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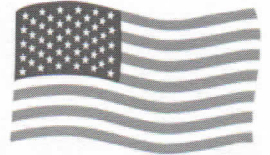
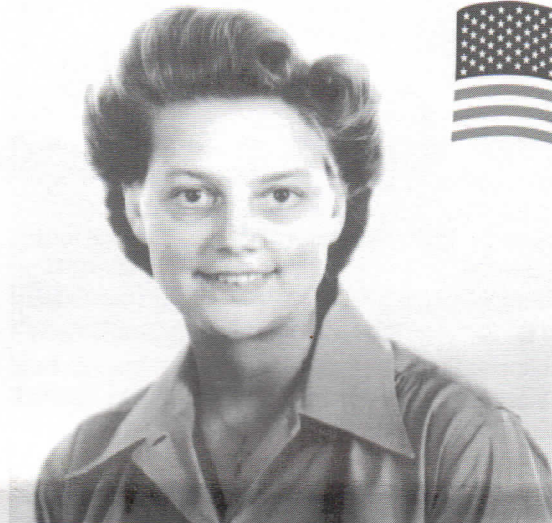
FALL 2001

## Fall Meeting Armistice Day — 11 November 2 p.m. at the Flemington Woman's Club

On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1919 the guns of World War I fell silent. After five years of desperate struggle and over ten million deaths The War To End All Wars was over. Less than twenty years later that hopelessly ideal sentiment was blown away when Hitler precipitated World War II by marching his troops into Poland. Once again the world plunged headlong into almost total war, one that would become the most catastrophic and costly in its long sad history of strife. The U.S. was drawn into that war officially with the Japanese sneak attack on the naval base at Pearl Harbor. Once again the American military was called upon to oppose the alien doctrines and conflicting interests of sworn enemies of its country.

Eighty-two years to the day after that 11th of November in 1919, on the day that was long known as Armistice Day and now goes by the name of Veterans' Day, the Hunterdon County Historical Society will gather for its Fall meeting to honor a long over-looked segment of our World War II armed forces. Thousands of works treat the military history of that war but relatively few give proper coverage and due respect to the services of American military women in that conflict. Never before had our nation been so in need of help from so many different segments of our society. Never before had so many ladies answered the call of their country and never before had they served our military over such a wide range of vital and perilous activities. The WACs of the Army and the Army Air Corps, the WAAFS also of the Army Air Corps, the Waves of the Navy, the Women Marines, the Spars of the Coast Guard, and of course, the legions of those who served as nurses in each service, all contributed immeasurably to the ultimate victory.

Join us on the original date of Veterans' Day at 2 p.m. on Sunday afternoon, 11 November 2001 in the building of the Flemington Woman's Club on Park Avenue situated in the park behind the old Hunterdon Court House. Hunterdon resident Mrs. Anna Hoffman of Whitehouse Station will present the story of Army women in World War II. As a member of the Women's Army Corps during most of the War, she lived that story herself and has been intensely interested ever since, presenting programs throughout the area. As of the time this goes to press she is attempting to bring other Hunterdon women to represent one of more of her sister services. On display will be many items pertinent to her talk. All are welcome, there is no admission charge, and light refreshments will be served after the program.



speaker Anne M. [Blankenmeyer] Hoffman pictured during her service in the Women's Army Corps. She served from November 1942 to October 1945.

### 2001-2002 Calendar

#### October is Family History Month

- Oct. 13, 21** **History Comes Alive in Flemington**  
Doric House and Deats Memorial Library open 1-4 p.m. Saturday October 13 and Sunday October 21
- Oct. 13** **10th annual All American Pottery and Dinnerware show and sale** 9a.m. to 4 p.m. Copper Hill School 900 Everitts Road, Flemington. For information visit website: [www.stanglfulper.com](http://www.stanglfulper.com).
- Nov. 11** **FALL MEETING** - Women in World War II. Speaker Mrs. Anna Hoffman 2 p.m. Flemington Womanhood Club, Park Ave. Public is invited to attend
- May 18** **SPRING OPEN HOUSE** celebrating Historic Preservation Week — Doric House open 1-4 p.m.



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Trustee, **Ed Stout**, shown here with fellow trustee Douglas D. Martin at the Historical Society's 2001 volunteer luncheon in Van Syckle's Tavern.

## JOSEPH EDWARD STOUT 1923-2001

WHEREAS, Joseph Edward Stout was born in 1923 in Franklin Township, Hunterdon County to George W. Stout and Amy E. Lever, and died 5 August 2001, at home, and

WHEREAS, he touched numerous lives throughout his active life and will be sadly missed by his family, friends, acquaintances and associates and fondly remembered, especially for his sense of humor and fiscal frugality and,

WHEREAS, his service to his community on the Township Planning Board, in the founding of the Quakertown Fire Company in 1951 and as its treasurer, his service on the Franklin Township School Board, his activities with the Quakertown Friends Meeting, and, as a member of, and for some years, Chair of Hunterdon County Cultural and Heritage Commission, and,

WHEREAS, he was a member of the Hunterdon County Historical Society for more than thirty years and he joined the Board of Trustees of the Hunterdon County Historical Society six years ago, in 1995 as a representative of the Holcombe-Jimison Farmstead Museum, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Stout has provided a legacy for present and future historians with his dedication to Hunterdon County's history and especially Franklin Township's history on an almost daily basis in his every-day life, and writings, in *Franklin Township Tercentenary Celebration October 17, 1964*, and *Facts and Fantasies of Franklin* in 1995,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Hunterdon County Historical Society extends heartfelt sympathy to the family of Joseph Edward Stout, his children, Barbara Clemente, Gary E. Stout, George D. Stout, and Joseph R. Stout, with the hope that memories of his good deeds will diminish the pain of his death, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this memorial be made a part of the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Hunterdon County Historical Society, 4 September 2001, and a copy forwarded to his family.

/s/

John W. Kuhl, Recording Secretary

Adopted 4 September 2001



# Godley-Anderson Gristmills at Spring Mills, New Jersey

Shirley Wydner

The light snow of a January day aided the search for what remained on the land of the Spring Mills gristmill property. Having lived in Holland Township for 30 years, I was aware only of the stone ruins at the intersection of Route 519 and Church Road. I'd heard relatives and older residents of the township talk of the "bubbling spring" and the once grand four-story mill which had served the eponymously named area. Enlisting the memories and guide service of my uncle, we set off on foot to find the old millrace and dam. The snow clearly delineated the depression and banks of the millrace, which were being reclaimed by a growth of brambles and shrubs. Further up the tributary of the Hakihohake Creek which had fed the race he pointed out the remains of the dam which diverted the water into it. And a little further on we came to the "bubbling spring" I'd heard so many people talk about. Gazing at the silted-in remains, dotted with watercress, my uncle recalled that in his youth it had been roofed over (the structure measuring approximately 12 feet by 50 feet) and the spring was so strong that 18 inches of clear water welled up in bubbles to the surface. This spring and the aforementioned stream joined to serve as a source to power the mills necessary for the early settlers and successive generations to thrive and build a community, the focus of this article.

