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Dozens turned out for our first-ever walk to historical Hipses Rock on November 5. See story, page 4. Photo by Beth Hurd.

Morgan Mills Revisited

by Louis McGowan

(research for this revision by Steve Merolla)

In our March 2007 newsletter we printed a short article that I penned about Morgan Mills, one of the textile mills in our town. In the course of writing the piece I used the available information that I had in crediting Christopher Harris and Christopher A. Atwood with building the mill. The primary source for this accreditation was a *Providence Journal* article from December 16, 1917, whose author even appeared to have used old deeds in his research.

I should have known better, though. A person writing history should, if at all possible, go back to the primary sources, in this case, the town deed and tax books. Steve Merolla pointed out my error to me. The reporter for the *Journal* erred in his research and came up with the

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 wrong answer. I blindly followed him and copied the same mistake. Just because an article is almost 100 years old does not, of course, mean it is correct in all matters. The mill was built 100 years before the article was written. The reporter possibly did use the primary sources, but misinterpreted his findings. I erred in not double-checking the facts.

The first fact relating to the mill in Morgan Mills that Steve's research uncovered was a mention in Deed Book 3, pg. 546 of an "old mill dam." The date of this deed is March 5, 1808. From this we know that some type of mill was in place by this date. It is doubtful that a dam would have been erected at that early date for any other reason than to be used with a mill. It was probably not the stone textile mill, though, which most likely was built at a later date. An April 16, 1819 deed mentions "the Factory which involves the Grist Mill." So, it looks like there was an early mill at the site, and it was probably a grist mill. The second important tidbit uncovered by Steve's research is that the land encompassing the mill property was Harris land from the 1600s to the mill era. My article omitted mention of the Harris family as owners of the property. The Atwoods married into the Harris family, and that is why their name appears in the mill history.

The third fact uncovered is that the two principal players in the early history of the stone factory were Christopher Harris and Abraham C. Atwood and not Christopher Harris and Christopher A. Atwood as erroneously stated in the 1917 *Providence Journal* article and repeated by me in my earlier article.

A fourth piece of information obtained from Steve's research was that the stone factory (mill) was already present on April 20, 1814. In my 2007 article, I speculated that the mill was built between 1815 and 1818.

A fifth important clue found by Steve was the fact that Benjamin F. Atwood, in his will, left his two daughters, Abigail Atwood and Hannah Harris, 1/2 half of the stone factory and grist mill. His two sons-in-law by these two daughters, Christopher Harris and Abraham C. Atwood, were the sellers of the mill to William Almy in 1822. This leads us to think that Benjamin F. Atwood was the founder of the Morgan Mill, as he had obtained the land for the mill property by deed (Book 3, pg. 546) from Elnathan Harris on March 5, 1808 and held it until his death in 1818. The mill was definitely built in this period, so Benjamin F. Atwood is the likely builder.



Undated photo of Morgan Mill. *Photo courtesy of George Daigneault.*

So, where does this leave us as far as the beginnings of the Morgan Mill? Well, we do not know the exact date of construction of the mill, but we do know it was built by 1814. We also know that Benjamin F. Atwood was the probably the builder of the mill and that his sons-in-law, Christopher Harris and Abraham C. Atwood later sold the property to William Almy of Cranston in 1822.

Further research may turn up better dates and more information on the actual construction of the mill. Many thanks to Steve for his help in this area. Remember, if you are doing research, go to the primary records. You will save yourself time and effort in the long run.

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Church Of The Holy Nativity Demolished
by Louis McGowan

On October 29, 2011, our town lost another landmark when the Church of the Holy Nativity on Plainfield Street in Thornton was demolished. The main structure, the nave, was torn down, but the tower, which is original, was retained. The building was in rough shape, and we know that all old buildings cannot be saved. It is sad, though, to see a building that meant so much to many people come down.

The first mention of any religious activities here was in 1887, when it is said that services were held on the site (possibly in a barn) by the rector from the Church of the Messiah Episcopal Church in Olneyville. Another source says the Sisters of the Holy Nativity from St. Stephen's Church in Providence set up the first service in 1891. I feel that the 1887 date is probably more accurate because the large number of English settlers in the village (many of whom came over in 1884 to work in the British Hosiery Mill) would have wanted masses nearby and would have pushed for local services.

