

IOWA HAWKEYE



NEWSLETTER of the **IOWA SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS**

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Iowa Mayflower Society

2020 Iowa State CALENDAR

March 1 **Iowa Scholarship Application** Deadline See page 4-5

March 7 **Board of Assistants meeting – Des**

Moines, IA

May 2 **Annual Meeting – TBA**

Aug 22 **Board of Assistants meeting**

Compact Day meeting – Des Nov 7

Deputy Governor

John S. Butler

Pamela J. Manning

Barbara Clayton, RN

Historian

Surgeon

Moines Area

Iowa Mayflower Society Officers 2017-2020

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Deputy Governor General

Daniel F. Wiechmann, Jr.

Recording Secretary

Barbara J. Gregersen

Assistant Historian

Ruth M. Tucker

Assistant General

Kenneth R. Callison, Sr

Corresponding Secretary

Iris C. Eriksen

Captain

Thomas R. Jacobson

Counselor Bernadine McGuire Governor

Linda E. Cassmann-Randall

Treasurer Danielle L. Knutson

Elder

William C. Nichols

Governor Emeritus Maureen D. Wilson

IOWA MAYFLOWER SOCIETY GOVERNOR

Greetings from your governor.

At our May meeting we will be nominating and electing a new Board of Assistance to serve for three years. The current age of our BOA members is about 60 – 90 years of age. WE NEED YOU! At this time we have 379 members and we are getting new members every month.

Our current Historian recently was laid up with an injury for several months and our previous Historian, currently serving as Assistant Historian, needs to be able to retire. Ruth Tucker has been a wealth of information for our current Historian and also for me, but it is time to relieve her. If you are interested in this position the majority of the Historian's job is done online. In addition, Ruth has been the Junior chair and Newsletter editor. These positions could be held by persons who live out-of-state. We have someone who has offered to do the newsletter.

Our town has a web page called 'You Know You're From Allison' on Face book. Our town's population is only about 1,000. We know most everyone who lives here and if you grew up here you can reminisce about the 'good ole days'. Recently one of my classmates made a comment about what the Pilgrims did to the Indians. Yes, not Native Americans, but Indians. When Columbus discovered America he thought he was in the West Indies so he called them Indians. I had to give him a history lesson on the fact that our Pilgrim ancestors did not take their land. They had a treaty with the Indians that lasted 54 years to help protect each other.

I urge our members to encourage our high school seniors to enter our essay contest. We have raised the dollar amount to \$1,000 to celebrate our 400th Anniversary.

Please make an attempt to attend our Annual meeting in May.

Línda Cassmann-Randall

Governor

IOWA MAYFLOWER SOCIETY MINUTES

The Iowa Society of Mayflower Descendants Board of Assistants met on 2 November 2019 at the Machine Shed Restaurant in Urbandale, IA. Governor Linda Cassmann-Randall called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Those attending the board meeting were: Barb Gregersen, Ken Callison, Linda Cassmann-Randall, Tom Jacobson, Bill Nichols, Iris Eriksen, Bernadine McGuire, Maureen Wilson, Ruth Tucker, Barb Clayton, Dan Wiechmann, Jr., John Butler and Gerald Graves (technical advisor).

John Butler gave the prayer.

Daniel Weichmann, Jr. led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board of Assistants meeting 24 August 2019 minutes approved as corrected. Corrections were that Linda Cassmann-Randall will remain Governor and there was a quorum at the meeting.

Treasurer Danielle Knutson was unable to attend the meeting. The Treasurer's report will be filed for review. A member donated \$1,000 toward the Meeting House pledge.

Assistant Historian Ruth Tucker reported 389 adult members. See attached report.

Junior Membership Chair Ruth Tucker reported that there are 250 Jr. members.

Assistant General Ken Callison attended the General Board of Assistants meeting in September. There was much discussion of "Life Membership" and increasing the yearly dues to help defray the cost of registering members. He will submit a more complete report for the Winter Newsletter.

Old Business

The topic for the 2020 scholarship will be "Describe relationship between Native population and our Pilgrim ancestors between 1620-1640". This is be published in the Winter 2020 newsletter and be on the website in January.

New Business

Ken Callison moved that a letter be sent to the General Society of Mayflower Descendants Executive Board that the Iowa Society recommend not to raise annual assessment, but to raise application fees. Daniel Weichmann, Jr. seconded, motion passed. Ken Callison is to draft a letter that Barb Gregersen, Secretary, will send.