Exact dates when Europeans first entered the area, to displace the Lenni Lenape who had inhabited the region for centuries, are not known. The area was situated in the early Province of West Jersey, in the possession of absentee proprietors. In 1749 Sir Robert Barker of England took possession, and Hammond's map shows the delineation of the Barker Tract, upon which the mill(s) were erected.<sup>1,2</sup> There are a few references to a mill in colonial times. According to Snell, Robert Emley's field notes of 1747 speak of "the road to Petit's Mill."<sup>3</sup> In a letter dated Oct. 3, 1775 Sir Robert Barker wrote to his

attorney, William McAdam stating "with regard to the purchase of the mill by Mr. Richie, you are the best judge. I think, ...he has some claim of preference."<sup>4</sup> As Snell states, there is no absolute proof that this relates to Petit's Mill, but a strong possibility exists.

In 1783 James Parker became Barker's agent in America, administering his various estate holdings. In one of his accounts dated Wednesday, March 2, 1785, he reported "I found the Mill exceedingly out of repair and unless something is done to her soon she will not run long — she is well situated for a country mill for which the stream is quite sufficient but the Mill wants repair and the Dam & Race a good deal done to it if she is properly repaired and a proper house built on a rising ground near her for the reception of a good Tennant it will be a very proper situation."<sup>5</sup>

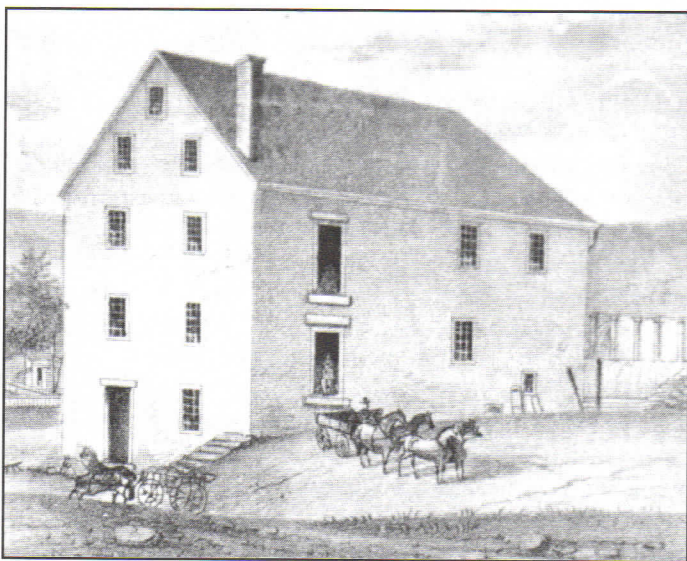
Sometime in late 1788 or early 1789 Barker decided to liquidate his estate. The mill property was located on the Alexandria Tract of Barker's property. An ad was drawn up and a partial description read "...situated in the Heart of a fine Wheat Country and improved by thirty farms." It had an excellent sawmill and a gristmill and was a fine location for trade with Trenton and Philadelphia down the Delaware and with the "important market town" of New Brunswick. Parker's diary of April 23-30, 1789 observed that the dam at the pond by the mills was "very much out of repair." But he believed that because the pond was supplied by water from a "living spring," it could be put in working order. The "Mill Lott" was recorded as Farm No.5, containing 274 acres with John Sinclear and John Cooley as tenants.<sup>1</sup> William Godley, Jr. purchased the property in 1790 for "Twelve Hundred Pounds in Gold or Silver Coin current in the United States of America ...with all and singular the Houses, Edifices, Buildings, Barns, Stables, Mills, Orchards, Gardens..."<sup>6</sup>

Snell states that in 1793 Godley dismantled an old rickety mill, and "in digging out the foundation discovered where there had been a mill previous to the one he took down." Godley erected a new gristmill and a few years later erected a sawmill.<sup>7</sup>

A Godley genealogy notes that William Jr. built a stone house east of the mill sites in 1792 (still extant), and named the place Spring Mills.<sup>8</sup> Locally, however, the area was known as Godley's Mills. Road return records cite postings at Godley's Mills as early as 1809. However in 1817 "Spring Mills" is written on some returns. But Godley's Mills continued to show up on road return maps as late as 1858 and on an 1887 map Godley's was crossed out twice and Spring Mills penned in.<sup>9</sup>

Augustus Godley (William's son) inherited the property after his father's death in 1836. He took down both mills and erected a four-story stone structure.<sup>3,7</sup> No records have, as yet, been found relative to the mill business during his tenure. Sometime in 1851 the chain of title hints at financial trouble for Augustus, and his assignees held a deed listing Homestead Farm and Mill Property as of Dec. 18, 1851.<sup>10</sup> By Oct. 15, 1852 Augustus G. Richey was in possession of a smaller 16.40 acre Mill Lot.<sup>11</sup>

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View of the Spring Mills Gristmill from the southeast (in area of present Route 519). The flume to carry water from the raceway to the mill is in the right of the picture.<sup>18</sup>



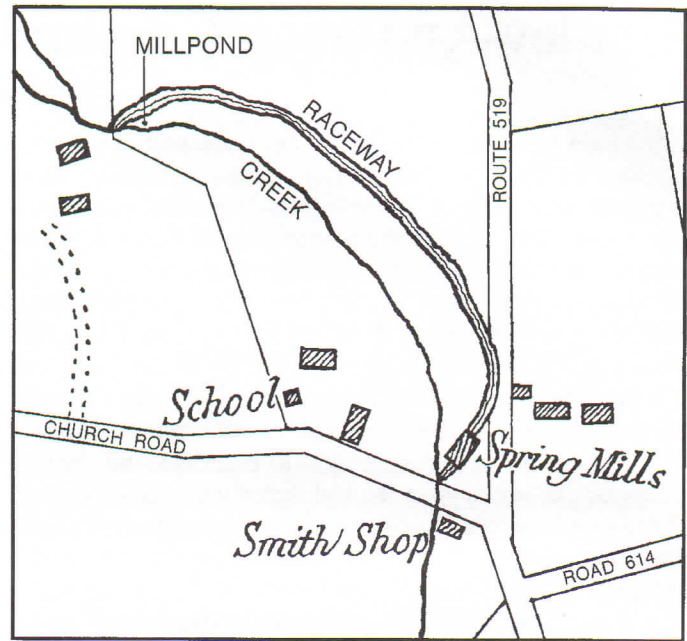
**GODLEY-ANDERSON GRISTMILLS** (Continued)

