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Liberty Mosaic
Forest Lawn, Los Angeles, CA

Photo by Ray Raser
Dear Members,

Spring has sprung and some of you will be planning your summer vacations soon. The Indiana Society will be hosting the next meeting of the General Board of Assistants September 10, 2016 in Indianapolis, Indiana. You can find the registration form and full information at: www.TheMayflowerSociety.org. Perhaps a visit to Indiana could be included in your vacation plans. The Indiana Society is planning many interesting tours and events.

The April 9 California Board of Assistants meeting will be history as you read this. Right now though I am busy getting the agenda ready and making my flight plans for the April 9 meeting in Southern California. Our meetings rotate between North and South. Our January meeting was in Oakland and arranged by Jane Carman, Deputy Governor North. This upcoming meeting has been arranged by Marcia Maloney, Deputy Governor South. These two Deputy Governors do a lot of work to arrange the venue and luncheon menu for these meetings and deserve a round of applause.

At our last meeting, the Board voted to amend our procedure regarding expense reimbursement. The State Society will now cover the Board of Assistants meeting travel expenses of each Colony Governor or an appointed representative if the Colony Governor is unable to attend. Unfortunately, few of the Colony Governors are taking advantage of this opportunity to be a part of the decision-making process offered to them. I encourage each one of our thirteen colonies to send their Colony Governor or a representative to each and every Board of Assistants meeting. Attending these meetings and bringing back a report to the Colony membership will keep your Colony informed on what is happening at the State level.

One problem that has come to my attention is Colony meetings conflicting with the Board of Assistants meetings. I just received a meeting notice for April 9 from one of the colonies. Please do not schedule your Colony meetings on the same Saturday your State Board is meeting. I mentioned this many times in my reports while serving as Deputy Governor North for the past years and I feel the need to say it again.

We are still at work digitizing the member files in the Oakland office. Progress is being made little by little. Carolyn Schwab comes into the office each week and is freeing up space in the file cabinets at a rapid pace. The end result of this project will be that all the Co-Historians will have a copy of the approved applications and the documentation for each of our members at their fingertips. This should improve their efficiency in working with new applicants and completing supplemental application for our present members.

Please read the rest of this publication to keep abreast of the activities of all our state colonies and officers. They are all doing a wonderful job working on the duties of their individual positions representing you as a member of the California Mayflower Society.

Enjoy these nice Spring days!!!

Patricia M. Friesen
CA Mayflower Governor
Deputy Governor North

I am enjoying my position as the Deputy Governor North. I was the speaker at the San Francisco/Peninsula Colony meeting on 23 Jan 2016, the Alameda Colony meeting on 20 Feb 2016, and the Monterey Bay Colony meeting on 27 Feb 2016 and attended the Sequoia Colony meeting on 12 Mar 2016.

Mayflower has always been my favorite lineage society. The people are always warm, inviting and entertaining. Meeting with these colonies’ members has been wonderful. These gatherings are filled with intelligent, interesting and very pleasant kindred. I will bring my tabletop display for the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of California table at the Southern California Genealogical Society Jamboree in June. I will help man/woman the table. I encourage everyone in the Los Angeles - San Diego area (and the state) to join us at the Jamboree. It is a great resource to educate others about our society.

My schedule for the remaining colony meetings is as follows:
San Joaquin Valley Colony – 21 May 2016 meeting
Mother Lode Colony – 24 Sep 2016 meeting

I am continuing to update the Board of Assistants and Colony Governors Roster and emailing it to everyone on the Roster. Please make sure you let me know any changes to the Roster, both Northern and Southern California colonies. Also, please update the current people who are and are not on the email list. I have heard from people who are not on our Board any longer. They wish to no longer receive BOA emails.

Jane Ordway Carman
Deputy Governor North

Deputy Governor South

As mentioned in my last report, I plan on attending as many colony meetings as time permits this year, so I particularly appreciate being included in notices of your events. In addition to continuing to serve on the board of my home colony in OC and attending the meetings, I will be attending the April 2nd Santa Barbara Colony meeting and the San Diego colony meeting to install their officers on May 21st. The Orange County Colony will elect new officers on April 23rd at which time I will conduct that swearing-in ceremony. In November I enjoyed LA’s Compact Day meeting. The state Board of Assistants’ meeting in Oakland in January was productive. See more details in Governor Pat Friesen’s report. I recently ordered brochures for distribution at the Burbank Jamboree of the Southern CA Genealogical Society in June. We will have a booth there again this year. Members from all colonies are invited to host at our booth if they are attending the conference and have some free time. The Jamboree is an excellent outreach and public relations tool to reach prospective members. Please let Jim Blauer know so that he may schedule your time.

The new General Society brochure shows a picture of our California Society’s members at Plymouth along with a picture of the Raser family in pilgrim clothing. We in California are a pretty photogenic group! Hopefully some of you will be able to join us on April 9th in Tustin/Irvine for our next Board of Assistants’ meeting.

Marcia Huntley Maloney,
Deputy Governor South
### Board of Assistants – Officers and Committee Chairs

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Are You Moving?

Be sure to notify our State Membership Chairperson: Judy Weaver at: mayflower@ourfolks.com. She will notify your governor and everyone else who needs to know. This will enable you to receive your California Mayflower, Mayflower Quarterly and other mailings in a timely fashion.

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California Mayflower

Next deadline: July 1st, 2016. 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.

