



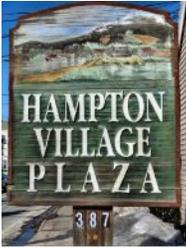
GATHERINGS FROM THE GREEN

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Announcing Historical Society's Purchase of Historic Downtown Property



We are happy to announce the pending expansion of Hampton Historical Society into a 2500 sq. ft. office suite near the center of Hampton on estate property of former merchant, Joshua A. Lane. This location will serve as our much-needed Collections & Research Center (CRC), taking the pressure off

the overcrowded space at the Tuck Museum on Park Ave.

Back at the museum, we'll soon revamp our display and meeting areas on the first floor, by relocating the communications and database entry services to the second floor. This change not only will increase our ability to provide quality services to patrons and visitors, but enable us to offer our dedicated volunteers more organized space for research, program development, and the time-consuming task of managing collections.

Original plans were to solve the overcrowding of the Tuck Museum by expanding on site. This had to be abandoned due to excessive building costs. Luckily, the property which came to our attention met all of our needs at a more reasonable cost. This commercial plaza provides easy access, plenty of parking, large well-lit rooms, and a huge basement for storage.

387 Lafayette Road was part of the Lane estate that passed on to daughter Sadie Belle Lane. Though the large Victorian home was torn down, the barn was saved and incorporated into the plaza structure. Suite #105, the new CRC space, is located in the barn portion.

The photo of the grand house and barn (above right) reveals a great deal about the former charm along Hampton's elegant Lafayette thoroughfare. And the rich history of the Lane family is a continuing reminder of the quality of life this simple farming and fishing village has always provided its citizens over the centuries.



Former homestead of Sadie Belle Lane

Report from the President

Our town of Hampton led the way in settling New Hampshire in 1638. Those who preceded us agreed to lay out the land so all could prosper. Through sacrifice and perseverance, the mere handful of early proprietors survived, leaving not only a mark on their own plots of land, but also in the changing laws and architecture, in the rich culture and strong traditions, so that the best of each generation could empower yet another modern era. Change has been this community's strength.

Lost generations of a family are not easy to trace, even with computerized genealogies to share. And eventually only shreds of evidence will remain to represent them. It is also our goal to preserve the human role played out in each decade, to preserve the essence of genealogies, even if it's just from a mention of one's favorite saying, a song, or a poem. Your family's treasures can represent history, but your memories may say even more. We welcome all to share stories of their lives through a video or audio taping for our archives.

What was it about one of your relatives that perhaps took on special meaning in your life? Was it the booming voice from the prosperous grandfather in his suit and tie, or perhaps the gentle way grandmother sat you down to eat the half an orange she so carefully peeled for you? More important, was there something about your ancestor that helped mold others' lives, something worthy enough to be passed on to the next generation?

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In order to accomplish so many of our goals, we ask all of you to be generous, to assist in our mission of increasing public knowledge and understanding of the history and cultural heritage of the town of Hampton.
Candy Stellmach

Annual Report of Executive Director and Program Committee Chair

In the interest of efficiency, I am combining the reports of the Executive Director and Program Committee Chair, since I held both positions.

Fiscal 2013 - 2014

October – A huge donation relating to the Mace Family was given to the museum including a Hampton-made fishing dory, powder horns, deeds, tools, and maps. Our annual meeting program was *Mary Todd Lincoln: An Unconventional Woman*, presented by Sally Mummy. Rich Hureau and Cheryl Lassiter photographed three volumes of the early Hampton town record books

November – The Civil War quilt won by Dan Lanio of the 401 Tavern was donated back to the museum with the request that it be given to a worthy veteran's family. We looked no further than Debbie Edwards, sister of our former volunteer Percy Annis. Work was started on the Christmas float- incorporating the Mace fishing dory and celebrating the long history of fishing in Hampton. Candy Stellmach led the work. Boy Scout Thomas Dumont presented an Eagle Scout proposal of a flag pole for the property with lights and landscaping for the property. Our old copy machine, which was a "freebie" always in need of attention, finally gave out. It was replaced with a much newer color copier, printer, scanner that has been absolutely fabulous, except that it's smarter than me. Our computers are coordinated to work through it and it has made life wonderful! We developed a system of indexing our scrapbooks. One of our new volunteers, Kathy McLaughlin, is currently indexing our collection of Monday Club scrapbooks that go back to 1917.

