



Hellertown Historical Society

Dedicated to Preserving the History and Heritage of Hellertown and its People

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- SV Easter Egg Hunt – March 30
 HHS Speaker Series – April 25
 History-Heritage Day – May 18
 Music in the Park – June 23
 Community Day – August 17
 Speaker Series – September 10



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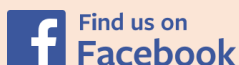
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Continuing A Legacy of Education



The Hellertown Historical Society Board of Directors unanimously approved funding in the amount of \$10,000 on December 12 to support of a new education initiative developed by the HHS Educational Committee. The plan includes upgrades for the Society's public tour and field trip programs. It will be funded through the Marcella Dimmick Fund, which previously has been used to benefit other educational endeavors. The Education Committee, Board of Directors, and the HHS treasurer will monitor the funding throughout 2024 to ensure all areas of improvement are adequately met. The HHS also is in discussion with the Borough of Hellertown in regard to the construction of a new handicapped-accessible access ramp to the HHS museum inside the 1767 Heller-Wagner Grist Mill.

Miss Dimmick was a 1931 graduate of Hellertown High School and a 1935 graduate of Moravian College. She worked for more than 40 years in the Saucon Valley School District as a guidance counselor and teacher of English, French, and History. Miss Dimmick always had a passion for local history and was a beloved member of the HHS Board of Directors before her passing in 2020 at the age of 105.

Continuing Miss Dimmick's lifelong devotion to education and historical preservation is no small task. It is the hope of everyone at Hellertown Historical Society that these funds and plans for our future ensure that Hellertown's rich history is open and accessible to everyone, both locally and worldwide.

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Hellertown Historical Society Newsletter seeks any stories or news articles pertaining to Hellertown’s History and its people. Anyone is encouraged to submit articles, stories or news to the newsletter Managing Editor for consideration in upcoming editions. Submissions may be edited for content and/or space requirements. Please use the contact information on this page to submit your entry.

President’s Message:



Welcome to a New Year!

Our community of volunteers at the Hellertown Historical Society look back on 2023 as a full, busy, productive emergence from a difficult pandemic. The combined support of our

friends and members made it possible to provide our many community events, while we also achieved recognition of the Walnut Street “pony” bridge as a National Historic site.

As we look forward to 2024, I hope you hold the same optimism for our Hellertown area community that we do at HHS. There are many reasons to feel good about our shared community, but I’ll only point out one in this short message – our new education initiative at HHS! We are committed to making this happen, and are appreciative to several new volunteers that are making it possible. Please learn more about it in this newsletter.

The new year also means it is time to renew your annual membership at HHS. Members will soon receive a reminder in the mail, while all other friends are invited to become a supporting member to help us continue our mission of service to you! Your membership, along with any support you might give to specific needs, makes you an investor in the Hellertown Historical Society. We promise to deliver dividends!

See you around town in 2024!

*Warm Regards,
Larry Sutton, President*



Photo of Sally and Stewart Boehm inside their Cross Roads Store at the corner of Main and High Streets c1916. On the next page is their building which is the current answer of the “Hellertown’s Historic Buildings”

Hellertown's Historic Buildings - #10

A series featuring distinctive and historic buildings in Hellertown – Answer to this building location will appear in the next issue
 Look at the building on left side and see if you recognize the same building at its current site and condition...



Hellertown's Distinct and Historic Buildings - #9 Answer

A series featuring distinctive and historic homes in Hellertown

This was a corner store owned by several people over the years from the mid 1910's by Sally and Stewart Boehm through 1939 when it was owned by Edgar Hine, 1505 Main Street c.1925; it's now a private residence.



Cryptogram - Fractured Adage

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(Hint J=S)

Word Scramble

TNACRINOA

STHEHYCMANEUM

HHCANITAY

EONEP

LAHADI

HXLPO

DERNGODOL

WLFUNERSLO

If you think you know the puzzle answers, send them to the Editor via the email address below:

editor@hellertownhistoricalsociety.org

Answers to appear in the next issue

Good Luck!

