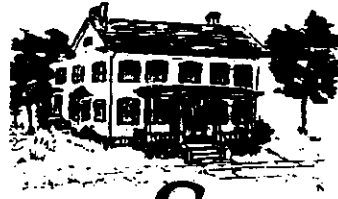


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SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 1996

TIME CAPSULE FOUND

THE EXISTENCE OF THE TIME CAPSULE COMES TO LIGHT

by Richard S. Hutchinson

On a Sunday afternoon in April with nothing better to do, I went to Ely House as I have done so many other days and nights over the winter months, and began the tedious process of computerizing the "contents" of the society's manuscript holdings.

On this particular day, I had been working on several folders and in one folder of no real consequence, which held only a few pieces of paper, I saw a small newspaper column. The column had no date or newspaper identification. However, knowing the names of many of the early residents in the column as being residents of Hightstown, it was obvious to me that the article was referring to Hightstown. Upon

further reading, the article indicated that Elmer Rogers, at his own time and expense, had collected the photographs of the 1921 Bicentennial of Hightstown, identified them all on their backs, and placed them in a time capsule within the wall surrounding the lake near Memorial Park. The time capsule fashioned by Rogers, a local undertaker, was a copper box that was silver-plated and inscribed. It was then placed inside another copper box which was soldered closed. The article also identified the items placed in the time capsule which included a photograph of the Vice President of the United States, who had attended Hightstown's Bicentennial in 1921. The article continued that the time capsule was

placed "behind" a white granite stone with the words "Memorial Park" inscribed on it.

After reading this, I couldn't believe what I was reading. So, I carefully re-read the article. Needless to say, I decided to stop my work and take a walk over to Memorial Park. As I was walking towards the falls, there it was. A white stone with "Memorial Park" but with the additional item of "1923". I quietly went home and got a tape measure and came back to the park and measured the stone which was 31" in length. Could this time capsule still be there? Had no one discovered it or known

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

- Sept. 9 Business Meeting, 7:30 P.M., Ely House
- Sept. 18 "A Few of My Favorite Things", 7:30 P.M., Ely House

OCTOBER

- Oct. 7 Business Meeting, 7:30 P.M., Ely House
- Oct. 17 Old Hightstown, Panel Discussion & Video, 7:30 P.M., Meadow Lakes

SOCIETY'S NEWSLETTER WINS ANOTHER AWARD

Near the end of 1995, the Society's newsletter, "*Hightstown-East Windsor Historical Society News*", was submitted by the editor to the National Genealogical Society (NGS), Washington, D.C., for inclusion in their 1995 Newsletter Competition. This is a nationwide competition open to all historical societies whereupon the newsletters entered are judged in one of two categories; the Genealogical Society Category and the Family Association/Society Category. The awards given are for First Place, First Runner-up, and five Honorable Mention Category awards. This competition culminates each year at the NGS National Convention when the award winning newsletters are displayed during the four day national convention. This year's convention was held in May in Nashville, Tennessee.

Dr. Thomas was notified by letter from Carolyn J. Nell, President of the National Genealogical Society, just prior to the NGS National Convention that the Society's newsletter had received a 2nd Honorable Mention Award in the Genealogical Society Category and placing fourth overall in this category in the national competition. The letter stated, "The committee evaluated each newsletter for material interest, variety and originality; writing and editing quality; readability and attractiveness; and overall publication makeup. In case a tie-breaker had been needed, they also recorded a score for the sense of community that they felt from reading your publication. The competition was close. Your editor's work received strong comments in most areas, particularly in the sense of community. Elements

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Local Families

THE LESHINS AND THE GOLDSTEINS

by Robert W. Craig

Seldom have we thought of ourselves as a community of immigrants, but in the early years of the 20th century, Hightstown and East Windsor were enlivened by the arrival of a number of families from New York City who, shortly before, had been immigrants from Europe. These included both a number of German families who swelled the ranks of parishioners at Saint Anthony of Padua Roman Catholic Church, and Jewish families from Eastern Europe and Russia. Among the latter were the Leshins and the Goldsteins.

