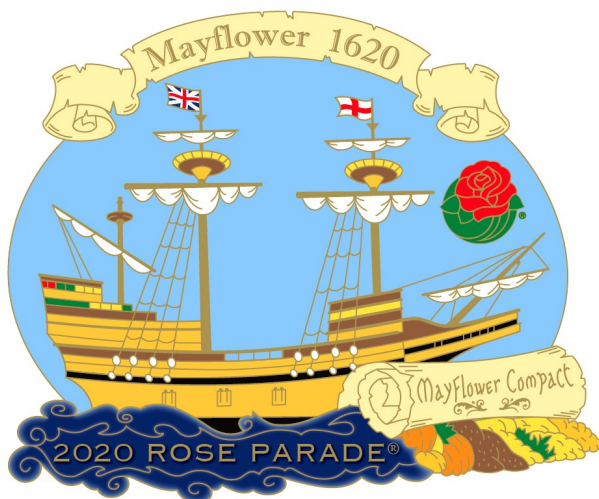
Postcards are available through your colony, just in time for Compact Day! So join in the fun! Simply purchase, write a message, recipient address and return them to your

colony representative or bring during Decorating Week! It's important that we get your postcards back in time to get them on the float, so don't delay!

### **Official Pins Coming in time for Compact Day!**

The official Voyage of Hope – 1620 pins are coming! You will want one for everyone in your

family! These pins are beautiful and will be such a wonderful remembrance of the kickoff of the 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the voyage that started it all. Each entry, or unit, in the Rose Parade presented by Honda® gets their own official pin. The Mayflower pin is 1.75" across and will surely gain attention.



Mayflower 1620 is in the banner at the top, with 2020 Rose Parade at the bottom and the Mayflower Compact showing prominently. Each pin is \$15.00 and the proceeds go to the 2020 Rose Parade float.

### From the Desk of Marcia Maloney, CA 2020 Ambassador

As Deputy Governor General of the General Society, I represented California at the recent GSMD BOA meeting in Denver. I was asked to be on the nominating committee for the 2020-2023 slate of officers. Please notify me if you have suggestions or would like to be considered as a general society officer. Qualifications necessary.



*California Mayflower display table at GSMD-BOA, Denver*

2020 events in Boston, Provincetown and Plymouth were discussed in detail. Ray and I addressed the Board of Assistants members and guests regarding our parade progress and encouraged donations. Many generous members donated that day. Former Governor Lea Filson challenged \$500 which was quickly matched by others.

Many thanks to Gail Raser who handled the table where our float rendering, wine information and postcard sales were distributed. See details elsewhere in this issue for more details. We garnered lots of interest in wine donations including a large order from Provincetown for their upcoming fundraising event.

A new brochure has been published which can be ordered through Plymouth now. I will be ordering a good number for our booths at Live On Green, post-parade booth and other events in the state.

Stay up to date on Plymouth, Boston and Provincetown events on the Cape by visiting the General Society's website. I promised the Massachusetts society that we would provide ten well-dressed pilgrims to help escort the 102 Mayflower members in Pilgrim dress who will walk arm in arm with 102 recent immigrants as they get ready to be sworn in as US citizens at a naturalization ceremony. That should be coordinated with me, so I can keep count, but there will be a place to sign up on the GSMD 2020 portal. [www.themayflowersociety.org/](http://www.themayflowersociety.org/)

Before we know it, our float will move down Colorado Boulevard for all the world to see. Thanks to our wonderful 2020 committee for making it happen.

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But FIRST... LIVE On Green which is all about discovery! This event takes place at the Pasadena Convention Center. Live on Green is a huge interactive event for children and families and admission is FREE. The program is sponsored by KTLA Channel 5 TV and other organizations and runs concurrently with float decorating week so people in town for all the festivities – the parade and game -have even more opportunities to enjoy their time in the Pasadena area. Volunteers are needed to help our junior committee entertain, engage, and educate about our pilgrim ancestors. This is another opportunity for us to dress in our pilgrim clothing and talk about our ancestors with an emphasis on the children who survived and helped build Plimouth Colony. Contact committee members: Amy Conboy, Billie Mitchell or Cathey Graham, check out our [camayflower.org](https://www.liveonthegreen.com) website for more information. <https://www.liveonthegreen.com>

**Fundraising continues.** We are doing well, but still want to be sure we meet our goals as budgeted so we can produce our events. Please be sure you have contributed to the Loftman Challenge prior to Compact Day so we can collect our matching funds of \$20,200.00 We are almost there, but if you are planning to contribute, this is the time.

We are fortunate that our Governor General, Doctor George Garmany and his wife, Bev, will be with us for the entire week in Pasadena. Be sure you get your tickets to sit in the GSMD section of the parade stands and/or sign up to help decorate. You can't just show up because credentials and passes are needed. [www.camayflower.org](http://www.camayflower.org)

The first **road test** of the float is on website as well. It is so darn cute! I can't wait to help decorate it. Float riders will represent eight GSMD member states.

Unfortunately, the **Wampanoug** nation notified us that they are unable to attend or send representatives to participate in the parade. It is very difficult around the holidays for many of them to coordinate a trip from the East coast. They have sent their very best wishes to us and are very appreciative of our invitation.

**Pins and Coins:** The committee has designed and ordered the **official TOR® float pin** which is very colorful. You will want one. Also coming the **last challenge coin** to finish your set.

Remember, these items, along with the California Mayflower labeled wine and Stanley London gifts are fundraisers as well. The pins will be available for your Compact Day meetings. Also available will be postcards to address to your friends and relatives and flower vials which will ride on the float. Postcards will also be available on Compact Day at your colonies.

Other items such as **shirts, hats** will be for sale and specialty-designed tee shirts will be available for sale and those who decorate the float will be presented a shirt as a memento and for float decorating photos. Soon Sue Butler and the 2020 committee will be making more arrangements for our big gala on a "ship" in Newport Harbor. This event will take place on May 16, 2020 and contribute to our fundraising activities.

**Be sure to coordinate any press release requests with Carole, or myself. We want our story to be educational and accurate.**

We will all want to support the other 2020 activities going on around the state as well. It is difficult to attend and support everything, but remember it is in memory of our ancestors who came 400 years ago! And there is something for everyone to enjoy.

*Marvia Maloney*  
[Camayflower2020@gmail.com](mailto:Camayflower2020@gmail.com)

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## State News

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### Historian Report

This officer is pleased to announce that Colony Membership Chairs (CMC) are utilizing the new Dropbox. The Dropbox has information for CMC such as training information, forms, and tools to help guide new applicants in their lineage search to a Mayflower Passenger. This new form of communication has been well received throughout the State.

It was my delight to attend the General Board of Assistants Meeting 2019 in Denver, Colorado this past September. The highlight of course was the Historian Workshop presented by Director of Genealogy and Research Services Marti Bobertz. There are a few new items for Assistant Historians and Colony Membership Chairs to make the application process easier to complete.

The biggest point that Mrs. Bobertz reiterated is that less paperwork processing applications faster, helping to cut the verification cost.

Example: if you have a birth certification with all information included, you do not need another reference. This make it easier for the verifiers to review applications.

Send notes, Send notes... If you have a document that needs an explanation, you will want the applicant to write a short note to help the verifiers understand confusing information from documents.