HHS Planning 2024 Events

The Holidays are now a distant memory and the cold of winter has set itself squarely in the Saucon Valley. But Hellertown Historical Society has thoughts on the upcoming warmer months with event plans taking shape.



Starting with the family-friendly, traditional Annual Saucon Valley Easter Egg Hunt which occurs on March 30, there will be plenty of activities this year with even more under consideration. As member Donald Mills said, "Our events list continues to grow for 2024 with many more events than we have offered in recent years."

After the egg hunt, HHS will begin the very popular Speaker Series with the first for 2024 on April 25. This presentation in our historic Tavern in the Heller-Wagner Grist Mill will feature the history of Civil Defense. How many remember the in-school drills we endured in case of an atomic attack? They seem silly today, but as children, they were very real. This presentation will also show the use of some of the tools to detect radioactivity levels and Civil Defense communications. This is one event many of you will not want to miss.

Saucon Valley History and Heritage will be featured in a joint event with Hellertown Historical Society, Lower Saucon Township Historical Society and Saucon Valley Conservancy/Michael Heller

Homestead. On May 18 all three organizations will sponsor the first ever Hellertown-Lower Saucon Heritage Day through displays and activities. The Hellertown Historical Society's Grist Mill site and the Michael Heller Homestead will both be open from 10AM-3PM with Lower Saucon Township Historical Society set up at the Grist Mill site. The very popular Saucon Rail Trail offers visitors a convenient walking route to visit both organizations' sites. This will be an opportunity to learn everything about the Saucon Valley area's first settlers and how they built and maintained their homesteads. Further, you will learn how the historic Heller-Wagner Grist Mill operated using water power to produce grain and feed products for livestock. Many displays and activities will be offered for both young and old including the HHS museum which features displays and artifacts from Hellertown's past. There will be many children's activities toward experiencing early life in the area.

Saucon Valley Conservancy will feature a glimpse back in time of the life of Johan Michael Heller, third son of Johan Christoph (Christopher) Heller. The stone Michael Heller home was believed built around 1791. The homestead also features a Root Cellar, Herb Garden, the Widows House and the ruins of the stone-built Heller Barn. A timeline at the site features Michael Heller's life from Pfeddersheim, Germany to the French and Indian War to Valley Forge when Heller delivered provisions to Washington's troops during the Revolution to the Saucon Creek homestead he called home. This event is free to attend and all are welcome.

On June 23, Hellertown Historical Society will man the

pavilion in Dimmick Park for one of the Hellertown Lower Saucon Chamber "Music in the Park" events. As yet, the menu is still in planning stages. But you can expect to find many of your yummy favorites and lots of friendly servers. We are hoping for great weather and a huge turnout to welcome the summer season to the Saucon Valley

Traditionally, August has featured Community Day in Dimmick Park. It was recently announced that the event will be held on August 17. We still have planning to do but bet on Hellertown Historical Society to be part of it!

On September 10, another Speaker Event will feature the area of the Saucon Creek Watershed and its history. Lehigh University Professor, Frank Pazzaglia, in the field of Earth and Environmental Sciences, will visit our Tavern in the Heller-Wagner Grist Mill to discuss the formation of the Saucon Creek watershed and how it has changed the Saucon Valley area both physically and economically.

Hellertown Historical Society is continuing to consider additional events for 2024 including the always-popular Trick or Treat at the old Jail for Halloween, our Annual Holiday Open House in early December and Shopping at the Mill in mid-December. Keep checking back to our website and Facebook pages for further updates. We look forward to seeing you a lot this year!



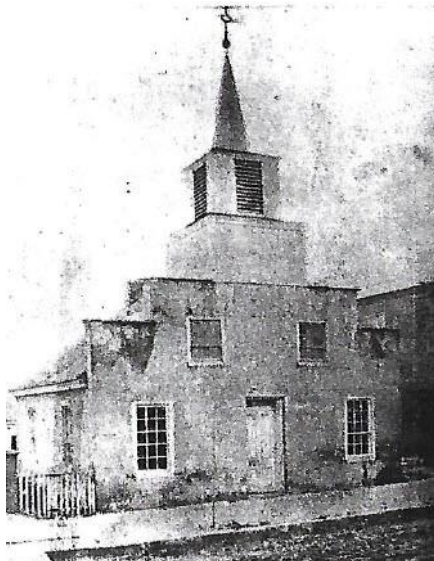
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St. Paul's United Methodist Church

By Dolores Stauffer DiPaolo

This is the second in a series of articles focusing on Hellertown churches and their histories...

