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MESSAGE FROM ACTING GOVERNOR, REED KNEALE



Welcome new and existing members! Our ranks increase monthly as our Historians do their yeoman's work guiding applicants through the maze of membership.

I just returned from a visit to Plymouth celebrating my Manx connection through Myles Standish. The North American Manx Association hosted a trip to Patuxet and a tour of the Mayflower II. Always great to be in Plymouth! I had a chance encounter with Myles Standish and was very impressed with his perspective of life in 1627, which is the year they are currently representing. If you haven't been, add it to your bucket list.

My role has changed to acting Governor until Co-Deputy Governor James Campbell takes the reigns. James brings an experienced historical volunteer resume and is meeting with our team to better understand their challenges. He has also initiated surveys to gauge interest in new and upcoming events and activities.

Our members and committees remain busy with many accomplishments under their belt, detailed below.

- We hosted a virtual event with Plymouth Patuxet, "Fact or Fiction." Dr. Heather Horton negotiated and created this event based on the writings in "Mourt's Relation," believed to be written by Edward Winslow and William Bradford. Hilary Goodnow decoded the language and events in an interesting and informative way revealing new insights. She fielded questions from the 30+ attendees.
- Hopefully, you didn't miss out on your free copy of "Stephano" by Andrew Buckley. Andrew's video characterized Stephen Hopkins's many adventures and was very entertaining.
- Another virtual event, "Nevertheless, she persisted: Exploring 17th – century women for a 21st – century world." Pilgrim life through the eyes of Elizabeth Tilley Howland was presented in March to commemorate Women's History Month.
- Did you know the Western Colony is over 75 years old? Their Spring meeting on May 21st at Edgeworth Country Club featured a reenactor of President Grant. They also scheduled a picnic that, unfortunately, was canceled.
- Pam Palchowski created a Junior members event featuring the Pirates and Phillies at PNC Park on July 31st at 1:05 pm. We had 16 attendees from all over the state, with the Phillies prevailing! Fantastic and fun event; nice work, Pam!

Speaking of Dr. Horton, her new booklet, *The Women and Girls of the First Thanksgiving*, is a big hit in our store. It is available in our online store for \$3, including shipping. All proceeds are donated to the education fund, and 200 copies have sold so far. Purchases have been from all over the country! She has now followed up with *THE WOMEN AND GIRLS OF THE MAYFLOWER: PILGRIMS OF SANDWICH AND HENLOW* for \$4, including shipping. Keep an eye out for more books in this series.

- Our Historians have been hard at work adding over 70 new members last year, with over 100 more in the application process! We think we will have our 3000th SMDPA member ID number in 2022!
- We will celebrate Thanksgiving again in our church service on November 19, 2022.

We have a high percentage of retained memberships and truly have loyal cousins. SMDPA's financial state is solid as our strategy to invest in 60/40 equities vs. bonds has proven the test of time. Several donations from our membership are greatly appreciated and will be put to work on our activities. Thank you for your dues and membership!

May God bless you and your family, keeping all healthy and in faith during this unique time!

Respectfully,
Reed Kneale
Acting Governor SMDPA,
smdpa-governor@sail1620.org

NEW EVENT VENUE

Susquehanna Governor Michael Saunders and SMDPA Co-Deputy Governor James Reed Campbell Jr. and their spouses spent a recent Friday evening investigating a new venue for our **Annual BOA and Member event on Saturday, April 22, 2023**. The Cameron Estate Inn & Restaurant affords a central location in Lancaster County for SMDPA members across the state. A historical building that partly dates to 1805 is located at 1855 Mansion Lane, Mount Joy, PA 17552. The Inn was the home of the Hon. Simon Cameron a U.S. Senator from 1845 to 1851 and 1857 to 1861. It sits in rural cornfields adjacent to the historic Donegal Presbyterian Church, built in 1735. More information can be found here: <https://cameronestateinn.com/cameron-estate-inn-history> and here: <https://donegalpc.org/history>.

Annual Spring Meeting Review 2022

Article by Sharyn Davis as published in the Mayflower Quarterly.

Photo credit- James Buckner.

The Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Pennsylvania gathered in person for the first time since the fall of 2019 on Saturday, March 26, 2022. We came together at the Desmond Hotel in Malvern, Pennsylvania, for our Annual Spring Meeting and Luncheon. The General Society of Mayflower Descendants, Governor General Jane Hurt, was our honored guest and speaker. The SMDPA held a brief business meeting with reports on the state of the Society given by Governor Reed Kneale, Treasurer Scott Bond, and Lead Co-Historian Ginny Fossa. The new slate of Officers and Board of Assistants were called forward by Secretary Laura Tyndall and Governor General Hurt to take the oath of office for the upcoming year.

Governor Kneale honored Governor General Jane Hurt with the Katharine F. Little Distinguished Mayflower Award. The Katharine F. Little Award is a national award given to individuals who are not members of the State Society to recognize their meritorious work in enhancing understanding of the Pilgrims and Pilgrims' contributions to the American life.



Also, the John M. Hunt Jr. Most Distinguished Pilgrim Award recipients of 2019 to 2021 were recognized and presented with their plaques. The award is given to Pennsylvania Society members for their exceptional service to the State Society. Our honored members are Treasurer Scott Bond (2019), Secretary Laura Tyndall (2020), and Lead Co-Historian Ginny Fossa (2021).

Congratulations to all the award winners!



