

Month in Review – History Center – May 2009

Annual Photo contest

- The annual photo was a rousing success that was well covered by the local media as well as attended by the public. Approximately two dozen contestants entered a variety of photographic artwork under the headings of personality, nature, and scenic.



Fig.1. Best in show



Fig.2. Display

Museum Assessment Team

- An assessment team is in the process of coming together and will meet in the coming month. After an August submission of insights and material a M.A.P. surveyor will evaluate our submission.

AHLOA Grant submitted

- A grant proposal was submitted to AHLOA (Avalon Home & Land Owners Association) for a *SCRIM* project. Scrim designs are a type of window treatment that not only act as natural UV filters, protecting exhibits and collections, but when finished will have inlaid pictures that show Avalon at various times of its history.

All 3 photos below are of scrim designs from the 2nd Bank of the United States, Independence Hall museum complex, Philadelphia, PA.



Annual Jean Losch Memorial Run & House Tour

- Contestant applications continue to arrive for the annual triathlon and slots continue to fill for the House Tour. Both events are to take place on June 20th 2009. Race registration will run from 7 to 8 am with the race beginning at 8:15. The Old House Tour, featuring houses built between 1887 and 1933, will run from 1 to 4pm.

Summer programs slated, June 13th & June 20th

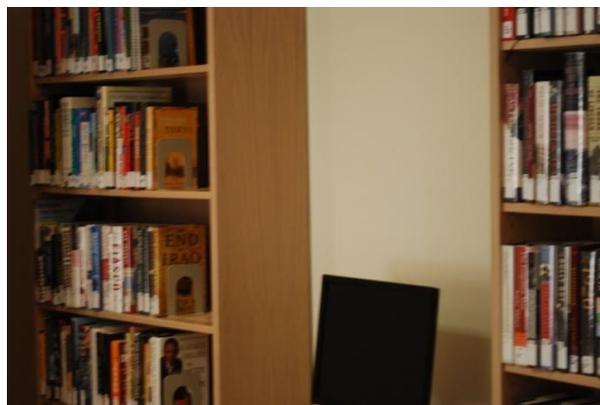
- Two events for the month of June quickly approach. The first will be held **June 13th 6-7 pm**. Folklorist and performer Saul Broudy, Ph.D. will run ***All over this land: American Regional Folk Music***. Through live performances, and occasional tape renditions, Mr. Broudy will present grassroots songs from various regions and discuss how these songs help us identify who we are and where we came from. The second event will be run by Mr. David Emerson. Mr. Emerson, of ***History on the Hoof***, will be running a first person historical interpretation on **June 20th 6-7 pm**. The piece is entitled ***Greasy Luck***, the fictitious story of Leland Emerson captain of the whaling ship Sarah Ann in the year 1843. All ages welcome.

Lobby Exhibit Progress

- Mason Display Inc. has started work on the lobby's rail readers. The work on the readers will include picture and word inlaid acrylics that will help explain Avalon's development as a natural wonder.

Library Room takes shape

- An infusion of books related to local, regional, and national history topics has the library room at an operating level. The room will soon be opened to the public and books will be available for circulation.



Report on the state of collections

- Ms. Derosa has completed an initial examination and has made recommendations for storage during and after the catalog process. In addition the loft areas have been cleared of all trash and recycling materials.

Web Design

- The web design process is almost complete and we will be online in the coming months!

