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Discover Your Heritage at the Pilgrim Monument and Provincetown Museum

Mayflower descendant will present techniques on genealogy tracing

Provincetown, Mass. (June 1, 2009) The Pilgrim Monument and Provincetown Museum announced today that on Saturday, June 19 at 1 p.m., Paul Bumpus, Historian General for the General Society of Mayflower Descendants, will talk on “Mayflower Heritage: Connecting the Generations” at the Pilgrim Monument and Provincetown Museum (PMPM). Bumpus, who is a Mayflower descendant himself, traces his ancestry through three former Provincetown residents, Desire Cowing, Samuel Ryder and Experience Atwood, all of whom are buried in Provincetown’s oldest cemetery.

In an illustrated lecture, Bumpus will discuss how to trace your genealogy and give hints about which online sites are most useful and reliable. Bumpus will delve into the genealogies of early Cape Codders dating back to the 1600s while teaching modern techniques anyone can use to trace descent from the Mayflower Pilgrims as well as others. However, there are millions of individuals who are descended from the original Mayflower passengers, many of whom learned the information using modern computer technology. Could you be one of them? Come to the presentation and learn how to discover your ancestry.

Admission is free to members and included with general admission to the PMPM.

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About the Pilgrim Monument and Provincetown Museum

Pilgrim Monument and Provincetown Museum is a non-profit educational, tax-exempt 501(3)(c) organization. Its mission is to commemorate the history of the Mayflower Pilgrims, culminating in their arrival and stay in Provincetown Harbor, and the signing of the Mayflower Compact. In addition, the Pilgrim Monument and Provincetown Museum collects, preserves, interprets, researches, exhibits, and publishes archival historical materials and exhibit materials depicting important events of Provincetown history. www.pilgrim-monument.org.

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