Governor General Hurt presented a PowerPoint program on the current state of the General Society, the

Mayflower Society House, the Meeting House, and the Mayflower Research Library, with all the repairs and renovations completed and those still in the process. The year 2022 is the 125th Anniversary of GSMD, and Governor Hurt reminded us with a call to service that there are many ways we can celebrate and honor our pilgrim ancestors. She suggested joining the Mayflower Guard, volunteering time to help with the properties, donating to the scholarship fund, or donating your time and talents to GSMD or SMDPA.

All enjoyed a delicious meal and a time of fellowship. Members expressed how wonderful it felt to be back together again.



Pam Palchowski and Sharyn Davis, Editors -The Pennsylvania Mayflower with Governor General Jane Hurt



Secretary, Laura Tyndall



SMDPA 2022-2023 New and Incumbent Board Members

Thanksgiving Worship/Dinner 2022

November 19, 2022

Worship 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

St. David's Episcopal Church
763 South Valley Forge Road
Wayne PA 19087
610-688-7947

Dinner 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Merion Cricket Club
325 Montgomery Ave
Haverford PA 19041
610-642-5800



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929 South High Street, Suite 135, West Chester, PA 19382

Let us gather for our annual Thanksgiving non-denominational remembrance service. This will be our first in-person Thanksgiving worship and dinner since 2019!

The service will be held in the old church at St. David's, the original building. It does not have electricity and is lit by candles.

Canned food donations are appreciated and will be collected at the church. We look forward to celebrating our Pilgrim heritage.

A traditional Thanksgiving buffet dinner will follow the church service. Dinner will be at the Merion Cricket Club in the Cottage Room. The Merion Cricket Club is a short 20-minute drive from St. David's Episcopal Church.

Parking is available at the church and the Merion Cricket Club.

Reservations are required for the dinner (but not for the church service). Tickets may be purchased online or via mail with the coupon in the newsletter.

THE CHURCH:

St. David's Episcopal Church, often known as St. David's at Radnor or, less often, as Old St. David's, is a parish of the Episcopal Church in the United States of America, founded in the early 18th century and named after the Patron Saint of Wales. The original church building, built in 1715 and the subject of a Longfellow poem, still stands. It is in nearly the same condition as when it was built, with several new buildings constructed to house the growing congregation.

In March 1880, the poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow visited St. David's. Struck by the peace and quiet of "this little church among its graves," he composed a poem about it: "Old St. David's at Radnor," published later that same year in the Ultima Thule collection.

THE DINNER:

Dinner will be a classic Thanksgiving meal: turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, haricot vert, cranberry sauce,

gravy, and pumpkin pie, with coffee & tea service. A cash bar is available, starting at 4:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 4:30 p.m. A children's dinner of chicken tenders and fries will be an alternative. Regular tickets are \$45 per adult, \$20 for juniors, and \$9 per child (9 years and under).

**Your RSVP must be received by NOVEMBER 12, 2022
Reservations can be made online at www.sail1620.org**

SMDPA Officers and Assistants for 2022-2023

The following Officers and Assistants were elected at the Society's Annual Meeting on March 26, 2022.

An asterisk (*) signifies an incumbent.

OFFICERS

- Governor (Acting) – Reed Kneale*
- Co-Deputy Governor – James Campbell
- Co-Deputy Governor - Heather Horton, MD, Ph.D.
- Secretary - Laura L. Tyndall, Pharm.D.*
- Assistant Secretary – Jessy Schaffer
- Treasurer – Scott C. Bond*
- Assistant Treasurer – Judi Biederman*
- Co-Historian (Lead) – Ginny Fossa*
- Co-Historians – Cinda Hartman*, Keith Kammenzind*,
Lois M. Howanec*, Sharyn Davis*
- Registrar - Althea Fejes*
- Assistant Registrar – Sue Henning*
- Membership Officer – Vacant
- Elder – James Buckner*
- Captain – Keith Kammenzind*
- Counselor – Melanie Lynagh*
- Surgeon – Ronald Simonsen, MD*

ASSISTANTS

- Term Expiring April 2023: Adam Biedrzycki*,
Lauren Klein*, Brian Atwood*
- Term Expiring April 2024: Sherri Smith*, Heather Horton*,
Joseph (Joe) Gifford*
- Term Expiring April 2025: Shelly Young Bell*,
Vance (Robert) Dunbar, Pam Palchowski

In Memoriam

By Althea Fejes, Registrar



The members of the Board of Assistants of the Society of Mayflower Descendants of Pennsylvania would like to express their sympathy to the family and friends of our recently departed members. We thank you for your service and dedication to SMDPA.

Our Deputy Governor 2020 - 2022 Debra Yingst 1954 - 2022



Debra was asked to return to the SMDPA Board of Assistants in 2020 and accepted the role of Deputy Governor and GSMD AG. It was an honor to have Debra return and be active in SMDPA.

Before Debra was a teenager, she found out she was a Pilgrim. She was told by her paternal grandmother, Kathryn (Fuller) Hoffman, who was a member of the NJ Mayflower Society. Debra's father, John Hoffman, was also a member of the NJ Mayflower Society. Debra and her family joined the Mayflower Society through Edward Fuller, and she had supplemental lines to Mrs. Edward Fuller, Samuel Fuller, Richard Warren, Isaac Allerton and Mary Norris Allerton.

Debra was married to John, and they lived in a 100+ year old farmhouse outside of Boiling Springs, PA. In June 2003, they named their homestead 'Mayflower Meadows' dedicating it to the memory of the pilgrims. John was supportive of Debra, especially her "pilgrim" time. He loved to travel around the U.S. with her, going to GSMD and Member Society meetings.

