

IOWA HAWKEYE

Newsletter of the Iowa Society of Mayflower Descendants



Compact Day Meeting

The Iowa Compact Day meeting will be held Saturday, November 2, 2024, at The Machine Shed Restaurant, 11151 Hickman Road, in Urbandale at 11:00 a.m. Lunch will be turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy, and vegetable of the day; the main course will be served individually plated. The fixins' served family style, will be cottage cheese, cole slaw, and bread. Beverages included will be coffee, tea, milk, or soda. For those who want a gluten-free option, stuffing and gravy will not be included. The price of the meal will be \$21 per person. Lunch will be served at 12:00 pm.

Following lunch, guest speaker Anthony Jahn will give a presentation about the State Historical Society of Iowa. He will talk about what the Historical Society does, their collections, and what visitors can find by visiting the State Historical Building.

You are welcome to bring a guest. Reservations by email are preferred. Email name(s) of attendees and number of gluten-free meals, if applicable, to IowaCaptain@iowamayflower.org or send a text message to 515-491-1270. So that we can provide a final count to the Machine Shed Restaurant, we need your reservation by October 25, 2024. We hope you'll be able to attend.



General Society Officers

Deputy Governor General (D.D.G.) -
Kenneth R Callison, Sr.

Assistant General (A.G.) -
Linda Cassmann
- Randall

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

Iowa Society of Mayflower Descendants

Annual Meeting - Saturday, May 4, 2024

Meeting Minutes

The Iowa Society of Mayflower Descendants Spring meeting was held Saturday, May 4, 2024, at the Iowa Gold Star Military Museum, 7105 Northwest 70th Avenue, Johnston, Iowa 50131 at 11:00 a.m.

Meeting Called to order at 11:11 a.m. by Deputy Governor, Mark Church

Pledge of Allegiance led by Captain, Jackie Peters

Invocation by Treasurer, Gerald Graves

Treasurer, Gerald Graves gave the invocation in the absence of Elder, Kenneth Callison.

Introduction of all members and guests.

Self-introductions were made by members and guests.

Approval of Minutes/Secretary's Report - Lisa Lang

Jim Murphy moved to approve the minutes as presented in the Spring newsletter. Jill Brewer seconded. Minutes from the November 4, 2023 meeting approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report - Gerald Graves

We are in good financial shape. As of January 1, 2024, all application fees were increased by \$25. This was decided during Congress in Plymouth. Iowa application fees increased from \$175 to \$200. If applying online, a \$5 online application fee will be collected. If you pay the application fee by check, the fee will not be assessed. Online membership renewal is going well. There is no change to membership renewal fees and no charge for renewing online. We are certified with the data industry and appropriate security standards.

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

Historian's Report - Mark Church presented the report in the absence of Rebecca Campbell

- 364 members at the end of 2023 (12/31/23)
- 7 new members to date
- 7 reinstated
- 0 transferred out
- 0 transferred in
- 2 Deaths
- 376 members currently

Necrology Report—Gerald Graves

Onalee Arnold

Steven Arnold

Linda Cahalan

Ronald Minear

Patricia Redig

Irene Stickley

Barbara Ann Wacha

Deborah Wells

Louis Winslow

Gerald read highlights of each deceased member's obituary. A moment of silence was held for the members who had passed.

Junior Membership - Jill Brewer

Jill Brewer submitted the following report for Junior Membership. We have gained 5 new junior members so far in 2024. Jill sends all new junior members a certificate, bookmark and book.

- 249 Junior members
- 10 Juniors aged 25
- 102 Juniors between the ages of 18-25
- 26 Juniors aged 17-18

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

The Iowa Mayflower Society scholarship winner will be announced on our website.

Bylaws - Bernie McGuire

Bernie summarized the changes to the Iowa Mayflower Society bylaws, which were Presented in the Spring 2024 Iowa Mayflower Society newsletter.

- We will now be known as a Member Society rather than a State Society per the General Society changes to their bylaws.
- Clarified application procedures.
- Clarified Friends of the Iowa Society.
- Clarified transferring and reinstatement.
- Clarified Iowa Mayflower Society vs. General Mayflower Society

Bernie McGuire moved to accept the changes as presented.

Jim Murphy seconded.

Motion passed.

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 1	John Cooke 0	Degory Priest 2
Pricilla (Mullins) Alden 1	Edward Doty 3	Joseph Rogers 1
Bartholomew Allerton 0	Francis Eaton 1	Thomas Rogers 1
Isaac Allerton 1	Samuel Eaton 0	Henry Samson 1
Mary (Norris) Allerton 0	Sarah Eaton 0	George Soule 5
Mary (Allerton) Cushman 0	Moses Fletcher 0	Myles Standish 1
Remember (Allerton) Maverick 0	Edward Fuller 1	Elizabeth (Tilley) Howland 4
Elinor Billington 1	Mrs. Fuller (Wife of Edward) 0	John Tilley 2
Francis Billington 0	Samuel Fuller (Son of Edward) 0	Joan (Hurst) Tilley 2
John Billington 3	Samuel Fuller (Brother of	Richard Warren 1
William Bradford 0	Edward) 0	Peregrine White 0
Love Brewster 3	Constance (Hopkins) Snow 2	Resolved White 0
Mary Brewster 2	Giles Hopkins 0	Susanna (Jackson)White Winslow 0
William Brewster 4	Stephen Hopkins 8	William White 0
Peter Browne 1	Elizabeth (Fisher) Hopkins 0	Edward Winslow 0
James Chilton 3	John Howland 4	
Mrs. Chilton (Wife of James) 1	Richard More 0	
Mary (Chilton) Winslow 1	William Mullins 1	
Francis Cooke 6		

***Stephen Hopkins had the most
with 8 descendants present.***

Dismissal for lunch was at 11:54 a.m.

