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A message from our Governor

Greetings Cousins!

Your BOA at work/Behind the Scenes at SMDOH: The Board met via Zoom on Saturday Aug 7: I am so impressed with the dedication of your Board and thank them for their support and dedication.

Our "All Members" Annual Meeting: The Ohio Society always meet once a year at its Annual Meeting. Well, right, we didn't meet last year. But, this year we have asked all members to gather in Columbus on Oct 1,2 to commemorate two 400th anniversaries: the journey in 1620 and the first Thanksgiving in 1621...a "From Arrival to Survival" celebration.

Much thanks to event Chairs **Beth Anderson** (Cincinnati) and Columbus **Lt. Gov. Hilda Pappas** as well as to each of the Colonies for their key supportive roles in this event. They have kept me up to date as to the events and there is so much to be excited about. **But mostly I am excited about seeing our members - in person!!!!**

And an extra big Thank You to **Hilda Pappas** for coming up with the idea of an Ohio Mayflower Society Cookbook as a special way to celebrate the First Thanksgiving. Hilda's diligence and coordination with each of the colonies resulted in well over the goal of "400" recipes. And thank you to all who pre-ordered copies. The first distribution of these cookbooks will be made at the Annual Meeting – what a great takeaway from that Celebration.

ACTIVITIES WITH GENERAL SOCIETY: The Ohio Society continues to participate in online gathering with the General Society and **Dr. Don Nichols** (Cleveland) and I will be representing Ohio in Plymouth this September for the General Society Annual Board of Assistants Meeting. Additionally, I hope you notice that Ohio is a regular contributor to the Mayflower Quarterly...there are not many Societies that have contributed as often as Ohio.

THANK YOU, MANDY BROOKS, Western Reserve Colony. A big Thank you to **Mandy Brooks** who read about our need for additional members on the Scholarship Committee.



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HISTORIAN'S CORNER

Cousins

2020 was a very busy year for your historian team as you can tell by the number of approved initial and supplemental applications we have processed. In calendar year 2020, we had 147 applications completed. Of those, 96 were new members, 29 regular supplementals and 22 silver supplementals. Whew! For 2021, as of 9/1/2021, we have had 40 new members, 23 regular supplementals and 45 silver supplementals completed. Turnaround for the Silver Supplementals has been wonderful—often just a few days.

That is in sharp contrast for the ever slower turnaround for full initial and supplemental applications. The problem is volume. In a normal month, the Historian General's office receives two to three hundred applications. In December 2020, they received over 700! I think every historian was trying to help applicants beat the price increase. I sent 49 of them! The verifier staff are still working their way through the mountain of applications they received in December so turnaround has risen to over 8 months. If you are a member waiting to hear about a supplemental, be patient. The verifiers are working as fast as they can plus training new staff. Your supplemental will rise to the top of the queue eventually, and I will let you know as soon as I know of approvals.

There have been some staffing changes at GSMD that affect applications. The Director of Research Services has departed, but a new one is being sought, No, I am not interested as I don't want to move to Plymouth. The Society is also recruiting a new Executive Director and an assistant to the applications manager (Darlene Gardner does a fantastic job, but she can't do it alone forever).

Closer to home, SMDOH member Tom Neel has retired as the librarian at the Ohio Genealogical Society. Congratulations Tom! In the next few months, several of us on your BOA will make a trip to Belleville to meet with the new leadership at the library to re-affirm our long term relationship and to deliver a donation of the new Silver Books that have been published in the last two years. We are looking forward to many more years of collaboration with the OGS library,

Speaking of the library donations, the BOA has agreed that we will complete the collections of all the libraries that are on our donation list this fiscal year. We will look at adding additional libraries to the list in the 2022-23 fiscal year. We will do a few libraries each quarter this year. In addition to OGS, the two libraries that will receive new books this quarter are Cincinnati and the Hayes Presidential Library.

The annual conference of the Ohio Genealogical Society will be held in Mason, OH at the Great Wolf Lodge 27-30 April 2022. Ohio Mayflower has had a table in the vendor hall for many years, and we very much want to resume that in 2022. Because of my family obligations, I cannot be there, but am looking for a member to take the lead for the table and many other members to take turns sitting there and chatting with the other conference attendees. I can supply whoever coordinates the effort with lots of display and give away materials for the table. If you are interested, please contact me at historian@ohiomayflower.org.

If the Bylaws change to stop paying the application fees for junior members converting to adult membership passes, you will have only until October 31 to take advantage of the program. That means I will need to have everything for an application in my hands in time to mail the application before the deadline. If you have a former junior between 18 & 25 who is interested, please contact me ASAP to get an application started.



