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**Bonnie Wade Mucia Governor**

Dear Mayflower Cousins:

Happy Fall! I've just returned from the 2016 GBOA Mayflower Meeting in Indiana and it was excellent! Happy 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday to the Indiana Society and thank you for putting on such a wonderful weekend. We have been encouraged to start thinking about 2020 and what each state would like to do for the 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary sailing of the Mayflower. I would like to put together a 2020 Committee for this very important anniversary. Please email me if you are interested in being on this committee. Four years will go quickly so we need to start planning now.

**CALLING ALL OF YOU TALENTED CREATIVE PEOPLE!** We will be bringing items that you create in recognition of 2020 to Congress next year where they will be displayed in Plymouth. I encourage anyone who wants to paint, draw, carve, sew, crochet, knit, quit, sculpt, or create something to commemorate the 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Be as creative as you'd like in whatever format you enjoy. Perhaps you can get your children and grandchildren involved too! We would love to preview them at our Spring Luncheon. So get working on those ideas. Let's show them how creative our SC delegation is!

The Compact Day luncheon will be at the Charleston Yacht Club on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> where we will have a special guest – Governor General, Lea Filson. This is going to be a very popular luncheon so I encourage you all to get your reservations in as soon as possible as I know we will be at capacity very quickly. If you wait too long, we will be sold out and I would hate for you to miss meeting our Governor General. Also our non-perishable food collection was a success last November so I'd like to do that again. Please bring some non-perishable food goods so we can donate them to the local homeless shelter and I'll bring them right over to One80 Place again this year.

I wanted to thank all those that participated in the Essay and Scholarship contests this year. We had a wonderful response with multiple entries in each category. It was VERY hard picking a winner and all the essays were wonderful. I encourage all to participate again next year and I hope you tell your children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews about the scholarships!

Lastly, we finally have a credit card option to pay your dues and your luncheon tickets! More about that below. I look forward to seeing you at The Compact Day Luncheon. Let's give Governor Filson a very warm SC welcome!

## **WELCOME ABOARD: New Members**

We are happy to extend a welcome to the newest members of our South Carolina Society!

### **Isaac Allerton**

Mary Ann Sullivan, Boston, NY  
David Wilson, Aiken, SC

### **William Bradford**

Ryan Fyffe, McCormick, SC  
Sarah Schulze, Greenwood, SC  
Barbara Walsh, Goose Creek SC

### **William Brewster**

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Michael Byers, Spartanburg, SC  
Dorothy Palmateer, Clinton, SC

### **Francis Cooke**

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Barbara Lesniak, Bluffton, SC  
Andrew Moore, Madison, WI  
Gerald Moore, Bluffton, SC  
Laurie Parker, Acworth, GA

### **Edward Doty**

Nancy Hood, Greenville, SC

### **Stephen Hopkins**

Sandra Lazarus, Dover, NH  
Linda Thompson, Sumter, SC

### **John Howland**

Bryan Wester, Surfside Beach, SC

### **Degory Priest**

Daphne Corcoran, Johns Island, SC  
Julianne Ruske, Bluffton, SC

### **Thomas Rogers**

Maxine Hargrave, Greenville, SC  
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## Elementary School Essay Contest Winner

**Assignment for 2016 Elementary School Essay Topic:** What type of clothing did the children in Plymouth Colony wear?

**Winner:** Hannah E. Baghdady, daughter of Rolf & Lisa Baghdady

**Relative** who is a member of SC Mayflower Society: Rolf Baghdady

**Ancestor:** George Soule & Thomas Rogers.

### Children's Clothing in Plymouth Colony

What did the pilgrims really wear? Did the men always wear dark clothing, tall hats, ruffled collars, and funny looking shoes with buckles on them? Did women always wear long gray dresses with Biggins (Travers 35), the tiny caps that fastened under their chins?

Pictures in books often portray pilgrims wearing such things, however, for everyday work, the pilgrims wore bright red skirts and green stockings, purple capes, and long-sleeved white shirts. Girls dressed like their mothers in brightly colored dresses, and boys, over the age of seven, dressed like their fathers in white shirts, warm breeches, and wool or leather coats. The children under the age of seven dressed alike in an ankle-length gown fastened in the back as undergarments. For outerwear, they wore capes, coats, and hats.

