

# THE MAYFLOWER MESSENGER

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## *Governor's Message*

*Governor Patrick H. Roark*



### **Dear Mayflower Descendants:**

There are two times each year we tend to resolve to make a new start – New Year's Day and back-to-school time. Now that Fall is here, I urge you to become more active in our Oklahoma Society of Mayflower Descendants. Leadership positions are available and your Society needs your help. Please contact one of our Past Governors -- Stuart Otis Denslow, Judith Forehand Miller or Henry C. Baer III -- the Nominating Committee, and volunteer. Elections for the Board of Assistants will be held during the Nov. 18 Fall Compact Meeting.

As I reported earlier, our state society's charter was misplaced or lost. I will present the replacement charter at the Fall Meeting. Thanks to Henry Baer for the names of the charter members and to Susan Roser, Secretary General of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants, for other needed historical information.

We are all proud to be Mayflower passenger descendants. **Show your pride** by attending the Nov. 18 meeting. Pam Hill and Cherie Lawson will report on their attendance at the Triennial Congress and on the upcoming 2020 Celebration.

 Pride in being Mayflower descendants brings me to this point: Patriotism and religious freedom are under attack in our country. The object of our Society as stated in our By-Laws is: "To perpetuate to a remote posterity the memory of the Pilgrim Fathers. **To maintain and defend the principle of civil and religious liberty as set forth in the Compact of the Mayflower...**" Many of us are also members of DAR, SAR and/or other heritage and lineage societies. Therefore we are well aware of the importance of patriotic history in maintaining civil and religious liberty. To honor the legacy of our Mayflower ancestors it is up to us to speak about those liberties in our communities and support those who defend our civil/religious liberties.

## *Compact Day Meeting*

The Greens Country Club  
13100 Green Valley Drive  
Oklahoma City  
**Saturday, November 18, 2017**

Board of Assistants Meeting – 9:30 a.m.  
General Meeting – 11:00 a.m.  
Luncheon – 12:15, followed by program

### *Speakers:*

*Dr. Pam Hill and Cherie Lawson*

### *Luncheon Menu:*

Boursin Cheese Stuffed Chicken, Long  
Stemmed Green Beans, Rice Pilaf,  
Key Lime Pie.

\$27 Registration per person



**Deadline for registration is November 9.**  
No cancellations or refunds after that.  
(Reservation form, p. 3)

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Kudos to Leslie Reid for her amazing newly revised Oklahoma Society of Mayflower Descendants web page. Thank you, Leslie, for a job well done. <https://www.okmayflower.com>.

**SAVE THE DATE:** The 2018 Spring Anniversary meeting will take place Saturday March 24<sup>th</sup> at the Oaks Country Club, 6500 S 49<sup>th</sup> West Avenue, Tulsa, OK 74131. Please save the date and plan to ATTEND!

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At the 2017 Spring Meeting in Tulsa four new members received their Membership Passports and two received supplemental certificates from OSMD Historian Kathy Patterson. L-R: Charles Wm. Walker (Francis Cooke); Jody Wink (Wm. Bradford); Kathy Patterson; Elizabeth Ellen Pruett with sweet baby (M. Standish Supp.); Judith Shaw Ringwall (S. Hopkins Supplemental); (Back) Robert Stickley (R. Warren); Charles Lynn Bullard (R. Warren)



Shown above with his mother is **Tristan Johnson**, the winner of the **2017 OSMD scholarship**. Tristan, of Ft. Gibson, OK, is the son of John Anthony Johnson and Misha Lynn Crow Johnson. OSMD member **Sherry Lynn Thompson Crow**, Tristan's grandmother, has shared intriguing stories of Mayflower ancestors with him since his childhood and he is proud to be a Junior OSMD member.

Having completed his freshman year at Northeastern State University in Tahlequah, he plans to attend OSU this fall to pursue a Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering. Kathy Patterson presented his scholarship award at the April meeting. **Congratulations!**



Visiting with Dr. Samuel Negus (center), lunch speaker at the Spring 2017 meeting, are Past Governor Stuart Denslow (left) and Gov. Patrick Roark.

## Instructions – Scholarship Applicants

Mayflower descendants, we welcome your applications! Please submit before March 1, 2018, to Scholarship Chair Diane Seebass:

- A cover letter including current class year (freshman, etc.) and e-mail address
- Letters of recommendation from instructors and employers
- A copy of your college transcript (must be at least 3.25)
- Names and national numbers of OSMD living family members in good standing
- Copy of birth certificate or proof of parentage
- Lineage from Mayflower ancestor

Previous applicants may send new transcript and cover letter. Previous winners are not eligible.

## OSMD Scholarships



Each year the Oklahoma Society awards a \$1,500 scholarship to an undergraduate or graduate student who is enrolled in a four-year college or university who is related to an Oklahoma Society member. This includes those related by adoption or marriage.

The award is based on college major, level of studies, grade point average and relationship to Mayflower passengers and society members.

Applications are to be sent to Diane Seebass, 2411 E 72<sup>nd</sup> PL, Tulsa, OK 74136. [dseebass@cox.net](mailto:dseebass@cox.net)

## MAYFLOWER LUNCHEON RESERVATION FORM

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ dinners at **\$27.00** per plate . . . . . \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Optional Donation to the Oklahoma Society of Mayflower Descendants . . . . . \_\_\_\_\_

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Member Name \_\_\_\_\_ Guest Name \_\_\_\_\_

Member Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Guest Name \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you need a paper name tag?  YES  No, I have a Mayflower name tag

My check payable to the Oklahoma Society of Mayflower Descendants is enclosed.

