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A message from our Governor

Cousins, I hope that many of you attended your colony Compact Day. It's what we are about and a few hours of a day is all it takes to participate. Now Christmas is soon approaching and I wish you all a meaningful holiday.

At this time, I would like to share my Mayflower Heritage Tour Adventure with you. I toured England and Holland with emphasis on Mayflower origin sites.

There were 43 of us, some Mayflower descendants, some just friends. I was excited about the trip even though I was going to sites in England connected to YOUR ancestors, not mine. My George Soule is still somewhat of a mystery.

All Saints Church in Babworth, Nottinghamshire was where Richard Clyfton preached. The church is now in a secluded area. Approximately 12 miles away is St. Helena's Church in Austerfield, Yorkshire, home church of William Bradford. The church is over 1,000 years old and still contains the baptismal font used for William Bradford's baptism in 1599. William Bradford walked the 12 miles to services in Babworth.



Scrooby Manor, which was built in the late 1500's, consisted of just a small section of the original building. We were able to view the outside of the manor house with guide Sue Allan. The manor was surrounded by fields dotted with cattle and sheep. Our group moved on the Gainsborough Old Hall in Gainsborough Lincolnshire to get an idea of what Scrooby Manor used to be like in the 1500's.

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New OhioMayflower.org Website is live!

Those of us on the Communications Committee are excited to announce that Ohio Mayflower webmaster, Shaun Smith, converted our website to the new format the end of October. If you have not seen it yet, go to www.ohiomayflower.org and check it out! This is still a work in progress as the Colony pages need to be fleshed out and more content added. You can find contact information for your state and colony officers, as well as forms to start supplemental applications, sponsor junior members or gift membership for a family member. Note the new blog which is a place for all colonies to share their news and activities. Shaun did a great job for all of us!

We are also excited about bringing more members into the Ohio Society as we get closer to 2020. I do have a caveat though. If you are sponsoring family members, please make sure they really want to be members. I hate to see you put in your time, effort and money for applications for family members who drop out as soon as they become responsible for paying dues. This is also true for junior members converting to full membership - each one of these applications costs your Ohio Society almost \$100.00. We get very discouraged when these kids immediately drop out! We want your family - but we want them to want us!

This is a great time for you to look at adding supplemental applications to your Mayflower portfolio! Look at the copy of your approved application - if you see more than one MF or MFIP citation for any event, then you have possible supplementals. Please contact me at OHMayflowerHistorian@gmail.com or Lee at BuckeyeMayflower.@gmail.com for help finding your other pilgrim ancestors!

On 12 November 2017, at the Skyland Pine Rustic Lodge, in Canton, Ohio, the Western Reserve Colony held their Compact Day luncheon. An hour before the luncheon, a social was held to allow people to look at displays, buy items for sale to help with restoration of the Mayflower and with the 2020 commemoration. The lunch consisted of turkey with stuffing, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes and gravy. After a good meal, Roger Marble gave his presentation further research in genealogy.

Much of what Roger presented is well known such as double-checking facts, citing sources, and draw on a variety of sources to make sound conclusions. What was new, however, was he challenged us to look further in-depth in the lives of our ancestors and challenged all of us to look beyond sources here in the States, even going so far as to examining possible Magna Carta lines. With the challenge, Roger gave the caveat, that not all the children of the Magna Carta barons left descendants.

For me, I examined my Magna Carta line and found one ancestor – John Hawes. John Hawes married Desire Gorham, the granddaughter of John Howland. John Hawes and his father Edmund are listed in Douglas Richardson's book, *Magna Carta Ancestry: A Study in Colonial and Medieval Families* and in *Royal Ancestry: A Study in Colonial and Medieval Families* by Douglas Richardson and Kimball G. Everingham. The Royal Ancestry series consists of five volumes that duplicates, amplifies, and extends the Magna Carta lines to William the Conqueror, then, back to Charlemagne, through a series of appendices. Several Hawes' are buried in Ancient Cemetery in Yarmouth Port, Massachusetts.

Lee Martin, Assistant Historian

CELEBRATING MEMBERSHIP

New Members June 1 2017—November 30 , 2017

Cincinnati Colony

New members

OH3550, Jennifer Dunkirk, 12th from John Alden
 OH3552, Ann McGinnis, 11th from Edward Doty
 OH3571, Patricia Staub, 12th from John Billington
 OH3565, David Winks, 12th from William White

Junior to Adult

OH3567, Cara Snell, 14th from Edward Fuller
 OH3568, Erika Snell, 14th from Edward Fuller

Cleveland Colony

New members

OH3562, Alexandra Brotzman, 13th from John Alden
 OH3563, Mary Jane Burger, 12th from John Alden
 OH3564, Richard Burger, 13th from John Alden
 OH3553, Lori Johnson, 10th from John Alden