Ann Fox Gulbransen, Western Reserve Colony, Historian

CELEBRATING MEMBERSHIP

Cincinnati Colony

Ned Hughes—60 years
Martha Morrison—60 years
Elizabeth Zib—60 years

Cleveland Colony

Susan Sheldon—50 years
John Kropf—40 years
Mary Douthit—40 years
Blake Brewster—35 years
Brad Brewster—35 years
Elizabeth Finley Belgrad—25 years
Elaine Wey—20 years

Columbus Colony

Betsie Gricar—50 years
John Harlan—45 years
John Beam—40 years

Suzy Davidson—40 years
Laurie Murray—40 years
Charles Miller—25 Years

Toledo Colony

Stephen Huss—40 years
Meg Noah—35 Years
Richard Wunderly—25 years

Western Reserve Colony

Monica Russell—20 Years

Congratulations!

Congratulations!

Annual Meeting or State Assembly?

State Assembly sounds sort of formal; perhaps even for Mayflower officers only. I'm not sure where that term came from but it is not even mentioned in our documents.

What is mentioned in our documents is Annual Meeting. Our **Annual Meeting is open for ALL** – members, junior members, prospective members/applicants and guests. *Think about the Annual Meeting as a regular Colony Meeting* that just takes place, in most cases, somewhere else in the state. Think of it as a Family Reunion, a time to catch up with cousins you haven't seen for awhile and to meet new ones. A time to share latest research and stories discovered through research or by happenstance. Sure there will be a business portion of the meeting and voting from time to time, but the majority of time is spent sharing stories, looking at new (and always affordable) Ohio Mayflower gift items as well as items from Plimoth/Patuxet Museum (courtesy of Jan Kleinline/Columbus Colony).

So we will do our best to strike "State Assembly" from our vocabulary and use Annual Meeting instead. Anywhere you see State Assembly (minutes, Buckeye Mayflower newsletter or Colony newsletters), just think Annual Meeting instead – and it is the Annual Meeting for all of us!! Hope to see you at our ANNUAL MEETINGS from now on!!

Jill Parker, Western Reserve Colony, Governor

IT'S COMING!

Per the Ohio Society Constitution, the Annual Meeting is to be held in May, if at all possible. The 2022 Annual Meeting will be hosted by the Toledo Colony on Friday evening and Saturday, May 13 and 14, 2022. Please mark the dates now on your master calendar. The venue is Holiday Inn and Suites, a new hotel in Perrysburg, a southwest suburb of Toledo, and near the intersection of I-75 (N/S) and I-80/90 (E/W). Friday evening will be time for casual re-connection. Saturday will include the usual business meetings, a chance to view Pilgrims in art pieces, and luncheon with speaker.

THE PILGRIMS WORLD

Friends,

I've often wondered what our ancestors knew? How much of what was happening in their world and around the globe reached their awareness? I proposed to share with our Ohio Society, items from a timeline of history, items I think are of interest. The items will be from the time that those who stayed in England or sailed on the Mayflower might have been knowledgeable. These items will therefore begin in about 1570 and continue to 1675. I invite you to wonder along with me, what did they think about these events and did these events make a difference in their lives.

Take for example these happenings: In 1570 the massacre of more than 3000 French Huguenots (Protestants) in Paris? In 1574 the Dutch forced the Spanish to lift the siege of Leiden? Was this event helpful when the Pilgrims found refuge there? Did they hear that Roanoke had been abandoned in 1590, the year William Bradford was born? Had the people of England learned of the execution of Christians in Japan in 1597?

My image of the situation in England was of a rather backward place. It turns out that the situation was very complex. Here's a chance to broaden our view of their world and what they might have known.

Agape,

Dr. Don Nichols, Cleveland Colony, Former Governor

Treasurer's Report;

All annual members should have received your dues notice by now as this is the time to renew your membership in the General Society of Mayflower Descendants, Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Ohio and your local Colony—Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Toledo or Western Reserve.

The membership fee is the same as last year \$56.00 by mail and \$58 when using PayPal.

Thank you to those who have renewed your membership and I hope the rest of you will also send in your dues.

I appreciate those members who have taken the time to include your Ohio Membership number when mailing your dues or using PayPal. It is very helpful when I update your dues payment in our accounting software.

