



# IOWA HAWKEYE



## NEWSLETTER of the IOWA SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS

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**NOTE FROM NEWSLETTER EDITOR:** This will be a short newsletter since your Iowa Society has not be able to have any Board of Assistant meetings since early 2020 so we have no meeting minutes. Everything that needed board attention was decided via email. The General Society did have a Zoom meeting in late September and voted on the increase in yearly dues and application fees that were effective January 1, 2021. You should have all received notification of that earlier and dues are coming in. If you haven't paid your 2021 yearly dues please complete the form on page 3 of this newsletter and return to the Iowa Treasurer. Please keep Ass't Historian Judy Stumbo, 1668 L Ave, Boone, IA 50036-4939 <[jas@netins.net](mailto:jas@netins.net)> notified of any address changes, deaths, etc. to help us keep an updated address list.

*Ruth MF Tucker*  
Newsletter Editor

### APPROVED APPLICATIONS since the 2019/2020 Winter Newsletter

Gen #	IA#	NAME	ANCESTOR
95871	1571	Susan Jo VOSS NBRYANT	Mullins, Priscilla
95955	1572	Tiffany Clare GRIMES SIEGEL	Soule, George
96126	1573	Terri Anne PUTNAM TOPPLER	Warren, Richard
96213	1574	Joshua Harold HOLLAND	Soule, George
96338	1575	Madison Ann-Marie STUMBO DIEMER	Cooke, Frances
96339	1576	Mitchell Dennis STUMBO	Cooke, Frances
96340	1577	Nicolas Warren STUMBO	Cooke, Frances

<b>Gen #</b>	<b>IA#</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>ANCESTOR</b>
96341	1578	Scott Alan STUMBO	Cooke, Frances
96342	1579	Steven Warren STUMBO	Cooke, Frances
96667	1580	Sheri Lynn KATZER SNODGRASS	Howland, John
97336	1581	Georgia Lee POTTER STOEBER	Mullins, Priscilla
97337	1582	Thomas Charles STOEBER	Chilton, Mary
97405	1583	Abigail Christine EHMCKE	Howland, John
97406	1584	David Frederick EHMCKE	Howland, John
97407	1585	Elizabeth Kathryn EHMCKE	Howland, John
97408	1586	Hannah Michelle EHMCKE	Howland, John
97570	1587	Valerie Ann KRACHT FINLEY	Alden, John
97704	1588	Kristi Lou HAGER	Hopkins, Stephen
97937	1589	Roy Brian CARTER	Chilton, James
97938	1590	James Paul CHRISTIANSON	Standish, Myles
97939	1591	Timothy Michael KIEFFER	Alden, John
97940	1592	Sue Ellen LONGTON POOL	Howland, John
97975	1593	Roger Dean PETERSON	Howland, John
98236	1594	Carolyn Jeanne BEYER	Warren, Richard
98499	1595	Theodore Murtagh HUTCHINSON	Howland, John
98500	1596	Ian Jenö TOPPLER	Warren, Richard
98583	1597	Linda Marie MORASSINI SCHAPER	Bradford, Wm.
98607	1598	Caitlin Erin Madison TOPPLER HAMMES	Warren, Richard
98608	1599	Lori Denise COFFMAN JOHNSTON	Cooke, Francis
98675	1600	Rebecca Jo FISHER CAMPBELL	Alden, John
98747	1601	Mark Brookman MAHONEY	Fuller, Edward
98748	1602	Sherri May WEST SEAGO	Soule, George
98807	1603	Heather Anneliese TOPPLER TUCKER	Warren, Richard
99319	1604	Evan Warner BREWER	Cooke, Francis
99320	1605	Jill DEAN BREWER	Cooke, Francis
99321	1606	James Ira WARNER	Cooke, Francis
99345	1607	Mark Alan WARD	Brewster, Wm.

### *In Memoriam*

- Gen# 89522 IA# 1489 Robert Donald TUBBS, age 99, Elected 26 Feb 2016, Ancestor Stephen Hopkins, died 6 Feb 2019.
- Gen # 38844 IA# 808 Isobel Jeanne MARCHANT BOND , age 96, Elected 18 Sep 1976, Ancestor George Soule, Francis Cooke, Richard Warren, died 18 Aug 2019.
- Gen # 39139 IA# 797 George Allan Rogers, age 86, Elected 13 May 1976, Ancestor Thomas Rogers, died 2 Nov 2019.
- Gen # 70073 IA# 1201 Karen Lou BUTTS MANN, age 76, Elected 3 Nov 2001; Ancestor John Alden & William Mullins, died 10 Dec 2019.
- Gen # 62219 IA# 1088 Dean Milo STALL, age 91, Elected 18 November 1995 ; Ancestor Francis Cooke, Died 28 April 2020.
- Gen # 10062 IA# 1062 Gerald Dean TUCKER, age 62, Elected 20 November 1993, Ancestor Francis Eaton, Died 4 June 2020.
- Gen # 67129 IA# 1145 Jeanine Kay HUMBERT JOHNSON, age 79, Elected 6 Nov 1999, Ancestor Edward Fuller, died 20 June 2020.
- Gen # 33869 IA# 658 Milton Bert ARNOLD, Age 94, Elected 20 Mar 1971, Ancestor Edward Fuller, died 4 Apr 2020.
- Gen # 83740 IA# 1383 Carley Lois KLADSTRUP LEITCH , Age 93, Elected 8 Nov 2011, Ancestor Stephen Hopkins, died 7 Feb 2020.
- Gen # 92352 IA# 1533 Geoffrey C. GRIMES Age 74, Elected 1 Dec 2017, Ancestor George Soule, Deceased 1 Mar 2020.

