



# MAYFLOWER NEWSLETTER

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Society of Mayflower Descendants in Michigan

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## 2010 Compact Day Luncheon Call For Reservations

It is again time to make your reservations for the 2010 Compact Day Luncheon. This year it will be held at the Cascade Manor House, in Jackson, Michigan. David Irwin will be the speaker at the November 13 Compact Day Mayflower Luncheon. He will discuss early families coming into Michigan via Canada, including Loyalist families from Dutchess County, NY that went to Nova Scotia then to Hamilton, Ontario, and on into Michigan. This meeting will also include the election of the new officers for your Society.

### **The Nominating Committee's slate for the 2010 Election of Officers (according to the By-Laws Article IV, Section 1) is as follows:**

#### **ELECTED OFFICERS OF THE BOARD**

**(these persons are voting Board members):**

GOVERNOR: June Gorman

DEPUTY GOVERNOR: Grace Smith

ELDER: Terry McKane

TREASURER: Thora Goodnight

RECORDING SECRETARY: Elizabeth Williams

HISTORIAN: Diane Sonneck

HISTORIAN FOR JUNIORS: Patricia Brown

**BOARD OF ASSISTANTS (four members who are also voting Board members, with their respective assigned positions). It should be noted that the positions of the four Assistants, may function in any capacity that the Board requires of them:**

ASSISTANT: Anne Burke, Membership Secretary and Directory Chairperson

ASSISTANT Clara Vickers, Corresponding Secretary

ASSISTANT: Barbara Greene, Co-Historian

ASSISTANT: Bonnie Vokits, Publicity Secretary

#### **APPOINTED POSITIONS (to be approved)**

**According to the By-Laws (Article IV, Section 4) appointed non-voting positions:**

Historian's Aid: Cory Randall

Counselor: Mary Ellen Byrne

**Flag Captain: Position remains unfilled, volunteer needed**

Scholarships: Sandra Clark

Web-Master: Grace Smith

Newsletter Editor: June Gorman

Finance Committee: Sandra Leffler, Terry McKane, Gregory Todd,  
Thora Goodnight, and June Gorman

**REPORT**  
**SEPTEMBER 2010 BOARD OF ASSISTANT'S MEETING,**  
**SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA**

The 2010 Board of Assistant's Meeting was held in San Diego, at the Handlery Hotel, on September 10-12, with attending Michigan members: Terry McKane, Former Assistant Governor General and General Society's Finance Committee Chairperson; Cory Randall, DGG and Michigan Governor; and June Gorman, AG and Michigan Deputy Governor.

The first order of business was the ratification of the actions of the Executive Committee, which included numerous items of general operations and also included the approval of:

- A.) The change to Gateway Press, for the publishing of the Quarterly, for a savings of \$46,000.
- B.) The "Brick Project" for the Mayflower House and Library Gardens.  
Members may purchase a memorial brick, for a pathway, for \$150. State Societies and officers may purchase a special brick to be placed around the sundial, for \$250, with a limited number. The bricks may contain 3 lines of 20 characters per line.
- C.) The publication of 400 copies of the Diamond Jubilee Mayflower Quarterly book by Gateway Press,
- D.) A monthly stipend for Jeremy Bangs for Pilgrim research in Holland.

The "Code of Conduct" law was defeated, a second time, as a duplication of current laws.

Reports of the Society Officers and Committees included their accomplishments and their goals for the Society.

The Mayflower Society's Library will celebrate its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2011. The Society celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of the Pilgrim Monument in Provincetown, marking the 1<sup>st</sup> landing to the Pilgrim.

Terry McKane reported that the proposed budget was balanced; that the Society was in good financial shape, even though sales, new memberships, and supplementals were down, perhaps due to the current economy; and the Society saved \$19,00 by changing gardening services for the Mayflower House and Library. It was also reported that our Society was ranked the number 1 society (out of 700) by the Brown and Harriman Investment Service.

Paul Bumpas, General Society's Historian reported that Priscilla Mullins was fast becoming the most popular ancestor for new membership papers. Since 2009 there have been 1655 new members, which is lower than average.

Carol Levill, of Kansas, was awarded the Distinguished Service Award, for her over 35 years of service to the Society.

The new state DGG and AG medals need to be re-designed, as they do not hang properly (it is good that Michigan did not order them yet). Having a state medal was the idea of Harry Folger, who was one of our guest speakers at the 2010 Michigan Spring Luncheon. The Society also approved a bronze medal for the Governors of State Colonies.