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Visit the General Society of Mayflower Descendants at: www.themayflowersociety.com

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CA Mayflower Board of Assistants 2016-17 Meeting Schedule

18 June 2016: North

20 August 2016: Email to accept new members

15 October 2016: South

17 December 2016: Email to accept new members

21 January 2017: North

18 March 2017: South

16,17 June 2017: Board of Assistants & Membership Meeting - South

All dates are subject to change if necessary

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State News

2020 Committee Report

The General Society’s “2020” committee is working to ensure legislation in Washington will be approved, authorizing the treasury to create commemorative coins to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the Pilgrim landing in Plymouth. To accomplish this goal, we need every member of GSMD to contact the Legislative Director for their representative in Congress, as well as California’s two senators. I will distribute a packet to every colony governor, detailing how to accomplish this, including contact emails and phone numbers. The packets will also include sample content for communication with these individuals. If we are successful, sales of these coins could generate several million dollars for the Society, some of which will come back to the state societies and in-turn to the colonies. There are significant rewards for us all to get behind this project.

Every year, the treasury receives a number of proposals for commemorative coins, and the ones chosen I am sure are driven by politics. We need to flex some muscle with our representatives in Washington to achieve our goals. I encourage every Governor to establish a 2020 chairperson for their colony to coordinate this effort, as well as to explore local opportunities to recognize this historic event in their respective communities. On behalf of the General Society, we have also submitted an application to the Pasadena Tournament of Roses for a Mayflower float in the 2020 Rose Parade.

Thank you for your support.

Robert Dempster,
California 2020 Chair, General Society 2020 committee

Membership Secretary Report

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We have 358 who have not yet paid 2015 dues.

I would like to nominate the following 3 members be elected for Honorary Life Membership:

CA#2565 Gen#29537

Mrs. Houston E. Parrott (Priscilla). She is 92, has been a member in CA for 50 years, she requested to be dropped due to lack of funds.

CA#3275 Gen#38611

Mrs. Betty Dearing. Age 89 member since 27 Sep 1975 (40yrs). She requested resignation 1 Mar 2015 due to financial reasons.

CA#4177 Gen#47266

Mrs. Carrie (Dee) Rickards. Age 90 member since 02 Oct 1982 (33yrs). She was unable to pay since 2014 but has been attending meetings at Rancho Conejo Colony.

Judy Weaver
Membership Secretary
Junior Membership Secretary Report Spring 2016

The most exciting news is that we have now got a revised version of the Junior Membership page up on our State Website including a revised version of the application, much thanks to Mary Ann Mitchell, Pat Friesen, and all those who reviewed it before it went up.

I am particularly pleased at the newly added section on the Benefits of Junior Membership.

Here is part of the section:

There are a number of online resources available to Junior Members:  
Facebook's ‘GSMD Jr Mayflower Descendants Social Networking’ page. You must be a member of Facebook to join this group.

Pat Stanford's Memorial Website for Kids on the Los Angeles Mayflower Society Colony website

Plimouth Plantation's website page ‘Just for Kids’

On the Plimouth Plantation web page, juniors can learn how to talk like a Pilgrim or download pictures to color such as these of the Mayflower and Felix who sailed on the Mayflower II.

Enrolling your under age 18 family member Mayflower descendants is really easy. A sponsor downloads the application from our webpage, fills it out, no documentation required, and sends it in with a check for $25. Done!

Enroll your juniors now and you will be just in time to send them on a field trip to Mission San Juan Capistrano.

Erica Hahn  
Junior Membership

Education/Scholarship Secretary Report

I am continuing to work on updating links and resources on the Mayflower History page on the California Society website. I welcome any suggestions.

The Scholarship Committee is finalizing the evaluation of our scholarship candidates this year, which will be announced at the June BOA Meeting in Oakland. The Committee will be working this spring on strengthening the program for next year, when we will begin offering three scholarships of $5000, $3000 and $2000. I will make a full report of this year's scholarship process and submit proposals for the 2017 scholarships at the June BOA meeting.

Sally Johnson  
Education/Scholarship Secretary
Secretary Data Processing South

This evening I was riding my recumbent bike in front of the TV set, and watching wheel of fortune. You can imagine my shock when Vana White and Pat Sayjack dressed as Pilgrims announced a trip to England as follows. They fly you over there and you get to journey back on a replica of the Mayflower. When you get to Plymouth you live like a pilgrim making cloths and all! For more details you go to www.wheeloffortune.com. I just about fell off my bike rushing for my computer and sure enough there was the commercial again on the internet except this time it said April fools! They probably don’t know that there is another Mayflower being planned for construction so the English can keep one over there. So it looks like even television media can’t be trusted like all the billions of dollars I have won over the internet that never appears in my bank account. Oh well!

Franklin E. Smith III

Monument Committee report

I am in the process of preparing a letter to approach the topic with Southern California State assembly members, to be followed up with an office visit and presentation. The material for the presentation is extensive. Approaching as many members as possible is a top priority. This is a work in progress.

Franklin E. Smith III

Report of Fortine Trophy; Bylaw/Roster Manuals Chair

History of Eugene Fortine Trophy: The Gene Fortine Trophy was originated by Honorary Governor June Lazich to be given at the Membership Meeting to award a Colony for outstanding service promoting the real story of our Pilgrim Ancestors to their community. Colony Governors are sent a questionnaire which contains suggestions and encourages members to participate in this important work of our Society. The winning Colony displays the Trophy at their meetings and returns it to the State before the next Membership meeting. The Trophy was named for Gene Fortine, a former Governor General GSMD and Honorary Governor California, who, with his wife Pat, each year visited schools and community groups telling the real story of our Pilgrims.

