# HOPKINTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY



2015 Annual Report

### Statement of Purpose

The purpose of the New Hampshire Antiquarian Society [doing business as Hopkinton Historical Society], a not-for-profit organization, is to investigate, collect, preserve, and communicate whatever may relate to the history of the Town of Hopkinton and its people. To fulfill this purpose, the Society shall collect, maintain, interpret, and make available to the public such books, papers, artifacts, and related materials as may serve to document or illuminate the town's history. In addition, the Society recognizes a responsibility to promote and disseminate the study and understanding of Hopkinton and New Hampshire history through scholarly inquiry, exhibitions, programs, and publications. HHS Bylaws

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## 2015 Annual Meeting Agenda

1:00 pm • April 10, 2016 • Long Memorial Building

- Call to Order
- II. Welcome to Members
- III. Distribution of the 2015 Annual Report
- IV. President's Remarks
- V. Executive Director's Remarks
- VI. New Business

Slate of Officers

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VII. Special Recognition

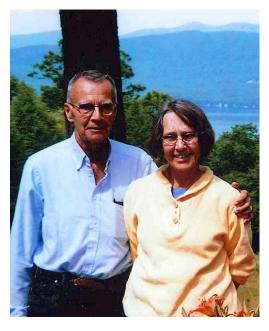
Dedication to Bob and Inge Eddy Painted Curtain Committee, Volunteers of the Year Salute to Volunteers

VIII. Adjournment

### 2015 Dedication

It is with honor that we proudly dedicate the 2015 Hopkinton Historical Society Annual Report to Robert (Bob) and Ingeborg (Inge) Eddy. Their commitment to the HHS has been invaluable and we appreciate their knowledge and service to this organization.

Bob Eddy (1929 –2015) was born in Cleveland and attended school in his home community of Chesterland. He entered Yale University at barely 17, majoring in Mathematics, and is a Phi Beta Kappa and cum laude



graduate. College summers brought him to Hebron, NH, as assistant to the director of Mowglis, a camp for boys on Newfound Lake. Bob was drafted into the army during the Korean conflict and served in the Army Signal Corps doing classified work in Washington, DC. Following his military service, Bob returned to New Hampshire to teach mathematics at St. Paul's School.

It was at St. Paul's School that Bob and Inge first met. Inge had just returned from teaching weaving and pottery for two years in Florida, and was encouraged by her mother to attend a faculty party. Inge, whose father was a teacher at St. Paul's School and whose mother was a staff assistant there, agreed somewhat reluctantly. Two years later, in 1966, Bob and Inge were married. Bob and Inge raised two sons, Nils and Tavis, who now reside with their families in Utah and Wyoming.

Bob's career at St. Paul's school included administrative duties and service as head of the Mathematics department, including teaching in the St. Paul's Advanced Studies Program during the 1960s. Bob is credited with helping to develop computer operations at St. Paul's for academic and administrative use.

Inge served several terms on the board of the League of NH Craftsmen, in the early 2000s, and continues as a volunteer with the League's Gallery Committee. She loves being with the League because she gets to know the craftspeople and their stories and motivations. She has also loved getting to know the wonderful customers of the League.

Bob's dream was to build a home, and in 1978 he was finally able to do so. The land it was built on was purchased from Inge's parents, who had bought a home on Old Holmes Rd. in the 1940s and additional acreage in the 1960s. Every inch of the passive solar cape was designed by Bob and much of the finish work was done by him. Following their retirement, the Eddy's moved into the home.

Bob and Inge's involvement with the Hopkinton Historical Society started when they came to see the dugout canoe. During this initial visit, Bob learned that the Board of Trustees needed a recording Secretary in which capacity he served for 10 years. He is credited as the first Secretary to use a laptop to record the minutes. For the past 11 years, Inge has been the lead caretaker of Chase Park (the small park across the street from the Cracker Barrel Store), where she is often seen raking leaves and planting flowers.

