

# Avalon History Center Director's Report – February 2016

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	# Visitors On-site	# Reached Digitally	# Objects Catalogued	# Objects Digitized
February 2015	6	3,769	18	35
February 2016	6	8,817	48	60

## Administration

- Progressed on planning for outdoor space improvements. See Capital Projects update.
- Provided background material regarding 26<sup>th</sup> St schoolhouse to preservation architect, who began initial assessment.
- Hot water heater has been replaced.
- Technician attended Small Museum Association annual conference in Ocean City, MD.

## Marketing & PR

- Placed ¼ page advertisements in three issues of Seven Mile Times.
- Participated in initial planning for marketing plan execution with Seven Mile Publishing.
- Began drafting Spring newsletter content.

## Programs & Outreach

- Held February Teatime.
- Conducted Oral History interview with Bill Tozer.
- Discussed Avalon Police Dep't history with Records Clerk Ruth Thraen.

## Collections

- Contracted with Joseph Siderio for painting restoration.
- Created object list for “Avalon in the 1940s” exhibit, to open by Memorial Day.
- Sent off 8mm film and received back DVD of 1940's Avalon scenes donated by Joe Hoffman.
- The Collections Committee recommends the following for acquisition:
  - Jacquie Ewing
    - 1960s-1970s notes/manual on Avalon Recreation from Agnew R. Ewing.
    - Packet of 1990s info on Avalon Recreation.

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- John Roscoe/Avalon Police Dep't – 2008 police assignment board
- Wilda Richardson
  - Greaseband pin
  - Avalonspast.com bookmark commemorating the Library grand opening
  - Matchbook cover from the Black Eagle
  - 2005 Avalon Beach Patrol yearbook
- Rehoboth Beach Historical Society & Museum – papers and photographs related to USCG Mounted Beach Patrol in Avalon, via Spencer Windle.
- Susan McLaughlin
  - Victorian silk sun umbrella
  - 1930s photograph of Avalon Junior Beach Patrol on 23<sup>rd</sup> St public dock. Includes Bill Salvasen.

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<u>Project name</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Component</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Costs</u>
Improve Outdoor Interpretive Space	\$25,000	Furnishings for Cottage	TBD	Researching reference photos	TBD
		Gas light restoration	Adam Jenkins	Available to work late spring	\$5,951
		Bench replacement	Blu Fish	Ready to go	\$3,600
		Landscaping	Cape Shore Landscaping	Ready to go	\$4,800
		Lighting	TBD	Will ask Public Works	TBD
		Gazebo	Robert Ditzler	Ready to go	\$400
		Signage	TBD	Collecting quotes	TBD
		Brick walkway	TBD	Collecting quotes	
Expected project total:					TBD
Re-Fit 39 <sup>th</sup> St Tennis Building	\$20,000	Met with Borough to discuss components.	TBD	Ready to pursue pricing in conjunction with Borough	
		Expected project total:			
Water Heater & Compressor Replacement	\$10,000	Water heater replacement	Ct House Plumbing	Completed	\$2,320.25
		Fire suppression system compressor replacement	Communale	Completed , paid by Borough.	\$1,550
		Expected project total:			
Survey Kiosk	\$6,000	21 iPad Air 2 16 GB	Staples	Ready to go	\$998
		Stand x 2	PCMG	Ready to go	\$846.12
		Software	Survey Monkey	Ready to go	\$300/ yr
		Signage	7 Mile Publishing	Awaiting quote	TBD
		Expected project total:			
Planning for 26 <sup>th</sup> St School	\$20,000	Assessment: probes, schematic plans, cost estimates.	LWDMMR architects (Lindemon)	In progress	\$5,200
		Other professional assessment	TBD	Add'l components TBD after architect's assessment.	TBD
		Expected project total:			