Example: your applicants grandfather birth name was John Clark, his mother died when he was two years old, and his maternal grandmother adopted him and his sister, changing their surnames to Gould. There are no official adoption papers however the Family Bible, and Federal Census show this name changing along with his birth, marriage and death certificates.

The new "Short 4" form is a simplified form, located on the GSMD Historian page. When this form is used generation 1 – 4 no longer need references. The 5<sup>th</sup> generation is now located on American Ancestry giving a discount for Mayflower Members. This form is also located in the CMC Dropbox.

The Silver Supplemental form is now used when the line changes in the Silver Books. No references needed.

GSMD announced there is a 15-week verification time for application approval. Each application verified at the General Society is now costing \$50 more per application due to unnecessary paperwork (documentation). This is a huge financial loss to the General Society. Lineage Match at GSMD now costs \$75. An Historian Dropbox is coming to GSMD soon.

I hope by the time you receive this *California Quarterly*, we'll have a Colony Membership Chair in every Colony. The CMC is the first contact for applicants within the Colony. Membership Chairs are there to welcome applicants to meetings and events, give them guidance for searching for their documents, and completing their applications. As CMC you hold a key position in the organizing of our society. Thank you all for volunteering!

As we sail into 2020, I wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving.

*Sue Butler*  
State Historian

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## Junior Membership

I am very excited to be the Junior Membership chair for 2019-2021. There will be several Mayflower activities in the next two years for Junior Members to participate in. January 1, 2020 is fast approaching. Our Mayflower float will be in the Tournament of Roses Parade! If you are in the Southern California area please sign up to help decorate our float. Children age 10 and up can help with the dry decorating in November. Children age 12 and older can help with the fresh flower decorating the last week of December. Registration can be found on our state website. The California Mayflower Society will have a booth at the Live on Green event at the Pasadena Convention Center the last three days of this year. This is a fun, free event for both adults and children. Please stop by. We hope all of you will be watching our Mayflower float in the Rose Parade either in person or on the television.

It is very important to get our children and grandchildren interested in their Mayflower ancestry. Please consider sponsoring your young family members. The Junior Membership page on the California Mayflower Society website has been updated. All regular Junior Member applications are now submitted online. This will speed up the approval time for our new Juniors. The application can be found on the Junior Membership page. Please send any questions, Junior Member applications or updated Junior contact information to [camayflowerjuniors@gmail.com](mailto:camayflowerjuniors@gmail.com).

*Amy Conboy*  
*Junior Membership Chair*

## Membership

I want to begin my first report as Membership Secretary by thanking my predecessor Scott Miller for providing two days of training for Treasurer Susan Oldfield and me; that training has been invaluable as I continue to learn and carry out the responsibilities of my office .

I am very much still learning but can report that our society continues to grow as we approach 2020. Since January 1, 2019 we have added 126 new members, with more in line for approval at our next BOA meeting in October. In the Winter 2020 Quarterly, I will provide a complete report of the state of our membership.

I have two special goals: to improve the ease of information connection and flow between Treasurer, Membership Secretary, Historian and colonies; and to provide the best service I can to individual members and to colonies. I am working with Treasurer Susan Oldfield and Historian Sue Butler to achieve the first goal. I welcome input from individuals and from colonies as I work to achieve the second.

*Sally Johnson*  
*Membership Secretary*





## 2020 Rose Parade Float Participant Design and Essay

By Madison Grogan 1st Place Winner

In my life, I have heard countless stories about the *Mayflower*. From kindergarten onward, every teacher has tried to instruct me in a story I already know by heart. For most students, the *Mayflower* is just a boat, but I know that it is something much more powerful.

The *Mayflower* is the vessel that carried by family across a boundless ocean, away from oppression and into the arms of freedom. The *Mayflower* is the ship that brought one hundred two courageous hearts through winds and rain, delivering them to an unknown world that became their home. And, the *Mayflower* is the beginning of an age of democracy.



It is democracy that united the passengers together, and when they signed the *Mayflower Compact*, history was made. This piece of paper, intended for a small community, established the basis of American democracy and the blueprint for freedom as we know it. Many history and government classes fail to emphasize what an important role this document played in shaping America's future.

The *Mayflower Compact* served as a model for the U.S. Constitution, inspiring countless documents and

speeches that help define freedom. When the pilgrim chose democracy, they established a culture of freedom in what would become the northern colonies. This culture of democratic rule would persist in the colonists, eventually coming to fruition in the American Revolution. There is a reason that the Revolution began in the north, and a lot of that reasoning came from the democratic ideas that were instilled at Plymouth by a group of brave individuals who crossed an ocean for freedom.

Democracy and republicanism are ideals that I have been taught to honor and respect. When I think of American freedom, I am always drawn to the story of the pilgrims. They could have chosen to elect a dictatorial leader, but had the foresight to recognize that they were starting something new in America. The pilgrims chose, wisely, to start their colony differently than the land of their birth. They chose democracy, and that decision has defined America for four hundred years.

When I designed the float, I wanted to make sure that I conveyed the true story of the pilgrims. Their voyage across the Atlantic is the most memorable part of the journey, so I made sure to include a large version of the *Mayflower* as it sails across the ocean. In front of the ship is the *Mayflower Compact*, rolled at the top-so that it looks like a wave. This element is meant to convey the idea that both the ship and the document made history. Just as waves keep a ship afloat, the strong bonds of the *Mayflower Compact* held the pilgrims together during the harsh winters and difficult times ahead of them.

At the base of the float, around the sides, are the opening words of the Mayflower Compact. On one side, the words “In ye name of god, Amen” remind viewers of the reason behind the pilgrims’ journey: the desire for religious freedom. On the other side, the words “for ye general good of ye colony” remind viewers that the document was meant for good in order to benefit the entire community.

Around the base of the ship are Wampanoag houses. This is one of the most important parts of the design. Without the help of the Wampanoag people, the pilgrims would not have survived. The Story of the pilgrims and the Native Americans demonstrates the importance of cooperation and understanding in our society. This lesson is a core part of our history, and it continues to be relevant in today’s divided world. I am extremely grateful to the Wampanoag people for keeping my family alive and for teaching future generations that people of all background can come together for mutual benefit and understanding.

American history is filled with examples of misunderstanding, deception, and warfare between Native American and European settlers. However, the story of the pilgrims and the Wampanoag people are unique in that they had a positive relationship for many years. The pilgrims recognized that they were in a foreign land, and they therefore respected the native people. The Native American, for their part, saw an opportunity to aid a group of struggling foreigners, and they helped



Plymouth to survive. One of the Wampanoag, Tisquantum, or Squanto, had been a slave of Europeans for many years, and his entire tribe had been wiped out by European diseases. Instead of being resentful, Squanto chose to offer assistance to the pilgrims, acting as a translator and teaching them skills that would enable their village to expand into the successful colony of the seventeenth century. To symbolize that seeds of friendship were planted between the two cultures, I included corn fields growing around the float.

Around the Wampanoag houses are tables at which pilgrims and Native Americans sit side by side in order to share the first Thanksgiving. This is the most well-remembered part of the

story, and therefore it deserves to be a significant part of the float. It is important that both Native Americans and pilgrims are together because it illustrates the unity between the two peoples. The first Thanksgiving is a powerful story of brotherhood and peace, and I hope that people can learn from the actions of the pilgrims and Wampanoag people.

