

# HOPKINTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY



2022 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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# 2022 Annual Meeting Agenda

*April 16, 2023 • 1 pm*

- I. Welcome and Land Acknowledgement
- II. Distribution of the 2022 Annual Report
- III. President's Remarks
- IV. Executive Director's Remarks
- V. Old Business
  - a. Secretary's Report
  - b. Collections Committee Report
  - c. Vintage Yard Sale Committee Report
  - d. Program Committee Report
  - e. Finance Committee Report
- VI. New Business
  - a. Election of the Slate of Officers

Craig Dunning	President
Jim Fredyma	Past President
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Mary Leadbeater	Honorary Trustee
Allita Paine	Honorary Trustee
Bruce Salisbury	Honorary Trustee
Kathy Thesing	Honorary Trustee
Dr. Robert Wilson	Honorary Trustee
- VII. Special Recognition
  - a. Annual Report Dedication
  - b. Salute to Volunteers
- VIII. Adjournment

# Dedication

This year we are recognizing two of the Society's longest-serving board members. While we acknowledge that board turnover is an important part of the health and success of any nonprofit, we are nonetheless sad to lose two such valued trustees, especially in the same year!

It is with great privilege that the Hopkinton Historical Society 2022 Annual Report is dedicated to Mary Leadbeater and Allita Paine. Thank you both for your unwavering support and commitment to the Hopkinton Historical Society. In recognition of your many years of contributions, we have named both of you Honorary Trustees.

## Mary Leadbeater

As a Hopkinton native and someone that knows everyone in town, Mary has been an invaluable resource to the Society. Her sunny disposition doesn't hurt, either!

Mary was born in Hopkinton to Ed and Lucille Leadbeater, the second owners of Gould Hill Farm. She remembers that she and her siblings would play all over Gould Hill, which at that time had only one or two homes that were occupied in the winter. She also remembers her mom only letting them watch TV if they were doing something productive at the same time. Mary recalls many evenings of watching TV while pasting S&H green stamps and A&P plaid stamps into booklets.

Mary went through the Hopkinton schools and then onto University of New Hampshire. Following graduation, she returned to



Hopkinton where she worked at Gould Hill Farm, “doing everything but growing apples.” Among other responsibilities she kept the books, did order fulfillment, and worked in the store.

In 1990, Mary moved with her husband, Michael, to Ireland for three years. When she returned to the U.S., they lived in Manchester and Nashua for a few years. While there, Mary worked as the office manager for NARAL. After a few years in New Hampshire, Mary and Michael relocated and spent several years in Tokyo and San Jose, before returning to Hopkinton in 1999. Upon returning, Mary worked at the Country Canoeist in Dunbarton.

Mary was recruited to join the Hopkinton Historical Society board in 2007 by then President Kathy Thesing. Mary recalls not being sure of her willingness to commit to the board, so asked Kathy if she could be on the board for a year, and then at the end of the year, if either side wanted, she could leave the board. Sixteen years later, we are fortunate Mary decided to remain on the board!

While on the board, Mary has made contributions in many areas. She has served as the Collections Committee Chair for six years, where she has enjoyed working with the other committee members to look at “interesting stuff” and learn new things about Hopkinton.

Mary has also been the face of the Society at the weekly Farmers’ Market in Contoocook. Mary recalls seeing Carol Duston and Audrey Gardner sitting at the Society’s table at the Farmers’ Market. One time, probably around 2008, one of them couldn’t be there so they asked Mary if she could fill in. From there, Mary continued to help out Carol and Audrey for a number of years, was by herself for a few years, and for the last five or so years has been there with Allita Paine.

Mary’s favorite part of the Farmers’ Market is meeting all of the people. She was already hanging out at the Farmers’ Market catching up with friends and buying vegetables, fruit, pies, and coffee, so minding the table was just an extension of what she was already doing. Mary has enjoyed meeting the young families of Hopkinton as well as recent transplants. She has also liked meeting all the vendors and musicians.

Besides selling t-shirts and stationary, Mary’s primary goal at the Farmers’ Market has been to raise awareness of the Society and its programs and events. She has done a wonderful job telling people about the Society, passing out information about exhibits and programs, and selling tickets to the cemetery walks. Many times the Society has had a visitor that told us a very nice woman at the Farmers’ Market was the reason they were stopping by.

In addition to the Collections Committee and the Farmers’ Market, Mary is a tremendous help with the administrative work at the Society. She did the Society’s payroll until about four years ago, and is here at least once a week to

send out thank you notes for memberships and annual appeal donations. We are very fortunate that Mary will continue to send out these thank you notes after she steps down from the board!

We would like to express our appreciation to Mary for her many contributions to the Society. Her knowledge of Hopkinton, pragmatic approach to problem solving, and cheerful attitude will be greatly missed at our monthly board meetings. Thank you, Mary!

### **Allita Paine**

Allita's life has been filled with a wide variety of experiences, and she wouldn't trade it for anything! Growing up in Maine, she remembers her family's wall phone which had 25 lines; her family's number was five long and three short rings. She also remembers if she were making a call, she would have to lift the receiver and let people know she needed to use the phone; most people would hang up, but a few would stay on, hoping for juicy gossip.

Allita also attended a one-room school house, with Miss Day presiding over all of the classes. Miss Day was a wonderful teacher and kept all of the classes in line. Allita recalls that it was helpful for the younger students to hear what the fourth and fifth graders were reciting, knowing that it would be them in a few years.



