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AUDIO TOUR WITH MARGARET COLIN



A cell phone audio tour is now available at the museum through a donation by Guide by Cell. Each of the 15 exhibits is accompanied by a short narration by Margaret Colin. Colin is an award-winning film, tv, and stage actor and has generously donated her talent to the museum for this project.

Guide by Cell is included with museum admission and will work with most cell providers.

PUTTING OUR MONEY ON SUSAN

The country has been abuzz with theories as to who will replace Alexander Hamilton on the \$10 bill.

Adding to this excitement was United States Treasurer Rosie Rios, who visited Seneca Falls, NY, the Home of Women's Rights.

Rios spoke to the crowd in August, explaining the process of reissuing currency. Susan is among the top contenders.

The new bill is set to debut in 2020.



Treasurer Rosie Rios speaks with SBABM Board President, Carol Crossed, about the museum.

MUSEUM ADVOCACY

This year the Susan B Anthony Birthplace Museum and other museums from around the country participated in Museum Advocacy Day in Washington, D.C..



Museum advocacy day attendees.

The purpose of this collaboration included securing Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) funding, maintaining charitable giving tax credit status, and include museums as "educational institutions" within *No Child Left Behind* programming.

Colleen Janz, SBABM Exec. Director, visited the offices of Senator Elizabeth Warren, Senator Edward Markey and Congressman Richard Neal. Janz spent time with Congressman Neal discussing the importance of tourism

in the Berkshires. In addition to Janz, there were ten other museum directors and staff from the Berkshires, including Laurie Norton Moffatt of the Norman Rockwell Museum, Holly Smith-Bove of the Springfield Museums, and Dan Yaeger, President of the New England Museum Association.



While residents of Adams will be braving the elements this winter, our bunny "Lizzie" will be safe and warm inside. Lizzie greeted our patrons, especially our younger ones, this summer. While her permanent house remains outside, she is offsite under the care of one of our dedicated volunteers. She will be back in the spring!



Thank you to our local 4H group, Berkshire Jammin Critters, and Greylock Girl Scouts for a fun day with animals at the Birthplace Museum.



Gift shop Manager and Volunteer Coordinator Emily Brunell Pious, pictured next to husband Brian, represented the birthplace museum at Ramblefest.

HANDS-ON HISTORY



This summer the museum added a new exhibit especially for our early learners to its grounds. Under the guidelines set forth by the American Alliance of Museums, the Birthplace Museum will join forces with hundreds of museums across the nation to add to the early learners' experience with hands-on activities and manipulatives. Come and play as Susan may have - with natural blocks, discovery tables, time period games and toys, including a kaleidoscope.

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ARTIFACT ACQUISITION

The Birthplace Museum recently acquired Susan's slate from the Leavenworth Kansas County Historical Society. Daniel Read Anthony, brother of Susan, cherished this family relic in his Leavenworth home, where he was Mayor of the city.

Thanks to a generous donation by University Products, an archival company, this artifact is now safely displayed in a specialized humidity controlled case for all to enjoy.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are currently seeking docents, maintenance workers, gift shop workers and everything in between. Positions can be seasonal or ongoing, based on your preference.

This is the perfect time to make a commitment to your community. To find out more, or to sign up, please call Volunteer Coordinator Emily Pious, 413-743-7121.

MUSEUM MEMBERSHIP

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP \$25

- Free admission to the Birthplace Museum for 1 year.
- Advance notice to any special event, such as a speaker, dinner, or wine and cheese evening, and a 10% discount off the price of admission.

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP \$50

- Includes all of the above privileges for two adults in a household, plus all under 18 who accompany them.

SUSTAINER MEMBERSHIP \$125

- Includes all the benefits of a Family Membership
- North American Reciprocal Museum privileges. (NARM) membership extends the standard set of membership benefits to a network of over 400 other museums in the U.S. and Canada. A member in any participating museum gains the free admission and store discount of museum member visits.
- Four complementary passes for use by other adults.
- 11x17 inch copy of Susan B. Anthony's childhood image.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL THE MUSEUM AT
413-743-7121, OR E-MAIL
INFO@SUSANBANTHONYBIRTHPLACE.ORG

2020 marks the 100th Anniversary of Suffrage, and the Museum is getting ready to celebrate! We will embark on a 19th, early 20th century journey through time with the help of museums, program grantors, and historic sites throughout the Commonwealth for “100 Things To Do to Celebrate 100 years of Suffrage.”

Visit our website, Facebook and Twitter for more information.

OUR OWN WOMAN PRESIDENT



University of Michigan intern Megan Kernohan and Museum Director Colleen Janz met with actor Margaret Colin who played Edith Wilson in the play, “The Second Mrs. Wilson,” at Long Wharf Theater, New Haven CT. President Woodrow Wilson’s second wife, Edith, ran the country during the his long illness.



Diane Taraz, a folk musician and historical performer, was the main attraction at the opening of Susan B. Anthony Days in Adams, MA.

END-OF-YEAR APPEAL

Your generosity and support allows us to offer quality programming and maintain this historic house.

Please take a moment to make a **tax-deductible donation** today - [donate online \(click here\)](#) or mail: SBABM 67 East Road - PO Box 244 Adams, MA 01220

SBABM STATE AWARD FINALIST



SBABM Board member and Anthony family descendent, Eric Anthony, received official recognition on behalf of the museum Board.

The Susan B. Anthony Birthplace Museum was chosen as a finalist for the Massachusetts Nonprofit Network’s 2015 Nonprofit Excellence Awards.

Board President, Carol Crossed, reflected on winning this award.

“In just nine short years, the Board and the Berkshire community have made the neglected birthplace of America’s greatest human rights heroine, Susan B Anthony, into a highly reputable museum.”

Thanks to the hard work of the citizens of Adams and Anthony family descendants, we are able to honor Susan by sharing her legacy with all.”

A SUSAN “SELFIE”?

The museum provide visitors at Susan B Anthony Days, a townwide summer festival, with a camera to take “selfies” with hometown heroine Susan B. So, what do you think she would say about this social trend?

Visit www.susanbanthonybirthplace.org and scroll down the page to vote in our poll!



GIFT SHOP NEWS

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Will last a lifetime at least
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With meaningful gifts
You can wear, learn from, or play*

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Call to arrange private tours: 413-743-7121



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ABOUT US

In 2006, Birthplace Museum founders took on the task of restoring the house, which had been vacant for 11 years and formally privately owned. The Birthplace Museum opened in the spring of 2010.

This rural, Federal-style home, now listed in the National Register, contains a portrait gallery, legacy room, and birthing room — depicting family and work life in the early 1800s—as well as authentic period pieces, ephemera, and a detailed timeline.



MISSION

The Susan B. Anthony Birthplace Museum, Inc. is a not-for-profit corporation, dedicated to preserving the birthplace and raising public awareness of the wide-ranging legacy of the great social reformer, Susan B. Anthony, who was a pioneering feminist and suffragist as well as a noteworthy figure in the abolitionist, opposition to Restellism (opposition to abortion), and temperance movements of the 19th century.

As part of its mission, the Museum will highlight the familial and regional influences which shaped Ms. Anthony's early life, by displaying the textiles and furnishings of that period, as well as the literature and other memorabilia associated with her later career.