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Papers of the New Haven Commission for the Bicentennial Re-enactment of the British Invasion, 1779-1979 were added to the collection in August, 1980. They can be found in Box XXII. See p. 9 of Register for the contents: They consist chiefly of minutes of the executive committee and photographs and an WELI talk show tape

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New Haven Bicentennial Commission

History

The New Haven Bicentennial Commission was created in April of 1971 by Mayor Bartholomew F. Guida and went out of existence on August 31, 1976. W. Ogden Ross was appointed Chairman of the Commission and in 1973 J'Lene Mayo joined as Executive Director.

The purpose of the Commission was to formulate and coordinate plans for New Haven's participation in the 200th Anniversary of the American Revolution. The first group of its type in Connecticut, the Commission stimulated an awareness of New Haven's significant contribution to the struggle for independence and the development of American democracy.

Fifteen regional towns and cities together with representatives from local civic, cultural and educational organizations, as well as business and industry formed the New Haven Bicentennial Regional Commission to report and exchange ideas.

The New Haven Bicentennial Commission cooperated with various institutions such as Yale University, the New Haven Colony Historical Society, the New Haven Afro-American Society, and others in their contributions to the Bicentennial celebration.

The Commission was responsible for a number of significant publications and issued a commemorative medallion. It sponsored numerous events: Powder House Day, 1975 & 1976; Bicentennial Parade; July 4th Celebration; 18th Century Day; New World Festival; Harbor Side Festival; Pageant '76; American Issues Forum, and others. It operated a Bicentennial Visitors Center and since 1973 published a Newsletter. During the Bicentennial the tower of the New Haven City Hall was reconstructed as well as Black Rock Fort. An archeological excavation at the Eli Whitney gun factory site was supported.

For more detailed information on the Commission, its organization and activities see New Haven Celebrates the Bicentennial ed. by Harold Hornstein.
NEW HAVEN BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION

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