



Celebrating 50 Years

**KING TOWNSHIP
HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

1972-2022

Timeline 1972-2022

1972



- Charter meeting of KTHS held on April 13th
- Lloydtown cairn unveiled

1973



- 1st Rebellion Day Fair held in Lloydtown

1974



- Custodianship of Eversley Church assumed

1975




- 1st of 8 Carrying Place Trail signs unveiled
- 1st Christmas Concert celebrated- Eversley Church

1976



- Museum Committee created to find a home for artifacts
- Plaque carved by Basil Self unveiled at Municipal Office

1977



- Plans developed to acquire Kinghorn School as a Museum
- Queen Elizabeth II Silver Jubilee medal awarded to Harold Rose, clerk & Elizabeth Gillham, author



1978

- *Township purchased Kinghorn School for Museum*
- *Members assisted Landmarks Committee of King Twp*



1979

- *KTHS & Twp entered into 10 year lease for Museum*
- *Northern terminus plaque of Carrying Place Trail unveiled*



1980

- *Artifact acquisition began for new Museum*
- *Volunteers assisted in preparing the Museum building*



1981

- *KTHS officially incorporated*



1982

- *Christian Church (c1851) moved from Kettleby*
- *KTHS celebrated 10th Anniversary & the opening of the Museum*



1983

- *Annual Heritage Fall Fair co-ordinated*



1984-1988

- *KTHS volunteers devoted to running the Museum*



1989

- *Fundraising to return King railway station to King Twp began*
- *Railway station transported from Kortright Centre to Museum*



1990

- *Fundraising events for restoration of railway station held*



1991

- *KTHS offered a variety of events and programs*



1992

- *20th Anniversary celebrated*



1993

- *Township granted funds for restoration of the railway station*



1994

- ***Carl Finkle, President of KTHS created a brochure entitled "The Rolling family & early black settlement in King Twp."***



1995

- ***Annual Christmas concert held***



1996

- ***KTHS membership reached 97, including 11 Life members. Individuals \$10.00, Family \$15.00***



1997

- ***KTHS appointed to Twp's Heritage Policy & Fund Committee***



1998

- ***One Room School House project researched***



1999

- ***Restoration of Lloydtown Pioneer Cemetery began***



2000

- **King Township Archives created**



2001

- **Archives documented archival material held by residents**
- **Ownership of museum artifacts transferred to Twp**



2002

- **30th Anniversary celebrated**
- **Carrying Place Trail signs refurbished**



2003

- **Archives conducted Oral History Project**



2004

- **The tradition of preserving and promoting the history of King Township continued**



2005

- **Archives partnering with King Twp Public Library won the Dorothy Duncan Award for preservation of local history**



2006

- ***Bernice Bell, friend of KTHS, gave a sizeable donation for the development of the Archives***



2007

- ***35th Anniversary celebrated***
- ***Album of Oldies by Elizabeth Gillham republished***



2008

- ***Public interest in the history of King Twp promoted by a variety of speakers & programs***



2009

- ***KTHS participated in local community events***



2010

- ***KTHS received a bequest from the Fawcett family to enhance the museum***



2011

- ***A commemorative plaque to honour First Nations & European explorers of King Twp. installed***

40...
and going strong

2012

- ***40th Anniversary celebrated***



2013

- ***Storyboards honouring King Olympians created***



2014

- ***"Learning from the Past" lecture series launched with military historian Gavin Watt as the inaugural speaker***



2015

- ***History boards researched, created and installed in Kettleby***



2016

- ***400 years of the French presence in Ontario celebrated***



2017

- ***Doors Open King reinstated with King Twp Heritage Advisory Board as a partner***



2018

- *KTHS commissioned a book to be written on the history of King Township*



2019

- *Ownership of the Archives transferred to Township of King*



2020

- *KTHS persevered despite restrictions regarding Covid 19*



2021

- *KTHS funded the planting of Memorial trees to honour and celebrate the KTHS founders, volunteers & members including Heather Robertson & Fiona Cowles.*



2022

- *50th Anniversary of KTHS celebrated*



Looking forward to the next 50.....