



*Society of Mayflower Descendants
in the state of
Ohio*

Columbus Colony

Organized October 1, 1929

February 2020 Newsletter

The Columbus Colony Board of Assistants is proud to announce our slate of prospective officers for the upcoming election April 18, 2020

Lt. Governor Hilda Pappas

Director Sharon Hendershot

Dept. Governor Charles Mays

Director Donald Burgess

Recording Secretary Kristen Hallows

Scholarship Chair Dr. Jan Ebert

Treasurer Winthrop Worcester

Membership Chair Judy Snyder

Corres. Secretary Jenney Seely

Education Chair Jan Kleinline

Elder Cheryl Bash

Social Chair Carolyn White

Historian Sharon Bardus

Junior Member Chair OPEN

Captain Gary Barstow

Program Chair OPEN

BOA Representative Jan Kleinline

You will receive a ballot by e-mail. Please return it to Jenney Seely or bring it to the April meeting.

On November 9, 2019, The Columbus Colony Compact Day luncheon opened with a greeting from Lieutenant Governor, Sharon Hendershot. Elder Cheryl Bash read the blessing, and we enjoyed a Thanksgiving-themed lunch including coffee, iced tea, turkey, mashed potatoes, dressing, green beans, and pumpkin pie.

Sharon Hendershot introduced presenter, Susan Reid, who told us about Johnny Clem, a nine-year-old boy from Newark who ran away to join the Union Army in the spring of 1861. He served first as a drummer at Shiloh and in the Battle of Nashville as a sergeant when he was 13. He retired as a Major General after a long military career.

Sharon Bardus, Junior Membership Chair, with the help of her grandchildren, Daria and Jadon, led junior members Elijah, Mary, Hayden, and Audrey in a craft project for Thanksgiving. Hayden and Audrey are pictured here wearing the hats they made.

Dr. Janice Ebert, Scholarship Chair, awarded Allison Walsh the \$1000 Winifred Schamp Scholarship, and Allison read her winning essay about a fictional young woman sailing on the Mayflower. She told of leaving England, witnessing the birth of Oceanus Hopkins, and first sighting of land off Provincetown.

2020 Applications are due March 31, 2020

Dr. Ebert led us in singing “Happy Birthday” to Columbus Colony for its 90th year as a chartered member of the State Society of Mayflower Descendants. We were chartered Oct 1, 1929.



Our Lt. Governor visited the Mayflower at the Mystic Seaport Museum in October and reported the exterior is finished and she is now in the water. Interior work will be finished before she sails back to Plymouth.



An article dated November 30, 2019 from the London Sun quoted David Whittle from the Harwich Historical Society in Essex, UK. The home of Christopher Jones, Captain of the

Mayflower will be open to the public for the 400 anniversary year of the ship's voyage. Provincetown on Cape Cod is also refurbishing the park where Captain Myles Standish first landed and the statue commemorating the Pilgrims' arrival. This is a good year to visit Mayflower sites.



Our next meeting will be Saturday, April 18 at 12 noon at Kensington Place. You will receive an invitation with the 2220-21 ballot. Reservations are due April 11. John Burke will portray the life of Captain Wolfe, who fought for William Henry Harrison in the War of 1812. There will be an election and installation of Colony Officers.

Have you made your reservations for the Mayflower State 400th Celebration May 1 & 2? You will meet other Mayflower Cousins there!