Inge considers their time, as well as her family's time, on Hopkinton's Sugar Hill as a rich and wonderful experience. She recalls as a girl when going to Contoocook from Sugar Hill was an adventure with rutted roads that were difficult to drive along. Today, she walks the abandoned roads and rail lines reflecting on how lucky she feels living in Contoocook. She describes Contoocook as a perfect community with a diverse population, good schools, and beautiful countryside. It is here that she feels there is everything a person needs including swimming ponds, the beautiful Greenway walk, and friendly spirit.

Bob passed away in May 2015. He is remembered for his intellect, kindness, judgement, and work ethic. We would like to offer our sincerest gratitude for all of Bob and Inge's contributions to the Hopkinton Historical Society.

### **President's Report**

What a splendid year we had throughout 2015 as we collaborated, celebrated, and honored our Town's 250th anniversary. Celebrating this milestone year of 2015 in the life of our iconic New Hampshire community has been wonderful as we continued our traditions of community immersion through producing, planning, and having fun.

Many noteworthy programs and projects were achieved from this past year and I'd like to highlight a just a few. The 2015 Annual Art Show and Sale was a resounding success with beautiful works from extremely talented artists. The always informative and wonderful stories from the 2015 summer exhibit featured people and events that shaped our town, as well as reminders of past celebrations such as the 150th anniversary in 1915. We showcased a mural by local artist Judy Dibble, photos and textiles from the League of NH Craftsmen, broadsides, and many objects that told the stories of our town. We welcomed the Civil War-era musicians, the Wildcat Regiment Band, to honor Concord's and Hopkinton's anniversaries, we participated in the May 30th Grand Celebration, and we helped explore our town's history along the Hopkinton Village Greenway Trail. The 250th Town Quilt raffle was a great success with the winner of the raffle contributing back to the Society the quilt created by a group of dedicated quilters.

"Our Town" was produced this year with the talented and gifted Christine Hamm at the helm. The iconic play was staged outdoors as part of Hopkinton's anniversary celebration and featured more than 70 cast members and volunteers who made it all possible.

The Hopkinton Historical Society's collections received many heartfelt treasures with items contributed from thoughtful and generous donors. I hope you will spend some time with us viewing the exhibits on display as well as researching the many ephemeral items available that could convey the history of your home and as well as events from our town.

The Historical Society's collaboration with the Town of Hopkinton for the restoration of Hopkinton's grand painted curtains from the 1930s was a significant and memorable project. The curtains, which had been used as the backdrops for numerous theatrical performances on stages in Hopkinton and Contoocook, are on display in Town Hall and I urge you to stop by and view these beautiful works of art.

We would like to recognize in memoriam, Robert Eddy. Bob passed away this past year and we miss his endearing support and service to the Hopkinton Historical Society. Bob's contribution as

recording Secretary, with his clear mind, steady presence, and dry sense of humor, were an integral part of the Board of Trustees. Bob's wife, Ingeborg Eddy, continues their family's contributions to the Historical Society. Inge's stories from the Sugar Hill region of Hopkinton are a welcome addition to our stories, and we appreciate her care of Chase Park in Hopkinton as she works to beautify this in-town landmark.

I would like to express an immense and heartfelt thank you to our Executive Director Heather Mitchell and Administrator Nancy Jo Chabot. Their enthusiasm, knowledge, and helpfulness lend vibrancy and community dynamic to this organization.

A very special thank you goes out to the many volunteers who tirelessly work to make our programs successful. None of the Society's accomplishments could have taken place without the many dedicated volunteers who contribute a significant number of hours to help our programs and exhibits be a success. Our volunteers make it possible to do so much more than the Society could do on its own and our appreciation and thanks are boundless!

It is also my fortunate opportunity and honor to work with such a highly dedicated, passionate Board of Trustees – Don Lane, Anya Kattef, Allita Paine, Mary Leadbeater, Scott Metzger, Don Piatt, Kathy Thesing, and Dr. Robert Wilson. We wish to extend a warm and appreciative thank you to retiring member Carol Hooper. Additionally, Honorary Members Carol Duston, Fred Pilch, and Bruce Salsbury provide sage knowledge and advice.

This year, we welcome two new Board members, Richard Brandt and Ron Anderson, who have jumped in with both feet and provided expert guidance and contributions. Together, this Board of Trustees' commitment, friendship, and perseverance make this historical society the best in the state of New Hampshire!