December – Our Christmas Parade float was a fisherman in a row boat with the fish that almost got away. It drew a lot of comments from the crowd, as did the Vikings walking with us this year. We had our annual volunteer holiday luncheon on December 18.

January – Less visitors means more time for deep cleaning and heavy duty collection projects. We reworked the clothing room and storeroom to eke out more space. Work began on the Marelli 100th Anniversary exhibit.

February – Work continued on the Marelli exhibit, curated by HHS Trustee, Karen Raynes, granddaughter of Luigi and Celestina Marelli. Cheryl Lassiter helped with graphics and Ann Carnaby worked on costumes for the exhibit. Elly Becotte created a program, "Whittier Women," to be performed later in the year.

March – I presented a program on Rita Palmer, Japanese prisoner of war for 3 ½ years. Bill Keating kept busy transcribing and running our oral history projects. Work continues on indexing scrapbooks. The opening of the Marelli exhibit was held with 50 in attendance. The D.A.R. held their annual silver tea at the museum

April – We were contacted by the Kittery Historical and Naval Museum in Maine about the loan of our Squalus model for an exhibit they are doing on the 75th anniversary of the tragic sinking. "Viking Day at the Tuck Museum" was held at the end of April on a raw, rainy day. Neither the Vikings nor the attendees seemed to mind the weather as they demonstrated sparring, and talked about the culture and costume.

May – Karen Raynes coordinated the annual Hampton Center Walking Tour. Elly Becotte and thirteen other volunteers presented the "Whittier's Women" program. Ann Carnaby of Tracy Theatre Originals was the wardrobe mistress for the afternoon and all the readers looked perfect for their part. Karen Raynes worked on "Mrs. B's Herb Garden," thanks to a grant from the Exeter Garden Club. The parking lot garden was also readied for the season by Biff Gratton and Ben Moore. Buildings were prepared for school tours and Chet Riley used the Leavitt barn for a course he was teaching for OLLI (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute).

June – Once again we were selected by the Provident Bank for their "Your Community E-Vote" program. This is the third year that we have been selected to be a recipient of donation. This year, thanks to online voting, we received \$280. The roof was repaired on the Tuck Hall wing. Cheryl Lassiter presented a fascinating program on "Witches in Popular Culture," along with a book signing on her latest book on Goody Cole. Purging the museum files seemed to be the theme for the year. Linda Metcalf and I cleared the files. We reorganized the attic of the workshop, as we desperately need space, and found a lot of items left there because no one knew what to do with them 50 years ago. But we found some pretty nifty things too that had been languishing patiently, like old



letters, clippings on Rita Palmer, and some interesting books and tools. Candy Stellmach and Tocky Bialobrzkeski worked on town maps, including indexing of the town records that had been photographed and scanned earlier in the year. All these town records are online as a resource for researchers. Candy Stellmach and Kathy McLaughlin continued working on the Cemetery Project, indexing all graves at High Street Cemetery.

July – The unveiling of the classy new Tuck Field/Tuck Museum sign on Park Ave (designed by our own Cheryl Lassiter). *NH Chronicle* came to tape and get pictures for a Hampton Beach story. We received donations in memory of long-time volunteer Eleanor Young.

August – Adam Sexton from Channel 9 was here taping for a story on the riots at Hampton Beach in the 1960s. Work continued for the October 11 Tavern Tour, as well as preparations inside and out as we readied for our 13th annual pig roast. This year was as financially successful as 2013 with almost 300 in attendance. NH furniture expert Elizabeth Aykroyd came across a c.1730 rush seat armchair at the NH Antique show in Manchester, NH. After much discussion with her contemporaries, it was agreed to be from the Hampton area and we purchased it for the museum. This has only been our second large purchase and we are thrilled with such a significant piece.

September – The barn was the perfect backdrop as we listened to and sang along with “The Hardtacks” as they told the story of the Civil War through the music, hymns, and battle cries of the day. The fall “Harvest Ramble and Repast” walking tour took place around the ring. Another Eagle Scout candidate proposed a project that would finish the research and photography on the old



cemeteries. I presented a slide show for the Hampton Seniors on J. Frank Walker, an early 20th century photographer who summered at Hampton Beach.

