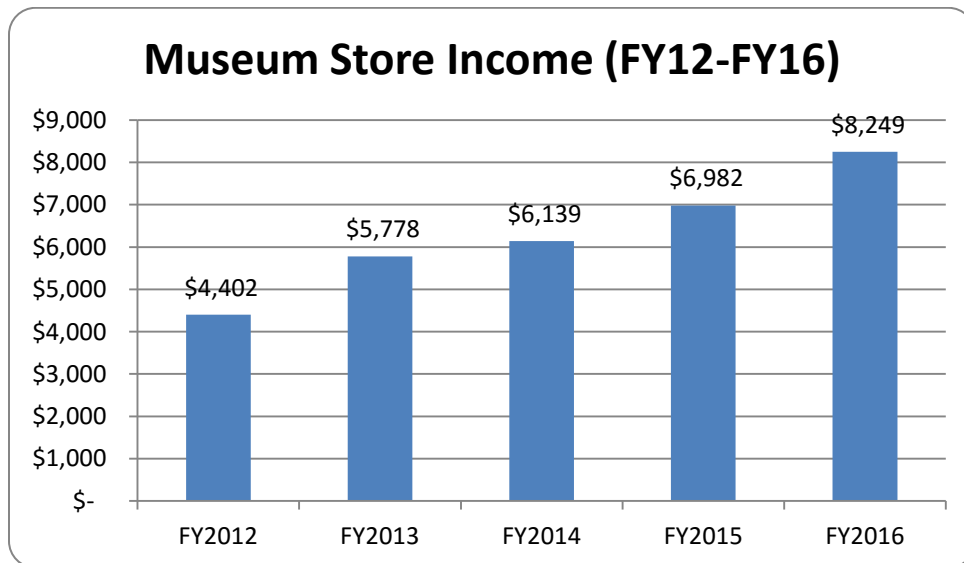


**Carl Sandburg Historic Site Association
FY2016 Highlights
(July 2015 – June 2016)**

1. **Successful First Endowment Campaign / December – June 2016.** Raised \$12,010.50. Received matching \$10,000 grant from Galesburg Community Foundation. **Total \$22,010.50.**
2. **Sponsored Chris Vallillo Concert** – April 27, 2016. Joint Endowment Fund Raiser with Central Congregational Church.
3. **Eight Songbag Concerts Fall 2015 & Spring 2016** – Most concerts very well-attended.
 - a. **Fall 2015**
 - i. August 29, 2015 – Mike Anderson
 - ii. September 26, 2015 – Phil Passen
 - iii. October 31, 2015 – David Berchtold
 - iv. November 28, 2015 – Dan Eilers
 - b. **Spring 2016**
 - i. February 27, 2015 – Wacky Keys
 - ii. March 26, 2016 – Dry Rock & Roll Band
 - iii. April 30, 2016 – Roundstone Buskers
 - iv. May 28, 2016 – John Heasley
4. **Osher Lifelong Learning Class, Bradley University – October 2015.** Members of the CSHSA taught four weekly courses on Carl Sandburg’s life & legacy. Martha Downey, Barry Swanson, Rex Cherrington & Mike Hobbs presented the four class sessions ... receiving rave reviews.
5. **April 2016 Penny Parade raised \$1,149.21.**
6. **Museum Store FY2016 Income showed an increase of 18% over FY2015.** Highest sales since 2007 when the site was open 7 days a week with 2 staff members.



7. **Inklings & Idlings** – Editor Mike Hobbs published four more excellent quarterly newsletters.
8. **Museum Store - New merchandise item & reprint added** –
 - a. Stoneware Mugs (Deneen Pottery, Minnesota).
 - b. Published and printed 100 reprint edition of George Swank’s 1983 edition of ***Carl Sandburg: Galesburg & Beyond*** (2016) with the kind permission of the Galva Historical Society. Obtained ISBN.
9. **Maintenance & Repair**
 - a. Barn Doors Replaced – Thank you, Gary Wagle!
 - b. Porch on Cottage Rebuilt – Thank you, Rex Cherrington!
 - c. Landscape lighting repaired and/or replaced.
10. **Carl Sandburg Statue Dedication, April 30, 2016** – Members of CSHSA participated in the Dedication Ceremony of Lonnie Stewart’s Carl Sandburg Statue in the Central Square Park area across from Central Congregational Church.

11. CSHSA Memberships FY 2016

Memberships 2016 Received – (through Sept 10, 2016)

| CSHSA MEMBERSHIPS (as of 31-Aug-2016) | | | | | |
|--|--------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Total \$\$ | | \$ 2,340 | \$ 2,655 | \$ 3,015 | \$ 2,810 |
| CSHSA Memberships | | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 |
| TOTAL | | 68 | 66 | 69 | 71 |
| Senior | \$ 10 | 25 | 21 | 17 | 22 |
| Individual | \$ 20 | 20 | 18 | 21 | 20 |
| Family | \$ 40 | 14 | 14 | 18 | 18 |
| Donor | \$ 100 | 8 | 10 | 11 | 10 |
| Sponsor | \$ 250 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 |

12. CSHSA Website / Facebook – FY2016

- a. Forty-five (45) Sandburg’s Hometown articles written by Barbara Schock were added to our website and posted on the CSHSA Facebook page as well as on Remember When in Galesburg Facebook page. Total Sandburg’s Hometown articles posted: February 4, 2013 through September 5, 2016: 174 article posts.
 - b. CSHSA Website updated on regular basis with Endowment Campaign, Songbag Concert, Penny Parade and other news and events.
13. **Sandburg Days Festival 2016** – CSHSA Board Members participated in the event planning and the programs.
 14. **Semi-annual Fall & Spring Garden Clean-up** – October 7 & April 20, 2016. Led by the Knox County Master Gardeners. CSHSA members participated in the cleanup activities along with a number of wonderful volunteers!