At one point, Allita's family lived on a lake in Maine with very few other year-round residents. Allita remembers walking one mile in snowshoes to get to the first bus, and then transferring to a second bus to get to school. One time school was cancelled because of snow, but Allita didn't find out until after she arrived at the waiting point for the second bus!

Following high school, Allita earned a Bachelor's of Science in occupational therapy, summa cum laude, from the University of New Hampshire in 1967 and in 1980 a Master's degree from University of New Hampshire in Education. She also joined the U.S. Army Reserves, serving from 1974

through 1996. During her military career, Colonel Paine was activated during Desert Storm and served for five months at Tripler Army Medical Center in Honolulu, Hawaii.

In 1983, Allita moved to Newfoundland with her then husband and two sons as “landed immigrants.” While there, she continued her work as an occupational therapist and working with the developmentally disabled. She was still part of the U.S. Army Reserves, and remembers that they would not send documents to her because there were Russian ships in the harbor of St. John’s. Allita also recalls that no matter how long an immigrant lives in Newfoundland, they are always considered to be “come from away” though she became an honorary Newfoundlander by being “screeched in,” requiring dancing a jig, kissing a cod fish, and downing a jigger of Screech rum!

After Newfoundland, Allita moved to New Hampshire and began work for the State of New Hampshire Health & Human Services in the Bureau of Developmental Services. She held a number of positions, including working as a Program Specialist where she was responsible for allocating money and evaluating programs of the area agencies and later as Administrator of programs for young children and family support.

In 2001, Allita met the love of her life, Phil Fitts. His wife, Jeanne, who had been a good friend of Allita’s, had passed away following a long illness. When Phil was going through Jeanne’s papers, he found her Christmas list and address book where every female’s name had been crossed out with the exception of Allita’s! Phil took that as a sign, and he and Allita enjoyed ten happy years together until Phil’s death in 2011.

Allita joined the board of Hopkinton Historical Society twelve years ago and has served in many capacities. She has been chair of the Collections Committee, Vice President, President, and Past President. In addition, Allita has done wonderful research for the Society’s exhibits and programs, including Hopkinton’s one-room schoolhouses, how the 1918 pandemic affected Hopkinton, and local women such as Delia Bohanan. Allita was also instrumental in our series, “Learning from History,” which we hope to restart soon. She has also been a mainstay at the Farmers’ Market for the last several years with Mary Leadbeater.

Moving forward, Allita plans to remain active at the Slusser Center, working on her incredible quilts and teaching card-making classes. She also wants to spend more time writing down memories of her family and matching them with photos. Allita is definitely looking forward to travelling without the restrictions of monthly board meetings. She is especially looking forward to a 2024 trip to Norway, which had to be postponed due to Covid. The trip will be by boat and land and will go from Copenhagen to Stockholm.

# President's Report

This is my third and final report to you, our members, as President of the Board of Trustees. At the end of this meeting, Craig Dunning becomes our new President for the three-year term. I remain a Trustee, assuming the position of Past President; I wish Craig much success as he begins his new duties.

The past year, 2022, has been the third year of the pandemic, which hopefully will be the last of this particular experience. Indications are that daily life is returning to pre-pandemic terms for most of us. Nonetheless, if you would like to share your pandemic story, as a historical society and keeper of the past we would be grateful to collect and preserve your story for future generations of the Hopkinton family. Future generations will look back on this period of our history and want to understand what happened and why, as they have with similar events.

Heather Mitchell, our Executive Director, will share the details of work accomplished this past year by her, Nancy Jo Chabot, Elissa Barr, and other volunteers. Among the highlights, of which there were many, included Vintage Yard Sale and a Second-Hand Art Sale that were again successful for the Society.

I also want to thank each of my fellow trustees for your commitment to our mission. It has been a pleasure to work with you. Thank you!

The following elements of a master plan are repeated from last year's report as they remain open.

- 1) develop a master plan to ensure the Hopkinton Historical Society continues its mission for the residents of Hopkinton and individuals interested in our history;
- 2) build a long-term financial plan to support our plans and operations;
- 3) increase our endowment;
- 4) fund raising for specific events and projects; and,
- 5) planned giving program so that individuals may remember the Hopkinton Historical Society in their will or trust upon passing.

Additionally, succession planning; how do we encourage involvement of younger members and new residents of the Hopkinton community to become invested in the Hopkinton Historical Society. Some move away and then move back, making Hopkinton their home again. We want them to remember

Hopkinton as their home, not simply some place where they lived part of their lives.

Thank you for your support of our community and our Hopkinton Historical Society.

Best regards,  
James P. Fredyma  
President, Board of Trustees  
Hopkinton Historical Society

# Executive Director's Report

2022, like 2020 and 2021, was a challenging year, as we continued to adapt our exhibits and programs to changing Covid-19 conditions. Despite the challenges, or perhaps because of them, we were able to put forth an exhibit and programs that included both on-line and outdoor opportunities.

Our 2022 exhibit, "Gather Round: Telling our History through Food," looked at the intersection of food in culture, traditions, and history. From Native Americans and colonists, and from 19th-century residents to today, food has always played an important role in our lives. Programs included an herb walk with Lynn Clowes, a birchbark container program with Dan Shears and Brian Chenevert, a dugout canoe program with Dan Shears, Bill Gould, and Brian Chenevert, two Zoom cooking demonstrations with Liz Charlebois and Darryl Peasley, and a gardening program with Ruth Smith; all of which culminated with a wonderful Indigenous People's Day program at the Jane Lewellen Gazebo in Contoocook and Abenaki Harvest Tasting event at the Slusser Center on October 10<sup>th</sup>, both of which were co-hosted with the Abenaki Trails Project.