Likewise the two booklets: Board of Assistants Roster and Procedure/Bylaw Manual were created by Honorary Governor June Lazich to be handy sources for Officers to contact each other and have information of their duties, and a reference to State Procedures and State Bylaws. Booklets are updated and sent to elected Officers after each Membership Meeting.

As Chair of the Fortine Trophy Contest, I encourage Colony members to share the correct information about our Pilgrims to their communities' groups and schools and encourage membership in our Society! We are an Educational 501(c)(3) Corporation because our main goal is to educate the American People about our Pilgrims’ sacrifices, lives and contributions to the establishment of this Country, more now than ever because our schools do not teach history anymore.

June Brainard Lazich
Honorary Governor
2020 Anniversary Commemoration

Just a few short years from now, 2020 will be upon us, marking the 400th anniversary of the voyage of the Mayflower and the founding of Plymouth Colony. This is an exciting opportunity for GSMD to commemorate our Pilgrim ancestors and to share their inspirational story with the world.

To organize commemoration events and initiatives, GSMD has created a planning committee at the national level. Many of our 52 member societies are preparing for the 2020 Commemoration as well. Here, you will find everything you need to know about our plans for 2020 and the plans of our member societies, so check back often for updates.

GSMD’s first 2020 initiative is to push for the United States Congress to pass an Act directing the US Mint to issue a commemorative coin series recognizing key historical elements surrounding the Mayflower voyage and the establishment of Plymouth colony.

Whether you are a member of GSMD or not, whether you are a Pilgrim descendant or not, we are asking for your help to make this project a reality! This project is for everyone, so keep reading to see how you can help.

George Garmany
Assistant Governor General
Chair, GSMD 2020 Committee

GSMD Coin Project

GSMD’s request to have the US Mint issue a series of commemorative coins recognizing the 400th anniversary of the Mayflower voyage is now before Congress. If you would like to see this become a reality, contact your Representatives and Senators today! Keep reading for directions on how you can tell your Senators and Congressional Representatives that you support this project.

Here is the challenge to each of you - we need 287 US Congress members and 67 US Senators to sign on as co-sponsors. Only two coins are minted each year. There are already a handful of applications and there are sure to be more, so we need you to help rally the support needed to move this project forward. We can do this!

On July 8, 2015, bills were introduced in the House of Representatives and Senate in support of our 2020 Commemoration coin proposal. Both bills are titled “A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the 400th anniversary of arrival of the Pilgrims,” and we are requesting that members of Congress to become co-sponsors. This is a non-partisan effort, and we anticipate support from many members on both sides of the aisle.

The Bills

HR. 2980 is sponsored by Representative Bill Foster (D-IL) of the US House. If you express support for this bill to your Representatives, there is a much stronger chance of reaching the 287 co-sponsors needed. We need members from our member societies all across the country to contact your representatives and garner their support. We encourage all of our members, including junior members, to send emails or write letters in support of this legislation. If you don’t know who your US Representatives are, you can find them at www.house.gov by entering your zip code.

S.1715 is sponsored by Senator John Hoeven (R-ND) in the US Senate. Again, there is a much better chance of reaching 67 co-sponsors if Senators hear from you. We are asking for all of our members to email or write to their US Senators as soon as possible to obtain their support. Find contact information for your Senators at www.senate.gov.
By selecting sponsors from both the Democratic and Republican parties, we are emphasizing the bipartisan support we wish to engage.

**You Can Help** by sending a letter to your Representative in Congress or sending a letter to your Senator.

Write your own message to express your support and ask your representatives to become co-sponsors. If you write your own letter, be sure to include a reference to HR.2980 for US Representatives or S.1715 for US Senators. Thanks to everyone who shows their support by sending a letter, and thanks also to the Illinois Society for spearheading this 2020 effort!

George Garmany
Assistant Governor General
Chair, GSMD 2020 Committee

The History of 1920 Pilgrim Tercentenary Half Dollar

The summer of 1920 witnessed many celebrations throughout New England marking the 300th anniversary of the Pilgrims’ arrival. Among the souvenir items planned was a commemorative half dollar, the proceeds from which would be used to fund some of these events. The bill as originally read called for the minting of half a million pieces! Assured that this was a misprint, Congress instead approved a still-generous mintage of 300,000. The legislation was not passed until May 12, however: all those concerned would have to act quickly to get the coins into production.

Boston sculptor Cyrus E. Dallin was selected by the Tercentenary Commission to prepare models showing a portrait of Plymouth Colony Governor William Bradford and the Pilgrim’s ship, the Mayflower, on which they made their historic journey in 1620. Dallin ran afoul of the Commission of Fine Arts’ sculptor member, James Earle Fraser of Buffalo nickel fame, who found fault with his execution of the inscriptions: “Altogether the design for the Pilgrim fifty cent coin is good. The part that seems to me to need most attention if there is time is the lettering." Of course, there wasn’t time to correct this, and the Fine Arts Commission’s decision to not render a verdict on Dallin’s models prompted the Treasury Department to simply disregard their comments and proceed with the preparation of dies. In October of 1920 a total of 200,112 Pilgrim halves were struck at the Philadelphia Mint, the odd 112 pieces being reserved for assay and later destroyed.