Jacob R. Anderson (grandson of the Revolutionary War soldier) next carried on the business after purchasing the mill lot in early January 1854.<sup>12</sup> His operation (the post-1861 rebuilt mill) was listed as a flouring or grist mill, powered by one overshot water wheel, six feet in breadth, with a fall of 27 feet. There were three run of stones, with a year-round grinding capacity of from 70 to 150 bushels per day. Production included both personal and custom grinding of wheat and rye flour, corn meal, animal feed and oatmeal primarily. He hired an average of two employees per year, a skilled mechanic and ordinary laborer.<sup>13</sup>

On April 19, 1861 a local newspaper, *The People's Beacon*, reported the Anderson gristmill destroyed by fire on Tuesday evening of that week. Five thousand bushels of grain, 2000 of which were wheat, were lost. The fire it was believed "originated from the friction in the elevators...The mill was insured for \$2200 and the contents for \$1500, in the Hillsboro (Somerset Co.) Fire Insurance Co."<sup>14</sup> From about April to late October 1861 few or no entries attest to the downtime of the mill. Some customers were credited for damaged grain "when mill burnt." On Oct. 4, 1861 James C. Wright was credited \$50.00 for "smut machine to be paid for when satisfied with run."<sup>15</sup> Utilizing the still intact walls, Jacob rebuilt the mill, leaving the Godley date stone in the peak.<sup>7</sup>

The earliest records of mill activity have been found in a gristmill ledger beginning in 1853 with some entries continuing to 1873. Entries included flour, feed, superfine, cornmeal, rye bran, chicken feed, wheat feed, and chop feed. People who were hired to tend the mill are found in this volume. Generally they were hired for one year, commencing on April 1. Some of the tenders were Robert T. Anderson, Henry Aten, Charles Ealy, Joseph S. Holden and James [L.?] [T.] Beatty. In 1853 Anderson was paid \$205 per year, in 1860 Aten made \$168, while in 1873 Beatty made \$264. It would appear that during the Civil War wages went down. Men were also hired to maintain the dam raceway. Washington Fackenthall shoveled mud and fixed dam according to an entry on Aug. 3, 1861. In May of 1869 Anthony Transue was hired to shovel mud.<sup>15</sup>

Another record of activity at the mill can be found in the Jacob R. Anderson, Spring Mills Grist Mill Daybook, kept from 1867 to 1873. Entries frequently recorded included some of the same products from 1853 and forward, with the addition of wheat bran, chop for stable, wheat middlings, graham



Map of Spring Mills published in 1860<sup>18</sup> (with annotations added) showing the hydraulic system used to power the mill. Other contemporary maps<sup>19</sup> show a millpond where the raceway diverges from the creek. Unlabeled structures are residences.

and common flour, and sifted corn. Buckwheat flour is more common from Oct. to April, and oats appears infrequently. The patrons of the community can be gleaned from the many names recorded with the transactions. Maintenance to the dam occurred from July 22 to Aug. 6, 1870, and on Dec. 26 of the same year Smith Clark was credited "By hauling one pair Mill Burrs from Milford." Although the bulk of the accountings are business-related, he occasionally recorded some weather information in the margins. The icehouse was filled Feb. 6-7 and Dec. 22, 1871, and on Dec. 24, 1872. "Heavy rain" fell on Aug. 23, 1871. The winter of 1873 he took the time to note "Coldest day 24 below frosty sharp" (Jan. 30) and "coldest day rough winds thermometer 5 below" (Feb. 24) in the margins of the pages. And on the back cover of the ledger we read perhaps his sorrow that "Horse Old Barney Died — Nov. 2nd 1871 at twelve in the morning."<sup>16</sup>

Jacob Anderson died in 1895, and his son Edgar V. lived near the mill and carried on the business until 1910.<sup>7</sup> The mill had come to the end of its productive life, and remained a vacant old building where my father, as a boy in the late 1930's, recalled playing inside. The huge overshot wheel was still in place and was a dark, scary challenge to crawl across. His brother often trapped muskrats in the nearby stream, and stashed them in the mill until the nearby one-room Holland Township School let out for the day.<sup>17</sup> Another resident recalled shooting pigeons inside the structure. Then sometime in the late 1940's or early 1950's the mill was dismantled, and the stones carted off as building material for other houses. All that remains are some crumbling stone walls, traces of the millrace, the colonial mansion house and fast disappearing memories in the minds of a few remaining people as we enter this 21st century. But that's remarkable enough considering that countless generations of people for over 250 years lived and flourished here

#### Spring Mills Grist and Sawmill Operators and Years of Operation

Miller	Years	Mills
Petit?	Before 1750	Gristmill
Thomas Richie?		Sawmill
John Sinclear	1789	Gristmill
John Cooley		
William Godley	1790-1852	Gristmill
Augustus Godley		Sawmill
Jacob Anderson	1854-1910	Gristmill
Edgar V. Anderson		



## Hampton Baptist Cemetery

Where two railroads, the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad and the Central Railroad of New Jersey intersected in Hunterdon County a settlement arose, hence the original town name of Junction. The village of Hampton, formerly Junction, was officially created in 1895 from Lebanon and Bethlehem Townships, the township line having previously bisected the town.

The Baptist congregation there pre-dated Hampton's official creation. The Central Baptist Church was located in the point of land between Main and Skillman Streets (see map on page 870). The cemetery, long neglected, has been repeatedly vandalized by succeeding generations of young adults since the dissolution of the Baptist community. The stones are broken and scattered about in the yard and are in very bad condition from weathering and abuse. The grass and brush in the cemetery abound. Society members Ronald Schultzel and Shirley Wydner visited the cemetery and copied inscriptions from the stones in 1998. Their recording was typed in alphabetical order and the transcription was re-checked with the stones.

Abbreviations include b. for born, d. for died, d/o for daughter of, s/o for son of, h/o for husband of, w/o for wife of, editorial comments are enclosed in brackets. Cross-references have been added to consolidate persons buried in the same plot, have inscriptions on the same stone, etc. Illegible words are

enclosed in parentheses with a question mark. Ages are given as 21.3.30 signifying years, months, days.

Apgar, Charles A., 1860-1896

Apgar, Lizzie, d/o William A. and Mary Apgar, d.  
[inscription illegible]

Apgar, Mary, see Lizzie Apgar

Apgar, William A., see Lizzie Apgar

Baty, J.S., see Willie Baty

Baty, Philip A., h/o Sarah D. Baty and J.S. Baty, b. 5-23-1822, d. 4-28-1882

Baty, Rena M., d/o Philip A. and Sarah D. Baty, d. 6-22-1858 age 0.0.2

Baty, Sarah D., w/o Philip A. Baty, d. 7-5-1868 age 36.10.22

Baty, Willie, s/o P.A. and J.S. Baty, b. 7-7-1871, d. 5-30-1872

Beadle, Carolina, see George Beadle

Beadle, George, s/o Ludwig and Caroline Beadle, d. 1-11-1861 age 1.5.26

Beadle, Ludwig, see George Beadle

Berry, Emily R., b. 9-11-1888, d. 4-1-1896

Boaz, Mary E., "his wife," of John M. Worman, 1844-1932

Bowlby, Abbie A., w/o Jacob R. Walters, d. 10-13-1888, age 47.3.0

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### GODLEY-ANDERSON GRISTMILLS (Continued)

utilizing the stream and bubbling spring, and harnessing the power it generated to settle and prosper in this one small community in what is today Holland Township. Tenaciously maintaining its long-lived identity, road signs still point the way to Spring Mills.