Another detail that I have added are barrels around the ship and on land. It was very important to me to include this detail because my ancestor, John Alden, was a cooper on the Mayflower, meaning that he was responsible for making wood barrels and buckets on the voyage. Barrels were used daily for storage purposes, so including them adds verisimilitude while also paying tribute to my ancestor.

Overall, my pilgrim ancestry has helped shape me into the American that I am today. I hope that my float design conveys the story of the pilgrims while also teaching viewers of the importance of democracy, cooperation, and courage.

## How my Float Tells the Pilgrim Story

By Grace Jensen, age 8 (Runner Up Winner)

My ancestor is William Brewster. He was a church leader who sailed on the Mayflower. The pilgrims used to meet at his house. It was called Scrooby Manor. They had secret meetings, but soon the king found out and sent spies to watch their houses. William Brewster got arrested a few times. He even escaped. On the sail of my float it says William Brewster and the other pilgrims. The Mayflower is the boat that the pilgrims took to sail to America. My float has the Mayflower. I drew white foam and a dolphin around the ship. The Mayflower Compact is very important too. It shows that everyone agrees to follow the rules for their good. I put the Mayflower Compact on a sail too. I also put all of the names of the passengers on the sails. If there isn't room for all the names on the sails, then some of the names could go on the boat.

My float has land that shows where the pilgrims went. On the land there are Native Americans and pilgrims at the first Thanksgiving. I also put a large pumpkin on the island with someone sitting on it because we eat pumpkins for Thanksgiving. The pilgrims did too. And it also shows that they had fun at the first Thanksgiving. There is also a table with the foods that were at the first Thanksgiving like turkey. Our Thanksgiving today has food like that too.

I put graves on the edge of the island where some of the pilgrims were buried. A bunch of people died in America because they starved or got sick during the first winter. We should remember them too.



I would like to play the part of Elizabeth Tilley on the float. She married the boy who fell off the Mayflower named John Howland. She was thirteen when she was on the Mayflower and didn't die during the winter. Elizabeth had 10 children and she had 88 grandchildren. My sister Annie would like to play of the part of the pilgrim sitting on the pumpkin. She could play Remember Allerton who was six at the first Thanksgiving. My younger sister could play the part of Mary Allerton. The other people

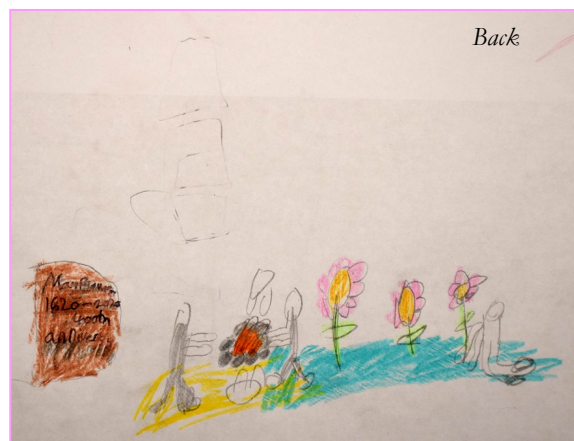
who enter the contest could be characters on my float too. It would be very generous to do that, and the pilgrims were very generous. Everyone else on the float could play someone that was on the Mayflower or a Native American.

I feel happy and glad that I was descended from someone on the Mayflower. The Mayflower passengers were very brave and strong.

**Jayden Asay***Honorable Mention*

The Pilgrims left their homes to escape because their religion. The Pilgrims were brave to leave and go to a new place. They landed in Plymouth, Massachusetts in November of 1620, not knowing of the strange land. Many harsh conditions lead to many of the Pilgrims dying. However, they worked hard as a community to make their village and learn about the land with help from the Native People. My float consists of a large Mayflower replica in the sea and on the land, Plymouth Rock and some of their hard work building the community and surviving cold winters. The float will have people working together to build homes and gardening.

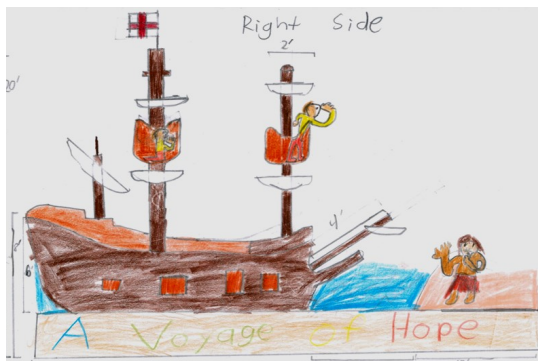
The Pilgrims' journey is meaningful because they were brave and established a new community which helped form the basis of the United States. The Mayflower ship is an important part of the Pilgrim story. The other float items were chosen because I wanted to show how hard the Pilgrims worked to make their community a better place. I am proud to be a descendant of Mayflower passengers because I get to learn more cool facts about the Mayflower and American history. Without the Mayflower, the United States would not be the same.



## Jr. Float Design Essay

By John Cooper - Honorable Mention

When the Mayflower arrived in America in 1620, almost 400 years ago, it was the first instance of my ancestry being in America. This is a very significant voyage since it was the first instance of self-government in America after the signing of the Mayflower Compact.



The people of the Mayflower were Pilgrims, going for religious reasons, the Adventurers, or those going for business and adventure, and the Strangers, going for other reasons, such as the crew. The significant part of the Mayflower Compact was all three groups signed it, like by ancestor John Alden, an adventurer.

In my float design, the rear crow's nest has a Pilgrim praying, and the front crow's nest has an adventurer looking onto the possibilities in the new world. What I wasn't able to draw

was having Adventurers and Pilgrims side-by-side to symbolize the unity of the people on the Mayflower.

Also, the kindness shown by the Native Americans was essential for the survival of the remaining people from the Mayflower, not affected by an outbreak of disease. My float design shows their kindness by having a Naïve American welcoming the Mayflower as it comes to the shore. The sailors on the Mayflower all had hope of a better life in the New World than in Great Britain. The Pilgrims had hope of religious freedom, the Adventurers had hope of a fortune or a new civilization in America, and the Strangers hoped they would stay alive. The Mayflower was a symbol of unity and hope to future civilizations of the New World.

## Co-Editor's Reports

We continue our work to keep the CA Mayflower Society up to date on what is going on in the colonies and with the statewide activities. Of course right now there is a lot of focus on the Rose Parade, but many other exciting events are under way in celebration of the coming year. Thank you for your submissions and colorful pictures to go along with your stories.

Our next submission due date is January 2<sup>nd</sup>. Of course there will be lots of pictures from the Pasadena events, but try to get your Compact Day and any other reports turned in early. Thank you!



Ray and Gail Raser  
Co-Editors CA Mayflower Quarterly

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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, 2020 . 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 2020
Spring issue	April 1st 2020
Summer issue	July 1, 2020
Fall issue	October 1st 2020

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### CA Mayflower Board of Assistants 2020 Meeting Schedule

**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

**August 20, 2020** - Email meeting to accept new members

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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.

