The independent nonprofit that saves, preserves, and shares New Hampshire history.
The past fiscal year was a banner year for the Society, and an eventful one. At fiscal year-end (September 30, 2015), there was scaffolding on the grand staircase, and ladders, tools, and workmen everywhere you looked. Many staff members were still in temporary offices, having been relocated during the construction. Still, morale was high because we were getting very close to the finish line. Sure enough, within weeks the dust had settled, the scaffolding and workers were gone, and staff members had moved back into their offices and unpacked storage boxes.

The inconvenience was well worth it because our new climate control system is working beautifully. The internal environment of our Park Street building is much improved for the collections, for the fabric of the iconic building itself, and for the humans who work in and visit the space. Remarkably, our energy bills have been halved and our carbon footprint reduced by 75 percent.

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John Wentworth, Esq. We also received 23 new John Farmer letters (with transcriptions) to add to our John Farmer papers and hundreds of New Hampshire Civil War papers and photographs.

In the museum collection we added 65 objects. Of particular note is a 1796 New Hampshire militia fife from the First Company of the 22nd Regiment (acquisition funds for this object were generously provided by trustee Kathleen A. Belko). The wallet and papers of Jeremiah Bachelder of Kensington, c. 1776, were the gift of Caroline L. French. And through the bequest of Joan Farrel we received a painting that adds to our very strong collection of White Mountain landscape paintings: Mt. Lafayette from Ore Hill, Franconia, by Samuel W. Griggs, 1878.

In the area of education and public programs we provided school programs to more than 10,000 children from 135 schools around New Hampshire, and 47 high school students attended our Advanced Placement History Conference. Our spring history course, “John Gilbert Winant, Citizen of Concord, Citizen of the World,” was enthusiastically received, as were other programs presented over the course of the year.

Our fiscal results for the year were solid, with a positive operating surplus. Our total net assets at year-end were down slightly, at $20,918,445 (a decline of $496,612, or 2.3 percent, from the prior year’s balance). The major factor contributing to this decline was unrealized losses in our endowment value due to last fall’s market downturn. Market values have rebounded since then, and we are hopeful this will be the virtuous trend for the year going forward. We again received a clean audit opinion from our outside audit firm.

Now that the building renovations and the launch of the digital initiatives are behind us, we are turning with anticipation to the future. In recent months we have increased the frequency of public programs: lectures, author talks and book signings, workshops, and gallery tours. We are working on an “app” to enhance the visitor experience of our exhibitions, which we hope will be ready to go later this year. Work has recently commenced on new landscaping at Park Street, as overgrown shrubbery is replaced and the grounds returned more closely to their original 1911 appearance. Finally, on the drawing board is the transformation of a section of the second floor to new gallery space dedicated to some of the best paintings from our White Mountain landscape art collection.

None of this progress would be possible without the ongoing support of you, our members, for which you have my deep gratitude.

Bill Dunlap
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A bequest of Joan K. Farrel added a range of items to the Society’s collection in 2015. These included Pittsfield artist Bruce Cobb’s blown ruby glass bowl (above), made between 1985–2014, and “Autumn Colors,” a landscape by Martha A. Hayes Safford (1850–1912) that was likely painted a century earlier (below). Safford, who was from Farmington, was a student of the White Mountain School and studied with artist Benjamin Champney (1817–1907). Some of Champney’s own work appears in the exhibition “Remembrance and Reality: Landscape Paintings of New Hampshire,” which opened at the Society in 2015.
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![Image of flags](image_url)
Above right: Acquired by purchase in 2015, this c. 1940 waxed milk bottle produced for the Burleigh Farm Association in Holderness held one quart of milk. The “Sealright Kone” was the precursor of the modern assembly-line-produced paper milk carton and was part of a Sealright product line that became rapidly successful in 1921.