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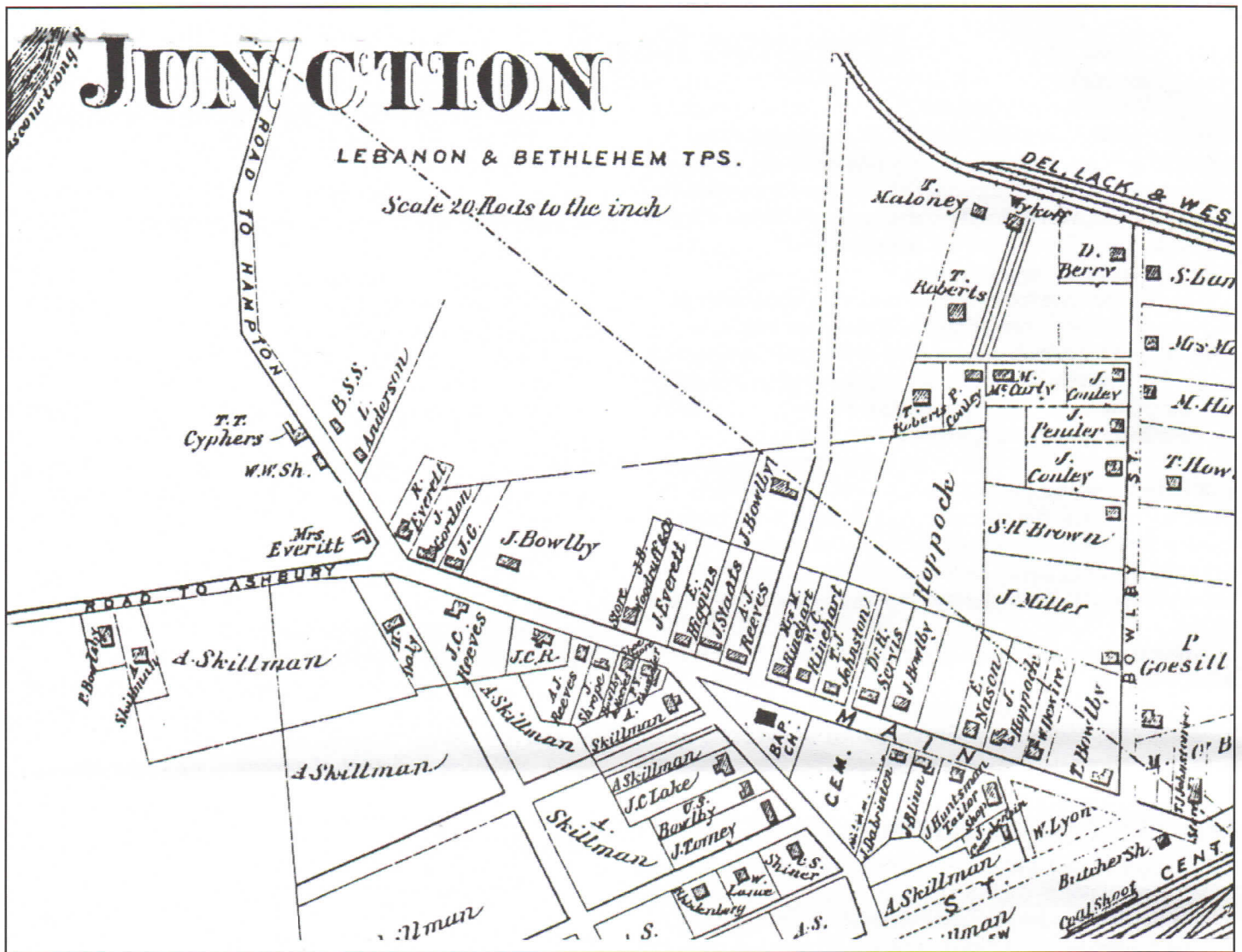
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### HAMPTON BAPTIST CEMETERY (Continued from page 869)

- Burd, Amy, see Minnie M. Burd  
 Burd, Minnie M., d/o Moses S. and Amy M. Burd, d. 2-8-1890, age 11.1.15  
 Burd, Moses S., see Minnie M. Burd  
 Couch, George H., h/o Mary E. Rinehart, d. 10-31-1864, age 31.0.23  
 Couch, Lizzie Frances, d/o George H. and Mary E. Couch, [inscription illegible]  
 Dilts, Jane, w/o Charles Tharp, d. 10-17-1890, age 73 years  
 Fenwick, Frances, see Ruth Fenwick  
 Fenwick, Howard, see Ruth Fenwick  
 Fenwick, Ruth, d/o Howard and Frances Fenwick, d. 5-21-1889, age 1.19  
 Fulper, Jacob, 1812-1888  
 Fulper, Mary Ann, 1816-1905  
 Garrison, Paul C., h/o Mercy E. Hann, 1891-1956  
 Gerard, David, h/o Emma Gerard, Private Co. J 2nd N.J. Cav., d. 2-18-1923, age 82.9.2  
 Gerard, Eddie C., "Children of David and Emma Gerard," d. 3-3-18\_\_, age 0.7.12  
 Gerard, Emma, "Mother," w/o David Gerard, d. 8-4-1887, age 45.9.0  
 Gerard, Stewart H., "Children of David and Emma Gerard," d. 2-19-1872, age 0.5.26  
 German, Edward, b. 4-1-1858, d. 4-29-1898. [Masonic marker]  
 German, Jethro, Co. K 31st Reg. N.J. Vol., d. 7-1-1910  
 Goldsworthy, James, b. 7-30-1822, d. 9-29-1893, age 71.1.29  
 Hann, Catherine A., 1847-1913  
 Hann, John, h/o Margaretta Milburn, 1852-1920  
 Hann, Mercy E., wife of Paul C. Garrison, 1893-1966  
 Hoppock, Mary A., wife of Albert T. Rinehart, b. 4-15-1850, d. 5-19-1917  
 Hotrom, Rhoda, 1855-1886  
 Hubert, A.J., see Charles H. Hubert  
 Hubert, Charles H., s/o A.J. and N.O. Hubert, d. 6-16-1887, age 6.1.9  
 Hubert, N.O., see Charles H. Hubert  
 Hulsizer, Eliza B., w/o William Rinehart, d. 9-24-\_\_, age 83 years  
 Lanning, Mary D., w/o Jacob D. Shrope, b. 2-13-1824, d. 2-5-1895