Enjoy today's program as Kevin Gardner shares with us his program, "Discovering New England Stone Walls."

Best regards, Roxanne L. Benzel President, Board of Trustees

### **Director's Report**

I think one of the most persistent themes from our town's 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2015 was the idea of community. In each of the celebratory events throughout the year, it was wonderful to see new residents and long-time residents come together to share stories, share memories, and just have fun. I am also pleased that the Hopkinton Historical Society was able to take part in many of these festivities, including the oral history workshop in January, summer exhibit, the production of *Our Town* in July, the restoration of Hopkinton painted theater curtains in September, and the oral history program in November. What a terrific, community-building year!

Another event-filled year is planned for 2016 with a summer exhibit on the Sugar Hill area of Hopkinton; several school programs; the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Art Show & Sale; and a Cemetery Walk at the Blackwater Cemetery scheduled for October.

Of course, none of the Society's programs would be possible without our many volunteers. Last year a record-breaking 125 volunteers helped fulfil the Society's mission to collect, preserve, and exhibit items relevant to the Town of Hopkinton. If you are interested in volunteering, please give us a call.

In addition to our exhibits and programs, the Society offers genealogical and historical research to the public. We have copies of abstracted deeds and vital records, information on many family histories, town reports, and state papers available for research purposes. The Society is contacted frequently for information from people around the country.

My report would not be complete without expressing my thanks to museum staff Nancy Jo Chabot and Elissa Barr, as well as the Board of Trustees and our many volunteers. The support and contributions they provide make the Society a more exciting and fun place to work and to visit.

Respectfully submitted, Heather Mitchell Executive Director

### Volunteers of the Year

As part of the town's 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the Town of Hopkinton and the Hopkinton Historical Society collaborated to restore three of the town's painted theater curtains that were in use across the town in the 1930s and beyond as the backdrop to a range of cultural events.

The efforts to restore the curtains were led by a dedicated committee that included Gail Beckett, Neal Cass, Nancy Jo Chabot, Donna Dunlop, Nancy Miner, Allita Paine, and Patti Cass Smith. This group worked tirelessly to fundraise and coordinate all of the restoration efforts that took place in September 2015. A special thank you is given to Patti Cass Smith and Neal Cass for their tireless dedication to this project. The two of them spent hours organizing and overseeing many aspects of the restoration. Their day-to-day involvement in the project were key to its success.

During the two week restoration, an army of volunteers assisted with all aspects of the project, from using sponges and brushes to remove 80 years worth of dirt, to hanging the curtains to photographing the process. The volunteers include Elissa Barr, Gail Beckett, Peter Beckett, Neal Cass, John Chandler, Gail Ellsworth, Janet Hertzberg, Bob LaPree, Jean Lightfoot, Elaine Millerick, Nancy Miner, Norm Miner, Allita Paine, Ken Sauer, Carol Schapira, Patti Cass Smith, Scott Smith, Ken Traum, and June Young.

We would like to thank all of these volunteers for the many hours spent working on this project, and to honor the group by naming them the Hopkinton Historical Society's 2015 Volunteers of the Year. The results of their work are now on display at the Town Hall, a gorgeous reminder of our town's past.



### Salute to Volunteers

In 2015 more than 125 individuals volunteered their time at the Society, doing everything from cataloging, filing, genealogical research, transferring old recordings to CD, videotaping events, taking down/putting up walls, building display bases and cases, acting in *Our Town*, to helping with the yard work. With their efforts, the Society is able create new exhibits, hold interesting programs, and maintain the historic Long Memorial Building. Equally important, our volunteers help connect the Society to our town of Hopkinton and help fulfill the Society's mission to preserve and share Hopkinton's history.

Listed below are the 2015 activities and the people who so generously volunteered their time. Although we have tried to be thorough, any omissions are an oversight on our part and we apologize.

