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# THE MARYLAND *Mayflower Log*

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

○ | **October 29, 2017**  
1:00-3:00 p.m., Sunday  
**Sailing on the *Kalmar Nyckel***  
Maryland Society Field Trip  
Chestertown, Maryland

○ | **November 19, 2017**  
12:00 p.m., Sunday  
**Compact Day Dinner**  
DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel  
Annapolis, Maryland

○ | **April 29, 2018**  
12:00 p.m., Sunday  
**Spring Dinner**  
Gibson Island Club  
Gibson Island, Maryland

○ | **September 6-9, 2018**  
Thursday to Sunday  
**General Board of Assistants'**  
Chicago, IL

## Puritan Teens

### Girls Survival Rates Surprisingly Good

Governor William Bradford was fearful that the “weak bodies of women” could not withstand the rigors of a trans-Atlantic voyage, much less the hardships of a new colony. Prior to this time, very few English women attempted to make such a long voyage across the ocean. As a result, most parents decided to leave girls behind, planning to send for them later. Only 28% of the passengers on board the *Mayflower* were female (18 adult women and 11 girls). All adult women were married, three of which were pregnant in their last trimester.

Life in Plymouth Colony was so difficult that most of the adult women died the first winter, far more than men or children. This is probably due to women being confined to the damp and filthy conditions on board the *Mayflower*. Of the 18 adult women, only five survived the first year. Surprisingly, young girls were stronger than their Pilgrim Fathers assumed. Of the 11 girls, only two (18%) died the first winter, compared to 50% of adult men, 78% of adult women, and 36% of boys.

At the Compact Day Dinner, Kate LaPrad from Plimoth Plantation will portray the life of Priscilla Mullins, one of four teenage girls on board the *Mayflower*, along with Constance Hopkins, Elizabeth Tilley, and Mary Chilton. Three of these teens lost their families and were left as orphans in the New World. All four would later marry and each would have 10 or more children, with a total of 288 grandchildren:

- **Priscilla Mullins**, 18 years old when she boarded, lost both her parents and brother the first winter (although two siblings remained in England). She married fellow colonist John Alden in 1621, probably the third couple to be married at Plymouth Colony. They had 10 children.



Young girls had the best survival rate.

- **Constance Hopkins**, 14 years old during the voyage, married Nicholas Snow, who arrived in 1623 on the ship, *Anne*. They married in 1627 and had 12 children.
- **Elizabeth Tilley** was just 13 years old during the voyage. Her parents died the first winter as did her Uncle Edward. Being an orphan, Elizabeth was taken in by the Carver family. She married John Howland (c. 1623/24) and had 10 children.
- **Mary Chilton**, also age 13, accompanied her parents on the voyage. Her parents both died shortly after landing. She is believed to be the first female to step ashore when the *Mayflower* docked. In 1624, she married John Winslow, who arrived on the ship, *Fortune*, in 1621. They had 10 children and later moved to Boston.

We look forward to this historical presentation.  
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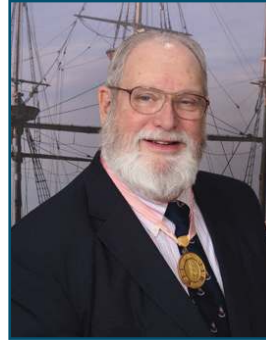
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## GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE



Dear Mayflower Cousins:

It is officially Fall and soon the leaves will turn to brilliant colors with frost on pumpkins. All signs point to our favorite time of the year—Thanksgiving. We have a great program planned for our Compact Day Dinner, which will feature a re-enactor from Plimoth Plantation.

This will mark an end to my term as your Governor and the triannual election of our new Society officers. As I reflect over

the past three years as Governor, I feel a sense of pride in all that we have accomplished together. Our membership continues to grow. Our Historian, Dwight Mason, and Assistant Historian, Chris Locke, are doing an excellent job. We have digitized our records and are leading other societies in moving into the modern age. Our finances are strong and our Treasurer, Marilyn VanWagner, and her Assistant, Louesa Canning, keep our financial ship afloat. We have one of the best newsletters of any Mayflower Society, thanks to Liz and Tom Norris. We also have two of the greatest secretaries: Rob Burgio, as Recording Secretary, has kept detailed records of Board actions; while Nancy Young, as Corresponding Secretary, has kept us all well informed. I also want to thank my Deputy Governor, Tim Mallory, and Immediate Past Governor, Ben Proctor, for their assistance during my tenure. I could not have done it without them.

We launched several successful programs, including field trips to St Mary's City, sailing on the *Sultana*, and cruising on the *Kalmar Nyckel*, planned for later this year. Our Dress Like a Pilgrim program is also moving along. Our Pilgrims Meets the Arts efforts for 2020 is leading the way for other societies as we tell the Pilgrim story through art.