The obverse of the Pilgrim Tercentenary half dollar portrays a left-facing, half-length figure of William Bradford, the second governor of the Plymouth Colony. He assumed this role in 1621 and was re-elected thirty times! The image is fanciful, as no actual portrait of him exists. He holds in his left arm what is most likely the Bible, but what has also been identified as his own book History of Plimouth Plantation.

Behind his portrait is the motto **IN GOD WE TRUST**, while the legends **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA** and **PILGRIM HALF DOLLAR** are arranged peripherally, separated by stars. Dallin’s incuse initial D appears below Bradford’s elbow. The reverse is dominated by a three-quarters view of the Mayflower sailing on rough seas. Its rigging is erroneous, the forward jib sail being of a type not utilized as early as 1620. The inscription **PILGRIM TERCENTENARY CELEBRATION** is arranged peripherally. Separated from it by stars are the dual dates 1620—1920.
NEW MEMBERS ELECTED
APRIL 2016

ALAMEDA COLONY
CA 9010, G#87378  Junior Life
Sebastian Alexander Barber
827 Oak Street
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12th from JOHN HOWLAND

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13th from WILLIAM BREWSTER

SUPPLEMENTALS

RANCHO CONEJO COLONY
Gen # 86,750  St. # 8,811  Sup. #1,992
Donalic Trumbull Grant
10th from RESOLVED WHITE
Colony News

Inland Empire Colony

The February 13, 2016 meeting held at the Bob's Big Boy restaurant in Calimesa was called to order by Governor Rick Clark, who welcomed members and guests. We stood for the recitation of The Pilgrims Pledge, and the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag. Elder, Shirley Lader gave the opening prayer, asked the blessing and lunch was served. The meeting reconvened at 12:30 P.M. Pat Rainier presented the Mayflower Moment about John Howland's fall from the deck of the Mayflower. Deputy Governor, Cynthia Cuddebach introduced our speaker, Dr. Donna Grogan, whose topic was “The Magna Carta”. She had visited London and described the Lincoln Castle where one of the surviving copies of this document is housed. Of the 30 or so original copies, only 4 are now in existence and they are very well guarded. This document is over 800 years old, and is the basis for many of our laws today, including the U.S. Constitution, The Bill of Rights, and even the Mayflower Compact. During WWII when London was being bombed, the Magna Carta was brought to Fort Knox for safekeeping. Dr. Grogan included a power point presentation of pictures of the document, where it is housed, and other interesting buildings in London. During the business portion of the meeting, the subject of The Mayflower Society having a float in the Pasadena Rose Parade in 2020 was discussed. It is our understanding that an “intent to Participate” has been filed, with parade officials, and we are hoping for a favorable response. 29 members and guests were in attendance, and our next meeting will be April 9, 2016

Pat Rainier
Inland Empire Colony, Secretary

Los Angeles Colony

We had a good meeting at the family History Center in West Los Angeles. I had some problems setting up Skype on their system because the Director who knows there equipment was away on an emergency. I finally put it together and our Speaker Dr. Walter Powell The Executive Director of the GSMD gave a very interest presentation of what the Mayflower General Society is up to. We had Stratos as our caterer who never fails to please our members with a great buffet luncheon. Many members went back for seconds and we still had enough to have the staff enjoy a complimentary lunch. Our next event will be our hundredth anniversary celebrating the California Mayflower Society's Southern California beginning in downtown Los Angeles. More to follow.

Franklin E. Smith III
Los Angeles Colony, Governor
Monterey Bay Colony

Monterey Bay Colony held its latest luncheon meeting at the Beach House in Pebble Beach on February 27. We were honored to have Jane Ordway Carman as our guest speaker, sharing with us interesting information about other lineage societies. Many thanks to Jane, for her visit to our group at our very special meeting place.

The board of directors for our colony has decided to take on a project to promote the Mayflower Society educational goals by donating two Mayflower related books each to the libraries of local private schools. These books were written by members of our colony. One is "Mary of the Mayflower" by Diane Stone, and the other is "Mayflower Passengers Who Left Descendants" by Esther Lindsey. Diane's charming book for young readers has received glowing reviews on Amazon, and Esther's book has been repeatedly purchased for resale at Plimouth Plantation in Plymouth, MA. We are proud of our authors and grateful to Diane Stone for the generous donation of her books. We also have both books for sale at our meetings.

Our next luncheon will be May 14, 2016--also at the Monterey Peninsula Country Club Beach House.

Cynthia Colby
Monterey Bay Colony, Governor

Mother Lode Colony

In January, the Mother Lode Colony brought back speaker Steve Beck by popular demand. Steve is the historian for Sutter's Fort in Sacramento and is a walking encyclopedia of California history. He previously brought us through the settlement of northern California, and this time he regaled us with tales of the Wild West during the mass movement here during the Gold Rush. We look forward to hearing him discuss the Donner party next year at one of our meetings.

The next meeting will be May 21 at Sudwerk Grille in Folsom at noon. Following that, we take a summer hiatus before reconvening on September 24 when Jane Ordway Carman, our Deputy Governor of Northern California, will visit us and speak. We are looking forward to her visit. We will celebrate Compact Day on November 19 to finish out the year.

We are pleased that we have several new members from the area north and east of here, including El Dorado Hills and Red Bluff.