In 1851, the Rev. Goebel was passing through Hellertown and asked if he could preach in the local schoolhouse. His request was denied, but that didn't stop him.



Hellertown's First School c1839

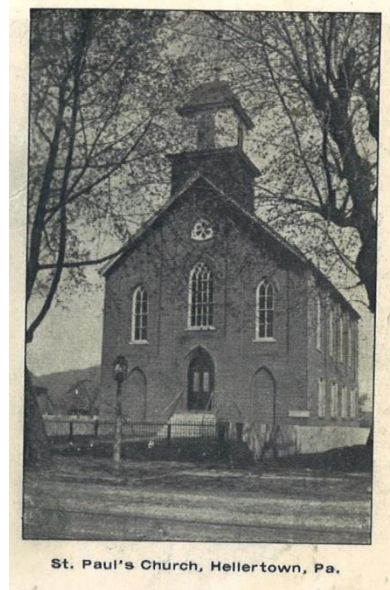
He stood on the huge rock in front of the schoolhouse and began his preaching. At the close of the meeting, a school director approached him and told him he was banned from preaching in town.



A Choir Assembled Inside the Church Unknown Date

Rev. Goebel's preaching got through to seven people and a class was formed. Services were held on the second floor of a house connected to the tannery. It was the property of the leader Joseph Landis.

The first service was held in 1857 by Rev. William Bachman and continued until 1870. The school house that Rev. Goebel was banned from entering was bought for \$1,200 and named St. Paul Evangelical Church. The first Evangelical Reverend to preach there was Rev. Goebel!



In 1882, a newer building was needed. The present Church was erected on the old site and cost

\$5,707.44. It was dedicated on Feb. 7, 1883.

While it was being built, the congregation gathered in a building next door known currently as the Taste of Italy.

St. Paul's had always been a member of a circuit. First it was the Northampton Circuit, and later the Bethlehem Circuit. In 1916, St. Paul at Hellertown, Trinity at Ironville, and Salem at Springtown was formed. St. Paul became a single-charge church in July 1997 supporting its own full-time minister and parsonage. Rev. Sungman Choi began serving in 1995. The current minister is Rev. Joong Hyuck Kim.

HHS Seeking Guides and Docents

Members of the Hellertown Historical Society Education Committee will host an entertaining and informative two-hour introduction to volunteering as a Society tour guide or student field trip docent on Saturday, March 9 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, rain or shine

The day begins with a presentation on Hellertown's history inside the Tavern Room on the west side of the 1767 Heller-Wagner Grist Mill, a venue used today for events of all types but whose original purpose remains a mystery. The slide presentation will answer many questions: Who were the people who founded Hellertown? Where were they from and what brought them here? What was life like in a tiny wilderness settlement in the late 1700s? Why did Hellertown grow and prosper in the 19th century, and what was life like in the borough in the 1900s?

Following the presentation, guests will exit the Tavern Room and enjoy an outdoor interpretation of other buildings in the complex: the

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Wash House, Heller-Wagner Grist Mill, Miller's House, and the pole barn on the north side of Walnut Street where extensive collections of local agricultural equipment and blacksmith and carpenter tools are housed.

Then it's indoors to the second floor of the Grist Mill Museum, and a tour of exhibits that depict various aspects of home, social, and cultural life in 19th- and 20th-century Hellertown.

The morning wraps up back inside the Tavern Room with light snacks and beverages and a discussion on what's required to become an HHS tour guide or student field trip docent.

Let us know you're coming, or ask additional questions by contacting Education Committee Chair, Dennis Scholl, at DScholl165@gmail.com.

HHS Volunteers: Where Are They Now?

