Spring 2024

IOWA HAWKEYE

Newsletter of the Iowa Society of Mayflower Descendants

Spring Iowa Mayflower Society Meeting

The spring Iowa Mayflower Society Meeting will be held Saturday, May 4, 2024, 11:00 a.m. at the Iowa Gold Star Military Museum, 7105 Northwest 70th Avenue, Johnston, IA 50131



The Iowa Gold Star Military Museum honors the heroic service of all Iowa veterans. They collect, preserve and exhibit materials illustrating the story of Iowa's military past, from statehood to the present. Their mission is to honor and depict the military experiences of Iowa citizens in all wars, homeland defense and service to the state.

The address MUST be put in GPS and not the museum name in order to get accurate directions. The museum is on the grounds of Camp Dodge and a valid driver's license or government photo identification is required for each person to enter Camp Dodge.

Hy-Vee will cater box lunches that include a sandwich, bag of chips, fruit, cookie, and condiments, water, coffee and/or tea will be served for lunch at a cost of \$19 per person. Sandwiches available will be turkey, ham, roast beef, vegetarian, and gluten free.

Lunch will be served at noon. Following lunch, the museum will be available for self-guided tours until 2:00 p.m. in lieu of a speaker. Please make your reservation by April 26, 2024 via email to <u>iowacaptain@iowamayflower.org</u> or text Jackie Peters, Iowa Society Captain at <u>515-491-1270</u>.

Iowa Mayflower Society Officers 2023- 2026 Governor -

Deputy Governor -Mark Church

Secretary -Lisa Lang

Treasurer -Gerald M. Graves

Historian – Rebecca Campbell

Assistant Historian -Shawn Albaugh Kleppe

Captain -Jackie Peters

Elder -Kenneth R. Callison, Sr

Surgeon -Barbara Clayton, RN

Counselor -Bernadine McGuire

Governor Emeritus -Maureen D. Wilson

Passenger Inheritance Program (PIP)

GSMD has introduced the Passenger Inheritance Program for members beginning 2024. Members have the opportunity to inherit ancestors from parents, grandparents, siblings, children, or grandchildren for one flat fee regardless of how many ancestors are available to inherit. The cost to inherit an unlimited number of ancestors from one relative is \$150. If desired, certificates for each inherited ancestor are available for \$10 each. For more information or to begin the application process go to GSMD website and in the members area go to Passenger Inheritance Program.

On-line membership renewals

Our new on-line processing company, Vanco, was used by 48 members for annual memberships renewal from our website in the first three months of operation. That translates to 17% of those to renewing for 2024. One or two problems were noticed and quickly corrected when the address entered didn't match the address the credit card company had on file. Our processing company, Vanco, was chosen for their simple interface with moderate fees and it has out worked well. None of your credit card or bank information is given to us including addresses. So if you have an address change, it needs to be emailed to us separately. Our Treasurer, Gerald Graves, considers Vanco payment processing to be very successful and have expanded our on-line payments by adding the option to pay membership application and supplemental application fees on-line with our website, IowaMayflower.org. Application fees should not be paid until directed so by the Iowa historian or assistant historian. Checks are still welcome of course.

We have completed our on-line payments review and are certified as in compliance with the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS).

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Sites Included:

John Adams Historic Site John Alden Home Plimoth Patuxet Pilgrim Hall Museum Cape Cod Pilgrim sites

And so much more...

July 13-18, 2024 Hear Ye Pilgrims!



Join us on a six-day pilgrimage discovering the most significant locations explored by our forefathers. Get ready to immerse yourself in history and trace the steps of our Mayflower ancestors.



Lisa Shoemaker - historic sites chairperson and professional tour director historicsites@mayflowersociety.org

https://feattravel.com/tour/mayflower

Revisions to our Constitution and Bylaws

Below are proposed amendments to the Iowa Society Constitution and Bylaws. The proposed changes clarify application procedures, Friends of the Iowa Society requirements, resignation and reinstatement procedures, and implement the General Society change from State Societies to Member Societies. We will be voting on these amendments at the May 4 Annual Meeting.

IOWA SOCIETY OF THE MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS CONSTITUTION

Adopted by the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Iowa, 3 May 1941, revised 23 November 1951; 20 November 1954; 19 November 1960; 18 November 1972; 19 November 1994; 6 May 1995; 4 November 2000; 6 May 2004; 6 Nov 2004; 7 May 2005; 5 November 2005; 6 May 2006; 5 May 2007; 6 Nov 2010; 3 November 2012; 2 November 2013; 6 May 2017; 6 November 2021

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this Society shall be "The Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Iowa, Inc."