If you are a new member with whom I have not yet connected, please email me so that I can welcome you and answer any questions. My email is Kabumpo16@aol.com. We wish you all a pleasant Spring.

Kathy Gire,
Mother Lode Colony, Governor
Orange County Colony

Our major activity of this spring so far was a well attended informal colony brunch in February. Our speaker was Sue Butler, a longtime member, but in another life, she is a docent at Mission San Juan Capistrano. Her topic was the now officially sainted Junipero Serra, who played such an important role in the establishment of California. I always like to point out that American history in 1776 was not just that little kerfuffle between the thirteen English colonies on the Atlantic seaboard and the Mother Country. Here in Alta California between 1769 and 1782 Sera founded 9 missions here and thus laid the foundation for the state in which we live. Only seventy seven years after the founding of his first mission, California would become the Bear Flag Republic and shortly afterwards one of the United States of America.

Like some other Mayflower organizations we have not gotten the kind of response we would like from our scholarship essay contest, but we did have a good entry. This is my last report as governor. We have a nominations committee who has put together a very qualified slate and in April we will have a new colony governor. My thanks to the committee, June Lazich, Donna Cole, and Marcia Maloney. I bid you fare thee well, dear cousins.

Erica Hans
Orange County Colony, Governor

Redwood Empire Colony

At our February meeting, Greg Smith, a GSMD member who attends our meetings, explored the American ancestry of Winston Churchill. Especially illuminating to all of us as Mayflower descendants was his discussion of Winston Churchill’s supposed Mayflower ancestry. Greg's presentation was like a detective story. Careful sleuthing eventually corrected an influential 20th century article that Churchill was a direct Mayflower descendant. Current documentation does establish that Churchill was descended from Arthur Howland, brother of Mayflower passenger John Howland. Quite a tale!!

For our May 7 meeting at Cattleman’s Restaurant in Petaluma the speaker will be our own colony member Mary Mitchell, a genealogist of professional caliber and a published author in both print and online formats. Mary will be discussing the process of creating her first complete web-book Crossing the Ocean Sea, available to read on line free at http://www.crossingtheoceansea.com/. I highly recommend it to all.

Sally Johnson
Redwood Empire Colony, Governor
Rancho Conejo Colony held a joint meeting with the Golden State Company of the Jamestown Society. The luncheon meeting was held on February 13, 2016 at the Wood Ranch C.C. in Simi Valley. It was a very successful event with 65 members and guests of the two groups. In addition there were members of the Daughters of Indian Wars, who joined our meeting, following which this group had a chartering ceremony for their members, presided over by the DIW’s National President.

Following the invocation, pledge and patriotic song, Mayflower and Jamestowne took turns, conducting a business meeting for their respective societies. Robert Dempster presided over the Mayflower part, and Jamestown governor, Kathy Chulick led the Golden State meeting. It was extremely informative to learn from each other, and there were several who belonged to both groups.

After a meal with genealogy colleagues and shared stories, we were treated to a program appropriate to the coming Valentine’s day celebration. The question of the day…”What do the Mayflower, Valentines and Amelia Earhart have in common? “ Gov. Bob presented a program, tracing the history of Valentines, and how one individual, Esther Howland is credited with being the “mother” of the American Valentine. The program also included an opportunity to see some rare original valentines that were created by Esther Howland.

The answer to the question…John Howland. He was a passenger on that historic voyage. Esther Howland was a 7th, direct descendant of John, and on Amelia Earhart’s last leg of her round the world flight, she was lost trying to make a landing on. Howland island, named for one of the New Bedford whalers, who first spotted the tiny speck in the middle of the Pacific, he, of course, was also a Howland descendant. There is no end to the impact made on our country by 102 passengers on a ship called Mayflower, nearly 400 years ago.

We strongly suggest that every colony reach out to other heritage groups for joint meetings, to enjoy and learn from the experience.

We mourn the loss of two of our Mayflower cousins, Marie Soule Harris, a direct descendant of George Soule, and Carolyn Romaker, a descendant of Degory Priest. They are now in the glorious company of all of our illustrious ancestors, God’s Speed.
San Joaquin Valley Colony

The San Joaquin Colony gathered for our February 6th meeting at the San Joaquin Gardens. A new slate of officers was presented by our nominating committee and they were received with a unanimous vote. We welcome Judy Weaver as our new colony governor and webmaster, Susan Oldfield as deputy governor, Ryan McGuire as treasurer, Cindi Valenzuela as secretary, Donna Hadrian as historian, Bonnie Shakespeare as chaplain, Dianna Saario as registrar, and Corky Peterson as our delegate to the State Board of Assistants.

For our program, Judy Weaver gave a fascinating account of her niece and nephew's ancestor Jacob Lehman Bechtel. He was a corporal in the Union army during the Civil War from 1861-1865. He saw battle at both Gettysburg and the Battle of Antietam. He wrote numerous letters home during his time in the army detailing many of the battles in which he fought. These letters became an invaluable tool in later years for chronicling these battles for history. Judy shared some of these amazing letters with our group.

Our next meeting will be May 7th at the San Joaquin Gardens with Jane Ordway Carman as our speaker. Jane is the State Deputy Governor North and has traced her ancestry to many of the Mayflower passengers through multiple lines. As well as her duties with the Mayflower Society, Jane participates in quite a few other lineage societies. We look forward to her program on the many different lineage societies out there and their unique attributes. I'm sure many of us will be motivated to dig a little deeper into our family records as a result of her program.