**Art Show:** Elissa Barr, Roxanne Benzel, Jan Hale, Nancy Heck, Carol Hooper, Anya Kattef, Mary Leadbeater, Emily Lighthall, Derk Mitchell, Lily Mitchell, Allita Paine, Parker Potter, Lily Scammon, Carol Schapira, Kathy Thesing, and Bob Wilson

Audio/Visual: Bob LaPree and Ken Wilkens

**Board of Trustees:** Roxanne Benzel, Scott Metzger, Don Lane, Allita Paine, Anya Kattef, Carol Hooper, Mary Leadbeater, Don Piatt, Kathy Thesing, and Bob Wilson

**Chase Park:** Inge Eddy, Peg Kimball, John Cook, and Green Horizon Landscaping

**Collections Committee:** Charlotte DeBell, Carol Duston, Nancy Heck, Don Lane, Jean Lightfoot, Nancy Miner, Allita Paine, Gail Piatt, Patti Cass Smith, and Bob Wilson

Family Art Program: Bonnie Wright

Farmers' Market: Mary Leadbeater, Allita Paine, and Richard Brandt

**Finance Committee:** Don Piatt, Roxanne Benzel, Anya Kattef, Don Lane, Kathy Thesing, and Bob Wilson

Handymen: John Chandler, Carl Goodman, and Bill Monroe

Membership and administrative Support: Mary Leadbeater

**Oral History Program:** Susan Dustin Clarke, Dan Dustin, Sara Dustin, Donna Dunlop, Christine Hamm, Bob LaPree, and Virginia Prescott

Our Town: Director Christine Hamm. Cast members LeRoy Anderson, Kenny Andrew, Tom Andrew, Jonny Arruda, Roxanne Benzel, Madison Bergethon, Nicholas Briccetti, Peter Briccetti, Danny Coen, Ionathan Cohen, Robert Dapice, Joanne DeBold, Maddy Follansbee, Chuck Gangel, Celeste Hemingson, Dick Hesse, Melissa Jones, Andrew Knight, George Langwasser, Susan Lawless, Parker Martel, Lauren Maynard, Alden Mitchell, Lily Mitchell, Jim O'Brien, Derek Owen, Joab Owen, Virginia Prescott, Beth Spaulding, and Annie Yonkers. Production crew lane Bradstreet, Fred and Rebecca Briccetti, Nancy lo Chabot, Ellen Davis, Paula Demers, Donna Dunlop, Marcia Evans, Celeste Hemingson, Dick Hesse, Ellsworth Family, Anya Kattef, Lawless Family, Bob LaPree, Mary Leadbeater, Diane and Mel Myler, Patenaude Family, Sarah Scalph, Kathy Thesing, Waters Funeral Home, and Ken Wilkens. Additional volunteers Ed Brady, Joan Follansbee, Colin Lawless, and Michael Strack (sound); Brad Dorsey, Missy Dustin, Grace Kirkpatrick, Riley Lawless, David Levine, and Carolyn Parrott (music); Betty Lent and the Concord Community Players (costumes); Chief Steve Pecora, the Hopkinton Police Department, and the Hopkinton Rescue Squad (lights, traffic assistance, benches, bleachers, etc.).

Painted Curtains Restoration: Committee members included Neal Cass, Allita Paine, Nancy Jo Chabot, Nancy Miner, Donna Dunlop, Patti Cass Smith, and Gail Beckett. Volunteers included Elissa Barr, Gail Beckett, Neal Cass, Gail Ellsworth, Janet Hertzberg, Jean Lightfoot, Elaine Millerick, Nancy Miner, Norm Miner, Allita Paine, Patti Cass Smith, Scott Smith, Carol Schapira, and June Young. Hangers included John Chandler, Ken Sauer, and Ken Traum. Other volunteers included Peter Beckett, hosting, and Bob LaPree, photographer.

**Summer Exhibit:** For exhibit assistance - Patti Cass Smith, John Chandler, Judy Dibble, Eric Schlepphorst, Jean Lightfoot, Scott Metzger, Bill Monroe, Jane Potyondy, Ken Sauer, and Kathy Thesing. For Ioan of objects and recollections - Curtis Abel, Patti Cass Smith, Catherine Green, Hopkinton State Fair Association, League of NH Craftsmen, Bob LaPree, Ann, Bobby, Jack, and Jean Lightfoot, Winnie McGranahan, Nancy Miner, and Jane Potyondy.