ARTICLE II – OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this Society shall be:

<u>SECTION 1.</u> To perpetuate to a remote posterity the memory of our Pilgrim Fathers. To maintain and defend the principle of civil and religious liberty as set forth in the Compact of the Mayflower, "For the glorie of God, and advancements of the Christian faith and honor of our countrie."

<u>SECTION 2:</u> To cherish and maintain the ideals and institutions of American Freedom, and to oppose any theories of actions that threaten their continuity, to transmit the spirit, the purity of purpose and steadfastness of will of the Pilgrim Fathers to those who shall come after us, an undiminished heritage of liberty and law.

<u>SECTION 3.</u> To promote the interests that are common to all the <u>State Member</u> Societies of Mayflower Descendants which can best be served by a federal body, and to secure united 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.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Requirements

All persons over eighteen (18) years of age who are descended from a passenger on the Mayflower on the voyage which terminated at Plymouth, New England in December, 1620, shall be eligible for adult membership (A). All persons, so descended, who are less than eighteen years of age, shall be eligible for junior membership (B).

A. Adult membership

1. Any prospective member may apply request the Mayflower Lineage Check Form from to any member of the Iowa Society <u>Historian</u> for a preliminary application blank. The furnishing of this application blank form is not to be construed as obligating the Iowa Society, or any officer, or any member thereof.

2. This application form, when filled out, is to be submitted to the <u>Iowa Society</u> Historian at <u>iowahistorian@iowamayflower.org</u> and must include the names of the ancestors, of each generation from the applicant to the Mayflower passenger through whom application is being will be made.

3. The application fee shall be the total of the Iowa Society application fee, General Society application fee, and the annual dues for one (1) year in advance. (See Article III, Section 1 of Bylaws.)

4. The Secretary shall read all applications for membership at the State Society meeting.

54. When lineage papers are the application is approved by the Historian General and notice is given to the <u>Iowa Society State</u> Historian, the member is considered elected on that date. The <u>State Iowa Society</u> Historian <u>or Iowa Society Assistant Historian</u> notifies the Historian General of the election date and the <u>state Iowa Society</u> number assigned. A copy of the approved <u>lineage paper</u> <u>application</u> is returned to the <u>State Iowa Society</u> Historian for <u>his/</u>her files containing the General <u>Society</u> Number. <u>The Iowa Society</u> <u>Assistant Historian provides a copy of the approved application and membership certificate to the approved member.</u> <u>Additional</u> copies are made for the Assistant Historian and approved member.

65. If an application is declined rejected, the Board of Assistants may request the advanced Iowa Society dues shall be refunded to the applicant. The remainder of the application fee becomes the property of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants and is not refundable.

B. Junior membership

1. Any member in good standing in the Iowa Society may make application for a junior membership on behalf of any person under eighteen (18) years of age who has prima facie proved lineage. ("Prima facie proven lineage" shall mean that the junior, whose membership is being offered, is related to a present or past member of the <u>Iowa</u> Society, by blood, through the line through which such member was approved by the General <u>Mayflower</u> Society <u>of Mayflower Descendants</u>.

2. Junior members, between the ages of 18 and 25, may transfer to General Society adult membership, by making application for adult membership and paying the entrance application fee and annual dues. When approved by the Historian General, state Iowa Society and g-General Society numbers will be assigned.

3. To encourage Junior members to join the General Society of Mayflower Descendants, the Treasurer will reimburse to each Junior member a portion of the application fee, the original junior application fee will be deducted from the application fee for adult membership if application is made after age 18 and before their 25th birthday.

Reimbursement will be made at the time the Historian General approves the lineage and assigns a General number.

C. Friends of the Iowa Society of Mayflower Descendants

1. Family members (spouses, parents, grandparents, step-children, adopted children and half siblings) of <u>an</u> Iowa Society <u>member, not eligible for regular membership</u>, may make application for become a Friend of the Iowa Society <u>by submitting the</u> <u>Iowa Mayflower Society Membership Renewal Form to the Iowa Society Treasurer, and must include the name of the related</u> <u>Iowa Society member</u>.

2. The application fee shall be the published annual fee for Friends membership.

3. Friends of the Iowa Society in good standing who have paid their annual dues shall be entitled to attend all meetings of the <u>Iowa</u> Society and receive the newsletter, but may not vote, may not hold elective office, and may not be official members of the <u>Iowa</u> Society.