<b>JUNIOR MEMBERS added since 2019/2020 Winter newsletter</b>
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JR#	NAME	SPONSOR	MF ANCESTOR
1326	Collin Joe OLSEN	MABARY,Ricky Joe IA# 1378	BREWSTER,William
1327	Lydia Lorraine CRAY	CRAY, Thomas R. IA# 1423	BRADFORD, Wm
1328	Riley Lantz BREWER	MANNING, Pamela J. IA# 1262	COOKE,Francis
1329	Jillian Marie WITHROW	POOL, Sue Ellen IA# 1592	HOWLAND, John

### Now Open! The 2021 GSMD Scholarship Application is Available!

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.

#### Application Deadline for the 2021 GSMD Scholarship Program is March 15, 2021.

There is an ancestry requirement for an applicant to be considered for a Mayflower Scholarship: the Application Form must include a valid GSMD membership number and State Membership Number as members in good standing for either the applicant or for a parent, grandparent, or great grandparent of the applicant.

This application process should be self-explanatory, and applicants are asked to read all instructions and follow directions carefully. The Scholarship Committee looks forward to reviewing candidates and announcing this year's Scholarship recipients.

<https://www.themayflowersociety.org/blog/scholarships>

Thank you,

*Lorraine Link*

GSMD Scholarship Chair

## Your Mayflower Pilgrims began sailing from England to the New World,

### 6/16 September 1620, 400 years ago

What do you think the children on the *Mayflower* were thinking as they excitedly sailed? What do you think they took with them? Can you guess what they did for entertainment on the *Mayflower*? Can you name a game that they played that you still play today? You will receive several accounts of what life was like on the *Mayflower* as they sailed across the Atlantic Ocean from England to America between 6/16 September 1620, and 11/21 November 1620.

Below is a sample of a food that the Pilgrim Separatists took on the voyage called Ships Biscuit. Children may have dissolved them gradually to satisfy their hunger.

### Ships Biscuit

The name refers to the hard biscuits that were stored on *Mayflower* and were a staple of the passengers on the 66-day journey. They were made just like this recipe, from a simple mixture of flour, water and salt, rolled out thinly and baked slowly until very hard and dry.

This recipe has optional ingredients of milk and butter to make them slightly more edible.

The original ingredients for ships biscuit:

- 3½ cups of flour

- 1 cup of water
- ½ tablespoon sea salt

Optional ingredients make these more palatable:

- 2 oz. butter (this was not used in the original recipe, but it will makes the biscuits easier to eat. You can leave it out if you wish but the biscuits will be very hard).
- 1 cup of milk instead of water

Measure the flour and salt into a mixing bowl and blend together. Measure the milk and butter and place in a saucepan over very low heat until butter melts. Add the milk and butter to the flour and mix until you have a dough, kneading the dough until all the flour is absorbed (it should be thick, shiny and stiff). Roll the dough until it is fairly thin, about ¼ - ½" thick. Cut the biscuit shapes using a cup rim (or round biscuit cutter). Place on a baking tray and prick all over to let out any air while cooking. Bake at 325° until golden brown (check at 20 minutes, then every five minutes thereafter for 30-40 minutes). Allow more time if biscuits are cut thicker. Turn off the oven and let biscuits cool completely in the oven. Store in a dry place until you need them for a 66-day voyage! The biscuits should be completely dry when you take them to sea.

Keep sailing, Mayflower Juniors ~

## ***Leaving England for the New World ... at Last! 6/16 September 1620***

### **Accounts of the Mayflower Pilgrims using the Julian Calendar**

American history is very fortunate to have published notes from Pilgrim Governor William Bradford, who recorded many events of the Mayflower Pilgrims in a journal. These little known stories include: events of their many years spent in The Netherlands, details of the voyages, a man tossed overboard and rescued during a storm, tragic illnesses and an interesting account of an eclipse during the first earthquake.