Also in 2022, Hopkinton participated in the Abenaki Seeds Project, through which local growers can help ensure food security for the Abenaki people by growing heritage seeds. Food growers were included in the Abenaki Harvest Tasting event and donated their produce to the Abenaki Food Shelf and the Hopkinton Food Pantry. The Society developed a growing guide for the heritage seeds with recipes for people to try at home.

Through the exhibit and programs, the Society wanted to show changes in food practices, the influence of Native American knowledge on cooking, and how fresh food can be incorporated into our lives.

In 2023, we are looking forward to another terrific exhibit with several interesting programs. The exhibit is going to focus on Davisville, the little sliver of land between Warner and Hopkinton along the Warner River. The Warner Historical Society will have a similar exhibit. This little corner, which appears so quiet today, has a rich history filled with Abenaki people, mills taking advantage of the river flow, and a stop along the Underground Railroad. Stay tuned for a listing of programs!

The most exciting program will take place in October, when we will present our ninth Cemetery Walk at the Davisville Cemetery. Researchers and writers Lynn Clark and Beth Spaulding are hard at work uncovering stories

about its residents. You will not think of Davisville as sleepy after seeing the Cemetery Walk!

I would like to express my gratitude to the Board of Trustees and our many volunteers. The Society would not function without them, and we are thankful for the time and talents they bring to the Society.

Thank you,

Heather Mitchell  
Executive Director

# Volunteer of the Year



We are pleased to announce that Hadley Cook is our 2022 Volunteer of the Year!

Hadley is one of several Hopkinton High School students who has volunteered at the Society. Interns learn some of the basics of museum work – cataloging, handling fragile objects – and also work on projects relevant to their own interests. Hadley, like all of the Hopkinton High School students, did a fantastic job!

Hadley began work at the Society in January 2022, to fulfill a graduation requirement at Hopkinton High School. She was particularly interested in working at the Society because she

remembers coming here when she was very young and enjoying it. Hadley also chose the Society based on the recommendation of her friend, Giselle (Gigi) Spaulding, who interned at the Society in 2021 and was the recipient of our 2021 Volunteer of the Year.

During her internship, Hadley worked on cataloging the Society's earliest printed documents from the 1700s, as well as many found in collections items, including Civil War diaries, N.H. legal books, and medical records of Hopkinton soldiers in the Civil War. She has done transcriptions of several of the diaries, some of which were written by prisoners of war. Hadley also translated and transcribed a pamphlet written in Latin that was included in a 1752 speech to the Massachusetts Bay Colony. Hadley did such a great job as an intern that we asked her to come back in 2023.

In her free time, Hadley enjoys field hockey, writing, and her Ancient Greek Reading Group. The group, which meets on-line, is a continuation of a Greek class she took in 2022 at the Harvard Summer School Program. This summer, Hadley will be a tour guide at the Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum in Warner, and will be participating in a two-week archeological dig in N.H. with her dad. Looking to the future, Hadley is considering studying classical archeology or something history related, in college.

We thank Hadley for all of her work at the Society and wish her all the best in the future.

# Salute to Volunteers

In 2022 nearly 50 individuals volunteered their time at the Society. These volunteers did everything from cataloging, conducting research for the Cemetery Walk, to helping with yard work. With their efforts, the Society is able to 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 2022 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.

**Audio/Visual:** Bob LaPree and Ken Wilkens

**Board of Trustees:** Roxanne Benzel, Arnold Coda, Craig Dunning, Jim Fredyma, Sienna Larson, Mary Leadbeater, Dulcie Lipoma, Scott Metzger, Allita Paine and Carol Schapira. **Honorary Trustees:** Carol Duston, Don Lane, Bruce Salisbury, Kathy Thesing, and Bob Wilson

**Cataloging:** Hadley Cook

**Collections Committee:** Vicki Frye, Carol Hooper, Mary Leadbeater, Jean Lightfoot, Scott Metzger, Patti Cass Smith, and Bob Wilson

**Clock Winder:** Bob Wilson

**Exhibit Advisors, Lenders, and Volunteers:** Elissa Barr, Alicia Cross, Dawn Berry, Joan Day, Paula Demers, Janet DeVito, Linda Dunning, Bill Gould, Sherry Gould, Anya & Josh Kattf, Madie Kaplan, Ron Klemarczyk, Audrey Knight, Kim Mailloux, Diane Myler, Ruth Pratt, Marge Salathe, Jed Schwartz, Michael Strack, Kathy & Greg Thesing, Melissa Trafton, Bob Wilson, and Ellen Wintzer

**Finance Committee:** Arnold Coda, Craig Dunning, Jim Fredyma, Don Lane, and Dulcie Lipoma

**Handyman:** Craig Dunning

**Management of Vintage Yard Sale:** Scott Metzger

**Program Committee:** Roxanne Benzel, Katie Dillon, Emily Gula, Lissa Jones, and Scott Metzger

**Yardwork:** Inge Eddy 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. On-going projects include exhibit research, genealogy research, filing, photography, and photograph sorting. Give us a call at 746-3825 or send us an email at [administrator@hopkintonhistory.org](mailto:administrator@hopkintonhistory.org) if you are interested.

