

# HOPKINTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

2014 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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# 2014 Annual Meeting Agenda

1:00 pm • April 12, 2015 • Long Memorial Building

- I. Call to Order
- II. Welcome to Members
- III. Distribution of the 2014 Annual Report
- IV. Treasurer's Report
- V. President's Remarks
- VI. Executive Director's Remarks
- VII. New Business

## Slate of Officers

Roxanne Benzel	President
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- VIII. Special Recognition

Carol Duston  
Volunteer of the Year  
Salute to Volunteers

- IX. Adjournment



# 2014 Dedication



It is our privilege to dedicate the 2014 Hopkinton Historical Society Annual Report to one of our esteemed members and past-president, Carol Duston. Carol has worn many hats during her 20+ years of involvement at the Society. She served as President of the Board of Trustees from 1998 until 2004, and has served on the Education Committee, the Museum Committee, the Finance Committee, and the By-Laws Committee. Most recently, Carol has served as chair of the Collections

Committee. Although she has stepped down as chair, Carol remains an active member of the Collections Committee.

A New Jersey native, Carol attended William Patterson University for two years and then worked as an Editorial Assistant for an engineering magazine in New York City. She met her future husband, Hopkinton native Jay Duston, at the Ridgewood Methodist Church in New Jersey. They had three sons, and while they were still young, Carol went back to school to attain her teaching credentials in elementary education. Carol spent 25 years teaching fourth and second grade.

Carol's first trip to Hopkinton was in 1951, following her engagement to Jay. Once married, they spent time every summer at her husband's family camp on Lake Jo Sylvia. Carol and Jay planned to move to Contoocook after they retired; unfortunately, Jay passed away before they could move. Carol decided to follow through with the move, becoming a permanent resident in 1994.

Shortly after her move, Carol began volunteering at the Hopkinton Historical Society. Given her background in education, she looked for ways to engage children. She accomplished this by creating a special children's newsletter published three times a year that was distributed through the Harold Martin School. Included in the newsletter were items that would appeal to children – stories of haunted houses and Lafayette's visit, as well as multiple-choice questions about the meaning of words such as bushel, primer, and almanac. During her tenure as president, Carol oversaw the building expansion of the Long Memorial Building, working with contractors to create the wonderful and functional ell that houses the elevator, handicapped accessible bathroom, and storage closets.

Carol's interest in volunteering and education went beyond Hopkinton and Contoocook. She spent several years teaching adults to read in a program at the Concord Library, receiving the President's Volunteer Service Award, US Freedom Corps., in 2003 for her work.

Throughout her years in Hopkinton, Carol has been an integral part of the evolution of the Hopkinton Historical Society. She believes that the Society today is the best it's ever been, thanks to its open doors, increased community involvement, and award-winning exhibits and programs.

Carol loves living in Contoocook because of its openness, pace of living, schools, and the wonderful cross-section of people. We love Carol for her kind ways, leadership skills, and spirit of volunteerism. Thank you, Carol, for all you've done, your significant contributions, and your continued influence!

# President's Report

Wow – what a year we're having at the Hopkinton Historical Society! In this 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our lovely town of Hopkinton, the Historical Society has been immersed in our community and busy working with other in-town organizations to sponsor, plan and produce exhibits, plays, parades and family events. Both fun and educational, celebrating this milestone year of 2015 in the life of our iconic New Hampshire community has been wonderful.

Among the many noteworthy programs and projects from this past year, let me mention just a few. The expanded 2014 Annual Art Show and Sale was remarkably successful with distinctly Hopkinton themes of "Along the River," and which brought together talented artists who shared their works with all of us; the very informative 2014 summer exhibit that was a New Hampshire Humanities Council-sponsored collaborative project about our local rivers; and, a repeat of our very successful Cemetery Walk where, on a blustery, chili October weekend, the Historical Society held its fourth Cemetery Walk at the Stumpfield Cemetery. Directed by Christine Hamm and written by Jeff Dalzell, it was a fabulous production filled with stories of West Hopkinton from our town's earliest days up through the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Under the excellent guidance of Chris and the superb writing of Jeff, local actors brought to life those who lived in our town.

