



# WINSLOW HERITAGE SOCIETY

## ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

The Winslow Heritage Society's Annual meeting will be held on Saturday, October 13, 2019, at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time via teleconference. Below are the instructions for participating in the meeting. Elsewhere in this issue members will find the Minutes of the meeting of September 10, 2017, a report from the By-Laws Committee of proposed changes to the by-laws, a proxy form for those who wish to vote and can't take part in the teleconference and the proposed Agenda for the meeting.

**TO CALL IN TO THE FREE TELECONFERENCE MEETING,  
DIAL (641) 715-3580**

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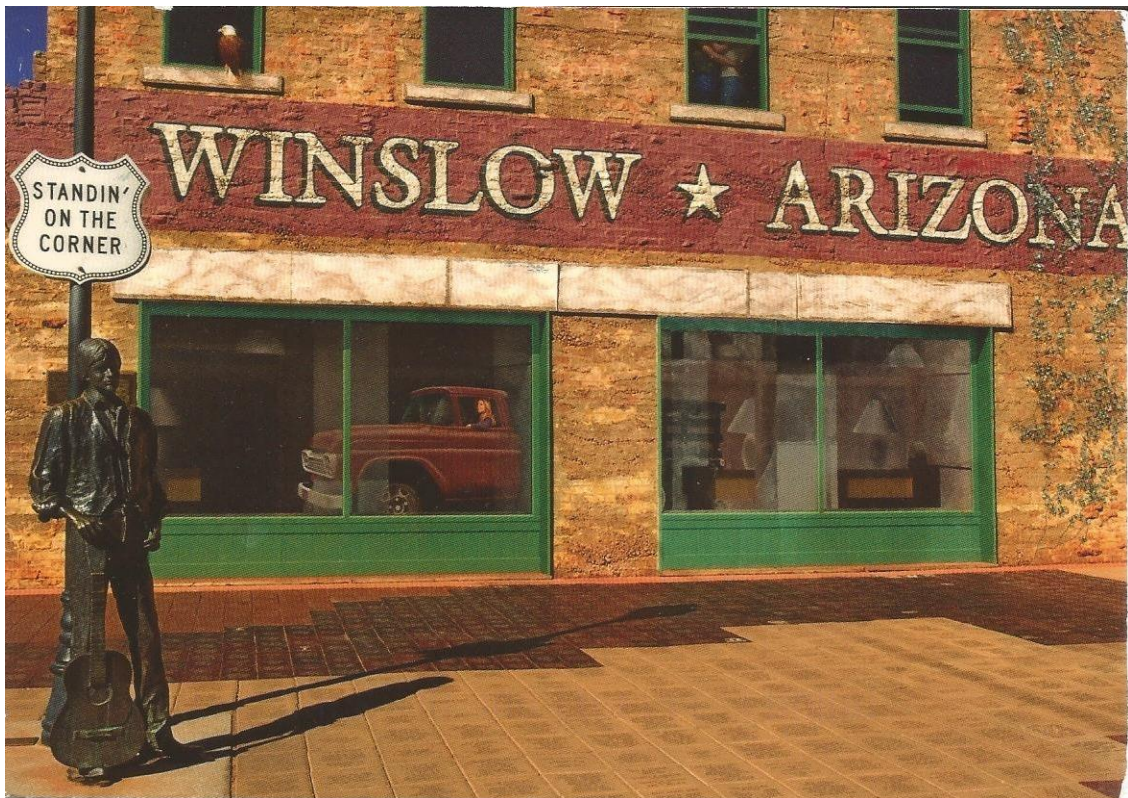
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**Reserving a space by October 0 is not mandatory; however, advance notice of your intention to participate in the teleconference will assist Secretary Bruce Fensley organize for the meeting.**

The General Society of Mayflower Descendants has provided the following dates for 2020 Celebrations to coincide with the GSMD Mayflower Congress in Plymouth, MA.

