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Iowa Mayflower Society Officers 2020-2023

Deputy Governor General Daniel F. Wiechmann, Jr.	Assistant General Kenneth R. Callison, Sr	Governor Linda E. Cassmann-Randall	Deputy Governor John S. Butler
Recording Secretary Barbara J. Gregersen	Corresponding Secretary Ruth M. Tucker	Treasurer Gerald Graves	Historian Pamela J. Manning
Assistant Historian Judy Stumbo	Captain Thomas R. Jacobson	Elder Kenneth R. Callison, Sr.	Surgeon Barbara Clayton, RN
Jr. Membership Chair Mary Ann Eckhart	Counselor Bernadine McGuire	Governor Emeritus Maureen D. Wilson	

COMPACT DAY MEETING
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2021
THE MACHINE SHED RESTAURANT
11151 Hickman Rd, Urbandale, Iowa.

10 A.M. Board of Assistants meeting

11 A.M. Business meeting

NOON - Dinner \$20 includes gratuities

Roast turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, green bean casserole, jellied cranberries, coleslaw, cottage cheese, rolls with butter, coffee, tea or milk and a cookie for dessert

PROGRAM

History of Iowa State Capitol Building
Tour representative with PowerPoint
Des Moines, Iowa

GUESTS ARE WELCOME

RESERVATIONS are needed by November 1.

Please contact Linda Cassman-Randall

(319) 215-0360 • lindaellen4765@gmail.com before November 1 and leave message.

IOWA MAYFLOWER SOCIETY GOVERNOR

Good Morning, Cousins.

What a year and a half we have been through. We had been so excited to celebrate our ancestor's 400th anniversary of their arrival in America.

I am so looking forward to our Compact meeting in November. We have gained new members and sadly lost some of our members. We have a lot to cover at our meeting so please make an effort to attend and welcome our new members and renew old friendships.

If you have any concerns or suggestions you would like our board to consider feel free to contact me. Cell-319-215-0360 or lindaellen4765@gmail.com.

Linda Cassmann-Randall
Governor

IOWA MAYFLOWER SOCIETY MINUTES

IOWA SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS BOARD OF ASSISTANTS MEETING

The Board of Assistants met at the Perkins Restaurant in Altoona, IA, on Wednesday, August 25, 2021. Those attending the Board meeting were Linda Cassmann-Randall, John Butler, Ken Callison, Pam Manning, Ruth Tucker, Maureen Wilson, Tom Jacobson, Judy Stumbo, Gerald Graves, and Bernadine McGuire.

Governor Linda Cassmann-Randall called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. All Board members recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Ken Callison gave the opening prayer.

Secretary's Report

The minutes of the June 2, 2021 Board of Assistants meeting were previously provided to the Board members via email. There were no corrections. Ken Callison moved that the minutes be approved as written. Bernadine McGuire seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Gerald Graves gave the Treasurer's Report. He stated that almost all income and expenses have been the result of new and supplemental applications. This month \$1000 was sent to Plymouth for deposit on our account to cover applications. To date, 55 members have not paid their 2021 dues. Notices have been sent and these members will be dropped. The Treasurer's Report will be filed for audit.

Historian's Report

Historian Pam Manning and Assistant Historian Judy Stumbo gave the Historian's Report. In the past two years, 41 new members have been approved (24 in 2020 and 17 in 2021) and 16 supplementals have been approved. Two applications have been rejected. Nine applications are pending at Plymouth. Pam has approximately 18 applications in process. Of our 389 members, 334 have paid dues for 2021 and 55 have not.

Deputy Governor Report

Deputy Governor John Butler reported that our Compact Day meeting is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, November 6, 2021, at the Machine Shed Restaurant in Urbandale. Linda Cassmann-Randall will take reservations. We will have to see how the pandemic situation is in November.

National Report

The General Society of Mayflower Descendants will hold its Board of Assistants meeting in Plymouth, MA, in September 2021. Deputy Governor General Daniel Wiechmann, Jr. and Assistant General Ken Callison will attend.

