

# Message from our Illinois Governor

Hello Illinois Cousins,

With this issue of our newsletter we are beginning our commemoration of our country's Semiquincentennial.

There is something compelling about the round number of 250 years since our country's Declaration of Independence. I have fond memories of the 200th celebration in 1976, when CBS broadcast a nightly Bicentennial Minute and Illinois issued a special Bicentennial license plate. The newest state, Hawaii, celebrated its ancestors with the voyage of an exact replica Polynesian canoe from Tahiti to Honolulu. There was pride and creativity in celebrations from sea to sea.

Many members and prospective members have already researched their Revolutionary War patriots. The General Society of Mayflower Descendants website features the Patriots to Passenger project, a listing consisting of 445 pages of patriots and their spouses who descend from Mayflower passengers.



Illinois Society Governor Ann Wilkerson with Ryan J. Woods of American Ancestors, New England Historical Genealogical Society.

This is a wonderful free resource that might lead you to a new Mayflower passenger, and

it also might lead you to discover other ancestors in your tree who were Revolutionary patriots.

Breaking down genealogical research into two manageable segments: today through 1776 and 1776 to the Mayflower's voyage of 1620, just might be the approach to breaking through a lineage brick wall. If you are lucky, the information on your patriot might link directly into Silver Book information on your Mayflower ancestor.

So let's celebrate the lead up to July 4, 2026 by honoring our Patriot to Passenger ancestors. My article about mine is on page 13, and we hope you will contribute your story for upcoming issues.

All the best,

Ann Wilkerson

# Minutes of the 2024 annual meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Illinois was held Nov. 16, 2024, at the Makray Memorial Country Club in Barrington, Illinois.

Deborah Domain gave the blessing at 12:02 and the meeting was called to order by Governor Ann Wilkerson, who led the pledge of allegiance.



Fourteen first-time attendees were introduced and lit candles for their ancestor.

Julie Barnes read the Mayflower Compact, followed by Ann's introduction of past governors and current officers. Ann called attention to the table favor, a tulip bulb to take home and plant now in honor of the time the ancestors spent in Holland. She announced that Corresponding Secretary Jessica Schleinzer received a GSMD commendation for all her contributions to this society. Plymouth's outstanding officer award for all she contributes to the Society.

Auction tickets were on sale for \$10 or three for \$20 for the benefit of the Plymouth Meeting House to win a Meeting House Roof Tile Tray.

Membership Secretary Don Sherman reported on membership activity for the year and read the prayer from the First Thanksgiving.

Fourteen first-time attendee new members to the Illinois Society were asked to come forward for an installation ceremony performed by Jane and Jessica Schleinzer.

At 1:35 John Schellinger presented the report of his Nominating Committee. Motion passed to elect the following.

Governor: Ann Wilkerson Deputy Governor: Julie Barnes Recording Secretary: Mary Morony

Corresponding Secretary: Jessica Schleinzer Membership Secretary: Don Sherman

Treasurer: John Schellinger

Co-Historians: Barb Hofmann, Eva Blanco, Barbara Ryan, Roger Huddleston, Ella-Marie Ochowicz,

and Cary Stone-Greenstein, consulting historian

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Assistants: Judy Mayo, Carol Wood, Linda Baker, Mary Mucciante, Linda Wingstrom (also Scholarship

chairman)

At 1:50 the meeting was recessed for a program given by New England Genealogy Society President and CEO Ryan J. Woods entitled Pilgrims, Puritans and Beyond: The Origins and Legacies of Early New England Families. After the program, Ann described the procedure for the family group photos, and Julie Barnes announced a Feb. 2 Zoom presentation by Richard Pickering and the May 10, 2025 Spring Luncheon at Maggiano's in Oak Brook.

The auction raised more than \$600 (updated from approved minutes). Winner was Julie Barnes. After Deborah Domain gave the benediction, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 pm.

Mary Morony, recording secretary

# Pilgrims, Puritans and Beyond

# Woods shares origin stories of early settlers

### **By Roger Huddleston**

Ryan Woods, president and CEO of American Ancestors and the New England Historical and Genealogical Society, spoke on "Pilgrims, Puritans and Beyond: Origins and Legacies of Early New England Families" at the society's fall luncheon and meeting.

