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Mayflower Meetinghouse Update by Lea Sinclair Filson, FGG

Last week I gave two private tours of the Mayflower Meetinghouse to members who were the first to sign our official guest book. If you plan a trip to Plymouth this summer, you will witness firsthand the transformation of the National Pilgrim Memorial Meetinghouse. Within the next few weeks, scaffolding will surround the historic structure while it gets an exterior facelift.

From the roof to the walls, to the doors and windows, everything will be repaired and preserved to its original look. A safety entrance will be constructed that can be used throughout the project so that our new docents can begin giving tours to members and visitors. Beginning in June, two friendly faces will greet you when you tour the Meetinghouse to tell the Mayflower story as well as the Meetinghouse story. We will not charge a fee to tour but will ask for a suggested donation of a minimum of \$5. Kids under 11 are free, of course.

Throughout June we will begin to display donor information downstairs in Kendall Hall so that those of you who have helped make this happen will receive deserved recognition. 2019 Hours will be 11am to 4pm between June and December, Thursday through Sunday. Some Sundays, First Parish Church will have a morning service, but tours will resume at noon. Private tours are also available for members and donors by contacting Kathy Liolios at 508-746-3188 or executiveasst@themayflowersociety.org.

As the architects finish up the exterior by year's end, the last effort will be the reinstallation of the beautiful stained-glass Robinson windows. We will send you plenty of notice in case you want to take a holiday trip and witness the lighting of the Mayflower Meetinghouse. We hope to make it happen around the November 23rd Thanksgiving Day Parade followed by the Illumination event that takes place inside the Mayflower Meetinghouse that evening. That ends with participants taking a candlelit walk down Leyden Street to the bay where the Illumination event ends. It will be a trip your family will long remember. We will

keep you posted on the dates of the window installation schedule.

The interior is also beginning to take shape. The architecture teams the Trustees have chosen are hard at work creating a spec book that shows the plans and cost of the preservation of the interior, as well as the programs that will take place inside. Once finished, we will use the book to call on major donors to help us fund the rest of our project. Look for details about that in the September MQM. We are already raising the \$8 - \$10 million dollars for the restoration and programming, as well as an endowment, from which a percentage will be used for operations.

How can you help? Spread the word and think of some great events you can have in the location of your member society. You will share time with friends (relatives in our case), and you can split the proceeds between your society and the Meetinghouse. It's a win win situation that will help us leave a legacy together.

As always, I'm available to answer any questions. Email or call me at 504-491-5330 or fggfilson@themayflowersociety.org. Enjoy your summer! 

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Pilgrim Hopkins Heritage Society 2020 Meeting

As we mark the 400th anniversary of the Mayflower voyage in 2020, we will meet in a very special place, the National Pilgrim Memorial Meetinghouse. It will be surrounded by scaffolding while work is being done on the exterior restoration, and we will hear from a speaker about the ongoing project.

Since the GSMD Congress is over ten days, ending on the weekend of the Plymouth 400 Embarkation Festival, we will plan to meet on the last Saturday, which falls on September 19. That will allow us the opportunity to attend the festival either that morning or afternoon.

I will have information about the meeting, lunch, and tour in our next newsletter, but in the meantime, to the right is a link to information about the Embarkation Festival.

If you cannot reserve a room at Hotel 1620 or the Carver Inn, there are other hotels in Plymouth. Try the Hampton Inn, the Hilton Garden Inn, or the new Fairfield Inn. You can also try



[Homeaway.com](https://www.Homeaway.com) or [AirBnB.com](https://www.AirBnB.com). As we get closer, I will share other room options on our website, [PilgrimHopkins.com](https://www.PilgrimHopkins.com). 

Thanks,

Lea

Link: <https://plymouth400inc.org/events/embarkation-festival-september-19-20-2020>

Membership Profile Update

Latest 50 Members:

- Anne Caussin Henninger MD (Constance)
- Beth Lambright OR (Constance)(Giles) (Damaris)
- Shirley J. Newman MI (Constance)
- Vickie S. Bary TX (Damaris)
- Catherrine G. McKenna CT (Constance)
- Beverly K. Goodale MA (Constance)
- Joleen M. Sharp OR (Constance)
- Ruth J. Fox AZ (Damaris)
- Sara S. Holt UT (Damaris)
- Eric C. Sundius AZ (Giles)
- Lori A. Moreland CA ()
- Kathleen G. Lomax NJ (Constance)
- Clinton B. Soper, Jr. IL (Constance)
- Mary E. Anderson OH (Giles)
- Michael A. Buckman CA (Giles)
- Benita A. Steyer IN (Giles)
- James Boydston NJ (Constance)
- Richard C. Hoffman FL (Constance)
- Richard Weening WA ()
- Ann F. Gulbransen OH (Constance)
- Lea Sinclair Filson MA (Damaris)
- Donald T. Studley CT (Constance)
- Roger G. Winslow CA ()
- Pamela L. Bork IN (Giles)
- John F. MacDonald OH (Giles)
- Robert A. LaBelle NH (Constance)
- Laurie B. Ross VA (Giles)