SECTION 2. Supplemental Lines

Any member who can trace descent from more than one Mayflower ancestor, may file apply for supplemental lines of descent and pay an application fee to the Iowa Society for each line, plus the fee as required by the General Society for each supplemental line. If the supplemental line is rejected, the application fee becomes the property of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants and is not refundable. The application Pprocedure for supplemental lines applications is the same as preliminary original applications.

SECTION 3. Copies of Lineage Papers Approved Applications

Any member of the Iowa Society or any applicant for membership may request from the Historian of the Iowa Society a copy of lineage paper their approved application. The Historian shall furnish such paper. If not in the files of the Iowa Historian, <u>Copies of supporting documentation</u> lineage papers may be requested from the <u>Iowa Society</u> Historian General for a fee. and may have copying and postage charges.

SECTION 4. Expulsion

Any member, for cause of misconduct prejudicial to the interest of the <u>Iowa</u> Society, may be suspended or expelled by twothirds vote of the Board of Assistants, after being given an opportunity to explain why said member should not be expelled.

Article IV – Transfer, Resignation, and Reinstatement

SECTION 1. Transfers out

Any members of the Iowa Society, desiring to be transferred to the Society of another State Member Society, may apply to the Treasurer of the Iowa Society for a certificate of good standing, a copy of lineage papers and to the Iowa Society Historian for a notice of transfer.

SECTION 2. Transfers in

1. If a member of the Mayflower Society of another state-<u>Member Society</u> wishes to join the Iowa Society, such member may present to the Historian of the Iowa Society, a letter requesting transfer and a certificate of good standing in the previous <u>state</u> <u>Member Society</u>. The <u>Iowa</u> Society shall require a copy of approved <u>lineage papers application</u> and payment of such fees as may be currently in effect. Upon receipt and examination of credentials by the Iowa <u>Society</u> Historian, they shall be elected to the Iowa Society, given an Iowa <u>Society</u> Number, and a notice will be sent to the National office.

2. The Iowa Society Historian shall assign an Iowa Society membership number. (The General Society number remains unchanged.)

3. The Iowa Society Historian shall furnish the Historian General a notice of the date of transfer and the Iowa Society number that has been assigned.

SECTION 3. Resignations

Any member in good standing may resign from the Iowa Mayflower Society and the General Society of Mayflower Descendants by notifying the Iowa <u>Society</u> Treasurer in writing. The resignation dates from the date the <u>Iowa Society</u> Treasurer receives the notification. A member who wishes to be reinstated after resignation may be reinstated upon payment of all dues and fees. Such application for reinstatement must be accompanied with payment of dues for the year of resignation, if applicable, and dues for the current year of the reinstatement application. However, reinstatement is not allowed on a rejected line at any time for reinstatement.

SECTION 4. Dropped for non-payment of dues/Reinstatement

A member dropped from the Iowa Society for the non-payment of dues will be reinstated upon payment of all dues and fees.

A. Such application for reinstatement must be accompanied with payment of dues for the year dropped and dues for the current year of the reinstatement application. However, reinstatement is not allowed on a rejected line at any time for reinstatement.

B. Any dropped member, wishing to join another State Member Society, must be reinstated in the Iowa Society before transfer can be made.

ARTICLE V – OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The Executive Officers of the Iowa Society are:

| Deputy Governor General | Assistant Governor General |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| Governor | Deputy Governor |
| Secretary | Historian |
| Treasurer | Counselor |

A quorum shall consist of five members.

SECTION 2. The Board of Assistants shall consist of the above named officers and include the following:

| Captain | Surgeon | Elder |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Assistant Historian | Junior Membership Chairman | Newsletter Editor |
| Immediate Past Governor | Governor Emeritus | |

SECTION 3. The term of office shall be for a three (3) year period.

A. The Deputy Governor General, Assistant Governor General, Governor and Deputy Governor can be nominated to succeed themselves for a second three (3) year term, but not to succeed themselves for a third (3) year term, in the same office. They may again become eligible for that same office after an intervening term of three (3) years.

B. All other officers may succeed themselves in the same office for any number of consecutive three-year terms to which they may be elected.

C. The Board of Assistants may appoint to any office not filled, vacated, or created within the Constitution or Bylaws, until the next succeeding election.