In 2009 there were 1491 visitors to the Mayflower House. The Christmas tours are especially popular. The Mayflower House Committee reported that air conditioning is necessary to preserve its collection.

Although DNA is increasing in value to the Society, the Society will still require a proven paper trail. The 5 Generation Project has been expanded to 6 Generations.

The library has over 80,000 descendant files, in the fire proof vault, which are in need of rolling storage file cabinets. The Library would like to collect donations to purchase these.

Junior members can access the Society "Facebook" account under Mayflower Junior's group.

A nominating committee was chosen, for the 2011 election, at the General Congress in Plymouth, which included two members from Michigan; Terry McKane and Mary Ellen Bryne, both past Michigan Governors. A tour of Massachusetts will be offered immediately following the 2011 General Congress (details below).

Since some states cannot afford a scholarship award for its members, The General Society will now offer a \$5000 annual scholarship, which can be carried over to the following year, if there are no applicants. Only the children or grandchildren of current members may qualify. Details will be published in the Quarterly.

Respectfully Submitted, June Gorman, AG, Deputy Governor, Newsletter Editor.

## 2011 MASSACHUSETTS TOUR

Immediately following the 2011 General Congress of the Mayflower Society a Massachusetts tour will be offered from September 14 to 20, by Plymouth Travel, which includes 6 nights: 2 nights at the Four Points Sheraton, in Eastham; 3 nights at the Best Western Roundhouse, in Boston; and 1 night at the Radisson Hotel, in Plymouth. Transportation will be by motor coaches. Meals included are: 6 continental breakfasts and 2 dinners, including a farewell dinner in Plymouth. The cost will be \$1499 per person based on double occupancy, with a \$500 non-refundable deposit due on 14 July 2011; this also includes all hotel taxes, service charges, state and local taxes, tips to baggage porters and hotel staff, and admissions. Day 1 will include: Plymouth, Chatham, and Eastham, including: the Aptuexet Trading Post, the Twin Lights Lighthouse, Cape Cod National Seashore, First Encounter Beach, Cove Burying Ground (Hopkins and Rogers), and a visit to the Thomas Prence House. Day 2 will include: Eastham and an excursion to Provincetown. You will visit the Pilgrim Monument and the seaside village of Provincetown, with free time for shopping. Then to Truro for the Highland House Museum, and on to Pilgrim Spring and Corn Hill, both also important Pilgrim sites. After a stop at Wellfleet, you will return to Eastham. Day 3 will include: Eastham, Salem, and Boston. You will see Hawthorne's House of the Seven Gables and the Peabody Essex Museum, followed by dinner in Boston. Day 4 will be in Boston, for visits to the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston Public Library, King's Chapel Burying Ground (Mary Chilton), and the Faneuil Hall Marketplace. Day 5 will include: the Old North Church and a ferry ride to Little Brewster Island. Day 6 will include Boston, Marshfield, Duxbury, Kingston, and Plymouth including the Mayflower Society, Peregrine White's home; William Brewster, John and Priscilla Alden, George Soule and Myles Standish's burial sites; Myles Standish's monument, John Bradford and John Howland's homes. For information call Barbara Williams 803-374-6394 and/or Plymouth Travel 508-746-0844.

## WELCOME ABOARD NEW MICHIGAN MEMBERS

Ellen Crowley Monahan , *Ancestor*: William Bradford  
Lawrence Delton Bradford, *Ancestor*: William Bradford  
Joseph William Leo, *Ancestor*: John Alden  
Evan Ford Smith, *Ancestor*: William Brewster  
Tyler Elizabeth Smith, *Ancestor*: William Brewster  
Lynne Neville (Colter) Witt, *Ancestor*: Francis Cooke  
Grace June Brennan Oliver Colter, *Ancestor*: Francis Cooke  
Jennifer Lynn (Smith) Vawter, *Ancestor*: William Brewster  
Elizabeth Mary (Eager) Filkins, *Ancestor*: Stephen Hopkins  
Joanne Elizabeth (Helsey) Abbott, *Ancestor*: Thomas Rogers  
Jeffrey Loud Kern, *Ancestor*: William Brewster  
James Warren Watson, *Ancestor*: James Chilton  
Carl Eugene Thurston, *Ancestor*: Thomas Rogers  
Martha Louise (Fuller) Breen, *Ancestor*: Francis Cooke  
Mindy Rae Bouman, *Ancestor*: Francis Cooke  
Mark Thomas Leo, *Ancestor*: John Alden  
Caroline Raz Hartman, *Ancestor*: William Brewster  
Betty Lorene (Fey) Campbell, *Ancestor*: Stephen Hopkins  
Amelia Beth (Rabus) Toreson, *Ancestor*: William Brewster  
Robert Louis Ramsdell, *Ancestor*: Francis Eaton  
William Russell Eager, *Ancestor*: Stephen Hopkins  
Carole Lynn (Cardew) Forster, *Ancestor*: Francis Cooke  
Jean Ann (Curtis) Raymo, *Ancestor*: John Howland  
Michael Alan Schons, *Ancestor*: William Bradford  
Jacquie Louanna (Mueller) Kovach, *Ancestor*: William Bradford

