

# IOWA HAWKEYE



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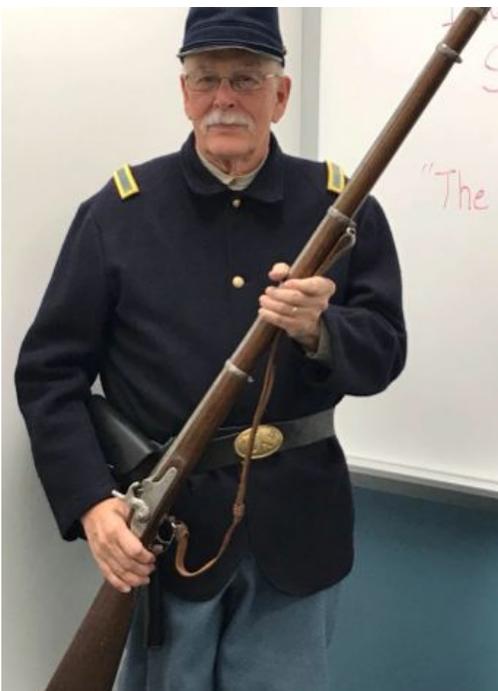
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**Iowa Mayflower Society  
Compact Day Meeting  
November 3rd in Des Moines.  
Machine Shed Restaurant  
Hickman Rd. exit off I-80/I-35 Urbandale, Iowa.  
Full turkey dinner \$16**

**10 A.M. Board of Assistants**

**11 A.M. Business meeting**

**NOON - LUNCH**

**GUESTS ARE WELCOME**

**Reservations are needed. \$16 includes lunch.  
Please contact Linda Cassman-Randall (319) 215-0360 •  
[lindaellen4765@gmail.com](mailto:lindaellen4765@gmail.com) before October 29.**

**1 P.M. Program**

**“First Person Portrayal of John Y. Stone, Civil War soldier,  
Lawyer, Legislator and Iowa Attorney General and  
Thanksgiving”**

presented by Stan Sibley, retired educator & historian of the Civil War

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE  
Linda Cassman Randall

On the 22nd of July 1620 the Separatists left Leyden, Holland, aboard the Speedwell (for our calendar today we add 10 days to the dates).

The 5th of August, they left Southampton on the Speedwell along with the Strangers on the Mayflower. They are forced to return to England twice to make repairs on the Speedwell. They finally decided to leave the Speedwell behind because they felt it was not seaworthy. (The Mayflower was about the size of two semi trucks end to end. The Speedwell was about 1/3 the size of the Mayflower.)

On the 6th (16) of September, 45 days after leaving Holland, the Mayflower finally leaves for the New World with 102 passengers and 20-30 crewmembers. Imagine what their lives are like now. 66 days on this terrible voyage and they will arrive in America. Little did they know of what was ahead of them in this new land and the mark they will leave on our country's history?

The Mayflower Compact, signed by 41 men in the Portsmouth, Cape Cod, was our first form of government by the people, for the people.

We need to be the ones to share the history of our brave ancestors. We would like everyone to check their old photos of Iowa Society happenings and maybe some on how your family remembers our ancestors. We would like to use them on our Iowa Societies' web page [Iowa Mayflower Society](#).

We are also asking members to help spread our Mayflower ancestor's story. I am proud to say that after being a member for 25 years that I still have grown men and women say "I remember when you told us \_\_\_ and showed us \_\_\_ or I was the boy you put the dress on. It can be as simple as reading a story to a grandchild's class or at a library or Sunday school. There are so many wonderful books for children. Even donate a book to your local school or library.

Let's share the ways we are sharing the word. I hope to see you in November.

*Linda Cassman-Randall*  
Governor

IOWA MAYFLOWER SOCIETY MINUTES

Governor Linda Cassmann-Randall called to order the May 5, 2018, meeting of the Iowa Society of Mayflower Descendants Board of Assistants at 10:03 a.m. at the Anamosa Public Library and Learning Center in Anamosa. Board members in attendance were John Butler, Pam Manning, Ruth Tucker, Tom Jacobson, Iris Eriksen, Bill Nichols, and Bernadine McGuire. Captain Tom Jacobson led the Pledge of Allegiance, and John Butler gave the opening prayer.