September 12, 2020	arrival of Congress members, welcome reception
September 13	Mayflower Compact reenactment at Provincetown
September 14	State House Ceremonies, Governor's Tribute to 400th– GSMD involvement includes Pilgrim Progress from Park Plaza to State House; reception
September 15	Congress members visit sites, tour, vendors
September 16	Opening of Congress – breakfast at Plimoth Plantation; church service at First Parish; deed presented
September 17-18	Congress

GSMD suggests keeping the September 18-19 weekend open to allow full participation in the Embarkation Festival. *Note: Hotels in Plymouth are now accepting reservations for the 2020 Congress. Reserve early if you plan to attend.*



*Recently, Deputy Governor, Judy Quinn, sent this post card from Winslow, Arizona, to Kathy Myers. On line information indicates that Winslow, Arizona, was founded by Edward F. Winslow, who was born in Augusta, Maine, served as an Officer in the Union Army and was a railroad executive. It was made popular by the song, "Take It Easy" by the Eagles. The Eagles can be watched performing the song on a YouTube video and Wikipedia tells the story of how the line, "Standing on the Corner in Winslow, Arizona" came to be added to the lyrics. [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Take\\_It\\_Easy](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Take_It_Easy)*

## Welcome

### NEW MEMBERS

**MARJORIE MARTHA WINSLOW-KULBA, DESCENDANT OF KENELM WINSLOW  
KENNETH R. WHITTEMORE, DESCENDANT OF SUSANNA JACKSON WHITE WINSLOW  
KATHLEEN TODD WATSON, DESCENDANT OF JOHN WINSLOW**

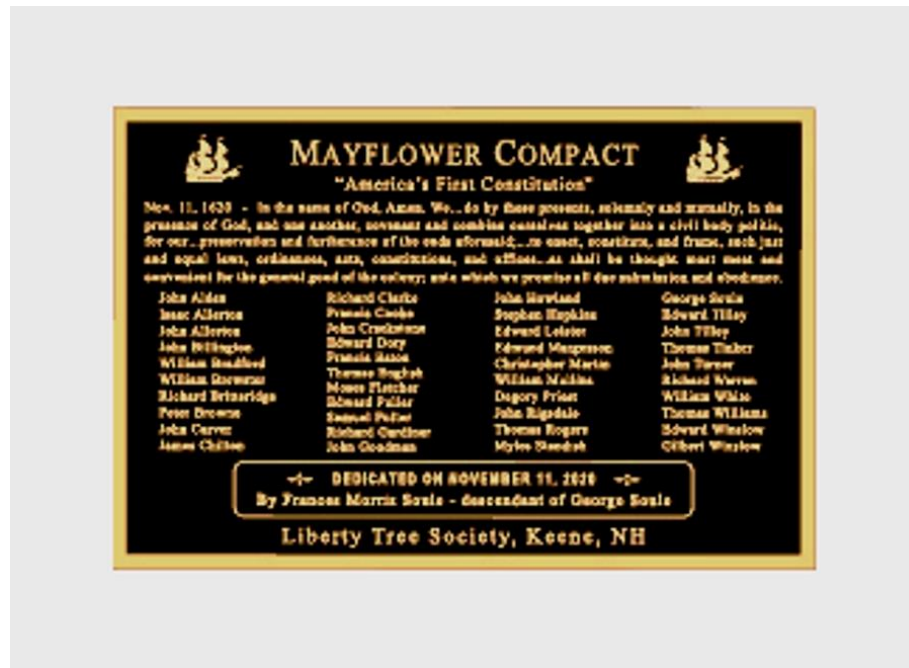


## 2020 PROJECT

The Board of Assistants is proposing the Winslow Heritage Society undertake the planting of a Liberty Tree in Plymouth to honor the Winslow family who came on the Mayflower and during the Great Migration. From Yvonne Spalthoff, Liberty Tree Society sponsored by Elm Research Institute, in Keene, New Hampshire [www.libertytreesociety.org](http://www.libertytreesociety.org) we received the following information:

*"Thank you for spending time to discuss the Winslow Heritage Society. As we discussed, we hope the descendants will consider establishing a Mayflower Memorial to honor the Winslow brothers in 2020. I am attaching a copy of the plaque which we discussed.....The Mayflower plaque is a heavy cast bronze (monument style) mounted on 2 inch thick granite. It not only celebrates the Mayflower passengers who signed the Compact, often referred to as America's First Constitution," but it's personalized. There is space for listing sponsoring descendants engraved in cast bronze at the bottom of the memorial plaque.*

*Also, please note that we include a 15 ft. tall Liberty Tree with each Memorial...a tree which will be 100 ft. tall by the time of America's 500th birthday."*



Additional details about the project and proposed location will be provided in the next issue of the newsletter.