When a boy turned seven he was "breeched" (Travers 30), which means he was dressed in men's clothing for the very first time. A girl began to dress in young women's clothing probably around the age of twelve. In the summer, children would shed their heavy cloaks and long stockings and go barefoot through cool soil and on smooth wood floors.

So did the pilgrims ever even wear all of that dark somber clothing that they are often portrayed in? Many pilgrims did wear these types of clothes, but this was only for special occasions and on Sundays.

Around 1621 the pilgrims met the Native Americans, also known as Indians, and soon thereafter the pilgrims started trading with them. They traded many things, but one thing they traded for sure were animal skins and these were made into heavy cloaks and shoes; most likely moccasins.

The pilgrim children's clothes were warm, sturdy, and well-worn. Clothes were made to last a long time. The pilgrims were strong, hard-working people and the children had to be that way too.

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## Middle School Essay Contest Winner

**Assignment for 2016 Middle School Essay Topic:** What kinds of foods made up the typical diet in Plymouth Colony? What kinds of tools did they need to acquire their food?

**Winner:** Caroline Winslow, daughter of Timothy and April Winslow

**Relative** who is a member of the SC Mayflower Society: Timothy Winslow

**Ancestor:** Stephen Hopkins

### Surviving In The Plymouth Colony

Could you imagine not being able to just run to the supermarket and pick up your already made food? Well, in the seventeenth century the Plymouth Colony had to struggle for their food. Plus, people only got enough food to keep their families alive, not anyone else. These people had to farm, fish, and hunt just to get enough food to not starve.

The Plymouth Colony got most of their food from farming. No matter who you were you most likely had a farm with a few crops, such as corn, wheat, beans, pumpkins, barley, oats, and peas. Also the women would grow herbs and vegetables. When it came to harvesting season hard work came too. All of the harvesting was done by hand, hand tools, or animals. The first Plymouth colonists only had spades, or small shovels, to work the soil. Later, a colonist would use a wooden plow operated by humans and animals to prepare the soil for planting. Another tool is called the scythe and it is worked by humans. The scythe was used to cut grain more productively. Also the colonists would collect berries, nuts, greens, and mushrooms to help make soup. Meanwhile, salt, sugar, oil, and vinegar had to be shipped from England. These were ways to get fruit, vegetables, and grains, but the colonists needed meats as well.

The colonists had trouble fishing at first because they didn't have the proper equipment and were not trained. However, supplies of fish and shellfish were plentiful. Clams and mussels were easy to gather. Lobster could also be caught occasionally in the bay. Once the colonists met the native Americans, they learned the technique of catching eel in the riverbeds. Eventually, the colonists asked England to send proper fishing supplies. Of course fish is not all the meat they ate, they would also go out hunting.

Hunting had a very important role in the Plymouth Colony. Hunting was done with fowling rifles and trapping. Animals such as deer, rabbits, turkeys, geese, and duck were hunted. Also domesticated animals, chickens, goats, sheep, and cows, colonists brought with them were eventually able to be eaten. These animals were not only used as food, but also tools. The bones were used to make tools, the hides were used for clothing and materials, and the sinew was for sewing. Hunting was part of the everyday life in the Plymouth colony. So was farming and fishing.

Hunting, farming, and fishing played a giant part in the life of the Plymouth Colony. The food the colonists collected kept them alive. Only fifty-three of the original one hundred and two colonists were alive to celebrate the great holiday we now call Thanksgiving. Their ability to collect food allowed the colonists to survive despite the harsh conditions in the new world.

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## High School Scholarship Essay Winner

**Assignment for 2016 Middle School Essay Topic:** What was expected of a typical 18 year old in Plymouth Colony, and what would their life have been like? Describe their economic situation and how they would have supported themselves and their family.

**Winner:** Sarah Elizabeth George, (freshman at Furman University) daughter of Brenda George

**Relative** who is a member of the SC Mayflower Society: Susan Campbell Squires (Aunt)

**Ancestors:** Edward Doty, Edward & Mrs. Fuller and Samuel Fuller

### My Grateful Life

Today, October 15, 1624, is my eighteenth birthday. My name is Kate. Three years ago this December after the long voyage from England aboard the ship Mayflower, my family and I, along with ninety-six others, landed in North America at a place named New Plymouth. I am the oldest of my four siblings, three boys and a two year old girl. We are members of the Leiden Separatists, a devout sect of the Puritan Calvinist faith. We are called Separatists since we “separated” ourselves from the official Anglican Church so that we could practice our faith as we believe God intended.