Their family stories begin in Poland. Samuel Leschinsky was born in 1900 at the city of Brest-Litovsk (which was a part of Russia but was later transferred to Poland). He was the small child shown in a family portrait photograph taken in 1901 and still treasured by his daughter Helen. His father, Charles Haskell Leschinsky, born about 1857, decided to bring his family to America in 1910, when they came to New York City. There they shortened their name to Leshin. Harry Leshin, Samuel's older brother, was able to attend and graduate from Fordham University in the Bronx, and become a physician. Samuel stayed in Manhattan, and it was there that Helen Leshin was born in 1926.

Philip Goldstein was born in 1890 at Makova, in Poland, and about 1910 he married Freida Schneider (later Anglicized to Snyder) who had been born in the capital city, Warsaw, about 2 years after Philip. They began their family before leaving for America, and their oldest son, Maurice, was born in Poland. They arrived in New York City in the early 1910s, but Philip was not comfortable with life in the city. He had a brother Joseph in the clothing business, living in Freehold, NJ, and he took the family there. Philip himself had become an expert tailor, and tailoring would remain his career. On a chance visit to Hightstown not long after he came to Freehold, he decided to bring the family here. Years later he would tell others that he got off the train and that he simply fell in love with the town. They would move into 120 Stockton Street and raise all their children there. Precisely when the Goldsteins first came is unclear, but their oldest daughter Doris was

born here in 1915, and their next son, David, came in 1917.

Simon and Judith Schneider (no apparent relation to Freida), who were Russian emigrants to Massachusetts, came to Hightstown probably during the early 20th century, and for a time ran a furniture factory here. They also bought the old Wyckoff house and farm, which then contained 88 acres, at 564 South Main Street, and made their home there. Their daughter Dora, who had been born in Boston during the family's years there, married Harry Leshin in 1923. She went to live with him in Brooklyn where his medical practice was located. After several years, however, Harry caught some type of infection from one of his patients, and without modern medicines it was untreatable. As a result, he developed a heart condition that would not permit him to climb the stairs to his New York apartment and office. So he and Dora came to Hightstown to her parents home on South Main Street, where Harry continued his career. (This office would later be taken over by Dr. Louis Fishman, and then by Dr. Rebecca Notterman.)

For young Helen Leshin of New York, it was a pleasant excursion to come out on the train and visit "Uncle Harry." And it was on one of these visits, after the war, that she met Dave Goldstein. He had gone back to New York to study pharmacy in the 1930s, and earned a B.A. at the Columbia College of Pharmacy in 1939. He went to work for the Walgreen chain in New York and managed several of their drugstores, including one in Times Square. But with working six days a week with only Mondays off, David was unsatisfied, and sought to do something else. Somehow he managed to earn a Master's Degree at Teachers College, Columbia University, in 1941, and he expected to go into teaching science and math in the public schools. But the war came shortly afterward, and Dave entered the Army at Fort Dix and spent the next three years in the South Pacific. He spent time in Hawaii, New Guinea, and Australia, but when MacArthur made his triumphal return to the Phillipines, David was wounded at Leyte and returned to the States to recover. He spent the next six months in three different hospitals before returning home to Hightstown.

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Drug store interior, Main Street, Hightstown, New Jersey, circa 1940s.

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about it? Had it been forgotten after all these years? I decided that there was only one way to find out and that was to ask; but quietly.

After seeing the 1923 date on the stone and being fairly certain that the article had been in the "Hightstown Gazette", I decided to do some further research. I examined all issues of the paper during 1923 and found the exact column in a December 1923 issue. Now, I knew that the column was legitimate and not a hoax.

I then asked those that should know if such an item existed or if such an item had ever been recovered and no one really knew about it. I contacted Dr. Thomas and advised him of what I thought I had, and as always, received encouragement "to go for it." He suggested that I prepare a proposal that could be presented to Council. Because Memorial Park is Borough property, it was obvious that I needed approval in order to tear down a wall surrounding a lake!

