



# ILLINOIS *Mayflower* NEWS

SUMMER 2018

## *Governor's Message*

Dear Members:

I hope you have made plans to attend the General Society Board of Assistants Meeting at Pheasant Run Resort in St. Charles, Illinois, September 5 - 9, 2018. The Illinois Society is hosting this event. It offers an opportunity to see the larger organization in action and meet some of the General Society officers.

Take time to review the Nominating Committee's report (*page 12*) which will be acted upon at the Annual Meeting and Fall Luncheon on November 17, 2018. Invitations to this event at the Bloomington Country Club in Bloomington will be mailed in October.

Please investigate the Illinois Society's Scholarship program. It is awarded in the amount of \$2,500 based upon an application and recommendations. The entry deadline is April 1, 2019 for the next award. Turn to page 9 for our Scholarship Chair report and more information.

Also, please plan to join the group at Illinois Heritage Weekend on September 21 - 23, 2018 in East Peoria, Illinois. More than eighteen heritage societies will be represented.

I welcome your input. If you would like to serve on the Board of Assistants – or have ideas for events, projects or anything at all – please contact me or any other Board member. A list is on page 12.

*Sincerely – John Schellinger, Governor*



## Save the Date

**September 5-9, 2018:**  
**General Society Board of Assistants Meeting** at Pheasant Run Resort in St. Charles, IL. All Mayflower Society Members and guests are welcome. *Hope to see you there.*

**September 21-23, 2018:**  
**Illinois Heritage Weekend** in East Peoria, IL.  
*(Story on page 11)*

**November 2, 2018:**  
New York Mayflower Society **Debutante Ball** in New York City. Current members of any state society may attend the ball and sponsor a female descendant. *For information: [mayflower-newyork.org/annual-ball/](http://mayflower-newyork.org/annual-ball/)*

**November 17, 2018:**  
Illinois Mayflower Society **FALL LUNCHEON AND ANNUAL MEETING** at Bloomington Country Club in Bloomington, IL. The gathering will include a welcome ceremony for newly approved members and a tour of Judge Davis' historic mansion.  
*(Story on page 15)*

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# Spring Luncheon and ART TOUR

SPRING LUNCHEON and ART TOUR • UNION LEAGUE CLUB of CHICAGO • MAY 19, 2018



Les and Nancy Lipschutz surrounded by their family – daughter Arielle Dachman, son-in-law Jeff Dachman and granddaughters Macey (with bow) and Sylva.



John J. Dombek III and his mother Priscilla Wright Dombeck



Candice Knippenberg and Raymond Knippenberg

By Mary Morony, Recording Secretary

At the May 19 spring gathering of the Illinois Mayflower Society, members and their guests were treated to an after-lunch tour of the Union League Club's extensive collection of works by American artists.

Sponsoring member William Conger, former ISMD Education Committee Chair, who was named "Union League Distinguished Artist Member" in 2010, began the tour with an explanation of his abstract painting, "Ravenswood."

Next, club member docents Elizabeth Peters, Jim Aylesworth and Tinsley Preston, III, escorted the group to the 2nd Floor President's Hall where they described the significance of several paintings. But these are only a small part of the 800 plus works the Club has collected since shortly after its founding in Chicago in 1879. Many were acquired following completion of the current building in 1926 but before the Great Depression a few years later.

The Society holds two gatherings a year, the Annual Meeting on the Saturday before Thanksgiving, and the mostly social Spring Luncheon the third Saturday in May. This year Deputy Governor Les Lipschutz presided, and his daughter Arielle Dachman read the Mayflower Compact, followed by the reading of the names of the ancestors. Several of the attendees were new or prospective members from the downtown Chicago area. And, as is the custom of the Society, the recipient of the Scholarship Award was asked to attend.



Mayflower descendant William Conger explains the story of his 70 x 74" painting, "Ravenswood," a study in greens. The collection features a range of art movements, styles, and subjects, from traditional to contemporary art, and it includes paintings, sculptures, drawings, watercolors, prints, photographs, and decorative arts.



This is the only non-American painting in the collection, but it is a Monet so that makes it okay! The painting is often on loan for Monet exhibits in museums around the world.