The minutes of the March 3, 2018 Board of Assistants meeting were approved as corrected. The third paragraph of the minutes should have stated that the Iowa Society nominated Daniel Wiechmann, Jr. as DGG and Ken Callison as AG, and they were elected and sworn in at the 2017 Tri-annual Congress. The National Officer's report should have stated that 1/3 of the \$5000 donation to the General Society will be sent at the March Board of Assistants meeting this year and in each of the next two years. Also, the minutes should reflect that the March 3, 2018 meeting was adjourned at 11:25 am.

The Treasurer's report was accepted and filed for review. It was noted that the Then and Now books have not yet been received. They were ordered in March.

Historian Pam Manning reported that we currently have 380 members and 247 junior members. We have had 8 approvals since November 2017. There are 6 applications pending at Plymouth and 5 more to be typed. Pam said she is averaging 2-3 contacts each day.

Deputy Governor John Butler reported the Compact Meeting would be held on November 3 in Des Moines. John will look for a place to have the meeting, probably a restaurant with a private room.

Junior Membership Chair Ruth Tucker stated it is difficult to keep track of junior members because we don't have emails or addresses for them and the sponsors for many of them are now deceased.

The Board discussed the society's new web page. Several suggestions were made, such as adding photos, making the background color pink, adding the Iowa Society mission statement, adding a list of members who will give presentations at local schools, and deleting the references to our society as a "chapter". Linda asked that all

Board members review the web page and send their comments and changes to her by the end of May. She will then consolidate the comments and pass them on to Gerald Graves, our technical advisor.

Pam Manning gave an update on the turkeys we were planning to have made for today's meeting. Pam said she purchased enough wood for 33 turkeys, but the maker of the turkeys has advised that he is too busy to do the work. We will need to find another person to make the turkeys. It was suggested we put something in the newsletter about finding a new vendor.

Linda Cassman-Randall will contact other state societies to see if they might be interested in purchasing some of our 1620-2020 T-shirts. We need a better photo of the shirts for our web page.

Today's Necrology Report will include spouses of two members. In the past we have not recognized spouses, but these two spouses provided exceptional support to the Iowa Society and should be recognized.

Bernadine McGuire will contact the 1620 Hotel in Plymouth to see if they are accepting reservations for the 2020 Congress. If so, she will reserve 6 rooms for Board members for September 10-20, 2020. She will also send a copy of the tentative 2020 Congress schedule to the Board members.

The next Board of Assistants meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. on August 25, 2018, at Bonanza in Des Moines.

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

*Bernadine McGuire*

Counselor

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Governor Linda Cassmann-Randall called to order the Annual Meeting of the Iowa Mayflower Society on May 5, 2018, at the Anamosa Public Library and Learning Center. The meeting was at 11:10 a.m. by. Elder Bill Nichols gave the invocation and Captain Tom Jacobson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Linda Cassmann-Randall welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked all those present to introduce themselves. Linda gave a special welcome to new member Geof Grimes from Waterloo, and she read an article about Geof from the Waterloo Courier, which described his many volunteer activities.

The minutes of the November 4, 2017 Compact Day meeting were approved as printed in the Winter 2018 newsletter.

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

Historian Pam Manning reported we currently have 380 members and 247 junior members. Two junior members have applied for adult membership.

Public Relations Chair Iris Eriksen reported that she put an article about the Iowa Mayflower Society in the Fall 2017 edition of the Iowa Magazine.

Scholarship Chair John Butler introduced the Iowa Mayflower Society 2018 Scholarship winner, Andrew Haan. Andrew is a senior at the Aplington-Parkersburg High School. He has been active in the academic decathlon, STEM group, Honor Society, football, golf, 4-H, and band. He won the Danforth "I Dare You" award. Andrew plans to attend Iowa State University in the fall and major in Mechanical Engineering and play in the jazz band. He was awarded a scholarship of \$500. Andrew brought his alto sax to the meeting and played a lovely rendition of the Star Spangled Banner for the group.