The issue of "Military Exception" was brought to the Board's attention. Active military members do not have to pay <u>General Society dues if exempted from State Dues</u>. Bernadine McGuire moved, John Butler seconded that the by-laws be changed to exempt active military people from paying Iowa state dues. Motion passed. Bernadine will draft the necessary change and the proper procedure will be followed.

Linda Cassmann-Randall has a 2020 Mayflower calendar that be given to a member chosen through a drawing of people who donated \$2.00. There are also 4 calendars for sale at \$20 each.

Gerald Graves will be designated to receive the Silver Book to be given to the Iowa Genealogical Society Library.

Our Mayflower T-Shirts will be sold at the September 2020 meeting in Plymouth MA. Bernadine McGuire will reserve a table. Any Iowa member who attends should spend time selling them.

The Annual Meeting will be Saturday, May 2, 2020.

The Board of Assistants meetings will be March 7, 2020 and August 22, 2020. The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 am.

Recording Secretary, Barb Gregersen

Iowa Hawkeye

Winter 2019/2020

The Iowa Society of Mayflower Descendants Compact Day Meeting met on the second of November 2019 at the Machine Shed Restaurant in Urbandale, Iowa.

Governor Linda Cassmann-Randall called the meeting to order at 11:20 a.m. Captain Tom Jacobson lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Elder Bill Nichols gave the invocation.

Self- introductions were made by members and guests.

Minutes of previous meeting were approved as printed in Spring 2019 newsletter.

The treasurer's report will be attached to the minutes and filed for review

Assistant Historian Ruth Tucker reported 389 members and 250 Jr. members.

Assistant General Ken Callison spoke briefly about the General Board of Assistants meeting in September in Denver CO.

Captain Tom Jacobson read the Mayflower Compact. Roll call of attending descendants follows:

John Alden 3 Francis Eaton 2 John Howland 3 John Billington 4 Edward Fuller 5 William Mullins 3 William Bradford 1 Mrs. Edward Fuller 2 Priscilla Mullins 3 Love Brewster 1 Samuel Fuller (son) 3 Thomas Rogers 1 William Brewster 4 Dr. Samuel Fuller 1 George Soule 5 John Tilley 1 James Chilton 1 Constance Hopkins 1 Richard Warren 4 Francis Cooke 3 Stephen Hopkins 5 William White 1 Henry Samson 1 Mrs. Elizabeth (Fisher) Edward Doty 2 Hopkins 1

Edward Fuller, Stephen Hopkins, and George Soule all had 5 descendants present.

The meeting was recessed for lunch. Elder Bill Nichols led prayer.

The meeting resumed at 1:00

Joan Arnett, Capitol Tour Guide Supervisor, presented a PowerPoint about the history of the Iowa Capitol beginning from the time when Iowa was part of the Wisconsin Territory and ending with the present capitol building in Des Moines.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

The 2020 Annual meeting will be held on Saturday, 2 May 2020 at the Machine Shed Restaurant in Urbandale, IA.

Recording Secretary Barb Gregersen

APPROVED APPLICATIONS since the 2019 Fall Newsletter

Descendants of Francis Cooke

G# 96333 IA# 1575

Madison Ann-Marie Stumbo Diemer

Waukee, Iowa

G# 96339 IA# 1576

Mitchell Dennis Stumbo

Boone, Iowa

G# 96340 IA# 1577

Nicolas Warren Stumbo

Boone, Iowa

G# 96341 IA# 1578

Scott Alan Stumbo Adel, Iowa

G# 96342 IA# 1579

Steven Warren Stumbo

Boone, Iowa

Descendants of George Soule

G# 95955 IA# 1572

Tiffany Clare Grimes Siegel

Highland Park, Illinois

Descendants of Richard Warren

G# 96213 IA# 1574

Joshua Harold Holland

Robins, Iowa



Iowa Hawkeye Fall, 2019

If your junior member's family has an email address, please send it to us and we will send him/her copies of this newsletter! Please help keep our records up to date and save a little money!