Sally Gill, Cary Stone-Greenstein, Jessica Schleinzer and Susan Fredrickson before the luncheon at the Union League Club.



Sue Erlick with 2018 Scholarship winner Mark Sweeney



Anne Sears with Brian Sweeney taking a picture of his son Mark accepting the scholarship (story on page 9).



Emily Moore and Jeffrey Lapidés had their wedding reception at the Union League Club 35 years ago.

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Judy Mayo and Katie Bedingfield



Kari McHenna and mother Barbara Sullivan



Sylvia Brewer and Sally Krigbaum



Craig Failor, Carolyn Krane and Karolyn Radulovich



Arlen DeWall, artist Bill Conger and Kathleen Conger



Mark Pawelski, Linda Pawelski and Dorothy Pawelski



Dean Haas and Kathleen Haas



Mary Gardner



Michelle Fowler and Bill Schroeder



Laura Chase



Mary Morony and Jan Harrington welcome a new Degory Priest cousin, Martha Ellsworth (center).



Docent Jim Aylesworth explains how Charles Turner's "John Alden's Letter" relates to the story of the Mayflower Pilgrims. Nameplate of the painting is shown below.



Barbara Sullivan, Linda Pawelski, John Kemp and Martha Kemp during the art tour.



Walter Pribble, Carolyn Pribble, Cary Stone-Greenstein and Max Brown



Docent Elizabeth Peters provided a colorful history of many paintings. The art collection is one of the oldest and most important private collections of American art in the Midwest, and it has one of the best collections of Illinois art.



Dennis Moio and Marilyn Moio

## Welcome our NEWEST MEMBERS

Congratulations to the following who have been accepted into the Mayflower Society in the State of Illinois (Dec. 2017 - July 2018). New members are invited to participate in our Welcoming Ceremony at the Fall Luncheon & Annual Meeting November 17 in Bloomington. *(All live in Illinois, unless otherwise noted.)*

### Descendants of JOHN ALDEN

**Kimberly Cohen** - Evanston  
**Norman Robert McFarland** - Palatine  
**Mary Frances Mucciante** - Springfield

### Descendant of ISAAC ALLERTON

**Steven Wayne Harder** - Shumway

### Descendant of MARY ALLERTON

**Stewart Skinner Hudnut** - Winnetka

### Descendant of JOHN BILLINGTON

**Linda Carol Walker** - Rock Island

### Descendants of WILLIAM BRADFORD

**David Thomas Carlson** - Elgin  
**Beverly Justine Mason Dillaway**  
 Weston, MA  
**Margaret Edith Dillaway** - Weston, MA  
**Rebecca Justine Dillaway** - Weston, MA  
**Thomas Patrick Dow** - Shorewood  
**Jane Elizabeth Herring** - Effingham  
**Brendan Twickler Huddleston**  
 La Grange Park  
**Henry Siggins Leonard** - DeKalb  
**Justin Patrick Ottolini** - Godfrey

### Descendants of WILLIAM BREWSTER

**Billy Dean Cook** - Dunlap  
**Sarah Elizabeth Havice Harbin** - Urbana

### Descendants of JAMES CHILTON

**Neal Allen Baker** - Northbrook  
**Joel Gabriel Brigham** - Normal  
**Barbara Isabel Phipps** - Shelbyville

### Descendants of FRANCIS COOKE

**Kaitlyn Marie Mink** - Decatur  
**Mary Jean Schroeder** - Dundee  
**Brian Robert Sweeney** - Warrenville  
**Mark William Sweeney** - Warrenville

### Descendants of EDWARD DOTY

**Thomas Adelbert Brown** - Lemont  
**Janice Patricia Pranger** - Hinsdale  
**Irene Edith Trovato** - Murrieta, CA

### Descendants of EDWARD FULLER

**Craig Martin Failor** - Oak Park  
**Lisa Marie Fuller Santoro** - Itasca  
**Phyllis Anne Zink-Schwenk** - Urbana

### Descendant of GILES HOPKINS

**Anthony Alan Lantz** - Oak Lawn

### Descendants of STEPHEN HOPKINS

**Frank James Cihlar** - Antioch  
**Nancy Elaine Wagner** - Crystal Lake

### Descendants of JOHN HOWLAND

**Cynthia Lynn Houchin** - Mazon  
**Craig Joseph McLaughlin** - Oak Brook  
**Regan Jennings Parks** - Anchorage, AK  
**Colleen Elizabeth Piersen** - Oak Brook  
**Gail Ann Piersen** - Mazomanie, WI