Elder Bill Nichols gave the Necrology Report. He honored the memory of four members and two spouses who passed away in the last year. They were members Shirley Neely, Ardeth Korourek, Bernard Hayden, and Ruth Kilmer, and spouses Nona Ferris and Luana McAllister.

Captain Tom Jacobson read the Mayflower Compact and then led the ancestors' roll call. There was a tie between the descendants of George Soule and Richard Warren. Each had four descendants present.

Deputy Governor John Butler introduced our speaker, Steve Hanken from the Jones County Historical Society. Mr. Hanken gave a very interesting presentation about the history of Jones County from the earliest days of settlement to the present. He also answered questions from the group.

A delicious lunch of sandwiches, veggie tray, fruit tray, and brownies was served.

The next meeting of the Iowa Mayflower Society will be the Compact Day meeting on November 3, 2018, in Des Moines. The location will be announced at a later date.

After a prayer by Elder Bill Nichols, the meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

*Bernadine McGuire*

Counselor

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Governor Linda Cassmann-Randall called the meeting of The Iowa Society of Mayflower Descendants Board of Assistants to order at 10:07 a.m. on August 25, 2018, at the Bonanza Steakhouse in Des Moines, Iowa.

Those attending were: Barb Gregersen, John Butler, Linda Cassmann-Randall, Bill Nichols, Pam Manning, Tom Jacobson, Iris Eriksen, Bernadine McGuire, and Gerald Graves.

Captain Tom Jacobson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Elder Bill Nichols gave a reading and prayer

The minutes of the May 5, 2018 meeting were accepted as printed.

The Treasurer's report was accepted and filed for review. There was an anonymous donation of \$1,000 to be used to help pay for the Iowa Society's pledge of \$5000 toward the National Pilgrim Memorial Meeting House.

Historian Pam Manning reported that 5 applications have been approved. Seven applications and 1 Supplemental have been sent to Plymouth. Total membership is 385 adult members. Historian's report is attached.

Junior Membership Chair Ruth Tucker sent a report that there are 252 Junior members. Books that Ruth Tucker gives to new Jr. members have been ordered.

Deputy Governor John Butler described his efforts to find a suitable location for the November Compact Day meeting. Bill Nichols moved and Bernadine McGuire seconded that the November 3, 2018, Compact Day meeting be held at the Machine Shed, 11151 Hickman Rd., Urbandale, Iowa. Motion passed. There is no charge for the meeting room. A "turkey" dinner will cost @\$16.00 per person.

Iris Eriksen moved and Bernadine McGuire seconded that John Butler contact Stan Sibley to present the program. Motion passed. Mr. Sibley only requires transportation to the site and a meal for himself and his wife.

A brief discussion about the May 4, 2019, meeting that the Governor General will attend was held.

Education Chair Linda Cassmann-Randall reported the following members stated that they are willing to present programs for the public: Barb Gregersen – Pilgrims; Iris Eriksen – story telling on various topics; Linda Cassmann-Randall – Pilgrims; Gerald Graves – Pilgrims. The email of these people will be put on the Society's website.

Public Relations Chair Iris Eriksen requested that someone with better connections to media outlets take over this position. The Board requested that Iris retain this position since no one volunteered to take her place.

#### Scholarship

Bill Nichols moved and Bernadine McGuire seconded that "Hardships endured by Pilgrims in Establishing the Plimouth Colony" be the 2019 scholarship essay topic. Motion passed.

Web Master Gerald Graves received several suggestions for changes/additions to the webpage. A list of those changes is attached to this report. A request that light pink be used for the background was accepted. Only names of new members and those who have died will be listed on the web page. None of the Society's financial information will be given on the web page.

None of the National Officers were in attendance.

#### Old Business

Pam Manning has 30 "Turkey" table decorations to be sold at the November meeting. Barb Gregersen moved and Iris Eriksen seconded that we charge \$10 for the turkey decorations. Motion passed. Proceeds from the sale will go to the scholarship fund.

#### New Business

BOA meeting dates will remain the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in March (March 2, 2019) and the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday in August (August 24, 2019).

Linda Cassmann-Randall will investigate advertising our T-shirts on the General Society's website. No T-shirts will be taken to the 2018 meeting in Illinois.

