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and Catharine B. Mitchell Museum, 1958

## The Stratford Historical Society

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September, 1982

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING:** FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1982 at 8:00 pm at the  
Church Hall of the UNITED METHODIST CHURCH,  
Main Street

**ANNUAL MEETING---ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**PROGRAM:** "Stratford as Photographed by W. Howard Wilcoxson"

The hundreds of photographs and slides acquired in July, 1981 from the estate of William Howard Wilcoxson have been reviewed, identified, and classified. DONALD W. FOWLER has organized a portion of these Stratford scenes into a program for our 1982 Annual Meeting. He will present mounted, identified photographs as well as slides, many of which have not previously been shown.

Mr. Wilcoxson, our Historian Emeritus and former Stratford Town Clerk for many years is the author of our "History of Stratford". An avid photographer, he took pictures of Stratford over a period of decades and included many of these photos in his book.

Mr. Fowler is a past president of our Society and a continuing source of information and inspiration to those of us who work to preserve Stratford's history.

I hope to see many of you at this Annual Meeting. We depend on your continuing interest.

HISTORY OF STRATFORD--Do you have a copy of Wilcoxson's "History of Stratford" for sale? We have a list of several persons wishing to buy one. I understand that the current price is \$75. Please notify the Society if you would like to sell a copy.

LIFE MEMBERS--In the last Newsletter (May, 1982) Life Members (those who have contributed \$150 per person) were listed. As is so often the case with lists of names, some people were overlooked. Those who are also Life Members of long standing are: Mrs. Stephen G. Lawrence and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schlosser. I apologize for the error and take this opportunity to thank again all Life Members for their interest and support.

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MEMBERSHIP information will be mailed to you shortly. Our dues are payable on Oct. 1 of each year. Please be looking for your membership application. Our Society grows in number each year--a heartwarming fact for which we thank you all.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE contributions have been received as follows:

In memory of:	Given by:
Phyllis Tomlinson.....	Mr. & Mrs. Donald Fowler
Glencora Ketchum Maresca.....	Robert Bradley Fitz Mr. & Mrs. Leo Miller
	Mr. & Mrs. Donald Fowler
Albert Pickus.....	Mr. & Mrs. Einar Larson Mr. & Mrs. Velmore Spamer
	Mr. & Mrs. Todd Lovell
	Mr. & Mrs. Donald Fowler
	Mr. & Mrs. Frank Stock
Robert G. Rogers.....	Alfred B. Beach Mrs. Marjorie Irving
Robert Fowler.....	Mr. & Mrs. Einar Larson Mr. & Mrs. Irving Dobkin
Marion Knoblock.....	Mr. & Mrs. Velmore Spamer

ANTIQUE SHOW--It is not too early to begin thinking of our annual Antique Show scheduled for April, 1983. As you begin to contemplate Fall housecleaning, remember that Hiram Tindall (874-1819) will be pleased to pick up items at your home. This year he plans to include current books (paper or hard cover) in the Society's booth as well as the other items we have had in the past. In fact, "just about anything sells" for the benefit of the Society. Remember, this is our major fund-raiser each year.

NEW MUSEUM IN STRATFORD--With your help there may be a new museum of national importance in Stratford. THE NATIONAL HELICOPTER MUSEUM is currently an idea with much exhibit planning and backing already accomplished and a Stratford location. The premise of the Museum is that there is no museum in the nation devoted to the history and development of the helicopter. Stratford, as the location of both Igor Sikorsky's early successes and the present Sikorsky Division of United Technologies, Inc., is a very logical location for such a museum.

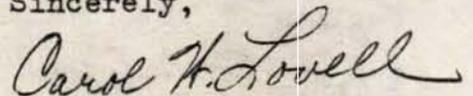
Please read the enclosed appeal and consider responding to it.

Remember our Annual Meeting on Sept. 24, 1982 at 8:00 pm.

MEETING DATES: Fri., Nov. 19  
Fri., Jan. 28  
March--not definite  
Fri., May 20

Sat., June 4--Conn. League of  
Historical Societies  
meets in Stratford

Sincerely,



Mrs. Todd B. Lovell, Pres.

# NATIONAL HELICOPTER MUSEUM

## Play a part in Stratford's history

Become a founding member of the National Helicopter Museum. For \$10 you can help start a local cultural institution which will commemorate Stratford as the Kitty Hawk of the helicopter industry.

The south side of the Stratford railroad station is being renovated to serve as the Helicopter Museum's first home. As a Founding Member you will be invited to opening receptions, receive a regular newsletter on helicopter events, have free admission to the museum, and be able to attend special lectures on helicopter history and current developments.

But most of all you will receive the satisfaction of being a part of the exciting beginning of a national event. Join us today.

**The National Helicopter Museum, Inc.**

**2480 Main Street**

**Stratford, Connecticut 06497**

### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NATIONAL HELICOPTER MUSEUM 

Please enroll me as a Founding Member of the National Helicopter Museum, Inc. My check for \$10.00 is enclosed.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

STREET \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: The National Helicopter Museum, Inc.  
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All contributions tax deductible.

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