### Descendant of DEGORY PRIEST

**Martha Louise Ellsworth** - Chicago

### Descendant of MILES STANDISH

**Elizabeth Sharon Martin Karabatsos**  
 Glencoe

### Descendant of JOHN TILLEY

**Alfred Charles Drowne** - Chicago

### Descendant of RICHARD WARREN

**Carol Rae Everson Foster** - Grayslake

### Descendants of WILLIAM WHITE

**Tina Suzanne James** - Chicago  
**David John Magdziarz** - Chicago



### NEW SUPPLEMENTALS

These members have submitted paperwork and have been approved for additional ancestors.

#### Deborah Ann Domain

Chicago (*Peter Browne*)

#### Janice Patricia Pranger

Hinsdale (*Edward Doty*)

#### Linda Kay Keeler

Charleston (*John Tilley*)

#### Malcolm Roy Phifer

Abilene, TX  
 (*Stephen Hopkins*)

#### Janice Elizabeth Keller

Carson City, NV  
 (*Stephen Hopkins*)

#### Darren Abadi

Inverness  
 (*Stephen Hopkins and Elizabeth (Fisher) Hopkins*)

#### Grace Evelyn Fortune

Chicago (*George Soule*)

#### Judith Lynn Billington

Franklin - Waukegan  
 (*Richard Warren*)

# My Personal Mayflower Voyage

By David J. Magdziarz

My personal voyage to join the Mayflower Society had its origin decades ago when I was a teenager, and my mother, Jeanne (Willett) Magdziarz, told me that her family went back to Peregrine White and his father, William White, of the Mayflower. My mother knew that our Mayflower line went back through her paternal grandmother, Esther (White) Willett, but, except for Peregrine, she did not know the details of the family history from Esther, back to William White.

It was not until twenty years after my mother's death that I took up genealogy in 2013, and first traced my family back to William White, my 9th great-grandfather. I contacted the Mayflower Society in October of that year, and at the end of the month I received in my email a preliminary review from Plymouth that the line from William White to Holder White was well established, but I would have to document that Lemuel Milk White, my 2nd great-grandfather, was the son of Holder, as well as the line from Lemuel to me.

At the time, I had no idea how to go about such a search, and for the next few years my Mayflower voyage was stalled as I learned my way around researching my family history and slowly built up documentation of it. But less than a week from receiving that email I found a source of inspiration that motivated me to keep working on verifying my Mayflower heritage. That source was a book, published in 1895, titled *Ancestral Chronological Record of the William White Family from 1607/8 to 1895*. Chapter 10 of that book was titled *Miscellaneous Families Claiming Descent from William White*. On page 305, in that chapter, the book mentions Lemuel White, married to

Mary, of Collins, Erie, New York, with their fifth child listed as "Graton [sic.], mar. Esther B. Willett." It was bad enough that the book mistakenly made my great grandfather, Groton P. Willett, the son of Lemuel and Mary, and incorrectly gave Esther the maiden name of Willett, but what really got to me was the demeaning and somewhat insulting title of that chapter. I was determined to change "**claiming descent from** William

White" to "**descended from** William White," to correct what I saw as a dismissive slight published about my great-grandmother during her lifetime.

The final push for me to join the Mayflower Society happened on April 19, 2017, when I found the Last Will and Testament of Holder White online. As I read through the document I saw mention of all of Holder White and Cynthia Milk's children... except Lemuel. I was getting worried that the documentation I had been seeking for so long was going to disprove my Mayflower lineage, instead of proving it. But finally, I encountered his name, and I set a goal to submit my final application before the end of the year. The next four months pushed my research as never

before, and in that short time I was able to uncover documentation about my family that I had been seeking for the last four years!

Finally, on December 20, 2017, I received an email that my Mayflower Society application had been approved. That made a wonderful Christmas present, not just for me, but also for my great-grandmother. One hundred ten years after her death, Esther White's name was finally documented in the records of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants, and "claiming descent from," was finally and irrefutably changed to "descended from."