Cindi Valenzuela, Secretary
San Joaquin Colony

Alameda Colony

On Saturday, February 20th, the Alameda Colony met at Scott’s Seafood in Walnut Creek. Colony Governor Larry Youngman, called our meeting to order. Two new members were in attendance and introduced themselves to the colony. Larry Youngman led the Pledge of Allegiance. Maggie Kane provided the invocation, and lunch was served. After lunch, Roger Howland read the Mayflower Compact and Samantha Youngman conducted the Count of Ancestors. Hopkins and Howland tied with the most represented ancestor at this meeting. Wendy Davis provided the treasurers report. The previous minutes were approved. Jane Ordway Carmen presented an overview of the many other lineage groups people may qualify for, and recounted some of her experiences in joining these societies.

On Saturday, April 9th, the colony met again at Scott’s Seafood in Walnut Creek. Our speaker was Lucille Lang Day who read some poems from her book, Becoming an Ancestor, also explained the research she did in order to write them, and discussed where research leaves off and imagination begins in historical poems. She believed that writing about our ancestors can enrich our lives and deepen our understanding of both history and family. Lucy has published ten poetry collections and chapbooks. She is also co-editor of the anthology Red Indian Road West: Native American Poetry from California as well as the author of a children’s book.

Our colony looks forward to hosting the 2016 Compact Day luncheon in November.

Samantha Youngman,
Alameda Colony Recording Secretary
Sequoia Colony

The Sequoia Colony held its annual joint meeting with the San Francisco Colony on March 12, 2016 at the lovely Menlo Circus Club. We had excellent attendance with 57 members and guests! (83 lines were represented.) We were honored with the presence of Deputy Governor North Jane Ordway Carman, San Francisco Governor Jay Ingwalson, and two new members Colleen Gilligan and Diane Douglass. Additionally, several membership inquiries were made that may result in three new members.

Our speaker was author and researcher Gregory B. Smith. Mr. Smith spoke on his book “The American Ancestry of Winston Churchill”, a meticulously researched effort clarifying Winston Churchill’s ancestral roots and connections to America and the Mayflower. Several interesting popular conceptions regarding Churchill’s ancestry (such as Iroquois ancestry and connections to George Washington) were shown to be myths. Kudos to San Francisco Colony Governor Jay Ingwalson for engaging such an educational and interesting speaker!

The Sequoia Colony recently launched a Sequoia Colony Facebook page and we also just found a prospective webmaster for the Sequoia Colony website! We hope to have the site up and running within a few months.

We will be meeting next in July but details are still being worked out. Our fall meeting will be our Compact Day meeting on November 12, 2016, to be held at the Menlo Circus Club in Atherton.

Dawn Newman,
Sequoia Colony, Governor

San Francisco - Peninsula Colony

The annual joint meeting of San Francisco Peninsula Colony and Sequoia Colony was held on March 12, 2016, at the Menlo Circus Club in Atherton. Our speaker Gregory Bell Smith shared his research on the American ancestry of Winston Spencer Churchill, including the unproven legends of his Mayflower roots. It was most interesting and generated many questions and comments.

Our next Colony meeting will be on May 7, at Delancey Street Restaurant on the Embarcadero, two block from Giants Stadium in San Francisco. Janice Sellers will be our guest and tell "A Tale of Two Brothers: The Patriot and The Outlaw", the story of a family split by the American Revolution. Please join us.

James A. Ingwalson
San Francisco Peninsula Colony, Governor
We were delighted to hear Dr. Danielle Kurin of UCSB at our April 2nd, 2016 meeting. She spoke on DNA and bio-archaeology and on the challenges and bio-cultural impacts of America’s first settlers/settlements. We met at Mulligan’s in Santa Barbara. Our next meeting, October 1, 2016, will be at High Sierra in Goleta.

We mourn the loss of two of our members: **Janice “Jan” Roberta Gibson Cloud** [March 16, 1937 - February 23, 2016]. One of the many highlights of her life was giving a recital in Beijing and Nanjing, China. She was the first American singer to give such a recital in Nanjing. Her repertoire included songs in six different languages including Russian and Chinese. She taught genealogy classes at Santa Barbara City College in the Adult Education program. She was a strong advocate of the Santa Barbara County Genealogical Society.

**Dorothy Sylvester** [1908-2015]. She died two weeks before her 107th birthday. She was descended from John Alden and Priscilla Mullins; Isaac and Mary Allerton; John and Elizabeth Howland; William and Alice Mullins; John and Joan (Hurst) Tilley and Richard Warren.

We welcome new members Sherry Bevan and Nancy Jacobson. We also have several other prospective members and hope to hear of their acceptance soon.

Our current newsletter and meeting invitation was sent via e-mail to all members who had provided e-mails to us. This will cut our postage budget and allow members to forward the information to friends/family members and prospective Mayflower members.

We are starting to plan our Colony’s 50 year celebration for May 20, 2017.
San Diego Colony

Our February luncheon meeting was a celebration to George Washington and was a combination meeting with the San Diego Chapter of Sons of the American Revolution. The meeting was held at the Green Dragon Tavern and Museum in Carlsbad, CA. This Revolutionary War tavern setting was very appropriate for this celebration. The Colors were presented by the SAR Color Guard. Three new Mayflower members were introduced and John Howland and John Alden had the most descendants present. After lunch and the cutting and serving of the birthday cake, General George Washington, portrayed by Roger Cooper, joined us and gave a dramatic and informative presentation on sovereignty and responsibilities of a citizen of the United States. It was a presentation enjoyed by all.