Lunch/Closing Prayer - Treasurer, Gerald Graves

Speaker Introduction - Mark Church

In lieu of a speaker, the Iowa Gold Star Museum was available for self-guided tours until 2:00 p.m. Many enjoyed this beautiful museum that honors the heroic service of all Iowa veterans.

Adjournment by Deputy Governor, Mark Church

Meeting Adjourned at 11:56 a.m.

Next Meeting: Compact Day Meeting November 2 , 2024

Submitted by Secretary

Lisa Lang

Minutes of the Board of Assistants Meeting
Saturday, May 4, 2024
Iowa Gold Star Military Museum, Johnston, Iowa

Meeting called to order at 10:10 a.m. by Deputy Governor, Mark Church

Attendees: Mark Church, Lisa Lang, Bernadine McGuire, Jackie Peters, James Murphy, Linda Cassmann-Randall, Jill Brewer, Gerald Graves

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Application fees:

Discussion about adding \$5 to online applications to cover fees that are incurred if paying online. If you pay by check, this fee will not be assessed.

Gerald Graves made the motion to approve these fees.

Bernie McGuire seconded.

Motion passed.

Bylaws:

Bylaws were published in the Spring Newsletter and have been approved by the BOA. Bernie McGuire will give highlights of the by-law changes at the annual meeting. Members will vote on changes.

T-Shirts

We still have many leftover t-shirts to sell. It was suggested to give them to new members and new junior members.

Scholarship

Winner will be awarded a \$1,000 scholarship, to be paid after their first semester of college.

Linda Cassmann-Randall moved to adjourn

Gerald Graves seconded

Meeting Adjourned at 10:54 .

Treasurer's notes:

On July 7th, Maureen Wilson, a 47 year member and past-president of the Iowa Society passed away. Her family asked that in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions be directed to the Iowa Society of Mayflower Descendants. They also asked us if it would be possible to set up our IowaMayflower.org web site to accept on-line memorial contributions in her memory. We were happy to do so and were able to quickly accomplish it. The total received by check and on-line is \$1,020. The on-line link is not specific to Maureen and can be used for a memorial, remembrance, or special occasion for anyone. Please note the person's name in the note section.

This fall newsletter is your first reminder that your Mayflower dues for next year are due before December 31st of this year. You know, the time of year everyone gets busy with the holidays and travel and colds and mail stopping blizzards. Or is that just me. Our on-line membership renewal worked very well last year and received very good use. Please remember to also send an email or mail if your address or email changed since last year. And of course, we still welcome checks and postal mail. Membership is on a calendar year basis and expires each December 31st.

If your Mayflower membership initial application was (is) approved by the General Society this year, we have already collected your membership fee for 2025 and nothing additional is needed.

I am frequently asked about lifetime memberships. These haven't been available for many years and are not offered. However, I will accept the \$45 per year renewal fee in advance for a few years if you note that with your payment for this year if you wish.

Membership in the General Society of Mayflower Descendants must be through a state society such as ours and their dues are included in our dues. We remain one of the least expensive state societies to join and be a member of.

Gerald M. Graves, Treasurer

Janet Faye Young Webster Memorial

Janet Faye Young Webster went to meet her Lord on July 7, 2024, surrounded by her family at Harmony, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Janet was a past governor of the Iowa Society and 42 year member. She also was a cousin of Maureen Wilson's and died the same day in different cities.

Janet was a 12th generation descendant of the Pilgrims, John Howland and Elizabeth Tilley Howland. She served three years as Deputy Governor of the Iowa Society of Mayflower Descendants and six years as Governor. A great delight for Janet and Dave was their trip to America's Hometown in Plymouth, Massachusetts. They were both interested in American History and traveled to New England, Gettysburg and many other national historical sights.

Historian Update:

Currently, there are 382 active members in the Iowa Mayflower Society. Thus far, in 2024, we have welcomed 13 new members and have one application in the pending queue. We have added four new supplementals, with one in the pending queue. If you want to submit a supplemental, please get in touch with me at: iowahistorian@iowamayflower.org

New Member		Decendant
Helen Elizabeth	Brown	Alden
Jennifer Elaine	Cottrell	Doty
Denise Renee	Astorino	Hopkins
Beverly Alice	Levesque	Hopkins
Linda Elizabeth	Harvan	Mullins P
Guy Marvin	Pick	Brown
Amy J	Mills	Howland
Loren Brookman	Mahoney	Fuller E
Rachelle Biggs	Tuttle	Alden
Andrew Brookman	Mahoney	Fuller E
James C	Matlock	Bradford
Howard Richard	Dobson	Hopkins
Lori Boese	Tweeton	Hopkins C

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK



Elise James, a member of the Iowa Society of Mayflower Descendants, was a guest speaker at the Fall Forum of the Iowa Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Elise along with members from other lineage societies, presented information and handouts about how to qualify and join the societies. Thank you to Elise for representing the Iowa Mayflower Society so well!

Lisa Lang





If you have not had a chance to view the Iowa Mayflower Society website, we invite you to do so. You will find information about our upcoming meetings, the forms needed to renew your membership, Mayflower ancestor histories, links to the General Mayflower Society, and other Iowa Mayflower Society connections. Visit us at www.iowamayflower.org

In Memoriam

Name			GSMD#	IA#	Elected	Ancestor	Date of Death
Barbara	Fisher	Acheson	23581	466	1/29/2005	Warren	January 27, 2023
Patricia	Cowell	Redig	100734	1621	10/15/2021	Brewster	January 9, 2024
Scott	Owen	Morrell	103679	1661	1/6/2023	Brewster	June 6, 2024