William White descendant David J. Magdziarz holding a picture of his great-grandmother, Esther White.

Share YOUR Mayflower story! Contact Newsletter Editor Jan Harrington ([janqharrington@gmail.com](mailto:janqharrington@gmail.com))

# ILLINOIS *Mayflower* JUNIORS

## Welcome our NEWEST JUNIOR ASSOCIATES

The following have been accepted into the Mayflower Society in the State of Illinois as **JUNIOR ASSOCIATES** (Dec. 2017 - July 2018).

### Descendants of **ISAAC ALLERTON**

**Nicole Emily Koerner** (sponsored by Tracy Lee Drake)

**Natalie Sasha Drake** (sponsored by Tracy Lee Drake)

### Descendant of **JOHN BILLINGTON**

**Lucy Joanna Burnett** (sponsored by Linda Grace Burnett Petrusek)

### Descendant of **JAMES CHILTON**

**Samantha Kay Kurkey** (sponsored by Linda Kay Matthiesen Wiesner)

### Descendants of **JOHN HOWLAND**

**Anna Beth Hyde** (sponsored by Suzanne Elizabeth Trunk Lair)

**Claire Beth Hyde** (sponsored by Suzanne Elizabeth Trunk Lair)

**Matthew Richard Hyde** (sponsored by Suzanne Elizabeth Trunk Lair)

**Elizabeth Faith Hyde** (sponsored by Suzanne Elizabeth Trunk Lair)

**David Richard Hyde** (sponsored by Suzanne Elizabeth Trunk Lair)

**Daniel Richard Hyde** (sponsored by Suzanne Elizabeth Trunk Lair)

**Jacob Richard Hyde** (sponsored by Suzanne Elizabeth Trunk Lair)

## JUNIOR ASSOCIATES WANTED

Children of Mayflower Society members may become a Junior Associate. An application to become, or sponsor, a Junior Associate may be obtained at the Mayflower Society website or from Membership Secretary, Don Sherman ([DWSherman2@aol.com](mailto:DWSherman2@aol.com)). A completed application must be returned to Mr. Sherman for each applicant, with a check for \$15.00 and two photocopies of the original birth certificate from vital statistics (stating the name of the father and showing the mother's maiden name). The birth certificates are kept on file to facilitate the transition at a later date from Junior Associate to a full adult membership application.

## SHARE PILGRIM STORIES & ARTWORK

Have your children embraced their Pilgrim heritage? Showcase their artwork or stories that relate to the Mayflower Society in an upcoming newsletter. Contact Jan Harrington ([janqharrington@gmail.com](mailto:janqharrington@gmail.com)).



Blowing bubbles was a popular pastime for children.

## The Games They Played

Children in Plymouth Colony worked hard. They began at an early age to do important work for the family like working in the corn fields, cooking, fetching water, taking care of the animals, and watching younger children. Some children also learned to read and write at home; there was no school in Plymouth for many years.

Even though they worked hard, children probably were allowed to play a little every day. Many Pilgrim parents thought that it was fine for children to play games as a way of resting from work—as long as their children weren't playing instead of working! They thought that the best kind of games and sports for children were those that exercised their bodies or their mind.

They also liked children to play games in which they practiced skills that they would need later in life (like playing house or playing with dolls). But they didn't like their children to play games that involved luck because that was too much like gambling. Children might even have played with toys like stilts, pinwheels, tops, hoops and marbles.

Children weren't the only ones having fun. Adults sometimes played games, sports or danced as part of celebrations, like weddings and harvest celebrations.

— From the *Plimouth Plantation* website

## Scholarship Awarded to Mark Sweeney

By Sue Erlick, *Scholarship Chair*

An annual scholarship of \$2,500 has been awarded by The Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Illinois every May since 2010.

We received some outstanding entries this year and I was very glad to have the help of my fellow committee members: Max Brown, Mary Gardner, Mary Morony, and Jane Schleinzer.

It is my honor to announce that our 2018 winner is Mr. Mark Sweeney from Warrenville. Mark is a new member to our society and is descended from Francis Cooke. He was sponsored for the scholarship by his father, Brian, who is also a new member. Mark is a senior at Wheaton-Warrenville South High School.