The church is not mentioned in the 1894 Johnston Directory, but the 1895 Everts and Richards map of the town shows the church. The building shown on the map was not the structure that was torn down recently. The cornerstone of the latter was placed in 1900. A time capsule, which has not been opened yet, was found in the cornerstone

during demolition. The Holy Nativity parish was for many years a mission church of St. Stephen's Church on the East Side of Providence.

According to records in the U.R.I. Archives, the church finally closed in 1966, and the main hall was used as a Knights of Columbus meeting place for many years.

(some of the information for this piece was taken from: *St. Stephen's Church in Providence: The History of a New England Tractarian Parish*, by Joseph Catir, Jr., 1964)

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**Society Doings**

**Fundraiser Re-Cap**  
by Louis McGowan

On September 17, 2011 we held our Big Ol' Fundraiser/Open House on our museum grounds. It was a grand success. Tours of our three museum buildings were given, a silent auction was held, demonstrations were presented and food was offered. A lot of us worked very hard, everyone seemed to have a good time, and we netted almost \$4,000.

The first words of thanks, of course, goes out to our chairperson for the event, Anthony Ursillo. I cannot imagine how many hours this man puts in to make these events work. He is very good at running these fundraisers, and we are very lucky that he does them for us. Tim Kee also deserves a big thank you, because I know that he quietly put in a lot of time too before the event.



Anthony Ursillo drums up some drop-in business at our annual open house and fundraiser. Photo by Christopher Martin.

As always, for any event like this, a lot of help is needed. Bel and I counted about twenty-five historical society people who were there that day giving their time. That is outstanding.

I would like to thank my wife Bel who, besides putting up with me, coordinated the food for the day, handled volunteers, set up much of the silent auction, and did whatever was needed before the fundraiser. Jim and Alice handled the donation booth during the event. Elise Carlson and her son Eric gave tours in the house. Anthony Ursillo and Tim Kee were busy the whole day doing whatever was needed. Ida Silva made wonderful sandwiches and pastries and watched over the food tables for the day. Anthony Ricci was very helpful that day and other days during the preceding week. Dan Brown lent his expertise at the museum during the open house. Pat Macari and Warren Lanpher

spent the afternoon showing people around the Belknap School. Joe Jamroz helped out in innumerable ways that day. Shar Dimaio gave the whole day to helping out. Ellen Lanpher acted as a docent in the Elijah Angell House. Everett Cogswell brought over this Model A Ford (it looked wonderful on the front lawn). Dan Cazeault also brought his 1925 Franklin which was also parked in the driveway. Virginia Brunelle monitored the silent auction table along with Lucy Silva.

Pat Perry was in period costume, welcoming guests. Louis and Bel McGowan, Anthony Ursillo, and Carolyn Profughi dressed in costume. Carolyn and her husband Victor helped us out greatly with work on our flyers and committee work for the event.



Bel McGowan and Pat Perry compare fashion notes. *Photo by Christopher Martin.*

Rolf Johnson set up a blacksmithing and wheelwright display, which was a big hit. The North Central Chamber of Commerce set up an information table, as did Elli Panichas and her Neutaconkanut Hill group. and Steve Merolla and Pat Macari set up a display for their cemetery group (which is a committee of our society).

**Hipses Rock Tour**



Ranger John McNiff holds up a replica of the original Providence deed, which was probably signed at Hipses Rock in 1638. *Photo by Beth Hurd.*

On November 5, 2011, society member Anthony Ricci organized a walk of around fifty-five people to Hipses Rock, which is partially on his property. This important site was known by both the area Native Americans and the colonists. When deeds were drawn up in the seventeenth century for the land transfers from the Native Americans to Roger Williams, the rock was used as one of the boundary markers. As was pointed out by Ranger John McKriff of the Roger Williams National Memorial, who guided the walk, this site should be known by a lot more people than it is because

of its great historical importance. John did a wonderful job of explaining the rock and its significance to the people then and why it should be preserved for future generations.