Debra was a dual member, serving on the SMDPA Board of Assistants as Assistant Treasurer, Treasurer, Deputy Governor and GSMD DGG. She left the SMDPA Board in 2009 after her father passed away suddenly and she was asked to serve on the SMDNJ Board in his place. She held the position of as the SMDNJ Deputy Governor.

In Debra's own words, "I believe that we must actively preserve our country's history, as well as our own family history. We must teach the past so that future generations are able to know the values of our ancestors and perpetuate them. The determination and faith of my pilgrim ancestors will always be a positive influence in my life. In 2002, on a trip to England, as I walked through the Castle Gateway in Southampton, I couldn't deny the feeling that I was walking in my ancestor's footsteps!"

Along with Acting Governor Kneale, the Board of Assistants, and her many cousins and friends in the SMDPA,

we express our heartfelt sympathy to John, her husband, and all her family.

Debra embraced everything Pilgrim! Thank you for your time with us and God bless you.

Carl F. Pease was a member of SMDPA, and his ancestor was Peter Brown. He was born on March 12, 1931, and passed on July 17, 2021.

George P. Flint passed away on November 28, 2021, as reported to the SMDPA Registrar.

Raymond H. Ford was born on January 5, 1931, and left this world on January 20, 2022. Ray was a proud member of the SMDPA, The John Howland Society, and Sons of the American Revolution.

George Webber was born on March 3, 1927, and passed on January 24, 2022. George was from the Philadelphia area.

Dr. Robert Heinsohn was born in New York in 1932 and passed away on Feb 14, 2022. Robert had many passions, including genealogy. He has written articles for SMDPA, which can be found on our website under Features. Being a member of SMDPA, he served on many committees; most recently, he served on the nominating committee of officers. He will be missed by his SMDPA friends

Deborah Ann Yingst was born on January 17, 1954, and after two years of cancer treatments, passed away on February 19, 2022. Deborah was the Deputy Governor of SMDPA at the time of her passing. She will be remembered for her dedication to the Society.

Nancy L. Patrucci was a member of SMDPA, and the Registrar was informed of Nancy's passing. She was born in 1938 and left this world on May 24, 2022.

Beverly Jane Pontus Kammenzind was born June 3, 1928, and passed peacefully on August 22, 2022. She was very proud to be a direct descendant of nine Mayflower passengers and was a Western Colony member.

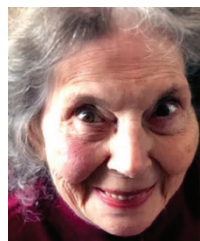
"Our SMDPA Captain, Keith Kammenzind, mourns the loss of his mother, Beverly. Beverly was a proud member of our society and passed at the age of 94. Keith has become my friend and inspiration for initiatives that have supported the Western Colony as well as the overall society.

Our deepest respect and sympathies to Keith and his family." Governor Reed Kneale.

Barbara Claire Gillis, 81, of Lancaster, passed away on September 12, 2022. Barbara was involved in eight genealogical organizations, including The Daughters of the American Revolution, The National Society of the Colonial Dames of America, and

The General Society of Mayflower Descendants. She was a member of the Susquehanna Colony of SMDPA.

Jane E. Fisher, a proud Mayflower Descendant. Jane was a member of SMDPA and a member of the Massachusetts Society. Jane passed away on September



12, 2022. According to the Registrar in MA, Jane was a generous donor to the Mayflower Scholarship fund.

Phyllis C. Rutherford, a proud descendant of William Brewster, was excited to see her years of research allow her membership in the SMDPA. Phyllis passed away on August 22, 2022, at the age of 95, she was from the Philadelphia area.



Financial Report By Scott Bond, Treasurer

Thoughts of COVID are slowly fading, and I am pleased that we are coming out of isolation this Fall. I am looking forward to our Thanksgiving celebration.

Financially, 2022 has not been good for us. SMDPA is on the same financial rollercoaster that most of us are personally – and it’s certainly not fun. Year-to-year, we are down just over 16%. While troubling, this does not impact our short-term operations and should rebound in the longer term.

	<u>31-Aug-21</u>	<u>31-Aug-22</u>
Wells Fargo		
Checking	\$10,405	\$8,824
<u>Merchant</u>	<u>2,132</u>	<u>3,335</u>
Total	12,537	12,159
Vanguard		
Stock Funds	\$415,154	\$333,158
Bond Funds	183,674	175,353
<u>Money Market</u>	<u>26,152</u>	<u>13,279</u>
Total	624,980	521,790
 Total Cash & Investments	 \$637,517	 \$533,949

I am occasionally asked if dues will be increased in 2023. We have not discussed our 2023 budget to know if there will be any dues changes in 2023, but we will do our best to minimize any potential impact on the membership. Like everyone, we are impacted by inflation for insurance, external accounting services, and other expenses.

The 2021 GSMD per capita charges were significant, and GSMD eased Life member charges by spreading out their increases to member societies over four years, an increase of \$5 per year per Life member through 2024. That adds an additional \$1,400 to our budget for the next two years.

Again, we will do our best to minimize any increases for 2023.

2022 Dues By Judi Biederman, Assistant Treasurer



The SMDPA annual dues process is coming to a close. Thank you to everyone who has paid 2022 dues; your timely payment keeps our society operational and allows us to offer membership benefits such as this newsletter.

If you have not paid your dues for 2022, please know that your SMDPA membership will expire soon. We value all our members and have tried to contact you in a variety of ways.

