



SPRING LUNCHEON SPEAKER WILL BE **MICHAEL MAGLIO** THE ROLE OF **DNA** IN GENEALOGY RESEARCH

Are you curious about the role that DNA can have in genealogy research ? HOW DOES IT WORK? Professional genealogist Michael Maglio will discuss how different types of DNA can be used to trace your ancestry.

Michael will explain Y-DNA, Mitochondrial DNA, and Mayflower Genealogy. Mitochondrial DNA traces the maternal line, while Y-DNA traces the paternal line. Mitochondrial DNA can be tested in both men and women, but only men can be tested for Y-DNA. Michael Maglio will answer questions about these types of DNA and how they can be used in genealogy.

Autosomal DNA traces all ancestors, and both men and women can be tested. However, the results can only be used to trace 5-6 generations back. Michael will explain the usefulness of Autosomal DNA in family research, and how it related to Mayflower ancestry.

My personal experience with DNA:

How do we match to ancestors who have been deceased for centuries ? Since we cannot usually collect actual DNA from those ancestors, we can match to proven descendants. This has been the case for me, several times.

There were 3 Townsend Brothers immigrating to Oyster Bay, Long Island, New York, in the late 1600's. My cousins and I have been stuck, for many-many years, on the Hudson River. A male Townsend cousin did his DNA and it matched the brother Henry Townsend.

My Ezra Miller, born in 1805, has a Michigan death certificate, but the record states parents UNKNOWN. My cousin, George Miller and I have collected piles and piles of documents from Ezra Miller, who was very active. I have collected every piece of data I found, on Millers in Kent, Montcalm, Oakland, and Lenawee Counties of Michigan, as well as Seneca County, Niagara, and Westchester Counties, New York, with no parental connection, and no documented siblings. George Miller had his DNA tested and it gave us the immigrant of John Miller of Connecticut, and several cousins.

My husband, John Gorman and I visited Canada to research his Irish Gorman family. We found the local Gorman genealogy, which did not include John's ancestor Daniel. The immigrant's second wife used the Irish naming system with her children, but the first wife did not have a Daniel, which the naming system would dictate. The system was used for 6 generations, after. My husband had the Daniel who moved from the area in the 1850's, so the local family lost him. John's DNA matched the wife, in the genealogy.

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There will be a number of appointees, who will be assigned membership application assistance with the direction of the Historian.

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BOOK OF INTEREST

“Mary’s world is changed forever when her father announces that they will join the Pilgrims traveling to the New World in search of more a better life. With only the clothes on her back on her grandmother’s locket, Mary joins her parents aboard the Mayflower and starts the dangerous journey across the Atlantic Ocean. Mary discovers she is stronger and braver than she ever knew. But when the unthinkable happens, will Mary find the courage to make her dreams of a new home come true ?” Diane Stevenson Stone’s vivid, true account of her ancestor Mary Chilton will inspire and delight readers of all ages. “*Mary of the Mayflower*”, Available at www.dianestoneart.com

GENERAL SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS

The General Society of Mayflower Descendants (GSMD) established itself as a non-profit group in 1897. It is the mission of the Society to honor their Pilgrim ancestors who arrived in America aboard the Mayflower in 1620, and to join together the people who share this heritage. The Society has over 28,000 members around the world, with 52 societies representing all 50 U.S. states, the District of Columbia and Canada. The national headquarters is in Plymouth, Massachusetts, where the Society owns and operates a research library and The Mayflower Society House, an 18th century home originally built by Edward Winslow, a direct descendant of the pilgrim Edward Winslow. The House is open for tours seasonally. For more information about The Mayflower Society, visit www.TheMayflowerSociety.org or call 508-746-3188.

During the Triennial General Society Congress, delegates and guests are allowed free admission to the Mayflower House, with a reception on the lawn. The research library is in the rear of the house, separated by the garden walkway, which features the personalized bricks, purchased by members and state Societies. The Michigan Society has a personalized brick in the walkway.

