

Avalon History Center Director's Report – June, 2015

	# Visitors On-site	# Reached Digitally	# Objects Catalogued	# Objects Digitized
May 2015	56	5,882	40	34
June 2015	204	23,165	17	174

Administration

- Arranged for one regular volunteer, 6 hours per week.
- See July 6 update for status of capital projects.
- Set up temporary webpage on Library site while new website is under construction.
- Identified parking issues related to increased traffic on 39th Street.

Marketing

- Newsletter is printed and mailed.
- Ran Facebook advertising for Civil War event, Teatime, Golf Tournament, Olde House Tour, and Trivia Night.

Programs & Outreach

- Held Teatime on June 16. About ten people attended.
- Held Civil War event on June 6. About 30 people attended.
- Trivia Night cancelled due to power outage; to be rescheduled. 24 people signed up to participate.
- Presented at a meeting of the Seven Mile Beach Democratic Club on June 25.

Exhibits

- Created and installed exhibit regarding the *Herald* in the case at the County Administration Building. (See photo on following page.)

Collections

- HEPA vacuum, data loggers, and garment cabinets arrived.
- Met with Mark Crego of MC Signs, who is willing to donate services to re-letter the lifeboat.
- Scanned all photos from Rose Wells' family album.
- Collections Committee recommends approval for acquisition of the following:
 - *On the Way to Sterback Harbor* by Bill Sterback, offered for donation by Marianne Roberts.
 - Eleven photos of Avalon's centennial parade, offered for donation by Suzie Gallagher.
 - The following mugs and tankards, offered for donation by Kevin Scarpa:
 - Avalon Vol. Rescue Squad – 10th Anniversary & Housing, 1979-1989, ceramic.

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- Sept 26, 1998 – Housing 1998 Pierce 85' Snorkel, glass.
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- Oct 6, 1998 – Parade & Housing Pierce 1998 Saber, Engine 1132, glass.
- Oct 19, 2013 – Housing 2012 Pierce 95' Tower, Engine 1153, glass.
- Oct 19, 2013 – Housing 2012 Pierce 95' Tower (Harry A. deButts), ceramic.
- Kevin Scarpa also offered for loan or donation, at our determination, two boxes containing several hundred photographs of Fire Department events and fires in Avalon. We will sort through these on an ongoing basis to determine which are appropriate for accession.



Herald exhibit at County administration building

Avalon Free Public Library
History Center
 215 39TH St
 Avalon, NJ 08202

Capital Projects Update
 As of July 6, 2015

<u>Project name</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Component</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Costs</u>
Upgrade HC network	\$4,300	Software	Past Perfect	Received	\$914
		External hard drive	Staples	Ordered	\$199.99
		Cloud backup	Acronis	Ordered	\$1,007.47
		Tower server	Dell	Ordered	\$2,175.30
		Expected project total:			
Collections Care 2015	\$19,207	Dataloggers	Gaylord	Ordered. Some received, some backordered.	\$2,600
		HEPA vacuum	Gaylord	Received	\$1,550
		Garment cabinets	Gaylord	Received	\$800
		Flat file	Gaylord	Ordered	\$2,525
		Gaylord S&P	Gaylord	n/a	\$350
		Security cameras	Schuler Security	Installation scheduled	\$5,760
		Expected project total:			
Digitization & Oral History Equipment	\$4,629	Various photography equipment	T&F Camera	Ordered	\$4,629
Buildings and Grounds Projects 2014 & 2015	\$22,500	Flagpole	Bradley Flagpole Company	Completed	\$2243
		Columns, painting, front fascia	Szambelak	Completed	\$4,300
		Fencing	Murphy Fence	Completed	\$570.15
		Kitchen	Desmond Wholesale/McCorristin	Completed	\$3,490
		Cottage consulting	Joan Berkey	Completed	\$375
		Cottage restoration	Joan Berkey	Work started	\$5,550
		Repair peak woodwork	Szambelak	Not yet started	\$2,850
		Expected project total:			