The walk was sponsored by the Neutaconkanut Hill Conservancy and the Johnston Historical Society, but the real credit for the effort goes

to Anthony Ricci who saw the importance of the site and saw the need to make others aware of its importance. To make sure that people were able to get to the site, he cleared a path through the woods from Morgan Avenue to the rock, a distance of at least 300 or 400 yards. This work involved both using his tractor to cut down vegetation and using his chain saw (frequently in the dark I was told) to cut down trees.

I am sure that Anthony will see to it that this site will continue to be open for all to appreciate.

**Tea at Mabel's House**

On the same day as the Hipses Rock Tour, our historical society hosted a tea at Mabel's House on Morgan Avenue. To the uninformed, Mabel was Mabel (Atwood) Sprague, who lived her whole life in her family home, which dates to 1768. The house is now owned by society member Anthony Ricci, but he always calls it "Mabel's House."

The tea was a rousing success with over fifty-five people attending and many more stopping in for a visit. Anthony has pretty much finished his restoration work on the first floor interior of the building, and he wanted to have an event as an unofficial opening of the structure. The amount of work that he put into the restoration is astounding, especially considering that he works full time at his paying job. The finished product looks wonderful, and I am sure that Mabel would be thrilled to see the house looking the way that it does.

The tea was organized and run by Bel McGowan. She had her finger in almost everything that had to do with the event, from buying the food and supplies to preparing the food to decorating the house. She worked long and hard, and the result was a wonderful time for all the guests.



Christopher Martin accepts a cup of Earl Grey tea from server Shar Dimaio. *Photo by Beth Hurd.*

But, as with all our events, a lot of other people pitched in to make this tea a success. Bel's sister Ida made most of the desserts from scratch and helped to coordinate the kitchen on Tea Day. We had a great crew working in the house, helping out in one way or another. Cynthia Fonseca helped to host the event and got the house cleaned and ready for the tea. Alice Lombardi, Elise Carlson, Shar Dimaio and Lori Lemoi worked tirelessly in the kitchen. Louis McGowan also helped in the kitchen and in other areas. Lisa and Kim Ricci, Stephanie Lemoi and her friend Christine all did a great job waiting on tables. Donna Ricci, Ann Marie Montgomery, Joe Jamroz, Doug and Linda Stephens and Eric Carlson all helped out during the event. Kit Rhodes, Evelyn Beaumier, and Carolyn Profughi all brought desserts. John Barattini printed and designed the tickets and menus.

A special thanks goes out to Carolyn Profughi, who dressed in costume and talked to guests about the use of the parasol in Victorian times.

And, of course, we thank Anthony Ricci for hosting the event and for doing all that he did inside the house and on the grounds to prepare for our tea.

### **Our Properties**

The Belnap School is battened down and closed for the winter.

We purchased an EdenPure heater for our tenant to use in her apartment on the second floor of Elijah Angell House. We hope this will help to make her more comfortable, while reducing her need for expensive heating fuel this winter.

We just received word that we were awarded a 2011 Champlin Grant which we will use to upgrade the alarm systems in our Museum Barn and the Belnap School. Anything left over will go toward power washing and applying preservative to the exterior of the Museum Barn. We'd also like to put a small hood over the door of the museum so when it's raining we don't get soaked fiddling with the key. A hood should also help with ice build-up.

The JHS museum barn is open on the third Sunday of every month from 2 to 4pm. The museum is also open every Monday evening from 6:30 to 8:30pm, and both the museum and Elijah Angell House continue to be open by appointment -- we always welcome visits by interested individuals or groups. Just shoot us an email at [info@johnstonhistorical.org](mailto:info@johnstonhistorical.org), or leave a message at (401) 231-3380 to set one up.

Our museum space is also available (on a limited basis) for meetings of small groups of adults at a reasonable price. If you know of a local group or organization that is looking for a meeting space, and might be interested in using our museum, please have them contact us.