HOW THE MAYFLOWER SOCIETY WORKS

The General Society manages the workings of the (National) Mayflower Society. Every three years the General Society meets in Plymouth, Massachusetts, called the General Congress. Each state is represented by the state DGG, AG, and delegates. Michigan also sends the Historian to the General meetings, due to the training secessions.

Each state nominates their DGG and AG, who are voted on by the General Congress, at the Triennial General Congress. If the current DGG or AG are not in attendance, an "Acting" officer maybe sent and the Congress votes to seat that substitute. DGG, Deputy Governor General, from Michigan has traditionally been the Michigan Governor. The AG, Assistant General, from Michigan has traditionally been the Michigan Deputy Governor. Each state has their own method of choosing these representatives.

The number of delegates each state is allowed is based upon the state's membership numbers. Delegates can be any Michigan member who chooses to attend, and each is entitled to a vote at the Congress.

Other members are allowed to attend and the host state plans various local tours to accommodate these visitors. A formal dinner ends the events, for all who attend. There are fees for all of these extra events.

In the other two alternate years, a Board of Assistant's Meeting is held in any state whose invitation is accepted by the Board of Assistants. One of these two years has normally been the home state of the current Governor General. The DGG and the AG also attend these alternate meetings.

Upcoming **Pilgrim Father's Tour**, July 16-26, 2015

Tour proceeds will benefit the Plimoth Plantation.

The tour will retrace the steps of the Pilgrims in the Netherlands and England. Space is limited to only 45 travelers. Cost is \$2,999 land only. For more details contact:

Gail Arndt, Tours Trends, P.O. Box 772, Plymouth, Massachusetts, 02362

(800) 918-8687, ToursTrends@hotmail.com

William White Descendants check the White Society Website:

<http://thepilgrimwilliamwhitesociety.org>

Official Historian for the Scrooby Manor, is Sue Allan.

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The First Fifty Years: Freedom and Friendship at Plymouth Plantation:

A research project on the pivotal role of the Indians (Native Americans) and the Pilgrims in the evolution pf democracy of the United States:

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www.InSearchofTheFutureMovie.com

THE GENERAL SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The General Society of Mayflower Descendants (GSMD) Scholarship Program is offering one \$5000 scholarship and two \$2500 scholarships to graduating high school seniors who are Mayflower descendants and will be attending a four-year college or university or two-year community college.

In the spirit of the Mayflower settlers seeking to better themselves by moving to a new and uncharted world, special consideration will be given to applicants whose demonstrated commitment to bettering themselves makes them especially likely to benefit from the opportunities this scholarship will make possible for them.

ANCESTRY REQUIREMENT

For an applicant to be considered for a Mayflower Scholarship, the Application Form must include a valid GSMD membership number for either the applicant or for a parent, grandparent or great grandparent of the applicant.

If any documentation needs to be submitted to the GSMD to obtain a current GSMD membership number, applicants should begin work as early as possible with the Mayflower Historian in their state of residence to complete this process.

<https://www.themayflowersociety.org/membership-info16/contact-your-state-society> provides a link to the Historians for every state society. Click on any state to see the complete list of state Historians.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Each scholarship recipient must be a graduating senior; must provide the information requested for the application; and must enter a four-year college or university or two-year community college. All applicants must take the SAT or ACT, including the Writing Sample, at a time that will allow the results to be submitted as a part of the scholarship application. Though not an absolute requirement, recipients of the Mayflower Society Scholarships will most often be in the upper 10 percent of their class and score in the 75th percentile or higher on the SAT or ACT.

The Michigan Society also offers a scholarship.
Details can be found on the Michigan web site.

“Pilgrim Home: In search of Scrooby Manor”
a film on Pilgrim history, by Jane Williams.

PILGRIM SUGAR GINGERBREAD (from an old notebook)

Rub one-half pound of butter and one pound of sugar together, add six well-beaten eggs, then one pound of flour and two tablespoons ginger, sifter together. Bake in two square tin sheets for forty minutes in a mild oven. *The Pilmoth Colony Cook Book*.

