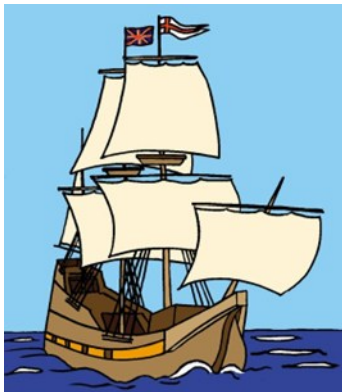
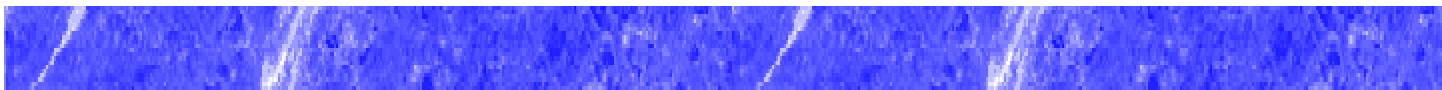




CENTRAL TEXAS COLONY

August 19, 2026

Mayflower News

From the Governor

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Mark Your Calendar

- **September 11-16, 2026**
44th General Congress in
Plymouth, MA
- **October 24, 2026 Gault**
Archaeological Site Tour
& Lunch at Tony & Luigi's
- **November 21, 2026**
Mayflower Compact
Luncheon & Meeting at
Balcones Country Club
- **May 15, 2027 Colony**
Meeting & Luncheon at
Balcones Country Club

Our colony gathered for our spring luncheon in May and enjoyed a travel through sites in England where some of our Mayflower passengers lived before their fateful voyage. Colony members Jill Wyman and Kim Muth, with her husband Paul, had made recent trips to Fenstanton in Cambridgeshire and Henlow in Bedfordshire. They both shared photos of the places in these town with a history of their ancestors John and Elizabeth Tilley and John Howland. Also at the meeting, we awarded two scholarships through our Michael S Nichols Scholarship program. A \$1000 scholarship was given to Tyler Burtin, who is the grandson of member Janiece Lee. Tyler is going to attend the University of Texas at Austin. A \$500 scholarship was given to Samantha Watson, granddaughter of the colony governor. Sammy will be attending Texas A&M in Galveston and studying marine science. Checkout the photos from the meeting in this newsletter. Thanks to Jill Wyman for taking the photos.

With regard to the scholarship program, Gail Darling has been appointed the new chair of the Scholarship Committee. The scholarship fund received a generous donation to fully fund the scholarship. The State Education Committee has given us an annual \$500 grant which we will use to expand our scholarship program. Starting in 2027, the scholarship value will increase to \$1620. Any child or grandchild of a colony member who is graduating in 2027 from an accredited high school in the US can apply for the scholarship.

Coming up in September is the annual Mayflower Congress being held in Plymouth, Massachusetts. We have several members from our colo-

ny who plan to attend and we will hear from them at our next meeting in November. Save the date of Nov 21st for our annual Mayflower Compact Luncheon. Deadline to reserve a seat at the luncheon is Nov 11th.

If you attended the November meeting last year, you heard the speaker Dr Clark Wernecke talk about the Gault Archaeological Site in Florence, north of Georgetown. We planned our winter social to take a tour of the site. The tour date was set for January 2026. Weather conditions caused the tour to be cancelled. We will try again to take the tour on Saturday, October 24th. Each person attending needs to make a reservation on the Gault Site website:

<https://www.gaultschool.org/tours>. Cost of the tour is \$20 per person. There is a limit of 75 in a tour group. If you are interested, purchase your ticket and let me know that you are attending. The tour takes place for two hours starting at 10am. We can all meet together after the tour for lunch at a restaurant in Georgetown called Tony & Luigi's, serving Italian cuisine.

In the spring, I will be appointing a nominating committee to prepare a slate of officers for the next term for our colony. These officers will serve a two year term starting in May for 2027-2029. I will be stepping down as colony governor after four years. If you are interested in serving on the nominating committee or being an officer in the colony, please let me know.

I look forward to seeing you at the Gault Site and our November meeting.

New Member

- Karen Tomacek, transferred from Washington DC and a descendant of William Brewster

New Junior Members

- Aiden Philip Keene, descendant from William Brewster and grandson of Janis Keene
- Chloe Lee Keene, descendant from William Brewster and granddaughter of Janis Keene.

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Highlights of Colony Spring Luncheon/Meeting May 16, 2026



Back: Leigh Ann Burtin, Tyler Burtin, Shannon Burtin, Bryce Burtin; front: Kelly Locke, Elliott Locke, Janiece Lee, Joyce Campbell. Joyce sat at the table with all of Tyler's family, including her proud grandmother Janiece Lee. Tyler's mother Leann and Tyler are both members of our colony. Tyler is shown on the right reading his essay.



Back: Sammy Watson, Lloyd Goldsworthy, Maya Watson, Susan Goldsworthy; front: Glenn Watson, Nadya Watson, David & Susan Armer. The Armers join Sammy and her family at their table. Sammy reads her scholarship essay in the photo on the right.



Highlights of Colony Spring Luncheon/Meeting May 16, 2026



Back: Lynne Maddox, Jill Cornelius, Jill Wyman, Sherry McGraw; front: Gail Darling, Dorothy Greene, Rita Reiswig, Charles Mangum

Winners of the raffle: Shannon Burtin, Glenn Watson & Meredith Friedman



Back: Kim Muth, Janis Keene, Beth & John Corbett, Diane Christensen; front: Paul Muth, Curt Wyman, Meredith Friedman

Central Texas Colony

Texas Society of Mayflower Descendants

Date: September 1, 2026

Name(s):

Our November Compact Meeting and Luncheon is November 21st We will gather at 10:30am with the meeting beginning at 11am and lunch served at noon.

This invoice includes the 2027 Colony dues (\$10).

Members who have paid their 2026 dues and/or 2027 dues will be listed in the 2026-2027 Member Roster. If you have not yet paid for 2026, please add \$10 to this invoice. If you are unsure whether you have paid, email Diane at Diane2091@gmail.com

If Paying By Check: **Make Checks Payable to: Central Texas Colony or TXSOMD**

Mail to: Diane Christensen, Treasurer
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Round Rock, TX 78681
Diane2091@gmail.com
(512)517-4356

Paying via PayPal: **Send Payment to MayflowerCTX@gmail.com**

We are charged a 3% fee for each transaction and are asking you to add this onto your bill. See details below. Thank you!

Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Total
November 21, 2026 Lunch		\$35.00	
2027 Dues		\$10.00	
2026 Dues IF NOT PAID		\$10.00	
Optional Scholarship Fund Donation			
SUBTOTAL:			
Please add ONLY if paying via PayPal	Up to \$ 10.00		\$0.30
	Up to \$ 40.00		\$1.20
	Up to \$100.00		\$3.00
	Over \$100.00		3%

TOTAL DUE:

Thank you for your prompt payment

Please update your contact information below....

Member Name _____

Spouse/Significant Other _____

Winter Address _____

Summer Address _____

All Proven Passengers

Phone _____

eMail _____

New Member Date _____

Thank You