October – HHS costumed volunteers performed a Victorian Tavernwalk called “Hustlers, Bustlers, Titans, Tramps & Teetotalers” in downtown Hampton (see photo at right). Participants enjoyed a slice of Hampton’s history while sampling Victorian-inspired foods and beverages prepared by professional chefs at the Galley Hatch, 401 Tavern, Savory Square Bistro, and

the Old Salt. The temperance ladies ended up at the Old Salt.

Weekly volunteers who gave generously of their time throughout the year: Rich Hureau; Elly Becotte; Diane Riley; Linda Metcalf and Lassie; Candy Stellmach; Carol Keating; Mary Ertl; Kathy McLaughlin; Gretchen Behl; Ben Moore; and Bob Wallace. Others regulars include Karen Raynes; Cheryl Lassiter; Ann Carnaby; Patty O’Keefe; Bill Keating; Jason Moore; and Sammi Moe.

Special thanks go to Dyana Martin and her staff at the Hampton Parks and Rec. Department. Bob Fuller and John Yeaton work hard to make the playing field, park areas, and surrounding grounds look great.

We also work in conjunction with the Town Clock Committee, Experience Hampton, the Deacon Tuck Gristmill Committee, Friends of Grist Mill Pond, the Hampton Arts Network, and the Lane Memorial Library. All of us have the same goals of making Hampton a great place for all of us to live, work, and play.

During the year, two long-term members passed away, Julia Brown and Eleanor Dennett Young. Their families chose to designate HHS as a recipient of memorial gifts. We were saddened by their loss and appreciate the families choosing of us as a way to carry out their memory.

Betty Moore



Pig Roast 2014 Report

2014 was a different year for us. With the passing of Cliff Pratt and the car injury to Karen Weinhold, we were missing a couple of our beloved friends. Cliff has been a leader and staple throughout the years by acquiring the pigs and then heading up the overnight cooking of the pigs; then on to cutting up the pigs to serve with Chuck Weinhold and Sam Robertson. This year we dedicated the Pig Roast to Cliff Pratt to honor the many years that he worked hard at the event to keep it going and growing.

Thankfully, Karen is doing better, but unfortunately, she was not ready to be back in the kitchen at the Pig Roast doing all the behind the scenes things that need to get done to keep the day moving. Although we will always miss Cliff and we missed Karen's smiling face this year at the event, we all hope that Karen is well soon and hope to see her again at the Pig Roast next year. This year's event went on with both of them in our thoughts.

This year we had Witt Hansen, Cliff's stepson, heading up the acquiring and cooking of the pigs, with a couple of newcomers, Dave Hardy and Rob Bower. The usual suspects Mark McFarlin, Doug Aykroyd, Ken Lobdell, and Ben Moore helped out in different capacities on and off throughout the evening and the night. Many thanks to them for what ended up being an awesome meal. We always get rave reviews on the pork and this year was no exception.

We had our plethora of wonderful volunteers that helped out the day of the Pig Roast, and we also had a wonderful group that met ahead of time and did the behind the scenes work that brought the event all together on the big day. Many thanks go out to Mark McFarlin, Katrin Grant, Elly Becotte, Ben and Betty Moore, Candy Stellmach, Karen Raynes, Kate Pratt, and Linda Metcalf for organizing the silent auction and acquiring the food donations and entertainment for the event. This year's silent auction had a number of excellent items to choose from, and with the buy-it-now table the Society made \$4,293, which was over \$500 dollars more than last year's auction. The food and entertainment were excellent, as usual, and many thanks go out to our donors - The Galley Hatch Restaurant, Fast Eddies, Bud and Lois Desrochers, the Old Salt, Joe's Meat Shoppe, Hannafords, Shaws, Seacoast Coke, Sam's Club, 401 Tavern, and Walmart. Also special thanks to the Provident Bank again this year for being our major sponsor. We could not do it without their financial help and generosity.

The day of the event was a happy one, with many smiles all around. The weather was fabulous, the food was great, and the 50/50 raffle was fun for all, especially Elly Becotte, our very faithful friend and volunteer, who bought the winning ticket. The raffle surprisingly was the same as last year at \$663 to the Society. Thank you once again to Rick Griffin for selling again this year. This year's net profit for the Society was down by \$192 from last year, but we can attribute that to the rising price of the pigs this year. Other than that cost, we were winners again. The Society put on a great event and added \$10,000+ for future endeavors for the community.

