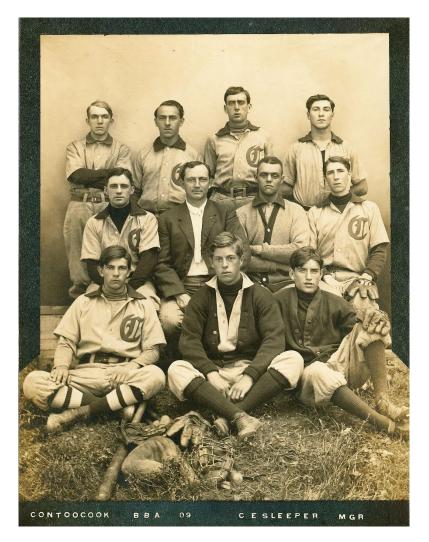
HOPKINTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY



2019 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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2019 Annual Meeting Agenda

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- I. Welcome
- II. Distribution of the 2019 Annual Report
- III. President's Remarks
- IV. Executive Director's Remarks
- V. Old Business
 - a. Secretary's Report
 - b. Finance Committee Report
 - c. Vintage Yard Sale Committee Report

VI. New Business

a.	Election of the Slate of Officers		
	Jim Fredyma	President	
	Craig Dunning	Vice President	
	Sienna Larson	Secretary	
	Roxanne Benzel	Treasurer	
	Allita Paine	Past President	
	Don Lane	Trustee and Finance Committee Chair	
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		Chair	
	Scott Metzger	Trustee and Vintage Yard Sale	
	-	Committee Chair	
	Arnold Coda	Trustee	
	Kathy Thesing	Trustee	
	Carol Duston	Honorary Trustee	
	Fred Pilch	Honorary Trustee	
	Bruce Salsbury	Honorary Trustee	

Honorary Trustee

b. Changes to By-laws

Dr. Robert Wilson

VII. Special Recognition

- a. Board Member Recognition
- b. Volunteer of the Year
- c. Salute to Volunteers
- VIII. Adjournment

2019 Dedication

With a great deal of pride, we dedicate the 2019 Annual Report to Richard Schade, who passed away unexpectedly in December 2019. Richard spent many hours volunteering with the Society, working on multiple exhibits and programs. He will always be remembered and appreciated for his thoughtful observations, infectious enthusiasm, and of course his harmonica playing.

> In Spring 1943, Gerhard and Louise Schade, he a faculty member of the Modern Languages Department at St. Paul's School (1936-71), she a



Richard Schade walking in the woods of his beloved Sugar Hill.

homemaker and later a staff assistant at the same school, purchased a 22-acre lot with house and farm buildings on Old Holmes Road in the Sugar Hill district of Hopkinton for \$1850. As Gerhard wrote in his diary, it was the picturesque location, one "open to vistas to distant hills," that attracted them to the site.

- from "Schade Farm" by Richard Schade

The following year, 1944, Richard was born, the third of four Schade children. Richard spent his childhood summers in Hopkinton, and continued to do so as an adult, eventually building a home on Old Holmes Rd. that he returned to nearly every summer with his wife Heike and daughters Silke and Kristin. When not in Hopkinton, Richard was a professor of German Literature at the University of Cincinnati from 1975 until his retirement in 2015 and served in many professional

capacities in the Cincinnati area, including as Honorary Consul for the Federal Republic of Germany from 1996-2012.

A frequent summer visitor to the Society, we first really got to know Richard in 2015, when he stopped by to see if the Society might be interested in exhibiting some of his father's paintings of their home on Sugar Hill Rd. done over a 40-year period. Our discussion of the family home, the artwork, and the long history of the area, resulted in our 2016 summer exhibit, "Hopkinton's Neighborhoods: A View from Sugar Hill." Richard threw himself whole-heartedly into the project, loaning many objects to the exhibit, including his father's paintings, a cabinet from Gene Foote's cabin, a pitchfork from the Schade property, and a beaver-chewed log! Richard also reached out to his siblings and extended family to loan items for the exhibit and to share stories of their time spent on Sugar Hill. The opening program for the exhibit, "Hopkinton's Sugar Hill: Photos, Poems, Paintings," included all four of the Schade children: Gerhard, Jr., Ingeborg, Richard, and Lucy. Featuring the stories and artistic talents of many Schade family members, it was a testament to Richard and his family's connection to Hopkinton and to the land.



The Schade "children:" Gerhard, Jr., Ingeborg, Richard, and Lucy at the opening reception and program "Hopkinton's Sugar Hill: Photos, Poems, Paintings" in June 2016.

