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**Fairfield Historical Society Closes Library In Preparation for
Move Into New Museum**

FAIRFIELD (MARCH 16) – The Fairfield Historical Society will close the doors to its library on April 30, 2007 in preparation for its move into the new Fairfield Museum and History Center, located at 370 Beach Road.

The library, considered one of the state’s most important and comprehensive historical archives, is utilized by more than 5,000 researchers each year. It is home to over 10,000 volumes on the history of Fairfield, Fairfield County, and the State of Connecticut. In addition, there are 700 linear feet of archives and manuscripts, over 2,000 photographs, microforms, maps and other materials, including a comprehensive collection of genealogy resources.

Additionally, the library contains a collection of genealogical working papers and published genealogies, bible and cemetery records, census indexes dating back to 1790 for the 13 original states, passenger and immigration lists, information on Fairfield’s historic buildings, a home preservation and renovation resource center, and numerous journals and periodicals.

At the Fairfield Museum and History Center, the library is sure to attract both scholars and students alike. Library-goers will find the new library a beautiful, comfortable environment with the latest in library technology, and are certain to enjoy a spacious new Reading Room, designed to overlook the town green.

The library will re-open at the Fairfield Museum and History Center’s grand opening, planned for September 16, 2007. In addition to a newly designed library, the museum will offer a modern museum, education classrooms and community meeting space. The museum expands the Fairfield Historical Society’s role as a community resource, and looks forward to providing the region with an unprecedented cultural resource.

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