### **Cemetery Committee Report**

by Steve Merolla and Pat Macari

Since our last report, the Cemetery Committee has continued its work at Cemetery #72, the Killey Lot, located just off of lower Greenville Avenue, down Bucklin Avenue. When all is said and done, we spent almost the entire 2011 season at this cemetery. We began work on March 27 and only finished up on November 13. Over that time the Committee made twenty-seven work stops here, thus it seemed like an eternity when we had to cancel out on June 12 because of rain, and the week after because of Father's Day. In addition, our work was interrupted by Tropical Storm Irene, which left a big mess of fallen trees and limbs. Amazingly, no stones were damaged, though there were several very close calls. Many thanks to Arnold Vecchione and the town Highway Department, who picked up piles of debris that we cleared out of the lot on the week of June 26 and after Irene in late August.

It was noted in our last report that this cemetery is divided into two halves. The period of this report concerns our work on the right side. It is here that are interred about fifteen members of the Killey family, for whom the cemetery is named. In fact, there is an obelisk-shaped granite post at a corner bound inscribed "JS Killey 1843." The patriarch of the family was Jonathan S. Killey, who was a co-owner of the local E.E. Manton & J.S. Killey textile mill. Mr. Killey is buried here along with his wife Eleanor; they once lived in the large and stately Greek-Revival style house standing today at 266 Greenville Avenue, which was probably built around 1860. Their son Jonathan S. Killey Jr. died at eight years of age in 1843, which happens to be the same date inscribed on the aforementioned granite obelisk. More

than likely, the beautiful granite wall and walkway at the front of the cemetery were financed by Mr Killey.



Whew, that was close. *Photo by Beth Hurd.*

There are some interesting stones and markers in this burial ground, including a large block of granite five feet by two feet inscribed with the names of five Killey family members who were buried here up into the mid-twentieth century. There are also three monuments, two of them topped by tall obelisks. One of these obelisks was toppled off of its three foot marble base and probably weighed between 400-500 pounds. We were able to replace it on top of its base with a tripod brilliantly conceived and constructed by Everett Cogswell, with an assist from a ramp made by Pat. Many thanks to Everett; this device will allow us to handle very large stones and reduce the chance of any injuries. An interesting stone in the front row of the Killey section belongs to Edwin C. Killey Jr., the inscription stating that he was a member of Company D, First Regiment, Connecticut Heavy Artillery, and that he was killed in action at the battle of Petersburg on July 13, 1864, during the Civil War.



Hey kids! Think Physics doesn't have any real-life applications for the common man? Try lifting a quarter-ton of stone without the aid of a tripod, rope and pulley, and ramp. *Photo by Beth Hurd.*

It is likely that the majority of people buried in both sides of this lot were associated with the local mills, either as workers, managers, or owners. We see the names of Hicks, Devereaux (a Robert Devereaux was said to have been an overseer in the Manton and Killey Mill), Greene, Lawton, Thurston, Rice, Stetson, Hawkes, Suddard, Mathewson, Clark, and a few others. Most of these are not "old Johnston" names, and in fact most of them probably moved here from other towns and even overseas to work in the mills.

This is one of the largest cemeteries in the town; even taking into account the eleven burials moved elsewhere, there are still a little over 100 interments here. During the course of eight months of work, the Committee repaired fifteen headstones; reset thirty-six headstones; reset nineteen footstones; reset one obelisk.



Take a bow, boys. *Photo by Beth Hurd.*

In addition, we raked, cleaned and cut the lawn several times. Anthony "stump-buster" Ricci, with help from Billy and Tim, hacked out a couple of large tree stumps impinging on gravestones; when Anthony sees a stump, it's time to get down to business. Doug Stephens did his usual meticulous job of raking and cleaning, along with Pat Macari, who goes to the time and trouble to load his pick-up truck every week with tools and equipment. Billy Rotondo, Steve Merolla, Tim Kee, and Anthony Ursillo, with an assist from Pat, Doug and Anthony R., concentrated on stone repairs and resets, along with the cleaning duties. New Committee member Shar DiMaio provided a real neatness factor to our clean-up efforts. A thanks also to Dodie, who dropped off coffee and doughnuts to the group one Sunday; a shout out also to neighbor Joe Silliman, who has lived next to this cemetery for over sixty years and maintained it while he could. Joe has said that most of the stones that were down and that we repaired and/or reset were in that condition when he first moved in those many years ago (he also stated that the obelisk we reset came down during Hurricane Gloria in 1985).