As you may know, I recently retired from the federal government. Carolyn and I have decided to return to Dallas to be near our eldest son, Elliott, and our grandchildren. However, I still plan to be active in our Society and to serve our new governor and board in any way I can. It has been a great honor and privilege to serve as your Governor over the past three years. We have a strong Society and are proud of our accomplishments. The future is bright as we get ready for the 400th anniversary of the arrival of the *Mayflower*. We can all share in a sense of pride in being a Mayflower descendant.

I want to thank all of you for your support during my term as Governor. I look forward to seeing you at the Compact Day Dinner.

Yours in preserving our Mayflower Heritage,

James Bruce Battles  
Governor, Maryland Mayflower Society

### Contact Information

If you have moved, changed your name, or we have an incorrect address or e-mail on file, please let us know. Our Directory entitled, *The Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Maryland 2014-2017*, has been published and distributed to the members. The Directory provides detailed address and contact information and also contains our Society's By-laws. Please send any new contact information to the Corresponding Secretary, Nancy Young, at [csecretary@MarylandMayflower.org](mailto:csecretary@MarylandMayflower.org).

# WELCOME ABOARD:

# New Members

We are happy to extend a warm welcome to the newest members of our Maryland Society:

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# Mayflower General Congress:

by Merilee Sommers, Delegate

41st



Drummer Ben Proctor, Jr., our Deputy Governor General and Elder, leads the Pilgrims' Progress march for the opening of the GSMD 41st Congress.

Maryland was well represented at the Triennial meeting in Plymouth, Massachusetts during the weekend of September 8-13, 2017. We stayed at the 1620 Hotel, which had undergone some remodeling, and is conveniently located in the heart of the city. Our Maryland Society had an exhibition table and offered for sale watercolor Giclee prints by Frederic S. Briggs, which captured great interest. We also sold many of Governor Jim Battles' *Chilton's Challenge* CDs and the Maryland coins. Governor Battles also rounded up enthusiasm for the new Mayflower Guard to be assembled shortly in Chicago.

## Sunday, September 10



Governor Jim Battles, and DGG and Elder, Ben Proctor, read the names of the Pilgrims who died in the first year of the *Mayflower's* arrival.

On Sunday, September 10th, our Deputy Governor General and Elder, Benjamin G. Proctor, Jr., donned in period attire, led the parade with a drumbeat that led members from the Mayflower Society House to Cole's Hill for a wreath laying ceremony.

We then progressed to the First Parish Meeting House for opening ceremonies, where we prayed, sang, and heard a short sermon. We also witnessed the signing of a covenant between the Church and General Society, who will now assume responsibility for the building, its restoration, and continued service for congregations, education and promotion of the history of the Pilgrims. The processional ended at the Mayflower Society House gardens.

After dinner, Family Tree DNA, a commercial genetic testing company based in Houston, held a seminar, which explained types of DNA tests. The most common is the Family Finder, which is an autosomal microarray chip based test that allows customers to match relatives as far back as five generations. They created a document that explains to how to transfer results from the Ancestry.com data into Family Tree DNA and funnel it into the Mayflower project.



**Adorable little Pilgrim:**  
Governor Battles' grandson,  
Liam (age 5).

## Monday, September 11

Several meetings took place on Monday. Since there are over 100,000 GSMD members, with about 29,000 living members, GSMD is working to digitize and index documents through efforts with the New England Historic Genealogical Society (aka AmericanAncestors.org) and Family Search (a service by the Church of the Latter Day Saints). The digitization process should be completed some time in 2020 and will help alleviate the problem of an over-stuffed vault, which may not be fireproof. The ultimate goal is to create family trees that can be accessed by Mayflower members free on AmericanAncestors.org—which cannot be altered but could be incorporated into a personal family tree. The information will be updated every five years and no living individuals or ancestors within 100 years will be listed.

A feasibility study was undertaken on our Mayflower Society House, built in 1754, which is need of electrical, HVAC, and plumbing upgrades to bring it to code and improve functionality. A recommendation was made for fundraising to fix these issues, which was unanimously accepted.

The next order of business was the acceptance of the National Pilgrim Memorial Meetinghouse, which requires a \$3 million commitment by 2020. Most State societies committed to raising at least \$5,000 towards the effort, subject to board approval. Awards were



Pilgrim's Progress parade participants in period dress.

presented with special recognition to Timothy D Mallory, for his past contributions as Deputy Governor, Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary, and our Society's Governor-elect, as well as his work as the state's first webmaster. Our members Jim and Carolyn Fowler previously received such honors.

Later that evening, Caleb Johnson gave a lecture, noting that Dorothy (May) Bradford, daughter of Henry May of England, was confirmed as a Pilgrim. Also, the William White (aka Hoyt) records were isolated to add more history. His wife Susanna's maiden name had been thought to be Fuller and is now documented to be Jackson.