Do not forget that you can also make donations to your favorite fund when you pay for your dues. For those using PayPal go to www.ohiomayflower.org/donations

Lawrence Hoyt, Treasurer, Cleveland Colony (treasurer@ohiomayflower.org)

UPDATE from my "Mainiac" Mayflower "cousins"

On page 15 of the June (Summer) 2020 Buckeye Mayflower newsletter, I introduced you to my very special Mayflower "cousins" who live in Maine. (At that time Sandy lived in North Carolina, but has since moved back to Maine). If you forgot their story I encourage you to re-read it by visiting the Ohio Mayflower Society website (ohiomayflower.org), click on "newsletter" tab and then select Summer 2020.

Well, Steve Beverage and his sister Sandy Andrews, who are descendants of almost everybody on the Mayflower, are venturing forth now that Mayflower Societies are meeting in person once again. They traveled to Orono, Maine on August 7 for the Maine Society's Summer Meeting. They arrived early and headed to the Sales Table at which they spotted a First Edition Mayflower Maize game. Steve snatched it up for \$2. What a find!



Both he and Sandy are proud owners of the Second Edition, Deluxe Wooden Box game which was issued in 2017/2018.

Ohio's Western Reserve Colony developed the Mayflower Maize game around 1992. WR updated and reissued the game in 2017 in both a cardboard box and a deluxe wooden Anniversary box. The game was reissued as part of WR's educational outreach initiative in recognition of the 400th anniversaries of the journey and the first Thanksgiving. Orders for the Anniversary edition came from all

over the country including: California, Arizona, Montana, Indiana, Florida, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, and, of course, MAINE! Little did I know that that order in early 2018 would turn into a great friendship filled with weekly email correspondence, updates, well wishes, etc.



We never know how far (or how close) our Mayflower involvement will take us. I can walk 4 doors down in my condo complex and sit on the porch of a fellow Western Reserve Colony member and I can email, on a regular basis, with my "Mainiac" Mayflower "cousins!"

Do you have a "distant" Mayflower "cousin" story to share? Have you attended a Mayflower meeting in another state? We invite you to share your stories and photos by contacting our Buckeye Newsletter editor, Ann Gulbransen at newsletter@ohiomayflower.org.

Jill Parker, Governor, Western Reserve Colony

I am an advocate of donating old treasured items to appropriate museums & heritage centers. With this in mind last year, I donated 90 letters written in the 1850's & on era to various venues that promised to preserve & make available online the contents of the letters for all to read. I want to encourage others to do the same as I did with items such as these. Americana. Of interest were several letters written by Richard Warren descendant James Wray of Ohio, a distant cousin of mine, who went to CA gold rush country in 1849 & wrote home of his exciting experiences. Those letters I donated to the State of California, Natural Resources Agency. Another letter written by a Richard Warren descendant & another distant cousin, Eli Miller, told of his pro union Civil War sentiments in 1861. That letter I donated to the Library of Congress.

If others have similar items & don't know what to do with them, I am willing to offer suggestions as a contact person. It is important to know what heritage centers, museum, etc. can best preserve, exhibit, & place online. It is a wonderful feeling to know treasured family items will be of value to others & generations to come.

Judy Overstreet, Richard Warren descendant, Cincinnati
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Get Your Ohio Pin!



Order your Ohio Pins today and show your Mayflower pride! Net proceeds go to support the 2020—2021 Commemoration.

Ohio Pin	\$10.00 each
Ribbon w/Mayflower pin	\$10.00 each
Postage per pin	\$2.00

Send order and payment to:

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MAYFLOWER HISTORY

17 November 1994

As we approach another Thanksgiving perhaps it's time to attempt to dispel some myths and rumors about the Pilgrims of New Plymouth.

As a proven descendant of five signers of the Mayflower Compact, one of whom fell overboard at sea and was rescued, I am extremely tired of seeing the black-and-white-clad figures purported to be "Puritans" or "Pilgrims." Perhaps the Puritans of the Massachusetts Bay Colony dressed that way but the Pilgrims of New Plymouth Colony (separate colonies for close to 50 years) did not.

Here is a partial list of the clothing the Pilgrims brought with them to the New World:

William Mullins took 126 pairs of shoes and 13 pairs of boots. Clothes of all sorts had to go: oiled leather and canvas suits, stuff gowns and leather and stuff breeches, shirts, jerkins, doublets, neckcloths, hats and caps, hose, stockings, belts, piece goods, and what was nicely called "haberdasherie." The predominating colors were russet or deep green but many of the women had saffron or dark-blue dresses, fairly low-necked with wide white collars and split or deeply cuffed sleeves and William Brewster had a violet coat, a red cap, a quilted cap, a lace cap, and a pair of green drawers among his belongings. Myles Standish wore a rust-brown doublet with shoulder caps, braid stripes down the sleeves and buttoned tie fastenings with white cuffs ("Cromwell's Russet-coated captain") and all the men wore knee-breeches with knitted stockings and buckled shoes. The older women had caps tied under their chins but the girls (including my ancestor, Mary Chilton - age 16) pinned their caps to their hair. The children with almost three centuries to go before clothes would be specially designed for them dressed like tiny copies of their elders.

