

HOPKINTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY



2020 Annual Report

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on April 18 at 1 pm, go to
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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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2020 Annual Meeting Agenda

via Zoom • April 18, 2021 • 1 pm

- I. Welcome
- II. Distribution of the 2020 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
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Fred Pilch	Honorary Trustee
Don Lane	Honorary Trustee
Bruce Salisbury	Honorary Trustee
Kathy Thesing	Honorary Trustee
Dr. Robert Wilson	Honorary Trustee
- VII. Special Recognition
 - a. Board Member Recognition
 - b. Volunteer of the Year
- VIII. Adjournment

2020 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 2020 Annual Report is dedicated to Kathryn Thesing and Don Lane. 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.

Kathryn Thesing



Kathy has served the Hopkinton Historical Society in many ways. Her tenure with HHS as a member and volunteer spans almost 24 years. She has been a dedicated leader of the Board of Trustees serving as Trustee, President, Past President, and soon to be named lifetime Honorary Trustee.

Kathy was instrumental in leading the Historical Society's efforts in changing the name of the NH Antiquarian Society to the Hopkinton Historical Society to better reflect our mission to investigate, collect, preserve, and communicate whatever may relate to the history of the Town of Hopkinton and its people.

Kathy was born in Minnesota, the only girl with three brothers. Her family moved across the country with her Dad taking on leadership roles within divisions of Textron Corp. After being raised in several states, she went on to study Graphic Design at the University of Georgia. Kathy met her future husband, Greg, while working together one summer in Stone Mountain, Georgia. After Greg's graduation from the Medical College of Georgia, they embarked on their Air Force years. With their young family, Kathy and Greg moved to Travis AFB in California, Eielson AFB in Alaska, and the Air Force Academy in Colorado. As a family they learned to hike, Nordic ski and dress in layers, to lessons that would serve them

well later in New Hampshire. Kathy continued her volunteer work focusing on the arts, including helping edit a Yukon chef's journal, joining a watercolor group, and judging an amateur art show at the State Fair in Fairbanks.

From Colorado they settled in Hopkinton when Greg accepted a physician's position with Concord Hospital. It is here they have stayed for almost 25 years. Through the moves Kathy has found local engagement to be the best way to make connections and long-lasting friendships. After attending a family program at the then NH Antiquarian Society, she knew she had found the next place to offer her talents. The long list of consistent support that Kathy has given to "the Society" has been invaluable. She rolls up her sleeves and is all in with her "behind the pocket door" roles – anywhere from raking the leaves, constructing exhibits, working tirelessly on the Art Show, to fostering insightful leadership recruiting, and fundraising.

Kathy remembers working late one night with Heather Mitchell, sprucing up the Hopkinton Historical Society in preparation for a visit by then Presidential Candidate Barack Obama, only to have his campaign choose to go next door for better light! And she remembers other nights, when she has had to respond to the Society's alarm going off -- in her pajamas -- to meet the Hopkinton Police!

When imagining the future of the Hopkinton Historical Society, Kathy believes anyone who invests their time or money in the Society will find great reward from supporting the local culture and the history preservation of Hopkinton and Contoocook. Moving forward, Kathy sees HHS expand its delivery of online programs, live productions, guest speakers and continued collaboration within our Town. Kathy promises to continue to commit her time and skills to the Society for many more years to come.

Don Lane



Don's service to the Hopkinton Historical Society has been particularly positive, not only in his efforts to firm up and grow the Society's financial base but also his efforts to expand the impact of the Society on the Town in general.

Don was born in Boston and raised in Waban, a village in the city of Newton, Massachusetts. He attended the Newton Public School system, in those days considered one of the best in the country, and from there went on to Harvard College, graduating in 1959.

Shortly after graduation he joined IBM as a sales trainee and then later that summer he married Mona Kean, now his wife of almost 62 years. Upon completion of his sales training, an intensive two-year education which was almost the equivalent of attending graduate school, he was transferred to New Hampshire where he assumed sales responsibility for the western and northern sections of the State.