Even before the Sugar Hill exhibit concluded, Richard was curious to know about the following summer's exhibit. When told it was marking the 100th anniversary of U.S.'s entry into World War I, his face lit up and you could see he was already thinking of many things. Richard was very curious about our approach on the war and the Germans (his grandfather had been a German soldier in World War I). He offered to loan objects that belonged to his grandfather and to do a program titled, "WWI in the German Context: Family, Posters, Anti-German Hysteria."

Richard continued to help with our summer exhibits: Hopkinton's Summer Residents (2018) and Changing Views: Relations Between Hopkinton's Early Settlers & Native Americans (2019). Each summer he would ask if we would like for him to write an article about the summer exhibit, and each year we would say "yes, please!" Oftentimes visitors would mention Richard's articles as one of their reasons for visiting.

We looked forward to Richard's return to Hopkinton every May. He was always curious about what we were working on, and willing to contribute an object, an idea, an article for the *Concord Monitor*, and sometimes all three! He helped serve cookies and lemonade at Hopkinton Town Band concerts, loaned his beloved Biwey Bear for his sister Lucy's Tasha Tudor exhibit, and translated and gave context to captions written in German in Lily Hoffman's scrapbook.

We are grateful for Richard's many contributions to the Society. He will be missed.

President's Report

What a wonderful and productive year 2019 has been for the Hopkinton Historical Society. Our focus of "more through the door" appears to have increased community interest and meaningful participation in Society activities and events. While we had also hoped to increase membership to the level attained during 2015 when the town celebrated its 250th anniversary, we have at least maintained steady membership numbers over the last two years.

Our 2019 programmatic theme, Changing Views: Relations Between Hopkinton's Early Settlers and Native Americans, offered information that most of us had not learned in our school history classes and that may have increased understanding of our town's change from Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples' Day. This theme was illustrated by the museum's summer exhibit and expressed in seven diverse presentations, the first given at last year's annual meeting by Dr. Robert Goodby, professor of anthropology at Franklin Pierce University. His talk, "Digging into Native History in NH," was accompanied by fascinating slides showing subtle clues in our natural environment which suggest the presence and ways of life of our Native American predecessors. Another didactic presentation based on research by local historian Steve Thomas offered a new take on Abraham Kimball's encounter with Native Americans. Two of the seven thematic presentations were more participatory, an herb walk at Kimball Lake with Lynn Clowes pointing out plants used for medicinal purposes and a demonstration by Norm Miner, Cheryl Callahan, and Lauri Troutman of spinning, weaving, splitting, and switchel on the lawn of the Historical Society. Attendance at each of the seven presentations ranged from 24 to 44. Moreover, fourth graders from Maple Street School and a contingency of Beech Hill students also visited the summer exhibit.

In addition, three Learning from History Forums occurred during 2019. The structure of these forums, initiated two years ago, begins with a look back in time at a particular topic to spark discussion by participants of current experiences and lessons learned, if any, from history. The three 2019 topics included the evolution of public education; views on land ownership and use (Our Land, Whose Land?); and changing customs in funerals, burials, and memorializing. Sharing a

variety of historical and recent experiences, opinions, and points of view has stimulated much conversation by those in attendance.

The Society's premier event of 2019 was the Cemetery Walk at Putney Hill. This theatrical production, written by Lynn Clark and directed by Beth Spalding, featured a cast of 29 well-rehearsed volunteers telling the stories of the people buried there and thereby the history of the original center of Hopkinton. Offered on two perfect autumn days, this program was enjoyed by 180 spectators who generally acclaimed it to be the best "cemetery walk" yet. Application for an award from the American Association for State and Local History has been submitted along with extremely positive letters of critical review.

The Society's leading fund-raising activity again this year was the Vintage Yard Sale. Sustained by the management and hands-on hard labor of Scott Metzger and supported by the efforts of the staff, Board of Trustees, committee members, and other volunteers, this sale has become a popular annual attraction. It is hoped that the Second-Hand Art Sale, now in its second year, may also attract a following. The Tomorrow's Masterpieces Annual Art Show and Sale again offered the public an opportunity to appreciate and support our local artists and to gather for two delightful socials. A new and very successful type of event was a two-day studio sale by potter Boyan Moskov with the Society receiving 35% of the sales' total for organizing, marketing, administration, and use of exhibit space.

The Board of Trustees attended to several administrative concerns during 2019. Prime among those resulted in the decision to hire a bookkeeper to manage and record the financial transactions of the Society with the Treasurer then presenting reports to the Board. Other administrative activities included the development of a policy and procedures for use of the Long Memorial building by outside organizations and individuals; proposed changes to the Society bylaws to make them more reflective of practice; in-depth review of the society's insurance policies resulting in no changes being advisable; ongoing discussion with the Hopkinton Town Precinct about the future of the old Firehouse; and clarification of membership resulting in issuance of membership cards with expiration date noted.