**Annual Meeting Information**

**AGENDA**

**Saturday, October 13, 2018, At 2:00 p.m.  
Teleconference Meeting, Winslow Heritage Society**

- I. Call to Order, Kathy Myers
- II. Invocation, Betty Mapes
- III. Attendance, Bruce Fensley
- IV. Nominating Committee, Bruce Fensley – No nominations. There is a vacancy for a Junior Committee Chairperson. Interested parties should contact Bruce Fensley. All other offices are filled until 2020.
- V Minutes of the meeting of September, 10, 2017, Bruce Fensley
- VI Treasurer’s Report Alice Zimmerman
- VII. Secretary’s Report, Bruce Fensley
- VIII Historian/Genealogist Report, John White
  - a. DNA Committee Report, Judy Quinn
- IX. Education/Research Committee, Jessica Winslow
- X. New Business
  - a. WHS 2020 commemorative project(s);
  - b. Amendments to the By-Laws;
  - c. Any other information that may come before the Society
- XI. Old Business
  - a. Web page
  - b. Facebook page
  - c. Worcester Cathedral Day of Song
- XII. Benediction, Betty Mapes
- XIII. Adjournment



WINSLOW HERITAGE SOCIETY

PROXY AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WINSLOW HERITAGE SOCIETY TO BE HELD VIA TELECONFERENCE ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2018, AT 2:00 P.M., ET.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a member of the Winslow Heritage Society, whose address is \_\_\_\_\_, (print name)

hereby authorize Bruce Fensley, Secretary of the Winslow Heritage Society, to vote "yes" on my behalf at the above referenced meeting for all general business and to vote specifically as marked for the following reports/proposed amendment to the by-laws:

- 1. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of September 11 2017, as printed in this newsletter: \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No
2. Accept amendments to the by-laws (detail sent in the September, 2018, newsletter), which will add an Honorary membership category \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No and delete wording regarding dues structure. \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_, (signature)

Print this page, complete the requested information, and send the form to Bruce Fensley, Secretary, by e-mail b0408fensley@gmail.com or by mail: 103 Belmont Ct., Southern Pines, NC 28387. PROXY MUST BE RECEIVED BY OCTOBER 3 TO BE COUNTED.

Officers through 2020
Governor, Kathy Myers;
Deputy Governor General, Judy Quinn;
Bruce Fensley, Secretary;
Alice Zimmerman, Treasurer;
Betty Mapes, Chaplain;
John White, Historian/ Genealogist

Committees appointed by Governor:
By-Laws, Judy Quinn;
Education/Research, Jessica Winslow
Finance, Alice Zimmerman
Junior Membership, Vacant;
Newsletter, Kathy Myers;
Nominations, Bruce Fensley;
Webmaster, Judy Quinn



## REPORT OF THE BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

Members have submitted proposed amendments to the By-Laws of the Winslow Heritage Society as follows:

1. Add into Article VIII, an Honorary category to state as follows:  
Article III, Section 9: Honorary Member  
When the Society wishes to recognize someone who has gone above and beyond to benefit the Winslow Heritage Society and or its membership, such person shall be bestowed "Honorary Membership" status by a majority vote of the board of assistants. The Honorary member shall receive an official membership certificate, receive newsletters, be allowed to attend annual meetings but shall not maintain voting rights or be required to pay fees.
2. Remove from Article III, Section 3, b. the wording "of \$20.00"
3. Remove from Article III, Section 4, a. the wording "of \$100.00"
4. Remove from Article III, Section 5, a. the wording "of \$10.00"
5. Remove from Article IV, Section 1, the wording "\$20.00"
6. Remove from Article IV, Section 2, the wording "\$15.00 a year"

Rationale for changes to #'s 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 is the raising costs of doing business. These changes will empower the Board of Assistants to make decisions as necessary to maintain viability of the Winslow Heritage Society.