With their young daughter, Jennifer, he and Mona moved to Gould Hill in Hopkinton in 1961 into the same house they still live in today. The move was made with great trepidation but it was then that their life-long love affair with the Town of Hopkinton began. Don went on to spend eight very good years with IBM, a company of immense quality that reflected the best characteristics of the American business culture. As it turned out Don was fortunate to have worked with three great companies, IBM, Software International, a pioneering packaged software start-up where he was instrumental in its early formative growth and, lastly, Coed Sportswear, a remarkably exciting company started by his son, Mark, upon his graduation from the University of New Hampshire. Don will testify that they were all "great rides."

Don's upbringing, his formal education and his business experience all emphasized involvement in the greater community. During his working career he devoted 24 years to Hopkinton Town Baseball as a coach and as president of the organization. It was a natural fit because within ten years of moving to Hopkinton, daughter Jennifer was joined by three brothers, Don, Mark and David, and baseball was always Don's passion.

Upon retirement he soon recognized he had too much time on his hands so he called up a friend, Peter Russell, who was at that time a town selectman, and asked if there might be some volunteer work he could do. There was plenty. That question led to a long and satisfying experience with town development. He first became involved in the development of the playing fields behind the Library (now known as Houston Park). That was soon followed by involvement in the development of the Children's Playground sponsored by the Hopkinton Woman's Club. He then became chairman of the Slusser Senior Center development and saw it through to its completion.

Throughout this period, he was deeply involved in the town's open space effort with a personal commitment to see historic Hopkinton Village completely protected by open space. That was essentially accomplished by the acquisition of Ransmeier Woods. Along the way his interest in moving the town forward while preserving its rural character caused him to decide to run for town selectman. He served on that Board for six wonderful years. It was a marvelous platform for getting things done. A terrific side benefit is that all of this activity introduced Don to so many great, hard-working people, the "movers and shakers" that make Hopkinton what it is -- a consummately livable New Hampshire town!

Besides the community of Hopkinton, Don has also dedicated himself to supporting his church. He has been a Lector and Eucharistic Minister since the introduction of those functions into New Hampshire over 45 years ago. Mona and he also co-chaired the fundraising effort to build a new church which was completed in 2004.

Both Don and Mona feel very fortunate to have chosen Hopkinton as the town to live in 60 years ago. It was purely serendipitous, but the fact remains they could not have made a better choice. Here their family grew from three to six with the addition of the three boys. Now their four have provided them with eleven grandchildren. All of this progeny have chosen to stay in New Hampshire and live in small- Hopkinton-like towns in the Exeter area.

Don feels that the beauty of a town like Hopkinton is that, in spite of doubling in population over the past 50 years, it has remained a simple and caring community. When his children were young they could ride their bikes to school or to Contoocook Village. They could have a paper route. When a teenager did something stupid, the first to know were the parents, not a judge. Despite the pressures to avoid involvement, there are still those who are always ready to help.

And the town has protected its rural character. The pace of life in Hopkinton is so very attractive. We have a very livable community and a peaceful community.

He sees his years at the Historical Society as his contribution to the preservation of that peace because the Society retells Hopkinton's story again and again.

President's Report

This is my first report to you, our members, since becoming President of the Board of Trustees. What a way to start with a worldwide pandemic that has disrupted just about every aspect of daily personal and business life here and abroad. If you have lost a loved one, family member or friend we offer our deepest sympathy for your loss. Keep their memory alive in your heart.

Despite the pandemic, your Hopkinton Historical Society has kept busy although at a slower pace than usual. I will leave Heather Mitchell, our Executive Director, to share the work accomplished this past year by her, Nancy Jo Chabot, Elissa Barr, and volunteers. We thank each of you for your valiant efforts on our behalf during these pandemic times. Your commitment to our mission is appreciated and is applauded. Thank you!