Research and Cataloging: Allita Paine and Patti Cass Smith

Student Interns: Alex Sanford and Megan Mullins

Yardwork: Patti Cass Smith, Scott Smith, and Kathy Thesing

If you are interested in volunteering, the Society would love to hear from you. No experience is necessary, the hours are flexible, and you get to choose which of our projects you would like to work on. Current and upcoming projects include our summer exhibit on Sugar Hill and the upcoming Cemetery Walk. On-going projects include exhibit research, genealogy research, photography, filing, and photograph sorting. Give us a call at 746-3825 or send us an email at nhas@tds.net if you are interested.

### **Collections Committee**

The Collections Committee met seven times during 2015. As its members sat down at the table each time, anticipation was palpable. What treasures from Hopkinton's past would be offered today for accession? What items found in an attic or barn or online had been brought in to become part of the Society's collection?

This year a total of 52 accessions were made, some including a whole collection of items, such as papers or photographs. Some of the accessions give us an idea of life in the town long ago, such as:

- "privilege" cards from Mt. Lookout House;
- an 1850 broadside advertising extra trains to get people to an evening "Exhibition of Spalding & Rogers' circus"; and
- a program, "Grand Concert and Ball, Bailey Hall, Contoocook...1892."

Others portray current activities that will become highlights of the town's history:

- a sestercentennial license plate;
- photos of Hopkinton's sestercentennial; and
- photos of the painted curtain restoration project.

While many of the accessions in 2015 were gifts from generous donors, nine were purchases. Three of these were major purchases using money from the Society's Collection Fund (which is restricted in use to acquisition or direct care of collections), supplemented by donations from individuals who were committed to bringing these important pieces back home to Hopkinton:

- #2015.30, Edmund Currier Banjo Clock, c.1815, a unique clock, in working condition, with T-bar pendulum suspension typical of a brief period in clock-making, and with rare original painted glass on the pendulum box and lower box;
- #2015.35, Sampler dated 1810, made by Mary Gage when she
  was 10 and who, as found through research by staff, died at age
  26 and is buried with her parents in the cemetery next to the
  Historical Society;

 #2015.52, Tall case clock (clock by Timothy Chandler of Concord), case by David Young of Hopkinton, with paper label, "Made by David Young, Joiner, Hopkinton."

Because of these significant purchases, the Committee will be very conservative in any purchases in 2016. The Committee is also planning some fundraising activities during the year to rebuild the Collections Fund.

As you look through the following list of items accessioned in 2015, be amazed at the variety and appreciative of the history revealed.

### Items accessioned (added) to the collection:

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#### Sestercentennial License Plate.

Purchase 2015.6

## Two items: 1) 1894 Perkins Inn receipt, and 2) calendar top, "West Hopkinton Dam."

Gift of Nan McNicholas 2015.7

## Nineteenth-century nail, found during Kimball Cabins steps replacement.

2015.8

### Photograph, Rolfe Pond, by Leown Kelley.

Purchase 2015.9

## Postcard, 1909, depicting Hopkinton home of the sender, Lena Hastings.

Gift of Scott Metzger 2015.10

Three items that belonged to Mildred Raymond (Kast Hill, West Hopkinton): 1) Hopkinton High School class of 1913 commencement exercises; 2) same for 1914; 3) Annual Announcement of Hopkinton High School, 1914-1915.

Photograph, framed. Hand-written on photo mount, "Mt Putney House Hopkinton N.H. / Built by father 1873." Donor's (age 97) daughter reported that this is where her mother summered as a youth.

Gift of Jean Clifford Cree, given in memory of Grace Bailey Clifford and family 2015.12

Advertising cards and "privilege" cards from Mt. Lookout House Gift of Dottie Brown, who had gotten them from Barbara Woodbury, who thinks they originally came from the house of her aunt, Mary Shurtleff of Contoocook.

Gift of Dottie Brown 2015.13

Framed broadside, 1850, "Extra Trains. Contoocook Valley Railroad ... from Contoocookville ... for the accommodation of persons wishing to witness the evening Exhibition of Spalding & Rogers' circus, ...". Handwritten in pencil, "Phinehas Clough ad". Gifted to Bob Salathe by Ruthie White; it came from a collection in Ruthie's family.

