



2015 ANNUAL REPORT

Dear Friends of Mascoma,

We are excited and honored by the outpouring of support we received from the community since our humble beginnings in early 2014! We would like to thank everyone for their kind words about our organization and their generosity, and we would also like to acknowledge that we fell behind on expressing our gratitude during 2015; we hope to improve in 2016.

April 2014 through December 2015 were very busy for FOM. We started several projects, which are highlighted below, and by December 31st of 2015 fundraised over \$60,000! Funds raised included \$8,750 in grants plus donations from generous individuals in 14 different states.

Many volunteers helped us during this time and we logged over 900 volunteer hours (worth about \$20,700.00). Funds raised during this time are being used to enhance existing initiatives, fund teacher mini-grants, and provide student scholarships.

Alumni & Community Outreach Committee

Promoting Mascoma pride and connecting the District as a whole to our community and alumni has been one of our top priorities since formation. The Alumni & Community Outreach Committee is working to establish a primary class contact for each graduating class from Mascoma, 1964 to the present. These primary contacts will be responsible for connecting their respective classes with FOM news and sharing our fundraising goals. One of our immediate goals is to enable classes to purchase auditorium seats together by bundling smaller-donations of \$10, \$20, etc. Our auditorium will not only be a showcase of student talent, but of alumni support and contribution!

We are still looking for some volunteers to be primary contacts. If you, or someone you know, is great at keeping in touch with classmates, please let us know. The Alumni Committee is also interested in alumni news. Know of a classmate doing research in the Amazon? Let us know! E-mail alumni@friendsofmascoma.org.

Look for FOM members and volunteers out in our community throughout the upcoming year. Here are some great events we participated in during 2015:

- **Old Home Days:** FOM enjoyed being part of both Enfield Old Home Days in July and Canaan Old Home Days in August. Board members and volunteers marched in the parades for each event sporting all new Friends of Mascoma T-shirts and school spirited apparel. FOM's float took home 3rd place for our "Old School, New School" themed float designed by Andrew Cushing and Amy Arnold. We had a fun time seeing community members and enjoyed sharing our mission.
- **Homecoming:** FOM hosted booths at the 2015 bonfire and homecoming celebrations. FOM believes events like homecoming are very important in helping spread the word about our projects and promoting school pride.
- **Winter Clothing & Coat Drive:** Many students in the district do not have access to the warm clothes and coats they need during our cold winters. In 2014, several of our Board Members contributed clothing and coats to the clothing drive run by Beth Felix, our Community Outreach Coordinator. In 2015, under Beth's continued leadership, FOM took the clothing and coat drive under our umbrella in order to help reach a wider audience. Clothing and coats were distributed to families in early November.

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- **Mascoma Music Matters:** From November 1st through December 31st, FOM worked feverishly to earn a \$5000 dollar-for-dollar matching donation from a generous anonymous donor to create an elementary school instrument bank with 10 instruments: 2 flutes, 2 clarinets, 2 trumpets, 2 trombones, and 2 alto saxophones. Even a winter storm could not keep fans of



Mascoma Alumni Brooks Hubbard and Hannah Hoffman away from the Mascoma Music Matters Concert at Mountain Meadow Golf Lounge and Event Center in Canaan. Over 200 fans turned out to see Hannah and Brooks and support the creation of an elementary school instrument bank. By the time the concert started, 84 households had contributed toward meeting our goal and those in attendance helped us to earn our match. Donations continued to arrive up until the December 31st deadline allowing us to purchase an extra 11th instrument!

Mini-Grant & Scholarship Committee

FOM launched our teacher mini-grant and student scholarship programs this month, applications for both programs are online. Please see the “Current & Ongoing Initiatives” section of this newsletter and visit the “Applications” section of our website for more information.

Technology Committee

FOM’s Technology Committee is working hard on updates to our website and Facebook page so we can better keep in touch with our loyal supporters. Our first major accomplishment in 2016 was launching online teacher mini-grant and student scholarship applications! Other major projects for 2016 are improving online donation processing and enhancing online Take a Seat orders. Please visit us on the web at friendsofmascoma.org and like us on Facebook at facebook.com/friendsofmascoma.

