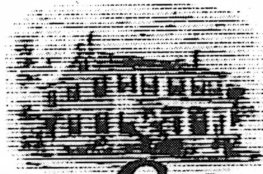


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HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

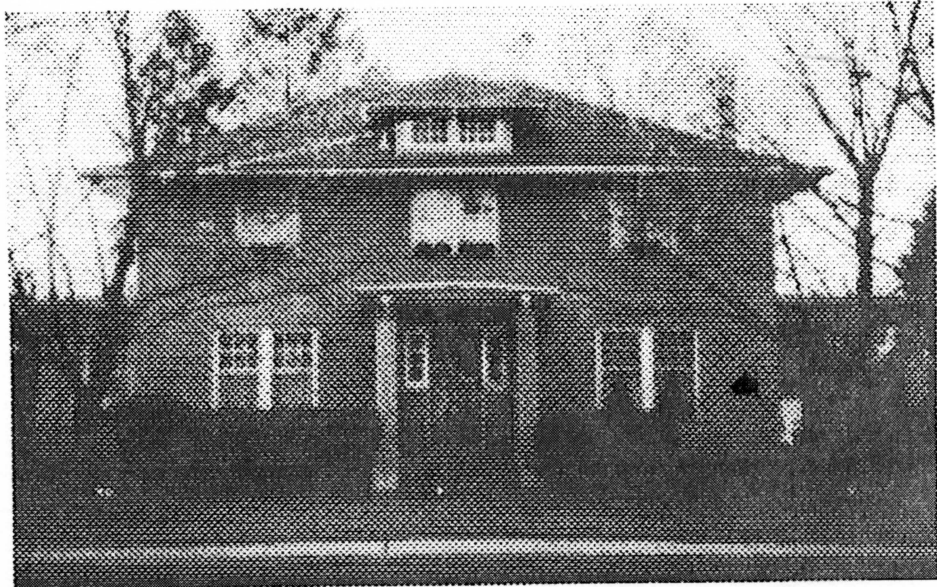
JANUARY - FEBRUARY, 1992

ANNUAL BANQUET TO FEATURE RAILROAD PROGRAM

The Society's annual winter banquet will be held on Sunday, January 19, 1992, at 1:00 P.M. at the Coach & Four Restaurant on Route 33 in Hightstown. Social hour will begin at 12:30 P.M. Following the meal, an interesting illustrated program on the Camden & Amboy Railroad will be given by John Kilbride of East Windsor. John is a past President and officer of the Camden & Amboy Railroad Historical Society, and is presently serving as President of the United Railroad Historical Society of New Jersey, which represents the state's seventeen rail historical organizations in their drive to develop a state railroad and transportation museum. He has written several articles for national publications, and is currently researching the history of New Jersey's Mercer and Somerset Railroad. His program will discuss the history of the railroad line through Hightstown and East Windsor that played such a crucial role in the growth and importance of our area in the 1800's and early 1900's.

To make reservations, please complete the form that accompanies this newsletter and return it with a check payable to HEWHS, 164 North Main Street, Hightstown, NJ 08520 Attn: Banquet. Please include your telephone number in case there are any last minute questions. Prices are \$15.00 per person for Chicken Florentine, \$15.00 per person for Baked Filet of Flounder, and \$18.00 per person for New York Sirloin Strip Steak. For further information, call Dr. David Martin at (609) 490-7520 (day) or (609) 448-6355 (evening). The deadline for reservations is January 13, 1992!

See reservation form on page 4.



The Forman Updike House, located at 416 South Main Street, was built in 1915. It represents a good example of the Post-Victorian "Arts and Crafts Style".

