

**Danbury Museum and Historical Society Authority**  
**Meeting Minutes – September 4, 2014**

*In compliance with Connecticut General Statute § 1-225, these minutes are being provided for informational purposes and are subject to approval of the Danbury Museum & Historical Society Authority Board of Trustees at its next regular meeting.*

In attendance were Joretta Kilcourse, Brigid Guertin, Erika Askin, Robert Young, Geoff Herald, Paul Valerie, Anne Harrigan, Marian Hesemeyer, Levi Newsome and Natalie Weise.

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 by President Erika Askin.

Bob Young made a motion to accept the minutes from July and August. Geoff Herald seconded. Erika Askin reviewed upcoming dates for museum activities.

Brigid Guertin presented a financial report.. Brigid also reiterated information about the upcoming programs in 2015. Marian Anderson birthday party in February. March, a luncheon with the person who portrays Mark Twain's maid and in April a winetasting event. Brigid met with Mayor Boughton and with the new director of the Danbury library. We will be having some events together from now on which will definitely benefit both the library and the museum. This museum will be co-cataloging with the library. There will be an art contest and a written (historical) contest.

Plans are to have a "Hatting monument" placed on the city green. By December 2 a design will be shown for speculation. For now the museum is closed Monday and Tuesday. Later we will open on Tuesday.

The museum will be having monthly music in the Marian Anderson Studio.

Local Author Mary Curran Hackett will be doing a book signing in the studio of her second book, "Proof of Angels", working on the date now but most likely near the end of December.

A Gala committee meeting will be on Thursday September 11, 2014 at 5:30pm in Huntington Hall.

Joetta Kilcourse (DMHSA) reported that the newly formed group, Fabric Friends, will be meeting the first Monday, of the month, 5 to 8pm, to sew lap quilts for charity, from donated fabric. The Friends of the Danbury Museum will meet this Tuesday at 5:30pm.

When the Holiday Shoppe starts we will be open Monday-Saturday for people to shop.

Starting in January through March, we will display "Collections" again in our cases.

The Unity Riders of The Gathering of the Nations plan to come back to this area next year and we are hoping to have them come to the museum. Bob Young will be working on this event.

Geoff Herald reported that the Danbury Federal Correctional Institute will be celebrating their 75th anniversary next year. We will be working with them on this event.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, October 2, 2014 in Huntington Hall.

Motion to adjourn at 9:10am was made by Anne Harrigan, seconded by Bob Young.

Respectfully submitted,

Natalie Weise

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