Gift of Marjorie Salathe 2015.14

Two items: 1) Bob's Esso Jacket, worn by Paul F. Clark, who worked there, and 2) "Contoocook" Pirates pennant, found by Stephen Clark (Paul's son) at antique shop.

Gift of Paul F. Clark 2015. 15

Two postcards: 1) image of Highland House, Contoocook, 1909 Contoocook postmark, and 2) program recital announcement for Miss S. Maude Bailey and pupils at Columbia Hall with Contoocook Brass Band, under auspices of First Baptist Church Society.

Gift of Scott Metzger 2015.16

Sestercentennial program and other printed materials.

Collected by staff 2015.17

Program, "Grand Concert and Ball, / Bailey Hall, Contoocook ... 1892".

Gift of Ben Wilson 2015.18

### Hopkinton ephemera (several pieces in folder)

Gift of David White, after use by the Sestercentennial Committee 2015.19

### Papers and ephemera, including paupers papers.

Gift of Don Rice, originally delivered in 2013 2015 20

### Certificate for Seven to Save recognition of Kimball Lake Cabins.

Collected by staff 2015.21

## CD of photos by Bob LaPree of Kimball Cabins restoration, April, 2015.

Gift of Bob LaPree 2015 22

### Hopkinton Town Report, "Hopkinton, NH / Annual Report 2014."

Collected by staff 2015 23

## T-shirt (unused). Hopkinton Youth Sports Assoc. (HYSA) Sestercentennial commemoration shirt. Includes logos of 16 businesses with Hopkinton connections.

Gift of Parker B. Potter, Jr. 2015.24

## Pair of George & Martha Washington reverse painting on glass, which hung in the Dunlap family dining room for more than 40 years.

Bequest of Shirley H. Dunlap 2015 25

## Poster, Wildcat Regiment Band, signed by the band members who played in Contoocook.

Collected by staff 2015.26

### Pair of painted wood signs from Kimball Lake.

Gift of Bobbie Windhurst, in memory of Harold Chase Kimball 2015.27

## Four photographs of Eben Dustin's Classmates, Hopkinton High School; Army song book, 1941, belonged to Eben Dustin.

Gift of Merle Dustin, in memory of Ruth Porter Eaton 2015.28

## Program and DVD, "Cruisin & Groomin," 2015 Hopkinton First Church Variety Show.

Gift of Heather Mitchell 2015.29

#### Edmund Currier Banjo Clock, c. 1815.

Purchase, with funds donated by Kurt Swenson, Dr. Robert Wilson, and Scott Metzger 2015.30

Photograph of a girl with cow, identified as Janie Stevens with Putney Hill Queen. Inscribed on back to Mr. and Mrs. Putney.

Purchase 2015.31

Polo shirt, Gould Hill Orchards. Donor's staff shirt.

Gift of Patti Cass Smith 2015.32

Two items: Autograph book with local signatures, which donor's mother had purchased from an antique shop; and framed postcard, "Parcel Post in Contoocook."

Gift of June Young 2015.33

## Book, <u>The Civil War, Day by Day</u>, for general reference on Civil War.

Gift of Mary Cogswell 2015.34

### Sampler, Mary Gage, 1810, Hopkinton.

Purchase, with funds donated by Gail & Don Piatt, and Allita Paine 2015.35

Collection of papers related to donor's father, Stewart Nelson, and her childhood home on South St., Hopkinton. Includes: abstract of title (1983); deed (1953); Nelson's selective service card (1945); political handout, "Stewart Nelson ... State Senator" (n.d.); Concord Monitor article about Institute for Trend Research, which met in Hopkinton and involved Stewart Nelson (1957). Also included in the donation is a Concord Monitor article about Dr. Howard Lightfoot's retirement (1986).