Now, when was the first Thanksgiving? No one knows for sure but it was definitely not the fourth Thursday in November! It was held sometime between the first of October and the first week of November.

The celebration was over some time prior to November 10th 1621 because it was on that date that the first ship - the "Fortune" - to return to Plymouth Colony landed. (Abraham Lincoln set the date as the last Thursday in November in 1863 - over 240 years later!) Again quoting from the book "The MAYFLOWER" by Kate Caffrey (who in turn was quoting):

The harvest being gotten in, our Governor sent four men on fowling, that so we might after a more special manner rejoice together, after we had gathered the fruit of our labors. They four in one day killed as much fowl as, with a little help beside, served the Company almost a week. At which time, amongst other recreations, we exercised our arms, many of the Indians coming amongst us, and amongst the rest their greatest king, Massasoit, with some ninety men, whom for three days we entertained and feasted. And they went out and killed four deer which they brought to the plantation and bestowed on our Governor and upon the Captain and others.

Caffrey goes on to write: *"In addition to the military review the Pilgrims played games of chance and skill and the Indians danced for them. They all enjoyed roast duck and goose, eels, clams and other shellfish, leeks, watercress 'and other salad herbs,' wild plums, dried berries, white bread and corn bread, white and red wine. They certainly ate roast turkey, but not, that first time, cranberry sauce."*

As could be expected after more than three centuries many other long cherished "truths" could be exposed as sheer fabrications. To name one, Priscilla did not say "Speak for yourself, John." That story was made up by a poet, a descendant of the two.

William Munsil
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P.S. I have just retired from the Arizona Society of Mayflower Descendants after being a member for more than 50 years!

BEHIND THE SCENES!

OUR JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP COORDINATORS

This is the third in a series of “Behind the Scenes” articles about those who have volunteered for a particular role or position within our state or Colony organization. In some cases these are elected positions while in others they are appointed. Either way, they represent individuals who have volunteered to help lead our organization. Some of these positions were originally held by those who first settled Plymouth and the Mayflower Society has honored those titles by embracing them in today’s organizations as well. In other cases, such as the Junior Membership Coordinator, this is a role that is a creation since the establishment of the Mayflower Society. This month we will take a look at our Junior Membership Coordinators.

Mayflower/Plymouth History: Well, there certainly was no Junior Coordinator on the Mayflower, nor at Plymouth. Parents or guardians would have overseen special activities for the young folk, although I am sure the young folk were helping farm, garden and cook as soon as they were able.

An interesting thought: Had there been a Junior Coordinator during the Pilgrims’ time, the Billington boys might not have gotten into as much trouble as they did!

TODAY:-Our SMDOH Bylaws (Section 6) state: “The Junior Membership Coordinator shall be responsible for receiving and processing applications for Junior Membership, presenting Junior Membership applications to the BOA for approval, maintaining an accurate roster of Junior Members (including birth dates), making reports at meetings of the SMDOH and BOA, and follow-up action with Junior Members upon their reaching majority. The Junior Membership Coordinator will be a non-voting member of the BOA unless already a member of the BOA. “

Also, the Junior Membership Coordinator is on the Membership Committee.

Key Traits and Responsibilities: Our Junior Membership Coordinator’s responsibilities are to develop and maintain a program of welcoming juniors into our organization, and creating ways to encourage their attendance, participation and involvement. And this individual should be comfortable that this is a big challenge faced by most Mayflower Societies.

Challenges: Junior Membership Coordinators face unique challenges. Not every Society/Colony has a Junior Membership Coordinator so there are few “guidelines” or examples to follow. A “Junior Member” may be defined differently from Society to Society and let’s face it, a 5 month old junior member is quite different than a 10 year old who is different yet from a 17 year old. So the main challenge is to design Junior Membership Coordinator responsibilities in such a way to serve as a liaison/leader to all Juniors to encourage Junior Members to be interested in their Mayflower heritage, finding ways for them to participate and help with meetings.