Facing page: Also acquired in 2015, a souvenir silk handkerchief, commemorating the U.S.S. New Hampshire, is attributed to B. Fogel of Brooklyn, NY, c. 1910. The battleship, the second to bear this name, was formally commissioned at a public ceremony in Portsmouth on March 19, 1908. It formed part of the U.S. Navy fleet until after World War I, when the Washington Naval Treaty of 1921 mandated an international reduction in naval power. The ship was sold for scrap in 1923. Pieces from the ship’s silver service, made by the William B. Durgin Company of Concord, are displayed in the “Discovering New Hampshire” exhibition, which opened in November 2015.

Tribute gifts honor the memory or achievements of individuals who have made an impact on the Society or its members. Gifts acknowledged below were made between October 1, 2014, and September 30, 2015.

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*In memory of Joan K. Farrel*  
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*In memory of John W. Harris*  
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*In memory of Eleanor H. Stark*  
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Business partners within and beyond the state provide support for the Society’s operational and project-based work.

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Volunteer Chris Moore, seated, is a familiar face in the Park Street library, where he began as digitization and special collections intern. He is pictured with former intern and current staff member Korrena Cowing, who is now a projects archivist for the Society.

This engraving (right) of Abigail Kendrick Brooks (1764–1826) was acquired by the Society in 2015. Brooks was a longtime resident of Amherst and the aunt of President Franklin Pierce. The engraving had been removed from Daniel F. Secomb’s *History of the Town of Amherst, Hillsborough County, New Hampshire* and was printed by the American Bank Note Company of Boston in 1883. The image is a copy made from an 1825 painting by Zedekiah Belknap (1781–1858), shown at left and also part of the Society’s collections.
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Campaign giving since 2011 has totaled more than $7 million of support for both the ongoing mission-centered work of the Society and its project-based strategic goals. Campaign gifts acknowledged below were made between October 1, 2014, and September 30, 2015.

One goal of the recent capital campaign was to increase access to collections and interpretive material through the thoughtful design of digital resources. The Society’s redesigned, responsive website was launched in the fall, providing researchers with tools that include an integrated collections catalog, the Timeline of New Hampshire History, and the statewide, collaborative New Hampshire History Network.
The Edward & Julia Tuck Society recognizes those who have included the New Hampshire Historical Society in their estate plans. Emeritus members have passed away since establishing their planned gifts but continue to have a lasting impact on the Society’s work. To discuss making a planned gift to the Society, please contact Judith Solberg in the development office at 603-856-0608 or jsolberg@nhhistory.org.

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The vision and generosity of Edward Tuck (1842–1938) and his wife Julia (1850–1928) led to the establishment of an endowment for the Society, as well as the creation of its landmark Park Street building (completed in 1911). Members of the Edward & Julia Tuck Society have established their own legacy as Society stewards. Degranges’ photograph of the Tucks, above, was taken in Nice, France, in April 1928. Gift of Miriam Gardner Dunnan. Below: Taken shortly after the building’s dedication in November 1911, this photograph by the Kimball Studio of Concord records a “pure Greek” exterior that remains unchanged today. Thoughtful renovations in 2015 respected the historic fabric of the landmark building while ensuring that it will remain an integral component of the Society’s future.

Bequests and gifts to endowed funds are invested in the Society’s endowment, creating income in support of the organization’s mission while also contributing to its long-term stability. Gifts acknowledged below were made between October 1, 2014, and September 30, 2015.

Estate of Theodore S. Bacon Jr.  
Estate of Stanley A. Hamel  
Estate of John W. Harris  
Estate of Charles E. Ireland  
Estate of Eleanor H. Stark

Trusts acknowledged here represent externally managed planned gifts that provide continuing support to the Society.