The Board of Trustees has also been glad to see and support maintenance and improvements to the Long Memorial Building and grounds. Most notable is the improved lighting, both main and upper levels, and the construction of the Century Fund Donor Wall highlighting the contributions of Anne and Eugene Slusser and family.

As my term as President of the Board of Trustees comes to a close, I want to once again express my great admiration for our three Hopkinton Historical Society staff members: Executive Director Heather Mitchell, Administrator Nancy Jo Chabot, and Collections Specialist Elissa Barr. Their collective expertise, commitment, and willingness to assist anyone who steps through the door has earned the Society great respect both locally and at the state level. The positive environment they have established also attracts many talented volunteers who devote many hours and give of much talent to assist in putting together the annual thematic exhibits, researching information for the Learning from History Forums, and creating elaborate, entertaining, factually-based cemetery walks every other year. I also want to express sincere appreciation for the dedication of each member of the Board of Trustees who expends time and effort in both thought and action to the operation of the Hopkinton Historical Society. We have a complementary variety of backgrounds, skills, and interests and have worked well as a team to support our amazing staff and to assure ongoing relevance and sustainability of the Hopkinton Historical Society within our wonderful town.

Best regards, Allita Paine President , Board of Trustees

Executive Director's Report

In my Director's Report, I typically write about upcoming exhibits and programs at the Society. However, as I am writing this report in mid-April, most of our country remains under a "shelter in place" or "stay at home" directive due to COVID-19. Therefore, while it is too speculative to comment on specific programs and events, I can tell you about what we are doing right now, and what we hope to accomplish this year.

Summer Exhibit

Hopkinton Historical Society is once again taking part in a MUSE (MUseums Sharing Experiences) collaboration. "All Aboard! Economic. Social and **Environmental Change** During New Hampshire's Railroad Era" will look at the impact of the railroad on rural New Hampshire towns and Native American



An image of a passenger train at the Contoocook Depot, c. 1940s. From the Hopkinton Historical Society collection.

groups across the United States. In Hopkinton, through objects and images, the exhibit will look at how the railroad opened markets for local farms and industries, and how it also increased tourism in the area. The exhibit will look at Hopkinton's three railroad stations, including the farms, industries, and tourist lodging served by each station. It will highlight local residents involved in the railroad industry, including Stephen H. Long, holder of multiple railroad-related patents, and Joseph Barnard, building agent of the Contoocook Valley Railroad. The exhibit will also look at the financial implications of individual investment in the railroad industry, and how many residents lost money.

Staff continue to work on the exhibit even while the Society is closed. We hope to have a physical exhibit that people can visit once we have reopened and we also are planning for an online exhibit.

For more information about the summer exhibit, go to www.MUSE.org.

Summer Programs

We have a whole host of programs scheduled for this summer, as do the other members of the MUSE group. However, since we do not know if we'll

be able to host the programs at the Society, we are looking into having the programs online. Stay tuned for details.

Pandemic Stories

One hundred years from now, what would you like people to know about the COVID-19 Pandemic of 2020? Hopkinton Historical Society would like to document people's stories of what they are feeling, seeing, and/or doing during these unprecedented times. How has your daily scheduled changed? What are your fears? How long do you think we will have to physically distance ourselves



Photograph of the paper goods aisle at Colonial Village in Contoocook, N.H., March 22, 2020.

from each other? How can we help others in our community? What acts of kindness have you seen? Please share your stories and photos by sending them to nhas@tds.net.

Building Community

One thing is for certain during these uncertain times, and that is that things will be done differently in the future. We have all seen the fragility of our food supply chain, the importance of supporting our essential workers, and the many wonderful acts of kindness and generosity. Indeed, we have seen that there are many helpers in a crisis. The Society hopes that once we are safe from COVID-19 we will continue to reach out to our friends, neighbors, community members, and beyond to offer them the support and kind words that we all need.

Board member Sienna Larson has been a mask making superstar. As of mid-April, she has sewn more than 360 masks!

Thank you, Heather Mitchell, Executive Director

Volunteer of the Year



Hopkinton Historical Society is fortunate to have numerous volunteers to help with projects both large and small, and we are grateful to them all. However, when it came time to recognize one in our Annual Report, it was unanimous – Lynn Clark is our 2019 Volunteer of the Year!

Lynn has a long history with the Hopkinton Historical Society. As a former employee, she

cataloged many objects and photos in our collection. When she was scooped up to be the Executive Director at a local museum, we all breathed a sigh of relief when she said she would continue on at the Society as a volunteer.