Corresponding Secretary

After Iris Ericksen resigned as Corresponding Secretary, the Board appointed Ruth Tucker to serve in this position until the next election, which will be held in November 2021. The Board discussed whether a candidate should be nominated for election to this position in November. The Board members had a lengthy discussion of the duties of the Corresponding Secretary and the Recording Secretary. It was noted that most of the Corresponding Secretary's duties are already being performed by other officers. Pam Manning made a motion to

eliminate the positions of Corresponding Secretary and Recording Secretary and to establish the position of Secretary. The Secretary would continue to take minutes of our meetings. The current listed duties of the Corresponding Secretary would be eliminated or added to other Board officer duties. Ruth Tucker seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously. Bernadine McGuire will draft changes to our bylaws to accomplish this change and it will be voted on by the membership at the November meeting.

Scholarship

Due to the pandemic, no scholarship was awarded in 2020 or 2021. A new topic will be selected and a scholarship will be awarded in May 2022.

T-shirts

We have a number of 2020 Mayflower T-shirts since we were unable to sell them at Plymouth last year. Linda Cassmann-Randall has them at her house. She plans to bring them to the November meeting and offer them for sale. The price is still \$15.

Necrology Report

The Necrology Report will be given at the November meeting. The report will cover 3 years.

Dues

Treasurer Gerald Graves described a problem that we have with collection of dues and payment of dues to the General Society (GSMD). We are required to pay dues to the GSMD for the upcoming year based on the number of Iowa Society members as of December 31 of the current year. However, our bylaws provide that we cannot drop members for non-payment of dues until the upcoming May. Thus, we are out \$35 for each member who does not pay their dues because we have already paid that amount to the GSMD. In order to remedy this problem, we need to drop members for non-payment of dues before December 31 of the current year so that we don't pay their dues for the upcoming year.

Gerald offered recommended changes to the Iowa Society bylaws.

The Board discussed and agreed to the following changes:

Proposed change #1. BYLAWS, ARTICLE III DUES

Current: SECTION 3. Any regular member who is in arrears for annual dues after the annual meeting in May and has not discharged this indebtedness within 30 days after written notice thereof, shall be dropped from the membership rolls. Notification of this, by the Treasurer, shall be made by mail.

Proposed: Any regular member who is in arrears for annual dues on December 31 ~~annual meeting in May and has not discharged this indebtedness within 30 days after written notice thereof~~, shall be dropped from the membership rolls. Notification of this, by the Treasurer, shall be made by mail.

#1 Comment: We pay GSMD membership dues for the **coming year** for all members who we do not report as died, resigned, or dropped effective December 31 of the **current year**. This change lets us drop unpaid members effective December 31^a before we are required to pay their upcoming dues for them to GSMD.

Proposed change #2, CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE IV, SECTION 4. Dropped for non-payment of dues/Reinstatement

Current: A member dropped from the Iowa Society for the non-payment of dues, may apply to the Board of Assistants.

Proposed: A member dropped from the Iowa Society for the non-payment of dues, will be re-instated upon payment of all dues and fees.

#2 Comment: The board shouldn't need to be involved in every late payment of dues. This makes re-instatement of dropped members automatic. Dues owed would be what, if any, dues owed when dropped, current dues, and a re-instatement fee, if owed.

Proposed change # 3. BYLAWS ARTICLE III – DUES, SECTION 1.

Current: “The annual dues of the Society shall be established each year by the Board of Assistants at the annual meeting and those dues become due and payable on the following January first, for the succeeding calendar year. The dues of new members elected after July 31 shall be considered paid until a year from the following January 1^a (one year’s dues are included in the application fee).”

Proposed: The annual dues of the 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 ~~elected after July 31~~ shall be considered paid until a year from the following December 31 (one year’s dues are included in the application fee).

#3 Comment: This costs us nothing and the result is that everyone approved within a calendar year ends up paying the same, and conflicts between by-laws and the Constitution are removed.

Gerald Graves moved that the proposed changes to the bylaws, as discussed and modified by the Board, be approved by the Board. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously. Bernadine McGuire will redraft the proposed changes for a vote by the membership at the November meeting.

Silent Auction

Maureen Wilson offered a quilted Christmas wall hanging to be auctioned off at our November meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Bernadine McGuire, Counselor

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE IOWA MAYFLOWER SOCIETY
CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS**

**CONSTITUTION
ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP**

SECTION 1. Requirements.....