Next year, Mark plans on attending Valparaiso University in Indiana so he can study meteorology with a possible minor in math. He wrote in his essay that he loves storms and would love to give storm chasing a try. His dream job would be working at a storm prediction center to study severe storms, tornadoes, and tropical storms and his goal is to be able to protect people in the path of severe weather.

During high school, Mark was involved both in and out of school with music. I've been told that he's a gifted violinist. He also plays hockey, tutors younger students, and enjoys auto racing. Mark was very honest in his essay about his learning disabilities and the struggles that he had to overcome to be successful, whether it was in playing an instrument, learning to ice skate or learning math.



2018 Scholarship recipient Mark Sweeney with his father Brian and Scholarship Chair Sue Erlick.

David Cho, Mark's Algebra and Trig teacher stated in his recommendation letter: "Mark's dream to become a meteorologist has given purpose and meaning to every math lesson he has learned. He didn't just learn it for the sake of getting a good grade in the class, he learned it from the perspective that all these lessons were a preparation for his future studies in meteorology."

Mark understands that attending college will cost his family a lot of money, and so during the summer, he has his own lawn cutting business. Not only does he go out and cut lawns, he does his own scheduling, and maintains the equipment. He has become very knowledgeable about repairing small engines. He also works part-time at McDonalds.

Mr. Cho and Mark's father, Brian, both believe that Mark will be successful in the future because of his proud work ethic. They have both seen him persevere through his frustrations and are impressed at his ability to discover different ways to accomplish things.

## How to Apply for an Illinois Mayflower Scholarship

The Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Illinois awards a scholarship of \$2,500 every May. The scholarship is open to any student who is enrolled in, or has been accepted into, an accredited college or university as the scholarship is to be used for freshman year, any undergraduate year or graduate education.

To be considered, the following documents must be submitted with the application form by April 1st:

- An academic transcript that shows the applicant's GPA, class ranking, and ACT/SAT scores
- An academic reference provided by a school official, teacher, academic advisor or counselor
- An essay from the applicant describing his/her academic achievement, extracurricular activities, community service, financial need (if any), areas of interest and personal goals
- And a brief letter from a member of the Illinois Society in support of the applicant

Visit our website for more information and an application: [www.illinoismayflower.com/scholarship](http://www.illinoismayflower.com/scholarship) or contact Scholarship Chair, Sue Erlick ([Sueche76@gmail.com](mailto:Sueche76@gmail.com))

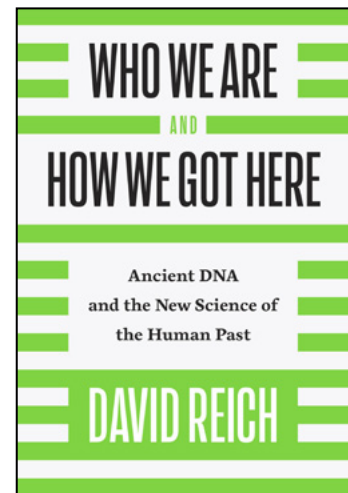
**Donations to our Scholarship Fund are always welcome. Use the form provided on page 15.**

Fascinating New DNA Research

By Mary Morony, Recording Secretary

Not for the casual reader, but for genealogists and students of the history of modern humankind, David Reich's new book is crammed with state-of-the art information about the revolution created by the discovery that ancient DNA hidden in the skulls retrieved from ruins around the sites of early habitation can now be analyzed. What? Yes, the DNA in the inner ear bone miraculously survives when all the body's other DNA does not. And the result is that the geneticist is now as big a player in the study of the ancient world as the archeologists and the anthropologists. Geneticists can now achieve far more than those limited analyses could, and can approach their dream of using genetic evidence to reconstruct past human migrations. Readers will be rewarded by new information about their ancestries and about close relatives whose existence had previously been a mystery.

**Note:** For a shortcut, read the April 20, 2018 New York Times article "A Brand-New Version of Our Origin Story" by noted author Jared Diamond: [www.nytimes.com/2018/04/20/books/review/david-reich-who-we-are-how-we-got-here.html](http://www.nytimes.com/2018/04/20/books/review/david-reich-who-we-are-how-we-got-here.html)



Book or Blog Lover?

