

Danbury Museum & Historical Society Authority

Minutes of the
Tuesday, April 6th 2010 Meeting
5PM

Danbury Museum
Huntington Hall
43 Main Street
Danbury, Ct. 06810

In attendance: Robert Young, Levi Newsome, Michael Kallas, Natalie Weise, Barbara Rosseland, Anne Harrigan and guest, Erika Askin.

1. President Robert Young opened the meeting at 5:05pm.

Recording Secretary was absent, no March minutes were read.

2. No finance report was read.

3. Tours are going very well on Saturdays with Joretta Kilcourse guiding visitors around the museum.

Programs are continuing to be scheduled with the area school children, Danbury Garden Club and DAR.

Volunteers are coming in regularly.

Donations: We are still waiting for 501C3 to start accepting donations and membership dues for Friends of the Museum.

Research: Our library and archives continues to be busy with genealogy and local history research requests.

Transition: We are still waiting to be processed for a nonprofit status.

General comments: we will not be participating in the Danbury Film Festival this spring.

4. Fundraisers: Having a "Movie Night Event" this year is still open as a possibility.

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5. New business: Levi Newsome reported that Mariano Brothers Storage will help bring eleven pallets of Danbury Newspapers, dating back to the 1900s, from our storage facility in Bethel, to the new storage area on the third floor of "The Old Jail". Large items that the museum owns will still be kept at the Bethel site, but now the monthly storage fees will be greatly reduced.

Our guest, Erika Askin, showed members pictures of her 1730 home, which was the "Old Brookfield Tavern" originally situated at the Four Corners in Brookfield. This inn was purchased, disassembled and moved and reconstructed on West Wooster Street in Danbury by George F. Ives, collector and seller of colonial antiques. Mr. Ives used the building as a colonial museum and antiques showroom.

Dean and Erika Askin would like to put in their will, that if they and their two daughters were to die at the same time, their home would be donated to the Danbury Museum and Historical Society.

Discussion about this will continue after receiving the necessary documents to review from their lawyer.

The annual meeting will be combined with the next board meeting, held on Tuesday May 4th, 2010 at 5pm in Huntington Hall.

Motion was made by Anne Harrigan to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Barbara Rosseland, no discussion, motion carried. President Young called for adjournment at 6:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Natalie Weise