- In January, both print and electronic dues notices were mailed/e-mailed to the entire membership.
- In July, reminder postcards were mailed to all members with dues still outstanding.
- In August, e-mail reminders were sent, with a few printed letters mailed to members without e-mail.
- In September, phone calls were made by our Registrar and Colony Governors, and a final dues notice was mailed.

Despite these efforts, in mid-September, there were still 36 members with 2022 dues outstanding. Unfortunately, anyone who remains unpaid as of our upcoming October 8 board meeting will be dropped from SMDPA membership.

If your dues remain unpaid, please send them in as soon as possible to keep your membership active. Checks may be written to “SMDPA” and sent to:

SMDPA
929 S. High Street, Suite 135
West Chester, PA 19382

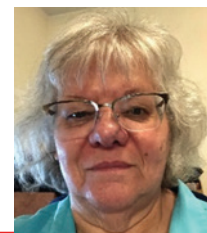
If you wish to receive an electronic invoice to pay online via credit card, contact Assistant Treasurer Judi Biederman at Asst-Treasurer@sail1620.org, 215-493-3484.

Finally, if you are dropped, we will always welcome you back. But we’d rather keep you now!

If you have any questions, I am always available to help you.

Judi Biederman
Assistant Treasurer
Asst_Treasurer@sail1620.org
215-493-3484

SMDPA Growth By Ginny Fossa, Lead Co-Historian



The Historian Team has been busy! SMDPA has added fifty-two new members, eight new Juniors, and eight new Supplementals since the last reporting. The Historians have been busy assisting prospective members with navigating the application system. Our mission is to preserve the

history of the Pilgrims, we accomplish this when we add new members. The Co-Historians are Cinda Hartman, Keith Kammenzind, Lois M. Howanec, and Sharyn Davis.

We are always looking for additional members to join our team! If you would like to be an Assistant Historian who works with prospective members guiding them through the application process, we would love to have you join us! If you just like to do the research and help the Co-Historians, your assistance would be very helpful. Please email me, Ginny Fossa at SMDPA-Historian@sail1620.org.

Welcome to our Newest Members:

Durkee, Judith	Bradford 11th
Burton, Jonathan	Bradford 12th
Burton, Alison	Bradford 12th
McAfoos, Michael	Warren 14th
McAfoos, Jonathan	Warren 14th
Woodman, William	Alden 12th
MacDonald, Douglas	Alden 12th
Simon, Joshua	Howland 13th
Trommler, Daniel	Alden 13th
Trommler, Nathaniel	Alden 13th
Hunter, David	Bradford 11th
Morrison, Michelle	Cooke 13th
Johnson, Patricia	Alden 10th
Ellsworth, Bennett	E Fuller 12th
McDowell, John	E Fuller 13th
Ellison, Alison	Bradford 12th
Upton, Norman	Warren 10th
Belcher, Alicia	Howland 13th
Creely, Suzan	Howland 11th
Silla, Patricia	Soule 12th
Patton, Richard	Howland 11th
Bort, Peter	Howland 11th
Makosy, Susan	White 11th
Pepper, John	E Fuller 13th
Hodes, Carol	E Fuller 12th
Cooper, Gail	Brewster 13th
Podobnik, Brian Isaac	Allerton 12th
Podobnik, Brian, Jr. Isaac	Allerton 13th
Servian, Charlene	Brewster 10th
Singer, Cynthia	Howland 11th
Randall, Richard	Brewster 11th
Brock, David	E Fuller 13th
Scruci, Nancy J	Billington 12th
Linville, Brian	Chilton 13th
Weston, John	Alden 10th
Curran, Stephen F	Billington 11th
Kelly, Alexis P	Mullins 12th
Kelly, Rhys	Alden 13th
Vivola, Peggy-Jean	Warren 13th
Cannizzaro, Michael	Bradford 12th
O'Malley, Amber C	Hopkins 12th

Holdridge, Cindy G
Schmidt, Barbara
Jonsson, Adrienne
Crowell, Carolyn
Crowell, Chase
Crowell, William
Bowell, Janice
Siani, Thomas
Connor, Beverly
Holloway, Michael
Ridgeway, Michael

Soule 10th
Alden 9th
Howland 12th
Brewster 14th
Brewster 14th
Brewster 14th
Soule 11th
Howland 12th
Howland 10th
Brewster 13th
Hopkins 13th

New Junior Members:

McAfoos, Brynn
McAfoos, Hugh
Carl, Cooper Robert
Carl, Nolan David
Carl, Sophie Elizabeth
Young, Avery Clark
Young, Claire Reed
Petri, Dean Stephen

Richard Warren
Richard Warren
William Bradford
William Bradford
William Bradford
Edward Fuller
Edward Fuller
Hopkins

Approved Supplementals:

Bishop, Brenda
Dunbar, Robert
Dunbar, Robert
Dunbar, Robert
Dunbar, Robert
Dunbar, Robert
Dunbar, Robert
Davis, Sharyn

Mrs. Fuller
William Mullins
Peter Browne
Francis Cooke
Myles Standish
John Alden
Priscilla Mullins
Priscilla Mullins

The Junior Corner By Debby Markowitz

Dear Juniors, I hope you all have had a great summer and are now ready for a new and busy school year with all the activities that go with it. And I hope you will be interested in some of our Mayflower activities, starting with our Thanksgiving service and dinner.

I would love to hear from you with ideas that would be fun and of interest to you. Let's plan together so we can meet your fellow Mayflower members.

My email is dwinneamarkowitz@yahoo.com, and my phone number is 610 721 7881. I'm looking forward to meeting you.