I would like to turn my attention to the future. Since its founding in 1859 and the opening of the Long Memorial Building in 1890, the Society has sought to collect, preserve and share the history of Hopkinton and its residents. We have done this in many ways and the growth of our collections reflect our success. This work will continue as we go forward.

Now, we must begin planning for the future so that we can continue our mission for Hopkinton. Among the tasks will be an analysis of our present assets and resources. This task will form the baseline for charting a path forward.

We know, for example, that more space is needed for our collections in order to make the collections available for members and the public. The basement of the Long Building is full, not handicapped accessible, and thus, not available to the members and public. It functions mostly for mechanical, utility and long-term storage.

Additionally, our building footprint fills most of our land space, making expansion onsite limited. Conference and meeting space serves as exhibition space, and limited as to both content and viewing. The Long Building is an architectural treasure and should continue as our home base.

We have had some discussions about assuming responsibility to maintain and preserve the Hopkinton Fire Precinct building, an important part of the Hopkinton Village Precinct. This building dates to the 1800's and should not be lost. A plan as to how to do this needs to be developed before we accept the responsibility.

We will develop a master plan for the future to ensure the Hopkinton Historical Society continues its mission for the residents of Hopkinton and individuals interested in our history. Part of the master plan will include a long-term financial plan and identify fund raising activities to support our plans and operations. These activities may include increasing our endowment, fund raising for specific events and projects and developing a planned giving program so that individuals may remember the Hopkinton Historical Society in their will or trust upon passing. We will keep you apprised of our progress.

Another key element of the master plan will be succession planning; how do we encourage involvement of younger members 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.

Two long-serving trustees have decided to step-back from the Trustee role and retire from the Board as of this April 2021 annual meeting. Kathy Thesing and Donald Lane have made immeasurable contributions to the Hopkinton Community and Hopkinton Historical Society for many years. We thank you for faithful service to our community and wish you well.

Finally, get vaccinated, wear a mask and social distance so that this pandemic comes to an end and we can get back to all the things we love, especially being with loved ones and friends without fear of the pandemic.

Best regards,

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

Executive Director's Report

They say hindsight is 20/20 vision, but in this case, we are more than happy to see 2020 in our rearview mirror! We are looking forward to a new year with new programs and exhibits that highlight our town's history and offer a deeper understanding of the people who call our town home.

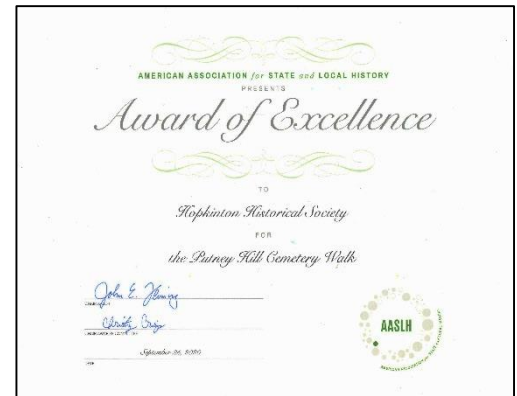
Summer Exhibit and Programs

For example, our summer exhibit will re-examine relations between Hopkinton's early settlers and Native Americans. Much has been learned from our August 2020 partnership with the Abenaki Trails Project, whose goal is to help educate the general public and share a cultural exchange with the Abenaki people past and present. Part of the partnership is to explore historical connections with Native Americans and to show continued Abenaki presence in our community. This summer we plan to host several outdoor activities (e.g., basketmaking and a paddle trip) related to the exhibit. We also plan to continue to hold Zoom programs. Stay tuned for more details!

Cemetery Walk

In October, we are looking forward to the Society's EIGHTH Cemetery Walk at the Clement Hill Cemetery in West Hopkinton. Researchers Lynn Clark, Nadine Ferrero, Allita Paine, and Beth Spalding have been hard at work examining old documents and census records that will be the basis for another fabulous production written by Lynn Clark and directed by Beth Spalding.