Few people realize how long Hellertown Historical Society has been in existence. The organization was founded in February 1981, thanks to two Hellertown residents who had the vision to preserve the town's history. Many people have joined and served by volunteering their time and talents throughout the last 40+ years. Sadly, many of those early visionaries are gone. However, we are lucky that some are still living in the area. In an attempt to recall how the young organization started and flourished, we will conduct some interviews with those few remaining members and pick their brains for any information they can provide about their early service to Hellertown Historical Society.

This new series will offer interviews about the activities they undertook as well as an overall picture of the Hellertown Historical Society organization during their service.



Ken and Nancy Sutton

This first in the series is an interview with Ken and Nancy Sutton who were prominent, active members during the early years of Hellertown Historical Society. Both Ken and Nancy are Life Members of HHS. Due to their ages and other factors, they can no longer devote volunteer time to the Society. However, through this exclusive interview, we hope to present a picture of their accomplishments when they were active volunteers. HHS is grateful to them for that service.

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Editor – May I ask how old you both are?

Nancy – I'm 91 years old and Ken is 93.

Editor – How long have you two been married?

Ken – Sixty-eight years.

Editor – Did you live in Hellertown during your active years with HHS? If so, where?

Nancy – Yes. We lived at 1640 Bleyler Street near Cherry Lane. Before that address, we lived in an apartment near the corner of Magnolia and Northampton Streets, across from the Reinhard School.

Editor – Where did you both work?

Ken – I worked for Bethlehem Steel Company as a Supervisor in the

Coke Oven Division. I retired after 41 years of service.

Nancy – I worked for Lehigh University for a while. Then I worked for Saucon Valley Trust Company part time. After Lehigh University, I worked at Bethlehem Steel as an elevator operator and escort. My last position at Bethlehem Steel was as a Secretary to the Manager of Buildings and Grounds. I also did part time secretarial duties at the school district during the Summer months.

Editor – Were either of you born and raised here in Hellertown?

Nancy – No, neither of us are from Hellertown originally.

Editor – What attracted you both to come and live in Hellertown?

Nancy – We both worked at the Bethlehem Steel Company and I heard about an apartment from one of my co-workers. The location was perfect for us both being close to work, so we decided to move to Hellertown.

Editor – Is this the same apartment we discussed earlier before the Bleyler Street home?

Nancy – Yes. We only lived there for a year before we moved. That was about 1955.

Editor – Do you have any children?

Nancy – We have one daughter. She is also a Life Member of HHS. She lives in Indiana now.

Editor – How did you both become involved with Hellertown Historical Society?

Nancy – I have always had an interest in history and old items. There was a course offered at the Junior High School about local Hellertown history and I attended. It was offered by Richard Kantor who was a teacher

for the School District. I enjoyed the information he offered and I learned so much about Hellertown I didn't know before. Anyway, he and Stanley "Buddy" Prosser decided to form a new organization dedicated to local Hellertown history. That's

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how I found out about it.

Editor – Did HHS reach out to you or was there some general announcement for persons of interest to attend?

Nancy – I really don't remember. I just know I heard about it and went to the first meeting which was held at the Junior High School Library.

Editor – Do you remember when this happened?

Nancy – I think it was around 1981 during the winter...it was cold outside.

(Editor's note: The Hellertown Historical Society did formally organize in April of 1981. There may have been meetings held prior to the time the organization actually occurred.)

Editor – Do you know about how many people attended these meetings and how often they were held?

Nancy – About 20-25 people would attend. They were held monthly.

Editor – Can you name any of the attendees?

Nancy – Harry and Jeanette Boos, Richard Kantor and his wife, Stanley "Buddy" Prosser and his wife, Donald Zimpfer...that's about all I can remember right now.

Editor – Who, How, Why, Where and When was it decided that an organization dedicated to Hellertown history should be created?

Nancy – I'm not sure but I believe it was both Stanley "Buddy" Prosser and Richard Kantor. Both of them were dedicated to Hellertown and Richard was a great lover of history. I'm sure it was their vision to start this organization.

(Editor's Note: The answers given above explain the who and why. The 'how' was likely through general announcements through the town and newspaper articles seeking to invite interested persons to attend meetings. The 'where' was at the then Junior High School Library. The

'when' was the time leading up to April 1981 as our records confirm.)