Governor General Lea Filson presents appreciation certificates to DGG and Elder, Ben Proctor, for his services as drummer and to Governor Battles for organizing the Mayflower Guard.

## Tuesday, September 12

At the Tuesday meetings, Jim Battles, dressed in Mayflower attire, appealed to 23 men to become part of the special service group called Mayflower Guard. State representatives gave brief reports, which included Governor Battles' summary of accomplishments of our Society Maryland. This was a wonderful time to remember our traditions. The next Congress will be especially important as we celebrate the 400th year of the landing of the Mayflower in 2020.



Attending the reception at the Mayflower Society House: Maryland Deputy Governor and Delegate Tim Mallory; Assistant Governor General and Governor Jim Battles; Delegate Merilee Sommers; and Deputy Governor General Ben Proctor.

Photos courtesy of James Fowler, Christopher Locke, Tim Mallory, and Mary Proctor



## Fine Art Giclée Mayflower Prints

“Sailing of the Mayflower” by Frederic S. Briggs



Our Society is truly fortunate to have a long-time member who is a master of watercolor. Frederic S. (“Fritz”) Briggs, has been a professional artist for over 50 years. His watercolor painting, *Sailing of the Mayflower*, is truly a work of art.

For those who are unfamiliar with Fritz’s background, after serving

two years as an illustrator for the Department of Social Sciences at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, Fritz began teaching watercolor at the Schuler School of Fine Arts in Baltimore. In 1968, he was elected to the coveted American Watercolor Society. He is an active member of the Baltimore Watercolor Society, where he has twice been president. In 1973, Fritz had the distinction of being elected to the Salmagundi Club in New York. He taught at the historic Hampton Mansion and continues to teach watercolor at the Schuler School. From 1983-1987, Fritz served as the Governor of our Mayflower Society.

Over the years, lithograph prints of Fritz’s artwork was available to members for purchase. It had been difficult to

duplicate his work using conventional printing techniques. However, with the advent of the high-resolution fine art Giclée printing process, we are now able to more accurately capture the original watercolor art, showing the subtle nuances, delicate essences of shadow and light, and complex glazes of color.

These fine art Giclée prints are available in a 16” x 20” size, which fits in a standard-size frame. Each print is personally signed by Fritz. All of the copies offered for sale at the GSMD Congress sold out. However, we will have prints available for purchase at the Compact Day Dinner. The price is \$75.00. You can also order a copy from the Society’s website, [www.MarylandMayflower.org](http://www.MarylandMayflower.org).



**SAILING OF THE MAYFLOWER, 1620**  
by Frederic S. Briggs



## Pilgrim Progress Comes to Washington

The Pilgrim Progress has been a unique tradition in Plymouth, Massachusetts, since 1921.

Every Friday in August, individuals dress as Pilgrims and parade through the town to honor the 53 survivors of the first winter of 1620-21. The Pilgrim Progress procession is also held every three years at the GSMD Congress. Pilgrim Progress is an opportunity for Mayflower descendants to experience their Pilgrim heritage. Unfortunately, Pilgrim Progress is limited to Plymouth.

We need to take Pilgrim Progress to other places. Many communities hold Thanksgiving parades each year, including the Washington metro area. On the Saturday before Thanksgiving each year, Montgomery County, Maryland, holds a Thanksgiving parade in downtown Silver Spring. Our Society plans to participate in the

Save the Date:  
**November 17, 2018**

2018 Montgomery County Thanksgiving Parade, possibly in conjunction with our sister Washington, D.C. society.

The Mayflower parade unit will consist of the Maryland Mayflower Guard followed by our members wearing period-appropriate attire. Emphasis will be placed on multiple generations including grandparents, parents, and especially children—all dressed in period costume. The challenge is to get enough members to participate. It should be noted that the parade starts at 10:00 a.m. on the Saturday before our Compact Day Dinner. Given the TV coverage, we should focus our attention on creating period-appropriate apparel for our members and guests to wear. We will be competing with Santa Claus!

Dress like a Pilgrim and participate in the 2018 Montgomery County Thanksgiving Parade. Participating in the annual Thanksgiving Parade is an important way for us to get ready for our 2020 celebration.



Chilton's Challenge Introduction



Chilton's Challenge Act One



Chilton's Challenge Act Two



Blackening Armor

Now you can enjoy Chilton's Challenge from virtually any device connected to the internet. The statement on our new YouTube channel reads:

"The Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Maryland is a non-profit lineage society dedicated to preserving the history of our Mayflower ancestors through education and research. We have established the Maryland Mayflower Channel as a means of sharing educational materials related to our pilgrim forefathers and mothers. To make our educational video, Chilton's Challenge, more widely available and accessible, we created our own channel."

Currently on the channel are the three parts of Governor Jim Battles' video, *Chilton's Challenge*.