Prior to our voyage to the New World, the Separatists, who were a poor group, had to secure financial support in the form of a contract with the Merchant Adventurers, London investors. Thomas Weston, also a Puritan, wanted colonists to settle land he had rights to in Virginia Colony. Mr. Weston arranged the contract with the Merchants Adventurers, but it required us to be indentured servants to them for seven years. Because of the terms of the contract, many of our fellow Leiden Separatists chose to stay in Leiden. Therefore, only thirty-five of the Leiden community traveled on the Mayflower. The others on the voyage were referred to as “strangers”. These strangers were not of our faith, but had skills which would assist us in building our colony.

Due to rough seas encountered on our Mayflower voyage, we landed at the northern boundary of Virginia. Realizing that if we were not part of the Virginia Colony, we might be free from the contract with the Merchant Adventurers, the men understood that we needed to work together in order to survive. They drew up a new contract called the Mayflower Compact. This document stated that the Pilgrims, as we are called, would combine ourselves together in a civil body politic for our betterment and preservation with equal and just laws and we would meet to discuss matters for the general good of the colony. Only the men could sign the Mayflower Compact and they elected our first governor, John Carver.

We settled on land that had already been cleared by the Indians, who had vanished from the area probably due to diseases. We believe that we are chosen by God and that God intended this to happen. We were meant to have this cleared land to build our colony. We built houses complete with small gardens, and farm animals.

However, times were very harsh and many of our fellow Pilgrims died that first year. Thankfully, Samoset and Squanto, both Indians who spoke English, visited our colony. They taught us how to plant corn which provided a plentiful food crop for us.

As the oldest child, my life in Plymouth is filled with chores. From sun up to sunset my mother and I are in constant motion. Upon waking in the morning, I rekindle the fire in the hearth and walk to the spring to fetch fresh water in a wooden pail so that we can begin cooking breakfast. Following breakfast, I milk the cows, feed them, and let them out into the pasture. The cows must be milked morning and night. Nearly every day I churn the milk into cream and butter and make cheese.

Next the cleaning begins, first with washing our wooden dishes and then scrubbing the floors. My mother and I are responsible for all areas of housework, tending to the children and the animals and gardens, preparing and cooking the food, and making and mending the clothes. I am quite good at making soap which is made of ashes from the fire. Since food spoils quickly, I know how to make salt meat and smoke meat, and dry and preserve vegetables. I also gather and dry herbs which we use in cooking and for medicinal purposes. Our bedding blankets and mattresses are hung outside each day to freshen them.

Washing clothes is a laborious chore which requires building a big fire under the large iron cauldron. Next, I make several trips to the spring to fetch water to fill the cauldron. Once the water boils, the clothes are added and I stir the clothes with a wooden stick. To aid in cleaning them, I scrub the clothes with the soap I made to remove grease and stains. Finally, they are rinsed with fresh water and hung to dry on the fence.

There is no formal school in Plymouth, so every night father teaches us lessons on mathematical calculations and writing. Since mother and father believe in the value of reading, we read aloud from our Bible and recite Bible verses. Every day we take time for prayers and on Sundays we attend church service. The preacher and his sermons help guide us in our daily lives.

While life in Plymouth Colony is harsh, we are grateful to God that we can worship as we want. We arrived in Plymouth a poor people, but through hard work and abundant crops, we are thriving. After almost three years, we have sustained ourselves by growing vegetables and trading them for other commodities. We trade with the Indians for furs, which we ship to England for a profit. As more Pilgrims arrive from England, our tiny colony continues to grow.

I have met a kind man, named James. He is twenty and received formal education in England. We are to be married in the spring. We share the same devotion to our faith and pray that our lives will be full of prosperity.