Once again, a great job done by our Committee: Pat, Doug, Anthony R., Tim, Billy, Everett, Anthony U., Shar, and Steve. We urge members of the Society to take a look at the work that was done.

### Speakers

At our September 2011 meeting, two members of the American French Genealogical Society, Sylvia Bartholomy and Norm Deragon, came to our museum and taught us the rudiments of genealogical research. They also provided a valuable history lesson on the French Canadian migration to New England. We thank the A.F.G.S. and Sylvia for their interesting and informative presentation.



Jim Ignasher. *Photo by Beth Hurd.*

Our October speaker was Jim Ignasher, who thoroughly entertained us with a slide presentation on Rhode Island's forgotten disasters. He has a recent book in print on the subject, and in it he focuses on air, sea and rail disasters that have not been extensively covered before in print. Jim is an excellent speaker, a wonderful researcher and does a heck of a good job with the mechanics of making up a power point presentation.

### Acquisitions

- In July, Glenn Ray, who had visited us from Texas and whose mother Gloria attended the Belknap School, sent us some exciting new items. He forwarded us a number of photographs of the school, both interior and exterior views, some articles concerning the school and the Clemence family, and copies of the 1948 Matteson map of Johnston. He also sent us the original hand bell from the Belknap School and a math textbook that his mother used in 1939 at the school. The book, dating from 1878, was stamped as received into the Johnston School System in 1902 (It is remarkable that the book is still in one piece!). Our thanks go out to him and his family for sending us these items.
- In July Louis purchased for the society the following items: a Leander Chappell photo and two of his dog licenses from the 1870s; a number of photographs from the Morgan Mills area (showing local people and buildings) from the Mabel Sprague Estate and from the Harold Beaudoin estate; and three small personal account books from Benjamin Pirce who lived in Simonsville in the 1840s.
- In July Mike Salvadore donated two dress fireman's hats.
- In August Fred Mikkelsen donated a 1901 World Atlas, a multi-color poster and a Masterpiece Classics set of books.
- In September Christopher Martin donated: a turn-of-the-century math book; a framed Graniteville fire station newspaper photo; and a 1939 photograph of two Johnston fire trucks.
- In September Louis purchased for the society: a reproduction pottery-faced doll for the house; a small desk for the school; and a vintage crock for the school.
- In September Barbra McGuirl donated a campaign poster for Police Chief Hiram Kimball.
- In September Anthony Ricci donated a cube refrigerator for the Belknap School.
- In October Fred Mikkelsen donated four child's wooden folding chairs and one school bell.
- In October Christine Harris donated four period nineteenth century photographs of Wade family members who lived in Johnston.
- In October Dodie Falvo donated an 1870 Beers map of Johnston.
- In November Louis purchased a nineteenth century photo of a horse drawn trolley on the Providence/Olneyville Plainfield Street line.
- In November Beth Hurd donated a program from the grand opening ceremony of the new Johnston Municipal Court in the former Mohr Library building.

Many of these objects may be seen in the Acquisitions photo album on our Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/johnstonhistorical](http://www.facebook.com/johnstonhistorical)). As always, our sincere thanks to all who have donated items for our collections. Keep it coming!

### Graniteville Memorial Association Records

In September Robert Jackson turned over the second installment of the records for the Graniteville Memorial Association to us. These records date back to 1914 and provide a glimpse into the village's history in the early and middle years of this century. Briefly checking out the books revealed such tidbits as: information on the purchase of the monument, the original deed for the property and the fact that a Vigilance Committee predated the present memorial association.

The Memorial Association, still a legal entity, is housed at the historical society.

### Wish List

- Following are a number of items we could make good use of:
- Display mannequins
  - Any Johnston-related memorabilia

## Upcoming Events

Unless otherwise noted, all events take place at the Johnston Historical Society Museum Barn, 101 Putnam Pike, Johnston, and are free and open to the public.

### December 2, 2011

JHS Holiday Gathering

7pm

15 Dean Avenue. Members Alice and Jim Lombardi have graciously opened their restored eighteenth century home to us for this year's holiday gathering. This is not a public event, but friends and family of members are welcome to attend. Call Kit Rhodes at (401) 231-7523 to RSVP. Alice will provide a meal of home-made pasta and meatballs and salad. Please bring a dessert, finger food, hors-d'oeuvre, or beverage of your choice. Parking at the house is extremely limited, so please park at our headquarters and walk over to Dean Avenue.