Transfer-in

OH3574, Jean Hutt, 11th from Francis Cooke

Columbus Colony

New members

OH3572, Cynthia Brooman, 11th from John Howland
 OH3573, Helen Cullison, 11th from William White
 OH3549, John Mason, 12th from Stephen Hopkins
 OH3569, Brian Mershon, 13th from William Bradford

OH3570, David Mershon, 13th from William Bradford
 OH3556, Karen Ream, 11th from Richard Warren
 OH3551, W. Beckett Soule, 13th from William Bradford
 OH3577, Teri Walsh, 11th from Stephen Hopkins

Toledo Colony

New members

OH3554, Paula Lazarony, 11th from John Howland
 OH3555, Margaret Lloyd, 11th from John Howland
 OH3557, James Shufflin, 11th from John Howland
 OH3558, Kathleen Singler, 11th from John Howland
 OH3559, Patricia Smith, 11th from John Howland
 OH3560, Ryan Smith, 12th from John Howland
 OH3561, Elizabeth Stetka, 12th from John Howland

Western Reserve Colony

New members

OH3566, Richard Devine, 12th from Francis Cooke
 OH3575, Nan Gwinn, 13th from John Howland
 OH3580, Victoria Miller, 11th from William Bradford
 OH3576, Holly Porada, 12th from Thomas Rogers
 OH3579, Judith Weber, 12th from William Bradford

Junior to Adult

OH3578, Stellan Riffle, 14th from Stephen Hopkins

Supplemental Applications Approved June 1 2017-November 30, 2017

Cincinnati Colony

OH3407, Robert Bowers, 11th from Giles Hopkins
 OH3389, William Reel, 14th from James Chilton
 OH3389, William Reel, 13th from Mary Chilton

Cleveland Colony

OH2393, Merlyn Bailey, 12th from John Alden
 OH2393, Merlyn Bailey, 13th from William Mullins
 OH2393, Merlyn Bailey, 12th from Priscilla Mullins Alden
 OH3480, Katherine Hodgson, 13th from Richard Warren
 OH3450, Lawrence Hoyt, 12th from Peter Brown

Columbus Colony

OH3289, Cheryl Bash, 12th from Richard Warren
 OH3497, James Battersby, 12th from William Brewster
 OH3424, Thomas Bradford, 12th from William Brewster

OH3235, Linda Bronstein, 13th from John Alden
 OH3235, Linda Bronstein, 14th from William Mullins
 OH3235, Linda Bronstein, 13th from Priscilla Mullins Alden
 OH3065, David Grinnell, 15th from Francis Cooke

Western Reserve

OH3510, Shara Cocchiola, 13th from Richard Warren
 OH3237, William Kempton, 11th from Constance Hopkins
 OH3237, William Kempton, 11th from Giles Hopkins
 OH3105, Jill Parker, 11th from Elizabeth Tilley Howland
 OH3105, Jill Parker, 12th from John Tilley
 OH3105, Jill Parker, 12th from Joan (Hurst) Tilley
 OH3141, Kenneth Schroeder, 13th from William Brewster

Congratulations

New Junior Members 6/1/2017 - 11/30/2017

Cincinnati Colony

Ann Palmer, John Alden, sponsored by father Andrew Palmer
 Beckett Cummings, Peter Brown, sponsored by grandfather Andy Snow
 Emma Palmer, John Alden, sponsored by father Andrew Palmer
 Joseph Palmer, John Alden, sponsored by father Andrew Palmer
 Lucas Snow, Peter Brown, sponsored by grandfather Andy Snow
 Megan Palmer, John Alden, sponsored by father Andrew Palmer
 Sarah Palmer, John Alden, sponsored by father Andrew Palmer
 Tyler Snow, Peter Brown, sponsored by grandfather Andy Snow

Cleveland Colony

Cora Kramer, Gov. William Bradford, sponsored by grandfather Leslie Kramer

Columbus Colony

Ada Salt, John Soule, sponsored by grandfather Steven Salt
 Allison Walsh, Steven Hopkins, sponsored by mother Teri Walsh
 Anna Salt, John Soule, sponsored by grandfather Steven Salt
 Conrad Salt, John Soule, sponsored by grandfather Steven Salt
 Emma Lange, John Howland, sponsored by father Samuel Lange
 Fenna Adams, Edward Fuller, sponsored by grandfather Brian Adams
 Jack Fivecoat, John Alden, sponsored by grandmother Martha Noreault
 Kate Wilson, John Alden, sponsored by grandmother Joellen Wilson
 Lillianna Schaffer, Priscilla Mullins, sponsored by grandfather Dr. David Gallit
 Luke Fivecoat, John Alden, sponsored by grandmother Martha Noreault
 Noah Schaffer, John Alden, sponsored by grandfather Dr. David Gallit
 Nora Fivecoat, John Alden, sponsored by grandmother Martha Noreault
 Suzanna Lange, John Howland, sponsored by father Samuel Lange

Toledo Colony

Colette Hartman, John Howland, sponsored by grandmother Kathleen Singler
 Keegan Hartman, John Howland, sponsored by grandmother Kathleen Singler

