

# The Virginia Mayflower

*The Society of Mayflower Descendants in the Commonwealth of Virginia*

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PHOTO BY ANNA DIAKUN

*From Governor Elizabeth Diakun*

## Our members' time and talents help forge a vibrant Virginia Mayflower Society

I am deeply honored that you have chosen me as your Governor for the current three-year term.

Our elections last November brought eight members to Society officer positions for the first time. I am so pleased that we have so many gifted people willing to give of their time and their talents to make this a vibrant, effective organization.

I want to particularly thank Susan Binger, Dee McGonigle, and Bob Mahan — retiring Historian, Secretary, and Newsletter Editor, respectively. They were there when we needed them most, and all did superb jobs. Also, Lloyd Thacher is step-

ping down as Registrar, but, fortunately, will continue as our Internet E-Mail contact and a member of the Board of Assistants.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at our regular Spring Meeting in Williamsburg on May 1st. The Board of Assistants will meet at the Heritage Room of Colonial Williamsburg's Lodge Conference Center at 10:15 a.m.

There will be a social hour at 12 noon in the Piedmont Room, followed by our Spring Luncheon Meeting at 12:45 p.m.

Please come — Williamsburg is a very special place, always one of the best experiences in America.

*Elderhostel instructor David DeSimone*

## Colonial religion historian will be our speaker on May 1st

In May 1607, 104 Englishmen on three ships landed at Jamestown in Virginia — the beginning of the first permanent English settlement in America. Additional colonists, to a total of some five hundred, came in the next couple of years.

Jamestown was a massive, deadly struggle, and the Virginia Company resolved to save the dying colony with new resources and new leaders. The expedition set out from England in 1609 with Admiral Sir George Somers in command on the flagship Sea Venture.

The Sea Venture shipwrecked in Bermuda, and the survivors of Admiral Somers' party finally arrived at Jamestown on May 24, 1610. In this group was Stephen Hopkins, a unique figure in American history. Hopkins returned to England (probably late in 1613 or 1614) and then came again to America on the Mayflower in 1620, the only Mayflower passenger with Jamestown roots.

To commemorate the 400th anniversary of Pilgrim Stephen Hopkins' arrival in Jamestown, the Virginia Society will hold its regular Spring luncheon meeting, appropriately, in Virginia's Historic Triangle, at the Piedmont Room of Colonial Williamsburg's Williamsburg

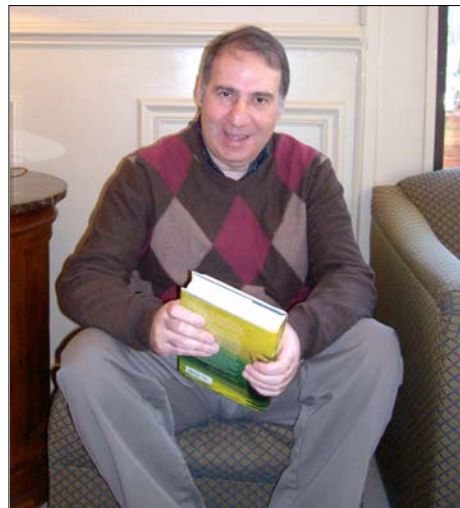


PHOTO BY BETTY DIAKUN

**David DeSimone helped establish Colonial Williamsburg Foundation's Department of Religious Studies.**

Lodge Conference Center on Saturday, May 1st.

Stephen Hopkins came to Jamestown as clerk to Rev. Richard Buck, religious chaplain of the expedition.

Our guest speaker at the May 1 luncheon meeting will be David DeSimone, an expert on American colonial religious history.

**David DeSimone** is a native of Buffalo, New York. He graduated from the University of Maryland with a major in American History, and is an ordained Roman Catholic Lay Brother.

In 1990, he co-established the Department of Religious Studies at the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, where for seven years he researched, wrote and taught courses on topics in religion in colonial American society.

He began his association with Elderhostel programs in 1992 when he taught courses on the history of Western monasticism sponsored by the Episcopal Diocese of Southern Virginia at its Chanco Center in Surry County. He then taught classes for Colonial Williamsburg's Elderhostel program, and since 1998, has been the primary instructor for the College of William and Mary's Elderhostel programs, teaching diverse colonial historical topics.

He has written numerous articles which appeared in Colonial Williamsburg publications, and is completing his first major book, examining the complex role of religious faith and ritual in colonial Virginia.