The idea of creating a “Friends” group, is being explored. This group would allow the spouses of Michigan Mayflower Descendants Members to continue to receive the newsletter and luncheon invitations after their member spouse’s decease. We do not want to loose contact with these important persons. Sometimes it is the non-member spouse who is the genealogist and their work has made the membership possible. Cindy Schmitt has voiced an interest in assembling a data base of interested persons. If you would like more information please contact June Gorman (see page 2).

“I believe time wounds all heals” John Lennon



Winner of the Family Count, November 2014, Warren Family

A few varied families always win the family count, at each luncheon. We would like some ideas on how to include some of the other families, at the Mayflower luncheons. Please share your ideas. Perhaps we could photograph families with normal low counts alphabetically A-W; one at each meeting, besides the family count winner.

Remember during the family count, at each meeting, our Elder, Terry McKane calls the name of each wife of the male pilgrims, who were also Mayflower passengers. Some of the male Pilgrims were married more than once. So it is important for you to know which wife is your ancestor, to be accurate, and so you may be more acquainted with your Mayflower Passengers.

RESIDENTS OF DUXBURY

- Joseph Rogers, circa 1630, Kingston
 Stephen Tracey, circa 1630, Kingston
 Samuel Wadsworth, 1703, Kingston
 Ambrose Dawes, 1700
 Thurston Clark, circa 1660
 Isaiah Bradford's Shipyard, circa 1790
 Edmond Chandler, circa 1630
 Wrestling Brewster, circa 1675
 Benjamin Philips, circa 1690
 George Partridge, circa 1655
 Jonathan Brewster, circa 1630
 John Maynard, circa 1640
 Thomas Morton, 1637
 James Soule's Shipyard, 1812
 John Hammond, circa 1670
 Charles Turner, Reverend, 1757
 (house existing, 49 Soule Avenue)
 Thomas Prence, Governor, circa 1630
 John Starr, circa 1645
 Peleg Wadsworth, Deacon, circa 1740
 John Wadsworth, Doctor, 1763
 (house existing, 66 Bay Ridge Lane)
 Moses Soule, 1700
 (house existing, moved to 1700 Bay Road)
 Ralph Partridge, 1643
 John Holmes, Reverend, circa 1660
 Thomas Bonney, circa 1640
 Francis Sprague, circa 1630
 William Basset, circa 1630
 John Sprague, circa 1655
 Jonathan Brewster
 William Peabody, circa 1645
 Francis Eaton, circa 1630
 Myles Standish, circa 1630
 Isaac Drew's Shipyard, circa 1775
 Samuel Drew's Shipyard, 1756
 Samuel Windsor's Shipyard, 1756
 Thomas Bisbee, circa 1640
 John Washburn, circa 1640
 William Palmer, circa 1630
 Philip Washburn, circa 1650
 Peter Brown, circa 1630
 Ephraim Tinkham, circa 1645
 Henry Sampson, circa 1635
 Henry Howland, circa 1636
 Experience Mitchell, circa 1635
 John Brown, 1643
 John Alden, circa 1630
 Chandler Family, before 1700
 Benjamin Simmons, 1710
 John Glass, 1700
 Nathaniel Burgess, 1790
 Jacob Glass
 John Tisdale, circa 1640
 Edmund Hunt, circa 1641
 (house existing, 8 Hounds Ditch Lane)
 William Collier, circa 1640
 Samuel Nash, Lieutenant, circa 1635
 Edward Arnold, 1715
 Abraham Sampson, circa 1635
 George Soule, circa 1630
 John Peterson, 1690
 Eliphaz Weston, 1738
 Zachariah Soule, circa 1645
 Philip Delano, circa 1635
 Ebenezer Delano, circa 1699
 Solomon Leonard, circa 1699
 Maurice Truant, 1636
 George Partridge, 1636
 John Forbes, 1636
 William Merrick, 1636
 Richard Bease, 1636
 Edward Gray, circa 1662
 (house existing, 44 Duck Hill Road)
 Moses Simmons, circa 1638
 Benjamin Chandler, circa 1670
 John Simmons, circa 1670
 James Arnold, Deacon, circa 1735
 John Phillips, circa 1640
 Samuel Arnold, Reverend
 Samuel Delano, 1685
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