

MILL HOLLOW HERITAGE ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL REPORT 2020



The Mill Hollow Heritage Association (MHHA) operates Chase's Mill in Alstead, NH, as a workshop for hands-on learning and a community gathering space. Our water-powered mill embodies the history of small-town industry, celebrating New England's vibrant past while inspiring the future of sustainable power and rural technology.

Location: 801 Forest Road, Alstead, NH 03602

Website: www.millhollowheritageassociation.org

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ChasesMillinMillHollow>

How Far We've Come— and Where We're Going Next

What an unprecedented year 2020 was! Although we were ready to open last July, COVID 19 prevented our celebrations and in-person programs. But in the spirit of Yankee resilience, we pivoted.

In June we launched a series of virtual events entitled A Sense of Place. Through on-line conversations, short films, panel discussions, music, poetry, and interviews, we explored what makes the Mill and Mill Hollow the special places they are. Our virtual programs were funded in part by a \$5,000 grant from the New Hampshire Humanities CARES Act. We were delighted to see that 60–100 people from across the country tuned in for each event. Recordings are available on our website. Look for more to come in 2021.

Although the building remained closed to in-person classes, we moved ahead with planned construction. A grant award of \$78,622 from the Northern Border Regional Commission's Northeast Heritage Economy Program enables us to build a wheelchair accessible lift, install a septic system, plumbing for wash sinks, and interior finishing for the upstairs community room. These projects will be completed this spring.

A \$10,000 grant from the Samuel P. Hunt Foundation will equip the woodworking shop, including the purchase of new power tools to supplement those that have been donated. A grant of \$52,362 from the Timken Foundation awarded last September will fund the restoration of water-powered machines, furnish the community room with tables, chairs, and AV equipment, and help us match the NBRC/N-HEP grant.

The Bailey Charitable Foundation's 2020 grant of \$5,000 supported transaction costs related to Chris Madigan's donation of land along Warren Brook opposite the Mill. Heman Chase called this shallow waterway Lake Edith and created a play area there where children could experiment with boats and waterwheels built in his workshop. Grants from the Savings Bank of Walpole and the Nonprofit Emergency Relief Fund supported these and other projects.

Through it all, we've received heart-warming and continued support from individuals and

local businesses who donated over \$35,000 worth of tools, materials, artifacts, professional services, and volunteer time. In 2020, 108 individuals contributed more than \$40,000 dollars. We are so grateful to all those whose generosity and good will are bringing our hopes and plans to fruition.

Last year was also a time to build our organization as we transition from saving the Mill to ensuring its strong foundation as a professional, sustainable nonprofit serving the community. We are immensely grateful to former board members Cathy Jahos, Bob Brown, Michael Chaladoff, and Sharon Spaulding for their dedication and most especially for their leadership in turning our collective vision into a reality. How far we've come since our founding in 2012, when we committed ourselves to restoring the Mill!

This year we welcome new board members Ann Acheson and Jonathan Botkin. On January 1, Jim Gruber and Helen Frink became Chair and Vice Chair of the board and began a reorganization to better meet future needs. Five new work teams bring together board members and volunteers to collaborate on property and facilities management, communications and publicity, collections management and archives, finances and capacity building, and community programs and events. This spring we will begin training docents to conduct tours, and we will hire a part-time Programs Manager. A new \$10,000 gift from the Bailey Charitable Foundation will expand our conservation activities and create a summer program for students to develop maps, signage, and interpretation to guide visitors through Mill Hollow's history. We're particularly excited to move into education, reviving the informal learning that made Heman Chase so beloved. Stay tuned to our website for updates on in-person programs and events.

In the meantime, thank you for your on-going partnership, generosity, and support. We look forward to seeing you this summer!

Jim Gruber and Helen Frink
Mill Hollow Heritage Association Chairs



Front row: Margaret Perry, Bryony Romer, Sharon Spaulding, Helen Frink
Back row: Ellen Chase, Jim Howard, Jim Gruber, Bob Brown, Michael Chaladoff,
Betsy Anderson



Lift Enclosure Under Construction



Tom Nostrand building 12 volt hydroelectric system using small Tyler turbine



Display turbine donated by Kmiec family shows runner with shaft,
case with lignum vitae bearing in center.