JUNIOR MEMBERS added since 2019 Fall newsletter

| JR# | NAME | SPONSOR | MF ANCESTOR |
|------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| 1314 | Reagan Francis Peters | Jacqueline S. Peters, Grandmother | Edward Fuller |
| 1315 | Leah Kae Peters | Jacqueline S. Peters, Grandmother | Edward Fuller |
| 1316 | William Scott Chase | Daniel F. Wiechmann, Jr, Grandfather | George Soule |
| 1317 | Levi William Wiechmann | Daniel F. Wiechmann, Jr, Grandfather | George Soule |
| 1318 | Paul McMain Hamann | Dunlap, Laura, Aunt | William Bradford |
| 1319 | Valen Richard Tucker | Terri Toppler, Grandmother | Richard Warren |
| 1320 | Kameron Stephen Tucker | Terri Toppler, Grandmother | Richard Warren |
| 1321 | Wesley Kyle Tucker | Terri Toppler, Grandmother | Richard Warren |
| 1322 | Kathryn Nicole Wittrock | Mary Ann Eckhart, Grandmother | William White |
| 1323 | Luke Evan Wittrock | Mary Ann Eckhart, Grandmother | William White |
| 1324 | Emma Ann Eckhart | Mary Ann Eckhart, Grandmother | William White |
| 1325 | Ella Kay Eckhart | Mary Ann Eckhart, Grandmother | William White |
| 1326 | Collin Joe Olsen | Ricky Joe Mabarry, Grandfather | William Brewster |
| | | General Society of | |

SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES AND INFORMATION

Mayflower

The General Society of Mayflower Descendants (GSMD) Scholarship

Program is offering 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.

In the spirit of the *Mayflower* settlers seeking to better themselves by moving to a new and uncharted world, special consideration will be given to applicants who have demonstrated a commitment to bettering themselves.

2020 Scholarship information is coming soon! For this year's applicants, we are transitioning to an automated application process. We expect this new process to be available at the GSMD website no later than February 15, 2020.



IOWA MAYFLOWER SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP Iowa Mayflower Scholarship Requirements

The applicant must be a descendant from one of the Mayflower passengers who came to America in 1620. The applicant need not be a member of the Iowa Society but must have a blood relative who is a member of the Iowa Society. The ancestor and the Iowa member's name and relationship to the applicant must be included. The applicant must be a high school senior or a home school student who is the equivalent of a senior. The applicant must attend an accredited university, college, junior college, community college, or certified trade school.

Application must include at least two letters of recommendation from non-family members. The letters should include identification of the writer along with a home or business address, the relationship with the student and length of time he/she has known the student, and the student's qualities, which make the student an appropriate candidate for consideration.

A 500 word original typed or word-processed essay that includes a bibliography of at least two sources must be included. The topic for the 2020 essay will be: "Describe the relationship between the Native population and our Pilgrim ancestors between 1620 and 1640".

A list including GPA, community service, school and/or church, or any activities of importance should be provided. These activities are not mandatory, but are factors that may be considered.

A \$1,000.00 scholarship will be paid to the post-high school institution the student attends after the first semester/term is completed.

A relative of the applicant may not be a judge in the rating of applications.

IOWA MAYFLOWER SOCIETY 2020 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

| Applicant | | |
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| Address | | |
| | Email | |
| Name of the relative | Iowa # | |
| Relationship | Mayflower ancestor | |
| , | e, school and/or church, or any activities of vities are not mandatory, but are factors that | |
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The application must be postmarked no later than March 1, 2020. Send to:

Linda Cassman-Randall

21957 Hwy 3

Allison IA 50602-9310

Watch for November 2020 issue of "Our Iowa"

Iris Eriksen has sent a news article to "Our Iowa" magazine for their Fall edition. It is appropriate for the November issue, because it contains authentic Pilgrim First Thanksgiving Recipes. Ruth Tucker had sent some recipes from the Plymouth News. She also wrote a short piece about the Celebration of 400 years of the Mayflower landing.

PILGRIM AND WAMPANOAG CHILDREN'S GAMES

Several months before, and months after their arrival in Plimoth Colony, Pilgrim children had very few possessions for a diversion on the Mayflower. However, they brought traditions and games from England and Holland that entertained them as they waited for shelters to be built. Later, they shared games and pastimes with new friends, the Wampanoag children.

These games have since been played by generations, including our generation. Inform Mayflower Juniors that their ancestors and relatives brought these games to the New World. Ask them to share this fun fact with friends, family and teachers.

All Hid This is the original English version of hide and seek. The rules would have been exactly the same as today: one person is designated as "it" and other players hide while the "it" player counts and then runs to find the others. Ask your Juniors if they know where the game originated!