In addition to SMDOH **Junior Membership Coordinator Todd Reel**, Cleveland’s **Kathy Leisure** serves as their Junior Membership Coordinator and **Matilda Davis-Northrup** serves as the Columbus Junior Membership Coordinator. Thank you all for your work. At the General Society level, Peggy Marsh is National Chair of Junior Membership and her committee members are Ann Wilkerson and Clara Powell. IF you would be interested in helping, please contact your colony Lt. Governor (see p2)

Jill Parker, Governor, Western Reserve Colony

Prior Features: *Elder* (March 2021, page 5); *Captain* (June 2021, page 6)

REMINDER TO THOSE ATTENDING THE ANNUAL MEETING (Oct 1-2):

As in the past there will be a number of items for sale at the Annual Meeting. Jan Kleinline will have her table of items from Plimoth Patuxet Museums, and there will be a table selling Mayflower 400th memento gifts as well as SMDOH ribbons and state pins as well as Pins showing that you support the Ohio's Mayflower Guard program. So be sure to bring your checkbook and/or cash to pick up a few gifts for Family and Friends!!

WR FRIEND plays creative role in SMDOH 2020-2021 Annual Meeting

In March 2012, the late Kathy Brown (wife of WR member Byron Brown) created the "Friends of Western Reserve Colony" (aka, Friends of WR) to recognize that many individuals are active in our Colony gatherings but are not able or have not yet been able to establish Mayflower genealogical eligibility. This includes spouses, parents, grandparents, step-children, adopted children, half-siblings as well as neighbors and friends. While Friends of WR do not have voting rights, they are vital contributors to our Colony's activities.

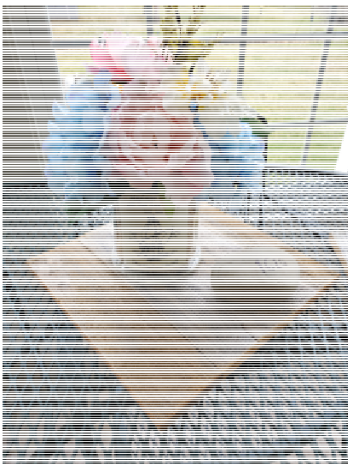
One very special Friend of WR is Mary Fuller, whose husband Jim Fuller was a member until his death (4/9/2015). Jim was descended from Edward Fuller as well as from the Howland/Tilley family. Mary has been the encouraging energy behind the application for membership of their children as well as Jim's siblings.



Mary and Jim Fuller

Those of you who have attended a WR Colony gathering or the 2017 State Assembly in Canton are familiar with Mary's work: she is the creator of our centerpieces. Her creations are always seasonal or program related and WR usually runs a unique "centerpiece drawing". Entry into the drawing is free, but if your name is drawn you may have a centerpiece for a reasonable donation (the exact amount announced at each event, usually around \$10).

It was no surprise that 2020 Chair Beth Anderson selected WR to be responsible for the centerpieces. Beth was familiar with Mary's work and knew Mary would design something very special for our event. The 2020 Committee selected the color/theme for the event. Mary used the theme colors which inspired her spectacular design; and a friend of Mary's assembled the wood bases to represent the Mayflower planks. Mary plans on being at the event and will help with the "centerpiece drawing" (proceeds going to the Ohio Society to help with the cost of the event). At WR meetings, there is always a lot of competition to see who gets to buy which centerpiece!



This is the prototype for the centerpieces for the 2021 annual meeting. We can't wait to see how it has evolved to what she will bring next month!

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Good Use of Covid 19 Isolation Time

I started my ancestry research in about 2007 having no knowledge of my lineage past my great grandparents. By 2008 I had traced my lineage back to William and Mary Brewster. William was the religious leader of the separatist congregation and was most likely the author of the Mayflower Compact as he was the Pilgrim with a college education. My application for William was approved by Plymouth in July of 2009.

There were many other family lines that I had not followed back to the 1600 time frame. The 400th anniversary of the Mayflower and self-isolation due to Covid 19, both gave me the incentive, the opportunity and the time to dig a little deeper. I soon found that my 7th great-grandfather, Henry Samson, was also a pilgrim passenger on the Mayflower. Henry was 16 (too young to sign the Mayflower Compact) at the time of sailing and was traveling as part of the family of his aunt and uncle, Edward and Ann Tilley. Edward and Ann died that first harsh winter, but Henry survived, married Anne Plummer and they had nine children. Henry became a significant landowner in the Plymouth area. Henry and Anne are buried in Coles Hill, Plymouth. Plymouth approved my supplemental application for Henry in November of 2020.

All of the above research was on my father's side of the family. I then started looking deeper into my mother's ancestry and found another Mayflower ancestor, Stephen Hopkins, a signer of the Mayflower Compact. Further, my lineage to him was from two different lines, one through his son Giles (12) and the other through his daughter Constance (14), all three being Mayflower passengers. They were not part of the separatist congregation and were therefore known as Strangers.