Current & Ongoing Initiatives

- **Donor Campaign:** Gifts of any size are greatly appreciated and can be made at any time! Your gift benefits the MVRSD in many different ways. As a donor, you will:
 - Support the students by supplementing educational opportunities and scholarships;
 - Provide teachers with "mini-grants" enabling them to offer creative additional educational programs to their students;
 - Enhance and improve the reputation of the district by helping highlight our community’s commitment to education; and
 - Support successful existing programs to include more students or enable more financial support to expand. All donor levels are recognized in our yearly newsletter, please see below for our list of donors through December 31, 2015.
- **Friends Feeding Friends:** In October 2015, FOM recognized the extent of the food insecurity issue in our District and met with many teachers, staff members, local organizations, and individuals who work to help feed District families. Matt Dow from FOM’s Board of Directors, along with a food pantry advocate from Enfield, visited several food banks, including the NH Food Bank. FOM became a registered agent of the NH Food Bank on December 11th, 2015 qualifying us to purchase deeply discounted, high-quality food. Thanks to an anonymous donor, we also received the use of a trailer that will be used primarily to transport food. The first load of \$1400 of food, purchased for a mere \$140, was distributed in early January at IRS and MVRHS. To date, FOM has supported Making a Difference, Indian River Helping Hands, Thanksgiving In-Gathering, and other local food drives to help feed families. Friends Feeding Friends Food Pantries are now open in Enfield and Canaan with regular hours. A third pantry is planned for the renovated high school. To learn how you can help, email food@friendsofmascoma.org and watch our web and Facebook pages for updates.



- **Generations Mural:** The "Generations Mural," depicting a timeline of life in the Mascoma Valley, has graced the high school cafeteria since its creation by Art Teacher Laurie Sullivan, local artist Gary Hamel of Orange, and many MVRHS students in 1994. Thanks to volunteers, some of the original artists, local businesses and grant funding, FOM will help preserve, restore, and relocate the mural during the course of the renovation. We are excited for the community to see the restored mural in its new location next winter!
- **Mascoma Youth Sports League:** FOM sponsored a Mascoma Youth Sports League team for two years courtesy of a generous donor who specified their organization. We can honor such requests by our donors if the charity or initiative solely benefits the children from our School District. We cheered on the Blue kindergarten team the first year and are now our rooting for our first grade team. Each year the teams play three different sports.
- **Project Graduation:** FOM supported Project Graduation in 2015 by donating a basket to their auction. FOM further supported Project Graduation during the 2015-2016 school year by contributing funds for their post-graduation celebration. This important project provides graduating seniors with an all-night party that helps keep students safe the night of high school graduation.



- **Student Scholarships:** FOM is also in the process of launching our scholarship program for the 2015-2016 school year. The scholarship program will award four \$1,000 scholarships to the Class of 2016. The four scholarships are for 4+ year college degrees, alternative education (associates, trade, certificate programs, etc.), technology/engineering, and women in technology. Applications for scholarship programs are available online at <http://friendsofmascoma.org/scholarship/>.
- **Take A Seat:** Would you like to honor your family, memorialize a loved one, friend or teacher, pay tribute to an individual, commemorate a special date, or honor your business? You can do this by purchasing a polished metal nameplate affixed to one aisle arm of an auditorium seat in the renovated high school. There are approximately 500 seats available in three different price levels. Nameplates are selling quickly; see the list of generous donors and sponsors in this newsletter. Please visit www.friendsofmascoma.org/takeaseat for more information.

- **Tapestry:** Rebecca Powell, a freelance weaver from Enfield, is currently creating a 4' x 6' hand woven tapestry that will grace the new media center. Each phase of work includes input from our students. In the spring of 2015, Rebecca worked with Chris Morse's art classes to develop designs found in nature. She has also worked with Dave Shinnlinger's Construction Building class to build the loom to create the tapestry. Weaving began this school year. The community is invited to check on the progress and try their hand at weaving.



- **Teacher Mini-Grants:** FOM is in the process of launching our teacher mini-grant program for the 2015-2016 school year. Mini-grants are modest cash awards that help educators make positive differences in the learning experiences of their students. Mini-grants help support, encourage, and facilitate great teaching ideas. The number of mini-grant awards depends on the number of applicants and available funds. Applications for scholarship programs are available online at <http://friendsofmascoma.org/scholarship/>.



- **T-Shirt & Button Sales:** Want to show your Mascoma pride? We have FOM T-Shirt and Buttons for sale. Swag is also awarded to thank donors based on the level of their contribution.