Knickers A popular European children's game of the 1600s was called *knickers*. Knickers is an earlier name for what we call marbles. The word knicker comes from the Dutch term "knikker", meaning marble. Pilgrim children would have used smooth pebbles or made them from clay. Make your own with the recipe attached.

Draughts Checkers, as it was renamed in North America, has been played for thousands of years with evidence of the game found in the ancient city of Mesopotamia. Books were written in the 1500s and it was called *Draughts* in England. Even though they worked hard, Pilgrim children were allowed to play a game such as draughts since it exercised their minds.

Hubbub This Wampanoag game was also referred to as the bowl game.

The only supplies needed were a wooden bowl and an uneven number of flat, marked pieces of shell or stone. One side of these pieces was dark and the other side was light. A player chose either "dark or light". The pieces were mixed by covering the bowl and bumping it on the ground. The winner was determined by the most pieces of the fated color being seen. Score was kept with small twigs. An agreed upon number of rounds determined the winner. To make one today, use any unbreakable bowl, an odd number of flat pieces, such as stones. With a marker or paint, mark half of the pieces on one side with a dark color. Use short sticks to keep a tally for each side and a piece of cloth to keep pieces from leaving the bowl as it is bumped on the ground to mix the pieces.

Hoops Colonial children called this game *hoops* or *trundling*. Hoops were made of two materials—wood or iron. Wooden hoops were trundled by being knocked with a stick; iron hoops were propelled in the same manner. To make a very convincing replica, remove the metal rims from wooden barrels. Hold the barrel rims up as you would a tire so that they can roll along the ground with a stick. Contest rules are limitless.

Ball and Cup The Cup and Ball has long been a favorite toy, once consisting of wood, a clay ball and a piece of string. To make your own version using household items, tie a length of hemp to the handle of a plastic mug or any container with handle. Tie the other end of the hemp to a stone, shell or small piece of bark. Swing the object up and catch it in the cup. Many times, the children in Colonial days used wooden mugs which had handles.

Tops Colonial children played with wooden spinning tops and see who can make them spin the longest or travel the farthest. Older children often carved their own out of wood. Replicas of colonial tops are available and a source for purchasing a top is attached.

Quoits The children would make circles from rope or woven grasses. They would put sticks into the ground several distances from a marked point for the player to stand. This game was called *quoits* and is easily and inexpensively made to demonstrate games that the children of Plimoth Colony most likely played. Take turns tossing the rope hoops over the sticks. If the rope circle lands around a stick, a point is scored. Players are awarded more points for the sticks that are father away.

Iowa Hawkeye Fall, 2019

Draw a line from the left side to correct name in the right column:













Toe Stir

Settle

Gridiron

Sugar Nipper

Bake Kettle

Sparking Lamp

Match the colonial household items on the left with their names on the right.

Photos are courtesy of the Jabez Howland House in Plymouth, Massachusetts and the web

Iowa Hawkeye Ruth M.F. Tucker 339 Lawrence St. Evansdale IA 50707-1231



IOWA SOCIETY HAVE MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS Address Correction requested.

IOWA MAYFLOWER SOCIETY IS A TAX EXEMPT ORGANIZATION

As of December 9, 2014, the Iowa Society of Mayflower Descendants has been determined by the Internal Revenue Service to be tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. This means that donors to the Iowa Society Scholarship Fund can deduct their contributions on their tax returns.

If you would like to make a donation to the <u>Iowa Society Scholarship Fund</u>, please make your check payable to "Iowa Society of Mayflower Descendants" with *Scholarship* in the *Memo* space, and send it to Danielle Knutson, Treasurer, 18473 Co. Hwy. D65, Hubbard, IA 50122-8401.

400th YEAR COMMEMORATIVE MAYFLOWER SHIRT

Profit from these shirts goes to the Scholarship Fund.

Orders are still being taken for these tee shirts or hoodies to be delivered at the Annual Meeting May 2, 2020. They come in Mayflower Hot Pink or Gray with black lettering. Payment is requested at time of ordering. Contact Linda Cassmann-Randall (319) 215-0360 • lindaellen4765@gmail.com





BACK VIEW

Tee shirts - Sizes S,M, XL - \$15; 2XL & up - \$17 Hoodie sweatshirt - \$30