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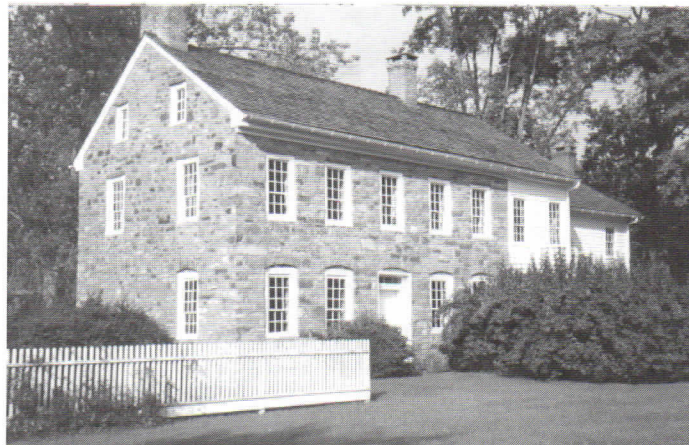


## Van Syckle's Tavern Site of 2001 Luncheon

Historic Van Syckle's Tavern, owned by Society Trustee Douglas Martin and undergoing restoration, was the site of our luncheon this year. Doug opened his restoration-in-progress and shared his "labor of love" with us for our 12th annual Volunteer Recognition luncheon on 2 May. Everyone enjoyed seeing Doug's excellent work on the buildings, furnishings and grounds. A delicious luncheon was set out by Maddalena's Catering and an enjoyable afternoon was shared by Society trustees and volunteers.

### Volunteers

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 Veronica Mitchell, Quilt exhibit curator  
 Beth Rice, obituary file  
 J. Edward Stout, Holcombe-Jimison Museum liaison  
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 Jane Wyckoff, publicity



### Doric House Hosts and Hostesses

Florence Fisher	Richard H. Stothoff
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Edna Pedrick	Margery C. Van Fleet
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## Status of Reading-Large House Purchase

Architectural and engineering site plans have been completed so that our attorney Donald Scholl can apply to the Flemington Borough Planning Board for final approval of the Society's project. To recapitulate, the first phase of our plans is to add an archives storage building at the rear of the present law offices. Then those offices will be renovated to become the library area. The Greek Revival house will become the Society's museum. Once final approval is received the Society will proceed with purchase. A major fundraising project will be launched when purchase is completed.

## Stephanie B. Stevens Honored

Congratulations! The Beulah A. Oliphant Award this year went to Mrs. Stevens. This Award is given annually to a woman who has demonstrated exceptional leadership or scholarship in the field of history or historic preservation. It is named in honor of Mrs. Oliphant, founder of Trenton's Old Barracks Association.

Mrs. Stevens, a Historical Society member and volunteer, is Chair of the Hunterdon County Cultural & Heritage Commission, former Director of the Readington Township Museums and Library, Hunterdon County and Readington Township Historian, and the author of several local historical books.

## Form of Bequest

(This form is recommended for use in making a bequest of real property, in a Will or otherwise, naming your society as beneficiary)

**ITEM:** I bequeath the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to the Hunterdon Historical Society, Flemington, NJ.

**ITEM:** I bequeath to the Hunterdon County Historical Society, Flemington, NJ, without restrictions title to and full possession of historical materials and objects, (real estate, account books, diaries, Family Bibles, documents, papers, photographs, programs, newspapers, clippings, books, records), etc.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_



**HAMPTON BAPTIST CEMETERY** (Continued from page 870)

Milburn, Elizabeth, wife of Lycurgus Milburn, 1862-1920  
 Milburn, Lycurgus, h/o Elizabeth Milburn, 1859-19 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Milburn, Margaretta, wife of John Hann, 1848-1918  
 Mowery, Wm. F., Sr., "Father," [Hampton Fire Dept. #1  
 marker], 1900-1946  
 Neal, Elizabeth A., w/o James M. Neal, d. 7-2-1880, age  
 35.5.0  
 Neal, James M., see Elizabeth A.  
 Neal, Jennie L., d/o James M. and Elizabeth Neal, d. 6-19-  
 1880, age 10.0.1  
 [Neal], Minnie, [marker buried]  
 Opdycke, John W., see Emma B. Warman  
 Osborn, James, h/o Elmira Shrope, [no further inscription]  
 Peacher, Edmund P., Co. I, 18 Reg. Pa. Vol., d. 12-1-1911,  
 age 89 years  
 Rackley, Cynthia, 1861-19[blank]  
 Rackley, William, 1867-1941  
 Rinehart, Albert T., h/o Mary A. Hoppock b. 3-16-1852, d.  
 9.4.1882, F.C.B., [emblem with 3 5-point leaves on  
 single stem]  
 Rinehart, Albert T., "their son," Albert T. and Mary A.  
 Rinehart, b. 11-10-1882, d. 11-14-1898  
 (Rinehart ?), Charlie C., b. 6-7-1881, d. 7-16-1881  
 (Rinehart ?), Etta M., b. 11-10-1886, d. 7-22-1888  
 Rinehart, Margaret H., d. 8-18-1910, age 70.0.0  
 Rinehart, Mary E., w/o George H. Couch, d. 4-3-1902, age  
 66.4.9  
 (Rinehart ?), Wilbur, b. 4-6-1884, d. 4-10-1884  
 Rinehart, William, h/o Eliza B. Hulsizer, d. 2-10-1867, age  
 57-9-16  
 Risler, Laura L., w/o Philip S. Shrope, d. 5-20-1889, age  
 83.6.12  
 Shrope, Elmira, wife of James Osborn, d. 11-14-1914  
 Shrope, Jacob D., h/o Mary D. Lanning, b. 9-14-1815, d. 4-  
 14-1882  
 Shrope, Philip S., see Laura L. Risler  
 Snyder, Margaretta A., wife of Valentine Snyder, d. 11-28-  
 1921, age 80 years  
 Snyder, Rovannah, 1883-1884  
 Snyder, Valentine, h/o Margaretta A. Snyder, Co. F, 128  
 Reg. Pa. Vol., d. 9-15-1911, age 73 years  
 Squires, Eliza A., wife of Moses Squires, b. 10-6-1825, d.  
 2.2.1902  
 Squires, Moses, h/o Eliza A. and Ra(chel?) B. Squires, d.  
 7-29-1865  
 Squires, Ra(chel?) B., w/o Moses W. Squires, d. 4-9-1861,  
 age 28.2.23  
 Stires, Abraham, h/o Catharine Stires, d. 6-13-1860, age  
 73.10.7  
 Stires, Catharine, w/o Abraham Stires, d. 3-13-1879, age  
 83.2.26  
 Stires, Daniel, s/o Abraham and Catharine Stires, d. 8-1-  
 [illegible], age 1.?3  
 Storr, Annie E., w/o John R. Tharp, d. 6-19-1886, age  
 40.5.15  
 Teats, Susan, b. 1-24-1881, d. 4-24-1917