Throughout 2015, many essential projects have been initiated. Project Snapshot is a joint venture with the Hopkinton Town Library where we have teamed up to take a giant "snapshot" of our town. If you haven't done so already, we urge you to submit your stories and photos as we gather as many as possible family histories and photos from our town's 5,500+ citizens. The 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary License Plates are still available. Based on original artwork by Hopkinton resident Jeff Fullam, these plates have been authorized by the Director of the NH Division of Motor Vehicles. Attach a plate to the front of your car during 2015 and show your Hopkinton pride wherever you go. The 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Quilt was created over the past several months by a group of dedicated quilters who have been working hard to create a spectacular, one-of-a-kind quilt to celebrate Hopkinton's 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Raffle tickets are available for sale with the winning raffle ticket drawing to be held in December. The Historical Society is collaborating with the Town of Hopkinton on the restoration of Hopkinton's grand painted curtains from the 1930s, which had been

used as the backdrops for numerous theatrical performances on stages in Hopkinton and Contoocook.

Please extend congratulations to two of our members who are being recognized this year for their outstanding service to the Hopkinton Historical Society – Carol Duston and Karen Mayo. Carol's dedication as Past-President of the Board of Trustees and as the Collections Committee chair is unparalleled and unwavering. Karen's contributions of putting in to place sound financial controls in years past, together with her continued annual service in our tax preparation have been invaluable.

Additionally, I would like to express an immense and heartfelt thank you to our Executive Director Heather Mitchell and Assistant Nancy Jo Chabot. Their enthusiasm, knowledge, and helpfulness lend vibrancy and community dynamic to this organization. A special Thank You goes out to the many volunteers who tirelessly work to make our programs successful. It is also my fortunate opportunity and honor to work with such a highly dedicated, passionate Board of Trustees who are always full of laughter, friendship, and perseverance to make *this* historical society the best in the state of New Hampshire.

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



# Director's Report

2014 was a terrific year for the Society in terms of exhibits and programs. The year began with our annual meeting which included a social, salute to volunteers, and a very special living history program, "A Conversation with John Marshall," sponsored by the NH Humanities Council. Hopkinton resident Richard Hesse portrayed Marshall, U.S. Supreme Court Justice from 1801 to 1835, who fought to establish a strong national government, but was opposed in that effort by powerful politicians including Thomas Jefferson, James Madison, James Monroe, and Andrew Jackson.

Our summer exhibit, "Along the River: Exploring Community Connections," was a wonderful collaboration of eight organizations, including the Bradford Historical Society, Hopkinton Historical Society, The Little Nature Museum, Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum, New Hampshire Telephone Museum, Penacook Historical Society, Sutton Historical Society, and Warner Historical Society. The project included exhibits at six of the eight organizations and a total of 23 programs held in Bradford, Hopkinton, Penacook, Sutton, and Warner between May and October 2014. Sponsors of the exhibit and programs included the Contoocook River Canoe Company, NH Humanities Council, Merrimack County Savings Bank, and Sugar River Bank.

The summer exhibit focused on the many ways Hopkinton is connected to the Contoocook River, from providing power to the mills to a source of recreation, and how this relationship has changed over time. The exhibit would not have been possible without the assistance of volunteers Patti Cass Smith, Jean Lightfoot, Ken Sauer, Kathy Thesing, Jean Weld, Lee Wilder, and Ken Wilkens. Many people also loaned items or recalled stories for the exhibit, including Roxanne Benzel, Byron Carr, Patti Cass & Scott Smith, Dan Dustin, Royal Ford, Chuck & Aimee Gangel, Town of Hopkinton, Jean Lightfoot, Marilyn McKeage, Scott Metzger, Seth Miner, Derk & Heather Mitchell, Dorsey Price, Warner Historical Society, Jean Weld, Lee Wilder, and Bob Wilson.

