NEWSLETTER

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Binghamton Township Historical Society - 923 Hawleyton Road, Binghamton, New York 13903-9635

established 1980 President...Robert Smales . Vice-President...R.William Haskell . Treasurer...Theresa Washco

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The first meeting of the Society was held at the fire station in Hawleyton 2/21/80 to discuss formation of a historical society. 18 people attended. Esther Meeker introduced Margaret Hobble of the Regional Conference of Historical Societies who spoke of applying to the State for a charter and products to purchase.

At the second meeting on 3/6/80 it was voted to be called Binghamton Township Historical Society. The purpose would be to gather, study and record items of historical interest about the Town of Binghamton

Officers elected were President Donald Rakow, Vice President .Robert Smales, Secretary Phyllis Merriam and Treasurer Lynn Meeker. By-law committee Donald Rakow, Dave Darling, Robert Smales and Phyllis Merriam.

$50.00 was borrowed from the Garden Club to pay for the charter. We have Doug Webb to thank for the present logo.

Spaghetti suppers, Christmas cookie sales, flea markets, ice cream socials and bake sales were the fund raisers.

A Provisional Charter was granted by the State 6/26/81 which was valid until 12/14/84. The organization qualified and was granted the Absolute Permanent Charter 4/22/88. The framed copy hangs in the museum.

The above information is from our secretaries' records 12/21/80 to 12/12/89. -- gathered by Janice Reynolds. Eleanor Haines designed this newsletter format. The other two committee members are Agnes Gabriel and Genevieve Sullivan..

Since our inception in 1980, we have accumulated much historical data which we will be sharing soon with members in a mailing. Issued three or four times a year, our newsletter will include interesting information from Town of Binghamton's past plus updates on our Township Historical Society activities and events. Your suggestions on subject matter would be appreciated.

Use this form if you wish or contact, our editor, Genny Sullivan (see above).

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