Planned Future Initiatives

- **Multimedia Sculpture:** Michael Kraatz and Susan Russell of Canaan, studio artists specializing in mixed media have generously donated time and expertise to create and design a multimedia sculpture that will grace about 300 square feet of wall in the corridor near the media center. FOM will support this project by funding materials and installation. We are working with Michael, Susan, and MVRHS teacher liaison, Dave Shinnlinger, to include a proposed artist residency to expose students to the design process to create their own sculpture to be hung in the school. Community members will be encouraged to check on the progress of these exciting activities.
- **Benches:** Gary Wood of Canaan, an accomplished woodworker, is partnering with FOM and the Guild of NH Woodworkers on an artist-in-residence with David Shinnlinger's woodshop classes. Gary will work with students to design, construct, and finish one bench-style seat for the new public entrance area of MVRHS. Students, with guidance from Gary Wood and David Shinnlinger, will have hands-on involvement in the project from design to finish. After the first bench is complete, students will have the opportunity to create benches that will be placed throughout the renovated school. The project is scheduled for the spring 2016 semester.
- **Ongoing Artist Collaborations:** FOM is continuing efforts to work with local artists on artist-in-residence and extended learning opportunities. We anticipate future collaborations that will engage students with artists specializing in fiber, mixed media, and photography.



Potential Future Initiatives

FOM scheduled meetings with staff from each of the schools and different organizations in the Upper Valley to plan potential future initiatives. Some of the organizations we have met with or are scheduled to meet with include: Sarah Copps (Extended Learning Opportunity Coordinator), Mascoma Watershed Conservation Council, New Hampshire Charitable Foundation, New Hampshire Food Bank, Upper Valley Hunger Council, Vital Communities, Wellborn Ecology Fund, Wellborn Institute, and Willing Hands. Stay tuned for some exciting projects in 2016!

WE ARE GRATEFUL TO OUR MANY VALUABLE SUPPORTERS AND VOLUNTEERS. TOGETHER WE ARE WORKING TO CREATE A PROSPEROUS FUTURE FOR OUR STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY.

Donors

Donor level memberships are based on a calendar year and are renewable beginning January 1st of each year. We welcome membership renewals and new members at any time. We would like to recognize the following donors who gave gifts since our humble beginnings in 2014 through December 31st, 2015:

Royal Society (\$5,000 and over)

Anonymous (1)

C. Robert & Carolyn Cusick

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Take a Seat

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Boucakis, & Kathryn Miller
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Take a Seat (continued)

Section B

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Dow Family (15)	Lynne Bates	Virginia McGrody
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Section C

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Elizabeth Harrington	Larry Labrie	Robbie Streeter
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Enfield-Mascoma Lioness Club	LeeAnn Wilson	
Jamie & Robin Martin	Lois Carr	

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Anonymous (1)	Hannah Hoffman	Mountain Meadow Golf Lounge and Event Center
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Beth Felix	Katie & Scott Kobylenski	Ryan Porter
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Blue Ox Organic Farm	Lara Maville Design	Sharon Lemaster
Brooks Hubbard	Liz Murray	Suzanne Gooch
C. Robert & Carolyn Cusick	Louise Parker	Town of Enfield (Enfield Community Building)
Clothing Drive Donors & Volunteers	Matthew & Rebecca Dow Family	Valerie Ibey
David Janelle	Mickey's Roadside Cafe	Walmart of West Lebanon
Douglas & Shaina Plumley	Microsoft	
Food Drive Donors & Volunteers	Montshire Museum of Science	

The Board wishes to extend their sincere thanks to the countless volunteers who have selflessly given their time, talents, and resources to improve the Mascoma District by offering opportunities to those who might otherwise go without.

BECOME A FRIENDS OF MASCOMA MEMBER IN 2016

First name:		Last name:	
Street address:			
Town:	State:	Zip Code:	
E-mail address:			
Phone number:			
Mascoma Alumni? YES NO		Mascoma Class of:	
Relationship? PARENT RESIDENT STAFF SUPPORTER OTHER:			
Would you like your donation to be anonymous (an acknowledgment letter will still be sent)? YES NO			
How would you like to receive your Acknowledgment & Certificate? BY U.S. MAIL BY E-MAIL			
T-shirt size(s) if applicable: <input type="text" value="SMALL"/> <input type="text" value="MEDIUM"/> <input type="text" value="LARGE"/> <input type="text" value="XL"/> <input type="text" value="XXL"/>			
Do you or your spouse's employer have a matching gifts program?			
Would you like to become a Friends of Mascoma volunteer			

Do you have a preference as to where your donation goes? Please let us know:

- General
 Academic
 Teacher Mini-Grants
 Scholarships
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SECTION A	SECTION B	SECTION C
\$200/SEAT	\$150/SEAT	\$100/SEAT
<input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>

NOTE: If you and others want to have seats side by side, all forms must be sent in one envelope. If you are purchasing more than one seat, you must fill out a separate form below for each donor plate. You may make copies of this form.

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