HISTORIC SITES IN HIGHTSTOWN AND EAST WINDSOR

(The Fifth Installment in a Continuing Series)

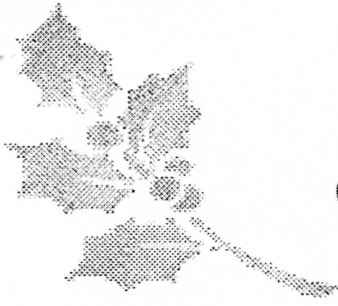
This house was built in 1915 for Forman A. and Bertha D. Updike, who lived here until their respective deaths in 1951 and 1952. Forman Updike held several important positions during his career. Updike, together with Charles D. Mason, formed Updike & Mason, a local coal dealership, whose office was located on Mercer Street. Even before building this house, Updike had been president of the Hightstown Building & Loan Association, and was appointed a director of the First National Bank of Hightstown. He would later become its president. He also served as president of the Hightstown-East Windsor Board of Education, as trustee of the First Baptist Church of Hightstown, and as trustee of Cedar Hill Cemetery.

The business relationship of Mason and Updike was also reflected in their personal lives and in the design of their homes. Their wives, Bertha Updike and Cora Mason,

were sisters, daughters of Thomas Dey. The Masons lived next door at 408 South Main Street, the near twin of this house. Both houses were built in 1915 in what has been called the "Arts and Crafts" style, which several houses in Hightstown exemplify. As a reaction to the complicated excesses of the Victorian era's Queen Anne style, of which the Dr. George E. Titus house (210 South Main Street) is a good example, "Arts and Crafts" houses often featured a plain stucco exterior, an open plan, and a plenitude of stained oak woodwork. All these features can be seen inside the Updike house.

In 1953, Homer W. and Virginia S. Jones purchased this house. Ralph E. and Ruth O. Juergens purchased it in 1961. In 1969, John J. and Sue D. Hunt purchased it. Sue D. Hunt purchased it in 1978. The current owners, Ronald W. and Eileen M. Couturier purchased it in 1980.

HOLIDAY GREETING CARD:



We Wish You Joy, In The Holiday Season And

Lewis and Joanne Allen
Allen & Stults Co.
Alice E. and Harold E. Applegate
Tom and Goldie Applegate
Dorothy Ashton
Richard and Andrea Aughenbaugh
Jim, Thelma and Evelyn Babcock
Jon A. Baumunk
Red, Rose and Ronnie Becker
Ellen and Joe Beely
Hilda Beytas
The Birdsall Family
Ruth and Allen Black
Frank and Peggy Brennan
Lorraine and Peggy Buckelew
Ibby and Bob Carson
Scott Caster
Joan and Joe Catelli
Gus and Kay Christie
Each & Four Restaurant at the Town House Motel
David and Suzanne Schafer-Coates,
Henry and Malcolm
Josephine and Henry Coates
Coca Cola Co. - Foods Division
Horace M. Cornell
The Cox Clan Plus One
Estelle and Bill Craig
Marlene, Bob and Jared Craig
Kenneth C. Croshaw
George and Joan Crosson
Betty and Milt Cunningham
Cunningham Pharmacy - Robert M. Hillman
Herbert Davison

Miss Josephine Dawes
Kathryn S. Dennis
Irene Dey
Jim, Judy, Elizabeth, Sara and Andrew DiCecco
George and Peg Dubell
Isabel and Kenneth Duryee
Chris and Sharon Eldridge
Isabelle P. Eldridge
Adele E. Ely
Edith V. Erving
Frank and Bobbie Ficarro, Andrea, Larry and Alita
Mr. and Mrs. Grover C. Field
Dr. and Mrs. Louis Fishman
Betty, Larry and Cindi Galcher
Helen and David Goldstein
Beverly L. Goodman
Earl, Chris, Gretchen and Lisa Groendyke
Lois H. Groendyke
Lester and Phyllis Grover
Dale and Gary Grubb
William J. Gumersell
Lillian Hageman
Maurie and Mary Hageman
Willis and Shirley Hancock
Walter E. Harvey
John Hazel
Joanne D. Heal
Ben Hernwall
The Donald M. Hiles, Sr. Family
Mrs. Anne Hill
Art and Shirley Huetteman
Clark J. Hutchinson
Gordon and Hazel Hutchinson

Peace And Health For All Throughout The Year.