## Colony News

### **Alameda Colony**

Alameda Colony will hold its next meeting on Oct 12, 2019 at Scott's Seafood in Walnut Creek. Guest speaker will be James Russell who will talk about his exploring Holland and Leiden's Mayflower History. We will meet with the San Francisco Colony and the Redwood Empire Colony for a Compact luncheon and play about the Mayflower passengers in Santa Rosa on November 16, 2019.

In February we will be returning to our favorite place, Scott's Seafood in Walnut Creek. Our speaker will be announced later. Our CMC is working hard to add to our Colony membership and we are looking forward to having them visit with us in October for our luncheon and meet other members of our Colony.

*Bob Trapp  
Alameda Colony, Governor*

### **Santa Barbara Colony**

The Santa Barbara Colony is fortunate to have a dedicated team to get out the newsletter before each meeting. Tami Wilkening and Ruth Jackson have been doing the newsletter since before I was on the board (10 years) and the amazing thing is at no cost to the Colony.

Tami gets the newsletters printed and Ruth mails the ones we do not have emails for. There is rarely is a receipt turned in. The amount of money they have saved our Colony over many years adds up!

I wanted to use our Colony's report to thank them for their dedication to the Colony. The other big news is right before the newsletter was due to go out the restaurant we were scheduled to meet at Flight line/High Sierra closed it's doors. This photo was taken several years ago at Mulligan's at the Santa Barbara Golf Club. Tami and Judy Cardinal both alerted me in time and I was able to arrange for our Compact meeting to be held on October 12, 2019 at MULLIGAN'S. Our program will be "Revolutionary Faith" by Colony Chaplain Ron Zell.



*Tami Wilkening and Ruth Jackson the Santa Barbara Colony Newsletter team with Governor Ray Garrett!*

*Ray Garrett  
Santa Barbara Colony, Governor*





## Inland Empire Colony

Our Inland Empire Colony meeting was held at Bob's Big Boy Restaurant in Calimesa, CA on September 24, 2019. The new officers for the 2019-2021 term were introduced by the Governor, Susan Christopher. They are: Rick Clark, Deputy Governor; Wayne Staples, Treasurer; Cheryl Ralston Staples, Recording Secretary; and David Grinnell, Membership Chairman. Also intro-



*L-R: Sarah Schiller, Sandy Carr, Anthony Hopkins, Mary Williams and Deputy Governor, Rick Clark*

duced was Kim Pike, Facebook Chairman. Beverly Nickerson led The Pledge of Allegiance and Sandy Carr led the reading of the Mayflower Pledge. Our new Mayflower members and new members to our Colony were introduced by Nancy Schlachter and presented with a welcome gift. Attending were: Sarah Schiller (John Alden); Anthony Hoskins (John Alden), Mary Williams (William Mullins) and Sandra Carr (William White).

The Mayflower Moment was presented by Rick Clark. His very interesting topic was a clarification of the terminology "Saints and Strangers". The question of who the Separatists were and how often the Strangers became supporters of the Separatists was discussed.

Member Cheryl Ralston Staples and her sister, Jan Ralston, from the Sequoia Colony, shared their journey to England with the group and presented their program "A Pilgrimage to East Anglia". Cheryl and Jan travelled together to England and traced the steps of their ancestors John Howland and Elizabeth Tilley in England, as well as, other pilgrim sites in the UK. Mayflower 400 stickers were distributed to the members. Following their presentation, Governor Christopher presented them with "thank you" gifts.



*L-R: Cheryl Ralston Staples and Jan Ralston*

Recording Secretary, Cheryl Ralston Staples, read the minutes from the April meeting. Wayne Staples, Treasurer, distributed the Treasurer's Report. Wine from our third case was sold and commemorative pins and coins were available for purchase as fundraisers for the Mayflower Rose Parade Float. Pam Mikkelsen donated a \$20 Tee shirt, as well. The Mayflower Love Pop Cards, great gifts for family members this Thanksgiving, were purchased with great enthusiasm. The Pennies for Petals jar was passed around for contributions.

A committee was formed to check the feasibility of our including a "Petal Party" to our fundraising efforts. Pam Mikkelsen, Kim Pike and Cheryl Staples with the help of the experience of Kathleen Loftman from the San Diego Colony, will work together in hopefully setting up this project.

Nancy Schlachter conducted the Ancestor Roll Call and Stephen Hopkins won with 8 Membership Chairman, David Grinnell, reported that he has been working with several people in their documentation of ancestry and that it is "looking good"!

Governor Christopher encouraged members to attend the San Diego Colony Mayflower Compact Luncheon on Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> in Carlsbad to hear renowned Mayflower historian, author, and speaker, Caleb Johnson. Information was distributed. Several members plan to attend.

At the Commemorative Ball on May 16, 2020, the Inland Empire will be providing 20 Disneyland tickets for the silent auction. In order to earn them, Disney requires the names of at least 75 volunteers and lots of picture (especially of family members with children working together. San Diego has already participated with names and some photos of their “petal party.” Thank you, thank you. We encourage all colonies to share your volunteer names and pictures with us to help us reach our goal.

Our next meeting will be Saturday, November 9, 2019 with guest speaker, Darrell Rivers, speaking about “King Phillip’s War”.

*Susan Christopher  
Inland Empire Colony, Governor*

### Sequoia Colony

The Sequoia Colony will meet on November 9<sup>th</sup> at beautiful Allied Arts Guild in Menlo Park. There will be a choice of 3 entrée items. After lunch, our own Jonathan Dickey will speak on:

***The Story of Leiden: Our Separatist Ancestors.*** Jonathan will provide an overview of the English Separatist movement in the latter half of the 1500’s, up to the day our Pilgrim ancestors



boarded the Mayflower in 1620. He will explain why the Separatists left England for the city of Leiden, how they lived there, and why so many of them ultimately decided to leave Leiden for the New World. He will also describe the powerful theological debates that raged throughout Europe in that time period, and the central role that English Separatists such as John Robinson played in those debates. Jonathan was fortunate to travel to Leiden last year, where he visited the American Pilgrim Museum and other important historical sites. As we approach our 400th anniversary, Jonathan is pleased to share his insights about the history of Leiden, and our Pilgrim ancestors who lived there.”

Sequoia Colony invites the San Francisco Colony for a joint meeting on March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at the Menlo Circus Club. All members are invited and encouraged to donate funds and/or to purchase the Mayflower pins and coins or coin sets. Sales go toward funding the Rose Parade Mayflower float.

*Louise Sturges DeDera  
Sequoia Colony, Governor*

**SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS  
IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA presents  
FREEDOM'S SONG**

a new one-act play  
By Antoinette J. Kuhry

Inspired by the upcoming 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the landing of the Mayflower in Massachusetts, Antoinette J. (Toni) Kuhry, Treasurer of the Redwood Empire Colony, and descendant of Mary and William Brewster, decided to write a play about the Pilgrims and their great adventure. As she did research, she discovered that



*Antoinette J. (Toni) Kuhry*

the story she wanted to tell was the story of freedom, freedom that ultimately led to the First Amendment to the US. Constitution. Toni found that the challenge for her was to give voice to the tremendous religious convictions which drove these English people out of the Church of England, first taking refuge in Leiden, The Netherlands, and ultimately in America.