Bradford's original descriptions are recorded using the Julian Calendar, Old Style dates. A calendar switch was first made in Europe in 1582. England did not change their calendars for 132 years after Mayflower arrived in at Cape Cod, therefore, William Bradford and others wrote using the Old Style dates of the Julian calendar. In order to commemorate the correct number of years since these events happened, today we must add ten days to the Julian Calendar date. The United States did not begin using the Gregorian Calendar until 1752. To recognize both dates, a date in our history may be written 6/16 September 1620.

### **Separatists and Strangers Finally Leave England**

Of the 102 passengers that left for the New World on the cargo ship, Mayflower, more than half of them were Separatists, others were called Strangers, but all of them had one thing in common. They boarded the Mayflower in search of freedoms. The Separatists were hoping to find freedom to worship as they chose and many Strangers wanted to work and invest in the New World. These passengers are now referred to as Mayflower Pilgrims.



**15 August 15 1620:** Two ships, the larger Speedwell and smaller ship, Mayflower, left Southampton, England. The ships were forced back twice because of leaks in the Speedwell.

**16 September 1620:** The Mayflower left Dartmouth carrying 102 passengers from both ships.

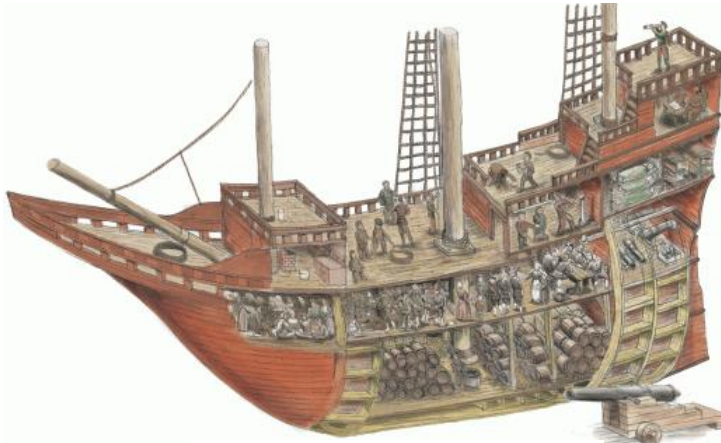
**21 November 1620:** The Mayflower anchored at Provincetown and the Mayflower Compact, the first governing document, was signed aboard the ship on that day, a Saturday.

### **Leaving for the New World at Last**

Separatists had been living in Leiden, The Netherlands, for several years. In July, 1620, they left on a small ship, Speedwell, sailing to Southampton, England, to make a new life in the New World. The plan was to meet a

larger ship, Mayflower, also preparing to sail to the New World with business investors aboard. However, the Speedwell was leaking and had to be repaired in Southampton before the two wooden ships left on 15 August 1620. Soon after sailing, additional leaks caused the ships to anchor in nearby Dartmouth to further repair the Speedwell. They sailed about 300 miles when leaks began again. Certainly Speedwell was not seaworthy to cross the Atlantic Ocean, so both ships turned back and anchored at Plymouth, England, forcing a decision to use only the Mayflower for the voyage.

Some frustrated passengers decided to stay in England, to wait for another ship, while those determined for a better life crowded aboard the Mayflower. The single wooden ship, finally left Plymouth, England, on 16 September 1620. The Gun Deck became the tiny living space for the 102 combined passengers, allowing only a few feet for each passenger. The people were shorter than people today, but the deck space was only five feet tall! There was no bathroom and no fresh water to drink. It was dark and cold and the future was uncertain. Faith sustained the Separatists despite the seasickness and threatening storm season they could face on the Atlantic.



Thanks to Connie Wong of *The Orange County Register*

“These troubles being blown over, and now all being compact together in one ship, they put to sea again with a prosperous wind...,” wrote Governor William Bradford.

Sources:

Read interesting journal entries by Plymouth Governor William Bradford in the book, *Of Plimoth Plantation, 1620-1647*.

<https://www.timeanddate.com/calendar/julian-gregorian-switch.html>

<https://www.oregister.com/2017/11/20/ahead-of-thanksgiving-day-2017-a-look-back-inside-the-mayflower/>

<https://www.britannica.com/science/Julian-calendar>  
<http://mayflowerhistory.com/voyage>

## IOWA MAYFLOWER SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM – 2021

**Please use this membership form to help keep addresses current when you renew your 2021 Membership.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **2021 Annual Dues (\$35) \$40 if submitting after 31 December, 2020**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Friends of the Iowa Mayflower Society (\$15) (Available to spouses, adopted or foster children of an Iowa member)**

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**Send check payable now to Iowa Mayflower Society to: Gerald M. Graves , 28249 360th St., Van Meter, IA. 50261**

If you wish to be resigned in good standing, send a letter to Gerald Graves before 31 December 2019. \*\*Life members or 50-year members in the Iowa Society do not pay annual dues.

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