And, not to toot our own horn, but the Society's 2019 Cemetery Walk at Putney Hill Cemetery received a national Award of Excellence in 2020 from the American Association for State and Local History (AASLH). Performed in October 2019, the Putney Hill Cemetery Walk is a theatrical production designed to entertain and educate attendees about people buried in, or excluded from, the town's earliest cemetery. Written by Lynn Clark, directed by Beth Spalding, and wonderfully performed by 26 local residents, the production "represents the best in the field and provides leadership for the future of state and local history," according to the AASLH.



Pandemic Stories

As always, we are looking for stories of what people have missed, lost, or found, as a result of Covid-19. We have a growing file of articles and advertisements that reflect the current conditions, but what is really meaningful are first-hand accounts. How has your daily schedule changed? What do you miss from before? How has your work/school/home life changed? The length of your stories does not matter, we would love to save all of them so that 100 years from now people in Hopkinton and beyond will know what we have lived through.

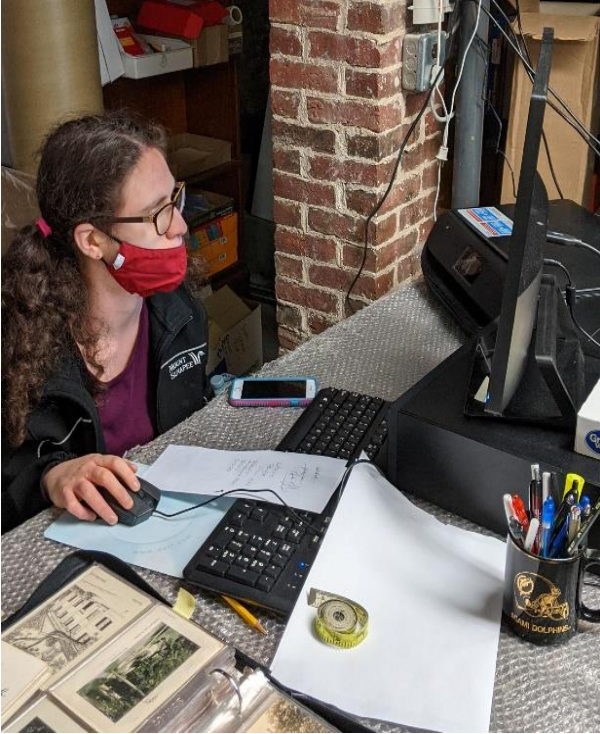
Building Community

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.

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 as our Volunteer of the Year, we knew it had to be Paige Wheeler.

Paige has volunteered at the Society every Thursday since October 2020. During this time, she has cataloged 385 items, consisting primarily of photographs, postcards, daguerreotypes, and ephemera. She began with scanning and cataloging the Little collection of photographs, most of Contoocook, and is now working on scanning and cataloging the Millie Rice collection of postcards.

Paige was interested in volunteering at the Society because she wanted to learn about the history of our community. New skills that she has learned include scanning, entering items into the Society's database, and finding various items in the Society's database. She is also an excellent teacher. Paige brings a partner with her when she volunteers. Paige and her first partner were shown the procedures for scanning and entering items into our database. Since that time, she has had several other partners, including her mom, dad, and sister. Paige has taught each of them the procedures for her work, which can be a little

complicated, but she has handled it all by herself.

When she is not volunteering at the Society, Paige enjoys horseback riding, dancing, and playing the piano. Thank you, Paige, for all of your work at the Society – it is much appreciated!

Salute to Volunteers

In 2020 more than 30 individuals volunteered their time at the Society, despite the Society being closed to the public for many months. These volunteers did everything from cataloging, conducting research for this year's Cemetery Walk, bringing our email system into the 21st century, 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 2020 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

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

Cemetery Walk Research: Lynn Clark, Nadine Ferrero, Allita Paine, and Beth Spalding

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

Computer Wizard: Thomas Lipoma

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

Handyman: Craig Dunning

Cataloging: Paige Wheeler

Management of Vintage Yard Sale items: Scott Metzger

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. 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 if you are interested.