A. Adult membership

1. Any prospective member may apply to any member of the Society for a preliminary application blank. The furnishing of this application blank is not to be construed as obligating the Society, or any officer, or any member thereof.

2. This application, when filled out, is to be submitted to the Historian and must include the name of the ancestor, through whom application is being 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 ~~Corresponding~~ Secretary shall read all applications for membership at State Society meeting.

ARTICLE IV – TRANSFER, RESIGNATION, AND REINSTATEMENT

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

A member dropped from the Iowa Society for the non-payment of dues, ~~may apply to the Board of Assistants.~~ 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. Following receipt of such application, the Board shall consider it at their next meeting. The Corresponding Secretary shall notify the applicant promptly, thereafter, of the results. If application is denied, included dues will be returned.~~

~~C.~~ Any dropped member, wishing to join another State Society, must be re-instated in Iowa 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	Recording Secretary	Corresponding Secretary
Treasurer	Historian	Counselor

A quorum shall consist of five members.

BYLAWS

ARTICLE 1 – OFFICERS

The Constitution of this Society specifies the following:

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

Deputy Governor General	Assistant Governor General	Governor
Deputy Governor	Recording Secretary	Corresponding Secretary
Treasurer	Historian	Counselor

SECTION 3. Duties of Respective Officers

D. There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of the Governor, Deputy Governor, ~~Corresponding Secretary, Recording~~ Secretary, Treasurer, Historian, and Counselor. The Governor is chairman of this committee. The ~~Recording~~ Secretary shall render a report to this committee at each meeting.

G. The ~~Recording~~ Secretary shall keep minutes for all meetings; ~~and shall, with the Governor, certify all acts and orders of the Society; and~~

~~H. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct personal correspondence of the Society; notify applicants of election, shall be in charge of such records as are not given specifically in the charge to other officers; and shall give notice of all meetings of the Society and Board of Assistants.~~

H. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds and monies of the 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 Society of the Board 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 Society,

The books shall be open at all times to the inspection of the Governor and the Board of Assistants.

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.

I. The ~~Corresponding~~ 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 Society upon presentation of an itemized report to the Board of Assistants.

ARTICLE II – BOARD OF ASSISTANTS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

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

ARTICLE ~~111~~ III – DUES

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

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

SECTION 3. Any regular member who is in arrears for annual dues ~~after the annual meeting in May and has not discharged this indebtedness within 30 days after written notice thereof,~~ on December 31 shall be dropped from the membership rolls. Notification of this, by the Treasurer, shall be made by mail.

(new section)

SECTION 5. 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**SECTION 3. Special meetings**

A. The Governor may, at any time, call a special meeting of the Board of Assistants or the 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.
(new subparagraphs)

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 5. Notice of all meetings of the Society shall be given by the ~~Corresponding Secretary~~ at least ten days prior to the date of the meeting.

ARTICLE V – ORDER OF BUSINESS

SECTION 2. 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:

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

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

**IOWA MAYFLOWER SOCIETY OFFICERS
SLATE OF CANDIDATES FOR 2020-2023**

Due to the pandemic, the Iowa Mayflower Society was unable to have a meeting in 2020 to elect officers for 2020-2023. In accordance with our Constitution and Bylaws, the Board of Assistants appointed officers to serve on an interim basis until an election could be held. At the November 2021 Compact Day meeting, an election will be held to make these interim appointments final. The slate of candidates to be elected for 2020 – 2023 is as follows:

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| Deputy Governor General – Daniel F. Wiechmann, Jr. | Governor Emeritus – Maureen D. Wilson |
| Assistant General – Kenneth R. Callison, Sr. | |
| Governor – Linda E. Cassmann-Randall | |
| Deputy Governor – John S. Butler | |
| Secretary – Barbara J. Gregersen | |
| Treasurer – Gerald M. Graves | |
| Historian – Pamela Manning | |
| Assistant Historian – Judy Stumbo | |
| Elder – Kenneth R. Callison, Sr. | |
| Captain – Thomas R. Jacobson | |
| Surgeon – Barbara Clayton | |
| Counselor – Bernadine Feller McGuire | |