### SUPPLEMENTALS:

Carolyn Margaret (Hill) Krueger, *Ancestor*: Richard Warren  
Larry Dayne Himebaugh, *Ancestor*: Richard Warren  
Michele Diane (Lavrack) Forcier, *Ancestor*: John Howland  
Gregory Vincent Todd, *Ancestor*: Edward Fuller

## WELCOME NEW JUNIOR MEMBERS:

**Alexander Dayne Himebaugh** - *William Bradford* - Sponsor: Larry Dayne Himebaugh

**Emma Marie Himebaugh** - *William Bradford* - Sponsor: Larry Dayne Himebaugh

**Carolyn Margaret Zimmerman** – *Francis Cooke* –

Sponsor: Karen Margaret Zimmerman

**Elizabeth Lane Zimmerman** – *Francis Cooke* – Sponsor: Karen Margaret Zimmerman

**John William Zimmerman** – *Francis Cooke* – Sponsor: Karen Margaret Zimmerman

**Hannah Frances Vawter** – *William Brewster* – Sponsor: Jennifer Lynn Vawter

**Jacob Elliott Vawter** – *William Brewster* – Sponsor: Jennifer Lynn Vawter

**Cody Christian Krueger** – *Francis Cooke* – Sponsor: Charles William Krueger

**Joseph Drake McLean** – *William Bradford* – Sponsor: Clara E. Vickers

**Kalyn Willow Proctor** – *John Howland* – Sponsor: Johanna Balzer

**Juniors who are interested in our scholarship award,  
should consult our Michigan website for the details on the entries,  
[michmayflower.org](http://michmayflower.org)**

**To sponsor a junior member, one must only complete a simple application, which requires no proofs. The only necessity is that the Junior member be related to the Mayflower member-sponsor and be a descendant of the same Mayflower passenger. There is also a \$10 one-time only application fee. The new Junior member will receive a Junior Membership certificate and other Mayflower related items. If you are interested please contact our Historian for Juniors, Patricia Brown.**

### IRISH NAMING PATTERN

1<sup>st</sup> son: Named for the father's father

1<sup>st</sup> daughter: Named for the mother's mother

2<sup>nd</sup> son: Named for the mother's father

2<sup>nd</sup> daughter: Named for the father's mother

3<sup>rd</sup> son: Named for the father

3<sup>rd</sup> daughter: Named for the mother

4<sup>th</sup> son: Named for the father's eldest son

4<sup>th</sup> daughter: Named for the mother's eldest sister

Please note that naming patterns existed  
in several European countries, as well.

**MEMBERS WANT TO KNOW --****HOW ARE THE DATES FOR OUR LUNCHEON MEETINGS CHOSEN ?**

THE DATE FOR THE COMPACT DAY LUNCHEON, IN THE FALL, IS ALWAYS SCHEDULED AS CLOSE AS POSSIBLE TO THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIGNING OF THE MAYFLOWER COMPACT (NOVEMBER 21), HOWEVER AS PAST EXPERIENCE HAS SHOWN, THE FIRST HALF OF THE MONTH HAS BEEN MORE SUCCESSFUL DUE TO THE MICHIGAN HUNTING SEASONS.

THE DATE FOR THE SPRING LUNCHEON IS MUCH MORE DIFFICULT TO DETERMINE. THE MONTH OF MAY CONTAINS MOTHER'S DAY, MEMORIAL DAY, GRADUATIONS, AND END-OF-THE SEASON EVENTS GALORE. THE ENTIRE SPRING SEASON IS FILLED WITH HAPPY EVENTS, WHICH COMPLICATES CHOOSING A DATE FOR OUR LUNCHEON.