Terribery, Alfred M., "Beloved Son," of Nathan and  
 Margaret Terribery, b. 12-25-1859, d. 4-19-1880  
 Terribery, John S., b. 8-26-1872, d. 7-18-[illegible]  
 Terribery, Margaret, b. 11-9-1841, d. 8-14-[illegible]  
 Terribery, Nathan, d. 12-1-1880 age [illegible]  
 Tharp, Charles, h/o Jane Dilts, d. 8-13-1877, age 65.10.7  
 Tharp, Joseph S., s/o Charles and Jane Tharp, " member of  
 Co. H, 15th Reg. N.J. V., who fell mortally wounded  
 while defending his country's flag at the battle of  
 Fredricksburg May 3d 1863 and died June 1, 1863 aged  
 19 years 2 mos 13 dys"  
 Tharp, John R., h/o Annie E. Storr, b. 4-7-1818, d. 4-21-  
 1910  
 Tomey, infant, of John C. and Margaret R. Tomey, d. 5-6-  
 1862  
 Tomey, infant, of John C. and Margaret R. Tomey, d. 8-28-  
 1880  
 Tomey, George, s/o John C. and Margaret R. Tomey, b. 3-  
 10-1861, d. 1-6-1865  
 Tomey, Jessie, d/o John C. and Margaret R. Tomey, b. 8-  
 23-1863, d. 10-27-1869  
 Tomey, John C., h/o Margaret R. Tomey, b. 12-7-1834, d.  
 8-9-1897  
 Tomey, Margaret R., w/o John C. Tomey, b. 3-23-1843, d.  
 8-24-1891  
 Tomey, Sarah J., d/o John C. and Margaret Tomey, b. 3-  
 21-1873, d. 3-27-1901  
 Tomey, William, s/o John C. and Margaret R. Tomey, b. 8-  
 28-1880, d. 8-15-1881  
 Walters, Jacob R., see Abbie A. Bowlby  
 Warman, Edith, d/o James C. and E. Warman, d. 1-23-  
 1891, age 10.6.1  
 Warman, Elizabeth, wife of James C. Warman, 1837-1900  
 Warman, Emma B., w/o John W. Opdyke, b. 3-3-1864, d.  
 7-27-1883  
 Warman, James C., h/o Elizabeth Warman, 1836-1906  
 Warman, James E., s/o James C. and E. Warman, d. 12-6-  
 1875, age 10.0.27  
 Warman, John S., "Father," b. 6-28-1866, d. 12-30-1896,  
 age  
 28.5.3  
 Warman, Rose, see Walter J. Warman  
 Warman, Walter J., "Beloved son," of John S. and Rose  
 Warman, b. 10-17-1895, d. 11-22-1913, age 28.5.3  
 Warwick, Lewis, 1852-1929  
 Warwick, Rosa W., 1857-1911  
 Worman, John M., h/o Mary E. Boaz, 1842-1929  
 Young, Whitfield D., "Our Papa," d. 9-11-\_\_\_\_, age 27  
 years [stone broken]  
 \_\_\_\_\_, Tracy, [stone broken]  
 \_\_\_\_\_, Josie, "Our Beloved \_\_\_\_\_," [stone broken]

End of Hampton Baptist Church Cemetery





## Give History for Christmas



For the historian/genealogist on your Christmas giving list the Historical Society offers some gift suggestions. For mail requests, order by number and add \$4 for the first book and \$1 for each additional book to cover postage and packing. For #14, add \$10 for postage.

1. Beers, Comstock and Cline, 1973 *Atlas of Hunterdon County, New Jersey*. The *Atlas* is 13½" x 16", 77 pages with a hard cover and contains maps of fourteen townships and thirty-two towns existing in Hunterdon County in 1873, printed on acid-free paper. Reprinted 1987 by Hunterdon County Historical Society. \$40.00.

2. D'Autrechy, Phyllis B., *Hunterdon County New Jersey Fisheries 1819-1820*, 44 page soft cover booklet with maps, illustrations, and a full-name subject index, 1993. Gives the historical background on shad fishing and the names and locations of fisheries along the Delaware River within Hunterdon County. \$7.50.

3A. *More Records of Old Hunterdon County, Volume I*, compiled by Phyllis B. D'Autrechy, published by Hunterdon County Historical Society, 1998, 276 pages, full-name index, maps, illustrations, hard cover, \$25.00.

3B. *More Records of Old Hunterdon County, Volume II*, compiled by Phyllis B. D'Autrechy. This hardcover volume includes Inventories, Letters of Administrations, and wills abstracted from the Hunterdon County Surrogate's office; Bastardy records 1961-1890, from records in the County Clerk's custody; and account books of Moses Baldwin, 1766-1790, a Hopewell Township shoemaker. Volume II contains 258 pages plus a full-name index and has maps and illustrations. \$25.00

4. Deats, Hiram Edmund, *Hunterdon County New Jersey Militia, 1792*, an alphabetical listing of "free and able-bodied white male citizens between . . . eighteen and forty-five" listed alphabetically by townships, 37 pages, published 1936, reprinted 1994, soft cover. \$12.00

5. Deats, Hiram Edmund, *The Jerseyman: A Quarterly Magazine of Local History*; Volume II, No. 4, 1905, 376+ pages, unbound, with added Table of Contents compiled 1985 by Roxanne K. Carkhuff. \$100.

6. Deats, Hiram Edmund, *Marriage Records of Hunterdon County, New Jersey 1795-1875*, 348 pages, hard cover. Reprint, with additions and corrections, of 1918 edition. \$25.00.

7. "Flemington, New Jersey 1883," a bird's eye view of Flemington showing exterior details of buildings in 1883, black and white lithograph, 20" x 24" suitable for framing. \$10.00.

8. *Hunterdon's Role In The Revolution*, published by Hunterdon County Democrat 22 July 1976 in honor of our nation's Bicentennial Year and the 150th Anniversary of the Hunterdon County Democrat, 88 pages, photographs, illustrations, maps, soft cover, \$3.00

9. Myers, Kenneth V., *The Flemington Fair Story*, 1978, 95 pages, photographs, soft cover. \$5.00.

10. Myers, Kenneth, V., *Old Stones At Oak Summit*, Kingwood Presbyterian churchyard at Oak Summit, 1985, 20 pages, added index, soft cover, \$3.00.

11. Vail, Mary C., *History of Land Titles In The Vicinity of Quakertown, New Jersey*, 1915, 15 pages plus added index 1983 by Marfy Goodspeed. Soft cover, \$5.00.

12. Voorhees, Rev. Oscar M., *East and West Jersey Boundary Line Controversy*, 1906, 21 pages, soft cover. \$6.00.

13. Wittwer, Norman C., *The Faithful and The Bold*, the story of the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church in Oldwick, New Jersey, 14 August 1714, 1984, 49 pages, photographs, maps, index, hard cover. \$10.00.