The Society hosted three programs over the summer. The first was held at the Contoocook Railroad Depot in June where NH Humanities Council speaker Glenn Knoblock presented a program on New Hampshire's covered bridges. The second was a river-themed concert in July by the Hopkinton Town Band at the Jane Lewellen Bandstand in Contoocook. The third was a nine-mile paddle trip on the Contoocook River in August from the Jane Lewellen Bandstand in Contoocook to the Contoocook River Canoe Co. in Penacook. The 45 participants

were given waterproof maps identifying more than 20 interesting features and landmarks along the way. One of the items on the map was a restored 1920s-era boathouse located just below Tyler Bridge. Owners Lee and Betsy Wilder graciously opened the boathouse for tours and provided lemonade and cookies to the paddlers.

Throughout the summer and into the fall Mary Leadbeater and Allita Paine faithfully manned a table at the Contoocook Farmers' Market. In addition to selling items from the museum shop, Mary and Carol also had available membership, exhibit, and program information.

The "Tomorrow's Masterpieces: Annual Art Show & Sale" opened with a gala Champagne Reception on September 27. Artists had been given the option of submitting pieces with a water theme as a tie-in to our summer exhibit, and many of them did. We had an abundance of scenes of the Contoocook River and Kimball Lake. As always, guest curator Parker Potter did a wonderful job of arranging the art. Sponsored by Centrix Bank and with strong sales throughout the show, it was a very successful show.

On October 18 and 19, the Society held its fourth Cemetery Walk at the Stumpfield Cemetery. Directed by Christine Hamm and written by Jeff Dalzell, it was a grand event filled with stories of West Hopkinton from our town's earliest days up through the 20<sup>th</sup> century. A big thank you to Christine, Jeff, all of the wonderful local actors who brought the past to life and to Ken Wilkens for videotaping the event.

In December, a piece of Hopkinton's history came home. The Society purchased a rare tall clock made by Hopkinton resident Edmund Currier around 1820. Of interest is that Currier is spelled with three "r"s (Currier)!

The Society held two programs during Starry, Starry Weekend. On December 5, The Art Show's Last Chance Night included a slide show/book signing of "Waters of the Monadnock" by Hopkinton High School teachers Larry Bickford and Richard Brandt. On December 6, board member Allita Paine led a Family Art Program workshop on iris folding.

On-going 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary programs include two with the Hopkinton Town Library. The first is Project Snapshot, where we are trying to gather as many as possible family histories and photos from our town's 5,500+ citizens. If you have not already done so, please take a few minutes to complete our survey and be a part of history. The survey is available online at [www.HopkintonHistory.org](http://www.HopkintonHistory.org), and hard copies are available at the Society and library. The second is an oral history project of some of our town's lifelong residents.

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.

Our volunteers play an important role in fulfilling the Society's mission to collect, preserve, and exhibit items relevant to the Town of Hopkinton. Last year more than 75 people volunteered their time at the Society, helping with everything from yard work to cataloging to data entry. If you are interested in volunteering, please give us a call.

Located across the street from the Cracker Barrel Store is Chase Park, which is owned by the Society. It is a lovely garden cared for by a group of dedicated volunteers. Peg Kimball and Deb Monroe water and care for the plants during the summer, and John Cook keeps the lawn trimmed and lovely all season. Other volunteers include Ben Wilson, Jackie Rietveld, and Green Horizon Landscaping. Overseeing all of their efforts is Inge Eddy, who helps with everything from planting to mulching to raking.

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 vibrant place to work and to visit.

Respectfully submitted,  
Heather Mitchell  
Executive Director

# Volunteer of the Year

The Board of Trustees has unanimously nominated Karen Mayo as the 2015 Volunteer of the Year. The Hopkinton Historical Society is extremely grateful for the accounting advice and tax preparation services that Karen has provided to the organization for many years. Karen's contributions have directly and substantially decreased the administrative costs of operating the Society, which have allowed us to continue to focus on the programs and other activities that further the mission of the Society.

Without dedicated volunteers such as Karen, the Hopkinton Historical Society would not be able to continue to function effectively.

It is especially important to recognize Karen because of her "behind-the-scenes" contribution. Many of our members may not realize the extent of the work that is required to meet the accounting and tax requirements for an organization of our size; however, the Board of trustees would like to recognize the magnitude of Karen's efforts.

Our sincerest gratitude goes to Karen for all of her contributions to the Hopkinton Historical Society.



