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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is with sorrow that I announce the passing of *Friends* Board member Susan Lee (Goddard) Kenney. Susan was our Corresponding Secretary for this year, served as a Member-At-Large, and was a supporter of the Museum for many years before joining the Board. She was a delightful woman, eager and willingly to tackle any task, and perform whatever needed to be done, for the *Friends* group and her community.

During our November Board Meeting, we discussed what we could do as an organization to honor Susan. It was decided that we would establish the Susan Lee Kenney Memorial Scholarship Award for Outstanding Community Service at the Dr. Helen Baldwin Middle School. One award in the amount of \$50.00 dollars will be given to an 8th grader, at the decision of the Administration and Faculty at the school, who exemplifies dedication to community service.

Her obituary can be found at:

<http://tinyurl.com/SusanKenney>

***"Let us remember: One book, one pen,
one child, and one teacher can change
the world."***

– Malala Yousafzasi

Pakistani activist for female education and the
youngest person to ever win the Nobel Peace Prize.

CURATORS REPORT

As another year draws to a close, it seems appropriate to reflect on what was a very busy and eventful season, and to look forward to what the New Year will bring. In collaboration with Friends of the Museum, the 2015 season began with this year's "No Small Courage" *Lives and Legacies* Spring Symposium which we used as a springboard to encourage additional research on the African-American students. I'm pleased to report that we know even more now about the students than we did when the season began, and the research will continue as we begin plans for the 2016 Symposium...which we're affectionately referring to as *Lives and Legacies ~ Part 2*.

Our new installation for 2015, "Beyond the Classroom" and the exhibit "Lives and Legacies" encouraged visitors to learn more about the young women who attended the school, and to explore their accomplishments in later life. New exhibits and installations for 2016 are still in the planning stage – but are scheduled to open in May. Please stay tuned!

The Museum hosted more than 2000 visitors this year, from as near as down the street, to as far away as Israel. More than 400 schoolchildren, in addition to senior groups, bus tours, and a variety of clubs and organizations from throughout New England also toured. Our publicity on social media is taking the Museum's story to "friends" all over the world ~ please follow us on Facebook, and share postings with your friends!

If you'd like to find out more about the variety of volunteer opportunities (for all ages) the museum offers, please call 860-546-7800 or email the curator directly at: kaz.kozlowski@ct.gov.

Wishing you and yours a wonderful holiday season, and a healthy and Happy New Year!

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