Collections Committee

The Collections Committee was able to carry out our mission very much as usual this past year, despite having to change the way we met and the frequency of our meetings. We were able to meet totally in person only one time before the pandemic hit, then switched to a hybrid set-up with some members at the Society, others participating via Zoom, and two members shut out altogether for the rest of the year. The Deaccession Committee did not meet this year.

The shutdown sorting efforts of townspeople generated many interesting items that were donated for either the Collection or the Vintage Yard sale. Some of the donations that come in for the yard sale are examined and researched to see if they should be accepted into the Collection rather than being sold. With Nancy Jo Chabot's assistance, we were able to go through all that were appropriate for the Collection; though we met fewer times than usual, Nancy Jo had done so much background work beforehand that decisions came fairly easily.

We also have to keep in mind that age is not the only criteria for acceptance; if something reflects the times we're living in, then we want to keep it so there are records of how Hopkinton was affected by state, national, or worldwide events. Published articles and photos of the crisis of 9/11/2001 were donated that we thought should be kept to illustrate that event, as were COVID-19 materials collected by the Staff.

A few notable items of 2020: a glass chicken watering pan from a local egg business, a two-volume Abenaki dictionary by a former resident of Contoocook, old Hopkinton Fair posters, letters, clothing, and quilts. A complete list follows this report. You can see how varied our collection is so please continue to keep us in mind as you do your Spring cleaning.

Thanks to everyone who made these donations this year.

The Collections Committee

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

DVD recording of an interview with William (Billy) F. Stevens, 2011. Interview recorded by Ken Wilkens at Hopkinton Historical Society, 2011.

Gift of Ken Wilkens
2020.0005

Broadside advertisement of the Hopkinton Fair, 1946.

Gift of Gilford's Thompson-Ames Historical Society
2020.0006

Magazine, "Covered Bridge Topics," Vol. LXXVIII, No. 1, Winter 2020; includes article by Jim Sindelar on the Long Truss Bridge form.

Gift of Jim Sindelar
2020.0007

Theatre program and ticket, "The Addams Family", Jan. 2020, performed at Hopkinton High School.

Gift of Mary Leadbeater, who attended the performance
2020.0008

Four quilts from the Davis family of Davisville and Contoocook. Dates range from 1860s (clamshell quilt, which has had repairs) to 1900s/1910s. Owners include: Mary Davis Preston, Dorothea Preston Chapin, Eleanor Chapin Cousins, and Richard Cousins.

Gift of William Chapin, Jr., Richard Cousins, and Elizabeth Sylvia
2020.0009

Man's straw hat which belonged to "Big John," owner of the Casserole restaurant.

Gift of Louise Carr
2020.0010

Photocopy of letter about the capture of Abraham Kimball (original is in the NH State Archives).

Procured by Stephen Thomas
2020.0011

Collection of photos, Bible, et al., from the Estate of Belle Roy Nightingale (c.1912-1985), donated by her nephew, Greg Roy. Belle was a nurse in Hopkinton, and was close with Dr. Wallace Tarbell and Mrs. Clarice Elliott Tarbell. Approximately 20 postcards and 100 photographs; many of the photographs depict the flood or the Tarbells.

Gift of Greg Roy
2020.0012

Copy of Merrimack County Records, Sept. 9, 1895, regarding George Park - transfer of 25 acres from Caroline L. George to Contoocook Village Precinct.

Gift of Gloria Symonds
2020.0013

Materials related to Tasha Tudor: three books, two posters, one postcard (Christmas), one Christmas card, & several photographs printed on paper.

Gift of Penny Young
2020.0014

Collection of Hopkinton Town Reports, for the Archival Set (2006, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2015).

Gift of David Gilligan
2020.0015

Dress with family history in the Brown family of Hopkinton, and photo of Grace Brown Tilton (grandmother of David Melby) wearing that dress.