On March 5th our colony had an information table at the Family History Fair in Escondido. We thank the following members for their assistance: Belle Bohn, Marge La Grown, Budd Leef, Bev Willey, Bill Peters, Ray and Gail Raser.

Our next meeting in May will be held at MCAS Officer’s Club and we will be joined by the Jamestowne Society. At the end of our program we will be holding our bi-annual membership meeting to elect our new officers. We also have a group of dedicated members who are forming a committee to focus on events that will lead up to 2020 and the opportunities this event brings for us to share Mayflower in our community and beyond.

A copy of the Mayflower Compact is exhibit at the Green Dragon Tavern & Museum

SD Colony Gov, Gail & Ray Raser

Gail Raser, SD Colony Governor presents Certificate of Appreciation to Speaker Roger Cooper

Escondido Family History Fair
Bud Leef, Gail & Ray Raser, Bev Willey, Bill Peters

Gail Raser
San Diego Colony, Governor
Alice Teal Memoriam
GSMD Mayflower Quarterly Editor

The General Society of Mayflower Descendants (GSMD) grieves the loss of Mayflower Quarterly Editor Emerita Alice C. Teal. Alice died peacefully at 9:50pm on Friday, March 4, 2016 in hospice at The Shores of Wesley Manor in Ocean City, NJ.

Alice has been a crucial and valued member of the Mayflower Society family for many years. In 1993, Robert Allen Greene appointed her The Mayflower Quarterly editor and she served with great dedication for 23 years until last September when she became The Mayflower Quarterly Editor Emerita. She was honored at last year’s Connecticut General Board of Assistants meeting with a certificate and gift for her many years of service.

Alice’s last project was to design GSMD’s new publication, The Cry of a Stone. It was Alice who brought the opportunity to GSMD to publish this rare manuscript written by pilgrim Robert Cushman. She was very proud of working on this publication and asked that it be dedicated to Richard Maxwell, who was a mentor and friend.

Harry Folger, 3rd is making arrangements and will pass along the details once they have been finalized. I visited Alice in NJ a week ago and she was in good spirits, talking about working on the GSMD Manual with Harry. We talked all evening about Mayflower and both Harry and Alice were excited to know what was happening. As we talked, they reminisced about many things that have happened through the years. What an incredible evening it was! Alice is a treasure that can never be replaced and we will all miss her.

Governor General Lea Sinclair Filson

Words cannot express my sorrow at this time. Alice was a good friend and a kind spirit who will be remembered in my heart forever.

Susan E. Raser

It was an honor and a privilege to meet and make the acquaintance of Alice Teal at the 39th Triennial Mayflower Congress. I was seated next to Alice and had the opportunity to visit about editorship. Alice graciously shared her wisdom.

Ray Raser
The Cry of a Stone
by Robert Cushman

With the gracious permission of the British Library Board, The Mayflower Society is pleased to announce the publication of Pilgrim Robert Cushman’s book The Cry of a Stone. First published in London in 1642, and long out of print, Cushman’s work was recently rediscovered by Dr. Stephen Foster, and has been rescued from obscurity by the efforts of editor Michael Paulick, who notes that this work is “the only known book written by a Pilgrim in 1619, close to the time of the Mayflower sailing.” This remarkable treatise provides an indispensable view of the attitudes and practices of the Pilgrim congregation in Leiden.

For the first time Pilgrim enthusiasts may read Cushman’s published original text together with a modern transcription, supplemented by annotations provided by noted Pilgrim scholar James W. Baker. The Cry of a Stone is a must read for all those interested in Mayflower Pilgrim history.

Please note GSMD is offering this book at discounted pricing to libraries and universities.

To Purchase the Book: www.themayflowersociety.org
Elder William Brewster Book

Plymouth, MA - The new Brewster book, published by the General Society of Mayflower Descendants (GSMD) will offer readers a comprehensive look at the first four generations of the Brewster family. Readers, researchers, and descendants can look forward to new information and detailed sketches of the first four generations descending from Mayflower Pilgrim, Elder William Brewster.

"This ground-breaking work sets a new standard for the GSMD Silver Books series," said Judith Swan, Chair of the 'GSMD Silver Books' committee. "We are excited to present this well-written and meticulously researched volume."

Author Barbara Lambert Merrick began the ambitious research project in the late 1980's. The much-anticipated volume has had a long list of standing orders since then and it is anticipated that it will be a favorite among Pilgrim books sold by the society.

Governor General Lea Sinclair Filson said, "The Brewster book has been a long time coming, but we are sure readers and researchers will find that it was worth the wait for such an outstanding product."

As the editor, Scott Andrew Bartley oversaw the book design, contributed to reformating the work, reviewed the scholarly footnotes, and did additional research to ensure the volume meets current genealogical standards. "The new volume is the first volume of the series to be presented exclusively using the Modified Register System for genealogical numbering," said Dr. Walter Powell, Executive Director of GSMD. "The detailed footnote citations in this volume cover valuable genealogy resources, widely published material that has been proven incorrect, and suggestions for further research."