The play follows William Brewster from his youthful position as an assistant to Queen Elizabeth I's court official, William Davison, through the formation of the congregation at Scrooby Manor, Brewster's home, which congregation would ultimately decide it had to leave England because of the persecution by the English government aligned fully with the hierarchy of the Church of England. More than a decade in Leiden followed, and then the crossing to America was determined and carried out aboard the Mayflower.

The signing of the Mayflower Compact in the harbor was a historic occasion and the principles embodied in this document were to presage the First Amendment to the US. Constitution. Other prominent Pilgrims featured in the story are Pastor John Robinson, Edward Winslow, Mary and Mrs. Chilton, Thomas Brewer, Robert Cushman and William Bradford. Pulling the story along is the Greek style Chorus which serves as narrator and commentator on the action and who speaks its lines in verse.

Of course, Shakespeare was writing during much of the time period of this short play and he was an inspiration of sorts in the play's structure and content. As Mr. Shakespeare said: "The play's the thing", and this line is reiterated in the opening verse of Freedom's Song and we see the concept acted out throughout the play.

As to the meaning of the Pilgrims' saga to our age, there are great similarities with our continued struggles in the United States. Their story was akin to the plight of refugees in so many situations throughout the course of history, from the Bible, which they cherished, to our own day. Also, the problem of abuse of power, in the churches and in all walks of life, which is still a huge factor in our society, continues to challenge our abilities as a free people. There is much to be admired in the *tenacity*, *courage*, and *kindness* which were so much a part of the Pilgrims' deep faith and a warning to us all that freedom requires these traits continue to be honored and practiced.

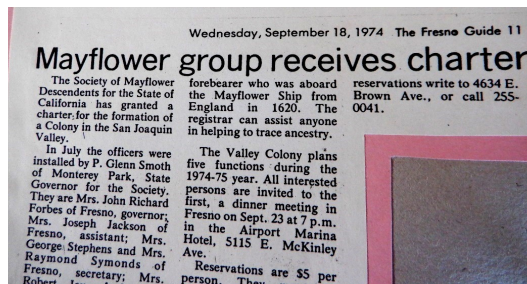


*Replica of William Brewster's chest by  
Thomas Haenser*

The play will be presented on November 16, 2019, at 12:00 Noon, on Compact Day for the northern California groups and others and again on November 17, 2019, at 3:00 PM, for the general public, in Sonoma, California, at Hanna Boys Center theater, 17000 Arnold Drive. Tickets can be ordered by calling: 707-996-3357.

## San Joaquin Valley Colony

We plan to honor Charter Members at our Compact Meeting, November 2, 2019. The



Meeting will be held in Fresno. Our speaker will be Dr. Matthew Bowdish, California Society Surgeon. He will be speaking on the practice of medicine in the Plymouth Colony.

*Susan Rae Oldfield*  
San Joaquin Valley Colony, Governor

## Redwood Colony

Before we begin our meeting, I would like to say a few words about our Society in general. We are, about to begin our 400th year of coming to America, as immigrants. Our families had come from many walks of life, be they religious leader, craftsmen, tradesmen, sailors, servants or adventurers. All were women & men who were determined to improve the lives & wellbeing of their families. In retrospect, no single person or family played any lesser a part. When you look back on the crossing & the first years of the Plymouth Colony, you begin to understand how & why such a diverse group of individuals, pulled together, helped one another through sickness & conflicts, for the good of all. Yes, they had their differences, yet in their hearts & minds, they all understood the need to unite for their survival & incredible success.

The fact that you are sitting here, is a testament to the success of their courageous endeavor. In each of us resides the very essence of that strong determination that continues to flow within your children & generations to come. So let us all stand proud, do our best & take this opportunity to help make this our 400<sup>th</sup> year a reminder to our fellow citizens & newer immigrants, that we are a far better nation when we work together, listen respectfully, reach compromises, for the ultimate good of all as so elegantly stated in our Mayflower Compact of 1620.

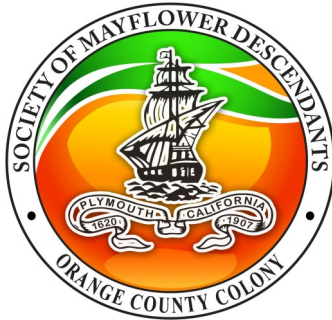


*Wayne Skala*  
Redwood Colony, Governor

## Orange County Colony

The OC Colony has been hard at work to get ready for our upcoming Compact Day on November 9<sup>th</sup>. We are having it at the Huntington Beach Hotel, in Huntington Beach. Our guest speaker will be Jacque Tahuka Nuñez, who is the representative from the Acjachemen (Ah-ha-che-men) Tribe located in South Orange County. They were later called the Juaneño Tribe by the Spanish Missionaries who founded the San Juan Capistrano Mission in 1776.

Along with Jacque will be a National Champion “Hoop Dancer” from Arizona. Whenever they come to be with us, we are so honored they share with us their proud culture and artistry.



### OC Colony's 2020 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala Update

The OC Colony's 2020 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala at the Bower's Museum will be held on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020. Our 2020 Committee Chair, Deborah Kurilchyk, and the other 12 Members on the OC 2020 Committee, are pleased to report that our Gala planning activities have hit the halfway mark. It's full steam ahead. The facilities have been secured and studied.

All of the teams are busy planning a truly “first class” event that will give the Pilgrim story such honor, in the form of a Panel Discussion and Exhibit that will include various paintings and rare artifacts from the period, most notably, William Bradford's Calvinist Commentary on the Bible, written in Dutch, with his signature inside the front cover.

Our Chair, Deborah Kurilchyk, has been recruiting participants for our Panel Discussion about the impact of the Pilgrims up to now and for the next 400 years. Our outreach efforts are coming to fruition, but we will wait to announce our speakers in the lead up to the event. Our major news is that the initial reception has been moved to the main courtyard in the Bowers Museum. We are excited about this new development. We will all enter from the main entrance to the Bowers Museum and enjoy libations and light hors d'oeuvres under the twinkling lights and starry sky in the Spanish style courtyard. It will be a great way to begin our evening. Stay tuned for more updates!

Ticket sales will be as follows: Beginning in October 2019, invitations will be sent to OC Colony members. In early 2020, we will be pleased to extend an invitation to our SoCal sister colonies. We will be working with the Governors of each of the Colonies to help us email out formal electronic invitations to their members. In addition to local colonies, we will be inviting the Colony Governors from around the State. Of course, all members statewide will be most welcome. We can't wait to see you there!

Also, all during 2020, the OC Colony is planning on having our *“East Facts – About the Pilgrims Who Sailed Across the Sea”* educational exhibit in two or three libraries in the County. Right now, we are scheduled to be in the Mission Viejo Public Library from January through March 2020 and at the Fullerton Public Library from October through November 2020. These exhibits tell the story of the Pilgrims to children and adults alike that will intrigue them and educate them at the same time.