The proposed amendments will be voted on during our annual society meeting on Saturday October 13, 2018.

Judy Quinn  
By-Laws Chairperson

**NOTE: A full copy of the By-Laws appears on the Winslow Heritage Society web page which can be found at [www.winslowheritagesociety.org](http://www.winslowheritagesociety.org)**



**Winslow Heritage Society  
4th Annual Meeting Minutes  
GSMD Congress - 1620 Hotel  
- Plympton Room -  
Plymouth, MA  
September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
6:06 pm – 7:07 pm EST**

- **Call to order**  
The meeting was called to order by Governor, Kathy Myers at 6:06 pm EST.

- **Invocation**

**Submitted by WHS Chaplain, Betty Mapes**

**Isaiah 26:4** Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord God is an everlasting rock.

**Let us pray:** Almighty and everlasting God, we humbly beseech You to give us the constant assistance of Your Holy Spirit so that we may commit ourselves to the fulfillment of that which is set before us. We ask for Your fatherly care as You direct us in all our ways. May our commitment to the objects of our Society be reflected in our efforts now and in the future. For all the blessings of this life which You have bestowed upon us, we give You praise and thanksgiving. In the name of our Father, we pray.

**Amen**

- **Attendance, Bruce Fensley, Secretary**

**Members present:** Bruce Fensley, Kathy Myers, John Myers, Judy Quinn, Jessica Winslow, and Alice Zimmerman, and **guest**, Chris Fensley.

**Five Proxy** votes were received and submitted: Susan Lee Whitlo Clasen, Prarie Counce, Linda J. Knowlton Larkin, Elaine S. Laubach, and Meg Wilber.

- **Nominating Committee, Election of WHS Officers (2017 - 2019), Bruce Fensley**

**Nominations presented:**

Governor – Kathy Myers, (Bruce Fensley - declined)

Deputy Governor – Judy Quinn

Secretary – Bruce Fensley

Treasurer – Alice Zimmerman



Chaplin – Betty Mapes  
Historian/Genealogist – John White

All WHS Officers, as presented by the Nominating Committee, were elected by vote of those members present and by submitted proxies.

**Committee Chairpersons appointed by the Governor**

WHS Newsletter – Kathy Myers  
Nominations Committee – Judy Quinn/Bruce Fensley  
Webmaster – Judy Quinn  
Finance Committee – Alice Zimmerman  
By-Laws Committee – Judy Quinn  
Education/Research – Open  
Junior Membership – Open

• **Minutes of the 2016, October 22<sup>th</sup> Remote Phone-in Meeting, Bruce Fensley**

A motion to approve the 2016 WHS meeting minutes was made by Judy Quinn and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Alice Zimmerman. The 2016 Meeting minutes were approved by all present and those who voted by proxy.

• **Treasurer’s Report, Alice Zimmerman**

A complete detailed 2017 report was presented as follows:

WHS 2016 Meeting Balance -	<b>\$2, 902.30</b>
WHS 2017 Receipts(Membership renewals, Winslow Charms)	\$1, 931.66
WHS 2017 Disbursements (Charms, WHS Mtg Room, GSMD Endorsement)	\$2, 405.86
WHS 2017 Meeting Balance -	<u><b>\$2, 428.10</b></u>

A motion was made to accept the Treasurer’s Report by Bruce Fensley and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Judy Quinn. This motion was approved by all present.

• **Secretary’s Report, Bruce Fensley**

WHS currently has 39 members, and 8 Junior members.

A warm welcome was given to our newest Lifetime Members, who are sisters. Jessica Winslow (John Winslow) and Naomi Winslow Ingraldi (John Winslow). These new members discovered the Winslow Heritage Society through our Websites.

