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The Newport Historical Society has maintained a library and museum of Newport and Rhode Island history since its incorporation in 1854. For almost 150 years the Society has continued to grow in membership and in the extent and diversity of its collection.

Society activities include lectures, walking tours, and educational outreach programs and special events. The Seventh Day Baptist Meeting House, built in 1730, now attached to the main building, is a treasure of colonial architecture. The library and manuscript collections contain a wealth of information for researchers.

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- Subscription to the quarterly journal Newport History, which contains a variety of articles on Newport County's past, and a periodic newsletter with information about the Society's activities.
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- Reduced rates for all educational programs, special events, and activities.
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