- Bonnie W. Mucia SC (Giles)
- Linda Roghaar MA (Giles)
- Karen Lott NY (Constance)
- Jack Birmingham VA (Constance)
- Beverly Ann Spooner CO (Constance)
- Earle Morrison NC ()
- Diane W Liebert WI (Damaris)
- Chandler Cory Randall IN ()
- Glenda S. Burns GA (Constance)
- Cynthia S. Borchard CA (Giles)
- Jane Ordway Carman PA (Giles)
- Donald F. Miller MI (Giles)
- James R. Campbell, Jr. NJ (Constance)
- Bruce C. MacGunnigle RI (Constance) (Giles)
- Diane C. Norton CA (Damaris)
- Donald J. Hopkins CO (Giles)
- Ellen C. Hopkins CO (Constance)
- Linda B. Steaveson OK (Constance)
- Richard A. Baxter FL (Giles)
- Deon E. Mattson WA (Damaris)
- Melissa A. Tricoli CA (Damaris)
- Robert M. Gardner CA (Constance)
- Kenneth D. Farnsworth MD (Giles)

Rough Breakouts:	
Constance	– 125
Giles	– 65
Damaris	– 35
Deborah	– 8
Associates	– 31

Statistics:

378 members from the beginning;
from 38 States and Canada
91 LIFE members

38 States/Canada Breakouts:

AL-1	AZ-5	CA-39	CAN-2
CO-5	CT-15	DE-2	FL-24
GA-7	IA-2	IL-6	IN-3
LA-1	MA-21	MD-6	ME-7
MI-10	MO-2	NC-6	ND-1
NE-1	NH-4	NJ-5	NM-1
NV-2	NY-25	OH-8	OK-2
OR-3	PA-5	RI-1	SC-2
TN-1	TX-11	UT-2	VA-10
VT-2	WA-8	WI-5	

Please send in your 2019 dues (and back dues), make checks out to “PHHS”

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Exhibit at Pilgrim Hall

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PATHFOUNDERS: WOMEN OF PLYMOUTH

On display from May 3, 2019-March 8, 2020

Opening Reception: Thursday, May 2, 2019, 6-8 pm

Sponsored by Tiny & Sons Auto Glass

Pilgrim Hall Museum's 2019 exhibition resets the 400-year story of Plymouth with a focus on the lives and legacies of path-founding women. Makers, nurturers, leaders, and survivors, they made history, though their stories are often untold.

Who were the women who shaped Plymouth? The women of the *Mayflower*, immigrants to a new land, keepers of family and tradition, risk takers, and founders of a colony. The Wampanoag women who were cultivators, culture bearers, and clan leaders working to uphold a way of life threatened by incursion. The women of every era since in Plymouth's 400-year history who impacted family and community through their ideas, actions, and example.

pathFOUNDERS examines 17th century survivors, 18th century visionaries, activists of the 19th century and leaders of the 20th century, through rarely seen historical artifacts and interactive multimedia displays. Highlights include the resilient group of five teenage English girls, three orphaned soon after arrival, the handful of adult women who nurtured a struggling community and suffered the highest mortality of all the settlers, and Wampanoag leaders such as Weetamoo and Awashonks, as well as many Native women whose names were never recorded. One rare artifact to be displayed is the fragile 17th century corset of Mary Chilton Winslow, who grew up as an English exile in the Dutch city of Leiden, arrived in Plymouth Colony at



age 13, and survived to become a mother of ten and wealthy resident of Boston.

The exhibition spans four hundred years. Visionary women of the 18th century range from Revolutionary patriot Mercy Otis Warren to Hester Winslow Watson, an African-American slave who found a path to freedom for her children. Abby Morton Diaz, abolitionist, working mom, and voice for women's rights is among a remarkable group of 19th century activists, including Dr. Nellie Pierce, who helped found Plymouth's first hospital. Plymouth's 20th century leaders include Senator Therese Murray, first woman President of the Massachusetts Senate, Orissa Gomes, instrumental in Plymouth's community of color, and Phyllis Hughes, editor of the *Old Colonial Memorial*.



Showcasing original artifacts from Pilgrim Hall Museum's collections not typically on view, interactive multi-media displays, and special objects on loan, the exhibit highlights the experiences and contributions of Plymouth's extraordinary women. Also on view will be *Women 100: A Digital Archive of Local Women's History, Activism, & Experience*, created by Pilgrim Hall to document a century of local women in honor of the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment granting American women the right to vote. 