D. Duties of all Officers, Assistants, and Standing Committees; Dues; Meetings; Order of Business and Amendments shall be governed by the Bylaws to this Constitution.

ARTICLE VI – AMENDMENTS

<u>SECTION 1.</u> The Constitution and the Bylaws may be amended at any regular business meeting of the <u>Iowa</u> Society by a twothirds vote, provided the proposed amendment has been submitted in writing to each member, fifteen days before the meeting.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> Any amendment adopted by the General Society of Mayflower Descendants, affecting the work of the Iowa Society, shall become a law of the Iowa Society without notice of amendment to the membership.

BYLAWS

Adopted by the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Iowa, revised 4 May 1991; 19 November 1994; 4 November 2000; 1 May 2004; 6 Nov 2004; 7 May 2005; 5 November 2005; 6 May 2006; 5 May 2007; 6 Nov 2010, 3 November 2012; 2 November 2013; 6 May 2017; 6 November 2021.

ARTICLE I – OFFICERS

The Constitution of this Society specifies the following:

SECTION 1. The Executive Officers of the Iowa Society are:

| Assistant Governor General |
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| Deputy Governor |
| Historian |
| Counselor |
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| Captain | Surgeon | Elder |
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SECTION 3. Duties of Respective Officers

A. The Deputy Governor General and the Assistant Governor General are ex-officio members of the Board of Assistants.

B. The Governor shall preside at all meetings of the Lowa Society and shall be an officio member of all standing Committees.

C. In the absence or inability of the Governor to preside, the Deputy Governor will assume and perform such duties as pertain to the office of Governor. In the absence of both of the above, the Deputy Governor General will preside.

D. There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of the Governor, Deputy Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Historian, and Counselor. The Governor is chairman of this committee. The Secretary shall render a report to this committee at each meeting.
E. It shall be the duty of the Elder to officiate when called upon at any meeting of the <u>Iowa</u> Society.

F. The Captain shall act as Sergeant-at-Arms, maintaining order and decorum.

G. The Secretary shall keep minutes for all meetings; shall, with the Governor, certify all acts and orders of the <u>Iowa</u> Society; and shall conduct personal correspondence of the <u>Iowa</u> Society.

H. (not used)

I. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds and monies of the <u>Iowa</u> Society, for which a surety bond may be given. The amount on the bond shall be determined by the Executive Board. Expense of such bond shall be paid by the Iowa Society. The Treasurer shall:

- a. collect the annual dues,
- b. pay out only such sums as the Iowa Society of the Board of Assistants shall direct,
- c. be authorized to pay all bills in the normal routine of business,
- d. keep a true account of receipts and disbursements,
- e. give a full report at each annual meeting of the Iowa Society,

The books shall be open at all times to the inspection of the Governor and the Board of Assistants. <u>A second signer will be au-thorized on the account.</u>

Upon receipt of the billing statement from the General Society, the Treasurer shall pay to the General Society, the per capita dues based on membership of the Iowa Society as of December 31 of the previous year, except that no dues shall be paid to the General Society for any member of the Iowa Society who has been excused from paying the annual dues on account of his or her being actively engaged in the armed forces of his or her country of allegiance.

The Treasurer shall maintain an appropriate balance at GSMD to cover application fees.

J. The Historian shall examine and report <u>number of approved and outstanding</u> upon the lineage papers, both original and supplemental <u>applications</u>, of all applicants for membership; shall keep a complete list of members and of all lines of descent filed by approved for them; retain a copy of all lineage papers <u>applications</u> and may do other work assigned by the Board of Assistants and make an annual report to the Board in writing.

K. The Surgeon shall have been duly admitted to the practice of medicine.

L. The Secretary, Treasurer, Historian, Assistant Historian, and Newsletter Editor shall be exempt from the payment of annual dues. All expenses actually incurred by these five named officers, in connection with the duties of their respective offices, shall be paid by the <u>Iowa</u> Society upon presentation of an itemized report to the <u>Treasurer</u> Board of Assistants.

M. The Counselor shall be an attorney-at-law and shall render legal aid and opinions upon matters pertaining to the <u>Iowa</u> Society, when requested by the Governor or Board of Assistants, without fee.

N. The Junior Membership Chairman shall keep a record of all Junior membership applications, issue Junior Membership Certificates, make a report at each annual meeting and notify Junior members, approaching 25 years of age, regarding transfer application to the General Society. (Those not wishing to transfer apply for adult membership will be dropped from the membership rolls and so notified.). Junior members have no annual dues.