# Collections Committee

The Statement of Purpose on the inside cover of this report describes the charge that the Collections Committee follows: "...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 illustrate the town's history." When items are presented to the Society as possible additions to our collection, it is our committee that assesses them and makes the decision of whether we should accept them.

As many of our members know the Society has information and files on many of the buildings in Hopkinton. The current owner of a house in Hopkinton Village came to us to research the history of his home and spent many hours working with our staff and poring through the information that we have. When he finished he gave us a copy of his work that fills in some of our gaps and is now in the house file for his address.

2022 was another busy year for the Collections Committee. We helped with the two fundraising sales - the Vintage Yard Sale and the Second Hand Art Sale - both hard work but always lots of fun. We only met four times this year due to scheduling conflicts and busy personnel, but we managed to work through all the items we had to consider. The list of items is as varied as a framed schoolgirl's calligraphy sampler with cursive writing and illustrations to a key to the Town of Hopkinton that had been presented to Don Lane.

A few highlights:

- A hooked rug by Hallie Hall, a well-known rug hooker who lived in Contoocook and taught rug hooking
- Pottery made by Otto and Vivika Heino - four cups with a local family's children's names and two gorgeous pots
- archives of the Hopkinton Woman's Club
- Two Edmund Currier silver spoons

Our clothing collection stored in the North balcony, covered with protective white sheets, has been something that we have wanted to move for both aesthetic and practical reasons--they block the mini-split AC/heating units installed there. In 2022, through a SHARP Grant administered by NH Humanities, we purchased some handsome curtains that were hung in the South balcony and the switch was made early in 2023.

Please remember that we not only collect things from the past but also current items that will tell our history to later generations. We look forward to what 2023 will bring so please keep us in mind as you downsize or de-clutter.

Thank you for thinking of us!

The Collections Committee

Vicki Frye, Carol Hooper, Jean Lightfoot, Scott Metzger, Patti Cass Smith and Bob Wilson

Mary Leadbeater, Chair

- 2022.0005 Cookbook, "Contoocook's Treasure of Personal Recipes," compiled by the W.S.C.S. of the Contoocook Methodist Church, published 1952. Includes Church history. Belonged to donor's mother, Dorothy Baldwin Lightfoot (1915-2004); Dorothy's recipe notes are in the margins.  
*Gift of Jean Lightfoot*
- 2022.0006 Collection of color photographs (4"x6") which document the Admiral Burrage house & barns, Burrage Rd., prior to fire in late 2002 which destroyed the barns. Photos by Craig Dunning; some taken from helicopter.  
*Gift of Craig Dunning*
- 2022.0007 Collection of Premium Lists from the Hopkinton Fair, from the years 1974-1977, 1979, and 1980. Mailing addresses on several: Judith O. Davis (1940-2005), Emerson Hill, Contoocook. Sender's address: Mrs. Barbara Walls (1924-2019; 35+ years as secretary & treasurer of Hopkinton Fair), Contoocook Valley Fair Association, Inc., Contoocook.  
*Gift of Hopkinton Town Library*
- 2022.0008 Collection of materials related to John Arthur Dwinells (1901-1982), who raised turkeys. Collections includes photographs (related to Dwinells family and to turkeys), scrapbook of photos of turkeys, prize ribbons and trophy.  
*Gift of Walter J. Dwinells and Ken & Sandy Smart (Ken and Walter were nephews of John Arthur Dwinells)*

- 2022.0009      Compilation of original historical research about 1555  
Hopkinton Rd. in Hopkinton Village, which is the donor's house.  
*Gift of Bill Palizzolo*
- 2022.0010      Collection of approximately 14 color slides of Hopkinton scenes,  
1957-1965.  
*Gift of Leland Wilder*
- 2022.0011      Booklet, circa 1930s, "Spring Bargains in Country Properties in  
Fifty Towns of New Hampshire / A.G. Symonds, Contoocook,  
N.H., representing E.A. Strout Realty Agency, Inc."  
*Gift of Washington (NH) Historical Society*
- 2022.0012      Journal of the Tasha Tudor Society, Spring 2021, which features  
an article in which Hopkinton Historical Society is credited.  
*Gift of the author, Jeanette Chandler Knazek*
- 2022.0013      Hopkinton School Board Minutes book, 1890s.  
*Gift of Hopkinton Town Library*
- 2022.0014      Family portrait photograph of the Davis & Savory family of  
Contoocook, dated Oct. 17, 1910.  
*Gift of the Estate of John F. Bemis, and given in his memory*
- 2022.0015      Set of labeled b/w photograph copies which pertain to  
Hopkinton, N.H. Originals were from the collection of Everett  
Mitchell (1888-1961).  
*Gift of Warner Historical Society*
- 2022.0016      Circa 1940s cookbook, from the Contoocook Woman's Club.  
Cookbook includes hand-written notes from Jessie Gould (1900-  
1967). Cookbook was from the Estate of Jesse Gould.  
*Gift of Mary Leadbeater*
- 2022.0017      Silkscreen Print of Main St., Hopkinton, NH, by Bill Abbe (1915-  
2001), who served on the art faculty at St. Paul's School in  
Concord, N.H. (Note: Bill Abbe Fund at Hopkinton Historical  
Society funded arts programs for children).  
*Gift of Ingeborg Schade Eddy, given in memory of Robert R. Eddy*