# Salute to Volunteers

In 2014 more than 75 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 the Cemetery Walk, 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 2014 activities and the people who so generously volunteered their time. Although we have tried to be thorough, any omissions are an oversight and we apologize.

250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Quilt: Roxanne Benzel, Lorraine Buckley, Gail Ellsworth, Elaine Millerick, Heather Mitchell, Allita Paine, Dale Roberts, Joanne Steinberg, Dot Stockwell, and Suki Wright.

Administrative Support: Mary Leadbeater

Art Show: Elissa Barr, Roxanne Benzel, Jan Hale, Nancy Heck, Carol Hooper, Anya Kattf, Riley Lawless, Mary Leadbeater, Emily Lighthall, Derk Mitchell, Lily Mitchell, Ellie Owen, Allita Paine, Parker Potter, Sophie Potter, Carol Schapira, Kathy Thesing, Jean Weld, and Bob Wilson

Audio/Visual Guru: Ken Wilkens

Cemetery Walk: Director Christine Hamm; Writer Jeff Dalzell; Actors LeRoy Anderson, Roxanne Benzel, Tom Congoran, Art Cunningham, Jeff Dearborn, Jo DeBold, Roland Dubois, Scott Flood, Kevin Gardner, Clark Gaskill, Joell Gaskill, Mary Hardenbergh, Dick Hesse, Melissa Jones, Bob LaPree, Chris Lawless, Susan Lawless, Riley Lawless, Pete Mosseau, Joab Owen, and Beth Spaulding; Videographer Ken Wilkens; Logistics Carol Hooper, Anya Kattf, Don Lane, Mary Leadbeater, Scott Metzger, Derk Mitchell, Allita Paine and Bob Wilson

Chase Park: Inge Eddy, Peg Kimball, Deb Monroe, John Cook, Ben Wilson, Jackie Rietveld, Green Horizon Landscaping

Family Art Program: Allita Paine

Farmers' Market: Mary Leadbeater and Allita Paine

Handymen: John Chandler Carl Goodman, and Bill Monroe

Summer Exhibit: Patti Cass Smith, Jean Lightfoot, Ken Sauer, Kathy Thesing, Jean Weld, Lee Wilder, and Ken Wilkens

Painted Curtains: Patti Cass Smith, Gail Beckett, Norm & Nancy Miner, Donna Dunlop, Neal Cass, and Allita Paine

Research and Cataloging: Allita Paine and Jane Potynody

Student Interns: Alex Sanford and Megan Mullins

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

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

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

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

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 work on the painted curtains and the oral history project. 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](mailto:nhas@tds.net) if you are interested.

# Collections Committee

The Hopkinton Historical Society continues to expand its substantial collection that tells the story of our town. During 2014, 198 objects were added through 56 accessions, many items coming in through the generosity of townspeople as they recognized the historical significance of certain possessions. Some items were also purchased, such as:

- a tall case clock made by Edmund Currier, with his name and Hopkinton inscribed on the dial; the clock dates circa 1815 and is in excellent (working) condition;
- documents relating to contributors for the Paul Revere bell at the First Congregational Church; and
- an oil painting entitled *Contoocook River Sunset*, by Mrs. Burnham, dated 1891, which has subsequently been conserved and framed.

Occasionally an item is deaccessioned, almost always because it doesn't have a connection with our town. An example this past year was a Hopkinton Grange sign; upon investigation, the sign was found to be from Hopkinton, Massachusetts; the Historical Society there (formerly the grange hall) gladly accepted it!

As you read through the lists that follow, be fascinated!

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

5 DVDs, made by Ken Wilkens for Hopkinton Historical Society in 2013:

- “Houston Brothers at Riverway Park, June 19, 2011”
- “Old Time Contoocook Home Movie, Run time 46 minutes”
- “Old Time Contoocook Movie with Audio Narration, Run time 46 minutes”
- “Contoocook Old Time Movie Slower Version, Run time 51 minutes”
- “BMP photos frame grab, Old time Contoocook Movie”

### ***Gift of Ken Wilkens***

**2014.5**

4 items of Hopkinton ephemera:

- Memorial program for Ryan Edward Bishop, 1989-2011
- Memorial program for Sandra Ford Brock, 1939-2013, interred in Old Hopkinton Cemetery
- Hopkinton High School Alumni News, May 16, 2013
- Concord Monitor pullout, “Day Trip: Hopkinton & Contoocook,” by Chase Binder, December, 2013

### ***Gift of Patti Cass Smith***

**2014.6**

Manning's Concord Directory, 1970, which includes Hopkinton

**Gift of Carol Hooper**

**2014.7**

Iron staple, found at the Dustin homestead (364 Dustin Rd). Provided for use in demonstrating chopping tools; the staple would be driven into a stump or wood block, holding down the hook end of the tool.