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## College Scholarship Essay Winner

**Assignment for 2016 College Essay Topic:** Mayflower 2020 – Celebration or Commemoration

**Winner:** Kylie Spencer (NC State), daughter of Kris & Glen Spencer

**Relative** who is a member of the SC Mayflower Society: Judith Allen (Grandmother)

**Ancestor:** Stephen Hopkins

### Giving Thanks

The transatlantic voyage of the *Mayflower* was a true act of courage that has left a lasting impression on our nation's culture, history, and values. These men and women chose to cross into the unknown, risking everything they had, in search of the freedom to live according to their beliefs. This desire for freedom, religious or otherwise, continues to burn bright as a strong American value, passed down to us by those who were brave enough to pursue their beliefs no matter the cost. The 400th anniversary of the *Mayflower's* voyage should both celebrate the bravery and impact of the Pilgrims as well as commemorate the lives lost during the journey and first winter in the new world.

Facing religious persecution in England, the Pilgrims fled to Leiden, Holland, "the *City of Refugees*", in order to practice their religion freely without facing the threat of punishment or death. However, the Netherlands were not the haven the Pilgrims had hoped for: freedom of religion was more limited than expected, the threat of war with Spain loomed over the country like a dark cloud, and the religious refugees were not prospering economically. They also worried that their children would become too integrated into Dutch culture and the Dutch church, forgetting their English roots. These fears compounded, prompting a section of the Pilgrim community to leave all they had known for the new world and new beginnings.

The *Speedwell* was hired to take the pilgrims from Delfshaven, Netherlands to Southampton, England to board the *Mayflower*. Originally, the *Speedwell* was intended accompany the *Mayflower* on its journey to America; unfortunately, the ship began leaking and was deemed unfit to proceed, which led to the overcrowding of the *Mayflower*. On September 6, 1620, the *Mayflower* officially set sail for Northern Virginia, which at that point extended as far north as modern day New York and the Hudson River. The first month of the journey was smooth sailing, the only major problem those aboard faced was sea sickness. As October rolled in so did the storm clouds. The constant storms produced violent winds and rough waters which forced the *Mayflower* to drift wherever the weather took them, pushing them slightly off course. On November 9, Cape Cod was spotted by the passengers and crew, proving that they had not drifted too far off their projected course. They began to head south toward the mouth of the Hudson River but suddenly encountered rough seas, leaving them nearly shipwrecked. Rather than venture into the same dangerous waters, they docked near Cape Cod and explored for roughly a month and a half before finally settling on Plymouth, Massachusetts as the site of their plantation. While some of the men wandered out to evaluate the location they had chosen, those who had stayed behind drafted and signed the Mayflower Compact which outlined the laws and regulations for the new settlement. It was the first written framework of government established in the New World and was later used as the basis for the Massachusetts State Constitution and even the United States Constitution.

The year 2020 will mark the 400th anniversary of the sailing of the *Mayflower*, a momentous occasion that should include Holland, the United Kingdom, and the United States in a celebration and commemoration of the lives of the Pilgrims and their journey to freedom. The Mayflower 400 Company is planning to do exactly that. They are planning “a programme of events on a transformational scale...a platform for an international commemoration of the remarkable relationship between our nations which began with the sailing of the *Mayflower*” (Mayflower 400). Their plan is to travel to locations of pertinence to the story of the Pilgrims and host social and educational events to increase education and awareness of the Pilgrim story in addition to helping rebuild the economic stability of some of the cities. Their goals are exactly what I personally feel should be accomplished in the name of those who left everything behind in the pursuit of their beliefs.

The Mayflower 400 plans for Scrooby and Babworth in England are to dedicate a room to William Brewster in the Bassetlaw Museum, erect a statue of William Brewster in Scrooby, improve the preexisting Mayflower Trail with augmented reality, increase educational outreach centered at the museum, develop a new website complete with genealogy links, and develop a library of individual stories in printable and downloadable form. They are also planning to host a Mayflower Festival that demonstrates religious pressures of the time, what occurred in the New World, a Thanksgiving dinner, and a parade from Scrooby to Babworth. In Doncaster, England, the birthplace of William Brewster, they are attempting to increase the tourism market by developing an Austerfield Heritage Centre focusing specifically on William Brewster and the Pilgrims, adding direct flights from America to Doncaster, and cultivating a range of Pilgrim inspired art, events, and activities. Similar goals to increase tourism and create a new hub of Pilgrim related art, digital technology, and events, are in place for Gainsborough, England. The people of Rotherhithe, London are looking forward to increasing local, national, and international partnerships, growing tourist attractions in Rotherhithe and Southwark, spreading the knowledge of the Mayflower stories and impact to the youth of Southwark, and increasing awareness of the global impact of the Pilgrims through related activities. Plymouth, UK is beginning a “period of transformation” (Mayflower 400) by starting an effort to change perceptions of the city through stimulating economic opportunities, educating citizens of the relevance of the *Mayflower*’s pilgrimage, and improve modernization and physical infrastructure. Plymouth, Massachusetts is working on planning events and programs to celebrate and remember the innovation, exploration, and love for freedom that were exhibited by the Pilgrims, all of which had a lasting impression on the fabric of our history.