Gift of Penny Nelson Young, in memory of Stewart Nelson, Jr. 2015.36

### Poster for 2015 performance of "Our Town," signed by cast.

Collected by staff 2015.37

### Hopkinton State Fair 100th anniversary ephemera.

Collected by staff 2015.38

## Mural paintings of Contoocook River scene, by Judy Dibble. Painted at the request of the Hopkinton Historical Society as background for the Sestercentennial exhibit.

Gift of the artist, Judy Dibble 2015.39

### Booklet, 7th annual Fire Fighters Field Day, 1973.

Gift of Sue Strickford 2015.40

## Photograph. Depicts I I men in baseball uniforms, captioned, "CONTOOCOOK BBA 09 C E SLEEPER MGR."

Gift of Scott Metzger 2015.41

## T-shirt, Contoocook Carry. Given on the day of the Contoocook Carry.

Gift of Contoocook Carry 2015 42

## Five photos of Contoocook flooded, found among donor's family things.

Gift of Susan Hilchey 2015.43

## Three Hopkinton cookbooks: 1) Emerson Hill Community Group 1992, 2) St. Andrews Church 1973, and 3) Hopkinton High School Dept. of Music Education 1988.

Gift of Christine Hamm 2015.44

Items related to the Hopkinton State Fair: 1) green shirt, 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary staff shirt, 2015; 2) red shirt, staff, c. 1988-1990; 3) 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary button, 2015; and 4) staff ID, Jean Lightfoot, 2015.

Gift of Jean Lightfoot 2015 45

### Hopkinton State Fair 75th anniversary pin, 1990.

Gift of the Hopkinton State Fair Association 2015 46

### Photos, copied from the archives of the League of NH Craftsmen.

Produced by staff 2015 47

### Bamboo basket, with hand-written sticker, "Hopkinton, N.H."

Transfer from Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum; gifted to MKIM by the Joan Pearson Watkins Trust 2015.48

## Sterling silver tea pot, awarded for Gould Hill apples, c. 1920-1922. From the estate of Jessie Gould, bequeathed to Lucille Leadbeater, and bequeathed to Mary Leadbeater.

Gift of Mary Leadbeater, in memory of Jessie Gould and Lucille Leadbeater 2015.49

## Book, "History The Silver, Copps, Duston Homestead and Its People," by Arthur Silver and Arthur & Charlotte Duston, 1971.

Gift of Jim Sindelar 2015.50

### Collection of papers related to Ira Putney: deeds, letters, ephemera.

Purchase

2015.51

## Tall case clock by Timothy Chandler, case by David Young. Paper label of David Young.

Purchase 2015.52

### Boyhood journal of Comm. Perkins and/or brothers.

Gift of Roger Sanborn, whose wife, Adele, is a Perkins cousin 2015.53

## Set of 24 photos (prints) by Bob LaPree for Hopkinton's Sestercentennial.

Purchase 2015.54

### Disc of photos of the painted curtain project, by Bob LaPree.

Gift of Bob LaPree 2015.55

## Three pieces from 2015 Tomorrow's Masterpieces Annual Art Show & Sale:

- "Blue Tank," photograph by Larry Bickford
- "Brothers," photograph by Binney Wells
- "Dustin's Country Club," watercolor by Coralie Hansen

Purchase

2015.56

### Two historic photos of Contoocook.

Gift of Dale Roberts 2015.57

### Found in Collections items added to the catalog during 2015:

7 objects

154 ephemera

1,458 photographs

1,487 glass-plate negatives (which completes this project)

In closing, the Collections Committee is very grateful for the many treasures offered to the Society by residents of the town. Not only is the history of the town exemplified in this way, but an item such as a labeled photograph or document may secure the inclusion of a person or family in the Society's history of the town. The Committee is also very appreciative of the continued cataloging of items during 2015; through the work of Elissa Barr, Alex Sanford, and Nancy Jo Chabot, a majority of the Society's collections items are now catalogued and thereby easily found in response to searches for the purposes of information, exhibition, and collections management. Finally, the Collections Committee is extremely grateful for the direction and abundant assistance it receives from Society Administrator Nancy Jo Chabot. We would be at a complete loss without her guidance, competence, and patience. Current members of the Collections Committee include: Charlotte Debell, Carol Duston, Nancy Heck, Don Lane, Jean Lightfoot, Nancy Miner, Allita Paine, Gail Piatt, Patti Smith, and Bob Wilson.