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American Ancestors Launches 2020 in Boston

Recently, NEHGS held a press conference launching their own version of 2020 in Boston. They have placed a *Mayflower* ship and a Wampanoag exhibit in front of the museum to bring attention to the commemoration.

To see all photos of the exhibits and the event, go to:

<https://photogallery.americanancestors.org/Mayflower-2020-Boston-Ceremony/>



Photo by Pierce Hamman

A sculptural tribute to the Wampanoag Nation and the Boston Mayflower, a 1:12 replica of the Mayflower II (itself a replica of the original ship that sailed to New England in 1620), inside the NEHGS building

Thank You Margaret Dougherty!

For those of you who follow our [Facebook](#) page, the name Margaret Dougherty is a familiar one. She has been a page administrator for the site for quite some time. We decided to make it official, and Margaret will now be our Social Media Coordinator. In addition to her information in this newsletter, look for her to contribute to all our upcoming newsletters to keep us in the know about our Facebook page.



To use the code above, download a QR Scanner app on your smartphone from your favorite app store and scan the code above. It will take you directly to our Facebook page.

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What's happening on PilgrimHopkins.com:

- We have pages on Revolutionary War Patriots:

<http://pilgrimhopkins.com/revolutionary-war-soldiers>

Now the Lineage group is looking for Hopkins line - **Civil War Veterans**. If you think your line has a Civil War Vet, please send this information to lineage@pilgrimhopkins.com

- Also there have been corrections to the LINKS page. They all should work now.

<http://pilgrimhopkins.com/links>

- AND FINALLY: The Lineage section was updated May 17, 2019 - check it out!

<http://pilgrimhopkins.com/lineageHome.php>

PHHS Insignia Update

Thanks for all your phone calls and emails after the last newsletter with your opinions and votes on the insignia. Here is where we are at this point. You will need to vote one more time on the image of the insignia, plus we have a new entry from Franklin Smith.

We received the most votes for a neck medalion so we will not order a chest ribbon. We also received the most votes for the striped colors royal blue and white. That means our insignia will be a blue and white striped neck ribbon with the medallion hanging below.

Please let me know which of these images you prefer? No one liked any of the Pilgrim images, so we'll forego that. Medal #1 will not have the Pilgrim image but will be divided in two with just the two ships similar to below. The word "THE" will be eliminated from the top half of the circle and it will just read, "Pilgrim Hopkins Heritage Society". The bottom half will be the same. Please choose between Medal #1 or Medal #2. 🗳️

Email me at

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Medal #1



Medal #2

Pilgrim Stephen Hopkins Descendants on Facebook

Are you on Facebook? Many family historians and genealogists appreciate Facebook for the treasure trove of resources it is. Many an a-ha moment and brick wall has been broken in genealogy research on Facebook. There's still nothing better than a Google search, but Facebook is a close second.

The Pilgrim Stephen Hopkins Descendants Facebook group was created on August 11, 2014 by the late Rick Denham, past governor of the Pilgrim Hopkins Heritage Society. Since 2014, group membership has steadily grown, and as of late May 2019, approached 1,200 members.

Facebook group members are a broad cross-section of GSMD-proven Hopkins descendants, GSMD or PHHS members, those still working on proving their descent, people interested in Stephen Hopkins and his family, and others. Members of all ages are in the United States, Canada, Europe and beyond. Truly, Stephen Hopkins descendants are everywhere.

Join the Hopkins conversation on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/pilgrimhopkins).

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A Final Farewell to former Governor Rick Denham

It is with great sadness that we in the Pilgrim Hopkins Heritage Society say goodbye to our friend, Rick Denham. A former Governor of PHHS, Rick will most likely be remembered most for the wonderful trip he planned with members to Bermuda. At the time of the trip, I did not yet know I was a Hopkins descendant, but thanks to the efforts of the members, I can now look for a plaque there to remember his time spent.

To make sure a plaque was left to remember Stephen Hopkins is the kind of thing that Rick would do. He also spent many long hours mapping the garden walkway for GSMD to create a director so people could find the bricks they bought.

In the Texas Society, he pulled together enough members of the Mayflower Society to start a new colony, and then served as Governor at the same time he was a GSMD national officer. When it came to Mayflower Pilgrims, Rick was right up in front doing all he could to tell the Mayflower story.

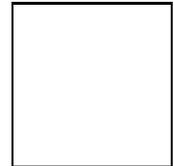
His generosity is legend. He was a charter member of the GSMD Governor General's 1620 Club when I began the group. His monetary donations were many, but even more important, he gave generously of his time to anyone who wanted to discuss the Pilgrim story. He gave his heart to all of us and we will miss him.

We send our condolences to Rick's wife Pat and his family. The Pilgrim Hopkins Heritage Society will place a brick in the very garden he mapped to commemorate him. 



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