Western Reserve Colony

Christian Maurer, John Howland, sponsored by grandmother Barbara Keller
 Hali Van Hoose, Edward Doty, sponsored by grandmother Pat Van Hoose
 Thomas Fackler, Thomas Rogers, sponsored by great grandmother Vivian Harig
 Tyler Maurer, John Howland, sponsored by grandmother Barbara Keller

Junior Membership

Any Mayflower Society member can sponsor junior membership for any child who shares your pilgrim lineage from the day of birth to the 18th birthday. The fee is only \$10.00. The child you sponsor will get a packet of age appropriate materials and a certificate suitable for framing. Our new Junior Coordinator, Todd Reel and his family are ready to enroll your child, grandchild, niece, nephew... If you don't have a copy of the enrollment form, you can download one from www.ohiomayflower.org.

Did you already sponsor a junior member who is now between the ages of 18 & 25? That aged-out junior member can become a full member with the usual application fee waived. Your junior member can piggyback his/her application on yours. If you joined recently, the process should be easy. If you have been a member for decades, you may have to do some work to bring the documentation up to modern standards.

If your aged-out junior member is truly interested in full membership, please download a preliminary application from our website, fill it out and send it to Assistant Historian Lee Martin at the address on the form. If you don't know your state and general numbers, please just make sure your name and relationship are on the form so we can find you in our files.

Our junior members are the future of the Society. Sponsor the kids in your family as juniors, tell them the stories of your pilgrim ancestors and get them excited about their ancestors. Help them become full members once they reach 18!

2018 Scholarship

The deadline for submissions for the 2018 scholarship competition is March 10, 2018. The competition is open to adult or junior members of the Ohio Society enrolled in the first year or later of a college or university program leading to a bachelor's or advanced degree.

This year's topic is: "What was religion's role in the Separatist's migration to the New World?"

If you are getting this newsletter by email, the application is attached to the email. If you are getting this on paper, go to www.ohiomayflower.org to download the application or email Mary Chase at mechase1960@gmail.com to request a copy.

Please pass this scholarship information on to any member of your family who qualifies.



JN MEMORIAM



THE SOCIETY EXTENDS DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF EACH OF OUR PILGRIM COUSINS WHO HAVE LEFT US IN THE LAST SIX MONTHS

Colony	Member	Ancestor	Birth date	Death date	Election date
COL	Mathews, Ervin	William Brewster	1/4/1926	9/24/2017	3/28/2007
CLE	McGregor, Sylvia	Peter Brown	2/7/1925	6/27/2017	10/6/2010
COL	Potter, James	Peter Brown	7/19/1934	8/9/2017	7/20/2012
WR	MacIntosh, Virginia	Constance Hopkins	11/5/1917	8/28/2017	12/5/2013

Book Donation Project

In 2016, the Ohio Board of Assistants voted to donate sets of Mayflower books to libraries around the state to aid people researching their ancestry. The set consists of the Mayflower Families through Five Generations books, also known as the "Silver Books." They are detailed genealogies of the first 5-6 generations of each pilgrim family. The full set also includes the pink "Mayflower Families in Progress" and green books for several allied families. Having this standardized proven information for the earliest generations is of great value.

To best reach libraries, each colony was asked to submit names of libraries in their area that needed a set of books. Last December, the Toledo Colony Board of Assistants chose the Toledo Lucas County Public Library (Downtown) and the Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Library and Museums in Fremont. Contact was made in March, the books were ordered in June and delivered on 8 September. The books will remain a part of each library's permanent collection.

Jill Gregg Clever, MLIS, Manager of the Local History and Genealogy Department accepted 17 books to complete the set for Toledo. Some of the books were symbolically bound together with a Mayflower pink ribbon. In the photo, Ms. Clever is accepting them from Deputy Lt. Governor Judy Rand and Lt. Governor Susan Fisher.



Jill Clever accepting books bound with Mayflower pink ribbon from Deputy Lt. Gov. Judy Rand. Note Silver Books on table.



June Chapin holding a Silver Book; Lt. Gov. Susan Fisher; Colony Rep to St. Board of Assistants Heather Reichert; Deputy Lt. Governor Judy Rand; Becky Hill, Head Librarian, Hayes Library

Governor Betsie Goad, Treasurer Mary Chase and Historian Ann Gulbransen were on hand to make the presentation. Ann also gave a short talk on how to apply for a lineage organization.

In the afternoon, four colony members gathered at the Hayes Library. They included long-time Fremont resident June Chapin, Deputy Lt. Governor Judy Rand, Lt. Governor Susan Fisher and BOA Representative Heather Reichert. Becky Hill, Head Librarian accepted the books, again bound with a pink ribbon. Because the Toledo Colony itself has so generously donated to Hayes in the past, only six books were needed to complete their collection.