**Gift of Dan Dustin**

**2014.8**

Three items purchased by Jean Weld on e-bay for 2014 *Along the River* exhibit: Log dog (chain-type), Doyle log scale, and a wedge-shaped log scale.

**Gift of Jean Weld**

**2014.9**

Forty-eight wooden bobbins found at 198 Cedar St. (donor's home), Contoocook, and believed to be from the Conant Silk Mill. Three different types (cataloged as 3 items, one of each type)

**Gift of Chuck Gangel**

**2014.10**

Bamboo Fishing Pole, believed to have been used by Dustin family members in Hopkinton since the 1820s

**Gift of Dan Dustin, in memory of Elden Herbert Dustin**

**2014.11**

Apron, "Contoocook River Scramble"

**Gift of John Duston, in memory of Douglas Strickhol**

**2014.12**

CD of Contoocook River photos by Byron Carr

**Gift of Byron Carr**

**2014.13**

Painting, "Contoocook River Sunset," by "Mrs. Burnham," 1891

Oil on board

**Purchase**

**Conserved and Framed**

**2014.14**

Hauling Sled, found at the former Hardy Farm, Kast Hill

**Purchase**

**2014.15**

Photograph of Kimball Lake Cabins sign, 1962

**Gift of Geoffrey Carson**

**2014.16**



Items pertaining to Contoocook Grange:

20 volumes of minutes from Grange meetings, a wooden plaque, silk ribbon, and a Certificate.

**Gift of the New Hampshire State Grange**

**2014.17**

Three Books:

*Museum Registration Methods*

*Caring for Your Historic House*

*Before and After Disasters*

**Gift of Heritage Preservation**

**2014.18**

Artwork by Andre Hurtgen, including drawings for NHAS Advent Calendar, and watercolor sketches of Hopkinton buildings (cataloged as 3 items).

**Gift of Barbara & Andre Hurtgen**

**2014.19**

USGS Map, Hopkinton Quadrangle, 7.5 minute map, 1995. Donated in conjunction with *Along the River* exhibit, 2014

**Gift of Leland Wilder**

**2014.20**

CD with photos of Amesbury Cottage, Davisville Bridge, Pleasant Lake Casino, The Glendon, and Davisville Store, for use in 2014 exhibit, *Along the River*.

**Copied with Permission, Warner Historical Society**

**2014.21**

Two copies of Hopkinton Historical Society publication, *A Walk Through Two Villages*

**Hopkinton Historical Society**

**2014.22**

Hopkinton Anniversary (1915) issue of the journal, *Granite Monthly*. Donor found it at a yard sale.

**Gift of Benjamin Wilson**

**2014.23**

Concord Dairy milk bottle, from donor's grandparents' home in West Concord, NH. Many Hopkinton dairy farmers sold milk through Concord Dairy.

**Gift of Heather Mitchell, in memory of George McKeage**

**2014.24**

Bible, 1843, with several pages of information about the Chase and Holmes family of Hopkinton. Seller purchased it at an auction.