Dorothy E. Ivins
 Mr. and Mrs. Timothy J. Kely
 Howard and Betty Klank
 Melvin H. Kreps, Sr.
 Richard D. Lanning
 John, Nancy, Becky and Johnny Laudemberger
 Lee Turkey Farm
 Bernie and Palma Lillis
 David and Peter Martin
 Edith Martin
 The Martinelli Family
 Mr. James N. Mastoris
 Dr. and Mrs. Michael N. Mastoris, Kimberley,
 Nicholas and Anthony
 Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas A. Mastoris
 Sharon Matson and John
 Gertrude and Henry May
 Adelaide H. Mitchell
 David and Adrienne Moore
 Jay Newman and Pat Norris Newman
 Old Hights Print Shop - Cathy and Dick Simmons
 Warren and Shirley Olsen, Tom and Andrea
 Charles and Mary O'Reilly
 John and Gloria Orr
 Frances and Michael Pane
 Rosalie Pataro
 Jo-Ann and Bud Perrine, Robert and Laura MacAllister
 Ruth Shangle Pierce
 Shirley and Frank Pochick
 The Portrudes of the Express Press
 Sara F. and Clifford R. Pullen
 Dick and Mary Anna Reeves and Helen Jacobs
 Clarence Reill

Kitty Richardson
 Mrs. Ruth E. Rickards
 Grace N. Rogers
 Jeannette and Bill Rue
 Emilia and George Ruskiewicz
 Raymond and Edith Russo
 Faith and Gene Sarafin
 Joyce R. Sears
 Jerry Schulster
 Dr. J. Smith and Family, Robin, Sarah, Emily
 and Rebecca
 Bob Sprout
 John and Carol Sprout
 Joyce and Bud Stackhouse
 Dr. and Mrs. John F. Stanoch, David and Julie
 Mrs. C. Stanley Stults
 The Charles S. Stults Family
 Roy and Virginia Sturdivant
 Mac, Myra and Chip Sugg
 Dorothy Suttmeier
 Vinton and Maribelle Taylor
 Clara and Edgar Thomas
 Elsa M. Tift
 The Town Shop - Bee Rogers
 Margaret Tybus
 Leo van den Blink
 Torry, Judy, David and Beth Watkins
 Beth and George Wham
 The Zaitz Family
 Hazel Zirkle



THE 1991 NEW JERSEY STATE CHRISTMAS TREE TO FEATURE SOCIETY ORNAMENT

The society received a request to donate an ornament to be hung on the New Jersey State Christmas Tree. The request came from the New Jersey Division of Travel and Tourism on behalf of Mrs. Florio. The tree is located at the State House in Trenton. What an excellent opportunity to showcase our Society! Our thanks to Amy Aughenbaugh for transporting our ornament to the Office of the First Lady in Trenton.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS	
January	
8	Executive Committee (7:30PM)
13	Annual Banquet Reservation Deadline
19	Annual Banquet (1PM)
February	
5	Executive Committee (7:30PM)

AREA MILK BOTTLE QUERY

My father and I are milk bottle collectors. The bottles we have in our collections are mostly from the Hightstown-East Windsor area and other local towns. I grew up in Hightstown and have a great interest in the dairies that existed there. My goal is to obtain bottles and related items from every dairy that existed in Hightstown-East Windsor. So far I have been able to find out that there

were about eight different dairies or farmers:

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| 1. Deckers Dairy | 2. Conovers Dairy |
| 3. Russel Davidson | 4. Miller Brothers |
| 5. Frank Hauser | 6. Swinger |
| 7. Coward | 8. Croshaw |

(unsure if Croshaw bottled milk or just raised cows)

I am interested in obtaining bottles and information from these dairies or any others that might have bottled milk. Doug Eiker, 43 Sandford Street, Tuckerton, NJ 08087 (609) 296-0973.

BANQUET 1992 RESERVATION FORM

Return this form with check payable to: **HEWHS, 164 North Main Street, Hightstown, NJ 08520 Att: Banquet.** Please give the name and meal choice of each person attending. *Please print!*

[Reservation deadline is January 13, 1992]

Name(s)	Chicken, Fish or Steak
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Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Total Reservations: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

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