Standing to be recognized prior to being elected to three-year terms on the Board of Assistants at last November's Compact Day meeting are (from left) Edward Hudson (librarian), William Epling (Captain), Florence Collins (Assistant Historian), Rebekah Fleury (Assistant Treasurer), Merle Hazelton (Treasurer), Mildred Ramos (Assistant Secretary), Kerran Kempton (Secretary), Mark Cox IV (Deputy Governor), Betty Diakun (Governor) and Nancy Barrow (Elder). Elected but not pictured were Marsha Masone (Historian), Col. John Sweeney (Assistant Historian), Sandra Alley (Assistant Historian), James Wheaton (Counsellor), and Dr. Arthur Gower III (Surgeon).

### Compact Day Meeting last November in Richmond

## 'Martha Washington' greets Society's newly elected leaders

In the absence of then-Secretary Dee McGonigle, who was recovering from illness, our immediate past Governor, Dr. William Paquette, has reconstructed the minutes of the Fall 2009 Compact Day Luncheon Meeting of the Society held at the Commonwealth Club in Richmond on November 21, 2009.

The meeting was highlighted by the largest gathering ever for a Compact Day Luncheon—117 in attendance. Guest speaker Bonnie Fairbank, portraying Martha Washington, was warmly received.

Miss Mildred Ramos, chairperson of the nominating committee announced the candidates for the next three year term,

and each candidate was elected by the membership.

After Governor Paquette transferred the Governor's medallion to the newly elected Governor, Betty Diakun, the meeting was adjourned.

—Respectfully submitted (for Dee McGonigle),  
Dr. William Paquette, Past Governor



ABOVE: Our Compact Day Meeting in Richmond last November marked the end of Dr. William Paquette's three-year term as Governor and the beginning of newly elected Governor Elizabeth Diakun's term of office. The two have given the Virginia Mayflower Society's Board of Assistants a combined total of more than 35 years of service.

AT RIGHT: "Martha Washington," as interpreted by Bonnie Fairbank, entertained and informed members attending last November's meeting. Ms. Fairbank is a performing artist with The Little Maids of History and Company. Her historical interpretative portrayals have been recognized by awards bestowed by numerous professional organizations.





*Historian's Report*

# We welcome our new members

By MARSHA H. MASONE

Since the Fall 2009 newsletter, we are pleased to welcome 18 new members to the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the Commonwealth of Virginia, one of whom is a transfer member. In addition, there have been two approved supplementals.

<i>New Member</i>	<i>Residence</i>	<i>Gen.Soc. No.</i>	<i>State No.</i>	<i>Ancestor</i>
Constance Irene Hearst	Richmond	81277	1333	William White
Barbara Elaine Beatty Read	Mathews	81278	1334	John Howland
Autumn Redford	Midlothian	81333	1335	William White
Deborah Lynne Hawkins Aylor	Spotsylvania	81334	1336	Francis Cooke
Mary Anna Broadbent	Richmond	81362	1337	Peter Brown
Christopher Reed Williams <sup>(1)</sup>	Lexington	73964	1338	William Brewster
Nances Marie Bennett	Vero Beach, FL	81418	1339	George Soule
Nancy Dearing Rossbacher	Orange	81430	1340	Edward Doty
James Robert Galbavy	Chesterfield	81449	1341	Samuel Fuller
Brenda L. Bishop	Alexandria	81492	1342	Edward Fuller
Kathleen Frances Oliver	Springfield	81493	1343	Stephen Hopkins
Richard Lee Hunley	Richmond	81494	1344	William Brewster
Ann Lloyd Hunley	Richmond	81495	1345	William Brewster
Marcia Corry	Spotsylvania	81496	1346	Stephen Hopkins
Donald Elwood Soles	Smithfield	81497	1347	George Soule
Gordon Frank Compton	Alexandria	81781	1348	John Howland
Wesley Roger Thornton	Middletown	81800	1349	Stephen Hopkins
Martha Fugate Saplak	Stuart's Draft	81829	1350	Henry Samson

(1) Transfer from Texas

**Supplementals**

Michael Lawrence Harar	Centreville	John Alden
Philip Wilson Shepard	Falls Church	William Brewster

**New Mayflower Lineages Open**

Due to recent re-examination of the wording in the Society's Constitution and Bylaws — specifically the passage that reads, "All persons over eighteen years of age who are descended from a passenger on the Mayflower shall be eligible for membership in the Mayflower Society" — Historian General Paul S. Bumpus has announced that "as of 1 January 2010 all passengers on the Mayflower who have proven descendants will be eligible to have claims of descent allowing membership and/or supplemental applications to be filed through them."