Over the years, Lynn has worked on many projects at the Society. She has served as the Project Humanist on several of our successful New Hampshire Humanities grant applications. She was also an original member of our Learning from History forums, providing great research and insight on several subjects, including whitewashing the Civil War and the early history of education in the U.S.

Perhaps Lynn's greatest contribution has been as chief researcher and playwright of the Society's two most recent Cemetery Walks. The first Cemetery Walk, held in 2017 at the Contoocook Village Cemetery, looked at the impact of World War I on the war front and on the home front. Using letters, newspaper editorials, and many other resources, Lynn incorporated firsthand stories of death, anti-German sentiment, food rationing, and soldiers and nurses stationed abroad. The second Cemetery Walk, held at Putney Hill Cemetery in October 2019, addressed issues of settler colonialism, slavery, women's roles and rights, industrialization, the Second Great Awakening, mental health reform, racism and the erasure of a full Native presence in the stories we tell. Many audience members commented that they appreciated difficult issues were raised and saw parallels with current events.

Lynn currently serves as the Executive Director of the Warner Historical Society. Outside of work, Lynn keeps busy as a Hopkinton Cemetery Trustee and cemetery and history walk writer, among other things. Despite her very full schedule, she has promised not to abandon us (and we are going to hold her to her promise!).

Lynn's love of history, attention to detail, and ability to make connections between objects and ideas is a rare combination. We are grateful for her many contributions, and are thrilled to recognize her as our 2019 Volunteer of the Year.

Salute to Volunteers

In 2019 more than 70 individuals volunteered their time at the Society, doing everything from cataloging, filing, genealogical research, taking down/putting up walls, building display bases and cases, to helping with the 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 2019 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, Nancy Jo Chabot, Arnold Coda, Craig Dunning, Jim Fredyma, Don Lane, Sienna Larson, Mary Leadbeater, Adia Madden, Aisling Madden, Scott Metzger, Allita Paine, Parker Potter, David Salzberg, Carol Schapira, Kathy Thesing, and Bob Wilson. Sponsors of the Art Show: Roxanne and Tom Benzel; Scott and Lisa Metzger; and Natalia Strong.

Audio/Visual: Bob LaPree and Ken Wilkens

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

Cataloging/Photography: Justin Valley

Cemetery Walk: Elissa Barr, Marty Bender, Roxanne Benzel, Jean Buck, Nancy Jo Chabot, Liz Charlebois, Lynn Clark, Dan Coen, Tom Congoran, Art Cunningham, Jeff Dearborn, Joanne DeBold, Ingrid Dinter, Roland Dubois, Craig Dunning, Asa Dustin, Dan Dustin, Ko Dustin, Sylvia Dustin, Nadine Ferrero, Carrie Flaherty, Ryan Flaherty, Willow Greene, William Hill, Carol Hooper, Lissa Jones, Steve Lajoie, Bob LaPree, Sienna Larson, Mary Leadbeater, Kayla Lewis, Jean Lightfoot, Benny Madden, Scott Metzger, Derk Mitchell, Pete Mosseau, Gabe Nelson, Allita Paine, Paul Piecuch, Pastor Renee Rouse, Steve Shurtleff, Beth Spaulding, Kathy Thesing, Steve Thomas, and Bob Wilson

Clockwinder: Bob Wilson

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

Farmers' Market: Mary Leadbeater and Allita Paine

Finance Committee: Roxanne Benzel, Arnold Coda, Jim Fredyma, Don Lane, Allita Paine, and Kathy Thesing

Handymen: Carl Goodman, Ken Sauer, Scott Smith, and Michael Strack

Membership and Administrative Support: Mary Leadbeater

Second Hand Art Sale: Nancy Jo Chabot, Jim Fredyma, Vicki Frye, Carol Hooper, Mary Leadbeater, Jean Lightfoot, Scott Metzger, Parker Potter, Patti Cass Smith, Bob Wilson, and June Young

Summer Exhibit: For exhibit assistance and Ioan of objects: Richard Arms, Jr., Roxanne Benzel, Lynn Clark, Susan Covert, Dan Dustin, Nadine Ferrero, Allita Paine, Ken Sauer, Richard Schade, Vera Longtoe Sheehan, and Patti Cass Smith. Program sponsor: New Hampshire Humanities

Research and Cataloging: Lynn Clark, Nadine Ferrero, Allita Paine and Patti Cass Smith

Student Interns: Megan Ellsworth and Benny Madden

Vintage Yard Sale: Elissa Barr, Roxanne Benzel, Arnold Coda, Nancy Jo Chabot, Craig Dunning, Jim Fredyma, Vicki Frye, Carol Hooper, Bill Hubicki, Don Lane, Sienna Larson, Mary Leadbeater, Jean Lightfoot, Scott Metzger, Derk Mitchell, Lily Mitchell, Allita Paine, Patti Cass Smith, Kathy Thesing, the Vallari family, Bob Wilson, and June Young