A thanks to John White for volunteering to fill the open position of WHS Historian/Genealogy.



WHS is searching for members to volunteer for the following positions:

- Education & Research -
- Junior Membership -

If anyone has the skills, experience, background, or interest in filling one of these positions, please contact Bruce Fensley at [b0408fensley@gmail.com](mailto:b0408fensley@gmail.com) or Judy Quinn at [judy47@yahoo.com](mailto:judy47@yahoo.com).

- **Historian/Genealogist Report, Judy Quinn**

Judy Quinn, Administer of the Winslow DNA Project @ Family Tree, reported that there are now 17 women and 23 men enrolled in the Winslow project. Judy suggested that WHS members who have completed their Ancestry or 23 & Me DNA (or any other) tests to upload their DNA results to familytreeDNA.com to become part of the Winslow Project as well as the Mayflower Project. Once uploaded, a member can join as many groups as that person has an interest in. According to the latest Mayflower Quarterly Magazine, “.....as research continues, if enough of us test ourselves and our families, we will soon be able to identify the DNA of the Mayflower Pilgrim ancestors.” Judy stated, “This is exciting and I don’t know about you but I want to be a part of that!!”

Any questions regarding this process or the Winslow Project, can be directed to Judy Quinn at [judy47@yahoo.com](mailto:judy47@yahoo.com).

## **IX. New Business**

a. Kathy Myers shared a letter that was received from the Worcester Cathedral, in Worcester, England, regarding opportunities that WHS could participate in for the memory of Edward Winslow (Mayflower). Edward Winslow attended King’s School, which is affiliated with the Worcester Cathedral.

Judy Quinn made a motion that we donate \$100 for a day of music in the Cathedral in memory of Edward Winslow. John Myers 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and the motion passed.

b. WHS Commemorative projects for the 400 Anniversary (2020) of the Mayflower arrival (1620).

Bruce Fensley proposed the idea of creating informational pamphlets about the Winslow Family brothers. *A proposed outline: Life in England, Life in Holland, Mayflower voyage, life in Plymouth, and post Plymouth Plantation history( King Phillips War, Revolutionary War, and after).*

WHS is soliciting members to volunteer to work as a team for this research and writing



project. This project would provide an opportunity to learn and share more details about the lives of our Winslow ancestors and benefit the Winslow Heritage Society. There is three years to work on this project and members can select their Winslow ancestor to research and write about. Members can work on these pamphlets as a writing team and assist each other with research and editing. These pamphlets and Winslow Charms could be sold at the WHS exhibit table at the 2020 Mayflower Congress. The pamphlets could also be offered for sale on the website.

**We also would like to hear from our members about other creative suggestions or ideas to commemorate the 400<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of the Mayflower voyage and arrival.**

c. Kathy Myers reported that the Winslow Heritage Society is now registered in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as a non-profit corporation. This will help us to minimize PA tax obligations with future business activities. She recommended that at some point in the future WHS pursue designation by the IRS as a tax-exempt non-profit corporation.

d. Judy Quinn asked about the upcoming 2020 celebrations and if members of WHS might book a small block of rooms in Plymouth. Kathy Myers said the GSMD Secretary had advised that the Plymouth hotels have agreed not to accept reservations before a certain date. She will check on the date and get back to Judy.

## **X. Old Business**

- a. **WHS Webpage and Facebook page:** WHS webmaster, Judy Quinn, who has done an outstanding job creating and maintaining the WHS webpage, provided an update on its success. The Society's Webpage can be found at [www.winslowheritagesociety.org](http://www.winslowheritagesociety.org). Judy noted that 245 have visited the web site. She provided statistics on what pages visitors view. Anyone having suggestions or recommendations that would make the WHS website more interesting, attractive, or informative, please contact Judy Quinn at [judyq47@yahoo.com](mailto:judyq47@yahoo.com). Kathy Myers maintains the Facebook page which can be found on Facebook at [winslow.heritage.society](https://www.facebook.com/winslow.heritage.society). She monitors weekly reports of activity from the Facebook team.
- b. **Winslow Charms.** Kathy Myers reported that to date, 7 silver Winslow charms have been sold to WHS members. The charms are a special order that take approximately 4 weeks to produce. A sample of the charm is on display in the Exhibit Hall of the GSMD Congress, along with information on WHS membership. The charm is offered at a member and non-member price.
- c. **Winslow Heritage Society Article.** Kathy Myers has prepared and is offering to any of our members a general article about the Winslow Heritage Society that can



submit to local genealogy or heritage societies. This article will assist us in spreading the word about the WHS organization and activities.

