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Identity Statement:

Title: Mary Ellen Soldavin Collection
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Scope & Content / Abstract:

Abstract: This collection includes information on historic preservation and other related topics gathered by Mary Ellen Soldavin, a trustee of the Hunterdon County Historical Society and a historical researcher for several towns and historic places in Hunterdon County. It showcases historic sites and events that occurred in New Jersey, and is primarily a collection of news articles that show different efforts of historic preservation in Hunterdon County. It also holds material related to the Everitts family and a large collection pertaining to Mt. Pleasant. There is also a small collection of photographs that document structures within the county. This collection is geared toward those researching historic preservation in Hunterdon County and who wish for an insight on the perspective of people behind those efforts.

Scope and Content: This collection holds a large amount of material that is related to Hunterdon County's historic preservation of different sites.

Part One (Folders 1-17 & 45-51) - This section is divided by geographical location. Each folder holds material collected for locations in Hunterdon County or photographs that document structures in the labeled place name. The material is mostly newspaper articles that showcase historic events and preservation within the town.

Part Two (Folders 18 - 44) - This section is a collection of material and photographs that are centered around Mt. Pleasant in Alexandria Township. There is information on the history of the town, preservation within town and issues that arose. There is also a large collection of photographs that show buildings and streets in Mt. Pleasant.

Part Three (Folder 52 - 65) - This section is focused on specific topics, such as bridges within Hunterdon County and the Mt. Salem Church. Collected materials speak on each topic's history and preservation efforts. It also holds a number of photographs that document different aspects of the topics.

Part Four (Folder 66 - 71) - This section is a collection of material that surrounds Mary Ellen Soldavin and her work with preservation. It holds notes written on the history of New Jersey and a collection of Deeds within the county. Other material is located in this section, including notes on the Everitts family and Soldavins' correspondence as President of the Alexandria Township Historical Society.

Context:

Name of Creator: Mary Ellen Soldavin

Administrative / Biographical history: Mary Ellen Soldavin was born in Princeton, New Jersey on April 20, 1950 to Frances Terhune and Alvah "Bud" Beekman Conover. She grew up in Blawenburg, New Jersey and graduated from Princeton High School; then attended Robert Morris College in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Mary Ellen married Marc R. Soldavin at Blawenburg Reformed Church in 1970 and their son, Aaron Conover Soldavin, was born in 1978. They lived in Belle Mead prior to moving to Mount Pleasant and then Frenchtown, New Jersey.

Well known for her extensive volunteer work, Mary Ellen served as a founding member and president for the Alexandria Township Historical Society and as president for Friends of the Hunterdon County Library, where she was a member of the Annual Book Sale committee from 2010 to 2019 as chair of Special Collections. She was also a member of the Hunterdon County Historical Society Board of Trustees from 2005 to 2020 and chaired its sale of deaccessioned books.

This brief biography is taken from Mary Ellen Soldavin's obituary as published on the Holcombe-Fisher Funeral Home website, <https://www.holcombefisher.com/obituaries/Mary-Ellen-Soldavin?obId=22461682>

Structure:

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Collection 47 - Hunterdon County Historical Society Collection Part IV

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Collection 67 - Hunterdon County Historical Society Collection Part VI

Collection 77 - Thelma K. Miller Clippings (1939-2000)

Collection 79 - Marjorie Ladd Saxe Papers (1876-1980)

Collection 112 - The George W. Van Syckel Collection

Collection 113 - The Fleischbein Donation (Alexandria Deeds and Records), (1805-1904)

Collection 135 - The Kenneth V. Myers Papers (1800-1995)

Collection 142 - The J. Edgar Stout Papers (1774-1993)

Collection 147 - Bertha Schuck Papers (1930-1984)

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