Debby Markowitz



Junior Craft Idea

Thank you to Governor Keith Quimbach from the Australia Mayflower Society, who has given us permission to share a Thanksgiving craft.

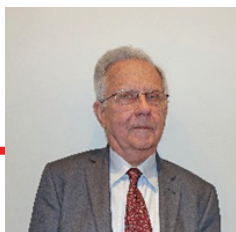
Start with a pipe cleaner and eight colored beads. White, Blue, Green, Black, Brown, Red, Yellow, and Orange, as you read each COLOR in the story, pause and place that color bead on the pipe cleaner.



Thanksgiving Story

With this bracelet you will know
The first Thanksgiving that was long, long ago.
The pilgrims set sail from, far away
On the Mayflower with tall WHITE sails.
They sailed many days across the ocean BLUE.
The seas were rough, but the ship came through.
At last, they spotted land so GREEN.
They were so happy they cheered and screamed!
The first year was so hard and BLACK.
Many died or wished that they could go back.
But the Native Americans gave them a hand
And helped them survive in the strange new land.
They decided to celebrate in a special way
And that became the first Thanksgiving Day.
They prepared a feast with turkeys BROWN.
And RED cranberries that they had found.
YELLOW corn that they'd learned to grow.
And ORANGE pumpkin pies don't you know!
But before they ate the turkey and dressing.
THEY ALL HELD HANDS FOR A THANKFULL
BLESSING.
(Twist the ends of the pipe cleaner together)

By Dr. Ronald W. Simonsen, SMDPA Surgeon



How does one make sense in a perfect storm of information? What is truth, and how do we communicate, so it stays intact as it flies across the globe? Humanity has come a long way, and through archaeological findings and written language, we are allowed a glimpse of what has passed. In this year, 2022, I have felt the future racing toward me like a terrible storm. Today presents a challenge that only urgent action by all who occupy the earth at this moment can address.

I was born in 1937, the year Hitler invaded the Sudetenland. I have a life story, and everyone else has one too. In my medical practice, I have sought out my patients' stories

and have always recognized some unique essence that has helped us overcome the burdens of illness, prepare for risk, and augment survival in the face of our finite existence. The earth has always been hurtling toward chaos, and certainty is never absolute. That's been all right with me, as long as we keep looking and learning. Futility has never been my interest.

I've learned that for many people, it's impossible to stare unblinking into the face of horror. Those who can, might help the others see and, by doing so, make it possible to avoid the tragedy of misplaced trust.

In a time, as in the early 20th century when European nations seeking defense had adopted elaborately precise plans for mobilization, a trigger for unforeseen events has also been prepared for us. The Cuban Missile Crisis was presented to the world on our TVs in the fall of 1962. President Kennedy convened leaders who staunchly represented all sides of our foreign policy. Their debates led to the action taken as events unfolded. I was an intern at the Andrews Air Force Base Hospital. When DEFCON-2 was reached, I received printed orders notifying me that with the next step, DEFCON-1, our medical staff would be transported from D.C. to wait. A vast force of weapons was cocked to fly. Our purpose was to return to Washington and address the final result. I shared my orders with Josephine and convinced her to start on her way to Pennsylvania with our unborn child. Her courage was undeniable. Soon, we must all see where the present escalation in Europe ends.

The nuclear-armed nations, endowed by their accumulation of strategic weapons systems, are capable of carpeting each other with swarms of devices each, 1000 times the energy of Hiroshima. Accuracy is measured in yards, launch time in minutes, flight time under an hour, and no possibility to abort once underway.

The American Medical Association announced that there will be no organized medical response as they will be among the destroyed. Dr. Michihiko Hachiya, the author of Hiroshima Diary and survivor of the first use of an atomic bomb on a population, has described his observations. Acute radiation sickness did not exist before, and his description opened the eyes of the world. Words that have come to us through the layered reality of countless generations may become useless to the survivors who must forage in a barren post-nuclear world. Their meaning will be lost, and they will be forgotten. Why could this happen? There will be no hope for an answer. Words will also surely die.

In Reykjavik, from the steps of a modest public building on a windy hill in Iceland, President Ronald Reagan announced that he and Mikhail Gorbachev had failed to reach their goal of signing on to an enthusiastic plan that would have provided a way to rid the world of these suicidal devices. The two leaders had been outflanked.

Now, just as our ancestors faced adversity and joined to take a new course, we can hope that people, wherever they

live, jolted by this dire warning, will follow commonsense and together shout, "Enough!" This is about elementary justice among all nations for the right to live. Enough of the time-worn superstitions and apathetic blindness that have brought us to this moment. Instead, remember the wisdom, energy, commonsense, patience, and kindness that helped our Separatist ancestors assemble in a bond of goodwill.

By truly looking into the faces of others, whether friend or stranger, no matter station or strength, we may find justice there, and knowing only the essentials, send our sails into the wind. We are humanity, our world billions old, and far to go before we rest.

To the memory of those before and hope to those to follow.

P.S. Don't ignore COVID.

Mayflower Education Update By Heather Horton, Education Chair

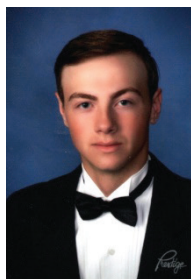


**Elizabeth Tilley Howland
Scholarship Award Winner for 2022**

This year's winner of the Elizabeth Tilley Howland Scholarship is James Goss. James is the son of SMDPA member Daryl Goss. James graduated from Abington High School and plans to attend West Chester University. Our congratulations to James as this year's recipient of the Elizabeth Tilley Howland \$1000 Scholarship Award.