*Scott A. Miller*  
Orange County Colony, Governor

## San Diego Colony

The Fall of 2019 brings the real work of putting our State Society's Mayflower Rose Parade® Float plans into motion and making 2020 a year to be proud of for OUR OWN DESCENDANTS. We encourage everyone to get involved at some level to support our ancestor's "Voyage of Hope". In support of our State Society's efforts, the San Diego Colony is continuing our sales of items for the float project, including the State Colony Coins, and our Colony's *Stanley London*



*John Farrell*

Mayflower Commemorative Gifts, *Lucas and Lewellen* wines, and Mayflower Window Stickers. For this year, all of the profits from our Colony's fundraising sales are going to support the 2020 Float Project. We encourage all other Colonies to look for ways to help in any way they can.

San Diego Colony Member, John Farrell, Received Military "Honor Flight" Recognition – SD Mayflower Colony Member, John Farrell, was invited to participate in the "Honor Flight" program in Washington, D.C. for military veterans. After his trip,



John spoke to our Colony about the visit, and the deeper meaning to the members of his "Greatest Generation". His selection was reported to the Colony via his daughter, Sandra Phillips (also a SD Colony Member). 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 "Honor Flight" 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. HUZDAH to you and your compadres!

### **PETAL CLIPPING PARTY -**

This Summer, the San Diego Colony met twice for "Petal Clipping" events. In August, 60+ members and friends of our Colony met at the Village Church in Rancho Santa Fe. After viewing an awesome training video and then receiving tips from local 'clip' veterans (i.e., don't run with your scissors, and don't sneeze into your box), we began our 6-hours of snipping dried flower petals. The petals will be used later during the decoration of the float.



Of course it wasn't all clip-clip-clip into our collection boxes. We also had some lunch and light entertainment and lots of Mayflower talk for the attendees. So, not having had enough fun at this first event, in September we did it again; this time at the La Costa Glen Retirement facility in Carlsbad. Helping were 30+ members, friends, and residents. These were both very fun days and no clipping injuries were reported. Many thanks to the organizers and all of the attendees for your hard work!

**SD COLONY 2020 COMPACT DAY EVENT:** Our Colony's November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 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 extended invitations to all Southern California Mayflower Members through their Governors, and we hope to see many visitors to our meeting. Caleb is an important researcher and writer for Mayflower History, and he will be speaking to us about new discoveries about the original Plimoth Colonists. We hope to see you there!



**SAN DIEGO COLONY PLANS FOR 2020** - We're also planning some exciting things for next year too. For the Summer, we're talking with the San Diego Baseball Club about a Mayflower Night at a Padres game. There are also several Summer Parades in our plans and opportunities to wear our Pilgrim attire. Families are definitely encouraged. And then in the Fall, we'll be doing our big *Plimoth Plantation West* community outreach in San Diego's beautiful Balboa Park. With lessons learned from last year's event, we hope to make this one even better.

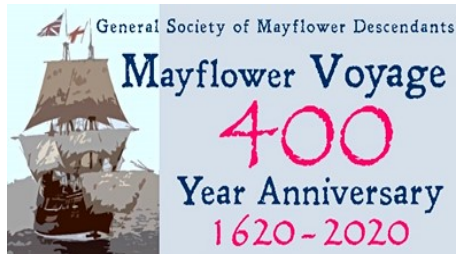
*Budd Leef  
San Diego Colony, Governor*

### Mayflower Bumper/Window Stickers

To impress your family, friends and neighbors, we now have two Mayflower window/bumper stickers available for purchase. One-Hundred % donated to San Diego Colony by a member,

**EVERY SINGLE penny** from their sale this year goes towards our CA Society's 2020 Tournament of Roses Parade ® Float. The stickers are priced at \$3.00 each (plus shipping), or "let's make a deal."

(But remember, they're a donation.)



## Rancho Conejo Colony

Governor Lorraine Kocen welcomed over 60 attendees to our August meeting. Bradford descendants were present in force because Scott Miller, Deputy Governor South, was giving his presentation about Governor William Bradford.



*My bow time flies when you are having fun! The Rancho Conejo Colony celebrated its 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at our August meeting.*

The Opening Invocation was given by Chaplain Donna McCullough followed by the Pledge of Allegiance by Captain Yvonne Knerr. Sally Cicuto led the singing of "America the Beautiful". Vicki Cooper-Lane, Bradford descendant, read the Mayflower Compact.

Cynthia Borchard, Treasurer, reported that our bank balance is \$4,199.00. Cynthia was thanked for her service and wished all the best as she relocates to Arizona. Thank you to Barbara Warren, our past treasurer, who will resume the treasurer duties.

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 fourteen Mayflower passengers were in attendance, with Bradford descendants "winning" as the largest group.

Governor Lorraine Kocen stated that our colony is celebrating our fifth anniversary; we started with about 20 members in 2014 and now have over 50 members. On display was our first California Mayflower Quarterly and 2014 article about the formation of our new colony in the Acorn, our local newspaper. Eleven Charter members were present and stood to be recognized.

Colony Scholarship: Our first colony college scholarship of \$500 was announced, funded by the sale of Mayflower pendants, name tags, and other items. Sally Cicuto will be the scholarship committee chairperson; more to come!

Deputy Governor Don Morris introduced our many prospective members and guests. Governor Lorraine announced the many local and Plymouth 2020 activities. 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, new members John Michael Stephenson (Howland) and Diane MacLaury (Alden) were introduced. Then table by table, members came to shake hands and welcome them to our society.

Don Morris introduced our speaker Scott Miller, who was wearing an impressive Mayflower costume. He presented his video about the Bradford manuscript, which was lost for many years before turning up in England! Scott created the video and voiced all the characters.

Shirley Vivion, prospective member, was the winner of a bottle of Mayflower 2020 wine in a drawing for our Bradford descendants.

**Special Thank You:** to Robert Dempster, past governor, for all his work in promoting our colony which has resulted in our growth to over 50 members. Bob recently donated more Mayflower pendants for our scholarship fund. Bob had the pendants made, added the chains and placed them in Mayflower-appropriate pink boxes.



**Next Meeting:** We invite you to our next meeting on November 9, 2019 at Los Robles Greens in Thousand Oaks. Our speaker, Barbara Randall, will present “Genealogy Research Strategies”. Members are asked to bring their questions and share their tips.



*Bradford descendants gather round our speaker Scott Miller. Bradford attendees included Russ Spear, Jean Harden, Shirley Vivion, Glenn Walker, Anne Duffly, Scott Miller, Fred Land, Vicki Cooper-Lane, Rita Harris, Julie Hale, Raelene Manzer, Stephanie Hall Rosa and Dorothy Miller.*



*Members and guests catch up at our August meeting.*

*Lorraine Kocen  
Rancho Conejo Colony, Governor*

## San Francisco Peninsula Colony

### Saturday November 16, 2019:

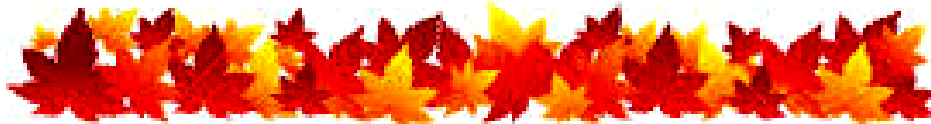
Our next meeting will be our annual Compact day celebration with the Redwood Empire and Alameda Colonies at the Hanna Boys Center Auditorium, Sonoma. The play entitled Freedom's Song will start at noon and will be followed by lunch.