Please mail this form with your check made payable to

**Oklahoma Society of Mayflower Descendants to:**

**Laurie Robinson, Treasurer, 9789 Hefner Village Blvd, Oklahoma City, OK 73162-7764**

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### *About Our Program and Speakers!*

Have you ever wondered about your Mayflower ancestors and what conditions were like during the early years and how we can celebrate the success of the colony in the present? **Dr. Pam Hill and Cherie Lawson** will share their adventures in Plymouth at the Triennial meeting of General Society through pictures and stories of Plymouth Plantation, present day Plymouth, and plans for the 400th birthday celebration in 2020.

**Dr. Hill** (top right) has been an educator for more than 40 years and has served as a state officer in both Oklahoma and Maryland societies as well as an Associate Professor at Johns Hopkins University and at Notre Dame University of Maryland. She currently teaches at Epic Charter School, volunteers at the Oklahoma History Center, and is an officer of several lineage societies.

**Cherie Lawson** taught classical ballet for 25 years. She then worked as a Representative in the community concert business for 16 years. She is a member of four lineage societies.



### **The Oklahoma Junior Membership Committee Chairmanship . . .**

. . . is now available for a willing volunteer. According to our bylaws, the duties are: "Shall seek out and encourage members to enroll their children, grandchildren, nieces, and nephews as Oklahoma Junior Members; shall report at all membership and Board of Assistants meetings; shall maintain a current roster of Oklahoma Junior Members; and shall encourage Oklahoma Junior Members at their eighteenth birthdays to apply for membership in the General Society." A certificate template has been designed and will be made available to the new Chairman, who should have sufficient computer skills to fill in the template and print a color copy on certificate paper. In our Society, Junior Members may join from birth to age 18. The sponsor (a current adult member) completes a brief, one-page form. A complete lineage is not required. The fee is \$6.00. The certificate is suitable for framing, and can be a thoughtful gift for your younger family member.

**Contact the current chairman, Norma Hughes, if you want to know more:**

[nmhuughes@cox.net](mailto:nmhuughes@cox.net) or (405) 474-1011 (call or text.)

## Welcome to Our Newest Mayflower Society Members

1020	92003	Kerri Leann Crow	Edmond, OK	Francis Cooke
1019	91941	Cynthia Jo Snow Piette	Kingwood, TX	John Alden
1018	91746	Betty Jean Tharp Haug	Owasso, OK	John Alden
1017	91666	Sandra Lee Warren Crisp	Tulsa, OK	Stephen Hopkins
1016	91621	Dee Ann Bohl	Tulsa, OK	Richard Warren
1015	91308	Cynthia Ann Tilley	Dallas, TX	John Alden
1014	91307	Emma Grace Cuccio Foster	Norfolk, VA	William White
1013	91269	Charles William Walker	Tulsa, OK	Francis Cooke
1012	91124	Charles Lynn Bullard	Shady Point OK	Richard Warren
1011	90843	Megan Marie Wink	Broken Arrow, OK	William Bradford
1010	90842	Jody Athene Wink	Broken Arrow, OK	William Bradford
1009	90671	Dustin Colegrove	Ridgefield, WA	John Howland



*General Society of*  
**Mayflower Descendants**

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### Do School Children Learn About the Mayflower?

Are children in school today learning about the enormous risks the people on the Mayflower took? Do they know *anything* about this historic era and its significance to their world today?

If your answers to these questions are "no" or you don't know, then there is something you can do to remedy this omission.

You can order 100 or more of the Mayflower bookmarks (see left) for 5 ½ cents or \$5.50 plus postage of \$3.00, take them to any teacher and ask if you may distribute a bookmark to their students.

Mail your check today to Stuart Denslow, 5721 W. Orlando Cir, Broken Arrow, OK 74011

### Hello, My Name is . . .

**Need a name tag? To order your magnetic Oklahoma Mayflower Society name badge**, write on a piece of paper how you wish your name to appear on the badge, make your check for **\$13** each payable to **OSMD**, add **\$3** if you wish to have it shipped to you, and mail to **Stuart Denslow, 5721 W. Orlando Cir, Broken Arrow, OK 74011-1137**. Order now and you can pick up your badge at the Fall meeting registration table. **Your order must be received by NOV 3.**



If you have a Facebook account, find us on Facebook by using the "Search" bar at the top left corner of your news feed. Search for: **Oklahoma Society of Mayflower Descendants**. This is a "closed" group, so you will simply request to join and the administrator will add you. Only members of the society may belong to the group. Members may post photos or items for discussion. Events, such as upcoming meetings will be included. The Files section includes The Messenger (newsletter), the directory, and other documents of interest. Currently, there are 42 members of the group, and I'd like to add as many as possible.

**Norma Hughes**, Facebook Administrator.



### *In Memoriam*

**Lucille "Luci" Davidson Scott**, Tulsa, OK 895 – GS 79829, **William Brewster - Joined Dec 2008** – Born 18 Aug 1937 in Wichita, KS, to Harvey and Clara Davidson, died 12 Jul 2017 in Tulsa. Attended Tulsa Univ., married to Roger Scott more than 50 years. She enjoyed sewing, quilting, weaving and was a watercolor artist who enjoyed painting at her studio in Jenks. Preceded in death by husband and parents; survivors: two children; three grandchildren.

The Mayflower Messenger Editor is Jeannine Burks Long.

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