O. The Newsletter Editor shall compile and publish the Iowa Hawkeye Newsletter in a timely fashion so that the notice of any state Iowa Society meeting arrives 45 days prior to the event. The Fall issue shall contain the dues notice for the following year.

Copies will be sent to all members and Junior members via email attachment unless a request for a printed copy is received by the Editor. All persons without email addresses will receive a printed copy.

P. The Immediate Past Governor shall provide advice and assistance to the Board <u>of Assistants</u> in order to assure continuity of operations from the previous administration.

Q. The Governor Emeritus shall provide general guidance and assistance to the Board <u>of Assistants</u> as requested. The Governor Emeritus shall be a non-voting member of the Board. The Governor Emeritus shall have served as Governor of the Iowa Society for at least one term. This position shall be filled at the discretion of the nominating committee.

ARTICLE II – BOARD OF ASSISTANTS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

<u>SECTION 1.</u> The Board of Assistants shall have general charge and direction of the affairs of the <u>Iowa</u> Society as prescribed by the Articles of Incorporation. Five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. If a vacancy, or the inability to act, occurs in any elected office of the <u>Iowa</u> Society, the Board of Assistants shall appoint a replacement to that office to serve until the next general election

SECTION 2. The Governor shall be Chairman of the Board of Assistants.

SECTION 3. The Secretary shall record the minutes of all meetings and have them available for the Board of Assistants use.

SECTION 4. The Board of Assistants shall appoint the delegates and alternates to the General Society meetings.

<u>SECTION 5.</u> The Governor and Board of Assistants shall appoint committees and fill vacancies occurring on committees. Each standing committee shall consist of three or five members.

<u>SECTION 6.</u> Each committee shall report, through its chairman, at each regular meeting of the Board <u>of Assistants</u>. No committee shall be dissolved until the debts, legally contracted by it, are paid and reported to the b <u>Board of Assistants</u>.

<u>SECTION 7.</u> The Board of Assistants may, at any time, authorize the formation of a "Colony" in any district of the State <u>of Iowa</u> when ten (10) members, residing in such district, sign a petition and file it with the Iowa Society. All procedures for elections of the Colony Officials and the titles or designations of the proposed officials shall first be submitted in a written form for approval by the Board of Assistants.

The title of Governor shall not be used in designating any official of the Colony.

ARTICLE III – DUES

<u>SECTION 1.</u> The annual dues of the <u>Iowa</u> Society shall be established each year by the Board of Assistants at the annual meeting and those dues become due and payable prior to December 31, for the succeeding calendar year. The dues of new members shall be considered paid until a year from the following December 31 (one year's dues are included in the application fee).

SECTION 2. Special assessments shall be made on a per capita basis.

<u>SECTION 3.</u> Any regular member who is in arrears for annual dues on December 31 shall be dropped from the membership rolls. Notification of this, by the <u>Iowa Society</u> Treasurer, shall be made by mail.

SECTION 4. The dues of Iowa Society members who attain 50 years of membership shall be paid by the Iowa Society.

<u>SECTION 5.</u> Annual dues shall be waived for any member of the Iowa Society who is actively engaged in the armed forces of his or her country of allegiance. The Iowa Society member shall resume payment of annual dues in the next dues period after leaving active duty.

ARTICLE IV – MEETINGS

<u>SECTION 1.</u> The annual meeting of the <u>Iowa</u> Society shall be held on the first Saturday in May. Ten (10) members shall constitute a quorum.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> A semi-annual meeting shall be held in the greater Des Moines area on the first Saturday in November. This meeting shall be known as the Compact Day meeting

SECTION 3. Special meetings

A. The Governor may, at any time, call a special meeting of the Board of Assistants or the <u>Iowa</u> Society. The object of such a special meeting must be stated in the notice.

B. If an urgent matter pertaining to the Iowa Society arises, the Governor, or his/her designee, may contact the members of the Board of Assistants by e-mail or telephone for their opinion. Voting for or against the proposal may be made at this time. A majority vote will prevail concerning the action to be taken.

C. Special meetings of the Iowa Society may be held by an internet meeting service designated by the Governor.

D. Should a National or State emergency or unforeseen event arise that prevents the Iowa Society from meeting in person, electronic or virtual mediums may be used for the purpose of receiving reports of officers and committees, for the election of officers, and for any other business that may arise.

