



Canton Historical Museum

11 Front Street
Collinsville, CT 06019

NEWS BRIEF

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Winter 2017 Edition



Oktoberfest Is Back!!



Friday, October 6th from 6:00pm to 9:30pm
ADULTS 21 AND OVER ONLY! Positive ID required.
No Children or Pets Allowed!

Front Street becomes little Germany from 6:00pm to 9:30pm,. Rain date Saturday, October 7th. \$15 per admission ticket, which includes one beer or wine. Additional Beer tickets \$3 each, water and soda \$1 each. Featuring “Bad Moon Rising”, a Creedence/ Fogerty Tribute band. Food Concession by the Canton Lions Club. Beer and Wine Concession by “Wine & Liquor Warehouse”. Purchase tickets at Wine & Liquor Warehouse, the Canton Historical Museum, or at the gate the night of the event.



Gallery of Trees 2017



PLEASE NOTE: THE CANTON HISTORICAL MUSEUM WILL BE CLOSED FROM NOVEMBER 12th TO NOVEMBER 18th IN PREPARATION FOR THE GALLERY OF TREES.

Come to the museum and view the fantastic donated trees on display. Buy some teacup auction tickets for a chance to win one of the fantastic trees.

- ◆ Saturday, November 18th - Opening Reception: \$20 per ticket which includes beer and wine, hors d’oeuvres, desserts, and music.
- ◆ Sunday, November 19th to Sunday, December 10th view the trees.
- ◆ Sunday, December 10th the winning tickets will be drawn. You do not have to be present for the drawing to win a tree. All winners will be contacted via telephone.
- ◆ If you are interested in donating a decorated, artificial tree to the Gallery of Trees, please see the donation form on the inside page.

Christmas In Collinsville

December 8th from 6pm to 9:30pm and December 10th from noon to 4pm. This will be your last chance to buy Gallery of Trees tickets for the Gallery of Trees before the drawing. Also visit our Unique Boutique in the gift shop for interesting holiday items.



Canton Historical Museum: Annual Membership Drive

Dear Members, Donors, and Friends,

Over the past year the Museum has launched several initiatives to make improvements to our exhibits, public programs and the building. To this end, we have done the following:

- ◆ Conducted a review of our exhibit arrangements and artifacts.
- ◆ New exhibits of military history, cameras, ladies clothing, and hat displays. Rearranged textile display and signage.
- ◆ Added lighting in display cases.
- ◆ Removed irrelevant artifacts and inserted more meaningful items from storage.
- ◆ Installed a video security system.

Building Improvements:

- ◇ In the process of switching to LED lighting,
- ◇ Renovation of ladies room,
- ◇ Relocation of Native American artifacts. and improved signage.
- ◇ Phase I of the exterior painting and wood repairs have been started.
- ◇ Painting in some 1st and 2nd floor areas, and completion of the Collinsville Railroad Diorama.
- * Made videos of two presentations; Collins Company history, and the Collins Company buildings and their history. Plan to use for remote presentations. This will enable a museum tour to be brought to individuals and groups who are unable to attend in person.

Your Museum membership and donations are a great way to preserve Canton's history. Please renew your membership for 2018 either by mail or on-line at **<http://CantonMuseum.org>**. If you are not currently a member, please consider becoming one. Your continued support enables us to maintain and expand our exhibits, and the building, which is a former Collins Company factory building.

We are also in need of new volunteers to assume various roles as guides, greeters, fundraisers, building projects, etc. Application information is also available on our website. We appreciate your past and future support. Thank you for your consideration.

Donald Scott
President

Gallery of Trees Application
Applications appreciated by November 6, 2016

Name/Business/Organization: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Fax: _____ Email: _____

Contact Person: _____

Height of Tree: _____ Theme: _____

**You may scan & fax or email your form to harmontravel@me.com
Or mail to Marge Harmon, 68 Symonds Avenue, Canton, CT 06019**

Guidelines

Participants will provide a decorated **non-living** tree (2ft-6ft) and may be pre-lit.

Open theme - Use your imagination - Be creative!

Tree(s) can be delivered to the Museum on November 13 - 17, 2017 between 12 noon and 4:00 pm.

We will accept trees on Friday night, November 17th, until 9:00 pm for those who cannot make it during the day or by appointment - call 860 693-2012.

Please clearly label your tree with your name/business/organization.

The "Opening Night Gala" will showcase the trees on Saturday, November 20th from 6:00 pm - 9:30 pm.

Participants will be given one complimentary ticket to the Gala, in grateful appreciation of your donation of a decorated tree.

The trees will be on display at the Gala, November 19th, and Saturday, November 20th through Sunday, December 10th from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm.

Drawing for the trees will be on Sunday, December 10th at 4:15 pm.

All proceeds benefit the Canton Historical Museum Building Fund.

Questions: feel free to contact Marge Harmon @ 860 693-2012 or harmontravel@me.com



Canton Historical Society, Inc. - 11 Front Street - Canton, CT 06019

Single Member \$25

Life Member (Individual) \$500

Family Member \$50

Patron \$1000

Sustaining

Donation \$ _____

All memberships other than Life and Patron are renewable annually.

Memorial Gift \$ _____

In Memory Of _____

Please enclose your check payable to **Canton Historical Society**

If you wish to pay by credit card, please include your credit card information here.

MasterCard Visa Discover Expiration Date: _____

Card # _____ Signature: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

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