



# GATHERINGS FROM THE GREEN

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## President's Report

Greetings! At the annual meeting, the Board of Trustees welcomed two new members, Mike Stiers and Jim Metcalf. We also voted in a new slate of officers: Kate Pratt, Vice President; Karen Raynes, Secretary; Ed Baechtold, Treasurer; and myself as President.

The coming year will bring changes to the operation of the museum. Our museum director Betty Moore, who has been with the museum since 1988 and director since 2002, has decided to step down as director and travel more with her husband Ben, and spend more time with her grandchildren. Her passion has always been the museum collection, and she will remain with the museum as Collections Committee chair.

A committee was formed in August by the Board to formulate a plan to reorganize the museum's operation. A chart of the reorganization will be placed on the society's website after the December Board meeting. This reorganization will require a number of new volunteers. The Reorganization Committee, the Board of Trustees, and I

encourage you to look at the chart to see if there's a place for you. The transition will take about a year to fully implement. Hopefully, we'll be hearing from you.

This winter the museum will be closed for the months of January and February. We will reopen in March for Wednesdays and Fridays only, with a full schedule resuming April 1. To all our members, have a happy and safe holiday season.

Linda Metcalf

## 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.

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## Executive Director's Report

Just as in my personal life, I get so wrapped up in the day-to-day happenings at the museum, my focus narrows, so it is rewarding to step back a bit and look at the "big picture." As I compile volunteer hours and review my monthly reports to the board of trustees, to write this report, it is overwhelming what our all-volunteer group accomplishes. This year I am highlighting three areas we were involved in:

### Community Engagement

- Spearheading the celebration of the 380th anniversary of the founding of Hampton. See pictures at right.
- Providing intellectual stimulation by presenting NH Humanities programs, programs featuring our own collection and topics of local interest, and offering a history book discussion group. An outstanding project, "Voices from Hampton," was produced by Karen Raynes and Mike Garland related to Hampton during World War I and was shown at the American Legion Hall and Lane Memorial Library.
- Participating in community events like the 2017 Tree Lighting, Christmas Parade, Lion's Club Auction, and speaking to community groups.
- Answering over 100 Internet requests for assistance—our web presence expands each year.
- Being selected to receive a \$500 donation from Marelli's Market (the Hampton Rotary Club's "Citizen of the Year").
- Being chosen by the Provident Bank to participate in their "Our Community – Your E-vote" program, as well as the Provident Bank being the primary sponsor of our annual Pig Roast fundraiser.
- Continuing with our oral history program.
- Opening the building for use by other groups like the NH Writers Group, Cornerstone (assisted living facility), and WHS Alumni.
- **MOST IMPORTANT!** Having volunteers who love the museum and share what we do with visitors and community members.

### Collection Acquisition, Care and Exhibition

- Encouraging the donation of items of Hampton importance – photos and papers from the estate of local historian Arthur Moody were received this year.
- Purchasing items of Hampton importance – a Hampton-made 17th century chair and Joseph Dow trunk containing over 300 manuscripts and books relating to Hampton history were acquired.

- Displaying items of Hampton importance – Hampton souvenir china is currently being featured.
- Continuing work by a dedicated Collection Committee who catalog and care for our growing collection.

### Continuity and Organizational Stability

- Ongoing efforts keeping the organization strong with progress on the StEPs program and addressing issues brought forth in our strategic plan. This year we added a Volunteer Coordinator and Community Outreach Coordinator.
- Forming a committee to look beyond the current Executive Director/Board of Director model of operation to a plan that uses expanded committee participation exclusively.

Individual committee chairs will give reports in more detail. Each one of them has done an outstanding job and is a pleasure to work with. I would be remiss to not single out my primary supporter, Ben Moore, for helping me whenever and wherever needed with willingness and humor.

As an organization we have invested over 4000 hours into the operation of the Society and Museum this year. These accomplishments can't be done alone. Thank you all!

Betty Moore, Executive Director – Tuck Museum

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## Pictures from the 380th Celebration



Priscilla Thoen greeted visitors at the School House

Dave Weber demonstrated his duck decoy carving.



Vikings!!

## Continuing with StEPs

Through the StEPs – Standards and Excellence Program for historical organizations – we continue to improve our operations, set goals, and work towards meeting national museum standards.

We are in the process of restructuring the way in which the museum maintains itself on a daily basis. Further information about this restructuring will be made available during the year.

Always in mind throughout this process is our commitment to our vision to Preserve, Connect and Share with the community the history and cultural heritage of the town of Hampton, New Hampshire.

Karen Raynes, StEPs Manager

### Members-Only Holiday Open House



Start off the Christmas season by joining the Trustees of the Hampton Historical Society at their biennial **Holiday Open House** on **Sunday, December 2** at 2 p.m.