Respectfully submitted, Allita Paine. Committee Chair

### **Cataloging Project**

Thanks to the diligent collecting of its founding members, the generous donations by members and area residents, and the selective purchases of the Collections Committee, the Society has in its collections more than 5,000 artifacts, nearly 700 books, as well as a sizable collection of letters, diaries, photographs, and ephemera. As part of our on-going cataloging project, Nancy Jo Chabot, Elissa Barr, and our student interns Alex Sanford and Megan Mullins continued to document objects to enter the information into our electronic database. Of special note is Alex's extraordinary cataloging skills. In 2015 he cataloged more than 2,000 images in the Society's collection – an impressive number by any standard.

This database has proved its usefulness in searching for object information for general inquires, exhibit planning, and collections management. Since 2005 when the project began, more than 3,500 of the Society's 5,000+ artifacts have been cataloged, as well as nearly 550 books, 6,600 images, and 2,500 ephemera items.

Respectfully submitted, Heather Mitchell Executive Director

## Hopkinton Historical Society Income Statement

January through December 2015

	January - December 2015
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Fundraising	82,230.00
Special Events Revenue	13,864.00
Committee Program Income	9,700.00
Other Program Income	3,916.66
Gifts	2,813.13
Investment Income	-9,929.33
Other Revenue	152.45
Total Income	102,746.91
Expense	
Fundraising Expenses	6,528.26
Exhibit Expense	196.25
Special Events Expenses	7,814.69
Committee Program Expenses	34,379.17
Other Program Expense	4,625.85
General and Administrative*	28,736.98
Staff Expenses	50,951.77
Total Expense	133,232.97
Net Income	-30,486.06

## Hopkinton Historical Society Balance Sheet

as of December 31, 2015

#### **Assets**

Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Merrimack County Savings Bank	17,294.64
Petty cash	100.00
TD Ameritrade MM - GENERAL	25,868.03
TD Ameritrade MM - COLLECTIONS	1,687.29
TD Ameritrade MM - PRESERVATION	2,216.59
Total Checking/Savings	47,166.55
Accounts Receivable	
Pledges Receivable	43,117.00
Total Accounts Receivable	43,117.00
Other Current Assets	
Due from COLLECTIONS	1,074.63
Undeposited Funds	1,000.00
Total Other Current Assets	2,074.63
Total Current Assets	92,358.18
Fixed Assets	
Building Improvements	73,095.93
Elevator Addition	220,987.00
Equipment	1,581.00
Office Computer Systems	844.00
Accumulated Depreciation*	-240,855.94
Total Fixed Assets	55,651.99
Other Assets	
TD Ameritrade - GENERAL	326,842.27
TD Ameritrade - COLLECTIONS	57,198.87
TD Ameritrade - PRESERVATION	220,201.43
Total Other Assets	604,242.57
Total Assets	752,252.74

### **Liabilities and Equity**

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Due to OPERATING	1,074.63
Total Liabilities	1,074.63
Equity	
General Operating Fund**	268,315.56
Board Restricted Funds	
Collections Fund	57,811.53
Preservation Fund	222,418.02
Century Fund	10,633.00
Nichols Fund	90,750.00
Slusser Fund	101,250.00
Total Board Restricted Funds	482,862.55
Total Equity	751,178.11

### **Total Liabilities and Equity**

752,252.74

<sup>\*2015</sup> Depreciation expenses are estimated at \$2,290 \*\*General Operating Fund includes \$55,652 in Fixed Assets & \$43,117 in Century Fund accounts receivables, leaving \$169,546 in actual cash available for operations

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The Gideon Gould House Grand Drape (10' high by 17' long) depicts one of Hopkinton's oldest homes, surrounded by formal drapery. Gideon Gould was the son of one of Township No. 5's original proprietors, and the house still stands on Rollins Rd. The curtain is signed Pasquaney Art Studios (Plymouth, NH), and dated 1935. It is thought to be the work of well-known painter Arthur Ives. *Photograph by Bob LaPree* 



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