**Purchase**

**2014.25**

Sixty-five items from Don & Millie Rice, as they are readying to move from Concord, NH, to Portland, ME:

- Framed print of watercolor painting, Long Memorial Building, given as gift to Don Rice when he stepped down from board of trustees.
- Framed watercolor painting by Elinor Edmunds Colby. Purchased by donors from estate sale.
- Framed watercolor painting by Elizabeth Seales, "Past and Present" 1995. Given to Mildred Rice by the NH Antiquarian Society.
- Framed broadside, "Merrimack County Poultry Yard . . . Hopkinton"
- Pennant Banner, Hopkinton Bicentennial, of which Don Rice was chairman
- Documents, postcards, photographs, et al. (filling three manila folders)

***Gift of Donald & Mildred Rice***

**2014.26**

Postcard, 1915, with image of float from 150th Hopkinton Anniversary celebration

***Gift of Scott Metzger***

**2014.27**

Kingsbury & Davis brochure, with signatures of workers

***Gift of Hopkinton Town Library***

**2014.28**

Book, *Diary of an Early American Boy*, by Eric Sloane

***Gift of Heather Mitchell***

**2014.29**

DVD, with images of Kimball Cabins / Horseshoe Tavern. Made by donor for the Hopkinton Historical Society, 2014.

***Gift of Ken Wilkens***

**2014.30**

Three Hopkinton Congregational Church directories 2003-2011. Donor found these at the Lion's Club yard sale, 2014.

***Gift of Jane Potyondy***

**2014.31**

Hand-written document, "Constitution of the Hopkinton Young Men's Total Abstinence Society". Donor is descendant of one of the signers, Edmund S. Straw.

***Gift of Kathryn Lang, in memory of Edmund S. Straw***

**2014.32**

Records relating to Stumpfield Cemetery

***Gift of the Hopkinton Cemetery Committee***

**2014.33**

Two Hopkinton Hershey Track running shirts

**Gift of George & Carol Sabol**

**2014.34**

Research on Hopkinton Poor Farm (now 744 Hopkinton Rd., donor's home), contains photocopies of maps and documents, as well as original work

**Gift of Kathleen McGuire**

**2014.35**

Book, *Plain & Elegant, Rich & Common*

**Gift of Hopkinton Town Library**

**2014.36**

Five items related to Hopkinton History:

- leather ribbon (bookmark) souvenir of Hopkinton bicentennial, 1965
- Hopkinton bicentennial issue of newspaper, *Suburban Weekly*, 1965
- Three Concord directories which include Hopkinton, 1942-1944

**Gift of Nan McNicholas**

**2014.37**

Postcard with photo image of dugout canoe (1983.37) coming out of Lake JoSylvia. Signed on reverse, "Harriet Duston."

**Gift of Carol Duston**

**2014.38**

Book, *Farm Quests of Hopkinton*

**Purchase**

**2014.39**

Blueprint copy of building plans for the Horace Gair Chase House, Hopkinton Village, 1885

**Gift of Liz Hengen**

**2014.40**

Two Hopkinton sport uniform tops, used at Hopkinton Youth Sports Association (HYSA)

**Gift of Hopkinton Youth Sports Association**

**2014.41**

Five items found by Jean Lightfoot, in a box of her mother's papers:

- Brochure, "Hopkinton New Hampshire: the Town of Grand Scenery...", 1927
- Brochure, "First Congregational Church / 1757-1957"
- Invitation to 200th Anniversary Celebration, Town of Hopkinton, 1965
- Photograph, Hot Shots Baseball Team (Hopkinton), 1965
- Pencil drawing, first floor of 81 Kearsarge Ave., home of the Lightfoot family

**Gift of Jean Lightfoot**

**2014.42**

Twelve items from Doris Kraemer who lived at 53 Hawthorne Hill Rd. before moving to Middleborough, MA. Doris and Nelson Kraemer bought the house on Hawthorne Hill Rd. c. 1950. Several of the items are related to the 70<sup>th</sup> birthday party held for Doris:

- Framed watercolor painting by Ellen Davis
- Marker sketch of house, with text "Happy 70th," signed "Love Ruthie & Stan"
- Invitation to the 70th birthday party
- Framed watercolor painting of the Long Memorial Building, done on top of the Hopkinton bicentennial map, signed and dated, Ruthie White, 1987
- Sunday Magazine insert to Concord Monitor, June 11, 1995, with cover story about Dorothy Brockway Osborne
- Book, *A Dictionary of Marks: Ceramics, Metalwork, Furniture*, edited by Margaret Macdonald-Taylor. Includes bookplate from Doris Kraemer
- Hopkinton bicentennial commemorative medal, 1776-1976, in original packaging
- Photo album of snapshots from a party in Doris's honor
- Color photo of a house, written on reverse, "Home of Doris J. and Nelson R. Kraemer"
- Color photo of a barn with sign, "Antiques / Old Storey Barn," written on reverse, "... Antique Shop owned by Doris and Nels Kraemer"
- Painted wooden cut-out of First Congregational Church of Hopkinton, copyright 1993, The Cat's Meow
- Trivet, "Hopkinton N.H. - Township No. 5 / Bicentennial / 1765-1965." Printed by Screencraft, West Yarmouth, MA.