Have you read a book about history or other topic of interest to your Mayflower cousins? Do you follow a blog that has helped with your genealogical research or sparked your interest? Share your discovery! Please contact newsletter editor Jan Harrington if you would like to contribute to our newsletter ([janqharrington@gmail.com](mailto:janqharrington@gmail.com)).



Blogger Ken and his wife during a reenactment in 2017

American History Brought to Life

By Jan Harrington, Newsletter Editor & Co-Historian

Belonging to the Mayflower Society has sparked my interest in colonial history. I also have a new appreciation for those who bring the past to life during historical re-enactments. One passionate blogger from Michigan, "Historical Ken," shares his extensive knowledge and colorful experiences in **Passion for the Past: Thoughts and Social History for the Living Historian**. Ken and his family portray citizens during the eras of the American Revolution (1770s) and Civil War (1860s). <http://passionforthepast.blogspot.com/>

The photographs and lively narrative highlight the authenticity of their clothing, manners and speech. Ken believes re-enactors are taken more seriously when they truly know and understand the period they are representing. He also believes in sharing stories of our ancestors for future generations – a lesson we should all take to heart.

Ken also compiled a blog about Greenfield Village, the outdoor museum created by Henry Ford in Dearborn, Michigan. Every structure is represented with images, detailed information and how Ford came to acquire the property. <http://gfv1929.blogspot.com/2016/>

The Logan County courthouse from Illinois – where Abraham Lincoln practiced law for eight years – was obtained and restored by Ford in 1929. In the early 1950s the state of Illinois realized the importance of this historic piece of Americana and built a replica in Lincoln. The builders used the restored version in Michigan for reference.

Illinois lineage societies will gather for the Sixth Annual Illinois Heritage Weekend on **September 21 - 23, 2018 at the Embassy Suites in East Peoria**. The event opens on Friday evening with a social hour and dinner. Saturday's dinner banquet features "The Trials of Mrs. Lincoln" by Lynn Rymarz. The weekend concludes on Sunday with a wrap-up luncheon to discuss plans for next year's Heritage Weekend.

Each society will hold a meeting that is open to members, their guests and anyone interested in that group. Representatives will be on hand to provide information, answer questions and assist with applications.

The following Illinois societies are scheduled to participate: US Daughters of 1812, Jamestowne Society, Daughters American Colonists, Daughters Union Veterans of Civil War, Colonial Daughters 17th Century, Daughters of the Union, Dames of Court of Honor, Ancient & Honorable Artillery Company, Daughters Colonial Wars, Daughters Founders & Patriots, Illinois



Mayflower Society, Sons & Daughters Pilgrims, Colonial Dames 17th Century, Daughters of Indian Wars, United Daughters Confederacy, Ladies of Grand Army of Republic, Huguenot Society of Illinois, Southern Dames of America, New England Women, and Descendants of Early Quakers.

Our members are encouraged to attend, as this allows us to introduce the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Illinois to people that may not already know about our organization.

Please register by September 14. A registration form with the weekend's schedule and other event details is available on the Illinois Mayflower website: [www.illinoismayflower.com/meetings](http://www.illinoismayflower.com/meetings).

A special room rate is offered by Embassy Suites East Peoria (if reserved by August 31). Call 309-694-0200, use "Heritage Weekend" Code: TAG Or visit <http://group.embassysuites.com/heritageweekend>  
 • For more information or problems with hotel reservations, contact Jane Schleinzer ([JSAntiques@aol.com](mailto:JSAntiques@aol.com)).

PURPOSE OF THE ILLINOIS MAYFLOWER SOCIETY



*The objects of the Illinois Society shall be to perpetuate to a remote posterity the memory of our Pilgrim Fathers; to maintain and defend the principle of civil and religious liberty as set forth in the Compact of the Mayflower – "for the glorie of God and the advancement of the Christian faith, and honor to our countrie;" to cherish and maintain the ideals and institutions of liberty, freedom, justice, and equality, and to oppose any theories or actions that threaten their continuity. To transmit the spirit, the purity of purpose and the steadfastness of will of the Pilgrim Fathers to those who shall come after us, an undiminished heritage of liberty and law. Our purpose is also to educate and to promote the objectives of the General Society.*

MISSION STATEMENT OF THE ILLINOIS MAYFLOWER SOCIETY

*To promote Mayflower history and ideals.*

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## Illinois Officer Slate for 2018-2019

The Nominating Committee of the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Illinois has nominated the following individuals to their recommended slate of officers for the upcoming 2018-2019 year. All nominees have accepted their nominations. This list was presented at the August 2018 Board Meeting, and will be voted on by our membership at the Fall Luncheon and Annual Meeting on November 17. Please plan on attending the meeting, if you are able.