- 2022.0018 Large collection of Hopkinton Town Reports, Hopkinton High School records, and documents related to the Town of Hopkinton. Donor worked at Hopkinton High School for 36 years as secretary to the principal. The Town Reports collection was from those saved by donor and by her mother, Irlene Holmes. Given by Sandra Smart in 2000, approximately 77 items.  
*Gift of Sandra J. Smart*
- 2022.0019 Children's cups, made by Hopkinton potters, Otto & Vivika Heino, for the Lightfoot-family children. These cups were a gift to the Lightfoot family in 1951, from their Contoocook neighbors, Harold & Evelyn Kemp. They are inscribed for each of the Lightfoot children: Jack, Jean, Bobby, and Ann.  
*Gift of Ann Lightfoot Habafy, Jean Lightfoot, John H. Lightfoot Jr., and Robert Baldwin Lightfoot*
- 2022.0020 Cookbook, "Boulder Farm Strawberry Recipes ... Sally & Wayne Patenaude, farmers".  
*Gift of Nancy Ladd*
- 2022.0021 Three letters: 1) from West Hopkinton, addressed to Mrs. Lucy T. Day (1861), 2) from West Hopkinton, addressed to Mr. James F. Allen (1863), and 3) from Horace Chase, Portsmouth, to Samuel B. Chase at Dartmouth College (1841). Found online by donor.  
*Gift of Bob Wilson*
- 2022.0022 Town of Hopkinton 2021 Annual Report, dedicated to the memory of Tom Congoran.  
*Collected by Staff*
- 2022.0023 T-shirt, Contoocook Farmers Market. Artwork and block print by Monica Rico.  
*Gift of Contoocook Farmers Market*
- 2022.0024 Items related to the Libby and Little families of Contoocook (continuation of donations of family items begun in 2019). Includes Diary of Will Densmore, photographs, books, Hopkinton souvenir ceramics and glass. Approximately 80 items.  
*Gift of Kathleen Little Sorokin*

- 2022.0025 Mug, Hopkinton State Fair.  
*Gift of Jean Lightfoot, in memory of Shep Wilder*
- 2022.0026 T-shirt, HMHS 2020 musical, "The Addams Family". Shirts made for cast and crew. Cast members listed on back of shirt.  
*Gift of Sienna Larson*
- 2022.0027 Concord Monitor Supplement, "Christa's Challenge," January 1986. Two identical issues.  
*Collected by Staff, among donations to Vintage Yard Sale*
- 2022.0028 Civil-war era pendant found in floorboards of the Davis House (881 Main St.) in Contoocook. Heart-shaped memorial pendant, with photo portrait of a man on one side, and hair on the other side. Undetermined whether pendant was from the original Davis family residents, or from the time when the Davis House was re-purposed as a nursing home. Donor's parents, Jack & Louisa Porter, owned the house for about 38 years.  
*Gift of Brenda Quinn*
- 2022.0029 Two cards for purchasing blocks of ice (identical), J.F. Bell & Sons, Co. Joseph Frederick (Fred) Bell (1870-1939) was donor's father's grandfather, who owned an ice business in Berlin, N.H., late 1800s/early 1900s. They delivered ice in a horse-drawn vehicle based on the information displayed on these cards in the windows of homes.  
*Gift of Dorothy Martin, in memory of Oliver Bell*
- 2022.0030 Archives of the Hopkinton Woman's Club, including 5 scrapbooks, book "Past notes of the Secretary," HWC directories, certificate of appreciation, guest book, and misc. papers.  
*Gift of Hopkinton Woman's Club*
- 2022.0031 Tablespoon, made by Hopkinton silversmith, Edmund Currier. Marked E. Currier and Pure Coin. "K" on back of handle.  
*Gift of Derk & Heather Mitchell*
- 2022.0032 Hopkinton Fair Anniversary postmark, with newspaper ad.  
*Gift of Sue Mitchell*

- 2022.0033     Woman's fancy hat, with feather.  
*Gift of Joanne Seery*
- 2022.0034     Stereoscopic View Card. Number 6 in the series, "Stereoscopic Views of Hopkinton, New Hampshire," by W.G.C. Kimball, photographer, Concord, N.H.  
*Gift of Joyce Blake Johnson, daughter of Hopkinton photographer, Lewis William Blake*
- 2022.0035     B/W photograph of actors from first Cemetery Walk.  
Photograph by donor George Ewald; printing by Jeff Schapira.  
*Gift of George Ewald*
- 2022.0036     Local ephemera collected for the 2022 food exhibit, including Work Song Farm brochures and Merrimack Co. Local Food Guides.  
*Collected by Staff*
- 2022.0037     Hook rug by Hallie Holmes Hall (1908-2001), well-known rug hooker, who resided in Contoocook, c.1973-1995; previously she lived in Great Neck, N.Y. This rug has 2 markings, "'Rose Point' Perl McGown design Hooke & Color planned by Hallie Hall, Great Neck N.Y. 1963" and "678 Rose Point Hallie Hall Rockwood Circle Contoocook N.H. 03229". (Perl McGown is a rug hooking school in Worcester, Mass; Hall also attended Parsons School of Design). Hall was a rug hooking teacher; she also sold her rugs widely. Also a copy of "Old Masters of New England," which has an article about Hallie Hall.  
*Hopkinton Historical Society purchase*
- 2022.0038     Certificate. Award of excellence to Hopkinton Historical Society for the Putney Hill Cemetery Walk.  
*Presented by the American Association for State and Local History*
- 2022.0039     Silver salt spoon, made by Hopkinton silversmith, Edmund Currier. Marked "E. CURRIER".  
*Gift of Derk & Heather Mitchell*