Patrick Sullivan wrote the runner-up essay. SMDPA decided to award a one-off 2022 Society of Mayflower Descendants in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Covid Perseverance Scholarship Prize of \$500. Patrick will be attending Mercyhurst University.

Congratulations to both SMDPA Scholarship winners! Great job!



National History Day Pennsylvania

This was the first year for the SMDPA Mayflower Prize at National History Day. Heather Horton, Education Chair, attended the state awards ceremony (which was combined virtual and in-person) May 8th in Scranton to present the prizes. We awarded three \$500 prizes for the Pennsylvania state level projects that best illustrated the Mayflower passenger values of religious freedom, self-governance,

economic opportunity, and multi-cultural respect. Winners among many excellent entries were senior entrants Emily Steuer for her paper on The Bretton Woods Conference, Kaitlyn Dooley and Mary Brusstar (pictured)



for the 1947 Partition Plan and junior entrants Rohan Yonala, Yom Javia, Vishnank Somala, and Garv Sethi for The Atlantic Charter: Wartime Diplomacy for a Better World.

We will be presenting four awards next year for the best individual senior paper, best individual junior paper, best senior other project and best junior other project. Projects other than papers may be group efforts. Students enter through their school in the fall. Winners will be chosen from projects that advance to the state level competition. The national website is nhd.org which will have more information on the theme for the annual competition.

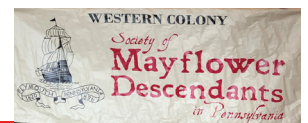
Susquehanna Colony By Mike Saunders, Colony Governor



Hello Mayflower cousins. Now that the Fall season is upon us, our Susquehanna Colony is preparing for the Annual Fall Meeting/Dinner. We are planning to hold that event at the Berwick Golf and Country Club on October 23rd in the afternoon. Our speaker will be Matt Schooley, a local historian of renown, Mr. Schooley will be speaking on the migration of our Mayflower ancestors from Plymouth to our area of Pennsylvania. The event will include a sit-down buffet luncheon and presentation by Mr. Schooley. We will conduct a short business meeting and afterward, there will be several historical locations nearby that will be available for touring. Those locations include a mansion and a museum honoring the Stewart Tank that was used in WWII and made in Berwick.

Look for an email invitation sent out by SMDPA to members with the invite and information on costs (\$35/person) and times for each of the activities. The venue is the Berwick Golf Course & Country Club, 473 Martzville Rd, Berwick, PA. I hope to see all of you in Berwick.

Western Colony Update By Pam Palchowski, Editor



The Western Colony Spring Meeting was held on May 21, 2022, at the Edgeworth Club, Sewickley PA. We gathered and the meeting was called to order by Past Colony Governor, Lois Lang at 12:30 pm. She welcomed twenty

seven people in attendance including members, guests, and our guest speaker, President Grant.

Past Governor Lang notified the members that there were new elected Board Members in some positions. Our newly Western Colony Governor, Billie Gailey; Assistant Western Colony Governor, Audrey Meseldon; Recording Secretary, Linda Piefie; Corresponding Secretary, Sandy Milkis; Treasurer, Marcy Coleman; Historian, Keith Kammenzind; Elder, Betty Roe; Board Member, Diane McKinly; and Board Member, Lois Pegliseu.

Keeping with our gathering tradition, introductions of all guests and members was achieved. Members acknowledged their Mayflower ancestor or ancestors.

Our business meeting included the Pledge of Allegiance, the Treasure's report, and Historian's report. Historian, Keith Kammenzind, welcomed our newest member, Susan Creely.

The *Mayflower Compact* was read by Jeanne Nikolaison.

After our prayer of thanks by Elder Betty Rue, lunch was served. It was wonderful to meet in person and "catch up" and share fellowship. During dessert, the meeting continued.

Pam Palchowski informed everyone about the upcoming Junior Event, Baseball! Hoping to start an annual event that will include members from across the state starting this year on July 31. There will be a tailgate party and then the game between the Pirates and Phillies. Souvenir baseballs were given to each member, to celebrate the event.

President Grant, played by Ken Seafass, presented a riveting presentation. His ability to remain in character was outstanding. His talk entitled "From Hiram to Victor, What's in a name?" was enjoyed by all.

Our Western Colony Summer event had to be canceled. We are looking forward to gathering for Thanksgiving at the Oakmont Country Club on November 19th.

Monthly Spotlight on Ancestor Organizations

The National Society Colonial Daughters of the Seventeenth Century

The National Society Colonial Daughters of the Seventeenth Century is a women's lineage society established in 1896 to commemorate the people and events of the colonial period in our nation's history. Its missions are educational, historical, and patriotic in nature. Any woman, aged 18 or older, who can prove lineal descent from an ancestor that rendered service in the American colonies from 1607-1699, is eligible.

And whom do we know that has American ancestors from that time period? Us! Any woman with Mayflower lineage is eligible to join Colonial Daughters. In fact, "Passenger of the Mayflower" is specifically mentioned



on the Colonial Daughters list of eligible ancestors who provided colonial service.

That means that SMDPA gals don't have to do any further research—you can use the same documentation that you used to prove your Mayflower lineage.

If you are interested in American colonial history and would enjoy the friendship of like-minded women, Colonial Daughters has much to offer. More information about the national society is available at <https://www.colonialdaughters17th.org/>.