Woods traces Puritan origins back to the reign chose to break with the

pope to establish an independent Church of England.

land, Wood said. Penalties were instituted for conducting 1634 and 1638. religious services in any other format, leading to the formation of Separatist groups who sought to practice religion in their own way.

returned to Catholicism and persecuted Protestants, fol-tinctions. lowed by Queen Elizabeth I (1558-1603) and King James I (1603-1625), who restored the Church of England and the Book of Common Prayer as the only accepted way practice of religion in England.

Robinsons' followers migrated to Leiden in 1609, with alism" and Manifest Destiny, he said. several boarding the Mayflower for America in 1620.

When the Mayflower failed to arrive at its chartered destination in Virginia Colony, Woods said the passengers felt governing their new Colony. And thus, Woods said, "in our whole nation." 200 words were sewn the great themes of American democracy" now known as the Mayflower Compact.



of Henry VIII (1509- Ryan Woods from American Ancestors and the New England Historical and Genealogical Society shared some 1547), when the king history of the early settlers during his presentation Nov. 16, 2024 at the fall luncheon.

As persecution of Puritans continued under James I's suc-Under Henry VIII's successor, Edward VI (1547-1553), cessor, Charles I (1625-1649), a period now known as The the Book of Common Prayer was introduced, mandating Great Migration commenced, Woods said. Nearly 20,000 strict procedures for worshiping under the Church of Eng- migrants left England for America, most arriving between

In contrast to other colonial conquests, which were populated almost entirely by men who were either soldiers, upper class or servants, Woods said immigrants to New Eng-The power struggle between the Roman Catholic Church land were almost all families who were largely educated, and Church of England powerhouses would see-saw over craftsmen and those whose social status was determined the next several generations as Queen Mary I (1553-1558) based on hard work and achievement rather than class dis-

By 1790, the population of the newly formed United States of America was close to one million people, 95% of whom were descended from Great Migration immigrants, Woods said. These immigrants, initially seeking to escape the Having faced persecution from both major religions strug- strict doctrines and persecution of English religious mangling for power in England, Woods said Separatists began dates, sowed the seeds of distinctly American principles of migrating to Holland in 1593. William Brewster and John democracy, education, meritocracy, "American exception-

"As one small candle may light a thousand, so the light an agreement was necessary to establish basic rules of here kindled hath shown unto many, yea in some sort to

- William Bradford

# Fall luncheon & annual meeting at













# the Makray Memorial Golf Club















# Ancestor family photos









John Alden: (Front) Mary Dammann, Ella-Marie Ochowicz, Jan Tarbet, Cynthia Shanahan, Cheryl Fornelli. (Back) Anne Sears, Larry Wright, Brendan Huddleston, Roger Huddleston, William Spencer, Judith Rohlf, Deborah Domain, Tom Dummer.

Francis Cooke: (Front) Brendan Huddleston, Ann Wilkerson, Jane Schleinzer, Ella-Marie Ochowicz. (Back) Roger Huddleston, Deborah Domain, Jessica Schleinzer, Brian Sweeney.

John Billington: Edith Northfield, Julie Barnes.

**Harry Sampson:** (Front) Ella-Marie Ochowicz. (Back) Dick Hennessy, Larry Wright.

**Edward Fuller:** (Front) Roger Huddleson, Deborah Domain, John Kemp. (Back) Julie Lyons.

Miles Standish: (Front) Ella-Marie Ochowicz. (Back) Larry Wright.

**Elizabeth Tilley:** (Front) Cary Stone-Greenstein, Margery Piersen, Anne Polaski. (Back) Roger Huddleston, Don Sherman, Brendan Huddleston.

James Chilton: Brendan Huddleston, Roger Huddleston, Jessica Schleinzer, Jane Schleinzer.

**John Allerton:** Ella-Marie Ochowicz, Cary Stone-Greenstein, Bobbie Vender.

Francis Eaton: Ken Seneca.

William Brewster: (Front) Sue McMillan, Ella-Marie Ochowicz, Barbara Ryan, Cathy Richardson. (Back) Timothy Prince, Carol-Lynn Bernholt.













Richard Warren: (Front)
Mary Muenchow, Jan
Tarbet, Ann Wilkerson,
Ella-Marie Ochowicz,
Barbara Ryan. (Back)
Cary Stone-Greenstein,
Kathy Schank, Diane
Eads, Debra Toppert,
Brian White.



