

Newport Historical Society

Fundraising Committee Report for May 8, 2017

- 1) We recently received the two proofs for this year's ornaments (Little Red Schoolhouse and Green Bridge in No Newport) from Joan Dodge. They are wonderful as usual. The only request that the Committee made was to lighten the color of the bridge to some of the light foliage colors in the background. She continues to have health issues from her December lung surgery having, again, just been released from the hospital due to another session with pneumonia. She continues to remain upbeat for a full recovery eventually.
- 2) We are awaiting the next Vista Print sale on post cards to replenish our supply of the Corbin Bridge post cards in addition to the gazebo and the new fall South Church image.
- 3) Regarding our "famous" owl visitor, we will be putting together 5 different owl photos, with photographer permission, for a note card assortment with limited quantities as a trial to see what interest there might be for it.
- 4) The Farmers' Market begins on May 19, a week from this Friday, with the Airport Open House on June 3 followed by Chamber Day on June 17.
- 5) Dick and Ronnie Leone have given approval for us to proceed with the book on Hope Leone's internment in the Philippines during WW2. Kathy Barbour has proofed the manuscript for any typos and punctuation additions. We have a good image of a photo of Hope for the cover and hope to have it available within the next 3-4 weeks.

Membership Drive Fundraising

To date we have **247 members**. We have 30 members from last year who have not renewed. On September 30 we ended the 2015-2016 membership year with 260 members, three short of the 2014-2015 record of 263. We are currently **13 members short** of last year's 9/30/16 total. As of April 1, all non-renewing members have been eliminated from our roster. Pris puts them into a non-member category and they will get the non-member letter this fall.

Respectfully submitted,

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