Madison Historical Society

Summer 2016

From the Curator's Desk

What a fantastic ***Wedding Dresses Through the Decades*** event we had on June 18, 2016! If you missed it, the exhibit is still there through Labor Day. We are open on Tuesdays from 2-4, and will be open Sunday August 7th for our Blueberry Bake Sale during Old Home Week, 2-4.

A very special thank you goes to Linda Lovering whose idea for a display of her mother-in-law's wedding dress snowballed into the gala event, and she poured her time, heart, soul, and decorating talents in-to helping to make it an event to remember. We are lucky to have her volunteering for us!!!

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From the Curator's Desk, continued

It was a beautiful day for the Wedding Dress Gala event, complete with wedding cake, punch and cookies. We received terrific coverage by the Conway Daily Sun, Charity Chatter, Madison Boulder Bulletin, and Sweet 16 out of Wolfeboro.

Once the wedding dress exhibit is over, other limited exhibits will be put into place until our building is closed in late September. Since we have no heat, restroom or water, we are not open in the winter for regular hours. Next summer will bring new and different exhibits to the building, so stay tuned for what we will be doing next.

Our electrical floor outlets were installed in January and May and worked perfectly for the Wedding Dress Gala Event as we were able to move the display cases around and could plug them in where needed. We still have a list of items that we are considering to improve our building and our ability to serve our community. As donations permit we will look into:

1. Heat for the building
2. Fire/theft protection
3. Fixing or replacing the covering on our walls on the inside as they are warping and buckling. This may lead to insulating the walls so eventually heat might be added to the building. This would require a major fundraising campaign.
4. Composting toilet
5. Handicapped access
6. Roof and building painted
7. Furnace downstairs to heat whole building and have climate control
8. Mat and show more of our photographs
9. Catalog genealogical info on computers for searches
10. Have our collection online and searchable

Thanks to a generous donation we are able to purchase a computer to install software that will help us catalogue our collections along with daily/routine office needs. We hope to update our website this winter and are trying to make our collections searchable along with local genealogy.

Karen Lord, Curator

MADISON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Free Program, refreshments

Thursday, August 18 – 7:15 p.m.
at the
Historical Society Museum
Corner of E. Madison Rd, following short business mtg at 7 pm

NEW HAMPSHIRE humanities

"MOVED AND SECONDED"

Town Meeting in NH

REBECCA RULE

Humorist

PROGRAMS COMING UP

At the Madison Historical Society Museum, 7 pm, unless otherwise noted.

OLD HOME WEEK

Saturday, August 6, craft table at the ballfield, 9-2

Sunday, August 7, blueberry bake sale & open house at the museum, 2-4

AUGUST 18, Thursday

"Moved and Seconded"

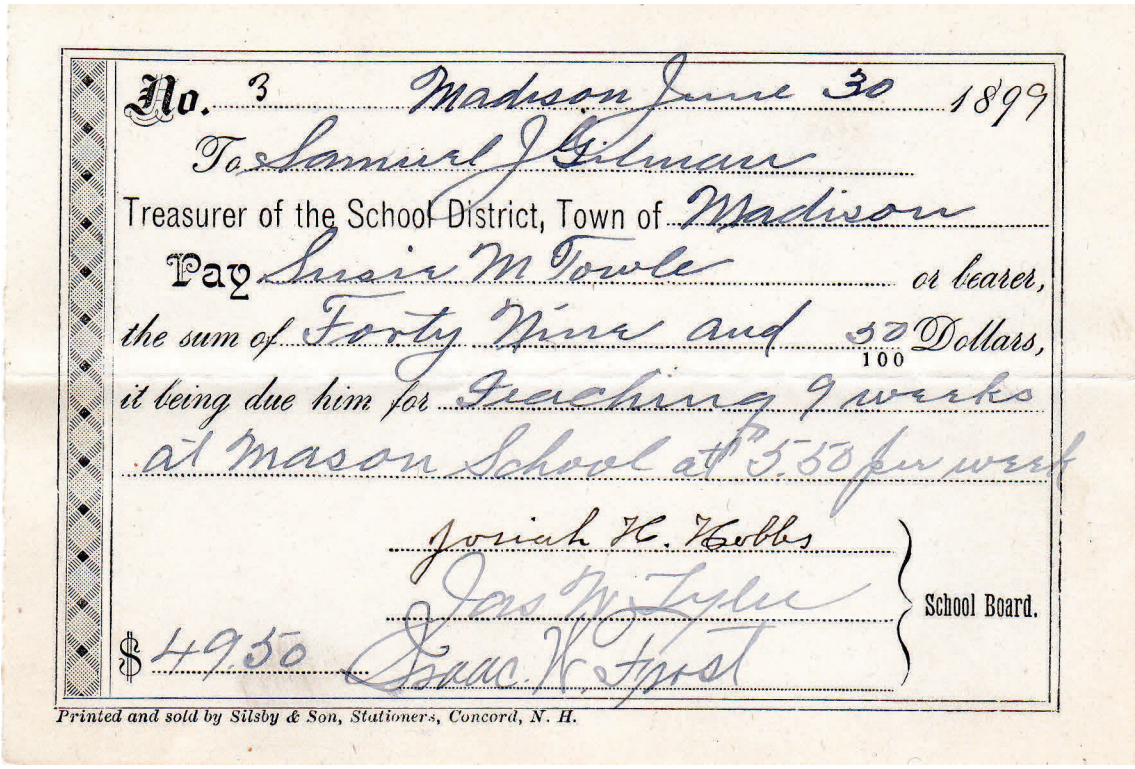
Humanities Council program with Rebecca Rule, storyteller