At the opposite end of the state, Cleveland member Troy Bailey facilitated a donation of 42 books to the Ashtabula County Public Library on October 25th. Ohio Deputy



Mary Chase, Betsie Goad, Ann Gulbransen, Carrie Wimer, Rick Conglio, Troy Bailey and Vickie Barker

MAYFLOWER HISTORY

CONTINUATION OF MAYFLOWER TO THE USA.

In a previous issue of the Buckeye Mayflower I started to tell the story of the coming of Mayflower II to the US in 1957. The journey continues here! You'll recall that "she" is not too far long the journey when a storm is encountered. Worthy seamen are feeling the effects of the rolling and pitching of this small vessel, "Even some of the old Cape Horners among the crew were seasick" the captain reported.

The captain goes on with the story telling of how dangerous it was to climb into the rigging. "To climb aloft in the topmast rigging was to be flung in circles, for all motion was magnified up there...Masts shifted a foot latterly with each heavy roll, and no setting up of catharpins (old fashioned gear for drawing the shrouds together and thus tightening them) helped much." He went on to tell that such maneuvers were "commonplace" back in 1620.

Water was pouring "into the mates' cabins and the tween decks leaked." What to do ran thorough his mind. Do we continue the northern route or turn south? "If a bad gale blew up we could be in trouble. I made my decision. We would go the southern route, the trade winds way." This would mean adding 2,000 miles to the journey! But a much safer way. Now mind you they have not sailed past the Canary Islands at this point. He tells us that sailing near to land is more dangerous that being out to sea. With this change, the little Mayflower II could make over 140 miles per day, with a speed of about 7 ½ knots per hour. He also issued, being a good "Limey", lime juice to the crew this being required under British law.

While making the 7 ½ knots was fairly normal there were of course times when the wind dropped away and progress was impeded. In fact he reported that over a period of two weeks they "made less than 500 miles. One day we logged 20 miles backwards." Most days and nights, "The wash of the sea at her round bows and the burbling of her wake were music as she rushed along...the ship did her best to hurry."

There is still more to come, storms and danger. Also, she meets the Queen Elizabeth before reaching New York. See you in the next installment.

Dr. Donald N. Nichols, Assistant Governor Ohio Society

Pennies for Planks

As you have read in the Mayflower Quarterly Magazine and in these pages, the Mayflower II is undergoing a multi-year restoration in dry dock in Mystic Seaport, CT. The restoration is scheduled to be completed in 2019 so the ship can be back in her place in Plymouth Harbor in time for all the 2020 festivities. Because of the extent of the damage (nothing damages wood more than water), the restoration will be an expensive one. You can read about it and see photos at <http://plimoth.org/mayflowerII-blog/>. There is an opportunity to contribute to the restoration on that page, but don't forget that all Ohio Colonies are participating in the Pennies for Planks project. Save your spare change and bring it to all your Colony meetings where it will be gathered and submitted as an Ohio donation by our treasurer. Bills and checks are of course welcome too! So far, Mary Chase has received \$316.00 from our Ohio Colonies!

OHIO SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS!

What was Chief Massasoit's Role in the Mayflower Pilgrim's Story?

Second place winner, Michael Barrett Jr



No figure in the history of Plymouth and indeed of early-America was branded as both friend and foe as that of Massasoit *Ousemequin*. His peaceable co-habitation policies with the Pilgrims however, in time, strained both the patience and tolerance of his people and even his son, Metacom[et] (Philip). Bridging the gap between first contact and the harbinger of conflict in the following centuries- *King Philip's War*, Massasoit has been regarded by both modern and past scholars as an exemplary leader in colonial relations, but to his people, a tragic hero.

Massasoit began this story not as the first to contact the Pilgrims, as that distinction belongs to Samoset. However during winter 1620/21, Massasoit observed the colonists, repurposing his own warriors as intelligence operatives who "kept him updated as to the progress of [the Pilgrims'] various building projects, and despite the Pilgrims' secret burials, [Massasoit] undoubtedly knew that many of the English had died over the winter," which may be the reason why Massasoit's relations with the English was quite cordial. Perhaps he was sympathetic to their plight. Reports from the burgeoning colony initially perplexed Massasoit for two reasons: first, there were women and children, which was unusual because previous encounters involved only enterprising men of trade; second, that the Pilgrims preferred isolation and focused solely on permanent settlement.

Once spring 1621 came, Massasoit decided to parley with the newcomers on his ancestral lands. This was the beginning of a peace which lasted until a decade after Massasoit's death when Plymouth officials mandated King Philip to sign a new covenant in 1671. Regardless of the eventual conflict that ensued over a half-century later, it was the 22 March 1621 summit which was the opening salvo for the Pilgrims' successful settlement and indeed, the colonial cement which fomented the colony allowing successive ships like the *Fortune* and the *Anne & Little James* to resupply the colony with new planters in a flourishing society. This meeting happened several days after Samoset's March 16th visit and involved the sachem arriving with his entourage of sixty warriors, appearing upon Watson's Hill, Plymouth. "Massasoit's visit was conducted with as much ceremony as if he had been royalty." Massasoit actually had far more men in the previous decade as "[Massasoit's] own Wampanoag tribe had but sixty warriors left," which meant that tribal hostilities in the region more than likely forced Massasoit's hand to "[take] the earliest opportunity to make an alliance, defensive and offensive, with the Pilgrims."