**John Schellinger:** Governor

**Leslie Lipschutz:** Deputy Governor

**Mary Morony:** Recording Secretary

**Mary Gardner:** Corresponding Secretary

**Don Sherman:** Membership Secretary

**Jessica Schleinzer:** Treasurer & Junior Member Chair

**John Kemp:** Finance Chair

**Max Brown:** Counselor & Education Chair

**Cary Stone-Greenstein:** Co-Historian

**Vickie Wagner:** Co-Historian

**Barb Hofmann:** Co-Historian

**Eva Blanco:** Co-Historian

**Jan Harrington:** Co-Historian & Newsletter Editor

**Rosalie Clary:** Consulting Historian

**Carol Hyatt:** Elder

**Ann Wilkerson:** Captain

**Karen Seda:** Webmaster & Social Media Chair

**Arielle Dachman:** Assistant

**Judy Mayo:** Assistant

**Jane Schleinzer:** Assistant

## In Memoriam

Reflection by Jane Schleinzer

Robert Anstine came on the Illinois board in 2008. He served as an assistant until 2017. Then he became our Captain. I don't think Bob missed a luncheon. He was always there with his wife, Sue, and a smile. I'm sorry I won't be able to see his smiling face again. Please read his obituary below, Robert spent his entire adult life in service to many causes and organizations. He will be missed.

### Robert "Bob" Anstine 1937 - 2018

Macomb, IL—Robert "Bob" Anstine, 81, of Macomb, passed away on Friday, April 27, at St. John's Hospital in Springfield. He was born on January 27, 1937, to Harold and Dorothy Anstine, in the village of Industry.

Bob married Sue Kaufman of Peoria in 1962. They raised two children of their own. Doug now resides in Discovery Bay, California, with his wife Beverly and



their children, Jacqueline and Colette. Susan now resides in Novi, Michigan, with her husband, Scott Eiler, and their children, Stephanie, Madeline, and Elizabeth.

Committed to community service, Bob served on the Board of Directors of both the Macomb Area Chamber of Commerce and the McDonough County Cancer Society. He was Vice President of the Macomb Jaycees, as well as Exalted Ruler of the Elks Lodge, before his career in government began.

He then served on the Macomb City Council for a year (1972-1973) and was elected mayor in 1973. At the age of 36, he was the youngest and the longest-serving mayor in Macomb's history as he was re-elected six times and held the office until 1991.

After his governmental service, in his Macomb retirement years, Bob continued as a civic leader, serving as president of the McDonough County Historical Society, co-chairman of the Heritage Days Festival, co-founder of the Macomb Community Foundation, and board member of the Friends of Oakwood Cemetery.

• To read his full obituary and sign the guestbook, go to <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/sj-r/obituary.aspx?n=robert-anstine-bob&pid=188883918&fhid=6424>



## Honoring Abraham Lincoln

Sylvia Brewer (top right) represented the Illinois Mayflower Society at the 62nd Annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony in Springfield on April 15th, 2018. It was a ceremony Commemorating The 153rd Anniversary of the Death of Abraham Lincoln. Twenty four organizations participated with their own wreaths.

### Remembering our Illinois members who have passed away recently:

- Jack Farnsworth Smith (William Bradford)
- Eleanor Wetten Pennington (Frances Cooke)
- Marjorie Mable Bowman (William Bradford, Thomas Rogers, John Alden, Myles Standish)
- A. Peter McArthur (William Brewster)
- Carole Madsen Suozzi (John Alden)
- Nancy Ann Obenchain (Thomas Rogers, John Alden, Peter Brown, Stephen Hopkins)
- Robert Barnes Gear (Miles Standish)
- Charles Allen Berry (William White, William Brewster)
- John B. Johannesen (Degory Priest)
- Alexander Cockrell O'Reilly (Richard Warren)
- Louis Ford Dulany (John Howland)
- Donald H. Ward (John Alden)
- Robert Lee Anstine (William Bradford)
- Sally Kelley Harper (William Brewster)
- Warren Eugene Shaver (William Bradford)
- Joann McInerney (John Alden)

# Endorsed Mayflower Family Societies

Family Societies are organizations run by Mayflower descendants with a focus on a particular Pilgrim family and their lineage. Take pride in your family's history and join one of these endorsed Mayflower family societies.