Closer to home, there is a Pennsylvania chapter that meets twice a year in the Philadelphia region and plans to hold several other Zoom meetings to include members who live at a distance. Meetings are friendly and educational in nature, with interesting speakers discussing different aspects of American history. The Pennsylvania Chapter is actively seeking new members and invites SMDPA women members to submit an application.

For more information, contact Pennsylvania State President Judi Biederman at judibiederman@gmail.com or 215-493-3484.

Walk Up Songs

By: Jim Campbell, Co-Deputy Governor

On Sunday afternoon, July 31, I enjoyed a wonderful outing with fellow SMDPA members at the Pittsburgh Pirates vs. Philadelphia Phillies baseball game held at PNC Park in Pittsburgh. It had been quite a few years since my last professional sports experience, and I was struck by how each batter and pitcher entered the game to personalized music broadcast loudly over the PA system. Of course, this being a competitive sport, these songs all were energetic – typically, short blasts of Latin, rock-and-roll, rap, rhythm-and-blues, and other popular music genres -- designed to celebrate the athletic prowess of these young players, intimidate the opposition, and get the fans riled up.

Apparently, this practice has become standard in Major League Baseball. They are called "walk-up songs."

The origin of the "walk-up song" is credited to Nancy Faust. In 1970, this young resident of suburban Des Plaines, Illinois, was hired as an organist to play for the Chicago Cubs at historic Wrigley Field. Faust admitted to not being much of a baseball fan at that time. But she had a keen ear for the patter of players and announcers, plus a willingness to be creative and try new things to entertain the fans. Faust began by playing snippets of songs from the respective home states of each batter as they walked up to the plate. Then she started listening to the radio play-by-play calls from a young and equally creative announcer, Harry Caray. One day, Caray moaned that, during a particularly long game, they would have to carry him out of the park. Faust responded by playing "Carry Me Back to Old Virginny," a classic tune. Caray heard the clever reference and cited

Faust on air, “Listen to that organist!” Faust responded with another classic tune, “I’m Just Wild About Harry.” And so it went back-and-forth.

Faust is quoted in an online article, “The Complete History of the Walk Up Song,” by Michael Clair: “Now you call it walk-up music. I just played intro music for whoever was coming up to bat.” You can read the full article here for how Faust’s innovations evolved into what we experienced at PNC Park. <https://www.mlb.com/cut4/the-complete-history-of-the-walk-up-song>.

Pictures from the Junior Event - Phillies vs. Pirate Baseball game

It was a great day. We celebrated the Phillies victory over the Pirates with a final score of 8-2. But next year will be a new season!



Member Question The SMDPA Walk-Up Songs

SMDPA members were asked a question for the newsletter: What would your walk-up song be? Here are the answers:

Shelly Young Bell – Theme music for the Andy Hardy Movies – “Love Finds Andy Hardy.” Shelly and her husband were just talking about what their walk-up song would be. She wishes it could be her ringtone.

Mark Lanyon – “Eye of the Tiger” because I can relate to Rocky fighting his way to the top.

Kathleen Cerami – “Come Fly with Me” by Frank Sinatra. I love to travel and experience new places with other people.

Laura Tyndall – “You Can Call Me Al” by Paul Simon. It is whimsical and has a great catchy beat! I still tap my toes when I hear it and can visualize the Chevy Chase cameo in the music video!

Pam Sparta-Panarese – “It’s a Wonderful World” by Louis Armstrong. Because it is God’s beautiful world, we live in.

John Weston – “On the Sunny Side of the Street.”

Bruce Hunt – “Ode to Joy.” It is the most inspirational music ever written.

Leslie Wickham – “I Walk the Line” by Johnny Cash. I have thought about this quite a bit. While it is not necessarily a motivational song to get a hit, it motivates the player to at least get on base. “A walk is as good as a hit.”

Peter Bort – “Eyes of the World” by the Grateful Dead. A big breakthrough for me in finding optimal health has been to be outside in the early morning sunshine. My ancestor, John Howland, would have been very much in tune with the rhythms and dictates of nature and created a long and successful life. He is a great example for me to follow!

Melinda Canfield – I would like my walk-up song to be the theme song from the movie “Friendly Persuasion.” It speaks of gentleness and love for others.

Lois Revenaugh – “Apple Bottom Jeans” by Flo Rida. This song just makes me want to move every time I hear it! This song was even my ringtone on my phone for several years.

Pam Bentz – “Jumpin’ Jack Flash” by the Rolling Stones. I just thought that this is a “catchy” song! (Editor’s note – we get it!)

Carol Hodes – “Eine Kleine Nachtmusik” by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. It’s a lively tune. It is always fun to hear it! (Editor’s note – the German title means “A Little Night Music.”)

John Baldrige – “Hallelujah” by Leonard Cohen. It is an inspirational and soulful song and one that I think our Pilgrim forefathers would have appreciated.

Jim Campbell – “I Got You (I Feel Good)” by James Brown. Here is an irresistible celebration of love and life. My dear wife, Ulana, turned me on to this R&B legend at the start of our dating more than thirty years ago, gifting me a copy of Brown’s boxed set, “Star Time,” for my birthday. I would want future generations to know that this is still how I still feel about her and being alive on God’s good earth.

Bill Reasner – “Take it to the Limit” by the Eagles. I am a big fan of the Eagles. I have a pack of Eagles CDs in my truck, and I play them often. It’s just one of my favs.

Norm Upton – “Summer Wind” by Frank Sinatra. It reminds me of summers on the Cape.

Patty Silla – “I Stand Amazed in the Presence.” This song tells of the amazing Creator God, whom I know loves me. I celebrate that I am loved, forgiven, transformed, and in

awe of His amazing LOVE.