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped to make this year the special event that it was. There are far too many names to list here; there is a lot of hard work that goes into this event and it could not be done without the help of many. So thank you to you all—those that served food and desserts, those that cut the pork (Chuck and Sam, thank you for being there year after year!), those that set up and broke down the tents and tables, those that decorated, those that bought tickets and brought friends, those that washed dishes and made desserts—thank you for being the friends that we fortunately have that help to get the job done. Because of that, the end result is a fun and memorable day had by all.

Dyana Martin



Nominating Committee

The slate of nominees for the Board of Trustees, October 2014 - October 2017 is as follows;

- Katrin Grant
- Rich Hureau
- Mark McFarlin
- Kathryn McLaughlin
- Ben Moore

All nominees will be filling 3 year terms.

Thank you for your time and willingness to serve HHS. The Nominating Committee,
Sammi Moe, Chair,

Rusty Bridle, Marcia Buber, Mary Ertl, Jim Metcalf

Buildings and Grounds

The 2014 season for Building and Grounds was a busy year as usual. Focus this year now includes energy usage for heat, electricity and air conditioning in addition to the physical maintenance activities. There are 4 notable projects for 2014.

Our 1855 School House roof was in dire need of replacement. After work was started, it was discovered that 25% of the wood sheathing had dry rot and had to be replaced. This was accomplished in one long days work with the help of HHS volunteers Ben Moore, Candy Stellmach, Jim Metcalf, Ken Lobdell and local contractor Iron Mt. Forge and Renovation, LLC. With a new roof installed, the school house will have many more years of service.

Another roof needed attention. The main museum roof was leaking and needed repairs. Request for bids were sent out and awarded to Lambert Roofing Co. Old shingles were removed and new flashing was required. After completion, interior plaster wall work is in line for repair and painting this winter. Thanks to Ben Moore for coordinating this effort.

Focus on fixed expenses in the budget found opportunity to reduce electrical and heating needs. Most of the overhead lights in the kitchen and main museum display areas utilized incandescent or halogen bulbs. These were replaced with energy efficient LED bulbs. Aside from saving on lighting, there was a considerable reduction in air conditioning demand. Programmable thermostats were adjusted. As a result, electrical usage dropped by 25% and 100 gallons of oil were saved during 1/2 of the winter months.

Finally, Tuck Museum continues to benefit from several Boy Scout Eagle projects. Our latest is Thomas Dumont of Hampton Troop 177, who completed the installation of a flag pole, paver blocks, solar lighting, and landscaping. Our property has had notable improvements provided by the leadership skills of Hampton's youth.



Your continued membership and additional donations make these types of repairs and maintenance possible. A sincere thank you from the volunteers at HHS!!

Ken Lobdell

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES 12 months ended October 31, 2014

Unaudited

Operating Account

Revenues, Gains, Other Support	
Dues	\$3,755
Donations - unrestricted	3,386
Museum Gift Shop Sales	1,576
Fundraising	19,726
Interest and Investment	767
Endowment Funds income	1,899
Programs & Other	610
Total Revenues and Support	31,719
Expenses and Losses	
Tuck Museum Program	4,205
Buildings and Grounds	16,569
Public Programs	839
Publicity and Website	183
Membership & Newsletters	2,634
Fundraising expenses	4,043
Gift shop purchases	372
Management and General	2,184
Technology	60
Total Expenses	31,089
Change in Unrestricted Net Assets	630
Restricted donations received	92,178
Restricted donations expended	-33,162
Net change in liquid assets	59,646
Liquid Assets, Beginning of Year	100,978
Liquid Assets, End of Period	\$160,624

Audit Committee

Thanks go to Tom Bridge for his services as auditor for the financial statements of the Society. In an effort to share our financial results with the membership and public our IRS filing, Form 990, will be available on the web site, www.hamptonhistoricalsociety.org.

Education Committee

The education committee hosted several classes at Tuck this year. October brings the first grade classes from Centre School and Sacred Heart to the barn for "The Ox Cart Man" program. The children love having the story read by our own costumed "Goody," and then a look around the barn for all the items seen in the wonderful pictures from the book.