Gift of Leslie Melby, in memory of Grace Brown Tilton
2020.0016

Collection of donor's family's newspapers and magazines documenting the 9/11/2001 crisis.

Gift of Steve Adams
2020.0017

Three letters, posted from Contoocookville, 1843-1844, addressed to Miss Matilda Chandler (1826-1898) in Lowell Mass., from Lucy Burnham Gray Chandler (Matilda's mother, 1795-1871) and Isaac Abial Chandler (Matilda's brother, c.1833-) of Hopkinton, N.H.

Gift of Carl Tenut
2020.0018

Three items, from the home of Parker Potter & Nancy Jo Chabot: 1) Hopkinton High School baseball team shirt, late 1980s; 2) Hopkinton Fair ribbon, yellow rosette, "Dairy Herdsmanship Award," received in 1994 when Nancy Jo and Parker were responsible for the Sand Bank Farm dairy display at the Hopkinton Fair (we'd keep the area clean, take care of the animals, set up a display - that was the year the NH Ayrshire Farmer's Association created the promotion, "Ask About Our Ayrshires"); 3) Award, "Highest Milking Ayrshire," Hopkinton Fair 1993, for our cow, Margo.

Gift of Nancy Jo Chabot & Parker Potter
2020.0019

Items from the Sugar Hill home of Richard Schade (1944-2019). Includes items loaned for previous exhibits: iron gate (from Bill Silva's house), grappling hook (found in well on property), horseshoe (found on property), wide pine board (from property). Many other items, including a hockey stick, two-hand saw, hay fork, license plates, platter, basket, and books.

Gift of the Estate of Richard Schade
2020.0020

Box of papers found in donor's home on Main St. in Hopkinton Village. Joe Young ran his lumber business from the garage. Includes receipts from the 1950s, involving Joe's business relationships in Hopkinton and in surrounding towns, including Page Belting, Sanel Machine Supplies, Hopkinton Telephone Co, Astles Lumber, B&M RR freight, Dodd Insurance, et al. Also includes annual receipts for "Timber Yield Tax" from Hopkinton and surrounding towns. Joe Young served Hopkinton as Town Selectman, Treasurer of the Hopkinton Village Precinct, et al.

Gift of Ben Wilson
2020.0021

Group of 11 items related to the Libby family of Contoocook. Donated by Kathleen Little Sorokin, daughter of Ruth Elizabeth Libby Little (1928-2018), who was the daughter of George Keniston Libby (1896-1977). The family homestead was on Park Ave. in Contoocook.

Given in memory of the Libby family of Park Avenue, Contoocook
2020.0022

Two drawings by Wynna Wright (1899-1980), who taught art classes in Contoocook. Purchased from Bev Grenert, who was a friend of Wynna, and who many years ago ran an antiques shop from her home on Main St. in Contoocook.

Hopkinton Historical Society purchase
2020.0023

Postcards and correspondence to Gould and Chase family members, including: Charles Gould (1880s), Robert T. Gould (1880s), Jessie Gould (1900s), Mary (Mrs. R.T.) Gould (1900s), Valentine to Clara Gould; letters to cousin Mary E. Chase (daughter of Betsy Blanchard & Hon. Horace Chase), letters to Horace G. Chase, letters to Hon. Horace Chase, letter from Horace G. Chase to son, Samuel M. Chase (in Chicago) on Perkins Inn stationary. Also a wood panel with stencil, "A. S. REDDY L3 / CONTOOCOOK NH".

Gift of Ruth Pratt
2020.0024

Glass Chicken Watering Pan. Used in 1950s at Butternut Farm on Beech Hill Rd., by Robert Parmenter, who started what began as a chicken egg business there that lasted many years.

Gift of Joanne DeBold, daughter of Robert Parmenter
2020.0025

Collection of books about material culture. Came from the home of Ginny Warner, quilter from Warner, NH.

Gift of Allita Paine
2020.0026

Two-volume Abenaki Dictionary. Gift of Kevin Day, son of the author, Gordon Day. The Day family lived in Contoocook, 1952-1964.