Stephen was the only Mayflower passenger with North American experience as in 1609 he sailed as part of a supply mission to Jamestown. His ship was caught in a violent storm and was wrecked in Bermuda. The ships company survived for ten months off the land as they built small boats from their ships remaining hull and then sailed to Jamestown. It is believed that the events of that wreck inspired William Shakespeare to write "The Tempest" and the lead character may have been based on Stephen.

Stephen then served as an indentured servant until 1614, when he learned of his wife's death and returned to England. He remarried and then sailed on the Mayflower with his second wife Elizabeth and three children. His fourth child Oceanus was born on the ship. In Plymouth he was part of the diplomatic missions to the Wampanoag. My supplemental applications for the three Hopkins are awaiting verification at Plymouth.

Still having isolation time on my hands, I returned to my research into my wife's (Kathleen Rowland Coltrin) lineage. Surprise, surprise, her 10th great-grandfather was George Soule, passenger on the Mayflower. George was most likely over 18, as he signed the Mayflower Compact and probably under 25, as he sailed as a servant to separatist Edward Winslow. He married Mary Becket in about 1623 and they had nine children. He became deputy to the Plymouth Court. The family moved to Duxbury where he served on various civic groups such as the committee to deal with Duxbury's problem of the disorderly smoking of tobacco. Kathy's Application for George is awaiting verification at Plymouth.

The most interesting aspect of my Mayflower research is that first I find that both my Mom and my Dad were Mayflower descendants and they both passed away without that knowledge. Then I find that both Kathy and I are Mayflower descendants. What are the odds?

Bob Coltrin, Cleveland Colony Historian

20/20 HINDSIGHT

October 1 & 2nd, 2021 Update

As I write this we are six weeks away from the October 1-2 Celebration of the 400th anniversary of the First Thanksgiving. Like our ancestors we are going through a period of challenge and unknowns. They had survived a year of previously unknown challenges and loss of half of their pilgrim settlers. Who knew the Wampanoag Indians would become their salvation in their assistance with farming and safety? The first Thanksgiving was just that, a day of celebration and giving thanks for survival and the first successful harvest. On October 1-2nd we prepare to celebrate and be grateful that we descend from strong and resourceful people.

The Ohio Mayflower leadership is excited to be able to meet in person again and are looking forward to seeing members and celebrating our ancestors lives and sacrifices. Be prepared to relax and have fun! We are very much looking forward to seeing all of you who have registered.

Watch for pictures and notes in the special edition of the “Buckeye Mayflower”

Beth Anderson and Hilda Pappas.

State Cookbook Project



I've enjoyed working with everyone on this project – Jill, colony Lt. Governors, and contributors who I've emailed back and forth when I had questions. We have a very good representation of a variety of recipes.

We have 117 contributors with 520 recipes:

Cincinnati Colony – 27 contributors with 182 recipes

Cleveland Colony – 6 contributors with 11 recipes

Columbus Colony – 47 contributors with 188 recipes

Toledo Colony – 16 contributors with 42 recipes

Western Reserve – 21 contributors with 97 recipes

This cookbook will be introduced at the October 1-2 Celebration of the First Thanksgiving event. After that, I will send out an email to all society members with directions for ordering a cookbook. All pre-ordered cookbooks will be filled first. The cost for the cookbook is \$20.00 for pickup and \$25.00 if mailed. Each Colony Lt. Governor will have a supply to sell at their Compact Day luncheons in November.

Hilda Pappas, Columbus Colony Lt. Governor
Cookbook Chair

COLONY CHRONICLES

News from the Cincinnati Colony

Hello Ohio from Cincinnati Colony...

Cincinnati Colony members would like to thank the officers/Board of our Ohio Society who keep us in check and informed. We appreciate what they do to coordinate and manage the 5 Ohio colonies.

We so enjoyed our Spring meeting in May, we look forward to having many more attendees at our Compact Day held on:

NOVEMBER 6, 2021 11:30-2:30
CINCINNATI COLONY COMPACT DAY
400TH ANNIVERSARY OF FIRST THANKSGIVING
CINCINNATI WOMAN'S CLUB
LAFAYETTE AVE CINCINNATI

Speaker : Scott Douglas Gerber is a law professor at Ohio Northern University and an associated scholar at Brown University's Political Theory Project. He has published five academic books, four novels, and approximately two hundred articles, book reviews, op-eds, and sundry pieces. The title is: *Law and Religion in Plymouth Colony.* Summary: Although the literature about Plymouth Colony is voluminous. Dr. Gerber's talk addresses the Pilgrims' conception of law on matters of religion and the new insights into the Pilgrims' story that can be ascertained by focusing on law.