John Howland: (Front)
Cary Stone-Greenstein,
Laura Koh, Linda Wingstrom, Margery Piersen,
Anne Polaski. (Back) Don
Sherman, guest speaker
Ryan Woods (guest
speaker), Roger Huddleston, Brendan Huddleston, Rodger Salzman,
John Schellinger.



Priscilla Mullins: (Front) Brendan Huddleston, Cheryl Fornelli, Jan Tarbet, Ella-Marie Ochowicz. (Back) Roger Huddleston, Larry Wright, Deborah Domain, Cynthia Shanahan.

**Thomas Rogers:** Elizabeth Blackwell.

# **Stephen Hopkins:** (Front) Deborah Domain, Linda Fratt.

William White: (Front)
Ann Wilkerson, Katherine Bedingfield, Ella-Marie Ochowicz. (Back)
David Richardson, Jessica Schleinzer, Jane
Schleinzer, Roger Huddleston, Brendan Huddleston.



**George Soule:** Frank Soule, Jeanne Neltnor, Deborah Domain, Linda Lyons, Barbara Ryan.



#### William Bradford:

(Front) Brendan Huddleson, Ella-Marie Ochowicz, Marcia Flanagan, John Searles. (Back) Rogert Huddleson, Marti Guarin, Cheryl Fornelli, Susan Pehm, Deborah Metroka.



# Zoom gathering set for Feb. 2

Richard Pickering, deputy executive director and senior historian at Plimoth Patuxet Museums. Will speak at our winter Zoom meeting



Pickering calls Plymouth Colony a place of political creativity and improvisation, with the Mayflower Compact the beginning of a groundbreaking 70year experiment in civil government and individual spiritual liberties.

In the absence of a royal charter, faced with mounting dissension because Mayflower landed north of its legal destination in northern Virginia, key passengers organized a government and legal structure through formation of a "combination" to form a "civil body politic."

It was signed Nov. 11, 1620, by 41 adult men, and provided a first step a government with legitimate authority to impose constraints on the colonists.

To join the meeting at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 2, use Zoom meeting number 895 9814 8116, password 149116.

# Spring luncheon to explore connections to Civil War

For the spring 2025 luncheon, we will return to Maggiano's Restaurant in Oak Brook for another family style meal, with a program looking at the Civil War.

David Richmond, professor of history at Harper College in Palatine, will share "How the 17th Century Laid the Foundations of the Civil War," comparing and contrasting the societies of early Massachusetts and Virginia, and how the causes of the war trace back to the early colonial period.

The economic, political and cultural fractures that led to the Civil War were established in the earliest settlement patterns of the British colonies, Richmond says.

Richmond has been at Harper College for more than 25 years. He did his graduate work at Loyola University Chicago and his undergraduate work at Manchester University. His teaching focuses on pre-Civil War U.S. history and Latin American history.

He is the president of the Harper Faculty Senate. He is married and has two sons and a dog. When he is not teaching, he likes to spend as much time as possible in nature.

### Saturday, May 10, 2025

Maggiano's Little Italy 240 Oakbrook Center Oak Brook, Illinois

# Book review: A Revolutionary murder story involving John Adam's second cousin and first female execution

#### By Mary Marony

Far from being a cliff-hanger murder mystery, Andrew Noone's "Bathsheba The story of Bathsheba Spooner has al-Spooner: A Revolutionary Murder Conternately fascinated and baffled residents spiracy" includes well-researched Mas- of Worcester County for centuries, but sachusetts local and family history sto- beyond central Massachusetts the tale is ries. Noone does a superb job of describ- largely unknown. Most people who hear ing everyday life in Colonial times.

ers to compress and level snow to create crime" tragedy of the American 1700s. safe, smooth winter roads. Combined with horse-drawn sleighs, they made the year.

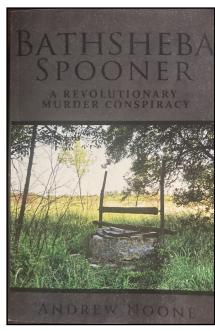
conspire with American and British sol-tennial.

diers to murder her husband at the midpoint of the American Revolution?

the story assume it is a legend.