After putting together a proposal but prior to presenting it to Council, I contacted an old school chum, Larry Blake, who is the Superintendent of Public Works, and asked him if he could put his metal detector to work. So, both Blake and I quietly walked over to the stone wall, near the steps leading up to the catwalk across the dam, and he probed the wall and the "block" with the detector. After less than a minute, we knew that the "time capsule" was still there. The proposal was then confidently presented to the Borough Council through our liaison, Councilman Warren Olsen. Council approved the proposal and granted permission to attempt to recover the time capsule. Now, it was my "show" and the pressure was on my shoulders. What if it wasn't there? Nah, we had the metal detector hit! Several times I had thoughts of the infamous televised show about Al Capone's vault that turned up empty.

For days, I studied the wall. I looked through the crumbling mortar holding the stone in place and could see light through the wall under the cap stone covering the block. It looked completely flat across the top. The block looked too wide for anything to be "behind" it. So, was it inside the block? But, if the block was flat across the top, then how was the box put in it? Was it hollow like a cornerstone? All these questions but no answers. I decided to contact a monument man and Jim Christianson came down and quietly took a look at the block. He advised me that the "block" was not granite but was preformed concrete. But, he didn't if it would be hollow or not. So, I decided that I needed a stone mason to help on this project. I enlisted the help of a local mason, Earl Groendyke, who just happens to be the son of the Society's Corresponding Secretary, Lois Groendyke.

Everything began to fall in place quickly. I returned from a trip to Texas on the 21st of May, Earl Groendyke contacted me on the 22nd, and one half hour later we were examining the "block" in the wall. A plan was developed and he indicated that he could do it the next day at 8:00AM. I then made arrangements with Blake and by the afternoon we were ready. In fact, things happened so fast, that I didn't have time to call some people. I received a call from Councilman Olsen the evening of the 22nd indicating that he had heard late that afternoon that we were going to attempt the recovery in the morning. I told him that was accurate.

On the Thursday morning, May 23rd, at 8:00AM, and just two days before the town was to celebrate its 275th Anniversary and the 100th Anniversary of Peddie Bridge, a small group of people met by the dam - Mayor Caster, Councilman Olsen, Skip Cox, WZBN-TV cameraman, Larry Blake and some of his men, and myself. But, the most important person in the whole group was the mason, Earl Groendyke. With a portable generator for power, the seven foot cap stone covering the block was cut in half and then lifted from the top of the wall. This exposed the top of the "block" that was supposed to be in front of the time capsule. Nothing but more stone was behind it. After slowly

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removing the stone work around the block, it was loose enough so that a strap could be placed around it and it could be lifted from the wall. As the backhoe began to raise the block, but before it was completely free, we looked under it. You could see from the bottom that the back of the block had been hand chiseled out, an inch or two, but no copper box was visible behind it. After the block finally broke free and was laid on the ground, everyone anxiously peered toward the wall to a spot behind where the block had sat all these years; but there was nothing. Just more stone. Where was the box?

Initially, I was concerned. However, I assured those present that we had a strong metal detection and I was positive it was there. Earl Groendyke began to pound on the mortar base that the block had sat on and he noticed a different sound. With a few more taps, his hammer broke through the mortar into a cavity. He told us that he hit metal and there in the cavity was the box! The mortar was quickly broken out and the box was retrieved from the wall. Everyone in the crowd, which by now had grown considerably from those pedestrians walking by and wondering what was going on, peered over each others shoulders trying to get a better view or a better camera shot.

Once the box was recovered, like a pied piper with his pipe in hand, the crowd began to follow us, stopping traffic in the busy intersection, and walked across North Main Street to the Public Works Garage. I advised them that the inner box was silver plated and inscribed and cautioned them to be careful in cutting it open. Not knowing how it was constructed, we didn't want to apply a torch to it due to the heat. Carefully, three sides of the box were cut off and as the box was being moved to a new position in the vise about a quarter of a cup of water poured out of the outer box. At this point, I became very worried. Everyone let out a collective, "Oh, no!" Slowly the top was bent back which exposed a beautifully crafted, silver plated, copper box which was shaped like a coffin complete with a domed lid. The lid was inscribed and was held in place by screws threaded into the lower

portion of the inner box. Someone yelled for a screwdriver and with cameras flashing and TV cameras rolling the lid was removed from the "coffin like" time capsule.

