

Report of the Museum Committee For (11/12/2018 through 12/10/2018)

We had (47) visitors sign the register for the month of (October/November).

We made no purchases of artifacts since the last report.

We had (20) individual donation of artifacts to the Museum totaling 246 items in (October/November).

John Wilcox cleaned the carpets in the traffic area for \$140, it looks great.

John Hooper cleaned the Corbin Shotguns and John & Jayna donated the \$250 fee to clean the guns. John verified the Shotguns are valued between \$12,000 and \$20,000. The gunsmith said they were in great shape and looked like they had been fired very little. They were made in 1896 in England. There are several pair of linen gloves in with the Shotguns and should be warn when handling them.

Saturday 12/8/2018, we were contacted by a collector who has three Revolutionary era documents related to Joel McGregor. He is offering to sell them to the Newport Historical Society for \$550 plus \$10 shipping. I believe Joel McGregor was living in Connecticut during his years of service to the Revolutionary Army from 1777 to 1782. He moved to Newport in 1789 and there is a State Historical Marker at the junction of Corbin Road and Route 10 North stating that he was the last surviving soldier of the Revolutionary Army. He died in 1861 at the age of 101. I do not see the value in these documents to Newport but want your opinion.

We are always looking for new Docents, training will be provided. You will enjoy your time there and will learn a little more about your Town.

Respectfully

Larry Cote, Newport Historical Society Museum Director