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History-Holding Capsules At Town Clock

When our nation celebrates its tricentennial 100 years from now, Santa Cruz residents will uncover a time capsule placed in the base of the restored town clock by today's citizens.

Friends of the Octagon Historical Society met Wednesday

afternoon to select what will be included in the capsule, Robert Darrow, chairman of the Citizens' Committee on Community Improvement, the group that spearheaded the clock restoration, reported.

Santa Cruzans of the future

will discover common symbols of today's society - two plastic vegetable crispers - when they go to unbury the time capsule.

These crispers are ideal airtight containers to hold pictures, mementos, historical data and maps of today's Santa Cruz County, according to Darrow. Newspapers on microfilm, a complete set of current coins through the \$2 bill, number one issues of the silver and bronze bicentennial town clock medallions, photographs of the construction stages of the town clock tower and a photocopy of architect Kermit Darrow's plan for the tower. Also, photographs of current dress styles and automobiles, a tape of

row.

The "capsules" will be set in place within the next month and will contain pictures of the main streets of all the towns in the county, historical data on each town, maps of the county and of each city in the county, the July 4, 1976 editions of local modern music, a \$25 savings

account passbook donated by County Bank that will accrue interest over the 100 years and photographs of UCSC, Cabrillo College, the county courthouse and city hall.

Darrow explained that dry ice will be placed in the containers to force the air out. Otherwise, the air would oxidize in the containers.

"If that doesn't work, they can blame us in 100 years," Darrow said.

More suggestions for what to place in the capsules are welcome and can be made by calling Hulda McLean, chairman of the capsule committee, at 423-2415.

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What's In Time Capsule?

Due to a typographical error, the list of items that will be placed in the two time capsules in the base of the town clock was incomplete in Thursday's Sentinel.

The capsules, to be opened in 100 years when the nation celebrates its tricentennial, will hold photographs of the main streets of all the towns in the county, historical data on each town, maps of the county and of each city in the county, the July 4, 1976 editions of local newspapers on microfilm, a complete set of current coins through the \$2 bill, number one issues of the silver and bronze bicentennial town clock medallions, photographs of the construction stages of the town clock tower and a photocopy of architect Kermit Darrow's plan for the tower, photographs of current dress styles and automobiles, a tape of modern music, a \$25 savings account passbook donated by County Bank that will accrue interest over the 100 years and photographs of UCSC, Cabrillo College, the county courthouse and city hall.

The capsules will be set in place within 30 days.