Yardwork: John Cook, Inge Eddy, Ken Gasser, Sienna Larson, Peg Kimball, 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. Ongoing 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

2019 felt quieter than the past two years; we had fewer meetings but they were all filled with great surprises, large and small. A complete list follows but here are a few examples:

- A poster that was probably destined for the Transfer Station was found blowing around on Briar Hill Road and turned out to be a WW I Liberty Loan poster, "Invest in the Victory Liberty Loan". Now conserved and added to our collection.
- A Wabanaki basket found in a Sunday school classroom closet at First Church.
- An 1865-bedroom set purchased new c. 1865 for use in the Contoocook home of Olive Amanda Allen & William A. Patterson. It had been used by family members ever since, including the donor, who ultimately delivered it to us from Virginia.
- The framed certificate of the Boy Scouts of America Charter for the Contoocook troop presented to us by Hopkinton Boy Scout Troop 77 at their 100th anniversary celebration in October.
- A small silver-plated brass button found by a metal detector on Kast Hill with the letters PH – Patrons of Husbandry (aka The Grange).
- Hopkinton Village was home to now long-lost sports fields, and two items from those, a 1902 Beech Hill Club Trophy and a signed 1915 Chase Park baseball, came to us from a member of a family long associated with the Village.
- And as always, many photographs came our way—in albums, as postcards, and boxes full of loose pictures. Some were puzzles as the people or places weren't well identified, but detective work by staff and volunteers helped to identify many of them. Our Facebook page got the word out to the community for help as well. Decades of Hopkinton school alumni have been very helpful in tracing the identities and family trees/relatives of the people and places in these photographs. We are fortunate to have five alumni who grew up in different parts of town on the Collections Committee which is a great help, too.

Occasionally items in the collection are temporarily loaned for other exhibits, such as pieces of pottery in our collection made by former Hopkinton residents Otto and Vivika Heino that were loaned to Colby Sawyer College for a retrospective of their work "Coming Home –The Ceramics of Vivika and Otto Heino" that was on display at the school for several months.

We are so grateful for the people who care and send donations our way. So please, as you sort through items that you've saved, date and label everything while you still remember who, where and when - e.g. Grandmother's 90th at the Casserole in 1970 – and label everyone in the photo. Even if the items don't end up at the Society your relatives will appreciate your efforts. Time passes quickly, memories fade, and details are forgotten. Help us save the history of Hopkinton.

Thank you-

The Collections Committee Vicki Frye, Carol Hooper, Jean Lightfoot, Scott Metzger, Patti Cass Smith, Bob Wilson, June Young, & Mary Leadbeater, Chair

WWI Liberty Loan poster, "Invest in the Victory Liberty Loan". Found on Briar Hill Rd. (conservation completed, 2019).

Gift of Carl & Glenna Goodman 2019.5

Slides, depicting Hopkinton & Contoocook fall foliage, 1957. These slides came to Bethel Historical Society with a larger group of slides; they mailed the Hopkinton ones to Hopkinton Historical Society. *Gift of Bethel Historical Society*

Gift of Bethel Historical Socie 2019.6

Postcard, "Horseshoe Trail Camps # 11 - Hopkinton, N.H." *Gift of Donna Dunn* 2019.7

Two family records by Moses Connor, from the donor's family: 1) marriage of William Clough & Mary P. Couch, 1804, and 2) marriage of Joseph Hardy and Eliza Chase, 1813. Gift of Carol S. Duston 2019.8

Three souvenir porcelain dishes, souvenirs of Contoocook, NH, made in Germany for C.W. Coolidge, Jr., Contoocook, NH. *Gift of Susan P. Wilder Mitchell*

2019.9

Poster, "Hopkinton Fair / Contoocook, N.H. / Sept. 2-5". Circa 1966. *Gift in memory of Nancy Mitchell Miner* 2019.10

Condiment Bottle, from "Three Acre Kitchen," Hopkinton. *Gift in memory of Carter Brown* 2019.12

Pair of stenciled chairs, from the collection of Nancy Mitchell Miner. *Gift in memory of Nancy Mitchell Miner* 2019.13

Funerary program, "In Celebration and Thanksgiving for the life of Peter Harold Hemingson."

Gift of Patti Cass Smith 2019.14

Collection of photographs and papers that originally belonged to Rachael Johnson (1897-1991).

Gift of Rebecca Mitchell 2019.15

Wabanaki Fancy Basket. Found in church Sunday school classroom closet, First Congregational Church of Hopkinton.