### Saturday January 25, 2020:

The Delancey Street Restaurant, SF. The social begins at 11:30 am and lunch will be served at noon. Our guest speakers will be Pat and Charlie Keiffer. Charlie is a direct descendant of the Castro Family who came to California with the de Anza expedition of 1775/1776. A retired business man, he grew up in Watsonville, Monterey and San Jose and served three years in the army as a member of the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Paratroopers Division. Charlie serves on the Board of the Friends of Santa Cruz State Parks, where he is actively involved in the restoration of the Rancho San Andres Castro Adobe State Historic Park. We will email out invitations in early December.

If you would like to attend either event, please go to our website [www.mayflowersf.org](http://www.mayflowersf.org) for the upcoming invitations. If you are not receiving our emails, please email your contact info to: mayflowersf2@gmail.com.

*Alexandra Kromelow  
San Francisco Peninsula Colony Governor*



### Mother Lode Colony

The Mother Lode Colony welcomed Fall on September 28 with a fascinating discussion by Jonathan Dickey on "The Story of Leiden: Our Separatist Ancestors," Jonathan discussed the history of the Separatist movement in England, the broader religious conflicts in Europe at the time of the Pilgrims, what life in Leiden was like for the Pilgrim congregation, and the ultimate reasons for their exodus to the New World. We had 44 members and guests in attendance.

The talk began in the reign of "Bloody Mary" with how the "Calvanists" and Separatists learned to get along and moved forward in spite of religious problems in Amsterdam. The Pilgrims learned how to earn a living with help from Bradford and Brewster. Our treasurer June Epperly announced that she has taken the position of Colony Membership Chair (CMC) and explained how it can speed up applications. Thank you, June. The Mother Lode Colony is proud to have made a good contribution to the financing of the Mayflower float in the Pasadena Parade on New Year's Day. We are also grateful for the doubling of our contribution by an anonymous generous person.

We are also purchasing for sale a "card" that when opened, it reveals a Mayflower ship in full glory! The last meeting this year will be our Compact Day on November 23. The speaker will be one of our Colony members, Dr. Matthew Bowdish. He will speak about medicine in the Colonies and some fascinating information about George Washington.



*Guest Speaker  
Jonathan Dickey*

*Kathy Gire  
Mother Lode Colony, Governor*

### Monterey Bay Colony

When the Monterey Bay Colony Descendants of the Mayflower was "launched" in 1962, Grace Wood Bishop was one of the Charter Signers. At that time, the Colony was twenty-seven strong with Grace's signature on line number six. She had previously been a long-standing Massachusetts Mayflower member.



Ninety-nine years ago, Grace was born in Plymouth County, Massachusetts, not far from Cape Cod. She grew up with the rich knowledge and history of her Pilgrim ancestors... Myles Standish, John Alden, George Soule and William Mullins. She and her husband Franklyn moved to Hollister, California, with their three children before the 1960s. As co-incidences happen, they lived three houses away from the location where Past Governor Verona Flint was raised. There were lots of Pilgrims running around in the neighborhood! Grace still resides at that same residence. When visiting her home, you notice evidence of her Pilgrim heritage in the décor. Monterey Bay Colony is honored to have this photograph, which was taken in August 2019, of Grace Bishop holding the original Charter. The next meeting of the Monterey Bay Colony will be Saturday, November 16 in the Library at the Monterey Peninsula Country Club House. Elizabeth Barrett, journalist, will be the speaker.

*Gloria Gibbel  
Monterey Bay Colony, Governor*

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## Los Angeles Colony

I invite all to the Compact Day luncheon of the Los Angeles colony on November 2, 2019 at the Tam O'Shanter Inn in Los Feliz. Los Angeles colony members should have received an invitation but if somehow you have been missed, please e-mail me at [drrlincoln@yahoo.com](mailto:drrlincoln@yahoo.com) and I'll get the RSVP information to you.

Our speaker will be Dr. Carla Pestana, Chair of the UCLA History Department. She has presented for other lineage societies and was well received. Prof. Pestana has been a Distinguished Fellow at the Huntington Library and a Guggenheim Foundation Fellow. She studies the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> century Atlantic worlds, especially the English Atlantic. She will put the recent anniversary of the 1619 introduction of slavery at Jamestown into a wider context and discuss how the institution arose and how various regions, including New England fit into it.

Carole Curran, the GSMD 2020 Rose Parade Float Chair, is a member of the Los Angeles colony and will be attending the luncheon. She will provide us with the latest on our Rose Parade float plans and preparation. Scott Miller, California Deputy Governor South, will also be attending. He'll update us on the many and various items that are available to purchase towards the fundraising for the float. I suggest all attendees be ready to make spur of the moment purchases (i.e., bring your checkbook). And I encourage all members who are able to help with the float decorating shifts to sign up at the website <http://www.camayflower2020.com>. Four hundred years ago, many of our ancestors were already very engaged in the preparation for the journey to America they were to undertake the next year. In their memory, all descendants should be engaged in a manner of their choice (time or treasure) to support the preparation of "The Voyage of Hope – 1620" Rose Parade float that celebrates those efforts four hundred years ago.

*Robert Lincoln  
Los Angeles Colony, Governor*

## Awards ceremony honors Priscilla Mullins Alden and exceptional women

According to legend, *Mayflower* Pilgrim Priscilla Mullins Alden was a woman who spoke her mind. Today, her descendants are paying tribute to her with a special event that honors exceptional women in Priscilla's honor– the Speak for Thyself Awards.

The awards ceremony is named for a line in the narrative poem, "The Courtship of Miles Standish" by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow – an Alden descendant – in which Priscilla Mullins encouraged John Alden to "speak for thyself" when it came to courting her, rather than trying to convince her to court his friend, Captain Standish.

*Excerpted from GSMD website*



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**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.

Please use the order form. Contact Lorraine Kocen at [lorraine@vcnet.com](mailto:lorraine@vcnet.com) with any questions.

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## 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. 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 [torriecat@cox.net](mailto:torriecat@cox.net).

*Thank you!*

## Mayflower 2020 Commemorative Gifts

We will soon be marking the 400<sup>th</sup> 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 400<sup>th</sup> 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>.



**New Members Elected  
August 17, 2019**

**Alameda Colony**

CA 9483 GSMD 95503  
Darla Cecilia(Martin) Howze  
11<sup>th</sup> from John Alden

CA 9489 GSMD 95563  
Michael Christopher Tate  
14<sup>th</sup> from Stephen Hopkins

CA 9501 GSMD 95684  
Nancy Ann Schott Campbell  
12<sup>th</sup> from Richard Warren

**Inland Empire Colony**

CA 9485 GSMD 95521  
Sandra Jeanne Mortensen  
11<sup>th</sup> from William White

CA 7517, IL1567, FL3440, GSMD37774  
Anthony Glenn Hoskins  
John Alden (Reinstatement)

**Los Angeles Colony**

CA 4575 GSMD 95366  
Ann Crossland  
12<sup>th</sup> from Edward Fuller

CA 9482 GSMD 95453  
Barbara Anne Farren  
11<sup>th</sup> from John Howland

CA 9487 GSMD 95561  
Leonard Allen Kenny  
10<sup>th</sup> from Francis Billington