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Charles A Watson Jr. Fund for the New Hampshire Historical Society
**Named Endowment Funds**

**Funds for Restricted or Designated Purposes**

**Una Mason Collins Fund in Memory of the Samuel Burley Mason Family**

to acquire New Hampshire-related artifacts, memorabilia, and similar items

**Concord Tower Clock Fund**
to support the care and preservation of the Society’s tower clock on North Main Street, Concord, New Hampshire

**Jere R. Daniell Publications Fund**
to support New Hampshire Historical Society publications

**Leonard K. Dodge Fund**
for the acquisition of genealogical material

**Edith Shepard Freeman/Margaret H. Jewell Fund**
to support the library and the acquisition of books, papers of interest, or manuscripts

**John L. Frisbee Education Fund**
to support programs and services that fulfill the Society’s educational mission

**Stanley A. Hamel Car Fund**
to support the care, storage, and exhibition of the 1946 Mercury Station Wagon in the Society’s museum collection

**Philip B. & Nelle L. Holmes Fund**
to support the library and/or any program related to Portsmouth, New Hampshire

**Edward C. & Elizabeth F. Latheim Fund**
to support the acquisition of books, manuscripts, and associated resources

**Life Membership Fund**
to provide annual funding of the Society’s life memberships and to grow the permanent endowment

**Duncan S. McGowan Memorial Fund**
to support the beautification and public enjoyment of Eagle Square, Concord, New Hampshire

**Katharine Prentis Murphy Fund**
to support the acquisition and conservation of museum collections

**Charles S. Parsons Fund**
to support an internship program for the study of New Hampshire decorative arts

**Perry-Dudley Family Archive & Shepard Collection Fund**
to support the Dudley-Shepard Reading Room and/or the Perry-Dudley Family Archive and Shepard Collection

**George F. Sawyer Memorial Fund**
to support the manuscripts collection

**AnnaLee Thorndike Fund**
to support museum operations

**Asa Currier Tilton Fund**
to support the acquisition and publication of material related to the history of the Colony, Province, and State of New Hampshire

**William C. Todd Fund**
to support the acquisition of town histories, genealogy, and other works on American history

**Mary W. Vaughan Fund**
to purchase genealogical books

**Raymon S. Vaughan Baseball Fund**
to acquire baseball memorabilia

**Robert O. Wilson, D.D.S., Historical Research Fund**
to support historical research

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**Evelyn P. & Noah J. Abell Fund**

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**Gifts to the Endowment**

*Endowment gifts are invested in the endowment of the Society, creating income in support of the Society’s mission while also contributing to the long-term stability of the institution. Gifts acknowledged here were made between October 1, 2014, and September 30, 2015.*

**Leonard K. Dodge Fund**

Order of the First Families of New Hampshire, 1622–1680

Martha D. Wilkerson

**Duncan S. McGowan Memorial Fund**

George C. Corson Jr.

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Klaudia S. Shepard

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Andrew M. Wilson
Porcelain saucer handpainted by Celia Thaxter (1835–94), 1884. Bequest of Dr. Dorothy Mansfield Vaughan. Conservation of this dish in 2015 revealed the colors of the pink rugosa rose painted by the famous Isles of Shoals poet.

**Project Support**

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New Hampshire Daughters of Founders & Patriots of America  
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Contributors to _Historical New Hampshire_ in the last year brought a scholarly lens to bear on a range of topics, tracing the evolution of the North Country’s Brown Company, re-examining Hannah Duston’s biography, profiling the Italian North End of Portsmouth in the early 20th century, and providing other deeply researched insights into New Hampshire history. The year also marked the retirement of the journal’s longtime editor Donna-Belle Garvin, who will be remembered as a bedrock resource to authors and the editorial advisory board alike.

**Authors Fund**

Gifts to the Authors Fund support the Society’s journal _Historical New Hampshire_. Past and current authors are invited to contribute, as well as everyone who values and benefits from the publication. Gifts acknowledged below were made between October 1, 2014, and September 30, 2015.

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The Society’s educational programs teach more than 15,000 New Hampshire students each year. Here, museum teacher Edie Daigle introduces students to historical objects.
### Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets

#### Year Ended September 30, 2015

#### OPERATING ACTIVITIES

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#### NON-OPERATING ACTIVITIES

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