Recently added is a new video on how to blacken armor. Governor Battles produced this video as part of his role as the new commander of the Mayflower Guard. Blackening was a procedure used by our Pilgrim ancestors on their armor. To be historically accurate when wearing reproduction costumes, the armor should be blackened. Governor Battles bravely takes his brand new, shiny Pikeman's reproduction armor and demonstrates the process of blackening armor to protect it from rusting.

Check out the new Maryland Mayflower Channel and subscribe to keep up with new videos at:

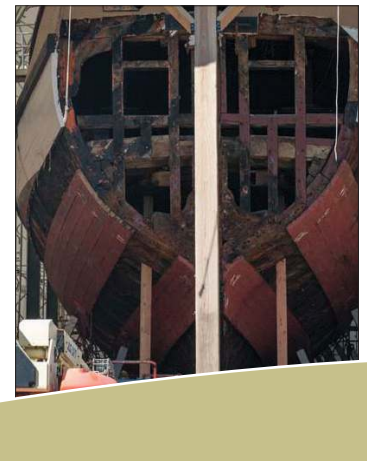
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UChozFIna4ftPjK1TO7gbBPA>.

## Restoration of the Mayflower II

by Governor James B. Battles

A major project now underway is the restoration of the *Mayflower II*, which is being carried out at the Mystic Seaport Museum's Henry B. duPont Preservation Shipyard. I had the opportunity to visit Mystic Seaport and view the work in progress. As a retired Navy Captain, I have an ongoing interest in ships and shipyards, having been through repairs of ships that I was on and watching the USS Michael Murphy being built in Bath, Maine, where my son, Tim Battles, served.

Visiting the historic shipyard at Mystic Seaport was a real treat. Seeing the exposed internal structure of the *Mayflower II* was very interesting and provided additional insight as to how the ship was built. The *Mayflower II* is clearly in need of repair. Watching the shipyard workers hard at work saving our ship was also inspiring. If you get a chance to stop by Mystic, Connecticut, during the next couple of years, please do not miss the unique opportunity of seeing the work in progress on our beloved *Mayflower II*. It is truly inspiring.





# The Mayflower Guard Comes to Life

by Governor James B. Battles,  
Commander of the GSMD Mayflower Guard

On the eve of the 2016 Compact Dinner in Annapolis, myself, Deputy Governor Tim Mallory, and our wives hosted our Guest Speaker, GSMD Governor Lea Filson and her husband, Ron, at the historic Reynolds Tavern in Annapolis. Governor General Filson inquired about suggestions for the upcoming 2020 celebration. I suggested creating a color guard unit for the Society who would wear armor and dress like the Pilgrims did when they arrived in the New World in the Fall of 1620. Governor General Filson liked the idea and asked if I would establish this unit for the General Society. Consequently, the Mayflower Guard was created, and I was appointed its first Commander.



Deputy Governor, Tim Mallory, and Governor Battles at the GSMD Congress

The first step was to study how the Pilgrims were armed in 1620. Fortunately, we know the answer, thanks to the writings of Edward Winslow in *Mort's Relations*. The next step was to find places to acquire the 17th century period-appropriate clothing, which we found on-line and with the help of others. Finally, we needed members to join, and began recruitment at the 41st GSMD Congress.

## The GSMD Mayflower Guard

The Mayflower Guard is now an official GSMD committee, reporting to the Captain General and appointed by the Governor General. Their mission and responsibilities are:

- serves as the ceremonial color guard for the GSMD;
- performs ceremonies at the GSMD Congress, Boards of Assistants' meetings, as well as other official ceremonies such as Pilgrim Progress and memorial ceremonies as needed;
- serves as an honor guard for the Governor General for special occasions and as visible ambassadors;
- serves as a visible public face of the GSMD;
- provides an easily identifiable and colorful focal point at events;
- encourages spectators, children, and potential members to further inquire about the Pilgrims.

The Mayflower Guard is drawn from descendants of the passengers who sailed on the *Mayflower*. The historical period is 1620-21, before the arrival of any other settlers in Plymouth Plantation. The arms, armor, and clothing for the Mayflower Guard will be that carried and worn on board the *Mayflower*.

## Society Mayflower Guard Units

While the GSMD Mayflower Guard functions as the color and ceremonial Guard for the General Society, member societies are strongly encouraged to establish their own Mayflower Guard units. At our Maryland Board of Assistants' meeting on September 29, 2017, the Board approved the creation of the Maryland Mayflower Guard.

## The Maryland Mayflower Guard

Membership for our Maryland Guard is open to all members—both male and female, juniors and friends. We encourage Society members who are willing to attend meetings and events to join. They must be willing to be appropriately dressed and equipped, as were *Mayflower* passengers who formed the militia of the Pilgrims in 1620-1621. The Guard unit entails:

**Mission:** The Mayflower Guard will visibly promote the education and understanding of the Pilgrims through their historically correct apparel.