For Cincinnati Colony members, EMAIL INVITATIONS WILL BE SENT AROUND EARLY SEPTEMBER PLEASE JOIN US. Pre-Meeting SOCIAL, lunch, Dr. Gerber presentation, drawings and door prizes.

Elections will be held for some positions. Current officers of Cincinnati Colony: Starleyne Vondrell-Lt. Governor; Beth Anderson-Corresponding Secy & BOA; Clay Crandall-Treasurer; Wanda Langdon-Recording Secy; Sue Bray-Historian; Elder-Todd Reel; Merchandise Inventory-Todd and Vicki Reel; Deputy Lt. Governor-Open.

*We Welcome all other member Mayflower Ohio Colonies to attend. Contact me, Star, at mstestvon@gmail.com if you would like to join us.

****Look** for an **article in the October or November issue of the Cincinnati Magazine** highlighting the Cincinnati Colony and the Mayflower First Thanksgiving. I'll post exact release date soon.

Thank you everyone for your support of the **Ohio Mayflower Cookbook project**. Cincinnati came in with 27 contributors and 182 recipes! Well Done Hilda Pappas and all!

Fun facts: In researching the history of our Cincinnati Colony, date of granted charter from Ohio Society is confirmed as January 27, 1935. This event took place at the Hotel Alms in Walnut Hills, Cincinnati. Dr. Frank Phinney, Cincinnati Physician and Governor of the Ohio Society was present. Our first Lt. Governor was Mr. John Wallace.

Our colony includes Hamilton County, Southwestern Ohio, Hamilton, Middletown, and Dayton. Our journey to become an integral part of the Ohio Society started in 1922, when Dr. Starr Ford, Cincinnati physician, and Ohio Society Governor changed the bylaws to provide for "formation of colonies throughout the state". However, Cincinnati was not the first colony to form. It was 15 years later, joining Cleveland, Columbus, and Akron (at the time).

Some things never change. Quote from Cincinnati Enquirer February 2, 1935 "It is the hope of the members that by organizing a colony in Cincinnati that the **young people will join their elders** and help foster and continue the spirit of our forefathers who founded our country, in recognition of what they did".

Our past meeting venues have included Elder- Beerman in Dayton, the Cincinnati Fire Museum, Sharon Woods Park picnic

Star Vondrell, Lt Governor, Cincinnati Colony.

News from the Cleveland Colony

Meetings: The colony continues board of assistant's meetings via Zoom and one annual business meeting in 2021.

2021: Summer Event: No event for 2021.

2021 State Assembly Day: The First Thanksgiving Day is October 1-2, 2021 to be held in Columbus, Ohio at the Airport Marriott Hotel hosted by the Columbus colony. Our colony is responsible for the event reservations and registration task.

2021 Compact Day: The annual November 13, 2021 Compact Day buffet luncheon is scheduled to be held again at the Lakewood Country Club located in Westlake, Ohio depending on the status of COVID-19. Our keynote speaker will be Past Governor General Lea Filson and her program will be published closer to the event. Our colony is honored to welcome the Past Governor General to our Compact Day dinner. After the traditional passenger roll call, we will recognize the Veterans again and thank them for their service and we will never forget.

Vicky Heineck, Lt. Governor, Cleveland Colony

News from the Columbus Colony

Our Compact Day luncheon is scheduled for Saturday, November 6, 2021 at Clintonville Women's Club. Our guest speaker will be John Burke – John Burke's Living History. His presentation will be an enactment of the Pilgrim's First Thanksgiving from an Indian Perspective.



Hilda Pappas, Lt. Governor Columbus Colony

News from the Toledo Colony

Summer meeting: Two "new" members are shown being welcomed to Toledo Colony with their colony pins and state information packets. Carol Tomasic, a descendant of Richard Warren, joined in December, 2020 (along with her two sisters), and Edmund



Trafford, a descendant of Alden, Chilton, Mullins, Standish, and Warren transferred from Georgia in 2019. They were part of the summer picnic at the Walnut Grove Shelter in Secor Metropark in west Toledo on June 19, the first meeting since November, 2019, due to the covid pandemic. The smaller size of the group made it easy to get to know each other better. Each person that day



shared a family story and/or family item. Carol brought glass bottles from her family who owned Trilby Dairy Farm, well known in northwestern Ohio. Edmund brought a walking cane from his family. Other attendees related

family stories from Russia, Germany, Austria, Netherlands, Italy, and Poland.