Bernadine McGuire reported that the "Hotel 1620" in Plymouth is not taking reservations yet for the 2020 Congress.

The next meeting will be at 10:00 a.m. on November 3, 2018 at the Machine Shed in Urbandale.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:52 a.m. Elder Bill Nichols closed the meeting with a prayer.

*Barb Gregersen*  
Recording Secretary

**APPROVED APPLICATIONS since the May, 2018, Newsletter****Descendants of William Bradford**

General # 93340 Iowa # 1544  
Whitney Lenore MOODY  
Talbot TN

**Descendants of William Brewster**

General # 93243 Iowa # 1543  
Charles Frederick LEAVENS  
Clinton IA

General # 93342 Iowa # 1546  
Janet Louise LEARNED HEVEY  
Fairview TX

**Descendants of Elizabeth Tilley Howland**

General # 93341 Iowa # 1545  
Melonie Jeanne MANNING  
Cedar Rapids IA

**Descendants of George Soule**

General # 93927 Iowa # 1547  
LeRoy Robert SOULE  
Merville IA

**Descendants of Richard Warren**

General # 93203 Iowa # 1542  
Nancy Mae McALLISTER BRAUN  
Cedar Rapids IA

<b>JUNIOR MEMBERS in IOWA</b>
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Did you sponsor a junior member in the Iowa Society or did one of your parents or grandparents sponsor your children? If so, please make sure we have the current address of the junior member(s) in your family. We are sending mailings to our junior members and finding that many of them are coming back with bad addresses.



**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!**

Do you have children, grandchildren, nieces or nephews under the age of 18? Are they already junior members? If not, consider sponsoring them today! They will receive a personalized certificate, recognition in a future Iowa Hawkeye, and membership for a one-time application fee of \$15 through the age of 25.

If a junior member becomes a full member between 18 & 25, the Society will waive \$40 of the application fee—a big savings for you! You can get the junior member application form at **Mayflower Descendants in Iowa**.

**Juniors aging out in 2018**

If you are a sponsor, or know any of these young people, please encourage them to become adult members. They will need to provide a photocopy of their birth certificate, parent's birth and marriage certificates if not Mayflower Society members, and any documentation required.

EDMONDS, Jessica Dawn  
BUWALDA, Jonathan Lucus  
KEITH, Stephanie Marie  
BASKINS, Ryan Duane  
STEILEN, Hannah Nicole  
SCHADE, Jenna Catherine  
APPELGATE, Shelby Jo  
BORCHARD, Seth Michael

WIRTZ, Michael Keith  
SCHNEIDER, Garrett Douglas  
HABBEN, Nigel Christian  
TURNER, Rhett Steven  
WIEGMANN, Cody Ray  
NORING, Tia Marie  
GURWELL, Thomas J.

### JUNIOR MEMBERS added since 1 February 2018

JR#	NAME	SPONSOR	MF ANCESTOR
1282	Justin Lee THORN	Maxine Coffman IA# 1507, Grandmother	Francis Cooke
1283	Braeden Andrew THORN	Maxine Coffman IA# 1507, Grandmother	Francis Cooke
1284	Kelsey Anne JOHNSTON	Maxine Coffman IA# 1507, Grandmother	Francis Cooke
1285	Ryan Dennis JOHNSTON	Maxine Coffman IA# 1507, Grandmother	Francis Cooke
1286	Carter James LEWIS	Maxine Coffman IA# 1507, Grandmother	Francis Cooke
1287	Kenley Anne LEWIS	Maxine Coffman IA# 1507, Grandmother	Francis Cooke
1288	Caliber Dennis COFFMAN	Maxine Coffman IA# 1507, Grandmother	Francis Cooke
1289	Brady Lynn OLSEN	Ricky Joe Mabary IA# 1378, Grandfather	Wm. Brewster