The first thing that was seen by anyone in 73 years was the beautiful quill writing in a brown ink. Then there were the many photos. The inside of the inner box was not wet as the inner lid had been fitted with a rubber gasket. However, the items in it were very damp from the condensation over the years. The box was then handed to me and I began to take out a few of the items. Seeing that they were rather damp, it was suggested by Mayor Caster that we immediately take the items up into the Council Chambers and allow them to air dry.

As the items were pulled from the box, everyone was amazed at the quantity and the quality of the 8" x 10" photographs coming out of this little item. Seventy five photos in all with only two small photos having lost their images. The rest were in beautiful shape. In addition to the photos, there were two medals worn during the 1921 Bicentennial; one by John G. Scheible, the owner and proprietor of what was then the Railroad Hotel. There was a hard bound book of Elmer Roger's poems entitled, "Idle Moments", a copy of the proposed town ordinances, a few small paper items, and a note from Elmer J. Rogers to the community, which read:

"This box and contents were presented to the people of Hightstown by Elmer J. Rogers born in Hightstown Sept 1, 1863. In business here at this date. Son of Job S. Rogers and Elizabeth Conover Rogers. Nov. 28, 1923."

Quickly the items were laid out on the tables to dry but just as quickly they were picked up and examined by the curious. Each photograph was identified on the back. Each personal portrait in the box contained not only the name of the person but their entire personal information such as birth date, place, parent's names, when they came to Hightstown, where they were educated, etc. As the photos were being examined, the word spread fast, and soon

the room was filled with the curious and the amazed.

All in all, it was a tremendous find! This time capsule has given us some photos of buildings that do not exist any longer and they show the former structures as they looked when they were being used and not when they were being torn down. These photos were put on display at Ely House for 2 hours each day over the three day Memorial Weekend and over 300 persons walked through to view with amazement and awe at what one person had done for their community. One of the persons viewing the photographs, was Society Life Member, Herbert Braunfels Davison, of Meadow Lakes. As he looked at the "time capsule" photographs, he pointed out the portraits of his mother, father, and grandfather. Little did he know, that also in the "time capsule" were portraits of himself, age 8, and that of his sister, Margaret Honaker Davison, age 9.

We owe a great debt of gratitude to Elmer J. Rogers for his foresight and obvious enthusiasm for his community in 1923. Hopefully, the new present day (1996) photos going back into the same "time capsule" and placed in the same position within the wall will provide the citizens of this community 100 years from now with the same excitement, amazement and enthusiasm for their community, as this time capsule has done for us.

I wonder when this new "time capsule" will be discovered and opened? How will anyone know about it? Maybe they'll find it in 2096, when Hightstown will celebrate its 375th Anniversary! ☺

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commented on by the judges include the paper and print quality which could support content and design better."

Accompanying the letter was an award listing the winners of the competition. Both items were framed for mounting and can be seen at Ely House. ☺

HIGHTSTOWN'S WOODEN WATER SYSTEM UPDATE

In the May-June 1994 issue of the newsletter, it was reported that the Borough's Public Works Department, while excavating in the summer of 1993 at the intersection of Main and Stockton Streets, uncovered a length of wooden "pipe" that was once part of Hightstown's early water supply system. As was reported, such a system was authorized in 1817 to allow James Cook to run pipes to his tavern on Main Street. This particular piece of "pipe" was discovered running across Main Street, down from Stockton Street, and running under the front of what is now known as the Court Jester. This location has long been the site of several hotels and establishments under various names throughout the town's history.