The efforts taken by the Mayflower 400 Company and their partners go above and beyond to honor the influence and sacrifice of the Pilgrims in all of the cities that were relevant to their history and their story. By hosting both social and somber events, the Mayflower 400 Company is spreading education and awareness to local, national, and international visitors in a vibrant way. It gives the opportunity to celebrate all that the Pilgrims have done to impact our modern society as well as commemorate all that they lost in the pursuit of religious freedom.

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## **GSMD SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE**

*Please note that the General Society of Mayflower Descendants also offers scholarships to graduating high school seniors. The scholarship amounts are certainly worth the effort to win. The due date will be before our spring newsletter so we are mentioning it now so you can plan accordingly. The following is taken from the GSMD website and we encourage you to apply.*

### **Applications for the 2017 GSMD Scholarship will be due on March 15, 2017.**

The General Society of Mayflower Descendants (GSMD) Scholarship Program is offering one of each: **\$6000, \$4000, \$3000 and \$2000** scholarships to graduating high school seniors who are Mayflower descendants and will be attending a four-year college or university or two-year community college.

#### **ANCESTRY REQUIREMENT:**

For an applicant to be considered for a Mayflower Scholarship, the Application Form must include a valid GSMD membership number for either the applicant or for a parent, grandparent, or great grandparent of the applicant.

For further information go to: <https://www.themayflowersociety.org/scholarships>

## **Missing Contact Information**

Hello!

I am Margaret Collar, the corresponding secretary for our state Mayflower Society. I have a responsibility to keep our membership lists up to date for us and for Plymouth. I need your help. If you have contact information for these people, please send it to me:

**Susan Miller** of Salem, SC

**Alden Flint** of Charleston, SC

**Jeanette Johnson James**, a life-member with whom we have lost contact

Please send contact information on these people or any other changes of address, phone number or email to Margaret Collar at:

206 Dusenbury Drive, Florence, SC 29501 or [margaretanne1212@gmail.com](mailto:margaretanne1212@gmail.com)

Thank you

**THE SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS OF SOUTH CAROLINA**  
*is pleased to announce the*

2017 SMDSC Compact Luncheon  
October 29, 2016 at 11:30 am

**Location:** Carolina Yacht Club  
50 East Bay Street  
Charleston, SC 29401

**Speaker:** Lea Filson, *Governor General* of The General Society of Mayflower Descendants

**Topic:** The work in progress for the 2020 celebration in Plymouth.

**Meeting will begin promptly at 12:00pm**

\$30 for adults

\$15 for special meal for children 2-12 years old

**MENU**

She-Crab Soup

Shrimp & Grits\*

(Children ages 2-12 chicken fingers and  
fries)

Seasonal Salad

Homemade Ice Cream with

Hot Fudge Sauce

Iced Tea and Water

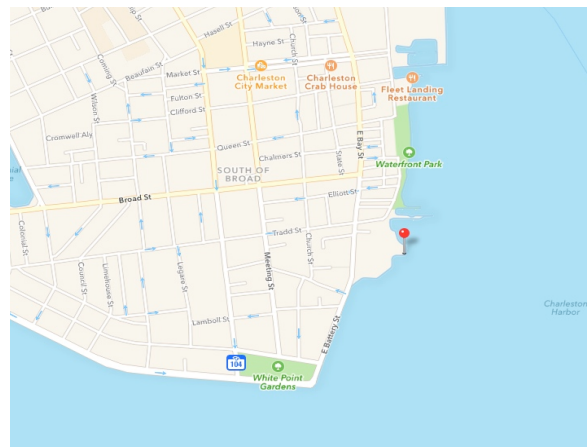
*\*If you have a food allergy, a substitute  
menu is available. \**

**\*\*\*PLEASE BRING CAN GOODS  
OR NON-PERISHABLE FOOD  
FOR DONATION TO THE  
LOCAL FOOD PANTRY  
ONE80 PLACE.\*\*\***

**Our Guest Speaker** is Lea Filson, the  
Governor General of the General Society of  
Mayflower Descendants. She will bring us  
up to date on the business of the Society and

the work in progress for our 2020  
celebration in Plymouth.