For instance, they used horse-drawn roll- It was, in fact, the most sensational "true

More a dedicated researcher than skilled travel far safer and easier than the mud- writer, Noones nevertheless created a dy or dusty conditions at other times of superb example of the stories we will all be telling in the Patriot to Passenger se-What possessed a woman from the elite ries underway to celebrate America 250 of 18th century New England society to in 2026, the United States Semiquincen-



# Ten things to know about tulips

# Mike Dash's book 'Tulipomania' shares the flower's history

#### By Ann Wilkerson

Our ancestors would have known tulips during their years in Holland. which still exists. Having heard of the mania in tulip speculation that led to riches and ruin 5. Clusius was instruin the 17th century, I hoped this book mental in classifying would shine some light on that amazing era.

The author includes 30 pages of notes, were early, mid or many specific examples, literary refer- late bloomers. New ence and amusing anecdotes. Spoiler alert! This is not a book review and my summary gives away the plot. Do read the book to learn the full story.

- 1. Today tourists arrive each spring to wonder at the colorful Keukenhof Gardens near Haarlem, but tulips are not native to the Netherlands. In fact, 6. Dutch tulips were exotic, rare and of the Pamirs and the Tien Shan Mountains where China, Tibet, Russia and Afghanistan meet in one of the least hospitable areas on earth.
- 2. The blood red wild tulip flowers were venerated by the Turks. Tulips also were a powerful symbol of perfection and feminine beauty. In Arabic 7. Life of the average person in Holthe letters for "lale," the Turkish word for tulip, are the same as for "Allah." Tulips were literally the Flower of God.
- 3. In the 1500s, tulips were cultivated for the Sultan's pleasure at Topkapi Palace in Istanbul. Visiting envoys and ambassadors from the West would have encountered tulips there. Botany and gardening were interests of the 8. As the number of people involved rich in Europe and bulbs were soon imported and grown in many locations in the West.
- 4. In 1562, a boatload of tulips arrived in Antwerp. The receiving merchant believed them to be some kind of Carolus Clusius became aware of the

flowers and brought bulbs with him when he took a job at the University of Leiden, where he established the city's botanical garden. Our anceswould have strolled in this garden

tulips in all their varieties of color, shape and whether thev varieties were forming; unknown until the 20th century was that a virus was responsible for what were called "broken" tulips.



Attendees at the fall lunchepn received tulip bulbs from Leiden. Their pretty spring blooms will remind us of the time our ancestors lived in Holland.

- they originated from the desert region coveted. This made the cultivation of tulips lucrative, and Haarlem's poor, sandy soil was well suited for the bulbs. Dutch growers found customers in merchants, connoisseurs and owners of country mansions. Artists created catalogues that were used to portray goods for sale.
  - land was very tough. Dutch artisans worked long hours for an annual subsistence wage of 300 guilders. Upward mobility was limited by the guilds, but becoming a "florist," a grower and seller of bulbs, was an opportunity to become wealthy. Artisans sold the tools of their trades (looms, for example) to invest in their new career.
- in the bulb trade increased, the price rose. By 1636, bulb prices doubled every two weeks. An expensive bulb that cost 100 guilders in 1634 was priced at 750 guilders just two years later. Trade evolved to be by weight and then by the bed. Tulips are above Turkish onion and cooked and ate ground only in the summer, so the some while planting others. Botanist market progressed from tulips in hand

to tulips still in the ground. Tulip traders created one of the first futures markets.

They gambled by promising to pay a fixed price at a set future date. A bulb that cost 3,000 guilders in December 1636, was worth the following combined in the currency of the day: 8 fat pigs, 4 fat oxen, 12 fat sheep, 24 tons of wheat, 48 tons of rye, 2 hogsheads of wine, 4 barrels of beer, 2 tons butter, 1,000 pounds of cheese, 1 silver drinking cup, 1 pack of clothes, 1 mattress and bedding, and 1 ship.

- 9. In February 1637, a dealer found there were no bidders for his bulbs. That occurrence spread. There were no sales at any price; the market had ceased to exist. Buyers were relieved of their contracts. Florists were chastened but not ruined. A recession did not follow. Paper profits cancelled paper losses.
- **10.** Today the market in tulips continues to be dominated by Dutch growers. There have been advances: new varieties, the elimination of the virus that created broken tulips and the ability to manipulate temperature to keep bulbs dormant until desired.