APPROVED APPLICATIONS since the 2020/2021 Winter Newsletter

Gen #	IA#	NAME	ANCESTOR
99435	1608	Carol Marie STROTHMAN MESSER, Yarmouth, IA	John Billington
81701	1609	Ida Sue SHEPARD SIMMONS, Ames, IA	James Chilton
99608	1610	Kieran LeAnn BURTON, Davenport, IA	Mary Allerton
99666	1611	Mary Ada BENNETT DILLINGER, Bourbonnais, IL	Richard Warren
99751	1612	Alyssa Joy CAMPBELL ARNEMANN, Grand Rapids, MI	John Alden
99752	1613	Travis CAMPBELL, Chicago, IL	John Alden
99884	1614	Carol Susan EGLY, Pandora, IA	Mary Chilton
99885	1615	Nancy Jo EGLY, Pandora, IA	Mary Chilton
100025	1616	Gregory Scott MEYERS, Auburn, AL	Francis Cooke

100026	1617	Judith Helen MULL MEYERS, Cedar Falls, IA	Francis Cooke
100035	1618	Randy James BREESE, West Des Moines, IA	Peter Brown
6100036	1619	Robbin Lynn HIGGINS, West Des Moines, IA	Edward Fuller

In Memoriam

Gen# 85701 IA# 1418 Ellen Eleanor CASTLEMAN LOOKER, died 13 January 2021, age 101, Elected 17 June 2013, Ancestors: Isaac Allerton, Francis, Wm. Brewster,

Gen# 45470 IA# 897 Vicky Eileen JONES, died 26 January 2021, age 65, Elected 1 April 1981, Ancestor: Edward Doty.

Gen# 85598 IA# 1416 Kathleen KELLOGG, died 28 February 2021, age 74, Elected 30 April 2013, Ancestor: John Alden

Gen# 81285 IA# 1346 Charlotte May CAPEN FOSTER, died 13 January 2021, age 92, Elected 6 October 2009, Ancestor: John Alden

Gen# 33577 IA# 638 Marjorie Gladys SAUNDERS CLEMENS, died 23 July 2021, Age 87, Elected 21 Nov 1970, Ancestors: Stephen Hopkins, Francis Cooke, Isaac Allerton, Mary Norris Allerton

Gen# 21412 IA# 427 George Howard UTLEY, died 8 May 2021, age 91, Elected 19 November 1955, Ancestor: Wm. Bradford

JUNIOR MEMBERS added since 2019/2020 Winter newsletter

JR#	NAME	SPONSOR	MF ANCESTOR
1330	Peyton Chanh MEYERS	Judith H. Meyers	
1331	Hayden Norman MEYERS	Judith H. Meyers	
1332	Taylan Phonh MEYERS	Judith H. Meyers	
1333	Eli James Olsen	Reid Maybary	

2022 IOWA MAYFLOWER SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM – 2022

Please use this membership form to help keep addresses current when you renew your 2022 Mayflower Membership.

_____ 2022 Annual Dues \$40. Reinstatement fee \$5 if submitting after 31 December, 2021,

The General Society raised dues in September 2020 and we are phasing in the increase to \$40 for 2022 and \$45 for 2023

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

_____ Yes, I want my newsletter via email attachment.

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____

9-digit Zip Code ____ - ____ Phone _____ E-mail _____

Send check **payable to Iowa Mayflower Society** to: Gerald M. Graves treasurer, 28249 360th St., Van Meter, IA. 50261-6011

If you wish to be resigned in good standing, send a letter to Gerald Graves before 31 December 2021.

**Life members, 50-year members and junior members in the Iowa Society do not pay annual dues.

**Active duty military members may become exempt from annual dues after November 6th



IOWA SOCIETY HAVE
MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS
Address Correction requested.

If you haven't paid your 2021 yearly dues, please complete the form on page 7 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> notified of any address changes, deaths, etc. to help us keep an updated address list.

You are encouraged to attend the Compact Day meeting, November 6, 2021, at the Machine Shed Restaurant, 11151 Hickman Rd, Urbandale, Iowa. Make your reservations soon.