**Command Structure:** The Maryland Mayflower Guard is under the Society's Captain with the duties and responsibilities as outlined in the Society's By-laws.

**Formation of a Guard Unit:** The minimum number of individuals needed to form the Maryland Mayflower Guard consists of five individuals:

- **Color Bearers** - three to carry the U.S. National flag, Maryland State flag, and General Society flag;
- **Musketeers** - two armed musketeers to escort the Color Bearers; and
- **Drummer** - one unarmed drummer.



Governor Battles leads the newly-organized GSMD Mayflower Guard as part of the Pilgrim Progress processional.



## Guardsmen's Arms and Armor

The records of the Pilgrims' early landing expeditions ashore indicate that men had armor, swords, and muskets. As such, the Maryland Mayflower Guard will be equipped with these historical elements:

- **Armor:** The standard armor of the 1620s was the "Pikeman's armor." Armor was used during the first decade of Plymouth Colony and was a prerequisite for settlement in the New World. It protected against edge weapons and musket balls and, in the case of the New World, arrows. Gradually the use of armor declined with musketeers forgoing the plate armor. When armor was not used, the individual was referred to as "unarmed," however, they still carried a sword and musket.
- **Helmet:** The most common helmet used by early English settlers, both in Jamestown and Plymouth, was known as a "cabasset." The high stalk-like projection at the top resembled a pear, surrounded by a narrow rim. It was worn by infantry during pike and shot formations.
- **Sword:** The early settlers carried two types of swords: (1) the rapier, which had a stiff, sharply pointed blade used for thrusting; and (2) the two-edged cutting sword, a shorter sword. The Pilgrim Hall Museum has examples of Miles Standish's rapier and Governor John Carver's sword with a straight blade.
- **Musket:** The "matchlock" was the most common musket used in the first half of the 17th century. The ammunition for the matchlock was carried by a bandolier, a pocketed belt worn over the shoulder with 12 vessels containing powder called apostles.

The Maryland Mayflower Guard will provide muskets (non-firing), bandoliers, Pikeman's armor, cabasset helmets, and a drum for shared use. Color bearers will be unarmed, but Musketeers and the Commander should be armed. The drummer will be unarmed and will not carry a sword.



**Proud Mayflower Family**

Governor Battles with his son, Timothy, and grandsons, Liam (age 5) and Oliver (age 3).

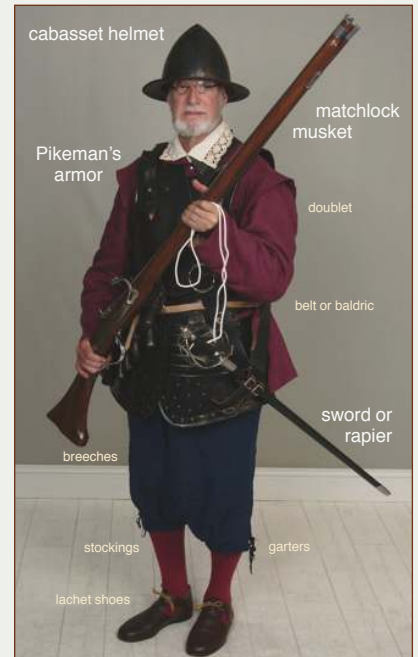
## Arms and Armor in Colonial America

1620-21

### INFANTRY: Pikemen & Musketeers

The infantry was composed of pikemen and musketeers. The pikemen were the backbone of European armies in the 15th through 17th centuries. Armed with long (up to 20 feet) spears called pikes, pikemen protected musketeers from the cavalry. In battle formation, however, it was ranks of musketeers who fired on the enemy.

In the 16th century, pikemen made up one-half to two-thirds of the infantry. As firearm technology improved, musketeers began to outnumber pikemen.



Armored pikemen protected the musketeers. The matchlock musket relied on a smoldering matchcord to ignite the powder. They were not dependable as it could not be fired in the rain because moisture dowsed the match.

### Guardsmen's Clothing

The Pilgrims did not wear prescribed uniforms. They would have worn ordinary clothing or civilian attire. The basic clothing for men would be: shirt, doublet, breeches, stockings, lachet shoes, and a hat, either broad brimmed or flat. The Maryland Guards will be responsible for obtaining their own period-appropriate apparel. Welcome Mayflower Guard.



To join the Maryland Mayflower Guard, please contact Governor Jim Battles at [governor@marylandmayflower.org](mailto:governor@marylandmayflower.org).

Governor Battles recruits volunteers for the General Society's Mayflower Guard at the GSMD Congress.

Photos courtesy of Jim Battles, Jim Fowler, and Tim Mallory

## Supplemental Lines

Congratulations to our members who recently had supplemental lines approved.