SECTION 4. The Board of Assistants shall meet on the Annual and Compact dates and at such times and places as the Governor may determine.

SECTION 5. Notice of all meetings of the Iowa Society shall be given at least ten days prior to the date of the meeting.

SECTION 6. The number of delegates to the General Congress shall be determined on the basis of membership.

ARTICLE V – ORDER OF BUSINESS

<u>SECTION 1.</u> The business of the is <u>Iowa</u> Society, not covered by the Articles of Incorporation and the Constitution and Bylaws, shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order, Revised.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> At the Compact Day meeting, prior to the Annual Meeting when new officers shall be elected, a nominating committee shall be appointed.

A. At the annual meeting that follows, the nominating committee shall present a list of candidates for these offices:

| Governor | Deputy Governor | Secretary | Elder |
|-----------|---------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Treasurer | Historian | Captain | Surgeon |
| Counselor | Assistant Historian | Junior Membership Chairman | Governor Emeritus |

Nominations may, also, be made from the floor with prior permission from the nominee.

B. Officers of the *is* <u>Iowa</u> Society shall be elected by ballot, at the Annual Meeting, for a term of three (3) years. A majority vote elects. If there is but one nominee for each office, the vote may be by acclamation.

C. Deputy Governor General and Assistant General are nominated for election to the General Society Board of Assistants by the nominating committee. Election occurs at next Triennial Congress of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants.

D. Officers elected shall take up their duties immediately after the meeting at which they were elected.

E. The nominating committee shall consist of $\frac{5}{2}$ at least 3 members.

ARTICLE VI - STATIONERY

<u>SECTION 1.</u> Stationery of the Iowa Society shall be used only by officers, or duly appointed committees, and only for the transaction of official business. No advertising, other than that relating to activities of the <u>Iowa</u> Society, shall appear on official stationery.

ARTICLE VII – AMENDMENTS

<u>SECTION 1.</u> The Constitution and the Bylaws may be amended at any regular business meeting of the <u>Iowa</u> Society by a twothirds vote, provided the proposed amendment has been submitted, in writing, to each member, fifteen days before the meeting.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> Any amendment adopted by the General Society of Mayflower Descendants, affecting the work of the Iowa Society, shall become a law of the is Iowa Society without notice of amendment

ARTICLE VIII: DISSOLUTION PROCEDURES

SECTION 1: Dissolution of State Iowa Society.

Although the period of duration of the <u>Iowa</u> Society is perpetual, if for any reason the Iowa Society is to dissolve or otherwise terminate, the following procedures shall be followed:

A. Dissolution of the Iowa Society may be proposed by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Assistants voting in a regularly called meeting of the Board. Notice of the dissolution proposal to the general membership shall be in the manner specified for proposed amendments to the Bylaws. Voting of the general membership shall be by written ballot, and approval by two-thirds vote of members present and voting shall be required for dissolution of the <u>Iowa</u> Society.

B. The Iowa Society shall comply with the procedures in the Bylaws of the General Society.

C. All debts of the Iowa Society shall be paid.

D. Any property which has been loaned to the Iowa Society shall be returned to its owner.

E. Any historical documents, artifacts, or any moneys remaining in the Iowa Society

treasury shall be given to the General Society of Mayflower Descendants or a *Mayflower* project as determined by two-thirds vote of the Board of Assistants. If the General Society of Mayflower Descendants is not in existence, any assets of the Iowa Society shall be given to a non-profit organization whose mission is education and the historical documents delivered to a repository appropriate for the materials of the Mayflower era.

F. No moneys or artifacts shall inure to a member or individual as specified in Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

SECTION 2: Dissolution of Colonies

Colonies must have a membership of ten (10) active members to form. If a colony falls below that membership or for any other reason feels it cannot continue to exist, the colony may choose, by a two-thirds vote of members present and voting, to dissolve. If a colony should find it necessary to dissolve, it shall follow the following procedures:

A. The Colony Governor shall notify the State Governor of the intent to dissolve.

B. All artifacts of the colony shall be delivered to the Iowa Society. If said Iowa Society no longer exists, the artifacts shall be delivered to the General Society of Mayflower Descendants or, in the case that the General Society no longer exists, shall deliver said artifacts to an appropriate repository or museum.

C. All debts of the colony shall be paid.

D. Any moneys remaining shall be sent to the Iowa Mayflower Fund. If the Iowa Society no longer exists, said moneys shall be donated to the General Society of Mayflower Descendants. If said General Society no longer exists, the moneys shall be donated to a 501 (c) (3) organization, chosen by the Colony officers, which has as its main purpose education.