***Gift of Eleanor Huston, niece of Doris Kraemer***

**2014.43**

Two items:

- Framed photo of Breezy Hillside Farm, Hopkinton boarding house along the B&M, c.1900
- *The Parrot*, Hopkinton High School literary magazine, 1919

***Purchase***

**2014.44**

Six items pertaining to Hopkinton or Hopkinton Historical Society:

- Booklet, "A List of New Hampshire Centenarians, 1705-1877," published by NHAS, 1877
- Booklet, "A Diary of the Invasion of Canada, 1775," published by NHAS, 1876
- Map of Maine, New Hampshire, & Vermont, from McNally atlas, no date
- Map of Vermont and New Hampshire, from King's Handbook of the United States, copyright 1891
- Print of an Arch McDonnell painting, "Contoocook, New Hampshire"
- Framed broadside, B&M RR, 1907, lists stops in Contoocook and Mast Yard

***Gift of Nan McNicholas***

**2014.45**

Four photographs relating to the Duston family Lakehouse on Lake JoSylvia. Three photos are of the Lakehouse, and one is of Sylvia Clough (1857-1936).

***Gift of Carol Duston***

**2014.46**

Two items found while cleaning out:

Painting by Gladys Dodd, done for St. Andrews Players

Receipt, 1802, with Major David Story

***Gift of Martha Johnson***

**2014.47**

Book, *Reflections Along the Contoocook*, by Thelma B. Heath, 1993.

***Purchase***

**2014.48**

Documents relating to Revere Bell at Congregational Church, offered for sale on e-bay

***Purchase***

**2014.49**

Two pairs of ice skates, used by donor as a child in Hopkinton Village

***Gift of Patti Cass Smith***

**2014.50**

Four Columbia Hall plaque fundraiser magnets

***Purchase***

**2014.51**

Grange Book, from Contoocook Grange

**2014.52**

Two boxes of files documenting Hopkinton's Slusser Center project and Open Space projects

***Gift of Don Lane***

**2014.53**

Book, *Journal of the Constitutional Convention, New Hampshire, 1912*. Lists the member from Hopkinton, Arthur J. Boutwell.

***Gift of Mary Bradbury***

**2014.54**

Three CDs, produced by Ken Wilkens:

- 2014 Cemetery Walk, Stumpfield Cemetery
- Interview with Mary Ann Straw Douglas, about her father, Clayton B. Straw.  
Interview took place at Hopkinton Historical Society, August, 2014 (2 copies)

***Gift of Ken Wilkens***

**2014.55**

Tall-Case Clock by Edmund Currier

***Purchase***

**2014.56**

Paintings & photographs from 2014 Tomorrow's Masterpieces Art Show & Sale:

- Framed photograph, "Contoocook Village Dam," by Bob LaPree
- Framed oil painting, "Putting In," by Eric Palson
- Framed photograph, "Winter River," by Tom Pratt
- Framed photograph, "Elm Brook Park," by Jeff Schapira

***Purchase***

**2014.57**

Timeline of First Congregational Church history, done for the Church's 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2007

***Gift of Annie Frye***

**2014.58**

Hopkinton commemorative blanket

***Gift of John Duston***

**2014.59**

Gould Hill Orchard tote bag

***Gift of Patti Cass Smith***

**2014.60**

**Items deaccessioned (removed) from the collection:**

Hopkinton Grange Sign, 1998.11 – returned to Hopkinton, Massachusetts grange hall, which is now the Hopkinton (MA) Historical Society.