Gift of First Congregational Church of Hopkinton, UCC 2019.16

Eight receipts for gasoline or oil from three different Hopkinton businesses, 1948.

Anonymous donation 2019.17

2019 Community Calendar. **Produced by the Hopkinton Historical Society** 2019.18

Items related to Frank Tonkin (1900-1961), including: suitcase with luggage tag "Marion F. Tonkin" (Frank's wife); American Legion Cap, "F. Tonkin"; Servicestyle hat embroidered "ARAS" (Odd Fellows); Fez, embroidered "ARAS" (OOH&P); pocket watches, jewelry, photos, placemat.

Anonymous donation 2019.19

Bedroom furniture set (bed, dresser w/ mirror, rocking chair). Wood, with stencil-painted decoration. Family history of having been purchased new c. 1865 for use in the Contoocook home of Olive Amanda Allen & William A. Patterson (1836-). It has been used by family members ever since, including the donor.

Gift in memory of Olive Amanda Allen Perry, her aunt Olive Amanda Allen Patterson, and her daughter Florence Perry Call 2019.20

Hopkinton Souvenirs: 1.) 1915 150th Anniversary of Hopkinton medallion with leather strap; 2.) 1906 Old Home Day button with ribbon; 3.) 1976 Bicentennial medal in case; 4.-6.) 3 door checks,

Pleasant Lake Casino.

Gift of Norman Miner 2019.21

Page from photo album that has five photos of Hopkinton 150th Anniversary event. Photos came from a family collection passed down through Wilson-Bunten-Tucker-Dunn. Alice M. Bunten Hadley was Dunbarton Town Historian. *Gift in memory of Alice Hadley*

2019.22

Town of Hopkinton Annual Report 2018 / School District Annual Report 2018. Presented at Town meetings, March 2019.

Collected by Staff 2019.23

Photograph (2 copies), showing signpost with Contoocook businesses. *Gift of John Duston* 2019.24

Several items found in the home of Patti Cass Smith: .1) Bumper sticker, "RE-ELECT / DANIELS / SHERIFF"; 2.) Quadrant maps of Hopkinton, mid-late 1940s, when donor's father was a realtor for Hopkinton Realty Co. These maps were likely c. 1947; 3.) Certificate of induction into Masons for John H. Cass (donor's father), 1947.

Gift of Patti Cass Smith 2019.25

Six books pertaining to local history. Gift of the Hopkinton Town Library 2019.26

Twenty-nine items related to the Libby family of Park Avenue, Contoocook; given by Kathleen Little Sorokin, daughter of Ruth Elizabeth Libby (1928-2018). Includes items related to Kingsbury & Davis, photographs, and ephemera.

Gift in memory of the Libby family of Park Avenue, Contoocook 2019.27

Two items: I.) Scan of photograph of "Pop Wiggins' Esso Station," c. 1958; and 2.) Book, "New Hampshire Census 1800".

Gift of Peter Lincoln 2019.28

Six items related to Hopkinton: 1.) Painting of Mt. Lookout House. Signed by the artist, "Pearl Davis '80"; 2.) Broadside, framed, advertising auction of real estate of Rhuey H. Buswell, Buswell Corner, 1899; 3.-5.) Postcards; 6.) Cover (envelope) with Silas Ketchum mark. Letter from Silas Ketchum, Hopkinton, to Henry A. Fellows, Henniker. Postmarked Bristol, NH.

Gift of Scott Metzger 2019.29

Collection of letters and documents from the family of Bodwell Emerson Wells (1820-1900) of Hopkinton, NH, then Georgia, and Texas.

Gift of Bodwell Emerson's descendant, John Ferguson 2019.30

Local items selected from the May 2019 Vintage Yard Sale: 1.) Original painting by Robert Paine (Ellen Davis); 2.) four issues of Hoptonian Hopkinton High School yearbook, 1961-1964 (John Chandler); 3.) 1984 Calendar, from Crathern Engineering; 4.) railroad tie date nails from Hopkinton; the dates indicate the year that railroad ties were installed (Arnold Coda); and 5.) Christmas cards by Tasha Tudor (Inge Eddy).

Collected by Staff 2019.31

Twenty-three items related to the family and descendants of Bodwell Emerson Wells: 1.) Bodwell Well's framed holographic will; 2.) Charles Watson's framed letter to Louis Calhoun Wells; 3.) Framed portrait of Annie Laurie Wells; 4.) pair of silver spoons; 5.) set of 7 silver teaspoons; 6.) Bodwell Wells' gold stick pin; 7.) five ivory implements for tatting, said to have belonged to Bodwell's wife (but could have been Bodwell's mother); 8.) Land Grant document, Cherokee, GA; 9.-12.) family photographs, including Louis Calhoun Wells, Kate Wells Tillman, and Ruth Wells Reynolds.

