

ANNUAL APPEAL FOR RENEWAL

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THE HAMDEN HISTORICAL SOCIETY INCORPORATED

P. O. BOX 5512 – HAMDEN, CONNECTICUT 06518

THE JONATHAN DICKERMAN HOUSE

Dear Valued Member,

As your annual Membership in the Hamden Historical Society comes up for Renewal, I want to express my sincere thanks for your generous support of our organization.

With your renewed support, you are funding an historic house museum, a unique research library, an educational program for Hamden third graders, and town-wide preservation advocacy. Of some note, the Society showcased a new publication by Eric Lehman, *Hamden: Tales from the Sleeping Giant* at our annual meeting and also at a J.D. House reception. We participated in Hamden's Earth Day celebration offering information and displaying materials. Our cooperation with the Farmington Rails-to-Trails Association resulted in opening a canal museum at the Lockkeepers House. The Society supported grant funding for an archeological survey of Lock #14, signage at the Jepp Brook early mill site and also for a conditions assessment at the 1890 Maselli barn.

For a small, all volunteer organization, the Hamden Historical Society is active, involved and well respected; it is the only Hamden group dedicated to promoting, protecting and preserving our local history. Please help us to continue our work and renew your membership. Complete and return the enclosed Membership Renewal Form by the end of June with your tax deductible gift.

Thank you for your support,

Al Gorman, President
203-288-0017

Annual Financial Statement
January 2010 – December 2011

Income:

Interest Income	2,055
Membership Dues	1,655
Donations	419
Antique Show Contribution	2,500
Antique Show Sales (Kitchen profits)	831
Book Sales	780
Archivist Research	265
Library: Bradley Trust Fund	4,460
Rental	0
Arcadia Press (Royalty)	91
Gift: Paolella Estate	2,000
Other	70
Map Sales	40
Rails-to-Trails Assoc. (Canal Museum)	500
Bank Credit	25
Presentations	0
Total Income	\$15,691

Expenses:

Utilities	1,323
Lawn Service	1,355
Archivist Services	4,460
Archival Material	217
Memberships (Historical assoc.)	165
Printing (Newsletter)	205
Postage	163
P.O. Box Rental	72
Safety Deposit Box rental	70
J.D. House Insurance	3,291
Hospitality	150
CT Annual Report (Sec. of State)	50
Garden Club (Plants)	55
Security	371
Antique Show (Starter Expenses)	500
S.G. Park Assoc. (Book Purchase)	64
History Press (60 Hamden Books)	600
Photo Project (Canal Museum)	580
Total Expenses	\$13,691

Assets:

Checking account	2,027
Money Market	5,731
Certificate of Deposit (Inc. Bequest)	104,278
Total Assets	\$112,036

Financial Statement

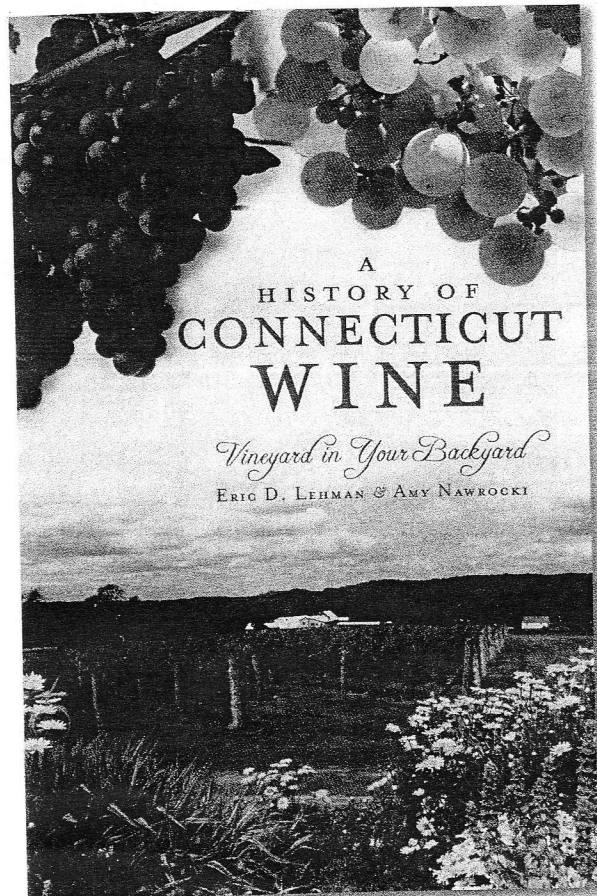
For your information, the Society's 2010 financial statement has been prepared by our Treasurer, Joe Pepe.

Our expenses were about the same as 2009, while income increased due to a successful Antique Show, special gifts, and book sales. We wish to thank our new members in 2010 and Life Members for their continued support. The Board greatly appreciated our Treasurer for his reports, oversight, and sharp pencil.

Hot off the Press!

A History of Connecticut Wine, by Amy Nawrocki and Eric B. Lehman, both Society members, has been just released by The History Press. Visiting vineyards and wineries in every corner of our state, the authors relate the story of local grape growing and wine production from the colonial period through today's established Connecticut Wine Trail.

Connecticut can claim over thirty wineries; this book can be an armchair way to visit them and many backyard vineyards as well. Eric is the author of Hamden: Tales from the Sleeping Giant and Amy is a published poet and educator. The book is available at the Hamden History Library and in book stores.



Visit us on Earth Day, Saturday April 30th, at the Hamden Middle School, 10 AM to 3 PM.

Summer Docents

We would like to open the Dickerman House Museum on weekends beginning July 2nd from 1 to 4 PM through the end of August. Please consider volunteering one afternoon, a Sunday or Saturday, to show off Hamden's only house museum to the visiting public. Call Al Gorman, 203-288-0017 to help.