Likewise, this visit by Massasoit was long delayed because as the colonists later learned from Samoset, "four years previously, in 1617, a devastating plague- probably smallpox- had swept the forests of New England . . . smallpox, tuberculosis and syphilis... wiping out the [indigenous] Patuxet." Therefore, Massasoit became suspicious after Squanto's winter reports lead him to believe

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"[the Pilgrims] kept the plague in barrels buried beneath their storehouse ... the barrels contained gunpowder, but [with] the Pilgrims undoubtedly guard[ing] the storehouse, [this] made Squanto's claims believable."

The peace established on 22 March 1621 was the first treaty of its kind between Native Americans and English colonists and is in good company with contemporary bilateral agreements.

Six tenets were thus ratified: first, that neither Wampanoag nor Pilgrim would do harm to one another- essentially a *categorical imperative*. Second, if injury is caused, the offender will be voluntarily presented to the aggrieved party and punished under their laws. Third, that if property is stolen, such will be willfully surrendered. Fourth, if there is war against the Wampanoag, the Pilgrims will come to their aid (and vice versa). Fifth, that the mutual allies of colony and tribe be so inclined to sustain the peace. Lastly, when in conference, leave all their weapons behind.

Massasoit had achieved widespread recognition in New England as the powerful ally of Plymouth, whilst visiting the Governor in Boston along with a retinue of his men, 21 July 1642. Massasoit died in 1661, but was witness to a nascent clash of civilizations in which the English institution of private land proprietorship was just beginning to be grasped by Native Peoples. Massasoit prodigiously granted land rights to his Pilgrim allies woefully ignorant of English common law. However, certain tactics the English employed to acquire land rights- is now elucidated in stark contrast to the canonical Anglo-centric histories of the colonial chroniclers.

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20/20 HINDSIGHT

No Regrets

I have been fortunate to have had several conversations with WR member Roger Marble who has made numerous presentations on various genealogical topics. Not only is he knowledgeable and interesting, but he is a quiet encourager and motivator. While Roger encourages us to pursue lines that don't necessarily link back to the Mayflower, I can't help but thinking that 2020 presents a rather unique target date for our Mayflower lineages.

I have decided that 2020 is approaching much too quickly for me to dillydally around any longer. I don't want 2020 to get here and have regrets! So this Fall I set out to do a couple of things by 2020:

1. submit all supplemental applications I know about
2. join the Mayflower passenger societies...yes some of them require a bit of tedious and redundant work, but I feel it is the least I can do to support and promote Mayflower affiliated societies
3. join early American/Colonial Trade or Professional Societies. I will need to find out what such organizations exist and then gather the required documentation for proof. I know about Flagon and Trencher and I have a number of Inn / Tavern Keepers in my family tree (and they are already identified on the Flagon and Trencher website) but I need to gather the documentation. I'm also interested in organizations involving Preachers, Surveyors, and Blacksmiths.
4. acquire a realistic Pilgrim outfit to wear at gatherings and when doing educational outreach activities.
5. shop used bookstores and library book sales buying up children's books about the Mayflower and Pilgrims and Thanksgiving for prizes and giveaways.

So there it is, 5 goals in just a little more than 2 years. What might your goals be?

Jill Parker, WR Colony Lt Governor

Merry Christmas to all our Mayflower Cousins!!

Hope your Compact Day celebrations and family Thanksgivings was wonderful!

The 2020 Committee was busy these past few months with organizing and communicating with the 5 Colonies on the plans to involve the state in the 2020 Event on May 1&2, 2020 at the Polaris Hilton in Columbus. With a big THANK YOU to all 5 colonies for their help this will be an event to remember. The committee wants to thank everyone who Participated in the "Pennies for Mayflower II." That money will be going to the state treasurer and one check sent to Plymouth. The marketing campaign for the event is starting early in 2018 so we make sure the word gets out to all the heritage and local societies. Keep watching for updates.

Beth Anderson, Ohio 2020 Committee.

COLONY CHRONICLES

News from the Cincinnati Colony

On Saturday November 4, 2017, we enjoyed commemorating Compact Day. This year the Cincinnati Colony held its Compact Day meeting at the Cincinnati Woman's Club. Our meeting began at 11:30 am with some social time to allow our members to catch back up with each other.