14. Snell, James P., compiler, *History of Hunterdon and Somerset Counties, New Jersey*. 1881, October 1995 facsimile reprint dedicated to Kenneth V. Myers, late president of the Hunterdon County Historical Society, 800+ pages, maps, illustrations, no index. \$80.00 plus \$10.00 postage.

15. Stout, J. Edward, *Facts and Fantasies of Franklin Township*, 448 pages, maps, photographs, illustrations, October 1995. \$20.00.

16. Bilby, Joseph G., *Three Rousing Cheers: A History of the Fifteenth New Jersey Infantry from Flemington to Appomattox*; 453 pages, bibliography, roster indices, maps, 140+ illustrations including portraits of over 90 unit members, hard cover, \$42.00.

17. Choroszewski, Walter, *Hunterdon County: A Millennial Portrait*; 124 pages, 10" x 10" with more than 150 color photographs of County landscapes, historic landmarks, and people, hard cover, \$25.00.



## Historic Quilt Days A Success

Of the more than 20 quilts exhibited at the Doric House, one could be called a "mystery quilt." While part of the Society's collection, its donor is unidentified. It drew much attention, questions and comment and was much photographed. The exhibit drew over 200 visitors who previewed the quilts at the Court House and the Historical Society's headquarters over the two days of the exhibit.

This "mystery" quilt (see photograph below) had an American flag as its center, a single stamped piece of fabric, and was made circa 1876, was encircled with fabrics identified as of that date. The attractive binding and backing date similarly. The center panel, the thirty-nine star American flag, is surrounded with flags of 38 other countries. Colorado was the 38th state to join the United States, in August 1876. The Dakota Territory, is represented by the 39th star. It became the 39th and 40th States, as North and South Dakota, joining the United States in 1889. Quilt Days curator Veronica Mitchell did some research on the flag panel and discovered the exact panel, 17 3/4" x 24 3/4", pictured and identified in *Celebration and Remembrance: Commemorative Textiles of America 1790-1990* by Diane L. Fagan Affleck and Paul Hudon. The textile was designed by William A. Duff and was patented in December 1875 as a commemorative for the Centennial Exhibition in Philadelphia to celebrate the United States 100th birthday. The presentation of the flags surrounding the United States flag represents those of most of the countries invited to the Centennial exhibition.

Mrs. Mitchell and the volunteers involved with the exhibit did an excellent job for which thanks are extended and the weekend was fun for all.



## Acquisitions

Artifacts, manuscripts, family Bibles, and other material representative of the history of Hunterdon County and the families who resided here are welcome additions to the Historical Society's collections. To the donors of recent acquisitions the Society expresses its appreciation.

Three quilts: 1) Uneven nine patch made by Rebecca Clifton Hampton in 1855, 2) Chimney Sweep pattern made by friends of Amy C. Hampton about 1848, 3) 25-Patch with applique corner block made in 1856 by Rebecca Clifton Hampton. Donated by J. Edward Stout, Pittstown, NJ.

*Images of America: Hopewell Valley* by Jack Seabrook and Lorraine Seabrook, 2000. Donated by Harold O. and Margery Van Fleet, Flemington, NJ.

*Delaware Valley News*, January-December 2000, one reel of microfilm. *Hunterdon County Democrat*, January - March 2001, April - June 2001. Donated by Hunterdon County Democrat, Catherine T. Langley, publisher, Flemington, NJ.

*The Hummers: A Major Branch With Roots Of Long Ago And Some Recent Leaves*, by Paul D. Hummer, 2001. Donated by the author, Ft. Collins, CO.

Files of Woolverton/Wolverton documentary material collected by the donor while compiling a Woolverton/Wolverton book. Donated by David A. Macdonald, Bethlehem, PA.

Parlor organ circa 1878, built in Pittstown, with nameplate reading "Wm. Stires & Son — Cottage Queen — Pittstown, N.J." Donated by Dr. William E. Boutelle, West Chesterfield, MA.

*The Ringo Family History Series Book 10 Supplemental Research and History (Volume XIV)*, by David Leer Ringo and May Ringo King, published 2001. Donated by Ringo Family History Millennium Library Edition Project, William K. Barnard, Ph.D., Dallas, TX.

*The Woolverton Family 1693-1850 and Beyond*, by David A. Macdonald and Nancy N. McAdams, 2001. Donated by Ms. McAdams, Albuquerque, NM.

"Descendants of Symon Janse Van Aersdale" by Donald Swords with accumulated internet notes generated by his search. Donated by Donald Swords, Mt. Prospect, IL.

*The Barent Jacobsen Cool Family* by Richard H. Benson, 2001. Donated by Brad Cole, Annapolis, MD.

"Quakertown Fire Company Station 91: 50th Anniversary July 28, 2001. Donated by John W. Kuhl, Pittstown, NJ.

*The Barns of Holland Township, Hunterdon County, New Jersey*, by Carla Cielo, Architectural Conservator, 2000. Donated by Shirley Wudner, Hampton, NJ.

*Souvenir Record Of Wertsville School 1747-1939*, a program for the Wertsville School Reunion Saturday June 10, 1939. Donated by Mrs. Dorothy A. Carberry, Flemington, NJ.



## Membership Report

A warm welcome is extended to the people who have recently become members of the Society. Continued support is appreciated also from those members who have upgraded their memberships.

Paul and Cindy Borsetti, Lebanon, NJ	LIFE
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Marlene Cromwell, Lennox, MI	
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## NOTES AND QUERIES

Address correspondence to Genealogical Committee. One query listing of ten lines free to members, 25 cents per line over ten; non-member rate is 25 cents per line. Remember to enclose a SASE (self-addressed, stamped envelope) with genealogical correspondence if you expect a reply.

CLOUSER, FLEMING, HAUGHAWOUT, HENDERSHOT, SCHUYLER, WAGNER: Seek info re Sarah C. Haughawout, Carrie (Schuyler) Wagner, Ida Clouser and Alice Schuyler, chil/o Sarah C. Hendershot dur her marriages to Godfrey Fleming (1867-1873); Augustus Schuyler (1873-1890); and Charles B. Haughawout (1890-??). Dates in parentheses are dates during which she was married to these men. Last known (1900) census address for Sarah, Charles and Alice 47 Cherry St., Phillipsburg, NJ. Ida allegedly mov to Philadelphia. Carrie remained in Phillipsburg until at least 1957. ADD: Brad Walton, 13506 Oak Ivy Lane, Fairfax, VA 22033-1230 (e-mail: dnotlaw@bellatlantic.net)

CROOKS, GREEN: Wanted — photos and/or info of desc/o Hiram Green [24 Mar 1816-1867] and wife Sarah Crooks. ADD: Doris A. Palmer, 173 Ellery Ave., Newark, NJ 07106.

