## **Newport Historical Society**

## Fundraising Committee Report for November 13, 2017

- 1) The 2018 photo of Leapin' Lena has been mailed to Joan. We will only do one ornament for next year as we will want Joan working on the commemorative ornament(s) for 2019 beginning sometime next year. I have emailed Joan our thoughts for the ornament(s).
- 2) We recently replenished Joan's proof note cards of Skating and Little Red Schoolhouse. We also reordered a small supply of the 4 photo note cards. Public interest has been split between the watercolor proof cards and the photo note cards.
- 3) The Gallery of Gifts has opened with the following 8 ornaments, 16 of each: Little Red Schoolhouse, No Newport Green Bridge, Queen, King Carnival, Towle, Newport House, Nettleton House, Firehouse. The LAC also offered to let us include a couple of books since they were featuring Mary Lou and Ray's new book. We included 10 each of the Billy B Van and For All Your Tears (Hope's journal).
- 4) We purchased two bags with the Corbin Bridge photo on it, put them out on Friday at the bank and sold one that day. We had ordered 4 bags with two different photos. However, 2 of the 4 had printing issues so we ended up with only 2.
- 5) The red camp mugs and 14 oz "On the Rocks" glasses are nearly sold out. We only have 2 of each left.
- 6) Rita, Stan and I met recently to go over the initial list of 2019 festival items to have for sale. We eliminated two items leaving several still on the list.
- 7) At the final October 31 meeting of REVITE, we were given a check for \$200, as part of their disbandment funds disbursement, for two more rolling carts for the Annex.
- 8) We have begun our annual fall schedule at Sugar River Bank foyer. A comparison with last year for the first 2 weeks follows:

2016:		<b>2017</b> :	
11/4 Friday only	\$54.00	11/3-4	\$119;50
(PTO was Saturday)		(No PTO this year)	
11/10 & 12	\$174.50	11/10 Friday only	\$127.00
(Vet day was 11 <sup>th</sup> bank closed)		(Bank closed Saturday for Vet's Day)	
Totals to-date	\$228.50		\$246.50

## **Membership Drive**

We ended our year on 9/30/17 with 275 members, 15 more than 260 on 9/30/16. We **currently have 215** renewed and new members. The merchants providing \$25 Gift Certificates for the membership drive raffle are Grazi's/Newport Meat Market, Shaws, Huberts, LaValley's Building Supply and brunch for 2 at the Courthouse Restaurant. Since Revite is no longer in existance, the drawing will be held at today at the November 13 Board meeting. Renewals/new memberships are still coming in. Sixty members from 2017 have not renewed as of this date.

Respectfully submitted, Jacqueline Cote, Chair