The museum will be decorated and delicious refreshments will be offered. This is an opportunity to meet your HHS Trustees, see the latest renovations of the Tuck Museum (the new front porch and a "freshening" of the research library), and view the most recent exhibits, while greeting other members.

You are welcome to bring a guest. Help make it the social event of 2018!



### Nominating Committee - 2018

Dyana Martin - Chair  
Bob Dennett  
Lisa Grashow  
Deb Knowlton  
Jim Metcalf

## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES 12 months ended October 31, 2018 Unaudited

### Operating Account

Revenues, Gains, Other Support	
Dues	\$4,390
Donations - unrestricted	13,077
Museum Gift Shop Sales	867
Fundraising	20,936
Interest and Investment	-2,819
Endowment Funds income	2,099
Programs & Other	422
Total Revenues and Support	38,972

### Expenses and Losses

Tuck Museum Program	2,526
Buildings and Grounds	16,652
Public Programs	514
Publicity and Website	1,157
Membership & Newsletters	1,680
Fundraising expenses	4,599
Gift shop purchases	242
Management and General	1,285

Total Expenses 28,655

**Change in Unrestricted Net Assets** 10,317

    Restricted donations received 3,900  
    Restricted donations expended -11,206

Net change in liquid assets 3,011

**Liquid Assets, Beginning of Year** 175,609

**Liquid Assets, End of Period** \$ 178,620

### Treasurer's Report

Membership dues and donations, along with good fundraising results, allowed us to have another positive year. We purchased two items for the collection and also undertook the rebuilding of the front porch on the main museum building. We had a good year and maintain our financial strength.

Ben Moore

### 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](http://www.hamptonhistoricalsociety.org).

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## Membership Committee Report

Membership fees and additional donations in our annual appeal continue to contribute significantly to our operating budget. Membership dues for the fiscal year just ending total \$4,290 with accompanying membership donations of \$8,615, including donations from 31 Life members. There are 418 members on our mailing list. Of these, 125 are Life members, 12 are Complimentary members, and 281 are Family, Senior, Senior Couple, Individual, and Business memberships. The renewal rate is 70%. In addition, of the total membership, there are nine new members this year.

Linda Metcalf

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## Communications Committee Report

One significant addition was made to our website:

- Eight books with records from 1798-1954 were added to the Hampton Town Records page

With input from Kathy McLaughlin (our publicity maven), numerous email reminders were sent out for all events that occurred during the year, plus History Book Club "start reading this book" alerts and meeting reminders.

Rich Hureau

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## Program Committee Report

As fall closed in, we looked forward to our last two programs of 2018. Thank you very much to fellow program committee members Sammi Moe, Betty Moore, and Karen Raynes for your hard work, research, and dedication to our HHS programs.

On Thursday, October 18th, following our Annual Meeting, Author Olga Merrill presented *Vagabond Quakers: Northern Colonies*.



On Sunday, November 18, Betty Moore presented: *When This You See, Hampton Souvenir China*.

Our Programs have been well received and attended. See the box on the right for a tentative schedule for next year.

Pat O'Keefe

## Education Committee Report

We presented the Ox Cart Man program on Oct. 11 for the Sacred Heart first graders, as we did for Centre School 1st grades last spring. Pat O'Keefe read the story, and Betty Moore and Sammi Moe were the "barn experts." Students also saw the Fire Museum.

In all, since last May, approximately 160 first graders have enjoyed the Ox Cart Man program and the Traveling Trunk programs. 140 3rd graders attended the Pine Grove Cemetery and Tuck Museum programs, over 60 North Hampton 4th graders spent the day, and this year around 80 middle schoolers participated in educational programs at the museum led by program committee members and other volunteers. Many thanks to all who helped with these.

Pat O'Keefe

### Calendar of Events 2019 – Tentative Schedule

Dates and times subject to change

- **April** – Date and time TBD – “Celebrate National Poetry Month with Hampton Academy 8th Grade” – Local poets’ and students’ readings and works; Tuck Museum.
- **May 27** – 11:00 a.m. – “The Saga of the Submarine Squalus” documentary video by Karen Raynes and Mike Garland – American Legion Hall, Hampton; sponsored by HHS and American Legion.
- **May 28** – 6 p.m. – “The Saga of the Submarine Squalus” second showing; Lane Memorial Library.
- **June 22** – 7 p.m. “The History of Beekeeping and Current Beekeeping Practices in New Hampshire”; Joe Martilla, local beekeeper; Tuck Museum.
- **July 14** – 1 p.m. Member-Only Event – Tour of the Tuck Museum Collection and Research Center at 387 Lafayette Rd.
- **August 24** - Noon – 3 p.m.; 18th Annual HHS Pig Roast – On the grounds of the Tuck Museum; great food, silent auction, 50-50 raffle; biggest fundraising event of the year for the Society.
- **September** – Time and date TBA; Viking Day at the Tuck Museum – visit with the group, Draugar Vinlands; learn about Viking lifestyle, customs, and culture and watch demonstrations of skill.
- **October 10** – 6:30 p.m.; HHS annual meeting and program “A Visit with Queen Victoria” (a NH Humanities Program), Sally Mummey presenter.
- **November 10** – 1-4 p.m.; “Squalus Sunday”; meet the creators of video hear about the Squalus exhibit, Karen Raynes coordinator.
- **December 6** – Tree Lighting Ceremony at Marelli Square – enjoy the famous HHS molasses cookies.