In November we take a trip to Centre School to share with second grade classes the journey of a family from the old world England to the new world of America in the 17th century, as told by one woman. Items in the "Traveling History Trunk" are shown to the children, with a discussion of how things have changed.

Spring brings us a few days with third grade classes from Marston School, and fourth graders from North Hampton. The classes from Marston take a tour of Hampton's historic sites, and we meet them at Pine Grove Cemetery to have a quick look and talk about our earliest families. On another day the classes join us at Tuck Museum for a half day of touring all the buildings, a slide show, and lots of Q&A about Hampton's history.

We also host home schoolers, scout troops, and any organization that is interested in setting up a tour and education program. We welcome any who are interested in our programs to give us a call to find out more.

This is a great way for YOU to learn more about our history too. Become a volunteer and learn more about it all. No need to come with the knowledge, we will train you on the job! Contact the museum for information about our programs and how you can get involved.

Sammi Moe

Fiscal 2013-14 Annual Statistics

Casual Visitors	274
Tour Visitors	102
Program Attendance	259
Other events etc.	399
Total	1034

Volunteer hours for the year: 2413

Board of Trustees, Officers, and Committee Chairs, Fiscal 2014-15

Officers

President - Candice Stellmach
Vice President - Mark McFarlin
Secretary - Katrin Grant
Treasurer - Ben Moore

Trustees

Rusty Bridle
Robert Dennett
Valerie Giannusa
Rick Griffin
Rich Hureau
Ken Lobdell
Dyana Martin
Kathy McLaughlin
Linda Metcalf
Sammi Moe
Karen Raynes

Committees

Executive Director - Betty Moore
Education - Betty Moore and Sammi Moe
Pig Roast - Dyana Martin
Membership - Ken Lobdell
Building and Grounds - Ken Lobdell
Audit - Tom Bridge
Nominating Committee - TBA
Communications - Rich Hureau
Programs - Ann Carnaby

Communications Committee

We sent out 15 email reminders to registered subscribers about HHS events throughout the year.

Some enhancements were made to the website, including:

- online purchase of 2 DVDs;
- 5 new plant pictures taken in the 18th Century Historical Garden;
- photos of the pages of Hampton Town Record books were added to the Genealogy and Research page, along with an extensive index;
- numerous additional identifications were made of people in the 1938 Bicentennial Pageant picture, with new help from members of several Hampton families

Rich Hureau

2013 - 2014 Volunteers

Over 100 Hours

Elly Becotte	Cheryl Lassiter	Ben Moore
Ann Carnaby	Ken Lobdell	Betty Moore
Rich Hureau	Kathy McLaughlin	Karen Raynes
Bill Keating	Linda Metcalf	Candice Stellmach
Carol Keating	& Lassie	

25 - 100 Hours

Doug Aykroyd	Bob Dennett	Jason Moore
Elizabeth Aykroyd	Mary Ertl	Patty O'Keefe
Gretchen Behl	Katrin Grant	Kate Pratt
Rusty Bridle	Mark McFarlin	Liz Premo
Bud DesRochers	Dyana Martin	Diane Riley
Lois DesRochers	Sammi Moe	Bob Wallace

Other Volunteers

Percy Annis	Biff Grafton Eaton	Fred Rice
Judy Ashenden	Hunter Grant	Joan Rice
Fred Ashenden	Zak Grant	Chet Riley
Elizabeth Aykroyd	Rick Griffin	Gloria Robinson
Tocky Bialobrzski	Valerie Giannusa	Sam Robinson
Ginny Bridge	Amy Hansen	Joshua Silveira
Tom Bridge	Witt Hansen	Nancy Stiles
Sandy Buck	Thelma Hutton	Sandy Taube
Sharon Buck	Rev. Deb Knowlton	Priscilla Thoen
Lorraine Parr Busch	Sue Launi	Skip Webb
Janet Caylor	Larry Marsolais	Chuck Weinhold
Mike Compos	Marie Matthews	
Rene Cushing	Ian McFarlin	If we have
Margaret Dennett	Jody McFarlin	inadvertently left
Louis Datilio	Russ Merrill	your name out,
Dawn Emerick	Jim Metcalf	please let us know!
Tracy Emerick	Ken Mooney	
Bob Fuller	Chris Muns	

Mission

The mission of the Hampton Historical Society is to increase public knowledge and understanding of the history and cultural heritage of the town of Hampton, New Hampshire, from its earliest inhabitants to the present generation. We will communicate that history through an active museum, educational programs, and a resource library.