Gift of descendant of Bodwell Émerson Wells, John Ferguson 2019.32

Items related to the Hamilton residence on Main St., Hopkinton Village, during the 1940s: trunk with scenes painted by Gladys Dodd, photographs, postcards, guest-house log book, Tasha Tudor cards (some depicting this house), ephemera.

Gift of Barbara Hamilton Gibson, in memory of her parents, Margaret and Howard Hamilton 2019.33

Books related/relevant to Hopkinton: I.) Our Town, signed; 2.) Colonial Meeting Houses; and 3.) New Hampshire Century.

Gift of Elizabeth French 2019.34

Certificate for Lay Midwife, for Carol Leonard of Hopkinton. *Gift of John Duston* 2019.35

Theatre program, "Are We There Yet?," 2019 program from First Congregational Church, Hopkinton. *Gift of Heather Mitchell* 2019.36

Photograph, believed to be interior of Contoocook Post Office.

Documentation suggests that the wood interior in the post office may have been furnished by donor's Contoocook ancestor, William A. Patterson (1836-1929).

Gift of Becky Carr 2019.37

Book, "Changes in the Land / Indians, Colonists, and the Ecology of New England," by William Cronon.

Gift of Sally Cogswell Embley 2019.38

T-shirt, "Hopkinton / Town of Champions," in honor of the many championships earned by Hopkinton High School sports teams. Made by Skate Murdough, designed by Kally Murdough.

Gift of Parker Potter 2019.39

Two document boxes with papers (documents, ephemera, photographs) pertaining to the history of Dimond Hill Farm; approximately 250 pieces.

Gift of Jane Presby, Dimond Hill Farm 2019.40

Metal jacket button, "PH" (Patrons of Husbandry). Found by metal detector summer 2019 in front yard, about 8" down in the ground.

Gift of Lizz Van Saun 2019.41

Eight items of paper ephemera found in donor's house, including: program for "Once Upon A Mattress" by Hopkinton High School 2019, Town Meeting election flyers for 2019, Hopkinton Veteran's Day program for 2018.

Gift of Patti Cass Smith 2019.42

Two items from the Bates Library vault: 1) 45-star American Flag (1896-1908); 2) 1929 Bill of Sale for rubber and lumber, Contoocook. *Transfer*

2019.43

Boy Scouts of America Charter for Contoocook Troop. Presented to Hopkinton Historical Society on August 18, 2019 as a gift from the Troop. The Troop had it framed (they made a copy of the original for themselves).

Gift of Boy Scout Troop 77 2019.44

Blueprint maps of the Contoocook stone bridge, and ephemera from the Contoocook Riverway Association.

Gift of Timothy Blagden 2019.45

Calendar photo of Rowell's Bridge, West Hopkinton, by C.E. Walker. *Gift of Pittsfield Historical Society* 2019.46

Exhibit catalog about the pottery of Otto and Vivika Heino from show at Colby-Sawyer College. Show included several pieces borrowed from HHS. *Gift of Mary Leadbeater, who received this catalog at the Colby-Sawyer show.*

2019.47

Three binders, containing drafts of Hopkinton Rotary calendars (2002, 2004, 2006) and photos by Bruce Salsbury.

Gift of Cindy Salsbury 2019.48

Painting by Andre Hurtgen, titled, "Tony's Gallery," 2000, depicting view from the Covered Bridge Frame Shop & Gallery toward the stone bridge in Contoocook. Given by Tony Mento (former owner of Covered Bridge) to Jan & Peter Hale (new owners in 2000) when they took over the shop.

Gift of Jan & Peter Hale, Covered Bridge Frame Shop 2019.49

Collection of Hopkinton Town Reports, to fill gaps in archival set. *Gift of Steve Adams* 2019.50

Poster, 104th (2019) Hopkinton State Fair. Gift of Jan & Peter Hale, Covered Bridge Frame Shop & Gallery 2019.51

Beech Hill Club Trophy, 1902, and signed Chase Park Baseball, 1915. Items given to donor by Ted Devereaux.

Given by George Chase, from the Chase family 2019.52

Souvenir Maps, "Covered Bridges of New Hampshire." Gift of Jan & Peter Hale, Covered Bridge Frame Shop & Gallery 2019.53

Vintage Yard Sale

Our fourth Vintage Yard Sale was held on May 18, 2019 and the event just keeps getting bigger and better each year! Revenue from the sale was \$13,192 (vs. \$9,675.19 in 2018). While we sold a vast majority of the items donated for the event, some of the remaining inventory was later sold at our Second-Hand Art Sale or donated to the Hopkinton Lion's Club for their annual sale – maximizing the benefit to the Society and the community at large.

