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"I will examine what has changed, and what has stayed the same," Mandel said of the town that was first settled more than 300 years ago.

"I will focus on a variety of themes, including, moved houses, historic sites, Nassau Street shops and education — one- room schoolhouses."

Attendees will embark on a virtual tour of Princeton alongside Mandel from the mid-1800's to the early 1900's, comparing current images of transportation, shopping, education and historic sites to vintage photographs from HSP's extensive collection.

"The building that now houses Hamilton Jewelers has been a fixture at the corner of Witherspoon Street and Nassau Street since 1896," Mandel said.

"In contrast, many homes and businesses were torn down or moved for the construction of Palmer Square in the 1930's."

Adding, "The changes in cars and people's clothing are also fun to see."

Mandel, who manages the vVisitor sServices operation at the Bainbridge House and Updike Farmstead, and oversees the admission associates, has been charged with developing and expanding HSP's programs and partnerships, all the while providing a fun and educational experience for visitors.

Mandel is an active volunteer corps of Walking Tour Guides and High School docents. She develops curriculum and teaches a wide range of educational programming for schools located throughout central New Jersey.

Prior to joining the HSP staff, Mandel held positions at the Morris Museum and the National Constitution Center.

The meeting is free, and open to the public. Light refreshments will follow Mandel's presentation.

For further information on the HSP, and a closer look at Princeton's history, visit http://princeton.pastperfect-online.com.

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