



*Society of Mayflower Descendants
in the state of
Ohio*

Columbus Colony

Organized October 1, 1929

Spring Newsletter 2018

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

We have 293 members. Welcome to new members Charles Fuller (ancestor-Edward Fuller) and Kathleen Rowley (ancestor-Myles Standish) Congratulations to members Cheryl Bash, Helen Cullison, and Janet Hoffmann for new supplementals

It is with great sadness we recognize the passing of Berla Earline Rieffenberger, Jo Cornish-Gerwig, Peter Bouton, and William Perkins.

Elder Cheryl Bash will lead us in a Memorial Service at the April meeting. She asks that members report any other deaths to her at cheryl.bash@live.com

BY-LAWS TO BE UPDATED

State Counselor Margo Broehl has approved our updated By-laws. At The February 17 meeting the Columbus Colony Board recommended that they be submitted to the membership before the April 14 meeting for a vote. The by-laws will be distributed by e-mail attachment and a vote elicited by e-mail response, those without e-mail will be mailed a ballot. The standing rules were

approved by the Board and will be presented to the membership at the April 14 meeting.
COLONY BOARD MEETING FEB. 17



A very productive meeting of Columbus Colony Board was held at the Lt. Governor's home.



An early Columbus Colony member (1931), Dr. Clarence S. Gee, purchased and donated four antique framed, steel engravings to the Columbus Colony. The large engravings were: “*The Signing of the Compact in the Cabin Aboard the Mayflower, Pilgrim Exiles, The Landing of the Pilgrim Fathers and The Return of the Mayflower*”. These were hung in Columbus, Ohio's Center of Science and Industry until 1999. At that time the engravings were returned to the Columbus Colony and taken to Plymouth, MA, where they were once seen hanging in the Mayflower House and/or Library. Three of four are now hiding in a closet awaiting restoration. Greyscale 8.5x11 Prints of The Signing of the Compact and Pilgrim Exiles may be purchased from the General Society's website and will be available at the April 14 meeting.

Columbus Colony Gives Pictures to Plymouth



Caroline Kardell, Assistant Editor of Genealogy at Plymouth, is shown here accepting one of four lithographs given to the General Society by the Rev. Virginia Ress, a Columbus Colony representative. Three of the pictures are presently hanging in the library at Plymouth and the fourth will be hung in the Mayflower Society House.

A MEMBER HONORED

Winifred Schamp was born Sept 13, 1915 and joined the Mayflower Society October 14, 1967. Her ancestors were John Alden, Richard Warren, William Brewster, and William Bradford. She served as Lt. Governor of the Columbus Colony from 1967-1975 and was active in the Colony until her death on March 4, 1999. She bequeathed \$10,000 each to Columbus Colony and the State Society. The Colony Scholarship was established in her name and the Mayflower II \$4000 donation was made in her memory. We purchased a stone and held a ceremony when it was placed. Janice Kleinline even found a home for her little dog. Winifred is buried by her mother in Hathaway Cemetery at West Mansfield in Logan County, Ohio. She is by the south entrance 1/2 way up the hill from the driveway. Her Mayflower cousins were her only family.



UPCOMING EVENTS

April 14, 2018: 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. The Mayflower Maze will be introduced. The meeting invitation with menu is also attached. Come and bring a perspective cousin.

Janice Kleinline will have a table of sale items she purchased in Plymouth. Ohio ribbons and pins will also be available to members at the registration table.

Betsie Goad reminds us that there will be a collection jar for change to go for the restoration of the Mayflower II. It will be passed for your contributions. \$83 was collected at the last meeting. Can we reach \$150?

MAY 1, 2018 Submission deadline for the \$1000 Colony Scholarship which is available for juniors who are high school seniors or college under graduates. E-mail Dr. Janet Ebert for application and requirement drjan@ctcn.net.

JUNE 3, 2018 Summer Picnic from 4-7 P.M. for juniors and their sponsors. The Colony will provide hot dogs and paper products. Members bring their own beverages and a dish to share. Sponsors with last names A-G

bring a salad, H-N, bring a side dish, and O-Z bring a dessert for Fun, Food, and Fellowship at the Gantz Park Shelter House in Grove City. Our juniors will learn about their ancestors, play Pilgrim games, and enjoy the Park which has extensive herb gardens, nature areas, a gentle wading creek, and a labyrinth. It should be fun for all.



November 10, 2018 Compact Meeting at Kensington Place. Paul La Rue, a retired Social Studies teacher from Washington Court House will give a program on the war experiences of two African American officers in the Great War. He and his students initiated a project to mark the graves of African Americans in WW 1.

ANCESTOR INFORMATION

Members of the Mayflower Society are encouraged to consider joining their family society. Do we have a cousin who will speak on their experience doing this? E-mail Sharon Hendershot, Lt. Governor at dshendershot@att.net