Editor – Were dues collected for memberships at this time?

Nancy – I don't think so, at least not yet. We were still a bit disorganized and had much yet to decide on how we would do things.

Editor – Were elections held to fill offices?

Nancy – I don't think so, at least not this early. We were still a young organization and just getting started. There were no formal procedures in place yet.

Editor – Were all meetings held at the Junior High School or were some held elsewhere?

Nancy – We held all meetings at the Junior High School until the Millers Home was cleaned up and renovated so that we could hold meetings there.

Editor – Do you remember when you started holding meetings at the Millers Home?

Nancy – I'm not really sure but I think it was sometime around 1987 or so.

(Editor's Note: In fact, thanks to an early newsletter edition that Nancy created, the Millers Home renovations and cleanup began in earnest in November 1986. Future meetings were held there in 1987 in what is now the HHS Office area. FYI – The second floor of the Millers Home was being leased to tenants at the time and therefore was off limits to HHS.)

Editor – Did you notice an uptick in memberships once you moved meetings to the Grist Mill site?

Nancy – Yes, it seemed more people were appearing at events and meetings.

Editor – Did you notice the types of members joining – were they couples, women or men, younger people?

Nancy – There were mostly couples, a few singles but all were of older ages. We rarely saw younger people

with an interest. The younger people had their own agenda and we didn't attract too many of them.

Editor – Can you name any of the members from that period?

Nancy – No, only the ones I named earlier.

Editor – What types of discussions were held during the monthly meetings?

Nancy – We would go over the usual records, meeting minutes, treasury balances, etc. We then would discuss plans and goals for the future of the organization. We also would list donations received by the Society including both funding and historical items. Often, after the business was finished, we would have a short presentation with a historical theme. It might be a slideshow or a guest speaker. Sometimes we had refreshments afterward.

Editor – Were there ever any discussions at the meetings about the plans and goals for HHS? Do you remember what they were?

Nancy – We wanted to keep the grist mill to be the way it was back in the 18th century with the bins, machinery, etc. And the Millers House would be used for offices and storage. The Tavern was to be used for HHS events, meetings, etc.

Ken – I remember my first visit there. I opened the door (Editor: the west entrance to the now Tavern Room) and there was no floor. While the scaffolding was in place for the stonework, I decided this would be a good time to paint the exterior, so I did it. I painted the entire exterior of the mill. I found a fireplace hidden behind a plaster wall in the Tavern. I started to pull back the plaster and found the fireplace that is now in the Tavern Room. I installed the electrical service in both the Grist Mill and the Millers House. I had two of my

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electricians that worked for me at Bethlehem Steel Coke Division volunteer to help with the project.

Editor – When did the Grist Mill renovations begin?

Nancy – I’m not really sure but think it was in the mid to later 1980’s.

(Editor’s Note: Older newsletters state that the renovations began in 1988 and lasted about four years into 1992.)

Editor – Do remember who had the idea of renovating the Grist Mill?

Nancy – It seemed to be a unanimous decision by everyone who attended meetings.

Editor – During the Grist Mill renovations, was it decided to add/renovate the Tavern Room? If so, was there any discussion about how to use the Tavern Room?

Nancy – We decided to renovate the entire first floor, including the Tavern, so it could be used for events. But it was mainly used for internal use by HHS for meetings, events, etc. We never had the thought of renting it for outside client events. We would open it for people to come in and see what was there, especially during the Holiday Open House.

Editor – During renovations of the Grist Mill, was there ever any thought about making it operational once again?

Ken – No I don’t think so. Though, one time we did activate the machinery for a moment to see if it would work.

Editor – Did the turbines run the machinery?

Ken – I don’t know. I don’t know how we did it or for how long.

Editor – As Secretary, after you recorded and typed the meeting minutes, what happened to them and where were they kept?

Nancy – I am not sure. I gave them to the President at the time. He kept them at his own home in a file.

Editor – Do You know if they were ever returned to HHS?

Nancy – I don’t know.

Editor – Do you remember who was President at that time?

Nancy – Oh, I’m not sure but he was President for several years.