# Deadline for scholarships applications is April 1

In 2010, the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Illinois created an annual scholarship of \$2,500 to be awarded to a student entering college or attending college or graduate school. This is one of the largest scholarships awarded by any state Mayflower Society.

To be eligible, the applicant must be nominated by a member of the Illinois Society. The scholarship will be awarded based upon academic achievement, extra-curricular activities, community service and financial need. The young scholar receiving the 2025 award will be honored at the society's spring luncheon.

The deadline for receipt of applications is April 1 and it must be post-marked or emailed before that date to be considered. So it's not too early to get started!

Please go to this website for an application form:

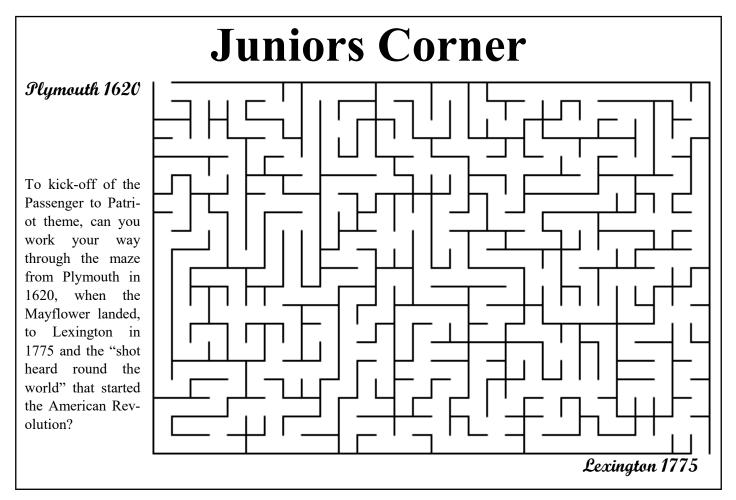
http://www.illinoismayflower.com/scholarship---donate.html

We are looking forward to receipt of an application from your deserving scholar. Direct questions to:

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email: lindawingstrom@gmail.com

We look forward to hearing from your favorite distinguished scholar!



# My Mayflower Story

#### By Ann Wilkerson

My Patriot to Mayflower Passenger is Dr. Robert R, Henry, whose wife was a descendant of six Mayflower Passengers: William, Susannah and Peregrine White, Francis and John Cooke, and Richard Warren.

In the days before online research, my father, W.R. Wilkerson, traveled to courthouses, cemeteries and the National Archives to discover our family's roots. He knew his grandmother's maiden name was Henry, and he speculated how we might be connected to that other Henry: Patrick, famous for his "Give me liberty" speech, but that speculation only led to a dead end.

But my father also had a goal of documenting each generation and joining the Sons of the American Revolution. His persistent research led him from his grandmother Mary Susan Henry to her great-grandfather, Dr. Robert R. Henry. Finding Dr. Henry was a source of pride to my father. Dr. Henry might not have made speeches, but he graduated from Princeton in 1776. He was commissioned in the Continental Army as a surgeon's mate and saw service at the Battle of Brandywine and in the hospitals at Morristown, New Jersey and Danbury, Connecticut.

On the New York-Connecticut border in 1780, he was wounded and held briefly as a prisoner of war after a skirmish on the Croton River. In that year, he married Mary Hilliard, daughter of Isaac and Sarah (White) Hilliard. The wedding took place at the Army headquarters in Danbury where he was stationed. Early in 1781, Dr. Henry transferred to the 1st New Hampshire Regiment. After the war, he returned to New Jersey and farmed and practiced medicine for the remainder of his life.

Dr. Henry died Dec. 27 1805, survived by his wife and nine of his ten children. His estate was worth an estimated \$2,489 and included one slave, an 18-day clock, a "Dokter" book and a medicine shop.

Reaching back to the Revolution satisfied my father's curiosity and he stopped his research at this generation. It was the 1970s, and Americans were focused on the Bicentennial observances. It was 40 years later that I, as a newly retired airline manager, could sit down at my laptop, using my fingers to do the walking, and find the Mayflower origins of Dr. Henry's wife Mary Hilliard.