- 2022.0040 Research documents & photographs compiled by Marcia Gilman about the Gilman family of Hopkinton, particularly Richard Hall Gilman (1845-1942), who resided at 14 South Rd. prior to moving to Los Angeles, CA, area, and becoming known for Valencia oranges.  
*Transfer from Hopkinton Town Library, who received from Marcia Gilman*
- 2022.0041 Prom dress, worn by donor to Hopkinton High School 2022 prom. Dress originally purchased from Goodwill for \$13 and altered by donor.  
*Gift of Giselle Spalding, who served as textile intern at Hopkinton Historical Society*
- 2022.0042 Cap, Blackwater Mustard of Contoocook, NH.  
*Gift of Steve Cybulski, creator of Blackwater Mustard*
- 2022.0043 Laminated poster for Hopkinton Historical Society's Sugar Hill exhibit, which shows mural of Sugar Hill painted by Gerhard Schade (1906-1999).  
*Gift of Ingeborg Schade Eddy*
- 2022.0044 Collection of notecards depicting illustrations of Hopkinton and Contoocook villages, designed by Contoocook artist, Andre Hurtgen. These cards had been sold in the Hopkinton Historical Society's Museum Store.  
*Collected by Staff*
- 2022.0045 Child's tea set. Passed down to donor from her aunt, Priscilla Bohanan. Provenance: Mary Agnes Gage Morrill (1847-1929) gave tea set to Dorothy Emeline Bullock (1904-1988) in 1913. Had also belonged to M.A.G. Morrill's daughter, Mary Agnes Morrill Howlett (1875-1962) when she was around 9 years old, which would have been c.1884.  
*Gift of Celia Bohanan Abrams, given in memory of Dorothy Emeline Bullock*
- 2022.0046 Three paper items related to the Hopkinton Inn (Old Henniker Rd.): Postcard; State of NH Meals & Room Tax Operator's License 1967-69; and License issued 1969.  
*Gift of Leland Wilder*

- 2022.0047 Watercolor painting by Contoocook artist, Audrey Gardner (1928-2012), "Barn with Silo," featured in book, "A Tribute to Audrey."  
*Gift of Mary Leadbeater*
- 2022.0048 Three garments, originally from the Raymond homestead (195 Kast Hill Rd.). These garments have been in the house since donors purchased it from Raymond family descendants.  
*Gift of Lizz Van Saun & Heston Scheffey*
- 2022.0049 Handbill from Hopkinton Academy, May 11, 1859.  
*Gift of Pembroke (NH) Historical Society*
- 2022.0050 Key to the Town of Hopkinton, which was presented to Don Lane.  
*Gift of Derk & Heather Mitchell; Don Lane served as President of the Board of the Hopkinton Historical Society*
- 2022.0051 Framed calligraphy, "Presume not on Tomorrow," signed Hannah C. Fisk, Hopkinton, May 6th, 1825. Purchased from an auction of the collection of Hopkinton antiques experts, Donald & Phyllis Randall.  
*Gift of Bob Wilson*
- 2022.0052 Art pottery from the collection of Inge & Bob Eddy: 1) Pot signed Vivika & Otto Heino, blue/brown/tan, 8" tall approx. 10" diam; 2) Pot signed Vivika & Otto Heino, blue/brown/tan, 5 ¼" tall, 6 ½ x 5 ¼ l & w; 3) Pot signed by Gerry Williams, 1980s, brown/cream/white, 5 ¼" tall, approx. 8" diam.  
*Gift of Ingeborg Schade Eddy*

# Vintage Yard Sale Committee

After a two-year pandemic induced hiatus, and a rescheduled late sale in August 2021, our Vintage Yard Sale team was thrilled to finally have a “normal” sale last year on May 21st. Proceeds from the sale were just under \$10,000, and as always, throngs of buyers left with great new treasures. We are excited to once again hold our sale this spring on Saturday, May 20th. We are seeking donations for this year’s sale and, as in years past, we are happy to arrange to pick up your donations, or you are welcome to drop them off at the Hopkinton Historical Society during normal business hours. As more folks in town have become aware of this annual sale, we have been receiving some donations throughout the year. So, we have a good head start coming into this year’s sale. But we always want more! We encourage you to search your attic, garage, basement and closets for anything you think you’ve carried around too long and that maybe someone else might treasure. No donation is too large or too small. We have been especially pleased that so many young people have attended our past sales and have appreciated the quality craftsmanship of vintage items or left with plans to repurpose and renew vintage furniture. It’s the most gratifying form of recycling! And we cherish the stories and histories behind some of the donations. It’s a truly fun event for both the HHS and our community, and we are very grateful for the past generosity of so many of you in donating unique and fantastic items and still coming to the sale to find new things. We look forward to a great 2023 sale, and again, thank you all so much for your past and continued support!

Becoming Vintage Myself,  
Scott Metzger  
Vintage Yard Sale Committee Chair

# Program Committee

The Hopkinton Historical Society initiated its newly formed Program Committee throughout this past year. The purpose of the Program Committee is to align programming activity with the goals of the Hopkinton Historical Society to help achieve the long term and annual financial, membership, and Board of Trustees objectives.