(Editor’s Note – The President at the time Nancy refers to was Al Hoppes.)

Editor – What duties did each of you contribute to the Society?

Ken – We were all buddies, working on projects together. We got to know each other really well working on the Grist Mill and other projects. We enjoyed the friendships and social activities.

Nancy – We both did several things. Whenever something needed to be done, we all stepped up to handle it. We volunteered whenever there was a need. We didn’t have specific duties per se. I was the Recording Secretary for some time. Later, I volunteered to create and edit a newsletter for the organization.

Editor – How did you become the newsletter editor?

Nancy – Well, they said we should have a newsletter and since I had typing skills, I volunteered. It was even more advantageous as I had access to a copy machine while I was working at Lehigh University. That’s how I ran off all the copies for distribution. I copied them and brought them to the Society where Betty McManus would see they were folded and readied for mailing. Sometimes, if I got to the copier early enough, I ran them off and had my students at Lehigh help fold and prepare them for mailing. It was a very crude format. We just used whatever tools we could find.

Editor – When you edited the newsletter, how often was it published?

Nancy – I did a monthly publication.

Editor – What content did you include in the newsletter?

Nancy – I would include all sorts of news, both about HHS and other news from Hellertown. I also included brief descriptions of what was discussed at our meetings, decisions that were made, nominations and elections of

officers when they occurred, upcoming meeting schedules and upcoming events. I also listed donations that would be received including monetary and historic items.

Editor – I have seen some of the older editions of newsletters and they feature a much different perspective, that of a mouse named Amy? Was this your idea?



A wood puzzle of “Amy”, created by volunteer Earl Hill, currently sits on a shelf inside the front room of the Millers House

Nancy – Yes. I didn’t want to write articles based on a person’s perspective. I thought of using the perspective of someone who lived inside the organization was original. Therefore, I decided to use a mouse who lives inside the Grist Mill who could move about throughout the entire facility to see everything that was going on within the organization. Amy had the opportunity to catch all the news and report on it.

Editor – Why name her Amy?

Nancy – Oh, I don’t know. It was just a name I came up with. It seemed perfect for a mouse.

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Editor – Some editions of the older newsletter had a section named “Ask Amy”. Was this an attempt to solicit questions from readers?

Nancy – Oh, I’m not really sure. It seemed like a good idea to try to get readers interested in the Society by asking questions. I don’t remember how well it was received.

Editor – Do remember how long you were the newsletter editor?

Nancy - I guess it was about 7 years or so.

Editor – When you were no longer the editor, did anyone else pick it up? If so, did they continue the Amy character?

Nancy – I don’t remember if anyone continued publishing the newsletter. But I’m so pleased you are doing it now, it’s so wonderful!

Editor – Thank you very much. What types of events did HHS hold? Were any specifically for fundraising activities?

Nancy – We had picnics and we had the open house.

Editor – Were these picnics held at the Grist Mill?

Nancy – Some were held at Dimmick Park but many were held at the mill.

Editor – How did HHS raise funding for these extensive projects such as restoring the grist mill?

Nancy – I don’t remember any organized fundraising. The President at this time had many wealthy friends who donated money. And there were people in town who donated too – Fischel, Hess, Rentzheimer, Templeton families and more.

(Editor’s Note – According to previous newsletters, HHS held several Monte Carlo and Horse Race Nights to raise funds for the organization. Apparently successful, these continued until the State of PA passed gambling laws restricting organizations from holding such events without proper licensing. The cost of such licensing and other factors, dealt a serious blow to non-

profit organizations that were unable to afford such licensing fees to continue these activities as well as afford insurance should there be any issues arising from them.)

This concludes our interview.

In closing, Ken and Nancy are a lovely, charming couple who devoted much time and labor to Hellertown Historical Society, an organization they both love immensely. Unfortunately, due to their restrictions in life, they no longer have the physical ability to volunteer their time as they wish they could. You could tell in their voices and see in their eyes, that they miss it dearly. Just hearing some of the progress we have made since they were active, you could tell they were excited to know HHS is continuing the work they started. They have their memories to relive and thankfully, share them with us which is the purpose of this series. Thank you, Ken and Nancy!