Gift of Kevin Day
2020.0027

COVID-related materials, e.g. mailings, ephemera, digital images. Items received during calendar year 2020.

Collected by Staff
2020.0028

Tintype image of the double-wedding photo of Win & Cora Clinton and Walt & Pink Libby, December 2, 1901. Related to the Libby and Little families of Contoocook.

Gift of Kathy Little Sorokin (Walt & Pink Libby were her great uncle & aunt from Contoocook)
2020.0029

Two items: 1) "Everyday Helps & Hints" booklet by the Ladies Aid Society, Methodist Church, Contoocook; and 2) wooden skimmer, made by Dan Dustin (these used to be sold at the Hopkinton Historical Society gift shop).

Gift of Dan Dustin

2020.0030

Two items from Pratt home on Main St. in Hopkinton Village, used during the 1950s: 1) wooden trencher which was used as a fruit bowl, and 2) spice box set.

Gift of Nancy Pratt Craig

2020.0031

Five items related to Hopkinton: 1) Painting of the Contoocook River, 2-4) Three Hopkinton Fair Posters and 5) The Franklin Savings Bank, In Hopkinton," booklet, c. 1841, listing several prominent Hopkintonians as officers.

Gift of Scott Metzger

2020.0032

World War I handkerchief holder, with souvenir handkerchiefs.

Gift of Thomas and Nancy Fellows

2020.0033

Contoocook Creamery one-quart plastic jug for chocolate milk. From Contoocook Creamery, Bohanan Farm, Contoocook, N.H.

Gift of Heather Mitchell

2020.0034

Poster for the 2019 Putney Hill Cemetery Walk, signed by the cast members.

Collected by Staff

2020.0035

Original CD and Thumb Drive of 2019 Putney Hill Cemetery Walk, donated by the videographer, Bob LaPree.

Gift of Bob LaPree

2020.0036

Memorial pamphlet, "In Loving Memory of Barbara Fuller Walls," 1924-2019, of Contoocook. Includes portrait photo and family photo.

Gift of Mary Leadbeater

2020.0037

Photograph of a young girl holding an infant. Written on back, "Chase Hopkinton NH Main St (near Harold Martin School)". Photo by Leown Kelley, Hopkinton.

Gift of Donna Dunn, Dunbarton Historical Awareness Committee

2020.0038

Horse shoeing tool, hand-forged, marked "A.M. DUSTON". Arthur Melvin Duston (1863-1943) was a blacksmith in West Hopkinton.

Gift of Scott Metzger

2020.0039

Set of bound documents from the Slusser Senior Center Memoirs Class. Ten volumes, 2014-2019. Each volume contains memoirs from several Hopkinton residents.

Gift of John Warren

2020.0040

Two oil paintings by Charles Herbert Straw (1859-1905) of Hopkinton.

Gift of Mary Ann Straw Douglas (1926-2020); the artist was her great uncle

2020.0041

Framed 1892 map of Hopkinton.

Gift of Inge Eddy, in memory of Robert R. Eddy and Richard E. Schade (Robert and Richard were both cherished volunteers at Hopkinton Historical Society)

2020.0042

Printing templates for "NEW ENGLAND ELECTRONIC DESIGN & ENGINEERING CONTOOCCOOK, N.H.," found in the donor's house on Main St. in Contoocook.

Gift of Nancy Jo Chabot & Parker Potter

2020.0043

Vintage Yard Sale

Unfortunately, due to safety concerns related to Covid-19, we were unable to hold our annual Vintage Yard Sale in May of 2020. While we held out some hope that we could postpone the sale until September 2020, the committee ultimately decided that the health risks to both volunteers and attendees were too great, and we decided to postpone the sale until 2021.