This change increases the number of possible ancestors to 27 men, 10 women, and 16 children. See the *Mayflower Quarterly*, vol. 75, no. 4, December 2009, pp 324-325, for the complete list.

*Memorials, Gifts & Bequests*

ELIZABETH BROWNING RICE MADDOX  
(Virginia Number 223)  
who died in 2005, left  
the Virginia Mayflower Society  
a Bequest of \$1,000.

**News of the Virginia Society's Regions**

**Central Region**

I hope to see many members in our Region at the May 1st Luncheon, and to discuss some plans for the future.

We had talked about a picnic at Elwood or a seafood dinner at Colonial Beach, but we have not made any firm plans as of yet.

—Kerry Gryczynski,  
*Region 2 Coordinator*

**Objectives of the Virginia Mayflower Society**

- To perpetuate to a remote posterity the memory of our Pilgrim Fathers.
- To maintain and defend the principles of Civil and Religious Liberty as set forth in the Compact of the Mayflower, "For the glorie of God and advancemente of the Christian faith and honor of our cuntry."
- To combat ideas and deeds that threaten the preservation and continuance of our ideals and institutions.
- To transmit to our descendants something of the Pilgrim spirit and character as portrayed and recorded in authentic accounts of their lives and achievements.
- To promote the educational interests that are common to the Society and its Colonies, and to assist the General Society of Mayflower Descendants in its effort to discover and publish original matter in regard to the Pilgrims, together with existing data known only to antiquarians, and to authenticate, preserve, and mark historical spots made memorable by Pilgrim association.

**Society of Mayflower Descendants in the Commonwealth of Virginia**

*Founded January 10, 1950*

**BOARD OF ASSISTANTS**

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 Deputy Governor General . . . . . Dr. William A. Paquette  
 Assistant General . . . . . Elizabeth Wing Carver Diakon

## 'Welcome' to our four new Junior members

By MARK COX, *Junior Membership Chairman*

The following have become new Junior members of the Virginia Society:

1—**Miss Alyse Brienne Jenkins** (Junior Number 562) great granddaughter of Mary Ellen Momburg (Virginia Society Number 1197) and daughter of Brian J. Jenkins, 1401 Valleyfield Drive, Apt. 11, Silver Spring, MD 20906.

2—**Miss Daisy Elizabeth Jenkins** (Junior Number 563) great granddaughter of Mary Ellen Momburg (Virginia Society Number 1197) and daughter of Robert W. Jenkins, 278 Timberland Place, Bentonville, VA 22610.

3—**Miss Jillian Ashleigh Harar** (Junior Number 564) granddaughter of Marsha Masone (Virginia Society Number 910) and daughter of Michael L. Harar, 14233 Beddingfield Way, Centreville, VA 20121.

4—**Joseph Masone Harar** (Junior Number 565) grandson of Marsha Masone (Virginia Society Number 910) and son of Michael L. Harar, 14233 Beddingfield Way, Centreville, VA 20121.

## The Mayflower: *Virginia's 'Wildflower of 2001'* is also the official state flower of Massachusetts

Trailing-Arbutus  
*Epigaea repens*



2001 Virginia  
Wildflower of the Year  
Virginia Native Plant Society

**Massachusetts adopted the Mayflower as its state flower on May 1, 1918.**

Nine years ago the Virginia Native Plant Society (VNPS) named the Mayflower its "2001 Virginia Wildflower of the Year."

The VNPS that year published the brochure pictured at left, describing the Mayflower (also known as "Trailing-Arbutus," or *Epigaea repens*) as "an unpretentious, little evergreen shrub that trails on the forest floor. It is an early harbinger of spring, much beloved for braving late-winter's cold to produce spicy-smelling, pinkish-white blooms among its leathery, veiny leaves. The frosty flowers seem to epitomize purity and virtue."

The Mayflower typically grows in sandy or rocky, acid soils in woods and clearings, and is native throughout eastern North America. It has been reported from nearly all counties in Virginia, according to the brochure, which ends with this warning: "Gardeners should not transplant trailing-arbutus from the wild nor purchase the species from a nursery. Because of the very specialized ecological requirements of the species and the near impossibility of cultivating it, plants for sale are likely from the wild and will perish in any event."