Some Early HHS History & Milestones

- + The first meeting of the new organization was held February, 1981.
- + The organization was named “Hellertown Cultural & Historical Preservation Society”.
- + In March, 1981, the name was changed to “Hellertown Historical Society”. A checking account is opened.
- + April, 1981 a By-Laws committee met with Sun Inn, a member drive began and the Morning Call newspaper ran a story on the new organization.
- + May, 1981, three fund-raisers were started, the Member Drive, Sidewalk Sale and Monte Carlo Night. A logo contest was discussed.
- + June, 1981 six committees were now operating, Membership, Sidewalk Sale, Monte Carlo Night,

Photographs, Old Homes and By-Laws.

+ July, 1981 By-Laws read and approved for first time. Logo contest sponsored by Women’s Club of Hellertown.

+ August, 1981 The By-Laws are turned over to a solicitor for review. An Interview Committee was formed.

+ September, 1981 Logo Contest offers first prize of \$25.00. Society receives Morning Call photos of Spring Hill Shopping Center fire. Donation of the mantel from Park Hotel received. Woman’s Club of Hellertown donates \$500.00.

+ October, 1981 Discussion for railroad station sent in letter to Conrail. A cache of aerial photos and maps donated. Treasurer opens a savings account.

+ November, 1981 Monte Carlo night nets \$1,000.00. Logo winner announced. Twenty-seven yearbooks donated. Two Vice-Presidents added to By-Laws – one internal, one external.

+ December, 1981 New Logo presented. Board of Director nominees total 20 candidates. Anonymous \$1,000 donation received.

+ January, 1982 The first Annual Meeting is held. Another \$1,000.00 donation received. Wooden plaque of new logo donated.

+ February, 1982 Old Homes Committee authorized to purchase several bronze plaques. Authorization for HHS to purchase high school yearbook each year.

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+ March, 1982 Interview Committee meets with School District Officials about student activity.

+ April, 1982 \$1,000.00 donation received. McDonalds requests photos to be displayed in the new restaurant. Guest Speaker discusses the Moll Rifle.

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+ May, 1982 Meeting held at Northampton County Historical Society building, tour follows meeting.

+ June, 1982 HHS sponsors bus trip to Tall Ships in Philadelphia.

+ July, 1982 Fundraising continued with Pool Party and, Picnic at Dimmick Park with Cake Walk

+ August, 1982 \$1,000.00 donation received. Sidewalk Sale Committee sells funnel cakes, towels, notepaper and memberships.

+ September, 1982 Membership reaches 200.

+ October, 1982 Fall Foliage bus trip to Jim Thorpe. Purchase of a \$5,000.00 CD for 2-1/2 years. Donation of Hellertown Centennial photographs. First Dewey Fire Company parade banner loaned to HHS.

+ November, 1982 Cookbooks go on sale. Monte Carlo Night nets \$1300.00.

+ December, 1982 Interviews held with Vincent Coughlin and Montford Illick. Discussion of railroad station held. \$1,000.00 donation received. Grist Mill cleanup begins. Woman's Club of Hellertown includes tours of Grist Mill in their Annual Christmas Home Tour.

2024 Dues Now Payable

This past month, we sent out our member drive letters to remind our membership that dues are now payable for the 2024 year. You may renew your dues via U.S. mail or online payment.

To renew dues by mail, complete the member form checking the appropriate member level and send it to our office address shown at the end of this article along with a check payable for the member level amount.

To renew online, please visit our website at the address shown at the end of this article. Click on "Support Us" at the top page menu,

then "Membership". A page opens that permits you to choose to file online or download and print a member form. You can print a member form and send it along with payment. If you choose "online", a PayPal page opens showing the three choices - \$15 for Senior (65+ y.o.), \$25 for Individual or \$40 for a family (2 adults and children). You can choose to click the box to pay the processing fee which saves us that fee and forwards the entire membership fee. Select your choice and proceed to payment choice – either use your PayPal account or a credit card.

We hope you choose to renew your membership. As our website states, "Members are the backbone of Hellertown Historical Society".

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