Immediate Past Lt. Governor Doug van der Zee swearing in Cincinnati Colonies Officers: Lt. Governor - Shaun Smith, Elder - Todd Reel, Recording Secretary - Janet Moland, Corresponding Secretary - Beth Anderson, and Deputy Elder - Karen Wiggins. Not pictured Treasurer - Clayton Crandall and Historian - Jean Muetzel

Here are a few of the announcements that were made during the social hour:

- Many of our members are collecting change to donate to the Mayflower II restoration. The name of this fundraiser is "Pennies for the Mayflower". On Compact Day, we received 3 mason jars full of change. Keep those jars coming in. The board will determine when we should send in the total to Plymouth.
- Cincinnati Colony meetings will be on the first Saturday in the months of Jan, Mar and Nov and the second Saturday in the month of September due to the long Labor Day weekend. Please put the following dates for 2018 on your calendar: January 6, March 3rd, September 8th and November 3rd. We are looking for suggestions for the location of the meetings. We would love to hear suggestions from our membership.
- On Saturday February 10, 2018 at 1PM the Ohio Mayflower Society will be donating a full set of the available Mayflower Silver books, approximately 50 books, to the Genealogy Division of the Dayton Metro Library. The Cincinnati Colony is collaborating with the Montgomery County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogy Society to

make this presentation. The Mayflower members are invited to stay for the Montgomery County -OGS meeting and presentation that will follow.

Our lunch started at 12:00. Past Lt Governor Doug van der Zee led the us in the Pledge of Allegiance and Elder Todd Reel gave the blessing. Additionally, the Reel family made white and dark chocolate Mayflower ships for everyone in attendance. They were very good.

During lunch, our 2018 officers were sworn in.

Shaun Smith – Lieutenant Governor	Open – Deputy Governor
Clayton Crandall – Treasurer	Beth Anderson – Corresponding Secretary
Jean Muetzel – Historian	Janet Moland -Recording Secretary
Todd Reel -Elder	Karen Wiggins – Deputy Elder
Open – Education officer	BoA Rep – Beth Anderson

In total, we had 40 guests and members in attendance. Our traditional roll call determined that William Brewster had the most descendants in attendance.



Our Compact Day presentation was called 'Puritans and Indians' and it was presented by Karim Tiro. Professor Tiro is a professor of history at Xavier University, where he has been teaching since receiving his doctorate from the University of Pennsylvania in 1999. The presentation was educational. The impact of trade between the two groups was discussed in detail. We learned how trade impacted the culture and the region. Thank you, Professor, for the outstanding presentation.

We wrapped up our fund-raising drive for the Freestore Food Bank. In total, our members donated \$200. The Colony is matching that total to donate \$400 to the Freestore Food Bank. Congratulations everyone, this is a super achievement for our Colony!

Thanks to everyone for attending. I am looking forward to the next meeting.



Immediate Past Lt. Governor Doug van der Zee swearing in Cincinnati Colonies Officers: Lt. Governor - Shaun Smith, Elder - Todd Reel, Recording Secretary - Janet Moland, Corresponding Secretary - Beth Anderson, and Deputy Elder - Karen Wiggins. Not pictured Treasurer - Clayton Crandall and Historian - Jean Muetzel

Shaun Smith, Lt Governor, Cincinnati Colony.

News from the Cleveland Colony

2017 Summer Event:

Our program year finished with a summer field trip to the Lakeview Garden Cemetery Cleveland, Ohio June 25th. Members and guests toured the Wade Memorial Chapel and the Garfield Monument followed by lunch at Trattoria on the Hill restaurant in Little Italy.



2017 Compact Dinner:

On November 18, 2017, we had 90 attendees for our Compact Day Luncheon at Lakewood Country Club where Becky McFarland, presented her program "Eliot Ness". Kudos to Les Kramer because he brought the most guests to the event and received one year paid membership by the Colony!

2018 Spring Event:

The Spring Event & annual business meeting will be held on Sunday, April 15th at the Dunham Tavern Museum located on Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. We will hold our annual meeting in the barn and light refreshments will be served.

2018 State Assembly: The Board of Assistants has started planning the Cleveland Colony 2018 State Assembly. The 120th Annual State Assembly will be held at Radisson Hotel-Gateway located at 651 Huron Road East Cleveland, Ohio. The Friday night event will include a late afternoon free Soldiers and Sailors Monument Tour and Euclid Beach Silver Bullet rides by the "Rocket Man" touring Public Square. The



State Day main event speaker will be Richard Pickering presenting his "Mayflower Compact" program. The Mayflower Compact is one of America's founding documents and how it served as the first constitution in British Colonial America. Plimoth Plantation's Deputy Executive Director Richard Pickering will explore the dramatic creation and enforcement of the Mayflower Compact by portraying both Stephen Hopkins and Ruling Elder William Brewster. We will highlight a few of the downtown attractions which include the Jack Casino, historic Tower City, renovated Public Square, the Flats, Warehouse District, 4th Street and Old Stone Church. The free local RTA trolley and RTA Euclid Corridor can easily transport people about the city. The adventure seekers might want to visit the Cleveland Museum of Art. Our goal is make the annual State Assembly attractive, educational and fun for the members and guests. The *SAVE THE DATE* cards were handed out to the members and guests that attended State Day held in May 2017.