A Trailing-Arbutus display will be included in our Exhibition in Richmond on Nov. 20. (*Story, page 5*).



PHOTO BY ANNA DIAKUN

**NEW MEMBERS** who attended our Compact Day Meeting last November in Richmond were (from left) Wendy Pearson, Dianna Perussel, Mary Anna Broadbent, Autumn Redford, Michael Beard, Evan Evans, E. Janine Orr, Melissa Maddox, Joshua Maddox, Tina Haydel, Deborah Aylor, and Dwane Hill.

PHOTO BY DAVID CHAPIN



### Pages of the Society's history preserved for viewing

Mary Knight, Publicity and Scrapbook Chairman, holds the Virginia Mayflower Society Scrapbook she began in 2008 at the request of then-Governor Bill Paquette.

"It serves as interesting visual documentation of what we've done," says Mary, who is looking for items to add, including items contributed by members. "Anything having to do with the Virginia Mayflower Society's past activities, events, programs, trips, Junior members, classroom projects and the like," she said, would be welcome additions to the book.

If you have items to contribute to the Scrapbook, such as photographs from yesteryear, programs, cards, menus, invitations to Regional get-togethers, artwork, or other artifacts, Mary would appreciate hearing from you.

Please e-mail her at [mpknight@earthlink.net](mailto:mpknight@earthlink.net) — or mail your item(s) to her at Mary Knight, 13442 Farrington Road, Ashland, VA 23005.

## Education Committee plans Fall Exhibition

By Dorothy Perkins, Education Chairman

Education is a process of recognizing what is important and necessary in our lives.



We cherish things that have meaning for us: We stack, store, poke holes in fabric, create loops in yarn, carve miniatures, smear paint, and cut-and-paste to preserve things that recall memories, thoughts or events that are precious to us.

You probably have items in your closets, attic or basement that attracted you not only for their originality and uniqueness, but which also led you to ponder ideals and values that the items represent: The icons of Thanksgiving — the turkeys, the Indians, the Mayflower, Pilgrims in period dress, the small and cramped houses, Pilgrims walking to church in the snow, Longfellow's love story "*Courtship of Miles Standish*" — have special significance for us.

These things we've saved — whether constructed of plastic, plaster of paris, wood, fabric, paint, or fabric — help us reflect on passionate human ideals.

At our Compact Day meeting in Richmond Nov. 20, you are asked to bring and display your collectibles that have meaning for you about the Mayflower voyage, the Pilgrims, the Indians, the Mayflower Society, etc. Items can be in any medium — crafts, needlework, dolls, period costumes, pictures, books, antique tools, mementos of previous Society gatherings, or maybe even a live *trailing arbutus!* (*Story, page 4.*)

We want to include our Junior members too, so encourage them to submit their artwork, crafts, papier-mâché projects, toys, stickers, and other creative items. For each item you bring to display, include a card that describes or explains the item, and why it is cherished by you.

We expect this Exhibition to be a large undertaking, and we hope you will participate. You have ample time to locate and select the items you'll bring to exhibit.

We're planning this exhibition for our Compact Day meeting in Richmond next fall, affording us plenty of time to plan and prepare.

More details will be provided at our meeting May 1 in Williamsburg, when I'll look forward to hearing *your* ideas for exhibits. You may also write me at 4423 Plank Road, Natural Bridge, VA 24578, or call me at (540) 291-2949.

## In Memoriam

The Virginia Mayflower Society mourns the loss of its departed members.

ALFRED TRAYLOR  
DUDLEY

of Richmond, Virginia  
(Virginia #1286)  
Descendant of Francis Cooke

SYLVIA ALMY  
LITTLEHALES NICHOLS

of Charlottesville, Virginia  
(Virginia #286)  
Descendant of John Howland

## Three amendments are proposed to our Constitution and By-Laws

The purpose of these revisions is to expand the list of officers of the Society to include one or more Assistant Secretaries, Assistant Treasurers and Assistant Historians, necessary in our growing Society.

These proposed revisions to the Virginia Mayflower Society's Constitution and By-Laws have received unanimous endorsement by the Board of Assistants and will be presented for a vote by the membership at our meeting in Williamsburg May 1st.

### 1. Article IV, Section 1 of the Constitution

*Insert a new section 1, to read as follows:*

Section 1. The officers of the Society shall be Governor, Deputy Governor, Secretary, one or more Assistant Secretaries, Treasurer, one or more Assistant Treasurers, Historian, one or more Assistant Historians, Elder, Captain, Librarian, Counsellor, and Surgeon.