- d. **Kerswell Green Farm** – We have not received any new information on the state or condition of that historical site in Worcestershire.
- e. **WHS Family Society** - WHS has obtained approval as a GSMD endorsed Family Society.

- **The Benediction:**

**WHS Chaplain, Betty Mapes**

Dear Heavenly Father, as we close this meeting we ask Your blessing upon each of us. Carry us safely to our homes. Watch over us and bless us while we are absent, one from the other. Bless us in the work which we are committed to do for our Society, and may we be faithful to our obligations and mindful of our opportunities. May the peace of God abide in our hearts now and forever.  
Amen

- **Adjournment**

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Kathy Myers and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jessica Winslow. The motion was approved. Governor Kathy Myers adjourned the meeting at 6:07 pm EST.

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## The Worst Naval Battle until Pearl Harbor

By Jessica Winslow, Research and Education Chair



**View of Penobscot Bay from Lookout**

My ancestor John Winslow (Generation 5) fought in one of the least-known battles of the American Revolution, the Penobscot Expedition, in Castine, Maine, July 25-August 15, 1779. Considered the worst naval disaster in US history until the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor in 1941, the Penobscot Expedition sought to rout the British forces at Fort George. The colonial forces under Commodore Dudley Saltonstall, Adjutant General Peleg Wadsworth, Brigadier General Solomon Lovell and Lieutenant Colonel [Paul Revere](#) outnumbered the British, however due to delays in the engagement, they suffered a humiliating defeat as they retreated up the Penobscot River and set fire to their own ships. Both Saltonstall and Revere faced court martial proceedings after the battle; although Revere was acquitted of the charges his reputation suffered, while Saltonstall was dismissed from the Continental Navy. Wadsworth's grandson was the great New England poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.

In early August, my daughter Rebecca and I visited Castine to tour the battle site and local historical society. Castine, one of the oldest towns in New England, predates the arrival of the Mayflower by 7 years. French explorer Samuel de Champlain visited the area in 1607 and in the 1620's the English established a trading post there. Due to its strategic location Castine was fought over by the British, French, Dutch and Americans. Today Castine, a quiet and picturesque small town, is the home of the Maine Maritime Academy. Very few physical signs of the battle remain. The walls of Fort George have



disintegrated. Rebecca and I hiked the trail that leads to a lookout point from which the British watched the colonial fleet arrive. Barely visible from the lookout is the 300-foot rocky precipice the colonial soldiers scaled to attack the British. (see photo).

And what happened to John Winslow after the Penobscot Expedition? His widow Polly attests on her application for pension benefits that John served no less than 3 years in the Revolutionary War. We believe he worked as a school teacher in Freeport, Maine (now the home of LL Bean) and thence moved to a farm in Minot, Maine. We found the site of this farm, where now only the boundary wall remains (see photo) and the cemetery where he (d. 1834) and Polly (d. 1838) are buried. Polly received a widow's pension of \$40 annually.

Bernard Cornwell's 2010 novel *The Fort* is a fascinating character study of the players in the Penobscot Expedition. For more information, please visit:

<https://www.castinehistoricalsociety.org/>

<http://penobscot1779.tripod.com/PE%20history.htm>



**John Winslow's stone boundary fence in Minot, Maine**



## THE DEPUTY GOVERNOR'S CORNER

By Judy Quinn

### PROJECT UPDATE

It was 32 years ago that we decided to move from the Western New York, Northern Western Pennsylvania areas all the way across county to San Diego, California. It turned out to be a very good move as our daughter was born there and we both had government jobs from which we are now both retired. This past year has been extremely busy for us and lots has changed, not only with us but in the world. We decided to sell our home in San Diego and this time move to Colorado Springs! Time for another set of new adventures.

