

Report of the Museum Committee

For (7/9/2018)

We had (17) visitors sign the register for the month of (June).

We made no purchases of artifacts since the last report:

We had (3) individual donation of artifacts to the Museum in (June):

Barbara Huff 59 items

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Barbara Kresse 11 items

We need to decide if we want to donate to the Town of Newport for the North Newport Cemetery sign. Signs are about \$315 each. North Newport will have two signs, Pine Street East & West one sign each, Maple Street two signs & Pine Grove two signs. Signs will be 3' X 5' double sided and all resembling each other. Signs should be ready mid July. Total cost of the project is estimated at \$5,000 installed with a roof over the signs. We can donate what ever we want or nothing.

For the replacement sign for the Corbin Covered Bridge do we just want to replicate the sign with the correct date or do we want to add an etched photograph of the bridge. Do you want me to get quotes and see what the cost of each would be? I believe that Pris Hagebusch was also looking into having the sign replicated; we need to know where she is on the sign before I get quotes.

We assembled the two new rolling racks that Revite donated the money for.

We had an Archivist from the Manchester Museum come to the Museum Tuesday. Paul Baird and I toured him through the Museum and the Annex. I asked him for suggestions for improvement. His three suggestions were: to climate control the Annex, to bring the clothing down from the balcony area to the main floor of the Annex as it would be cooler and to use cotton gloves when working with old fabrics as they may have toxins in them from the manufacturing process.

We are always looking for new Docents, training will be provided. You will enjoy your time there and will learn a little more about your Town.

Respectfully
Larry Cote, Newport Historical Society Museum Director