### 2. Article II, Section 6 of the By-Laws

*Insert a new section 6 to read as follows:*

Section 6. The Assistant Treasurer shall perform the duties of the Office of the Treasurer in the latter's absence, and shall also generally assist the Treasurer when such assistance is needed or desirable.

### 3. Article II, Sections 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of the By-Laws

*Renumber Sections 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12 as Sections 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13.*

## Among our members, which Pilgrims are represented the most? The least?

*By Lloyd Thacher & David Chapin*

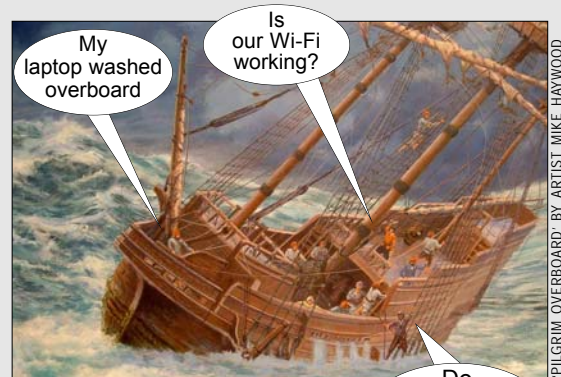
**P**ILGRIM WILLIAM BREWSTER has edged out John Alden as the pilgrim with the most descendants in the Virginia Mayflower Society.

The rankings are based on snapshots of our membership in 2010 *vs* 2003, and are based on primary lineages only, not on supplementals.

We had 587 members seven years ago, 725 now.

The biggest ranking change was for Thomas Rogers, who dropped 4 positions. George Soule rose 3 rungs in the ranking. Nine of our ancestors held their own, with no change in the ranking.

2010 Rank	2003 Rank	Mayflower passenger Ancestor	2010 Members	2003 Members
1	2	William Brewster	92	80
2	1	John Alden	89	80
3	3	Stephen Hopkins	80	75
4	4	John Howland	77	66
5	5	William Bradford	72	59
6	6	Richard Warren	64	53
7	8	Francis Cooke	46	26
8	11	George Soule	30	17
9	10	William White	28	17
10	9	Edward Fuller	25	18
11	7	Thomas Rogers	25	27
12	12	Isaac Allerton	16	16
13	13	James Chilton	16	10
14	15	Myles Standish	16	9
15	14	Peter Brown	15	10
16	17	Edward Doty	11	6
17	16	Samuel Fuller	9	7
18	19	Henry Samson	6	3
19	18	John Billington	3	4
20	20	Degory Priest	2	2
21	21	Francis Eaton	2	1
22	22	Edward Winslow	1	1



"PILGRIM OVERBOARD" BY ARTIST MIKE HAYWOOD

The Virginia Mayflower Society plans to print an updated edition of our triennial *Register of Members* booklet later this year.

To make the Register of greater usefulness to members, we're asking our members who use e-mail to provide us with your current e-mail address and phone number.

To do this, please send an e-mail message to [VirginiaMayflower@gmail.com](mailto:VirginiaMayflower@gmail.com) placing the words "Mayflower Register Update" in your Subject field. In the body of your e-mail, please provide us:

- Your current **e-mail address**;
- Your current **phone number**, including Area Code;
- Your **State Number**, which is: **0000**
- Any **corrections or changes** you'd like us to make to your name or mailing address:

Your information will be received by Lloyd Thacher, who has served the Virginia Mayflower Society as Registrar and E-mail Contact for the past 8 years.

Be assured that our Society's mailing list is shared only with the General Society of Mayflower Descendants in Plymouth, Mass.— no one else.

Thank you for helping us update our membership records and for helping us expand the range of useful information contained in our *Register of Members*.

All members receive a copy of the Virginia Mayflower Society's Register when it is updated and published every three years.

For your future reference we have divided Virginia into 12 regions.

Your address places you in Region: **00**

You can expect to hear more about our regions in the future.

## Driving directions to the Williamsburg Lodge Conference Center

### From the North (Washington, D.C./Richmond)

Take Interstate 95 South to Richmond. Take left exit off 95 South to 295 South toward Norfolk and Williamsburg. Follow signs to I-64 East toward Norfolk and Williamsburg.