Alec and Jeff Ingram ready to install new signpost

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS, DONORS OF TOOLS, MATERIALS, ARTIFACTS, AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Ann and Rees Acheson
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Robert Beck
Alex and Robert Bley-Vroman
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Ellen Chase and John Mann
Dan and Joyce Curll
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James Howard

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\$5,001 - \$10,000

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\$1,001 - \$5,000

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Nancy Botkin and Michael Smith
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\$501 - \$1,000

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GRANTS RECEIVED 2020

Timken Foundation of Canton, Ohio
Northern Border Regional Commission Northeast
Heritage Economy Program
New Hampshire Humanities Cares Act
Nonprofit Emergency Relief Fund
Samuel P. Hunt Foundation
Savings Bank of Walpole
The Bailey Charitable Foundation

2021 MHHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Jim Gruber, Chair
Helen Frink, Vice Chair
Betsy Anderson, Secretary
Mark Danahy, Treasurer
Ann Acheson, Community Programs and Events
Dan Bartlett, Property and Facilities Management
Jonathan Botkin, Community Programs and Events, Communications and Publicity
Jim Howard, Collections Management and Archives
Bryony Romer, Finances and Capacity Building

MILL HOLLOW HERITAGE ASSOCIATION STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Operating Activities	
Net Income	\$ 128,709
Adjustments to reconcile net Income to net Cash provided by Operations	
Pledges and Accounts receivable	(\$ 44,462)
Prepaid Insurance	(800)
Construction in Progress	280,736
Accounts Payable	(32,753)
Retainage Payable	(18,746)
Total adjustments to reconcile Net Income to Net Cash provided by operations	\$ 183,975
Net Cash provided by operating activities	\$ 312,684
Investing Activities	
Accumulated Depreciation.....	\$ 31,477
Building Rehabilitation	(322,091)
Land	(5,000)
Net cash provided by Investing activities	(\$ 295,613)
Net Cash Increase for the Period	\$ 17,071
Cash as of December 31, 2019	\$ 157,393
Cash as of December 31, 2020	\$ 174,463

MILL HOLLOW HERITAGE ASSOCIATION STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2020

Assets	
Bank Accounts.....	\$ 154,956
Perpetuity Fund	19,507
Total Cash and Cash equivalents	\$174,463
Accounts and Pledges Receivable.....	78,952
Prepaid Insurance	5,732
Total Current Assets	\$ 259,147
Fixed Assets	
Land and improvements	34,236
Building and Rehabilitation	707,173
Construction in Progress	41,894
Accumulated Depreciation	(57,596)
Total Fixed Assets	725,707
Total Assets	\$ 984,854
Liabilities	
Accounts Payables	19,467
Retainage Payable	4,009
Current Liabilities	23,476
Total Liabilities	\$ 23,476
Equity	
Unrestricted Net assets	832,669
Net Income	128,709
Total Equity	\$ 961,378
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$ 984,854

MILL HOLLOW HERITAGE ASSOCIATION STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Income	
Donations	\$ 48,085
Grants.....	157,178
In-Kind Donations	11,147
Merchandise Sales.....	21
Total Income	\$ 216,431
Expenses	
Bank Service Charges.....	\$ 135
Dues and Member ships.....	936
Fundraising Expense.....	960
In-Kind Expense	6,147
Insurance	13,596
Licenses and Permits	731
Postage and Office	194
Professional Fees	26,054
Repairs and Maintenance	3,906
Supplies	2,732
Tools and Equipment	481
Utilities.....	414
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 56,286
Total Operating Surplus (includes grant income of 140,198 for building improvements and 2021 projects)	\$ 160,145
Other Income / Expense	
Interest Income	41
Depreciation Expense.....	31,477
Other net income (expense).....	(\$ 31,436)
Net Surplus	\$ 128,709