The objectives for this dynamic and energetic group includes:

- Identify long term and annual, specific, and purposeful programs –
  - leverage the Idea Bank as a resource to align with long term and annual strategies of the Hopkinton Historical Society;
  - define plans for execution;
  - solicit HHS membership to be actively engaged in implementing programs;
  - measure success.
- Engage committee participation from members of the Board of Trustees and membership of the Hopkinton Historical Society.
- Solicit sponsorships to assist in program funding.
- Collaborate with the outstanding HHS staff for program alignment with the mission of the Hopkinton Historical Society.

The first program planned and executed was the very successful, “Night At The Museum” (NATM). This first in the NATM series was a fun-filled evening that included show and tell, storyteller Trish Walton who read the interactive story, “Wendall The Narwhal,” and the grand finale where we revealed the narwhal tusk that has been part of the Society’s collection for nearly 150 years.

We hope to see you in the upcoming year at the many programs held at the Hopkinton Historical Society!

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne Benzel

Program Committee Chair

The Program Committee

Katie Dillon, Emily Gula, Lissa Jones, and Scott Metzger

# Finance Committee

Several members of the Finance Committee and the Executive Director worked with our new accounting and bookkeeping firm throughout the year to develop a chart of accounts. Further work included mapping our Society budget into the new Chart of Accounts from our outdated QuickBooks software. This work continues into 2023.

Finance Committee

Arnold Coda, Craig Dunning, Jim Fredyma, Dulcie Lipoma and Heather Mitchell (non-voting member)

# Hopkinton Historical Society

## Statement of Activities

for the year ended December 31, 2022 - DRAFT

Public support	
Gifts, grants and bequests	\$34,664
Sponsorship revenue	8,972
Special events - less costs of \$1,114	11,448
Total Public Support	<u>55,084</u>
Other Revenues	
Museum store revenue	1,448
Other revenue	20
Total other revenues	<u>1,468</u>
Total public support and other revenues	<u>56,552</u>
Expenses	
Program services	10,519
Management and general	108,027
Fundraising	1,069
Total expenses	<u>119,615</u>
Decrease in net assets from operations	(63,062)
Non-operating gains	
Interest income	4
Collections investment activity (loss)	(14,748)
General Fund investment activity (loss)	(148,485)
Preservation investment activity (loss)	(56,498)
Total non-operating gains (losses)	<u>(219,726)</u>
Increase/(decrease) in net assets	<u>(282,789)</u>
Net assets, beginning of year	<u>1,359,300</u>
Net assets, end of year	<u><u>\$1,076,511</u></u>

# Hopkinton Historical Society

## Statement of Financial Position

as of December 31, 2022 – DRAFT

### ASSETS

#### Assets

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 13,269
Pledges receivable, net	150
Land, buildings and equipment, net	68,730
Investments	<u>1,008,453</u>

Total assets	<u><u>\$1,090,601</u></u>
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### LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

#### Liabilities

Deferred income - Abenaki Trail Project	\$8,530
Payroll liabilities	<u>5,560</u>

Total liabilities	<u>14,090</u>
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#### Net Assets

Unrestricted net assets	1,076,511
Donor restricted net assets	<u>0</u>

Total net Assets	<u><u>1,076,511</u></u>
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Total liabilities and net assets	<u><u>\$1,090,601</u></u>
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# List of Members

as of April 1, 2023

*Life Members indicated with an asterisk*

Susan Abel	William D. Chapin, Sr.*
Michelle Allen	Ellen Chase-Lucard
Jason Ammann & Family	Anne & Robert Chehade
LeRoy J. Anderson	Ruth Chevion
Susan & Richard Arms, Jr.*	Lynn Chong
Kathy Barnes & Phil Wallingford	Lisa & Gerry Clancy
Barton Insurance Agency	Dr. Davis & Sandra Clark
Kathleen Belko*	Nancy S. Clark
Thomas & Roxanne Benzel*	Lynn Clark & Ruby Fogg
Gregory & Dawn Berry	Susan Sloan & Arthur Clarke*
Thomas J. & Karen F. Berry*	Jonathan & Diane Clarner
Michelle & Brian Bickford	Tammy, Ken, & Andrew Clay
Craig Billingham*	Anthony & Marilyn Clough
Beth Bissonnette & Stuart	Arnold & Alice Coda
Bronson	Karin Cohen & Family
Joanna Bloomfield	Mary Congoran
Lisa Maria Booth*	Mitch Simon & Susan Covert
Kathleen Boyer*	Cowan and Zellers RE, LLC
Jane & Ted Bradstreet	Tamara Craig
Christopher & Deborah	Charles F. H. Crathern
Brantley	Lester M. & Bonita A. Cressy
Dr. and Mrs. Frederick M.	Steve Cybulski
Briccetti	Andrew & Bernice Dangelas
Elizabeth & Rick Brockman	Rob & Juliana Dapice
Nancy & William Brown	Christie & Aprel Davis
Emilie & Tom Burack	Joanne P. DeBold
John & Renee Carey	Richard & Kristin Desmarais
Robert & Carol Carpenter	Janet & George DeVito, Jr.
Byron & Louise Carr	Dick Schoch & Son Plmb, Htg &
Katherine Carr	AC
Neal Cass	Kathy & Jeff Donohoe
Nancy Jo Chabot & Parker	Karen & David Dufault*
Potter	