MEETING SITES ARE RESERVED AT LEAST A YEAR AHEAD OF TIME WITH CONSIDERATION GIVEN TO LOCATION AND QUALITY OF THE FACILITY.

MANY A HAIR HAS TURNED GRAY OVER THE SELECTION OF A DATE.

Submitted by Anne Burt, Membership Chairperson.

**STEPHEN HOPKINS**

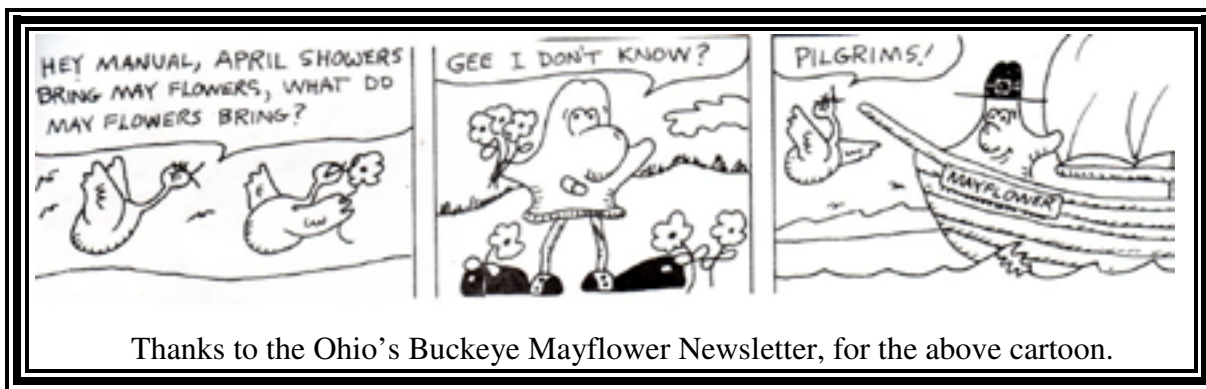
The speaker at the San Diego Board of Assistant's meeting was the author Caleb Johnson, of the book "*Here Shall I Die Ashore, Stephen Hopkins, Bermuda Castaway, Jamestown Survivor, and Mayflower Pilgrim*". This book can be ordered from Xlibris Corporation at Phone: 888-795-4274 or website [www.Xlibris.com](http://www.Xlibris.com). This book is a detailed description of the experiences of Mayflower Passenger Stephen Hopkins (with photographs) and also includes: The true origin of Stephen Hopkins of the Mayflower, with evidence of his earlier years in Virginia; The first three generations of Stephen Hopkins' descendants; A journey to Pokanoket, a chapter from "*A Relation or Journal of the Beginning and Proceedings of the English Plantation settled at Plymouth in New England*"; and *Silvester Jourdain's Description of the Sea Venture's Wreck in Bermuda and Their Escape to Jamestown.*"

My first job was working in an Orange Juice factory, but I got canned;  
 couldn't concentrate.  
 Then I worked in the woods as a Lumberjack, but just couldn't hack it,  
 so they gave me the axe.  
 After that, I tried being a Tailor, but wasn't suited for it,  
 mainly because it was a sew-sew job.  
 Next, I tried working in a Muffler Factory,  
 but that was too exhausting.  
 Then, tried being a Chef - figured it would add a little spice to my life,  
 but just didn't have the thyme.  
 Next, I attempted being a Deli Worker, but any way I sliced it,  
 I couldn't cut the mustard.  
 My best job was as a Musician,  
 but eventually found I wasn't noteworthy.

As mentioned in the December Mayflower Quarterly, the General Society has decided to expand the list of Mayflower passengers to whom lineage can be traced, for membership and supplemental. This new list became effective on 1 January 2010 and now includes all passengers, male and female who are known to have left descendants. The new list includes:

Priscilla Mullins Alden  
 Mary Norris Allerton  
 Elinor Billington  
 Mary Brewster  
 Susanna Chilton  
 Sara Eaton  
 Mrs. Edward Fuller  
 Elizabeth Fisher Hopkins  
 Elizabeth Tilley Howland  
 Alice Mullins  
 Joan Hurst Tilley  
 Susanna White  
 Susanna Winslow

Bartholomew Allerton  
 Remember Allerton  
 Francis Billington  
 Love Brewster  
 Mary Chilton  
 John Cooke  
 Mary Allerton Cushman  
 Samuel Eaton  
 Samuel Fuller  
 Constance Hopkins  
 Giles Hopkins  
 Joseph Rogers  
 Resolved White



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