



**CONNECTICUT MAYFLOWER SOCIETY ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
April 23, 2022, The Woodwinds, 29 School Ground Road, Branford CT 06405**

Call to Order: Governor Gregory Thompson called the meeting to order at 11:30 p.m.

Invocation and Presentation of Colors: Historian Midge Hurtuk delivered the invocation. Captain William Lane presented the colors and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Introductions: Governor Thompson introduced Donald Studley, Deputy Governor General of the General Society and former Governor of the CT Mayflower Society; Midge Hurtuk, Historian General of the General Society and current Historian of the CT Mayflower Society; Mary Brown, Deputy Governor General for CT and former Governor of the CT Mayflower Society; Kerry Comisky, Deputy Governor of the CT Mayflower Society; Katherine Simmons, Recording Secretary of the CT Mayflower Society; William Lane, Captain of the CT Mayflower Society; Assistants of the CT Mayflower Society Sara Champion, Judi Thompson Paige, Randy Russell; and Joan Prentice who is the Membership Chair.

Necrology and Memorial Prayer: Governor Thompson read the necrology and delivered a memorial prayer.

Reading of the Mayflower Compact: Deputy Governor Kerry Comisky read the Compact.

Roll Call of the Ancestors: Kerry Comisky read the Roll Call of the Ancestors. Ancestor William Brewster and his family had 22 descendants present at the general meeting, the most for any ancestor. The tally of descendants of other Mayflower passengers and their families present at today's meeting included:

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| Stephen Hopkins, 19 | John Tilley, 11 | Henry Samson, 8 | Myles Standish, 5 | Edward Winslow, 1 |
| Richard Warren, 18 | John Alden, 9 | Isaac Allerton, 7 | William White, 5 | Degory Priest, |
| John Howland, 14 | Edward Fuller, 9 | James Chilton, 6 | John Billington, 3 | |
| William Bradford, 13 | William Mullins, 9 | Thomas Rogers, 6 | Samuel Fuller, 1 | |
| Francis Cooke, 11 | George Soule, 9 | Edward Doty, 5 | Degory Priest, 1 | |

Minutes of the October 23, 2021, General Membership Meeting: The minutes of the October 23 General Meeting were unanimously approved following a motion by William Lane and seconded by John Towle.

Treasurer's Report: Governor Greg Thompson presented the Treasurer's Report for Treasurer David Grant. As of today's date, the Wells Fargo Operating Account Balance stands at \$55,873.93 and the William Murray Savings Fund equals \$4705.53. The Scholarship Fund has a face plus actual value of \$255,181.53 and an actual value of \$256,191.46 with earnings of \$6,480 and is funded by proceeds from donations and our two annual raffles held at the general meetings of the CT Mayflower Society. The Life Member Fund has a face and actual value of \$233,949.45 and an actual value of \$233,949.45 with earnings of \$5,959.

Historian's Report: Historian Midge Hurtuk read the names of new members. On a motion made by Clayton Winslow and seconded by Marjorie Supple, the new members report was accepted. New members present were recognized by the membership.

Connecticut Governor's Appreciation Awards: Governor Gregory Thompson presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Nola Johannes for her long service to the Connecticut Mayflower Society in the areas of Archives, Programs, and Education as well as her past service as a Board Assistant and Corresponding Secretary. Thompson also presented anniversary certificates to Midge Hurtuk and Christopher Nichols in recognition of their memberships of 25 years and 15 years, respectively.

Meeting Recess: At 12:15 pm, Governor Thompson recessed the meeting for lunch. The meeting was reconvened at 1:00 pm.

Raffle: The raffle raised \$700 for the Scholarship Fund. Many thanks to Mary Brown for organizing the raffle.



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Scholarship Awards: Scholarship Chair Mary Brown presented the Jordan A. Konof Scholarship and the Bernice Andrews Livingston Reig Scholarship awards to Aidan Brown of Norwalk cT and Ann Nichols of Woodland CT, respectively. Brown reminded those present that the CT Mayflower Society also accepts applications from eligible applicants who are pursuing graduate studies. She also encouraged members to donate to the scholarship fund. The CT Mayflower Society newsletter contains information on a pin available to contributors to the scholarship fund.

Presentation by Drew Shuptar-Rayvis: Governor Thompson introduced Mr. Shuptar-Rayvis, graduate of Western Connecticut State University with a certificate in Archaeology from Norwalk Community College. Appearing in authentic Indian dress, Drew's presentation focused on Indian Life in the Eastern Woodlands pre-contact to 1620 and later. A description of his clothes and body ornamentation highlighted the customs and daily life of these native people.

Retirement of the Colors and the Benediction: Captain William Lane retired the colors and Historian Midge Hurtuk provided the benediction.

Governor Thompson announced the October 29, 2022 meeting and adjourned the meeting at 2:34 pm.