Kelly Duguay & Chase  
Gentilhomme  
Bill & Sue Dunlap  
Sabrina Dunlap & Rob Childs  
Carol S. Dunning  
Craig & Linda Dunning  
Asa & Sarah Mattson  
Dustin  
Dan & Missy  
Carol S. Duston  
Natalie Duval & Charles  
Spalding  
Ingeborg Eddy  
Bruce & Gail Ellsworth  
Nancy Emery & Eric  
Schlepphorst  
Ron Emery\*  
Jerry & Linda Engstrand  
Doug & Becky Ewing  
Edward H. & Martha S. Fairfield  
David & Lori Feller  
Tom & Nancy Fellows  
Nadine Ferrero  
Mary Fiske & Anthony Repucci  
Margaret Douglas Frank &  
Peter Yunich\*  
James & Judith Fredyma  
Jack & Ginny Friberg\*  
Vicki Frye  
Kenneth Gasser Family  
Carl & Glenna Goodman  
Irvin D. Gordon  
Ian M. Grant\*  
H.R.Clough, Inc.  
Holli Hadley  
Pamela C. & Lindley H. Hall\*  
Christine Hamm\*  
Judith & Richard Hampe

Rachel A. Hampe  
Hardenbergh Family  
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Nancy Heck & Charles Hadden  
Janet K. Hertzberg  
Richard & Shirley Hesse  
Carol Hooper & Roland DuBois  
Christine & Garrett Hoyt  
Cindy Huckins  
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Cleveland Kapala & Lucia  
Kittredge  
Anya, Josh & Piper Kattef\*  
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Laura Kidder & Denis Kingston  
Gayle Kimball & Paul Silberman  
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Mona Lane  
Patricia L. LaPree  
Sienna Larson  
Christopher J. & Susan B.  
Lawless  
Mary Leadbeater & Michael  
Strack  
Jim & Brenda Lewis

Jean Lightfoot  
Diana, Peter & Emily Lighthall  
Shelley Lochhead  
Andy Locke & Heather Scholl  
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Catharine & Robert Matteo  
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Timothy & Marcia McCormack  
Jack & Debby McDevitt  
Kathleen McGuire  
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Scott & Lisa Metzger  
Metzger/McGuire  
Suzanne Meyer  
Norman Miner & Cheryl  
Callahan  
Derk & Heather Mitchell  
Rebecca Mitchell\*  
Dan, Laura & Brian Morgan  
Laurie Morrissey  
Peter Mosseau  
James & Jennifer Mullins  
Chris Nelsen  
NH Bowl & Board  
Susan O'Donnell  
Ruth Owen & Joab Owen  
Dean M. Owens\*  
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William & Lee Palizzolo  
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George Pawlush  
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Trombly  
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Paul & Beverley Sanborn  
Pamela Sanderson  
Beth Sargent & Richard  
Eichhorn  
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Marc Schindewolf & Charlene  
Betz  
Jayne & Dick Schoch  
Steve Shurtleff  
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Scott Smith & Patti Cass Smith

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Gloria D. Symonds  
Brian Tavares  
Dijit Taylor  
Gregory & Kathryn Thesing\*  
Stephen D. & Sue A. Thomas  
Kenneth Traum & Catherine  
Heath  
Beverly Trench  
Cindy Tubbs & Lyn Schollett  
Cynthia Grant Tykot  
The Vallari Family  
Joseph Vicinanza  
Michael & Janet Ward  
Donald & Susan Ware  
Elaine & John Warren  
Watercolor by Conrad Young  
Brad & Ann Watson  
Pamela Weitzel & James  
Zeppieri  
Anna & Ted Wells  
Binney & Bob Wells  
Richard & Ann West  
Chris Anne Wheeler  
Laura White & Ted Roche\*  
Diana Wieland  
Betsy & Leland Wilder  
Bob & Jill Wilson\*  
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Inc.  
The Yianakopolos Family

Susie J. & Gary L. York\*  
David & June Young  
John & Patty Zimmerman

## **On the cover:**

Two pieces of art pottery signed Vivika & Otto Heino donated to Hopkinton Historical Society in 2022 from the collection of Inge & Bob Eddy.

In the mid-20th century, the town of Hopkinton, NH, was the home of a talented group of artists who lived and worked in this quiet rural community. Among these artists were potters Vivika and Otto Heino.

Vivika and Otto were married in 1950 and began working together at their Briar Hill Road studio with one kiln and one wheel. From the beginning of their marriage all of their pieces were signed 'Vivika + Otto', regardless of who made them.

Following a stint in California, in 1965 the Heinos reopened their studio and home on Briar Hill Road in Hopkinton, but shortly thereafter relocated to a home with a barn on Crowell Road. They used the barn as a studio and designed and built a large salt kiln and returned to doing salt glaze, stoneware, and porcelain. The kiln could hold 350 pots and fire at 2,450 F degrees.

The Heinos would later become world famous for their pottery.

Inge Eddy remembers visiting the Crowell Road barn and purchasing pieces of Heino pottery with her husband Bob.

## **Land Acknowledgement**

We are on the land which has long served as a site of meeting and exchange among indigenous peoples for thousands of years and is the home of the Western Abenaki People. We honor, recognize and respect these peoples, especially the Abenaki, as the traditional stewards of the lands and waters on which we gather today. In that spirit, today we will begin by acknowledging that we are guests in this land. We need to respect and help protect the lands within our use.



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