2020 State Assembly Day: Our colony continues to sell the pink ribbons and Ohio commemorative pins as an effort to raise funds for the upcoming 400 year anniversary joint State Assembly Day in 2020. The Cleveland colony has recruited their subcommittee members for the state planning committee. We are patiently waiting to hear the program from genealogist D. Joshua Taylor.

Vickie Heineck, Lt. Governor, Cleveland Colony

News from the Columbus Colony

Congratulations to everyone who made Columbus Colony Mayflower Compact Luncheon such an outstanding success. There are some beautiful pictures to share. Also kudos to Carolyn White, Jan Kleinline, and Patricia Hasser for outstanding table displays. Pat, a Mayflower cousin and an herbalist brought samples of herbs brought on the Mayflower and told of their uses in Plimoth for medical and culinary purposes. She is pictured here with Charles Mays, one of our directors.

November 11, 2017 was the 99th Anniversary of Armistice Day ending *WWI*. Elder Cheryl Bash gave an invocation to honor those veterans who served in the Great War and read "In Flanders Field". Carolyn White provided Poppies and musket ball candy for the tables and door prizes for the drawing. Rachel Jakes, one of our junior members was awarded the Colony's \$1000 scholarship. She is presently attending George Washington University in St.





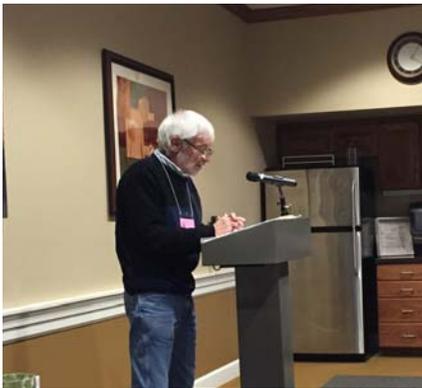
Louis. David Jakes, her father accepted for her. He is pictured here with Dr. Jan Ebert, the Scholarship chair.

Rachel's grandparents Mary and John Jakes also attended. They are pictured here with Sherrie Thomas & Dr. Ebert from the Scholarship Committee. Next year's application will be due May 1, 2018. Members attending for the first time included Carol Bowlin, who transferred from Western Reserve, Dennis Moffit from New Concord, Roberta Coup, Mary James, and Pat Hasser, and Mary Dellinger and Lila Hill from the Marietta Colony. Welcome Cousins!



Sharon Hendershot, Lt. Governor Columbus Colony

News from the Toledo Colony



Toledo Colony met for Compact Day on November 11th. Each place setting included 5 kernels of corn and a poem about their significance. Deputy Lt. Gov. Judy Rand conducted the meeting. Elder David Martin had a special observance for veterans and the 99th anniversary of the end of World War I.

Walter Huffer spoke about the 1920 Mayflower stamps he had found in a stamp collection book. Photocopies of the stamps were shared. Paulette Brewster told about the Family Tree DNA Mayflower Project because her husband, Wayne (member) may be one of a small number of direct descendants in the Brewster line. Caroline Zimmerman presented on the Mayflower Compact and the 1621 Thanksgiving.



At roll call, members were asked not only to name their Pilgrim ancestor but to tell how many generations they are from that Pilgrim. That new question had some people thinking fast and counting on their fingers! The big moment after roll call was the welcome given to new members Kathleen Singler, Jim Shufflin, Paula Lazarony, Margaret Lloyd, Patricia Smith and Don Calvin. All received a colony ship pin and new member packet. The first six are all members of the Shufflin family and were joined by sister Flory Miller for a photo. Flory led the way for the family by becoming a member in January, 2017. Welcome to all!

2018 meetings: 21 April Toledo speaker on the War of 1812 28 July Grand Rapids Betsy Ross 10 November Toledo

Susan Fisher, Lt. Governor, Toledo Colony

News from the Western Reserve Colony

We had a wonderful Compact Day on Sunday, November 12 at Skyland Pines Rustic Lodge in Canton. The fireplace was lit and the floor to ceiling glass wall provided us a spectacular view. The staff outdid themselves this year serving us with bountiful portions of traditional Thanksgiving turkey dinner. And WR Friend Mary Fuller provided the wonderful table decorations. (Mary also provided

the table decorations for the 2017 SMDOH State Assembly which WR hosted in May). Andi and Kevin Riffle, Lee Martin, Ann Gulbransen, Terri Brown, Mary Fuller and Christina Wagner helped with WR materials set-ups and tear downs.



Our program featured WR member Roger Marble whose topic was “*You identified your Mayflower Ancestor, but are you really a Genealogist?*” Roger encouraged us not to stop our genealogical work just because we found a Mayflower ancestor and he shared with us a few interesting facts about his ancestors he has discovered.



Paul Morehouse led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and the unison reading of the Mayflower Compact. Elder Pat Van Hoose led the Blessing of the Meal and the Benediction. Historian Andi Riffle welcomed new members and applicants and led the traditional passenger rollcall.