In late May of this year, the Borough's Superintendent of Public Works, Larry Blake asked me if I would be interested in taking the item from their garage work area. Without hesitation, I said, "Yes". At the present time, the "pipe" has been placed in our air conditioned storage area in Ely House. The "pipe" is actually a length of a tree trunk, approximately 4 feet long and 12" in diameter. The trunk has been bored to an inside diameter of approximately 3" throughout the entire length of the "pipe". At one end, it has been brought to somewhat of a "point" through burning and then with the use of a hand adz. This "pointed" end obviously fit into another piece and was then held together with a 2" metal band which was also recovered with the "pipe". As the water flowed through this "pipe", the log apparently swelled and in effect "sealed" itself, acting in a similar fashion as the staves of a wooden barrel when liquid is in it.

If anyone wishes to view the above item, arrangements can be made by contacting Richard Hutchinson. ☞

SOCIETY RECEIVES GENEROUS GIFT

The Society has received a most generous bequest from the Estate of Adele E. Ely, a recently deceased life member. Details of the bequest will be made available at our September meeting. ☞

THE LADY IN WHITE

Featured on the front page of the May-June 1996 issue, was a photograph of numerous passengers waiting at the Hightstown train station for the train as it was pulling into the station. On the far right of the photo, stands "The Lady in White". Although this photograph has been published many times in various publications, it wasn't until recently that her identity came to light.

One evening, I received a phone call from Society member, Clifford Pullen, who stated that he had just read the newsletter and wanted to let me know that he knew the identity of "the lady in white standing on the platform in the photograph." Clifford advised me that Ethel Davison, had told him many times that she was the girl in the photograph. She had advised Clifford that she had just graduated and was still wearing her graduation dress and waiting to catch the train to either Newark, NJ or New York City. She also advised him that the man standing to the her right, wearing the suit and derby and looking at the on-coming train, was "Isabelle Eldridge's father."

Editor's Note: Ethel Elizabeth Davison (1891-1977) married Frank Evans Hutchinson (1889-1942). This information enables us to better date this photograph to circa 1908. Does anyone know the name of "Isabelle Eldridge's father"? ☞



Isabelle Eldridge's father waiting for a train. What is "Isabelle Eldridge's father's" name?

Early Area Residents

by Richard S. Hutchinson

While doing some personal research in Benjamin Franklin's, "Pennsylvania Gazette", I ran across the following advertisement dealing with early residents of this area. The following ad appeared in the 23 January 1783 edition of the paper:

"Philadelphia ... TO BE LETT, ONE good PLANTATION, situate one mile from Hidestown, East New Jersey, containing about 80 acres, on which is a good house, stables, orchard, and other suitable conveniences, now occupied by Samuel Bailey, and may be entered upon the first day of April ensuing.

One large Plantation adjoining the above, containing 280 acres, with a good house, barn and stables; there is a piece of good meadow, and a large proportion of orchard of the best fruit, with almost all other conveniences necessary to render a farm agreeable. The whole in the tenure of Absalom Hankins, and may be entered upon the first day of April ensuing.

One other Plantation adjoining the above, containing 212 acres, properly laid out in fields, in good fence, with a good house, barn and stables, and an excellent well of water before the door, a good bearing orchard of the best fruit, now in the tenure of Daniel Hutchinson, and may be entered upon the first day of April ensuing."

There were three other pieces of property listed in the same ad being in the Philadelphia area. The ad ended with, "For terms apply to the subscriber, at the north east corner of Second and Chestnut streets. John Shields." ☞