### December 7, 2011

General Meeting

7pm

Raymond Wolf returns, talking about his new Images of America book on West Warwick.

We will also be having an election of officers and trustees that night. The proposed slate is as follows:

President -- Louis McGowan  
Vice-President -- Danny Brown  
Treasurer -- Joseph Jamroz  
Recording Secretary -- Elise Carlson  
Corresponding Secretary -- Christopher Martin  
Trustees -- Belmira McGowan, Rolf Johnson, Doug Stephens and Evelyn Beaumier.

Additional nominations will be accepted from the floor that night.

### January 25, 2012

General Meeting

7pm

Our president, Louis McGowan will give a presentation on something. Probably something historical. Maybe something to do with Johnston. Eh, we'll see.

### February 29, 2012

General Meeting

7pm

Danny Brown will give another in his series of presidential presentations. This time: How they died and where they're buried.

### March 28, 2012

General Meeting

7pm

North Kingstown historian G. Timothy Cranston will give a talk entitled 'Setting the Record Straight,' a thought-provoking inquiry into the real facts behind the relationships between Rhode Island's colonial settlers and the Native people they supplanted, as well as the slaves they eventually brought here.

### April 14, 2012

The 3rd Annual Great Johnston Scavenger Hunt  
Elijah Angell House, 101 Putnam Pike. Rain date: April 15.

### April 25, 2012

General Meeting

7pm

Conley's Wharf, 200 Allen's Avenue, Providence.

Local historian Patrick Conley will speak about the history of the Fabre Line of steamships that brought many immigrants to Rhode Island in the late 1800s and early 1900s. Mr. Conley will illustrate his talk with examples of Fabre Line memorabilia from his personal collection.

### May 30, 2012

General Meeting

7pm

Roger Williams National Memorial Ranger John McNiff will speak about Roger Williams.

Do you have a suggestion for a future speaker? Or do you yourself have a topic you'd like to present at one of our meetings? Please drop us a line at [info@johnstonhistorical.org](mailto:info@johnstonhistorical.org) or leave a message at (401) 231-3380.



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### Contribute To Our Newsletter!

We are always looking for articles for our newsletter. Naturally, we would like pieces that have to do with the town's history, but if you have an interest that ties in with history somehow, why not share it with us? Maybe you collect old snuffboxes or old railroad material. Maybe you have done some of your family history that others might be interested in. Maybe you would like to talk about the old days in Johnston. Wouldn't it be fun to share your knowledge! You do not have to be a great writer to put together an article. None of us are great literary figures. If you need help though, one of us would be glad to assist you.

We think that it will make for a much better newsletter if others contribute pieces that they have written. Remember, your reminiscences about the old days in Johnston will become valuable pieces of our town's history. But if you do not get them down on paper, they will be lost forever. We should make sure that future generations know what went on in times past.

**Next newsletter deadline: March 15, 2012.**

**Our Executive Board**

President: Louis McGowan  
Vice-President: Dan Brown  
Treasurer: Joe Jamroz  
Recording Secretary: Evelyn Beaumier  
Corresponding Secretary: Christopher Martin  
Trustee: Bel McGowan  
Trustee: Rolf Johnson  
Trustee: John Barattini  
Trustee: Kit Rhodes

Our Executive Board meets at 7pm in the Museum building, 101 Putnam Pike, on the second to the last Wednesday of each month, September through June (except December). All are welcome to attend.

General Meetings are held at 7pm the last Wednesday of each month, September through June (no December meeting. We hold our Holiday Party that month). The meetings are held in the Museum Building.

Our phone number is: (401) 231-3380  
Our website address is: [www.JohnstonHistorical.org](http://www.JohnstonHistorical.org)  
Our email address is: [Info@JohnstonHistorical.org](mailto:Info@JohnstonHistorical.org)

**Annual Dues**

Have you paid your 2012 dues yet? It's that time again. Your dues help us to operate. The price of a single membership is only \$15; a family membership is only \$20. Wotta bargain! So once more, please pay your 2012 dues. Send us a check today!

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