Lt. Gov. Jill Parker read certificates for two junior members: Stellan Riffle (who is now an adult member), in recognition for his GSMD 2017 scholarship winning essays (copies of the essays were given to attendees) and Amber Cocchiola for developing the WR Facebook page. Members were also encouraged to check out the new SMDOH website.

We have a very active sales table handled by member Christina Wagner who is a wonderful promoter of all things Mayflower! She juggled selling WR items including the Mayflower Maize game, pens, notepads and, of course, the 1620 stress rocks! She also handled the sales of the state items – pink ribbons for holding pins as well as the SMDOH pin. And just for good measure she encouraged attendees to take the information flyer and order form for the candle pin and the Plymouth 400 pin! Sales were great!



Our Interim Junior Member Coordinator, Terri Brown set up two display tables – one was an educational display while the other had assorted activity handouts that were free for the taking. In addition, Terri had made up age appropriate Activity Gift bags for the two young folks that attended. There was interest in these two displays and a number of grandparents left with items for their grandchildren.

Kathleen Lambacher is our Liaison to the Akron-Canton Regional Food Bank and each year she collects donated food items and money to give to the food bank. This year WR members donated food items and \$495.



Ann Gulbransen also spearheaded our “Pennies for Planks” collection on Compact Day and between the “pennies” Ann and husband Marty had already dropped in the jar and the money collected on Compact Day nearly \$200 was collected to be sent in for the restoration of the Mayflower II.

The event was packed with good conversation at every table. A good time was had by all and several members indicated they would like to have more frequent gatherings – something the WR Board has been discussing.

Jill Parker, Lt. Governor, Western Reserve Colony

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 6, 2018: Cincinnati Colony Meeting, details TBA

March 3, 2018: Cincinnati Colony Meeting, details TBA

March 10, 2018: Board of Assistants meeting, MCL Cafeteria, Westerville, OH **Note changed date**

March 17, 2018: Western Reserve Colony spring meeting, Skyland Pines Rustic Lodge

April 14, 2018: Columbus Colony Spring Meeting at Kensington Place. Dr. Janet Ebert will give a presentation about the Star Spangled Banner and lead the members in singing the "other" verses

April 15, 2018: Cleveland Colony spring event & annual business meeting, Dunham Tavern Museum

April 21, 2018: Toledo Colony Spring meeting, beginning with fellowship at 11:30 a.m. at Swan Creek Retirement Village in Toledo. Colony Board meeting immediately after.

May 18-19, 2018: Annual State Assembly hosted by the Cleveland Colony

June 2, 2018 - Columbus Colony picnic for juniors and sponsors, Gantz Park Shelter House

June 16, 2018: Western Reserve Colony summer picnic. Greentown Community Park, potluck lunch, games and prizes

July 28, 2018: Toledo Colony summer meeting

September 8, 2018: Cincinnati Colony Meeting, details TBA

November 3, 2018: Cincinnati Colony Meeting, details TBA

November 10, 2018: Columbus Colony Compact Day, Kensington Place, details TBA

November 10, 2018: Toledo Colony Compact Day, details TBA

November 11, 2018: Western Reserve Colony Compact Day, details TBA

If you know of other genealogy or family history events that should be listed here, please email them to ohmayflower-newsletter@gmail.com and they will be posted in future issues!

Were you intrigued by Jill Parker's goals for 2020? Are you interested in getting yourself an authentic pilgrim costume to wear for Colony meetings and educational events? Check out the outfits that Jill and Jan Kleinline wore in Plymouth in September for the walk from the Mayflower House to the Sarcophagus.

If you think you would be interested in pilgrim garb, there are several places where you can order items. Plimoth Plantation has a number of items including wonderful felt hats and full pilgrim costumes for girls.

Another great source is St. Augustine Textiles where you can order clothing from the 16th, 17th and 18th centuries, as well as cloth by the yard to make your own, and a host of other period items. Their website is [www.http://staugustinetextiles.com/index.html](http://www.staugustinetextiles.com/index.html). Jill has already met her goal by ordering an outfit! How about you?



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Most of our time in England was spent in villages and churches that seldom saw tourists. We saw other churches than the ones mentioned as well as Boston Guild Hall and Fishtoft. My most memorable experience was ringing the Howland bell.

The hospitality in England was incredible! At two village churches we were served coffee, tea, cookies and cake. At two other sites we were served a full meal. It was a surprise to be met outside of the church doors by members of the current congregations. They shook our hands and were genuinely glad to see us.

In Holland, our experience in Leiden was highlighted by our visit to Jeremy Bangs' Mayflower Museum. Unfortunately, Sir Jeremy was too ill to meet with us. We saw the old church, the remaining wall of William Brewster's home and the remains of the church the Cooke's were married in. On our way back to the bus, we visited the spot where the Pilgrims left Leiden.

It was especially rewarding to share this experience with others who had similar interests. They were pleasant travelling companions. If our General Society offers this trip again, I highly recommend it. I will have lifelong memories of the trip and the people I met.

Happy Holidays,

Sandra Carlin St. Martin, Governor