Society Acquisitions

- ♦ *The Applegate Family, A Selected History*, by Howard Applegate, Canutillo, Texas. Gift from compiler.
- ♦ 1922 Advertisement calendar from Turner's Bakery, Hightstown, NJ. Gift from Plainsboro Historical Society.
- ♦ Bible Records - Silvers, Stults and Bennett families from Hightstown and Cranbury; three letters from the Civil War battlefield from Elwood R. Silvers to his sister, Amanda Silvers, in Hightstown, just prior to his death. Gift from Charles "Cappy" Stults.
- ♦ *Images of America - Bayonne*, by Kathleen M. Middleton; *The Old Photographs Series - Lawrence Township*, by Kathleen M. Middleton; Postcard of Old Hights Inn, Rt 130, Hightstown, NJ; Postcard announcement from R.W. Swetland regarding the Baptist Church Harvest Home. Gift from local compiler Kathleen M. Middleton.
- ♦ *The Davidows: The Experiences of an Immigrant Family*, by Harry D. Bonnin and David J. Goldberg. Gift from David J. Goldberg.
- ♦ *The Descendants of James Dalrymple*, by Thomas F. Hall, West Lafayette, Indiana. Gift from Richard S. Hutchinson.
- ♦ Photographs of the 1921 Bi-Centennial of Hightstown, NJ; two medals; book of the 1921 town ordinances; and a card; as all being recovered from the "1923 Time Capsule". Gift from Elmer J. Rogers with the "Time Capsule" recovered by Richard S. Hutchinson.
- ♦ Advertising fan from Gordon & Wilson Co, 135 W. Ward St, Hightstown, NJ; business letter from S.G. Forman, dated 13 Aug 1897, on his business letterhead. Gift from Kathleen M. Middleton.
- ♦ *Images of America-Cranbury*, by Peggy S. and Frank J. Brennan, Jr. Gift from compilers, Peggy and Frank Brennan, Jr.
- ♦ Twenty-seven original manuscript items consisting of deeds, receipts, etc., dating from 1761 to 1895. Permanent loan by the First Presbyterian Church from the Estate of Edith V. Erving.

Other Acquisitions

A 4 foot length of wooden water pipe, being part of Hightstown's original water system, which was recovered from the intersection of Main and Stockton Street; ca. 1817. Gift from Larry Blake, Superintendent of Public Works.

A framed map, 1895, of a "Bird's Eye" view of Hightstown with various stores highlighted. Also, the 1921 Bi-Centennial Booklet of Hightstown, NJ. A gift from Mrs. Stuart Simpson, of Sarasota, Florida. [Mrs. Simpson is the daughter of William Franklin, and the granddaughter of Dr. George Franklin, one of the early doctors of Hightstown.] ☞

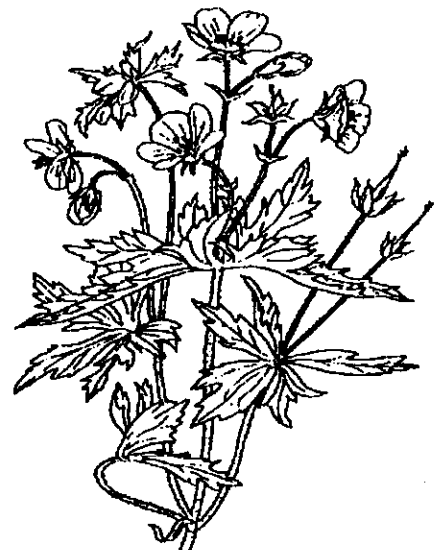
In Memoriam

On Wednesday, July 3, 1996, Madeline H. Hutchinson Stevens, 101, of Allentown, Pennsylvania, and a longtime summer resident of Ocean Grove, New Jersey passed away at Luther Crest Health Center.

Mrs. Stevens, a homemaker, was a member of Asbury United Methodist Church in Scranton, Pennsylvania. She was born in Hightstown and lived in Scranton and Allentown, Pennsylvania, while maintaining a home in Ocean Grove, where she spent many summers.

She was predeceased by her husband, David E. Stevens, Sr., a son, David E. Stevens, Jr., and a daughter, Rosalind Truscott. Surviving are six grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandson.

Editor's Note: I'd like to thank Society member and professional genealogist, Fred Sisser, III for this item from the *Asbury Park Press*, 7 July 1996. ☞