With the current uncertainty surrounding the health and safety of our community during the COVID-19 crisis, we have decided to push the sale date out past our usual May time frame. But rest assured the sale will happen. The Vintage Yard Sale has become a highly anticipated community event and has increased awareness of the Hopkinton Historical Society, our beautiful building, and our mission. This has been made possible through the generous donations from many of our members and the community at large. As so many of us are homebound right now, please keep us in mind as you do spring cleanings and attic cleanouts. We have year-round storage for donated items, and we will gladly pick up your items when time and public safety allow.

Pulling off this fun community event is truly a team effort, and we will be working hard to make the 5th Annual Vintage Yard Sale our biggest and most successful yet. Stay tuned for an announcement on the date of the sale, and please consider donating some of your no longer needed or loved vintage treasures so that they might come to be cherished all over again.

Respectfully submitted, Scott Metzger Chair

Finance Committee

The Finance Committee serves the Society at the pleasure of the Society Trustees. Current trustees on the Finance committee are: Don Lane, (Committee Chairman), Roxanne Benzel, (Society Treasurer), Allita Paine, (Society President), Kathy Thesing, (Society Trustee) and Heather Mitchell, (Executive Director).

I am very pleased to announce two new Society Trustees, Jim Fredyma and Arnold Coda, have been added to the Finance Committee and bring great experience to the Committee in both accounting and finance.

The mission of the Finance Committee is defined below:

- Meet quarterly with professional consultants to review status of Society investments;
- Explore new ideas for increasing Society capital;
- Work with Executive Director and administrative staff to improve financial procedures; and
- Begin an effort to resolve our critical need for additional space.

Respectfully submitted, Chair, Don Lane

Hopkinton Historical Society Income Statement

January through December 2019

	TOTAL
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Fundraising	30,641.44
Exhibit Revenue (Grants & Sponsors)	1,000.00
Special Events Revenue	24,082.01
Other Program Income	1,605.74
Gifts	4,925.32
Other Revenue	35.10
Total Income	62,289.61
Gross Profit	62,289.61
Expense	
Fundraising Expenses	5,479.85
Exhibit Expense	1,422.73
Special Events Expenses	4,559.63
Other Program Expense	2,208.47
General and Administrative	39,986.62
Staff Expenses	59,291.89
Total Expense	112,949.19
Net Ordinary Income	-50,659.58
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Investment Activity	124,917.25
Collections/Preservation Activity	31,764.82
Total Other Income	156,682.07
Net Other Income	156,682.07
Net Income	106,022.49

Hopkinton Historical Society Balance Sheet

as of December 31, 2019

ASSETS

Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
Merrimack County Savings Bank	16,867.86		
Petty cash	100.00		
TD Ameritrade MM - GENERAL	22,192.99		
TD Ameritrade MM - COLLECTIONS	1,570.65		
TD Ameritrade MM - PRESERVATION	6,187.00		
Total Checking/Savings	46,918.50		
Accounts Receivable			
Pledges Receivable	9,100.00		
Total Accounts Receivable	9,100.00		
Other Current Assets			
Due from COLLECTIONS	-2,736.00		
Total Other Current Assets	-2,736.00		
Total Current Assets Fixed Assets	53,282.50		
Building Improvements	104,918.95		
Elevator Addition	220,987.00		
Equipment	1,581.00		
Office Computer Systems	844.00		
Accumulated Depreciation	-249,690.44		
Total Fixed Assets	78,640.51		
Other Assets			
TD Ameritrade - GENERAL	770,388.11		
TD Ameritrade - COLLECTIONS	59,481.57		
TD Ameritrade - PRESERVATION	231,946.69		
Total Other Assets	1,061,816.37		

TOTAL ASSETS

1,193,739.38

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LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Due to OPERATING	-2,736.00
Payroll Liabilities	884.92
Total Other Current Liabilities	-1,851.08
Total Current Liabilities	-1,851.08
Total Liabilities	-1,851.08
Equity	
Unrestricted Net Assets	
General Operating Fund	205,450.65
Board Restricted Funds	
General Restricted Funds	
Slusser Exhibit Fund	10,000.00
Slusser Fund	101,250.00
Nichols Fund	90,750.00
Century Fund	435,415.91
Swenson Family Fund (Century Fund)	50,101.48
Total General Restricted Funds	687,517.39
Collections Fund	59,867.80
Preservation Fund	234,538.68
Total Board Restricted Funds	981,923.87
Total Unrestricted Net Assets	1,187,374.52
Retained Earnings Net	-97,806.55
Income	106,022.49
Total Equity	1,195,590.46

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY

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