During Thanksgiving week of 2015, I was on ancestry.com and looking at these ancestors when I began to see names illustrated with a Mayflower Descendant marker. I was astonished to follow these notations that had plenty of records proving that indeed, descendants of



W.R. Wilkerson, WWII veteran, and the genealogist who researched Ann Wilkerson's family's patriots.

Dr. Robert Henry and his wife, Mary Hilliard, are part of the Mayflower family.

That is the story of finding my Patriot to Passenger connection. I wish my father had known about his Plymouth ancestors before he died in 2013 at the age of 98. If he had not started the search for his Revolutionary Patriot, I might not be writing this today for the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Illinois. Thank you, Daddy, for paving the way.

Note: Dr. Robert R. Henry and his wife Mary Hilliard are shown in the Patriot to Passenger list on the Mayflower Society website.

## What's your story?

Would you be willing to share how you connected the dots in your Mayflower family tree? We're specifically looking for stories with a Revolutionary War connection. Email Brett Johnson at <a href="mailto:brettedit@gmail.com">brettedit@gmail.com</a>.

# ILLINOIS Society Officers and BOARD OF ASSISTANTS



2024-2025 Board of Assistants at the 2024 Annual Meeting



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.

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Scholarship Chairman: Linda Wingstrom

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H. Clark Dean, Anthony G. Hoskins



## Recent elections

Rodger Allen Salzman (John Howland)
Adeline Hatcher Dean (John Alden)
Lawrence Henry Bubel (Peter Brown)
Elizabeth Dicus Blackwell (Joseph Rogers)
William John Spencer (John Alden)
Joan Lea Kitchen Murray (John Howland)
Deborah Ann Beck Metroka (William Bradford)
Elisabeth Jane Buckey Foley (John Billington)
Michele Lynn Burgoyne Lehman (Isaac Allerton)
Kristin Lee Attaway Price (Francis Cooke)
Barbara Anna Fuller Ogden (John Howland)

# **Recent supplementals**

Angela Gillmore Kim (Priscilla Mullins)
Cheryl Wilson Fornelli (Priscilla Mullins)
David Alfred Willcox (Richard Warren, Edward Doty)

Roger Emery Huddleston (Edward Fuller)
Nancy Bergman Krasinski (William Mullins)
Margaret Ann Hall (Francis Cooke)
Erin Gavillet Depp (William Brewster)
Ella-Marie Wry Ochowicz (Mary Brewster)

A supplemental report in the Summer 2024 Newsletter listed an incorrect ancestor for **Sallie Galloway Gill.** Her supplemental was for Elizabeth Tilley.

## In Memoriam

Karon Berry Anderson (Richard Warren)
Hans-Christoph Michaelis (William Bradford)
John Matthew Waters (William Bradford)
Robert Edwin Mundy (Edward Fuller)
Brian Frank Chester (William Brewster)
Roxelyn Miller Pepper (Degory Priest)

We are always saddened to hear of a member's passing. If you have information regarding a death, please contact Membership Secretary Don Sherman at membership.illinoismayflower@gmail.com.

## **New Junior Associates**

Aaron James Salzman (John Howland)

Sponsored by Roger Salzman

Emma Elizabeth Salzman (John Howland)

Sponsored by Roger Salzman

An application to become or to sponsor a Junior Associate may be obtained at the Mayflower Society website or from Membership Secretary Don Sherman at membership.illinoismayflower@gmail.com.

A completed application must be returned for each applicant, with a check for \$15 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 will be kept on file to later facilitate the transition at a later date to a full adult membership application, but will be returned or destroyed, at the sponsor's request, after the application has been approved.

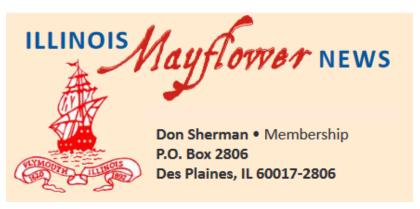


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**April 9** Hereditary Fortnight Breakfast

Washington D.C.

May 10 Illinois Spring Luncheon

Maggiano's Little Italy

Oak Brook, Illinois

Sept. 4-7 General Board of Assistants

San Antonio, Texas

Sept. 19-21 Illinois Heritage Alliance

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