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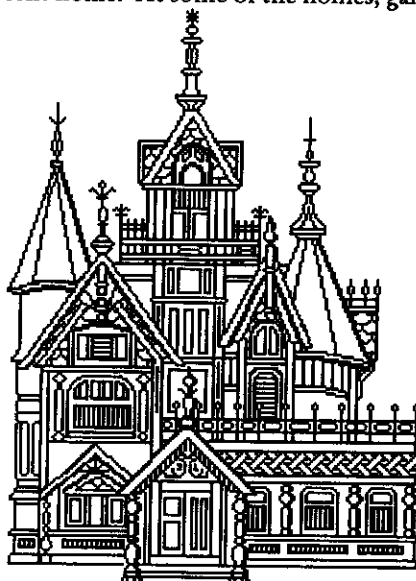
At the close of the war, Gustav Friedman owned the drugstore in the Hight's Theatre building on Main Street. But he was ailing and needed an operation that would sideline him for a number of months. Pharmacists were hard to find at that time, so he asked Dave Goldstein to run the store until he could return. Tragically, though Friedman's surgery was successful, he died of an infection three months later, leaving a widow and a young daughter. Instead of going into teaching, David continued to run the store to help Friedman's widow manage. It was a turning point in his career, probably helped along by his courtship of Helen about that time; they were married in June 1947. In time, Friedman's widow would remarry, and David Goldstein would buy the drugstore in December 1950.

Today, the Goldsteins are retired, spending some of their time in volunteer work at the Walson Air Force Hospital at Fort Dix. Their three children are grown and have families of their own: Dr. Larry Goldstein, their oldest child, is head of the English Department at the Matawan High School; Joyce Angelone is a speech therapist in the Columbus, NJ public school system; and Marian Mnych is a dietician. ☺

AT HOME IN HIGHTSTOWN FOR 275 YEARS

On Sunday, September 29, 1996, the Hightstown-East Windsor Township Historical Society will host their Anniversary House Tour of six (6) historic Hightstown residences in celebration of the Borough's 275th Anniversary.

Featured will be homes built throughout the 1800s and early 1900s, as well as a more recent home. At some of the homes, gardens will be included on the tour while antique cars will grace the front of each home.



Society volunteers and homeowners will be available at each house to relate information on the history of the home and to point out interesting architectural details.

Tickets will be available for \$12.00 at the Ely House, 164 North Main Street on the day of the tour, or for \$10 if purchased in advance. Advance tickets are available at the Old Hights Print Shop or by calling Sandy Kendall at 443-3599. Each member of the Society is encouraged to sell at least two (2) tickets to support this fund-raiser. The homes on the tour will be open on the 29th of September from 1-5 PM. Refreshments will be served at Ely House.

For further information or to volunteer to help with the House Tour, call Co-Chairpersons, Suzann Fallon at 448-0390, or Eileen Couturier at 443-3906. ☺

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Please mail the completed application, along with a check made payable to the Hightstown-East Windsor Historical Society to:

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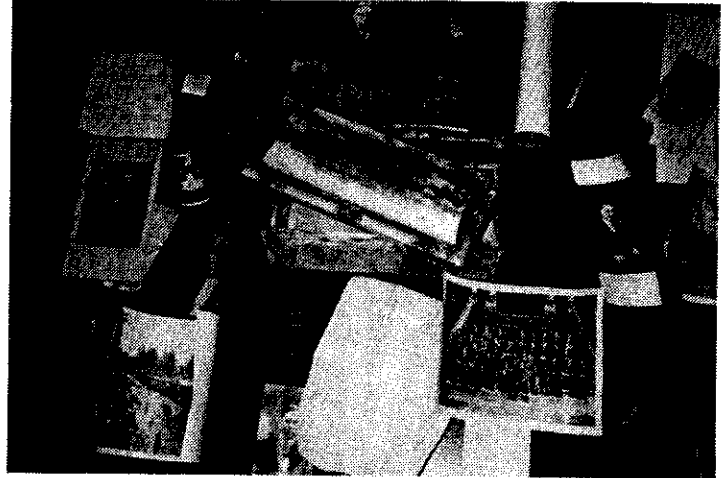
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PHOTOS OF TIME CAPSULE AND ITS CONTENTS



ABOVE: As Earl Groendyke, of Hightstown, watches, an employee of the Public Works Department removes the time capsule from the wall where it was tucked away for 73 years.

BELOW: Some of the many photographs and items which were safely sealed away by Elmer J. Rogers, of Hightstown, in 1923.



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