Business meeting at 7 pm, followed by program at 7:15

Drawing on research from her book *"Moved and Seconded: Town Meeting in New Hampshire, the Present, the Past, and the Future"*, Rebecca Rule regales audiences with stories of the rituals, traditions and history of town meeting, including the perennial characters, the literature, the humor, and the wisdom of this uniquely New England institution.

SEPTEMBER 15, Thursday

NH Fish & Game Dept.—Migratory Fish



No. 3 Madison June 30 1899

To Samuel J Gilman

Treasurer of the School District, Town of Madison

Pay Susie M Towle or bearer,

the sum of Forty Nine and 50/100 Dollars,

it being due him for Teaching 9 weeks at Mason School at $5.50 per week

Josiah H. Hobbs
Jas W Tyler
Isaac W Frost
School Board.

$ 49.50

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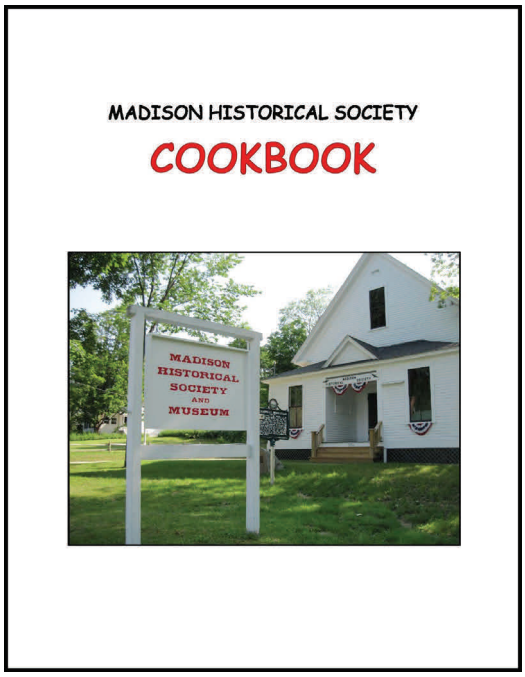
From Our Cookbook

Published in late 2015, it has contributions by over 30 historical society members and friends with selections from the circa 1950 Silver Lake Woman's Club "Favorite Recipes" – The book itself is 8 ½" x 11", 66 pages, spiral bound, with mylar protective cover.—$10 plus $3.00 media mail postage

Here is a sample:



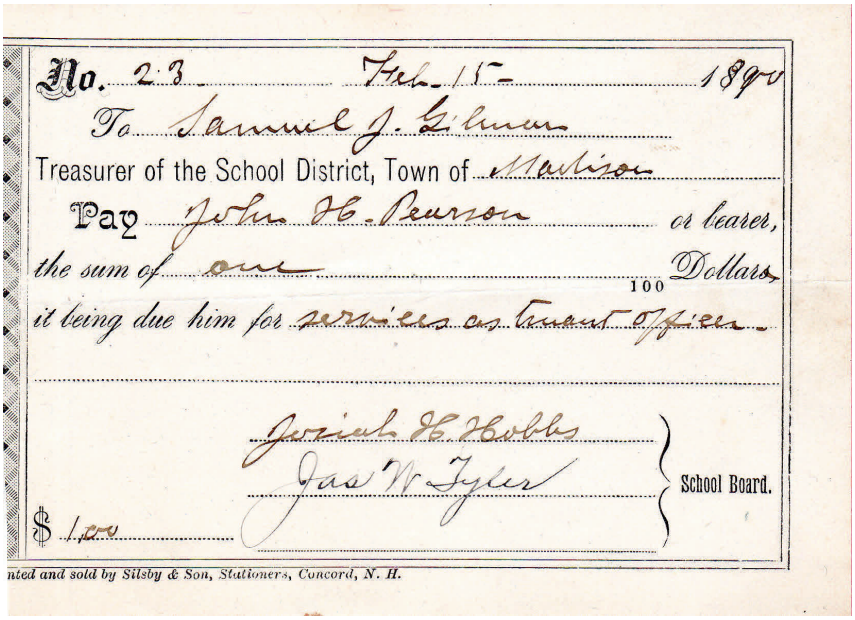
RHUBARB CAKE by Ruth Shackford

Ingredients:

2 cups flour
1/2 cup shortening
1-1/2 cups sugar
1 cup sour milk or sour cream
1 egg lightly beaten
1 teaspoon soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 cups diced rhubarb

Directions:

Combine dry ingredients.
Blend shortening, sugar, milk & egg. Add Dry ingredients.
Fold in rhubarb and vanilla.
Bake in 9 x 13 pan at 350 degrees for 40 minutes or until done.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To Samuel J. Gilman
Treasurer of the School District, Town of Madison
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the sum of one 100 Dollars,
it being due him for services as Tenant of Pier
Josiah H. Hobbs
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School Board.
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MADISON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

President—Linda Smith

Vice President—Mary McIntosh

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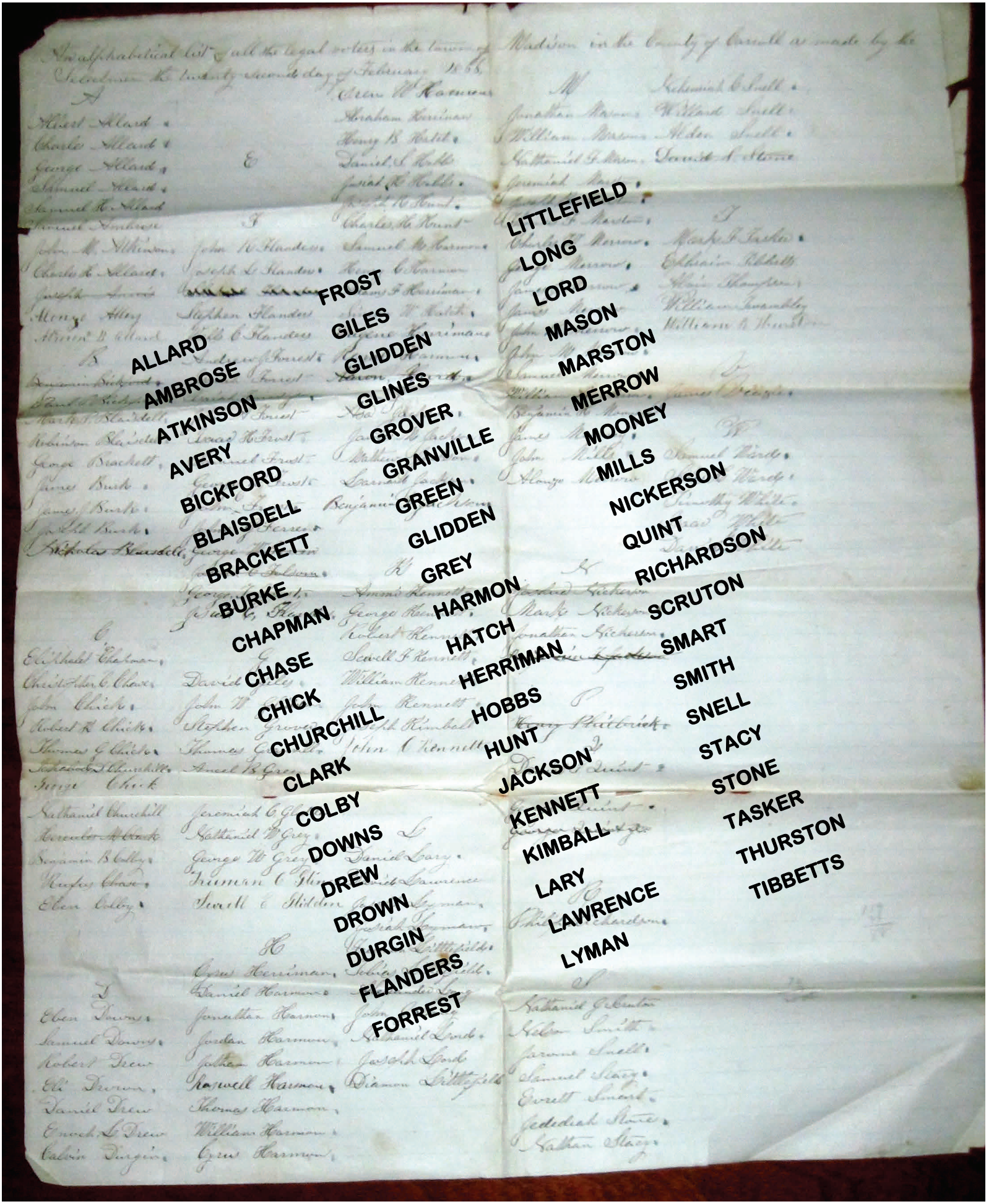
Treasurer—Penny Hathaway

Curator—Karen Lord

Directors—Ann Wilkins, Betty Fernandes, Sally Perrow

1866 VOTING LIST—150 YEARS OLD—FAMILIAR NAMES



Membership dues are payable July 1st.

MEMBERSHIP FORM:

_____**Single Membership - $10.00**	_____
_____**Family Membership - $15.00**	_____
_____**Junior Members (under 18) - free**	_____
_____**Senior Members (over 80) - free**	_____
_____**Donation**	_____
TOTAL ENCLOSED	_____

Name:_____

Address:_____

Seasonal Address (if any):_____

Email:_____

Phone:_____**Check here if you would prefer your Newsletter by email:**_____

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