



Office of College Communications

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Ms. Stephanie Stokes
THE RECORD
1350 Route 23
Wayne, NJ 07470

Dear Stephanie:

On Saturday, April 22, Garret Hobart IV, the great-grandson of Garret A. Hobart, 24th Vice President of the United States, will be on campus to share his memories of Hobart Manor. The college, situated on the former estate of the Hobart family, is currently engaged in a three-year drive to raise funds for the restoration of the building in turn of the century style.

In addition to providing important anecdotes and recollections on Hobart Manor, Mr. Hobart will view the Garret A. and Jennie T. Hobart Painting Collection, presently on exhibit in WPC's Ben Shahn Galleries. The paintings, donated to the city of Paterson in 1925 by his great-grandmother, Jennie Hobart, are being shown as a collection for the first time.

For your information, Mr. Hobart lived in Morristown for many years, where he was a lawyer with Schenck, Price, Smith and King, and was involved in civil and municipal cases. A former prosecutor for Jefferson Township, he headed his own law firm for ten years before retiring in 1983 to the greener pastures of a sheep farm in Vermont.

Mr. Hobart's visit to campus provides an opportunity for an interesting feature story. He will arrive on campus at 10 a.m. to film a video, and will be available for an interview. You would be able to join him on a tour of Hobart Manor, and on his visit to the exhibit.

I understand that you probably would not be available to cover this story on a Saturday, but I did want to let you know about it. I've sent the same information to Bob Cunningham. I'll give you a call in a few days to see if you are interested. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please give me a call.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Beth Zeman".

Mary Beth Zeman
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