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## Buildings and Grounds Committee Report

A new thermostat and an air-handler relay was installed in the museum in November 2017. Our museum volunteers and guests are much more comfortable now.

Betty Moore requested more shelf space in the meeting room, so a new bookcase was added to blend in with the other existing units.

The snow was heavy and lasted until early March; special thanks go to Blake Chichester, Ben Moore, Bill Keating, Bob Dennett and Jason Moore for their help shoveling.



The committee began rebuilding the old front porch in June. The project was labor-intensive and was completed in October. Rotted floor joists were replaced and additional joists added. The stairway was rebuilt. The porch columns were repaired and the balusters were restored.

To maintain the porch's original charm, endless hours were spent stripping paint, sanding, and repainting the balusters. Additional details were added to meet building code requirements.

Thanks to those who helped me: Mike Stiers, Ben Moore, Mike Compos, Bill Keating and Bob Dennett. The Historical Society paid for the materials.

Gary Grashow



left to right: Ben Moore, Mike Compos, Mike Stiers, and Gary Grashow.

## 2017 - 2018 Volunteers

### Over 300 Hours

Rich Hureau	Ben Moore	Betty Moore
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### 100 - 299 Hours

Ed Baechtold	Carol Keating	Karen Raynes
Eleanor Becotte	Jim Metcalf	Diane Riley
Gary Grashow	Linda Metcalf	

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### 25 - 100 Hours

Lori Cotter	Cheryl Lassiter	Priscilla Thoen
Mick Compos	Dyana Martin	Barbara Tosiano
Christine Dalbec	Kathy McLaughlin	Kate Pratt
Bob Dennett	Sammi Moe	Chet Riley
Mary Ertl	Patty O'Keefe	
Bill Keating	Michael Stiers	

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### Other Volunteers

Mike Angelari	Tracy Emerick	Liz Premo
Carol Angelari	Dawn Emerick	Fred Rice
Elizabeth Aykroyd	Lisa Grashow	Joan Rice
Douglas Aykroyd	Betsy Griffin	Gloria Robinson
Peter Aykroyd	Rick Griffin	Sam Robinson
Judy Ashenden	Dave Hardy	Linda Saari
Fred Ashenden	Marsha Hanon-Buber	Joshua Silveira
Rob Bauer	Abby Hansen	Helen Smith
Sharon Buck	Amy Hansen	Nancy Stiles
Nancy Brady	Whit Hansen	Bob Wallace
Rusty Bridle	Ann Justin	Nancy Wadell
Tom Bridge	Rev. Deb Knowlton	Skip Webb
Pat Bushway	Ken Lobdell	Dave Weber
Ann Carnaby	Tom Loughman	Chuck Weinhold
Blake Chichester	Marie Matthews	Karen Weinhold
Lori Cotter	Mark McFarlin	Kelly Wood
Renny Cushing	Beth Maloney	Mike Wood
Margaret Dennett	Gary Martin	Jane Wright
Bud Desrochers	Jason Moore	Michele Zaino
Lois Desrochers	Pat Navin	

## 2017-18 Annual Statistics (10/1/17-9/30/18)

The following is a breakdown of groups served by the HHS/Tuck Museum

- Casual Visitors and researchers - 315 (82 needed genealogy or other assistance)
- Internet and phone assistance - 127
- School Visitation - 601
- Public Programming - 300
- Group Tours - 61
- Special Events (e.g. Pig Roast) - 360

The casual visitor number is lower than the actual amount, as the count is taken from the guest book and not all visitors sign in.

## Board of Trustees; Officers; Committee Chairs; 2018-19

### Officers

President - Linda Metcalf  
 Vice President - Kate Pratt  
 Secretary - Karen Raynes  
 Treasurer - Ed Baechtold

### Trustees

Lori Cotter  
 Bob Dennett  
 Gary Grashow  
 Rick Griffin  
 Rich Hureau  
 Deborah Knowlton  
 Dyana Martin  
 Kathy McLaughlin  
 Jim Metcalf  
 Sammi Moe  
 Ben Moore  
 Mike Stiers