Membership Support

Springtime is the period for our members to renew their support for our Historical Society. Enclosed you will find an envelope for your annual dues. Instead of a separate mailing, we have included the appeal letter and return envelope in the newsletter to save postage.

Mrs. Christian (Pam) Rendeiro, a Life Member of the Society passed in March. Pam for many years served as a Dickerman House docent, volunteered at the Antique Show, and participated in all our activities. Besides our Society, she contributed to Hamden, by not just being here, but by being involved in its community.

YOU ARE INVITED TO A LECTURE & PRESENTATION

Connecticut Baseball: The Best of the Nutmeg State

by Noted Sportswriter

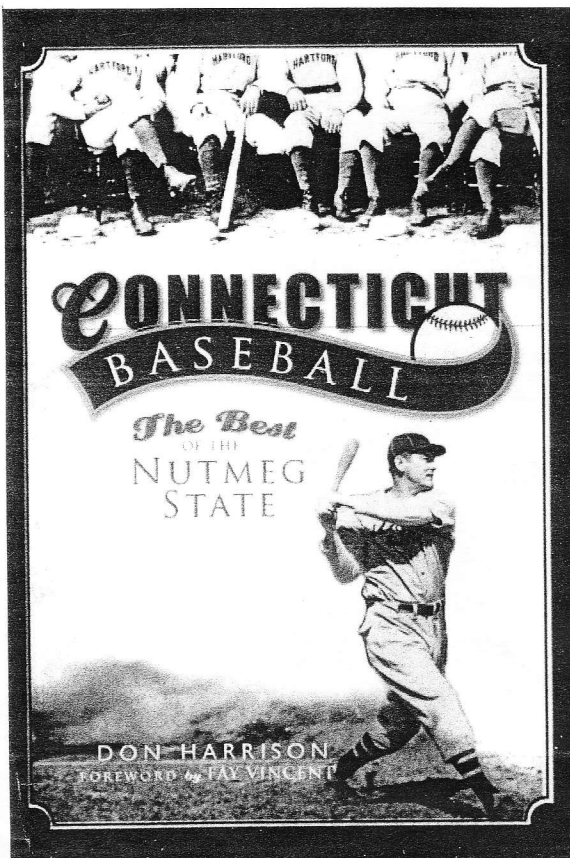
DON HARRISON

7:00 PM Thursday, May 12, 2011

HOSTED BY THE HAMDEN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

SENIOR CENTER AT MILLER MEMORIAL COMPLEX
291 DIXWELL AVENUE, HAMDEN
Public Welcome No Charge

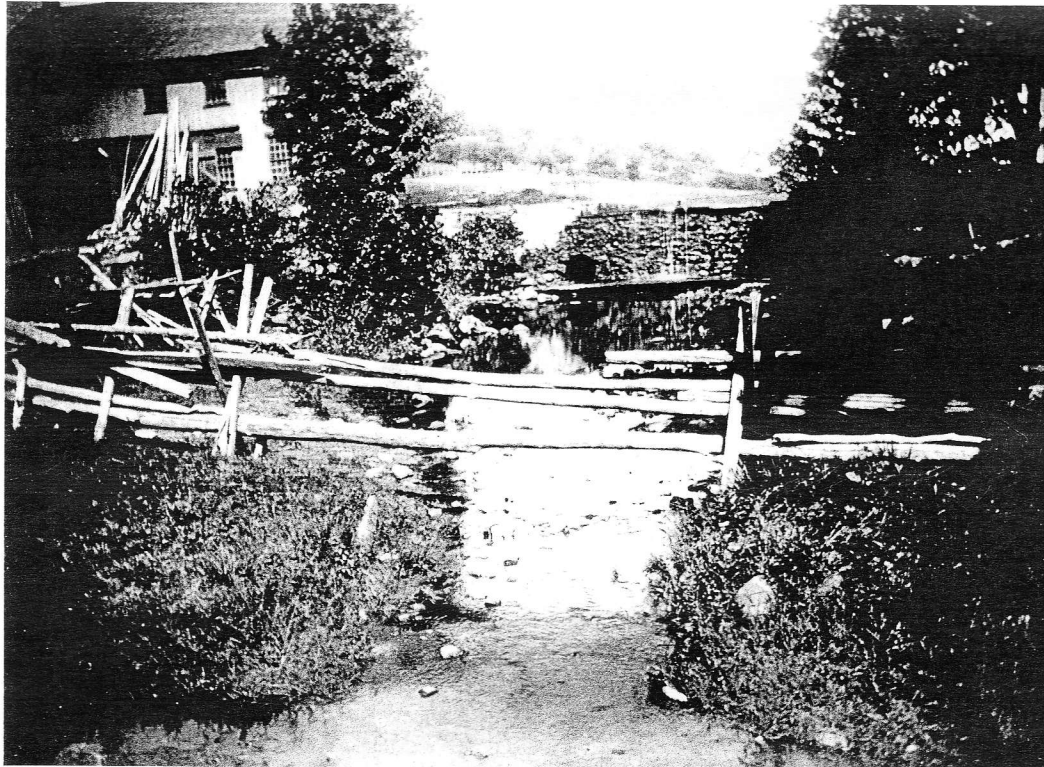
Our Annual Meeting with the election of officers will precede the presentation; refreshments will follow.



NEWSLETTER

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The Sanford Barn near the Sanford dam. Photo taken c. 1893 by "Clara" from a collection given to Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Sanford Jr. The collection was given to the Hamden History Library by Eric Lehman who received it from Sal Rizzo of Hamden.