

Month in Review – History Center – January 2009

Paddleboard leaves for preservation

The lifeguard paddleboard, circa 1930, is an extremely rare and important object in the evolution of surfboards. A collaborative restoration effort has been undertaken with the Tuckerton Seaport Museum where their Master Shipwright, Timo White, will install a rear panel, patch surface holes, replace inner damaged ribs, add a skeg, and paint to specifications. After the process is completed the Seaport Museum wishes to engage the object for a short term loan. This is a positive step forward for museum accreditation.



Fig. 1. Object's current condition.



Fig. 2. Object packed for transport.

Lobby Exhibit Progress

- Received both state and federal regulatory permits to salvage and display wildlife species.
- Met with Donna Matalucci of *Signworks* to discuss panel exhibit, received an estimate. Will be meeting with several other sign companies for estimates.
- Met with boro carpenter to discuss panel and wall paper removal. Also discussed price for boardwalk creation.
- Have spoken with representatives of Mega Media Inc. for Scrim Designs to be found throughout the History Center.

Speaking engagement with *Questers Organization*.

Paid talk highlighted short and long term goals of the History Center. Also discussed role of public history in community education.

Attended grant writing seminar.

Event sponsored by New Jersey Historical Commission at Wheaton Arts Center. Discussed state of funding for 09' fiscal period.

Curator to sit on N.J. judging panel for history essay contest.

This year there are over 11,000 4th grade students participating in a NJ studies statewide writing contest. Every year judges read and select about 300 "Best of the Best" articles for an online statewide newspaper: "The New Jersey Scoop-- Voice of the 4th Grade". Mr. Angemi will help in the selection process and attend the regional award event at its conclusion.

New parking signs installed- Parking signs installed January 22.

Grant Status.

Working on State of NJ interim and final reports from 08' fiscal year and preparing a General Operating Budget, also for the State of NJ, for submission in the coming months.

Library furniture installed.

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Fig.1. West Wall Shelving



Fig.2. West Wall Shelving and computer station



Fig.3. Study Desk.