### IOWA MAYFLOWER SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP

#### 400<sup>th</sup> YEAR COMMEMORATIVE MAYFLOWER SHIRT

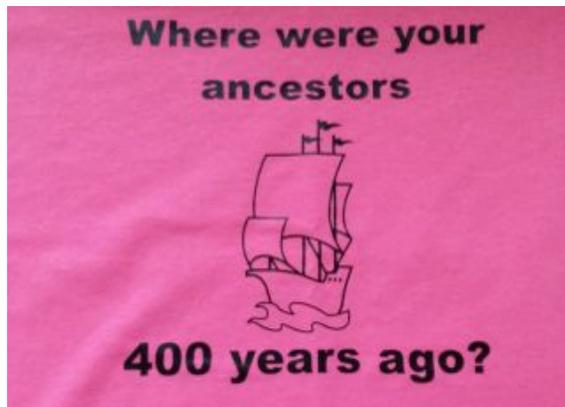
**Profit from these shirts goes to the Scholarship Fund.**

Orders are still being taken for these tee shirts or hoodies to be delivered at the COMPACT DAY Meeting Nov 3, 2018. They come in **Mayflower Hot Pink** or **Gray** with **black lettering**. Payment is requested at time of ordering. Contact Linda Cassman-Randall (319) 267-2297 • [lindaellen4765@gmail.com](mailto:lindaellen4765@gmail.com)

Tee shirts - Sizes S, M, L, XL - \$15

2XL & up - \$17

Hoodie sweatshirt - \$30



FRONT



Iowa Mayflower Shirt  
Back View

### IOWA MAYFLOWER SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP

The application must be postmarked no later than March 1, 2019.

#### 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 will be determined each year by the scholarship committee.

**The topic for the 2019 essay will be:**

**"Hardships endured in establishing the Plymouth Colony."**

A \$500.00 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 2019 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the relative \_\_\_\_\_ Iowa # \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Mayflower ancestor \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**The application must be postmarked no later than March 1, 2019.**

**Send to: Linda Cassman-Randall, 21957 Hwy 3, Allison IA 50602-9310**

## Today In our History

### On September 16, 1620, the Mayflower set sail from the harbor of Plymouth, England, on a voyage to America.



#### What Kind of Ship Was the Mayflower?

It was basically used as a cargo ship most of the time and made frequent trips between France and England. The Mayflower was thought to have been 90 to 110 feet long with three masts and three levels composed of the cargo hold, gun deck and main deck. She is believed to have been built around 1607, and upon her return to England, once again began making trading voyages.

#### Who Commanded the Mayflower?

The master of the ship was Christopher Jones, a part owner of the vessel, who was from Harwich, England. Although Jones originally planned to return to England after dropping off the new settlers, he and his crew ended up staying the winter at Plymouth, where illness claimed the lives of his gunner, boatswain, cook, three of the quartermasters and a number of sailors. Jones died in 1622 and is buried at St. Mary the Virgin church in Rotherhithe in the London borough of Southwark.



#### What Was the Mayflower Compact?

A contract with the Virginia Company was signed by those making the voyage, which set out the rules on how they would govern themselves once they arrived. The new settlers were originally supposed to land in northern Virginia but instead were taken to Massachusetts, and in the view of some, their contract with the Virginia Company became null and void. To keep law and order, the new immigrants signed what came to be known as the Mayflower compact—temporary rules based on majority vote.

#### Who Are Some of the Most Famous Descendants of Mayflower Passengers?

Writer Elizabeth Nix in November 2014 put together a list of seven famous Mayflower descendants for History.com, the website of cable TV's History Channel. Those descendants include George Eastman, founder of Eastman Kodak Company; world-famous TV chef Julia Child; Presidents John Adams, James Garfield, and Zachary Taylor; actor Humphrey Bogart; and painter/illustrator Norman Rockwell.

[http://www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk/  
http://mayflowerhistory.com/history-of-the-mayflower](http://www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk/http://mayflowerhistory.com/history-of-the-mayflower)

<https://www.sail1620.org/pilgrim-fun-facts/>

*The Mayflower and the Pilgrims' New World* by Nathaniel Philbrick

### TRUE OR FALSE

Test yourself on Pilgrim history and then read "What Happened and When?"