- **MS. SUE ANN BRENCHLEY**, of East New Market, 11th in descent from Richard Warren; and 10th in descent from John Cooke.
- **MS. JOANNE NATALIE BLAKE BURGIO**, of Ellicott City, 10th in descent from Richard Warren.
- **MS. GLORIA GIBSON DAY** of Timonium, 13th in descent from William Mullins.
- **MS. ERICA THYBERG KELLY**, of Annapolis, 13th in descent from Richard Warren.
- **MS. EVELYN RAZELLE LAYTON**, of Stevensville, 12th in descent from John Tilley.
- **MR. ROBERT CORBIN LOCKE**, of Laurel, 14th in descent from Stephen Hopkins.
- **MR. WILLIAM CAREY LOCKE**, of Laurel, 14th in descent from Stephen Hopkins.
- **MS. PAIGE KEELER STEWART**, of Stevensville, 13th in descent from Francis Eaton.
- **MS. PATRICIA MARIE VITALE**, of Germantown, 14th in descent from John Billington.



## E-Mail Reminder

To receive a digital copy of our newsletter, please provide your e-mail address to the Corresponding Secretary, Nancy Young. Or, you can view the newsletter on our Website. Please also contact us if there are any changes to your membership, including address, e-mail, or name changes.

## Society Website

[www.MarylandMayflower.org](http://www.MarylandMayflower.org)

Anne Adams-Kennedy, our webmaster, has updated our website. The redesigned site is easier to navigate and allows for use of social media such as Facebook and Twitter. The site will continue to be a resource tool to keep you up-to-date.

## PROPOSED NOMINATIONS

2017-2020

The Nominating Committee, consisting of Ben Proctor, Jr. (Chair), Jim Battles, and Tim Mallory, has proposed the following slate of officers and board members for the term of 2017-20. Election and installation will take place at our Compact Day Dinner meeting.

### Proposed Officers and Board Members:

<b>Governor:</b>	Timothy D. Mallory
<b>Deputy Governor:</b>	Robert B. Burgio
<b>Recording Secretary:</b>	Merilee Speilberg Sommers
<b>Corresponding Secretary:</b>	Nancy A. Young
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Marilyn K. VanWagner
<b>Assistant Treasurer:</b>	Louesa B. Canning
<b>Historian:</b>	Dwight N. Mason
<b>Assistant Historian:</b>	Christopher B. Locke
<b>Elder:</b>	Benjamin G. Proctor, Jr.
<b>Captain:</b>	Victor C. Metta
<b>Surgeon:</b>	Catherine K. Wilson
<b>Counselor:</b>	Hrant Jamgochian
<b>Members at Large:</b>	Mary A. Bienko Dian May Corneliussen Anne Adams-Kennedy Susan P. Morrison
<b>Immediate Past Governor:</b>	James B. Battles
<b>Deputy Governor General:</b>	James B. Battles
<b>Assistant General:</b>	Timothy D. Mallory

## Historian's Report

Dwight Mason, Historian  
Christopher Locke, Asst. Historian

The Mayflower membership applications have been trending upward. This is attributed to a few factors, including collaboration with the New England Historic Genealogical Society, as well as improvements to the GSMD website. GSMD believes the applications will continue to accelerate as 2020 approaches.

Since January 1, 2017, the Maryland Society has brought on 33 new members, 11 supplementals, and had 2 transfers. The total active membership is 440. A total of 41 worksheets have been sent out. There are 15 applications currently in Plymouth for approval. It should be noted that our Assistant Historian, Christopher Locke, has been invited by GSMD to participate in its technology committee.

## Treasurer's Update

Marilyn VanWagner, Treasurer  
Louesa B. Canning, Asst. Treasurer

- **Membership Dues:** As of the beginning of September, 18 members still have not paid their 2017 dues.
- **Expenditures:** All outstanding invoices have been paid.
- **Assets & Liabilities:** The balance in our checking account is \$10,134 and in our investment account, \$74,055.



## 2017 Spring Dinner

On Sunday, April 30, our Society met at the Inn at Brookeville Farms. Our Guest Speaker, Katie Moose, spoke about the history of colonial foods and herbs. The daily diet and regimen on board the *Mayflower* consisted of dried meats and various pickled foods. The primary beverage for everyone, including children, was beer—as water was often contaminated and made people sick.

Once ashore in the New World, the Pilgrims survived using the meager rations remaining from the voyage. They slowly began to learn about other food sources and adapted their diet to the local food available to them, with the help of their Wampanoag neighbors. Of particular interest was the abundance of a wide variety of herbs that the Pilgrims used for both dietary and medicinal purposes.

## Cooking Like a Pilgrim



Governor Battles with Guest Speaker, Katie Moose.