**Websites and email contacts are listed here.**

**Alden Kindred of America** • www.alden.org  
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**Billington Family Society** • www.billingtonfamilysociety.com  
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**The Elder William Brewster Society** • www.brewsterfamily.org  
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# 2018 Fall Luncheon and ANNUAL MEETING

Our Fall Luncheon and Annual Meeting is typically held the Saturday before Thanksgiving, so that we may celebrate the First Thanksgiving with our Mayflower cousins. Every fourth meeting is held in central Illinois.

This year our fall gathering will be held on **Saturday, November 17, 2018 at Bloomington Country Club** in Bloomington and will include:

- **New Member Welcome Ceremony.** Recently accepted members will be inducted into our Illinois Society.
- **Mayflower Cousin Photographs.** A professional photographer will take group pictures.
- **David Davis Mansion Tour.** After the luncheon, we will visit the nearby home of Judge David Davis who was appointed by President Lincoln to the Supreme Court in 1862. Davis and Lincoln rode the circuit together in the 1830s and 40s and remained life-long friends.

All members are invited to attend the luncheon and tour, along with their guests and children, as well as



We will tour this beautifully restored, nineteenth-century estate and home of Judge David Davis and his wife Sarah.

prospective members who have started the membership process.

Invitations will be mailed the month before the event and reservations are required. *See you then!*



## ILLINOIS *Mayflower* NEWS SUMMER 2018

The Mayflower Society in the State of Illinois publishes a newsletter twice a year which is mailed to all current members. A digital copy, as well as back issues and other information, is available on our website: [www.illinoismayflower.com](http://www.illinoismayflower.com)

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On June 10, 1897, the charter of The Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Illinois was granted by the Secretary of State in Springfield, Illinois. It became the first state society of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants, founded in January, 1897. The first meeting was held on June 14, 1897, (Flag Day) at the Auditorium Hotel to adopt a constitution, bylaws, and elect officers.

## Illinois Membership RENEWAL and DONATION Form

**YOUR ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE OF \$50 IS DUE BY NOV. 30, 2018**

PLEASE USE THIS FORM TO • Renew your membership • Make a donation to our Scholarship Fund  
• Update your contact information, including preferred mailing address, email and phone numbers

Name \_\_\_\_\_

**2018 - 2019 Dues: \$50** \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Scholarship Fund Donation:**

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\*Scholarship Donations are tax deductible.

Please make checks payable to "Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Illinois"

Mail this completed form and check to **Jessica Schleinzer - Treasurer, 2625 Moss Lane, Aurora, IL 60504-6096**

Life-time membership information is available on our website: [www.illinoismayflower.com](http://www.illinoismayflower.com)



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John Kemp and Les Lipschutz enjoyed the Spring Luncheon and Art Tour at the Union League Club in May. *Were you there?*

*(Coverage on pages 2-5)*

## MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY COMING SOON!

The Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Illinois prints and distributes a directory every 3 years. The 2018-2020 edition will be mailed out this fall. This directory includes name, ancestor(s) and contact details for all members, as well as our Society's Bylaws and other information. **Please make sure we have your current information.** If you have moved, changed your name, address, phone or email, let us know. Also, we are always saddened to hear of a member's passing, but if you have information regarding a death, please contact us. Send information to Corresponding Secretary **Mary Gardner** (*megardner@earthlink.net*).



**SAVE THE DATE!**  
*Fall Luncheon and Annual Meeting*  
Saturday, Nov. 17, 2018  
Bloomington Country Club in Bloomington

*(Story on page 15)*

*For news from Plymouth and the General Society of Mayflower Descendants, visit the website: [www.themayflowersociety.org](http://www.themayflowersociety.org)*