***Transfer to Hopkinton (MA) Historical Society***

Religious Plaque, made by Margaret Emery in the 1970s, 1983.1363 – deaccession due to broken condition. Maker was associated with St. Andrew's Church.

In closing, the Collections Committee expresses its heartfelt appreciation for the work of its member Carol Duston, who stepped down from the position of Chair this year, while continuing to serve on the Committee. Her long history with the Committee, as well as with the Board of Trustees, renders her insights and sage advice especially valuable. Other Committee members include: Charlotte DeBell, Nancy Heck, Don Lane, Jean Lightfoot, Nancy Miner, Allita Paine, Gail Piatt, Patti Smith, and Dr. Robert Wilson. Finally, it must be noted that the Committee is reliant on and most appreciative of the skills of staff member Nancy Jo Chabot to accomplish its responsibilities.

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 continue to document objects to enter the information into our electronic database.

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 3,400 of the Society's 5,000+ artifacts have been cataloged, as well as more than 500 books, 4,100 images, and 2,000 ephemera items.

Respectfully submitted,  
Heather Mitchell  
Executive Director

# Hopkinton Historical Society

## Income Statement

January through December 2014

January -  
December  
2014

**Ordinary Income/Expense**

**Income**

Fundraising	31,279.00
Special Events Revenue	2,310.00
Committee Program Income	13,098.50
Other Program Income	2,840.90
Gifts	2,911.23
Investment Income	28,996.15
Other Revenue	301.21
	81,736.99
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>81,736.99</b>

**Expense**

Fundraising Expenses	3,327.62
Exhibit Expense	1,896.52
Special Events Expenses	7,788.20
Committee Program Expenses	15,891.17
Other Program Expense	2,647.38
General and Administrative*	38,899.41
Staff Expenses	46,748.30
	117,198.60
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>117,198.60</b>

**Net Income** **-35,461.61**



# Hopkinton Historical Society

## Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2014

### ASSETS

#### Current Assets

##### Checking/Savings

Merrimack County Savings Bank	20,921.08
Petty cash	100.00
TD Ameritrade MM - GENERAL	10,877.18
TD Ameritrade MM - COLLECTIONS	1,807.09
TD Ameritrade MM - PRESERVATION	1,512.93

Total Checking/Savings	35,218.28
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Total Current Assets	35,218.28
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#### Fixed Assets

Building Improvements	71,695.93
Elevator Addition	220,987.00
Equipment	1,581.00
Office Computer Systems	844.00
Accumulated Depreciation*	-238,464.94

Total Fixed Assets	56,642.99
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#### Other Assets

TD Ameritrade - GENERAL	374,460.70
TD Ameritrade - COLLECTIONS	83,198.81
TD Ameritrade - PRESERVATION	232,244.39

Total Other Assets	689,903.90
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>781,765.17</b>
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### LIABILITIES & EQUITY

#### Equity

General Operating Fund**	271,001.95
Board Restricted Funds	
Collections Fund	85,005.90
Preservation Fund	233,757.32
Nichols Fund	90,750.00
Slusser Fund	101,250.00

Total Board Restricted Funds	510,763.22
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Total Equity	781,765.17
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>781,765.17</b>
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\*2014 Depreciation expenses are estimated at \$2,189

\*\*General Operating Fund includes \$56,643 in Fixed Assets

# List of Members

*Life Members indicated with an asterisk.*

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### **Cover Art**

Hopkinton Historical Society's 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Quilt Raffle  
Tickets \$5 each • 3 for \$10 • 7 for \$20

A beautiful, one-of-a-kind creation featuring familiar town landmarks: Contoocook Depot, Dearborn (formerly Woodbury) Barn, Hopkinton Village Fire House, Hopkinton Town Library, Hopkinton Historical Society, Rowell Covered Bridge, and the Town Clerk's Office (Bates Building).

Members of the quilting group include Roxanne Benzel, Lorraine Buckley, Gail Ellsworth, Elaine Millerick, Heather Mitchell, Allita Paine, Dale Roberts, Joanne Steinberg, Dot Stockwell, and Suki Wright.

Tickets available at Hopkinton Historical Society. Drawing to be held December 4, 2015. Winner need not be present to win. All proceeds to benefit Hopkinton Historical Society.



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