

One of our Friday afternoon speakers, Jen Sinsigalli (pen name J.L. Rose), author of "Before the Mayflower", is running a 26.2 mile marathon in Leiden on October 10 in celebration of the Leiden American Pilgrim Museum. She has started a GoFundMe page to generate money for that museum plus two other Leiden museums and one in Amsterdam. Her comments are below:

On October 10, 2021, I will be running the Leiden Marathon (<https://marathon.nl/en/>) in celebration of the Leiden American Pilgrim Museum, and the historians and museums that allowed me to write a book filled with accurate and rich detail. This story is critical to the understanding of many who sailed on the *Mayflower*, founding Plimoth Colony in 1620. The influence and importance of the time these people lived in Leiden, the Netherlands, is a significant piece of the history, and I will be running the 26.2 miles as a way to generate funds for these incredible Dutch institutions...calling the effort...**Miles for Museums!**

Although we might like to, the Delano Kindred cannot contribute to Jennifer's effort directly; her GoFundMe page is not an eligible recipient for a 501(c)(3) donation. However, the Leiden American Pilgrim Museum in Leiden, run by Dr. Jeremy Bangs, is to receive 70% of the money she raises for the museums and it IS eligible to receive our donations. The Delanos have a long history with Jeremy and his museum, and I feel that this would be an appropriate selection for this year's contribution.

I would like to nominate the Leiden American Pilgrim Museum to receive this year's annual charitable contribution.