- T F Very few Pilgrims died during the first winter.
- T F The Pilgrims who died the first winter were buried in unmarked graves.
- T F There was enough room on the *Mayflower* for each family to have its own room.
- T F The children were allowed to run up and down the decks of the *Mayflower*.
- T F Some of the Pilgrims gave up and went back to England.
- T F 102 passengers sailed to the New World aboard the *Mayflower* in 1620.
- T F The first harvest feast celebrated by the Pilgrims lasted three days.
- T F The Pilgrims used oiled parchment in their windows instead of glass.
- T F The *Speedwell* arrived in the New World a few days after the *Mayflower*.
- T F Squanto taught the Pilgrims how to plant corn.

From *Nutmeg Gratings*, Vol. 30 No 2 – June 2010  
Answers for True or False Quiz on page 10.

### DID YOU KNOW?

... That 23 or the 52 Pilgrims that survive the first winter were children?

... That three of the children returned to England?

... That Francis Billington discovered another ocean? They were really two very large fresh water lakes –still known today as Billington Sea.

... Sugar and gum-dragon cakes were mixed with cinnamon and ginger to combat seasickness?

... The four More children were the only passengers on the *Mayflower* with known British Royalty connections: They were descended from King David I of Scotland and King Edward I of England.

... Women were not allowed to speak in church or interpret scripture?

... Church attendance was required? (three hours in the morning and three hours in the afternoon)

... Pilgrims did not celebrate Christmas or Easter?

... The Pilgrims introduced herbs to America? (basil, chives, fennel, parsley, rosemary, sage, and thyme)  
*from Children of the Mayflower compiled by Muriel Cushing 2005 and The Women of the Mayflower 1620" compiled by Margaret Harris Stover, 2004)*

... The formation of the New York Society of *Mayflower* Descendants in 1894 was actually the foundation of the GSMD?

... The General Society of *Mayflower* Descendants (GSMD) was officially organized in 1896 by the New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania State Societies?

... There is a picture of the landing of the Pilgrims on the 1914 US five dollar bill?

... The original GSMD flag was created in 1915 for an estimated \$135.00?

... In 1920, Congress Authorized a special half dollar issued with Gove Bradford on one side and the *Mayflower* on the other side?

... Also in 1920, the United States Postal Service issued three postage stamps (the one cent, two cent and five cent stamps) commemorating the Tercentenary of the Pilgrims' landing?

... The Florida Society of *Mayflower* Descendants was organized on August 7, 1937?

... The *Mayflower II* was a gift from the English people in 1957?

**True or False Quiz Answers: (1) F; (2) T; (3) F; (4) F; (5) F; (6) T; (7) T; (8) T; (9) F; (10) T**

### WHAT HAPPENED AND WHEN?

#### 1620:

**August 1<sup>st</sup>** – The Pilgrims leave Holland for England aboard the *Speedwell*.

**August 5<sup>th</sup>** – The *Mayflower* and the *Speedwell* leave Southampton, England. The *Speedwell* starts leaking so both ships return to shore. Most *Speedwell* passengers transfer to the *Mayflower*.

**September 6<sup>th</sup>** – The *Mayflower* sails to the New World with 102 passengers and 20-30 crew members.

**September-October** – Pilgrim John Howland falls overboard but is later rescued. Oceanus Hopkins is born.

**November 9<sup>th</sup>** – The *Mayflower* lands in Provincetown on Cape Cod.

**November 11<sup>th</sup>** – Forty-one men sign the *Mayflower* Compact aboard the ship before disembarking to explore the new land.

**December 6<sup>th</sup>** – A crew of men explore the coastline of Massachusetts, landing in a place they will later name Plymouth.

**December 16<sup>th</sup>** – the *Mayflower* and its passengers sail into Plymouth Harbor.

**December 18<sup>th</sup>** – The Pilgrims leave the *Mayflower*.

#### 1621:

**January-March** -- Almost half of the Pilgrims die during the first winter.

**March 16<sup>th</sup>** – The Pilgrims meet Somoset who tells them about Squanto. Squanto takes Pilgrim leaders to meet Massasoit, leader of the Wampanoag Nation.