November Compact Day meeting: The Compact Day meeting will be Saturday, 13 November, at Ohio Living Swan Creek Retirement Center off Rt. 20 in Toledo. Fellowship begins at 11:30, traditional Thanksgiving meal at 12, and the speaker at approximately 1:15. Peter Wilhelm will present "The Great Black Swamp of Northwestern Ohio".

Reservations will be due to Jeff Stoll by Tuesday November 9th at 906-440-5088 or willowcove@lighthouse.net The colony newsletter will go to members and preliminaries by mid-October and will be posted on the Ohio Society website. All are welcome.

Annual Meeting, 2022: We are the hosts for this meeting on May 13 and 14, 2022. Colony members are urged to volunteer to help organize this meeting.

Susan Fisher, Lt. Governor, Toledo Colony

News from the Western Reserve Colony

Our Compact Day celebration will be held Sunday, November 14th. Our speaker will be Janet Weir Creighton presenting "Dining with the President." The location is TBD as our long-time venue, Skyland Pines, has been sold for development. Notices will be sent to WR Colony members and Friends in October.

Guests are always welcome at our gatherings!

Western Reserve Colony will be on hand at our State Meeting to pass out attendee bags, and will have some extra items on hand to sell!

Christina Wagner Schepis, Lt. Governor, Western Reserve Colony



Subscription Information

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 1-2 2021 - Annual Meeting, Columbus Airport Marriott

November 6, 2021 - Cincinnati Colony Compact Day, Cincinnati Women's Club

November 6, 2021—Columbus Colony Compact Day, Clintonville Women's Club

November 13, 2021—Cleveland Colony Compact Day, Lakewood Country Club, Westlake, OH

November 13, 2021—Toledo Colony Compact Day, Ohio Living Swan Creek Retirement Center

November 14, 2021—Western Reserve Colony Compact Day, location TBD

March 3-5, 2022—RootsTech Connect—free, online virtual genealogy conference sponsored by FamilySearch. Go to <https://www.familysearch.org/blog/en/rootstech-connect-2022/> for more information. Registration should open in September 2021.

April 27-30 2022—Ohio Genealogical Society conference, Great Wolf Lodge, Mason, OH. Go to www.ogs.org for more information.

May 13-14, 2022— Annual meeting, sponsored by the Toledo Colony

If you know of other genealogy related events that should be on this list, please email the information to newsletter@ohiomayflower.org.

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She responded and even agreed to co-chair with outgoing Chair **Dr. Don Nichols** who agreed to bring Mandy up to speed on Committee operations.

LOOKING AHEAD: As you can imagine, Colony and State events are planned well in advance of the actual events. So just a heads-up. The 2022 Ohio Annual Meeting is tentatively scheduled for **May 13-14. SAVE THE DATE!**

REFLECTIONS & GRATITUDE: Each Society and Colony has a history of their “founding”. Starting up an organization takes time and commitment. I am grateful for their efforts. The most recent Societies are from outside the United States and the General Society has welcomed them with open arms, in full recognition that Mayflower ancestors are not limited to the United States. This has broadened our membership and in many ways made it much more interesting. Imagine if you will descendants in Europe whose line goes back to a Mayflower passenger who left children in England or Holland who never came to the U.S. They are still Mayflower Descendants. Or members in Canada or Australia whose ancestors made their own “voyage” by emigrating from the U.S. sometime in the 18th, 19th or 20th century. Our new Societies are proving that our “cousins” continue to search for new opportunities.

In each of our Mayflower Societies and Colonies today we find groups of people (let's call them “cousins”) who look forward to gathering a few times a year and at the Annual Meeting for fellowship and picture taking with their “cousins”. These are part of our family, we are related. These gatherings are Family Reunions. We talk about our ancestors, speculating about their lives, sharing what we have discovered in our research and encouraging each other in our pursuits of additional lines back to the Mayflower. What fun to find we have ancestors we didn't realize we had! So embrace each gathering and the Annual Meeting as our Family Reunion time. Pictures and all! Hope to see you soon! And remember, you are always welcome at events held in any of our Colonies!

Jill Parker, Governor, Western Reserve Colony

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SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

2021-2022

ATTENTION

The scholarship program for this year will be
offered, with the following theme:

An examination of the conflict that existed between
The Church of England and those who were members
of churches, who left on the Mayflower, as well as those
of the same religious persuasion who remained behind
in England and Holland.

Full details on the 2021-2022 Scholarship will be in the December Buckeye Mayflower and will be posted at www.ohiomayflower.org along with the application form.

The scholarship is open to students attending college or university in either an undergraduate or graduate program. Tell your eligible family members about the opportunity.