### Committees and Chairpersons

Executive Director - Betty Moore  
 Education – Pat O'Keefe  
 Pig Roast – Dyana Martin  
 Membership – Jim Metcalf  
 Buildings and Grounds – Gary Grashow  
 Audit – Andrew Cossar  
 Nominating Committee – Dyana Martin  
 Publicity – Kathy McLaughlin  
 Communications – Rich Hureau  
 Programs – Pat O'Keefe  
 Oral History – Bill Keating  
 StEPs Evaluation – Karen Raynes

### Business members

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

234 Lafayette Road Realty, LLC  
 401 Tavern, LLC  
 Atlantic Motel  
 Robert Dennett  
 Galley Hatch Restaurant, Inc.  
 Hampton Beach Casino, Inc.  
 Kingfish Trolley Lines, LLC  
 Northeast Auctions  
 Preston Real Estate  
 Remick & Gendron Funeral Home &  
 Crematory  
 Tobey & Merrill Insurance  
 Tracy Theatre Originals  
 Unutil Corp

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**HAMPTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
ANNUAL MEETING  
OCTOBER 18, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Bob Dennett, President.

Minutes of the October 2017 Annual Meeting – Kate Pratt, Secretary

It was noted the minutes are published in the Annual Meeting report. Moved by Ben Moore, second by Chet Riley to accept the minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's report** – Ben Moore, Treasurer

Ben noted the treasurer's reports are published in the Annual Meeting report.

**Reports of the officers, boards and committees** – Bob Dennett

Bob noted the reports of the officers, boards and committees are published in the Annual Meeting report.

**Report of the Nominating Committee** – Dyana Martin, Chair

Dyana introduced the Nominating committee members: Jim Metcalf, Lisa Grashow, Dyana Martin, Deborah Knowlton, Bob Dennett. She reported that Blake Chichester had resigned and thanked him for his service and dedication to the Society.

Dyana presented the following slate of nominees for the Board of Trustees: Michael Stiers, Bob Dennett, Kate Pratt, Ed Baechtold, Linda Metcalf for three- year terms all to expire in 2021. Jim Metcalf for a one-year term to expire in 2019. Bob asked the members if there were any other nominations. There being none it was moved by Betty to accept the report and to cast one vote for the slate presented by the Nominating committee, second by Sammi Moe. Motion passed unanimously.

**2018 Nominating committee appointments**

Bob asked for two volunteers to serve on the 2019 Nominating committee. Lisa Grashow and Betty Moore volunteered to serve. Their appointments were approved by voice vote.

**Adjournment**

Bob asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Moved by Ben Moore to adjourn the 2018 Annual Meeting, second by Rich Hureau. The meeting was adjourned at 6:39pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kate Pratt, Secretary



**Can you identify this item for us?**

We think it's a cigarette case, but we're not sure.  
Contact Betty Moore 926-2543 if you can help us out.

## Pig Roast 2018 Report

The 2018 Pig Roast was, as usual, a lot of fun for all!

Whit Hansen led with the cooking of the pigs with a few friends and HHS Trustees. Chuck Weinhold and Sam Robinson were there to cut the pig for serving. As always, we got rave reviews on the pork and the sides, and we had our special BBQ sauces there as well. And we had wonderful homemade desserts! It was a wonderful feast!



Rev. Deb Knowlton and Bob Dennett

We had a great group that met ahead of time and did the behind the scenes work that brought the event all together on the big day. And we had many volunteers on the day of the event that made the day such a success. Many thanks go out to all of them...and as usual, there are too many of you to count here, but please know you are all appreciated and we are thankful to have you help to make this day the success that it is. Plus, it is always fun to spend the day with all of you!

Last year we changed the date from the original Labor Day weekend to the weekend before Labor Day for a number of reasons.....at the time, we thought that would be a great move and we were right..... more people could attend and the weather was spot on! The food, the entertainment,

and the auction were all 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, Hannaford's, Shaw's, Market Basket, Seacoast Coke, BJ's Wholesale Club, 401 Tavern, Amy Hansen (delicious BBQ sauce!), Kate Pratt, and Walmart. Also, special thanks to the Provident Bank again this year for being our major sponsor.



We had a wonderful auction again this year, led by Diane Riley (at left with, um, Mr. Charming (Jim Metcalf). The Pig Roast is our major fundraiser for the year, so we really depend on wonderful food, wonderful weather, wonderful entertainment, wonderful volunteers and of course, wonderful auction items for the event. Diane and her committee did not let us down. Many thanks to all of you who worked so tirelessly to make the auction a success again this year.

Last year we had Billy Billy for our entertainment. The leader of the band was a local and a childhood friend of Whit Hansen's. We got so many requests to have them again that we asked, and they returned. Everyone loved them! They are more than happy to play at the event, and we love having them...hopefully they can come back next year.

Overall, the day of the event was a happy one, with tremendous weather, tremendous food, tremendous friends, and many smiles all around. Hope to see you all next year at the 2019 HHS Southern Style Pig Roast!



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