Larry Nickol – “Circle.” Because “All my life’s a circle, sunrise, and sundown.”

Joe Gifford - “Proud to be an American” by Lee Greenwood. I have a strong family connection to this song. Anyone who knows me, especially my family, knows I am proud to be an American and a proud Mayflower descendant.

Dr. Simonsen – “What a Wonderful World” by Louis Armstrong. We saw him in concert while my wife, Josephine, was pregnant with our daughter Tina. Twenty-seven years later, Tina and I danced at her wedding to “What a Wonderful World.”

Cindy Barczykowski – “Somewhere Over the Rainbow.” It’s been my favorite song since I was a kid. That’s where I hope to end up, “Somewhere Over the Rainbow!”

Debbie Burg – “Rhapsody in Blue” by George Gershwin. I love that piece, and I love jazz!

Keith Kammenzind – “Superheroes” by Script. I like lots of different music. This song has a catchy tune. I like the tune, and part of the chorus pertains to an athlete having the drive to succeed.

Mike Saunders – “Walk, Don’t Run” by the Ventures. This song gets my motor running.

Thank you to the SMDPA members who contributed to the Member Question for this edition. Thank you to Co-Deputy Governor Jim Campbell, who gave us the spark to ask the question. Look for the next question in the Spring edition of *The Pennsylvania Mayflower*.

to provide their own information and make changes. By logging into the Member Area, you can use the Member Information Editor.

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You may also want to upload a profile IMAGE (which is optional) and a BIOGRAPHY statement (also optional) telling other members a little bit about you and your interests. This information will display only to other members logged in the Member Area using the Member Directory.

You can even edit your preference for the newsletter delivery. While we electronically send a digital copy of the newsletter to those with an email address, some members may prefer the print edition.

As always, if you have questions (or prefer to submit your changes) you can contact us at Info@sail1620.org

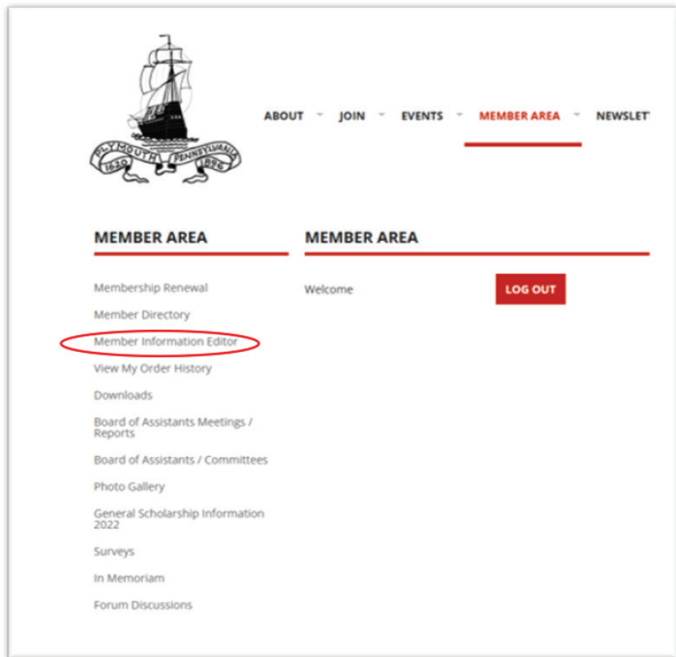
Resource Corner

Reed Kneale Vintage Book Digital Library

SMDPA is pleased to announce the creation of the Reed Kneale Vintage Book Digital Library. Governor Kneale has generously donated digitized copies of Mayflower related books and journals which are now available on-line at sail1620.org under Features. Never read *The Courtship of Miles Standish*? Now is your chance. Looking for vintage Mayflower Pilgrim books to read to your children or grandchildren? We have those too. Early Plymouth Colony records including basic search functions? Also, there. These are fun resources that are not commonly available and may be useful for school projects as well. We even have a copy of America’s first published cookbook from 1796. Just go to the SMDPA website under Features and there is the library as the final selection.

New Genealogical Resources Webpage

Are you looking for help with your family research? Good news! You now have a webpage that lists a host of genealogical resources at your disposal. Click the Join tab on SMDPA’s webpage; and then click the Resources link in the left-side navigation. There, you will be brought to a new webpage that lists archives, libraries, websites, directories, genealogy societies, historical societies, and hereditary societies – every resource you may need to help break down those frustrating genealogical “brick walls.” Here is the link: <https://sail1620.org/Resources>. Happy hunting!



SMDPA Web Corner

If you ever wondered how to update your member information on your own, the Society of Mayflower Descendants of Pennsylvania website allows members

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SAVE THE DATE

October 8, 2022 - Board of Assistants Meeting, 10:30 am to 12:00 pm, Merion Cricket Club

October 23, 2022 - Susquehanna Colony Meeting, Berwick Golf and Country Club.

November 19, 2022 - Western Colony Thanksgiving, Oakmont Country Club

November 19, 2022 - Annual Thanksgiving Service, 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm, St. David's Episcopal Church

November 19, 2022 - Thanksgiving Dinner, 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm, Merion Cricket Club

February 25, 2023 - Board of Assistants Meeting, 10:30 am to 12:00 pm, Merion Cricket Club

April 22, 2023 - SMDPA Annual Meeting, 10:30 am to 2:30 pm, Cameron Estate Inn and Restaurant

October 21, 2023 - Board of Assistants Meeting, 10:30 am to 12:00 pm, Merion Cricket Club