From I-64, take Exit 238 (Camp Peary/Colonial Williamsburg) Turn at the stop sign onto Route 143 East. Go through the first stoplight and turn right at the second stoplight onto Route 132 (becomes Henry Street). Remain on Route 132/Henry Street until reaching the stoplight at the intersection with Francis Street. Turn left onto Francis.

*For the Williamsburg Lodge Conference Center:* Turn right at South England Street. The main entrance to the Lodge is in the circle on the right. Conference Center entrance is past the main Lodge entrance. Parking is across the street (on the left).

### From Virginia Beach/Norfolk/Newport News

Follow I-64 West. Take Exit 242A (Route 199) toward Williamsburg/Busch Gardens/Jamestown. Take the exit for Route 60. At the stop sign at the bottom of the exit, turn left onto Route 60. Remain on Route 60 to the first stoplight and turn left onto Francis Street. (There are fenced pastures on both sides of the road.)

*For the Williamsburg Lodge Conference Center:* Continue 1/2 mile and turn left onto South England Street. The main entrance to the Lodge is in the circle on the right. Conference Center entrance is past the main Lodge entrance. Parking is across the street (on the left).



The address of the Williamsburg Lodge Conference Center is 310 S. England Street, Williamsburg, VA 23185.

The Mayflower Members Reception will begin at 12 noon in the Piedmont Room, followed by our Spring Luncheon at 12:45 p.m.

The Board of Assistants will meet in the Heritage Room at 10:15 a.m.

( CLIP AND MAIL )

## The Virginia Mayflower Society SPRING LUNCHEON RESERVATION FORM

**Saturday, May 1, at The Williamsburg Lodge Conference Center, Williamsburg, Virginia**  
**12:00 Noon—No-Host Social                      12:45 p.m.—Luncheon**

*The Spring Luncheon features Garden Salad with Raspberry Vinaigrette or Ranch Dressing, Chicken Breast Scallopini with Tomatoes, Lemon and Capers sautéed with Egg and Parmesan Cheese, Rolls and Butter, Coffee or Tea, and "Virginia Topsy Squire" with Peaches and Vanilla Sauce.*

**\$25 a person (\$12.50 for a child under 12)**

MY ENCLOSED CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ \_\_\_\_\_ COVERS \_\_\_\_\_ LUNCHEON RESERVATION(S).  
 (Make check payable to "Va. Mayflower Society")

My guest(s) will be:

- (1) \_\_\_\_\_
- (2) \_\_\_\_\_
- (3) \_\_\_\_\_

Member's(s) name(s):

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Check if:     New Member     First time attending

Please mail this Reservation Form with your check in time to be received by Friday, April 23rd, to:

**Miss Mildred Ramos, Assistant Secretary**  
**1600 Westbrook Ave., Apt. 604 • Richmond, VA 23227 • (804) 264-6678**

## Mail in your Reservation today

### MAYFLOWER SPRING LUNCHEON MEETING

Saturday, May 1st

at

The Williamsburg Lodge

310 S. England Street, Williamsburg, VA 23185

(Driving directions are on Page 7.)

Members Reception— 12:00 noon

Luncheon— 12:45 p.m.

(Reservation Form, Page 7)

The Board of Assistants will meet  
in the Heritage Room at 10:15 a.m.

**MARK THE DATE:** Our Compact Day Luncheon Meeting this year will be at the Commonwealth Club in Richmond on **Saturday, Nov. 20** (the Saturday before Thanksgiving).

## DUES & DONATIONS

In October of each year the Virginia Mayflower Society sends out a notification to members requesting payment of the annual membership dues. Those dues should be paid by December 31 of that year.

Should a member not pay, then two follow-up notices will be sent. If payment still is not received after the second notice then it will be recommended to the Board at its November meeting that the member be dropped for non-payment of dues.

If you find it necessary to discontinue your membership, please consider paying current year dues and resigning as a member in good standing, rather than not pay your dues and be dropped for non-payment.

If you are a Life member you do not have to pay annual dues. However, you can still help your Society by making a donation to the Educational Fund, the Memorial Fund or the General Fund. In addition, should you have an address change during the year please contact the Virginia Mayflower Society secretary with your new address information so that we can keep your address current. This will ensure that your *Mayflower Quarterly*, *The Virginia Mayflower* newsletter, the *Register of Members*, and annual dues statements will get to you timely.

Your membership and participation are important to us.

This is a large organization, so you can help your Society by paying your dues on time.

—Merle Hazelton, Treasurer



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The semiannual newsletter of the  
Society of Mayflower Descendants  
in the Commonwealth of Virginia

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