## Sailing on the Kalmar Nyckel Sunday, October 29, 2017

Last Fall, we sailed on the *Sultana* and attended the Downrigging Weekend in Chestertown, Maryland, for our field trip. We had so much fun that we decided to do it again!

This year, we are going sailing on board the *Kalmar Nyckel*, a re-creation of the first Colonial Swedish settlement ship to arrive in America in 1638. Launched in the Fall of 1997, this ornately carved 17th century ship is a reproduction of the original *Kalmar Nyckel*, which was constructed in about 1625 in the Netherlands and later sold to Sweden. Sailing on the *Kalmar Nyckel* is the closest you can come to sailing on the *Mayflower*.

This is a great way to spend a Sunday in the Fall. The Downrigging Weekend Tall Ship & Wooden Boat Festival is one of the largest annual Tall Ship gatherings on the East Coast. The boat departs at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 29 (\$56.50 per person). Space is limited. Children under 5 not permitted. For more information and to make reservations, visit [SultanaEducation.org](http://SultanaEducation.org).

## 2017-2018 MARYLAND SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Maryland Society offers a scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 to a direct descendant of a *Mayflower* passenger. The application is due March 1, 2018. See our Society website for full details.



Nancy Young, Corresponding Secretary, in front of a plaque commemorating the famous voyage.



The "Mayflower Steps" marks the approximate site from which the Pilgrims embarked.

## MAYFLOWER STEPS Plymouth, England

Corresponding Secretary, Nancy Young (descendant of William Mullins, John and Priscilla Alden, and Richard Warren), and her husband Neil (descendant of William and Resolved White), visited Barbican, Plymouth's harbor area. Many historic voyages set sail from this port including Francis Drake, Walter Raleigh, Captain Cook, and years later, Charles Darwin on the *Beagle*.


The *Mayflower's* historic voyage is commemorated by the "Mayflower Steps," which is close to where the Pilgrims were believed to have left England in 1620. While the original steps no longer exists, a granite tablet (erected in 1891) and Doric portico (built in 1934) marks the approximate location. Many Pilgrims took lodging within a stone's throw from this site, eagerly waiting for their ship to be loaded.




A list of the *Mayflower* passengers is on the building wall, now an ice cream shop. Some Pilgrims are believed to have lodged here at the 16th century "Island House" before departing.



Neil Young overlooking the sea wall. Much of Plymouth was destroyed during World War II, but the Barbican area survived.



*You are invited*



ON BEHALF OF  
THE SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS  
IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND

*Governor James B. Battles*  
requests the pleasure of your company  
at our annual

**COMPACT DAY DINNER**  
on  
**Sunday, November 19, 2017**  
Hilton DoubleTree Hotel  
Annapolis, MD

*“Puritan Teens: Priscilla Mullins”*  
Kate LaPrad from Plimoth Plantation

**12:00 P.M. RECEPTION & COCKTAILS**  
**1:00 P.M. DINNER**

*RSVP to Tim Mallory before Thursday, November 12, 2017*

## *Menu*

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*Salad*  
Mixed Green Salad with dressing

*Choice of Entree*  
Sliced Roasted Turkey w/ dressing\*  
Sweet Potatoes  
Green Beans Almondine

*Served with warm rolls and butter and cranberry sauce*

*Dessert*  
Pumpkin Pie with whipped cream

*Drinks*  
coffee, specialty teas, or iced tea

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*\*vegetarian or other dietary needs options available upon request.*

### *Location*

Address: **Hilton DoubleTree Hotel** Phone: (410) 224-3150  
210 Holiday Court  
Annapolis, MD 21401 Website: [www.doubletree.com](http://www.doubletree.com)

#### Directions:

*From Baltimore:* Take 695 to I-97 South toward Annapolis/Bay Bridge. Take the Route 50 East/301 North exit. At the fork, keep right onto 665 East. Follow the signs to Exit 22, Riva Road, and turn left at Riva Road. At the second light, turn left onto Holiday Court. The hotel is on the left.

*From Washington, D.C.:* From 495, take the Route 50 East toward Annapolis. At the fork, keep right toward 665 East. Follow the signs to Exit 22, Riva Road, and turn left at Riva Road. At the second light, turn left on Holiday Court. The hotel is on the left.