I said moving to California, that everything west of the Rockies seemed like a foreign county. Now we're in The Rockies and I can say that things here are more like back east than out west, which is the opposite of what a person would think. We are not fully settled in our new home, but we continue to work on it.

I didn't have access to my computer or the internet (except on my phone) and I'm pretty sure that I had some additional DNA inquiries so if any of you tried contacting me during the first six months of this year and I didn't respond – I'm sorry – please contact me again. Thanks!

I haven't had a lot of time to devote to our Winslow DNA Project just lately but wanted to give a quick update. We are no longer administered by World Families, but you can still use what's left of their website to learn lots of general DNA information.

The Winslow Project continues to be at Family Tree DNA. When I became co-administer for the project back in 2014 we had 5 men and 9 females for a total of 14. We have continued to steadily grow and I am so happy to report that we now have 27 men and 35 women = 62 members! Although we are a YDNA project, women are welcome! In fact, in collaboration with the Mayflower Project, mtDNA is a very important component of the research being done to connect us all to our Mayflower ancestors. If you haven't done so already, please become a member of the Mayflower project as well as the Winslow Project. It's easy and free. Mayflower has currently 1,239 participants with 22 Mayflower passenger surnames being researched. There are 75 participants so far in the Winslow portion. If you descend from more than one Mayflower passenger, I would go ahead and become a member of each individual project.

Many have asked if their DNA is a direct line from the Winslow brothers. I must say that at this time – I don't know. The testers have not all completed the same test so at this point it's like comparing apples to oranges. Males typically complete yDNA testing and/OR a family finder and many have done an mtDNA as well. Females typically complete mtDNA testing and/OR a family finder. Each test yields different results which are not all interchangeable. I would suggest that if you have done yDNA testing,



that you also consider a family finder or vice versa and that if you have done mtDNA testing, that you also consider a family finder or vice versa.

The FTDNA Mayflower Project is moving forward and states that if enough of us and our families test they'll soon be able to identify the DNA of our Mayflower Pilgrim ancestors. It doesn't matter if your test is with another company.... just please upload it to FTDNA Mayflower (and Winslow) Project and any other projects of interest to you. There are three areas of research. One is to identify direct lines through male yDNA to our male ancestors; second is to identify direct lines through female mtDNA to our female ancestors; third is autosomal testing (family finder) which will also contribute to identifying our Mayflower ancestors. Their goal is to get all members to join the project as well as Family Society partners. The more folks who join the better and more accurate their research will be!

Judy Quinn, Administrator, Winslow DNA Project @ <https://www.familytreedna.com>

### A Note from the Governor



Following the 2011 General Society of Mayflower Descendant's Congress when no one stood as the name Winslow was called out, I decided to reach out through the *Mayflower Quarterly* to learn if there were members of the Winslow family who were interested in organizing a Society to represent not only Uncle Edward and his descendants at the GSMD meetings, but also a Society for his many nieces and nephews, descendants of his brothers. The thing we have in common is that we are all descendants of Edward Winslow, Sr. and Magdalene Oliver. Most of us are also Mayflower descendants through other ancestors. The response was overwhelming and we are where we are today because of many volunteer hours to create by-laws, to organize into committees, to assist potential members with their genealogical journey, and to build a web page and Facebook page. We continue to grow.

It is heartwarming for me to hear from those who have an interest in our Society and who learn about us through social media. I want to share some recent comments with you:

Greetings: Thank you for establishing the Winslow Society. As you mention in your letter, (*Governor's message on the web page*) this was something that needed to be done;

Hello, Kathy - Thanks to you and WHS for all your endeavors. I am so excited to have learned of WHS and will be sending my application for membership this Fall or Winter of 2018. I have enjoyed all the newsletters & photographs posted on the WHS so far and appreciate all those research efforts.

*Kathy Myers*