**The Carolina Yacht Club** was founded in  
1883 by young men wanting to share their  
interest in sailing and yacht racing. The  
Club was incorporated in 1888, and moved  
into its current location on the Cooper River  
waterfront in 1907 from a small room over a  
wharf warehouse a few yards north of its  
present location. The Club resides in an old  
cotton factor's office.



Website: [www.carolinayachtclub.com](http://www.carolinayachtclub.com)



**SMDSC COMPACT LUNCHEON**

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**Member Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **amount remitted** \_\_\_\_\_

**Guest Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **amount remitted** \_\_\_\_\_

**Guest Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **amount remitted** \_\_\_\_\_

**Children** \_\_\_\_\_ **amount remitted** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total** \_\_\_\_\_

\$30 for adults  
\$15 for special meal for children 2-12 years old  
**Please make checks payable to: SMD-SC**



**WE NOW HAVE A CREDIT CARD OPTION!!!!**

You can pay for your yearly dues and your luncheon reservations via Credit Card!!! You will have to pay a small service charge but it's not much, just to cover the cost of the credit card fees. PLEASE MAKE SURE TO ADD YOUR NAME TO THE NOTE AT CHECKOUT FOR WHO YOU ARE PAYING FOR. Your member number would be helpful too. We may have small growing pains implementing the use of credit cards but please be assured that Square (the credit card processing service) is very secure and safe. Of course you can still pay by check as well.

<https://squareup.com/store/south-carolina-mayflower-society/>

Dear Mayflower family:

Well it's that time of year again for dues collection. You may notice that we are sending it out a little earlier than usual and I'd like to explain why. Usually we send out the dues notice later in the year with a due date right around the holidays. This has posed a few problems.

First being it can be a burden on you to have an additional expense during an already expensive and busy time of year. Secondly our SC Mayflower board works hard and volunteers so many hours on behalf of our society for the better. We usually have to compile the dues reports and send it along with a large amount of money to the General Society during the holidays and it can be difficult balancing family, holiday events, not to mention our secular jobs and all the working going into making sure the dues are collected by calling all those missing from the list. We don't want to drop anyone and want all of you to continue to be part of our state society as well as the General Society. It's hard calling people right in the middle of their holiday and ask them to send in their money right away. You have better things on your mind during that time of year and we don't want to take away from you enjoying your precious time with family and friends. So for these reasons your Board of Assistance has voted to change our process and the deadline dates dues are collected. Our discounted dues, which we rolled out last year, was a success and we will continue that.

**September 1st:** Discounted Dues of \$42 (there was \$1 increase for national dues this year as voted on at Mayflower Congress in 2015).

**October 1st:** Annual Dues of \$50

**November 1st:** Membership dues deadline. Final reports will be compiled and finalized. Any member not submitting dues before November 1st will be dropped from membership.

September is a good time of year as summer is over and children are back in school. We hope that this change in dues collection is a win/win all around. We appreciate your help and sending in your 2017 dues as soon as possible will make a huge difference in the amount of time and work that goes into our report for our board that volunteers countless hours for the good of our society. Not to mention we have to send a large check to the General Society for the current membership and an accurate count of members is a must. If you choose to drop your membership, it will be dropped from both the SC state society and the General Society and please let us know if that is the option you'd prefer. We certainly hope that you continue your membership with the Mayflower Society!

Don't forget, you can pay by credit card to make it convenient for you. Please add your name and member number in the note section at checkout so we know who to apply the dues to. The link is above and should be on our website very soon. If you have any questions at all, please let me know. You can email me at [scmayflowergovernor@gmail.com](mailto:scmayflowergovernor@gmail.com)

Thank you again for your cooperation in this matter.

