

Iowa Society of Mayflower Descendants

Compact Day Meeting - Saturday, November 1, 2025

The Iowa Society of Mayflower Descendants Compact Day Meeting was held Saturday, November 1, 2025, at the Machine Shed Restaurant, 11151 Hickman Road, Urbandale, IA

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

Pledge of Allegiance led by Captain, Jackie Peters

Invocation by 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

The minutes from the Spring Meeting on May 3, 2025, were printed in the Fall 2025 Newsletter. Randy Breese moved and Jill Warner seconded to approve the minutes as presented in the Fall newsletter. The minutes from the May 3, 2025, Spring Meeting were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report - Gerald Graves

The treasurer's report will be attached to the minutes and filed for review. There is a \$50,000 security bond that insures all officers. Dues will remain the same at \$45 per year. No dues for active military. There are no lifetime memberships issued. The treasurer's report was reviewed by Ken Callison and found to be in order.

Historian's Report - Rebecca Campbell

- 332 members as of December 31, 2024
- 14 new members to date
- 4 pending members
- 1 supplemental
- 9 reinstated
- 0 transferred out
- 0 transferred in
- 1 death
- 354 members currently

Rebecca Campbell is resigning as Historian and Lori Reynolds has agreed to become our interim Historian for the rest of the term (through May 2026) and was appointed unanimously by the BOA.

Junior Membership—Jill Warner

- 248 Junior members currently

\$15 application fee to become a junior member. This covers dues through age 25. At age 26 members pay yearly dues. Jill sends a welcome packet of items when they become a junior member.

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

Iowa Mayflower Scholarship—We will offer the Iowa Mayflower Society scholarship again this year (2026) in the amount of \$1,000. The topic for the 2026 essay will be: “Carrying the Pilgrim Legacy: How My Mayflower Heritage Shapes Who I Am”. Application and submission of all requirements is due March 1, 2026. The winner will be published in the Spring newsletter. All information about the scholarship opportunity is available on the Iowa Mayflower website. To find out more about the scholarship, go to <https://iowamayflower.org/scholarships.html> Lisa Lang, Secretary, encouraged all who have a lineal blood relative (grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews) to apply for the scholarship.

National BOA Meeting update – Ken Callison

There was a National BOA meeting in San Antonio in September 2025 that Ken Callison attended. The triennial meeting in Plymouth, MA will next take place September of 2026. Delegates from the Iowa Society will be appointed. There are fundraising efforts to raise money for the Meeting House in Plymouth.

Newsletter & Website - James Murphy

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

Check out our Iowa Mayflower Society website. www.iowamayflower.org

Thank you to James for continuing to work on the newsletter and website!

Reading of the Mayflower Compact - Captain, Jackie Peters

Number of Descendants - Captain, Jackie Peters

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| John Alden 4 | Mary (Chilton) Winslow 0 | Richard More 0 |
| Pricilla (Mullins) Alden 6 | Francis Cooke 9 | William Mullins 3 |
| Bartholomew Allerton 0 | John Cooke 1 | Degory Priest 1 |
| Isaac Allerton 0 | Edward Doty 5 | Joseph Rogers 2 |
| Mary (Norris) Allerton 0 | Francis Eaton 2 | Thomas Rogers 3 |
| Mary (Allerton) Cushman 0 | Samuel Eaton 0 | Henry Samson 1 |
| Remember (Allerton) Maverick 0 | Sarah Eaton 0 | George Soule 8 |
| Elinor Billington 2 | Moses Fletcher 0 | Myles Standish 1 |
| Francis Billington 2 | Edward Fuller 2 | Elizabeth (Tilley) Howland 6 |
| John Billington 4 | Mrs. Fuller (Wife of Edward) 0 | John Tilley 2 |
| William Bradford 0 | Samuel Fuller (Son of Edward) 0 | Joan (Hurst) Tilley 2 |
| Love Brewster 3 | Samuel Fuller (Brother of Edward) 0 | Richard Warren 4 |
| Mary Brewster 3 | Constance (Hopkins) Snow 5 | Peregrine White 0 |
| William Brewster 4 | Giles Hopkins 1 | Resolved White 0 |
| Peter Browne 1 | Stephen Hopkins 7 | Susanna (Jackson)White Winslow 0 |
| James Chilton 1 | Elizabeth (Fisher) Hopkins 1 | William White 1 |
| Mrs. Chilton (Wife of James) 0 | John Howland 6 | Edward Winslow 0 |

Francis Cooke had the most with 9 descendants present.

Dismissal for lunch was at 11:46 a.m.

Lunch Prayer – Elder, Kenneth Callison

Speaker Introduction - Deputy Governor, Mark Church

Our guest speaker was Kara Sherman presenting a program about Living History Farms. She spoke about the past, present and future plans for LHF. She had an interesting slide show that

featured the many types of farms that are available to tour. The village of Walnut Hill within Living History Farms showcases many buildings typical of a town in the late 1800's.

Deputy Governor, Mark Church gave the closing remarks of the meeting and reminded us that our speaker for the Spring Meeting will be the Mayflower Society's Governor General, Lisa Pennington.

Closing prayer by Elder, Ken Callison.

Adjournment by Deputy Governor, Mark Church
Meeting Adjourned at 1:11 p.m.

Next Meeting: Spring Meeting May 2, 2026

Submitted by
Lisa Lang, Secretary