*Cut and return this portion*

<b>RSVP</b>		<b>Compact Day Dinner</b>	
<b>TO:</b> Tim Mallory 1614 Amyclae Drive Bel Air, MD 21015-2015 (443) 417-3720 Email: <a href="mailto:MayflowerMD@verizon.net">MayflowerMD@verizon.net</a>	<b>COST:</b> \$40.00 for each Adult ( <i>cash bar</i> ) \$16.00 for each Child (price includes a 20% gratuity)	<b>TIME:</b> 12:00 p.m.: Reception & Cocktails 1:00 p.m.: Luncheon	
<b>FOR:</b> _____ adults and _____ children for the dinner on November 19, 2017	<b>DEADLINE:</b> Sunday, November 12, 2017		
<b>NAME:</b> _____	<b>GUEST'S NAME:</b> _____		
<b>SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS:</b> _____			
<b>PAYMENT:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Check or Money Order enclosed, payable to Maryland Mayflower Society; or <input type="checkbox"/> Credit or Debit card. Visit <a href="http://www.MarylandMayflower.org">www.MarylandMayflower.org</a> ( <i>no extra charge</i> ).			
○   ◆ <i>Child's plate, vegetarian, and other dietary needs options available upon request.</i> ◆   ○			

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# 400th Anniversary Stamp Campaign

## Delegates Urge U.S. Post Office to Issue Mayflower Stamp

In May 2015, GSMD filed an application with the U.S. Postal Service requesting that a set of Pilgrim-themed commemorative stamps be issued in 2020. At the 41st GSMD Triennial Congress, delegates signed and mailed the letter below to the U.S. Postal Service's Citizens Stamp Advisory Committee.

The 2020 Committee Chairman, George Garmany, organized a mass communication event to urge the Post Office to mark our 400th anniversary of the voyage of the Mayflower with a Pilgrim-themed stamp using the new stamp technology called "thermochromic ink," which changes colors as you apply pressure with your finger. This new stamp technology is proposed to be used for our 400th anniversary in 2020. Over 100 letters were mailed from the Plymouth Post Office requesting that a 2020 stamp be authorized for printing and public use. You are invited to contact the Post Office directly to make suggestions for commemorative stamps in 2020. They are eager to hear from you! Please use the sample below or download the template from the GSMD website.

September 12, 2017

Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee  
475 L'Enfant Plaza SW, Room 3300  
Washington, DC 20260-3501

Dear Sir or Madam:

In 2020 and 2021 the United States will commemorate some of the most iconic events that led to the formation of our country. The date 1620 is so well established in American culture that it is literally carved in stone at Plymouth Rock. I request that the US Postal Service mark the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the voyage of the Mayflower with a Pilgrim-themed commemorative stamp to be issued in 2020.

The Pilgrims left England and the Netherlands in pursuit of better lives in the New World plus a degree of religious freedom unknown in England at that time. They established the first permanent colony in New England, and their founding document, today called The Mayflower Compact, established the principle of self-government without supervision from external authorities. After arriving, the group signed an agreement with their neighboring Native Americans, a peace that lasted for over fifty years. All of these were extraordinary events with significant impact on American culture, typically celebrated today at the Thanksgiving holiday. They clearly fulfill the eleven criteria established by the USPS for commemoration on U.S. stamps.

The stereotypical image of a Pilgrim includes black garments, conical wide-brimmed hats with buckles, wide belts, and funny black shoes. You may know that modern scholarship has shown that Pilgrim dress was much more colorful than this image would convey. The USPS introduction of thermochromatic ink on the recent solar eclipse stamp provides a wonderful model of a stamp that could be educational and eye-catching to consumers. Without warming, it would show the traditional "black and white" image of Pilgrim dress, but when it is warmed their true colors could show through. Although the CSAC does not direct the artwork for stamps, such a rendition will take months or years to develop. I therefore request that the CSAC approve a Pilgrim-themed stamp in 2017 to allow enough time to create a high-quality artistic final product.

Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely yours,

## Solar Eclipse Stamp

First U.S. Stamp with Thermochromic Ink



Total Solar Eclipse Forever Stamp

The solar eclipse stamp, which showcased the August 21, 2017, solar eclipse, used the "thermochromic ink" technology. When pressed with the finger, body heat transforms the image of a black eclipsed sun in the center into an image of the full moon. The image reverts back to the black eclipse once it cools.

The stamp image is a photo of a total solar eclipse seen in Jalu, Libya, on March 29, 2006. The photo was taken by a retired astrophysicist who worked at NASA, Fred Espanak (aka, "Mr. Eclipse"). This is the first U.S. stamp to use thermochromic ink. The novelty stamp, however, won't leave fingers oily, black, or cold.

Sample letter to send to the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee for the Pilgrim-themed commemorative stamp request.



The applicant below wishes to apply for membership to the Friends of the Maryland Mayflower Society (FMMS) Program.

### *APPLICANT INFORMATION:*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### *MEMBER INFORMATION:*

Sponsor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### *DUES:*

*check one*

- Annual: \$20.00 per year  
 Lifetime: \$400.00 (one time)

### *SUBMIT this form & check to:*

To: Dwight N. Mason, Historian  
7307 Broxburn Court,  
Bethesda MD 20817-4754  
Email: [Historian@MarylandMayflower.org](mailto:Historian@MarylandMayflower.org)

Checks payable to: Maryland Mayflower Society

NOTE: All applications must be accompanied by the dues.

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