E. No moneys or artifacts shall inure to any member or individual.

| 2023 New Members | | | Angelina | Dietrich | Brown |
|------------------|------------------|-------------|-----------|------------|------------|
| | lame | Ancestor | Virginia | Lors | Wm White |
| James | Murphy S Hopkins | | Kathy | Pick | Brown |
| Laura | Sweet | Warren | Charlotte | Lozier | Bradford |
| Elizabeth | Bird | Warren | Blake | Stratton | T Rogers |
| John | Gardner | Wm Brewster | Sarah | Kelley | Doty |
| Scott | Morrell | E Fuller | Teresa | Baker | Brown |
| Adam | Reinert | Bradford | Marilyn | Sporleder | Alden |
| Theresa | Reichling | S Hopkins | Ruth | Kleen | Howland |
| Marie | Whetsler | F Cooke | Carole | Lane | Howland |
| Kara-Ellyn | Duncan | Wm Brewster | — Dennis | Pick | Brown |
| Carter | Duncan | Wm Brewster | Richard | Pick | Brown |
| Haley | Duncan | Wm Brewster | James | Burr | J Chilton |
| Dillon | Duncan | Wm Brewster | John | Mosher | F Cooke |
| | | | Amy | Clark | Doty |
| Grant | Duncan | Wm Brewster | Mary Lou | Waterbury | Howland |
| Daren | Rickard | Wm Brewster | Marilyn | Rittel | Doty |
| Abigail | Rickard | Wm Brewster | Marshall | Linn | Alden |
| Timothy | Rickard | Wm Brewster | Kim | Andresen | Allerton |
| Tristan | Hillman | Warren | Mark | Andresen | I Allerton |
| David | Warren | Bradford | Edward | Duffe | I Allerton |
| Katie | Mahoney | E Fuller | Thomas | Duffe | I Allerton |
| Patrick | Mahoney | E Fuller | Ashley | Renfrew | I Allerton |
| Lynn | Petersen | I Allerton | Nora | Steinbrech | I Allerton |
| KiaLeigh | Urban | Wm Brewster | Kristen | Van Scoyoc | I Allerton |
| Kiaya | Urban | Wm Brewster | Lori | Hubbard | Howland |
| Gerald | Sharon | S Hopkins | Richard | Lewis | Warren |
| Mark | Suby | I Allerton | Kalynn | Burton | M Allerton |
| Cherlynn | Moore | Alden | Kyle | Burton | M Allerton |
| Lois | Hill | J Chilton | Joseph | Hawkins | Samson |
| Andrew | Oberfrank | Wm Brewster | Daniel | Rittel | Doty |
| David | Little | S Hopkins | Robert | Hahn | Brown |

Summary of 2023 activity:

Currently there are 372 active members in the Iowa Mayflower Society. In 2023 we welcomed 61 new members. So far in 2024, we have added 5 new members. At present, there is 1 application in the pending queue. Also in 2023, we had 23 supplemental applications approved. There is 1 supplemental presently pending. If you have a supplemental that you would like to submit, please contact Rebecca Campbell at Iowahistorian@mayflower.org

Iowa Society of Mayflower Descendants

Compact Meeting - Saturday, November 4, 2023

The Iowa Society of Mayflower Descendants Compact Day meeting was held Saturday, November 4, 2023, at the Machine Shed Restaurant, 11151 Hickman Road, in Urbandale at 11:00 a.m.

Meeting Called to order at 11:02 by Governor Judy Stumbo

Governor Stumbo gave a wonderfully informative historical scenario of our Mayflower ancestors.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Captain, Jackie Peters

Invocation by Elder, Ken Callison

Introduction of all members and guests.

Self-introductions were made by members and guests.

Approval of Minutes/Secretary's Report - Lisa Lang

Ken Callsion moved to approve the minutes as presented in the Fall newsletter. Pam Manning seconded. Minutes from the May 6, 2023 meeting approved unanimously. Lisa read a note to the membership from Chris Schlosser, a member at large, wishing us all a happy and healthy Fall and Thanksgiving.

Treasurer's Report - Gerald Graves

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

Starting the week of November 6, 2023, members will have the ability to pay dues online.

Gerald reminded members that dues for 2024 are \$45 and are due before Dec 31, 2023.