**March 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Massasoit and Governor Carver sign a peace treaty.

**Spring** – Squanto teaches the Pilgrims to plant corn

**April** – Governor Carver dies and is replaced by William Bradford who will remain governor until his death in 1657.

**April 5<sup>th</sup>** – the *Mayflower* returns to England; all Pilgrims remain behind.

**September-October** – Massasoit and dozens of native men join the remaining 52 Pilgrims for a three-day harvest feast.

**November 9<sup>th</sup>** – The ship *Fortune* arrives with 35 settlers and not enough supplies.

#### 1622-1623:

**January-March 1622** -- This time is known as the “starving time.”

**1623** – Ships *Anne* and *Little James* arrive from England with supplies, saving those Pilgrims who remain alive. Some of the families on the original *Mayflower* passenger list are aboard these ships.

*From Nutmeg Gratings, Vol 30, No 2 – June 2010*

### PUNISHMENT IN THE COLONIAL ERA

Long prison terms were unusual in colonial America, jails were more often for short terms of imprisonment while the accused awaited their trials. Corporal punishment, such as branding with a hot iron or flogging, was common sentences for non-capital crimes.

Public humiliation or embarrassment was part of the punishment along with torment. Most colonial counties had a stocks or pillory. While similar, the stocks and the pillory were two different devices. Each had two heavy boards, hinged to lock together, and with holes cut out for the head and wrists of an offender to fit through. A set of stocks, though, had the offender seated on the ground. The pillory was mounted on a post, and the offender had to stand and bend down to fit his neck into the yoke. If the community was angry enough at the person confined to the stocks or pillory, the unfortunate might be bombarded with rocks, rotten fruit or garbage.

Fines were much more common than harsh punishments, though. Matters related to drink often came up in court, and they usually resulted in fines if the defendant was found guilty. Drunkenness could get people hauled into court, as could operating an unlicensed tavern, or selling beer or other beverages at too high a price.

One should not necessarily be embarrassed if an ancestor fell afoul of the county judges. It was not difficult to run afoul of a church parish court. Many an ancestor might be listed as being fined for skipping a church service, or refusing unpaid service on a vestry committee, or as a constable or a road commissioner. Breaking the Sabbath was a frequent charge. Using profane oaths, gambling, or even using one's spare time "idly and unprofitably" were also offenses in certain times and places. In 1631, a man was fined for "traveling ten miles" on a Sunday.

Town officials, and later, county judges, served as un-elected commissions. They had the authority to set tax rates, decide where roads and bridges would be built, and compelled citizens to construct and repair these public works. They granted or denied licenses for inns, taverns, mills and ferries.

*(submitted by Iris Erickson from "Tracing your Colonial Ancestors")*

#### 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 Iowa Society Scholarship Fund**, 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.

### PAY 2019 MAYFLOWER SOCIETY DUES NOW

Please use this membership form to help keep addresses current when you renew your 2019 Membership.

#### IOWA MAYFLOWER SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM - 2019

2019 Annual Dues (\$25) \_\_\_\_\_ **\$30 if submitting after 31 December, 2019** \_\_\_\_\_

Friends of the Iowa Mayflower Society (\$15) \_\_\_\_\_ Scholarship Donation \_\_\_\_\_

(Available to spouses, adopted or foster children of Iowa member)

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I want my newsletter via email attachment.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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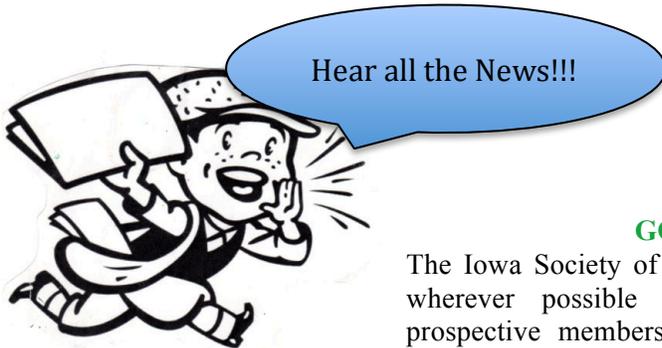
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**COMPACT DAY  
MEETING**

**Saturday, 3 NOVEMBER 2018**  
**Machine Shed Restaurant Hickman Rd.**  
**exit of I-80/I-35 Urbandale, Iowa.**  
**Reservations requested – See Page 1.**

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