CA 9095 GSMD 90574  
Alexander Arpad Ladanyi  
11<sup>th</sup> from Edward Doty

CA 9169 GSMD 91589  
Heather Dawn Star Sabin  
14<sup>th</sup> from William Brewster

CA 9502 GSMD 95685  
Pamela Carol Holt  
13<sup>th</sup> from Thomas Rogers

CA 9491, WY 337, GSMD75466  
Adryn Angelique Miller Sumner  
12<sup>th</sup> from John Alden  
Dual membership request

**Mother Lode Colony**

CA 9496 GSMD 95651  
Karen Ann De Voe  
12<sup>th</sup> from Priscilla Mullins

CA 9498 GSMD 95664  
John David Beach  
12<sup>th</sup> from Isaac Allerton

CA 9499 GSMD 95665  
Rev. Dr. Linda Susan Randolph Line  
11<sup>th</sup> from Myles Standish

CA 9503 GSMD 95686  
Sarah Nicole Perrin  
12<sup>th</sup> from John Howland

**Orange County Colony**

CA 9479 GSMD 95412  
Jonathan Davis  
13<sup>th</sup> from James Chilton

CA 9484 GSMD 95504  
Deanna (Durazzo) Jasper  
13<sup>th</sup> from Mary Chilton

CA 9492 GSMD 95579  
Patricia Ann (Shearer) Aycock  
11<sup>th</sup> from Francis Cooke

CA 9500 GSMD 95666  
Stephanie Anne McEwan  
11<sup>th</sup> from John Alden

**Rancho Conejo Colony**

CA 9494 GSMD 95603  
Nicole Katherine Goulart  
14<sup>th</sup> from John Alden

**Redwood Empire Colony**

CA 9476 GSMD 95367  
Christine Martha Laura Huemer  
10<sup>th</sup> from Giles Hopkins

CA 9486 GSMD 95541  
John Roderick McNeill  
10<sup>th</sup> from William Brewster

CA 9504 GSMD 95687  
 Marcia Susan (Stone) Trumbull  
 10<sup>th</sup> from John Howland

**San Diego Colony**

CA 9480 GSMD 95413  
 Adda Marjorie (Cole) Sheldon  
 11<sup>th</sup> from Francis Cooke

CA 9488 GSMD 95562  
 Kelly Patscheck Murphy  
 (Mrs. Shawn Murphy)  
 13<sup>th</sup> from George Soule

CA 9493 GSMD 95580  
 Ellen Squire Fancy  
 12<sup>th</sup> from William Brewster

**San Francisco Peninsula Colony**

CA 9497 GSMD 95652  
 Alexa Christiane Hatton Johnson  
 12<sup>th</sup> from Stephen Hopkins

CA 9490, VA 1131, GSMD 74080  
 Gale Valentine Emery  
 12<sup>th</sup> from John Howland  
 Transfer Request

**San Joaquin Valley Colony**

CA 9495, OK 996, GSMD 89205  
 Elizabeth Ann Tatum Stewart  
 12<sup>th</sup> from William White  
 Transfer Request

**Sequoia Colony**

CA 9477 GSMD 95368  
 Sandra Lynn Stiles Kelly  
 10<sup>th</sup> from Edward Doty

CA 9481 GSMD 95431  
 Rosalie Boskind  
 13<sup>th</sup> from Isaac Allerton

## Mayflower II Ready for 2020

September 7, 2019

Four hundred years after the Mayflower arrived on the shores of the new world, thousands of people gathered to see the launch of the Mayflower II.

Christened by British Consul General to New England Harriet Cross with water from all 50 states in the U.S. as well as water from Plymouth, U.K. and Leiden, Netherlands at the Mystic Seaport Museum where it successfully floated in the mystic river for the first time in almost three years.



*By Douglas Hook  
 dhook@masslive.com*

# Save the Date

May 16, 2020

Dinner  
Dancing  
Silent Auction

In May 1620, the Mayflower and master Christopher Jones were hired to take the Pilgrims to Northern Virginia. This was the first recorded trans-Atlantic voyage for both ship and master.

Please plan to join us on the four-level yacht *Eternity*, for a three-hour sunset cruise in Newport Beach Harbor, as we commemorate the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the contract between master Christopher Jones and our famous Pilgrim ancestors. This black-tie optional Gala is an event you won't want to miss. Tickets go on sale in 2020. Mark your calendar now as seating is limited.

*The Eternity is wheelchair accessible.*



### *The Voyage of Hope - 1620 Riders and Outwalkers*

The selection committee reviewed all applications received by the July 31, 2019 deadline. Applications included the application form, clothing description and several photos of period-correct 17<sup>th</sup> century clothing. A total of 43 were received from across the country. California had the most applicants (31), followed by Connecticut (2), and one each from Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Massachusetts, New York, Ohio, South Carolina, South Dakota, Wisconsin and one with dual membership in Maryland and Texas. Over half were women and five applicants were under 21 years of age. We appreciate all the effort and expense that went into the applications. Early on in the process, we had hoped to accept 51 pilgrims and 4 Wampanoag tribe members to illustrate the survivors of the first harsh winter and the treaty with the Wampanoag nation that contributed to their survival. Unfortunately, we overestimated the response from Mayflower Descendants and, to our disappointment, the Wampanoag nation notified us they would be unable to make the trip west. At the advice of our float builder, for safety reasons as well as float judging criteria, we decided to accept the limited amount of float riders and have only two Mayflower Guardsmen escorting the float on foot on New Year's Day. This came as disappointing news to the committee as well as to those who were not accepted.

The following Mayflower Descendants have been invited to accompany The Voyage of Hope – 1620 in the 131<sup>st</sup> Rose Parade presented by Honda® on January 1, 2020. Seventeen will ride and two will walk. Thirteen are from California and six from other states. Hearty Congratulations are in order and we look forward to meeting everyone.

Mayflower Guard: James Battles (MD/TX) and Charles Provost (IN)

Float Riders from other States: Governor General George Garmany (CO), Nancy Lenhoff (MA), Duke Romo (NY), Carol Wilder-Tamme (CT)

Float Riders from California: Tony Brewster, Carole Curran, Madison Grogan, Grace Jensen, Liane Jenson, Kathleen Loftman, Past Governor Marcia Huntley Maloney, Scott Miller, Governor Ray Raser, Karen Schwartz, Donald St. John, Beth Stone, and Jane Wong.

Each participant is responsible for their travel arrangements and expenses. We appreciate all that embarked on this process and regret that we were simply not able to accept all that applied.



*Beth Stone, Donald St. John, Carole Curran, Kathleen Loftman, Ray Raser, Marcia Maloney, Scott Miller, Tony Brewster, Karen Schwartz,*

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*CA Mayflower Photo Event at TOR House*



*Tony Brewster, Marcia Maloney, Kathleen Loftman, Ray Raser, Karen Schwartz, Beth Stone, Carole Curran, Scott Miller, Donald St. John*



*Karen Schwartz, Marcia Maloney, Kathleen Lofiman, Carole Curran, Beth Stone*



*Ray Raser, Tony Brewster, Scott Miller, Donald St. John*



*The Mayflower Pilgrims practice their waving at the TOR House, Pasadena.*

*Photo Credits Marina Miller, Gail Raser, Karen Schwartz*

