

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



- 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





- 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





 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



• 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



• 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



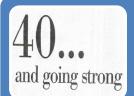
2010

• 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



• 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



 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.....