LEE, PARK(S): Seeking par/o Jane Lee or Mary Jane Lee, b. 1817, m. Abraham Park(s) on 3 June 1837, d. 27 Feb 189\_ in Ohio. Her mother may have been Jane Lee, b. 1777 in Penn-

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## History Comes Alive in Flemington

On four weekends, Sept. 28 - Oct. 21 'Trial of the Century' reenactment performances at the Historic Hunterdon County Courthouse, site of the famous 1935 trial of Bruno Hauptmann for the Lindbergh baby kidnapping will be open to the public. Call (908) 782-2610 or on-line: [www.LindberghTrial.com](http://www.LindberghTrial.com) for more information.

Numerous other historic sites in Flemington — Fleming Castle, Choir School, Hunterdon County jail, and the Doric House, will be open during this period. The annual Stangl-Fulper pottery show will be on October 13 and info may be gotten at (908) 369-1159.

The Doric House and Deats Memorial Library are celebrating "Family History Month" with an emphasis on learning more about your family history.

## NOTES and QUERIES (Continued)

sylvania. Abraham was b. near Hackettstown, NJ. ADD: Sandra Johnson, 103 Puritan Lane, Sudbury, MA 01776.

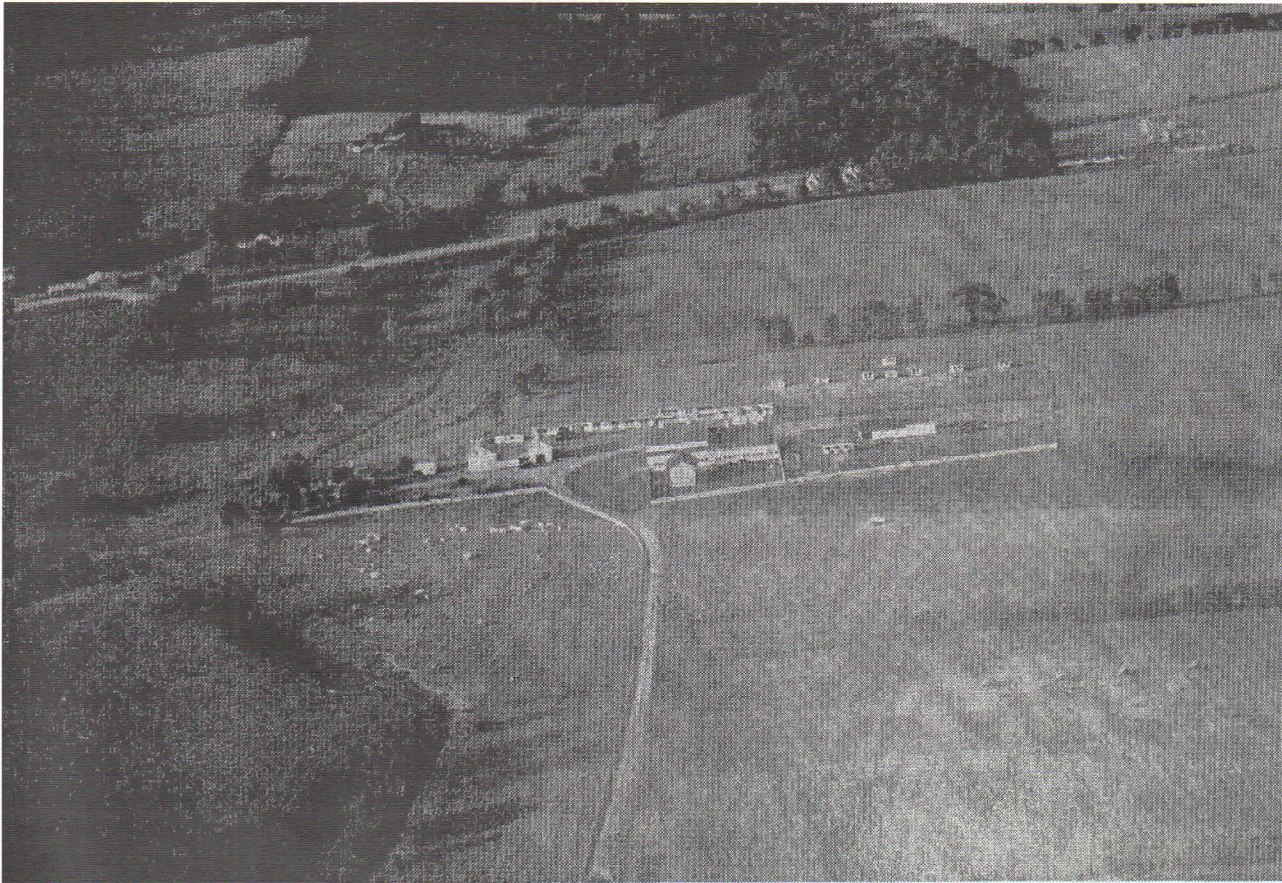
DILTS, MERLITT, RARICK, VANARSDALLEN: Seeking info re Daniel Dilts, m. ca. 1738, and his son, Daniel, b. 1741, who m. Rebecca Merlitt, and their son, Peter Dilts, b. ca. 1760, m. Rachel Rarick, and their son, Francis, b. ca. 1778, m. Margaret Vanarsdallen and liv Montgomery Co, OH, records appearing 1805 onward. ADD: Steve Dilts, 16850 Wild Plum Circle, Morrison, CO 80465.





## *Images from the Past*

**Where is this farm? Whose farm was it?**



### **Clarence Alles Farm — Raritan Twp.**

Congratulations to Irvin Hockenbury, Raritan Township and Terry Golda, Ringoes, who won the contest to identify the farm pictured here at the recent Agricultural Fair in the Hunterdon County Historical Society exhibit. The farm formerly owned by Clarence Alles, is located on Voorhees Corner Road, east of Flemington. This aerial photograph was made in 1938 and shows the long lane into the farm and two-lane Route 202 at the top of the photo and Flemington Lumber Co. (now Domino's pizza). This pastoral scene was typical rural Hunterdon County appearance then. The area is much more heavily developed today.

The photograph is one from the Society's collection and Mr. Hockenbury received a 2002 membership in the Society as first prize and Mr. Golda a lithograph map of Flemington, 1883 for identifying the correct location.

Thanks to the Hunterdon County 4-H Fair Agricultural Fair Association and Roger Everitt and Louisa Cole who provided the booth at the Fair in which Society exhibit was set up. John W. Kuhl is to be saluted for the exhibit he designed reflecting examples of the Society's various artifacts and transporting and installing it each day. Thanks to our volunteers who manned the booth — Bill and Edna McIntyre, Edna Pedrick, Margery and Harold Van Fleet, Dick Stothoff, Stephanie Stevens, Doug Martin, Mary Sheppard, Bill Hartman, Ralph Lomerson, Lewis Sanders, and Barbara Charles. A thank you also to John and Linda Peterson who helped John with transporting and moving everything in and out of the Society and the Fair tent daily.