The introduction to the book details major changes to approved Brewster lineages and the work is finished with an all-name index created by Jane Fletcher Fiske. In this book, the first two generations (with the exception of the Isaac Allerton family) are cited from every known record made by the Brewster family, including vital church, probate, land, and other records. By the third generation, the number of descendants grows exponentially. Readers can look forward to detailed citations corresponding to each and every fact throughout the book.

For easier reading, the book uses short-cite citations, which correspond with a short citation bibliography at the front of the volume. To help readers of past publications connect to the updated volume, there is a detailed table of contents with all sketches by generation, by sketch number, and by name of the principal of the sketch and page number. Additionally, there are two appendices which detail two as yet unassigned Brewster descendants.

To Purchase the Book: www.themayflowersociety.org

Title: The Descendants of Elder William Brewster, Part 1, Generations 1 through 4, volume 24 of the Mayflower Families through Five Generations series

Author: Barbara Lambert Merrick; edited by Scott Andrew Bartley

Cost: $60; plus $15 shipping & handling
William Brewster was the highly esteemed spiritual and religious leader of the Pilgrim band at Plymouth Colony. He had been with the church from its earliest beginnings; his resources, connections, education, and wherewithal provided the young congregation with the necessities needed to sprout, grow, and survive. The events of William Brewster’s youth, which developed him up into the Pilgrim he became, are the primary focus of this book.

In order to understand Brewster, the man, it is necessary to study the life and times within which he developed as a youth. A study of his family—his father, mother, grandparents, and siblings—provides the foundation. His educational upbringings, and his time at Cambridge, develop his religious and political mindsets. His first ‘job’ of note, as a secretary for William Davison, Secretary of State under Queen Elizabeth, further developed his Protestant mindset and his political acumen. And his time as postmaster at Scrooby Manor, on the important Great North Road, following in his father’s footsteps, gave him the place and opportunity needed to develop and nurture the young Separatist congregation under Richard Clifton and later John Robinson.

Author and historian Sue Allan has extensively researched Brewster’s early years in Scrooby and elsewhere in England, and here presents an original and insightful view of how he developed into the man who would spiritually lead and nurture the congregation at Plymouth Colony. A much-needed background on the Scrooby community is provided, as well as ample detail on the political and religious climates into which he was raised. Notable familial details, adding complexity to Brewster’s father and his upbringing, are investigated—including Chancery lawsuits that paint William Brewster, Sr., in a less positive light. The full texts of select newly-discovered and important documents are included, which will be a definite benefit to future researchers.

Particularly insightful is the study of how William Brewster was influenced even religiously by William Davison. His early associations and probable interactions with other religious Protestants, such as Thomas Cartwright, John Penry, Francis Johnson, and others, shows Brewster as a far more interconnected individual with the movement than had been previously considered, rather than simply as a Leiden-based publisher and covert distributor of suppressed religious texts who later acted as Church Elder for the Plymouth congregation. Background details on Brewster’s paternal and material ancestors, siblings and half-siblings, aunts and uncles, will provide ample new material for the family historian and genealogist to mull over.

Foreword by Caleb Johnson

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Plan for 2017 Mayflower Historic Sites Tour

General Society of Mayflower Descendants

17 September 2017
14 nights

Itinerary (Proposed)
Day 1. Arrival/Dinner/Thames Cruise
Day 2. London: Sightseeing/Palace/Southwark/Mayflower Pub
Day 4. Dartmouth/Plymouth
Day 5. Droitwich/Shipton/Wrexham
Day 6. Wales
Day 7. Sue Allan's Day/Babworth/Gainsborough/Sturton-le-Steeple/Scrooby
Day 8. Immingham/Austerfield/Boston/Fishtoft
Day 9. Henlow/Cambridge/Fenstanton
Day 10. Redenhall/Day for the Fullers
Day 11. Harwick/Ferry/Delfshaven
Day 12. Leiden/Amsterdam
Day 13. Leiden/part tour/part leisure
Day 14. Flights

For information contact Ray Raser, Member of GSMD Historic Sites Committee at: rayrasergov@gmail.com
FREEDOM WALL
March Field Air Museum-Mayflower Compact

On a recent visit to March Field Air Museum, March Air Force Base located south of Riverside on Interstate 215 we were delighted to discover the Freedom Shrine with a large bronze plaque inscribed with the MAYFLOWER COMPACT. This was the first plaque on the FREEDOM WALL with the documents of freedom including the Declaration of Independence, Constitution, Gettysburg Address, etc. As a member of the GMSD Historic Sites Committee it is exciting to find any public displays of our Mayflower Heritage in California other than Forest Lawn.

March Field Air Museum

Submitted by Ray Raser
Liberty Mosaic, Forest Lawn, Hollywood Hills, LA

The Birth of Liberty Mosaic is an interesting creation in that it is 162 feet long and 28 feet high, the largest historical mosaic in the United States. It is composed of ten million pieces of Venetian glass and depicts twenty-five scenes from early American history from 1619 through 1787.
Enlargements of Liberty Mosaic
Forest Lawn, Hollywood Hills, LA

Mayflower Members of SAR Color Guard at Massing of the Colors
Forest Lawn, Hollywood Hills, LA
February 14, 2016
Larry Wood (OC SAR, OC Colony), Ray Raser (SD SAR, SD Colony), Jim Blauer (OC SAR, OC Colony), Jim Fosdyck (OC SAR, OC Colony) and Wayne Rogers (Eagle SAR, SD Colony).

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