*Bonnie Wade Mucia*



Governor, SC Mayflower Society

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### **2017 DUES NOTICE**

Member's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print FULL Name)  Check here if change of address/phone/email

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street address)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City/Town) (State & Zip)

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Home or Cell) (Work)

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

### **MEMBERSHIPS (All membership dues are tax deductible):**

Membership dues for Jan 1, 2017 – Dec 31, 2017

\_\_\_\_\_ **DISCOUNTED to \$42.00 Annual Membership if paid *in***  
**September 2016 (must be postmarked before 9/30/16)**

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$50.00 Annual Membership if paid AFTER Oct 1, 2016:** If dues are not received by October 31, 2016, you will be dropped from membership and a reinstatement fee of \$20.00 will be assessed to reactivate your membership (your total after 11/1/16 will be \$70.00).

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$60.00 Sustaining Membership:** Included annual membership dues and a donation to the state society. Your name will be in the newsletter as a Sustaining Supporter.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Donation to the SC Mayflower Society:** Additional Tax Deductible donation in any amount. Funds used for routine expenses including membership mailings, Palmetto Log, website maintenance, maintenance of physical assets and insurance. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$15.00 – Emeritus Membership:** All active members 80 years or older and paid dues for 5 years to SMD-SC. (Exception: Emeritus members who were 80 years old by July 25, 2005 and paid dues for 5 years to SMD-SC will not be required to pay future dues to either the General Society or to the State Society.) Emeritus by Service follows the same time frame as other Emeritus members.

\_\_\_\_\_ **LIFE MEMBERSHIP** – Not currently offered for new members. Only a few have been grandfathered in previously. We do however, need your updated contact information for those that still have remaining Life Memberships. Also if you wish to make an additional tax deductible donation to the Society please state below.

Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tax deductible donation: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any family members interested in joining the Mayflower Society? If so just let us know by giving us their contact info and we can get the application going! And that includes our junior members (18 and under): \_\_\_\_\_

**To receive the discounted 2017 dues price of \$42 payment MUST be postmarked during September 2016. After October 1, 2016 dues will be \$50..** (If dues are not received by October 31, 2016 your membership will be dropped and a reinstatement fee of \$20 on top of the \$50 will be assessed to reactive membership.)

On line credit card option available: <https://squareup.com/store/south-carolina-mayflower-society> OR

**Send checks payable to “GSMD SC” to Jan Lawrimore, 1842 Norris Hwy, Central, SC 29630**

Check #: \_\_\_\_\_ Membership Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Donation Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_

*GSMD-SC is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, Federal Tax ID# 20-4809677. No goods or services were exchanged for this donation other than services consisting solely of intangible benefits which have no ascertainable fair market value.*

## A Plimouth Colony Staple

### ***The Tradition Lives On.....***

*By William Bradford Descendant Mary Williamson*

“Standing dishes”, much like today’s mashed potatoes, macaroni and cheese or grits were served daily on early tables. Pumpkins, or “pomions”, referring to all indigenous squash, were plentiful and served to complement and extend the day’s fare. In this season, and especially at Thanksgiving as we imagine the challenging lives of our ancestors, this may be a good dish to include in our festive meals as we remember their way of life. You might not want to keep a continuing “compote” over your open kitchen fire, so.....

### **In today’s world.....**

*4 cups of baked, ripe squash, mashed (Bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes, or until fork tender)*

*½ stick salted*

*A splash of apple cider*

*1 or 2 teaspoons of ground ginger, and/or perhaps a little*

*½ teaspoon*

*3 tablespoons light brown sugar*

*Combine last five ingredients over medium heat, adding pumpkin when sugar and butter mixture is bubbling. Stir. Place the combination in ovenproof dish. Keep warm at 250 degrees until everything else is ready, and be thankful!*



**Change of Address or Email?**

If your email or address changes, please don't forget to update your info with us!

**Dates to Remember**

- September 30, 2016 .....Deadline for 2017 Dues at the discounted rate
- October 23, 2016.....Deadline for Compact Day Luncheon RSVP
- October 29, 2016.....Compact Day Luncheon - Charleston, SC
- November 11, 2016.....396<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Signing of the Mayflower Compact
- November 24, 2016.....THANKSGIVING
- March 15, 2017 .....Deadline for GSMD Scholarship



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