At this stage we are still assessing safety conditions to determine when the sale can be held, and it will likely take place in late summer or early fall of this year. We already have a good inventory of items for the sale that were donated in 2020, and we are glad to accept your donations anytime between now and the ultimate sale date, as we have several storage locations available to us. Thank you all for your past support of the Vintage Yard Sale and keep an eye out for the 2021 sale date, hopefully coming soon!

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Metzger
Chair

Finance Committee

The Finance Committee serves the Society at the pleasure of the Society Trustees. In 2020 members on the Finance Committee included Don Lane, Committee Chairman, Roxanne Benzel, Jim Fredyma, Arnold Coda, Dulcie Lipoma, and Heather Mitchell.

The mission of the Finance Committee is defined below:

- Meet quarterly with the professional consultants (McLean Associates) to review the status of the Society's investments
- Review new ideas for increasing Society capital
- Work with Executive Director and administrative staff to improve financial procedures
- Begin an effort to resolve Society's critical need for additional space

As you may have already gathered, I am stepping down from the Board of Trustees as of April 18, 2021. While my time at the Society has been a consistently enjoyable experience, it is time for younger blood. The newly appointed head of the Finance Committee will be Dulcie Lipoma. She brings much experience in finance and will bring a new energy to the Committee. Because of my unique interest in the Society's capital structure I will remain a non-voting member of the Committee for as long as I am welcome.

Respectfully submitted,

Don Lane
Finance Committee Chair

Hopkinton Historical Society

Income Statement

January through December 2020

	<u>Jan - Dec 2020</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Fundraising	30,434.68
Grants & Sponsorships	10,000.00
Special Events Revenue	132.00
Other Program Income	1,369.65
Gifts	2,779.88
Other Revenue	<u>28.98</u>
Total Income	<u>44,745.19</u>
Gross Profit	44,745.19
Expense	<u>105,993.26</u>
Net Ordinary Income	-61,248.07
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Interest on Savings Accounts	2.59
Collections Investment Activity	3,758.11
General Fund Investment	57,364.60
Preservation Investment	<u>14,667.39</u>
Total Other Income	<u>75,792.69</u>
Net Other Income	<u>75,792.69</u>
Net Income	<u><u>14,544.62</u></u>

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Balance Sheet

as of December 31, 2020

	Dec 31, 20
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Merrimack County Savings Bank	22,740.11
Petty cash	100.00
Total Checking/Savings	22,840.11
Other Current Assets	
Pledges Receivable 2	4,640.00
Total Other Current Assets	4,640.00
Total Current Assets	27,480.11
Fixed Assets	
Building Improvements	104,918.95
Elevator Addition	220,987.00
Equipment	1,581.00
Office Computer Systems	844.00
Accumulated Depreciation	-252,233.44
Total Fixed Assets	76,097.51
Other Assets	
TD Ameritrade - GENERAL	787,693.80
TD Ameritrade - COLLECTIONS	64,155.83
TD Ameritrade - PRESERVATION	251,122.99
Total Other Assets	1,102,972.62
TOTAL ASSETS	1,206,550.24
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Abenaki Trails Project	2,525.84
Payroll Liabilities	892.32
Total Other Current Liabilities	3,418.16
Total Current Liabilities	3,418.16
Total Liabilities	3,418.16
Equity	
Unrestricted Net Assets	
General Operating Fund	256,460.21
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)	<u>50,101.48</u>
Total General Restricted Funds	687,517.39
Collections Fund	59,867.80
Preservation Fund	<u>183,529.12</u>
Total Board Restricted Funds	<u>930,914.31</u>
Total Unrestricted Net Assets	1,187,374.52
Retained Earnings	1,212.94
Net Income	<u>14,544.62</u>
Total Equity	<u>1,203,132.08</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>1,206,550.24</u></u>

List of Members

as of April 8, 2021

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On the cover: Perhaps no other image captures the covid-19 pandemic so succinctly as the ubiquitous mask. This mask was made for Hopkinton Historical Society and sold as a fundraiser. It is still available for \$10 at the Society, or \$12.50 (including shipping) through our website, www.HopkintonHistory.org.



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