Historian's Report - Rebecca Campbell

Beginning January 1, 2024, all application fees will be increased by \$25. This was decided during Congress in Plymouth. Iowa application fees will increase from \$175 to \$200.

- 56 new members to date
- 8 reinstated
- 1 transferred out
- 2 deaths (Onalee Paul Arnold and Ronald Lee Minear)
- 390 members currently

Junior Membership - Jill Brewer

Jill Brewer was unable to attend. She has designed some Iowa Society of Mayflower Descendants bookmarks and every junior member receives one of the bookmarks in their packet. Jill sent extras to share today.

- 248 Junior members
- 100 juniors between the ages of 18-25
- 29 juniors aged 17-18

Scholarship Committee - Linda Cassmann-Randall, Lisa & David Lang, Jill Brewer

Once requirements are established for the scholarship applications, letters or emails will be sent

out to the 29 Junior members who are 17-18 years old. There will be an upcoming Zoom

meeting of the scholarship committee to establish the requirements. David Lang will help create

the online form. Applicants must be a blood relative of a current member.

Newsletter & Website - James Murphy

Send any info or news to be included in the newsletter to: newsletter@iowamayflower.org

Check out our revised Iowa Mayflower society website. www.iowamayflower.org

Thank you to James for all of his work on the newsletter and website!

Reading of the Mayflower Compact - Captain, Jackie Peters

Number of Descendants - Captain, Jackie Peters

| John Alden | 5 |
|--------------------------|---|
| Pricilla (Mullins) Alden | 4 |
| Isaac Allerton | 1 |
| John Billington | 4 |
| William Bradford | 2 |
| Love Brewster | 3 |
| Mary Brewster | 1 |
| William Brewster | 6 |
| Peter Browne | 1 |
| James Chilton | 2 |

| Francis Cooke | |
|----------------------------|---|
| Edward Doty | 4 |
| Francis Eaton | 2 |
| Edward Fuller | 2 |
| Constance (Hopkins) Snow | |
| Stephen Hopkins | 7 |
| Elizabeth (Fisher) Hopkins | 2 |
| John Howland | 4 |
| William Mullins | 4 |
| Joseph Rogers | 1 |

| Thomas Rogers | 2 |
|----------------------------|---|
| Henry Samson | 1 |
| George Soule | 7 |
| Myles Standish | 1 |
| Elizabeth (Tilley) Howland | 2 |
| John Tilley | 2 |
| Joan (Hurst) Tilley | 1 |
| Richard Warren | 7 |
| Resolved White | 1 |
| William White | 3 |

Francis Cooke had the most with 8 descendants present.

Dismissal for lunch was at 11:55

Lunch Prayer - Elder, Ken Callison

Meeting resumed at 12:50

Speaker Introduction - Mark Church

Guest speaker, Kate Levasseur presented "Tombstones & Tales of Woodland & Jordan Cemeteries". Kate shared stories of well-known or interesting residents of the Woodland and Jordan Cemeteries, including significant Victorian women and a true tale of murder and kidnapping.

Closing prayer by Ken Callison

Adjournment by Governor, Judy Stumbo

Meeting Adjourned at 1:34 p.m.

Next Meeting: Spring Meeting May 4, 2024

Submitted by Secretary

Lisa Lang

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| In Memoriam | | | | | | | |
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| | Name | | GSMD # | IA # | Elected | Ancestor | DOD |
| 1 | 1 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | I | 1 1 |
| Deborah | S | Wells | 41806 | 841 | 3/25/78 | Alden | 1/31/2023 |
| Onalee | Paul | Arnold | 31490 | 596 | 9/21/68 | Bradford | 2/8/2023 |
| Louis | Melvin | Winslow | 44212 | 871 | 3/22/80 | Soule | 3/15/2023 |
| Steven | Robert | Arnold | 77116 | 1284 | 2/13/07 | Bradford | 4/13/2023 |
| Irene | Alberta | Stickley | 81204 | 1344 | 9/8/09 | Warren | 11/16/2023 |
| Barbara | Ann | Wacha | 84517 | 1398 | 6/13/12 | Alden | 5/20/2023 |
| Linda | O'Dette | Cahalan | 87271 | 1444 | 8/25/14 | Cooke | 9/4/2023 |
| Shirley | Dean | Brandser | 95565 | 1568 | 7/19/19 | Alden | 11/28/2023 |
| Ronald | Lee | Minear | 102960 | 1636 | 9/20/22 | Alden | 5/25/2023 |