Business Membership

We thank the following business members for their support of the Society:

234 Lafayette Road Realty LLC
Bluejay Motel
Eccentric Hair
Galley Hatch Restaurant, Inc.
Hampton Police Association, Inc.
Kingfish Trolley Lines, LLC
Lamie's Inn & The Old Salt Restaurant
Cheryl Lassiter
Law Offices of William Trafidlo
Mackensen & Company Inc.
Marilyn Rishkofski
Neville & Associates Financial Services
NextEra - Seabrook Station
Northeast Auctions
Preston Real Estate
Remick & Gendron Funeral Home-Crematory
Seacoast Florist Inc.
The 401 Tavern, LLC
The Provident Bank
Tobey & Merrill Insurance
Tracy Theatre Originals
Unitil Corp.
Dr Leonard K. Walker
Windjammer By The Sea

Membership Committee

Membership fees and additional donations in our annual appeal contributed significantly to the 2014 budget. Currently, there are 388 members on our mailing list. Of these, 139 are Life members and 249 family, senior, senior couple, and individual memberships. The renewal rate is 59%. Many contribute additional funds for the operating, building and endowment needs and we thank you very much.

Thank you in advance for your continued support of this, our 2015 annual appeal!

Ken Lobdell

HHS Programs 2014-15

The following is only a partial listing of what is being planned for our 90th anniversary. Up to date information will be posted on our website as more information is made available.

- **DECEMBER 7** Sun 2PM - Holiday Open House; Tuck Museum
- **MARCH 22** Sun 2PM - Digging Into Our Native History, Robert Goodby, NH Humanities Council Program, place TBA
- **APRIL 26** - Sun - Liberty is Our Motto: "Songs and Stories of the Hutchinson Family Singers"; 2pm; Steve Blunt - NH Humanities Council Program; place TBA
- **MAY 16** - Sat - Walking Tour of Downtown Businesses Buildings – Karen Raynes coordinator - \$10/ reservation appreciated 929-0781
- **JUNE 7** - Sun - Fashion in History - The Beach Bodies of Hampton through the Years – 2PM Tuck Museum
- **JULY 18** - Sat - HHS 90th Birthday Party on the Lawn – Get ready to celebrate!
- **AUGUST** - Salt Marsh Nature Walk – planning in progress
- **SEPTEMBER 13** - Sun - Harvest Repast Event – planning in progress
- **OCTOBER 3** - Sat – TavernWalk – Mark your calendars NOW!
- **NOVEMBER 15** – 2PM Grand Opening of the HHS Collection and Research Center (The Annex)
- **DECEMBER 5** - Christmas Parade – watch for the HHS entry



HHS volunteers in an October, 2014 repeat performance of "Whittier's Women," at the Whittier Birthplace in Haverhill, Mass.

Marelli's Exhibit Report

It has been a full year of celebration at Marelli's Market. Our book "Marelli's Market the First 100 Years in Hampton 1914-2014" was published in December. We began our year with a book launch party at the store.

In March Cheryl Lassiter, Ann Carnaby, Betty Moore, and myself set up a display at the museum about Marelli's Market and the family. The exhibit is on display through 2014.



Marelli's Market Friends & Family Picnic took place in July at Luigi Marelli Square. Marellis from all over the country came to share the day. Betty Moore opened the museum after the picnic so that people could view the Marelli exhibit.

The Market in July hosted a New Hampshire Lottery event, "Winning is Sweet," giving away Squamscot sodas, ice cream cones, and lottery tickets. The New Hampshire Lottery is 50 years old this year.

The gallery at Marelli's has on display throughout the year artists from the Hampton Arts Network.

As the 100th year celebration comes to an end, we will invite friends to share their stories and pictures of Marelli's Market.

Thank you all who have made this celebration year so special.

Karen Raynes, Marcia Hannon-Buber, Richard Marelli & all the Marelli Family