



Troy Historic Village Institutional History Collection

Date Range: 1965-2015

Bulk Range: 1970-1999

COLLECTION SUMMARY

Creators: Troy Historical Society, Troy Museum Guild, Troy Historical Commission, Troy Historic District Commission, Employees of the City of Troy.

Extent: 10 Boxes, 7.4 linear feet.

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Abstract: Over the 50 years of Troy Historic Village's history, multiple groups have been active in the operations of the village at various times. The records of these groups have been merged into one collection in order to better facilitate research and understanding.

Acquisition information: These records came from members of Troy Historical Society, Troy Museum Guild, Troy Historical Commission, Troy Historic District Commission, and others, between the years of 1970-2015.

Access Restrictions: Financial Records and notes pertaining to THS Heritage Campaign are closed to general research until the year 2022. All other elements of the record group are open to research by appointment.

Accruals: The repository continues to add pertinent materials to this collection on a yearly basis.

Cite as: [item], folder, box, Troy Historical Society on behalf of the City of Troy, Troy Historic Village, Troy, Michigan.

Background Information:

Over 50 years of Troy Historic Village's history, multiple groups have been active in the operations of the village at various times. The records of these groups have been merged into one collection in order to better facilitate research and understanding.

Troy Historical Society was established in February, 1966 and incorporated on August 15, 1967. It was and remains an independent non-profit group of interested citizens from the region. Troy Historical Society (THS) has demonstrated its commitment to preserving Troy's pioneer era and heritage by transforming itself from a club interested in history to a governance body overseeing the operations of the Troy Historic Village (THV, Village). This major shift occurred in 2010 when the City of Troy laid off the majority of staff and intended to close the Village due to the local economic recession. Society members have contributed over \$1.3 million to acquire, relocate, and construct almost all of the 11 historical facilities in the Village. The Society maintains a close working relationship with the City of Troy through a renewable five-year management agreement.

Troy Historical Commission was established in November 1965, under chapter 12 of Troy's City Code. It was appointed by the City Council to oversee the operation of the Museum established in the 1927 Township Hall/City Hall. It was disbanded in October of 2011 after Chapter 12 was deleted by Troy City Council.

Troy Museum Guild was formed in April 1969. It was guided by the rules and regulations set by the Historical Commission of the City of Troy. The work the Guild performed was essentially that of tour guides and assisted in the day to day work in the Museum prior to permanent employees. Guild members assisted in the development of the museum collection, restoration, exhibits and clerical assistants. Guild members also operated the gift counter in what was then called the Museum Country Store, now the gift shop. Proceeds were used to purchase artifacts for the museum collection. They also assisted in organizing programs such as the "Hanging of the Greens" and Heritage day. The Museum Guild disbanded circa 2000.

Troy Historic District Commission which was established by Chapter 13 of the Troy City Code, consists of seven Troy residents. The Commission includes at least two persons chosen from a list submitted by the Troy Historical Society, one person nominated by the Troy Historical Commission, and one architect duly registered in the State of Michigan. Commissioners are appointed by the City Council for three-year terms. The Commission must formulate a researched survey of each historical structure under Chapter 13, using the Michigan Historical Site Survey

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form as a guide, and accepting the work of interested volunteers. Site surveys should be kept as a part of the permanent records of the Commission at a place designated by the Commission. Using the list of structures prepared by the Historic Site Preservation Study Committee, and/or any other sites or structures brought to its attention, the Commission may recommend to the City Council that certain sites or structures be added to or deleted from the Historic Districts. Prior to taking action to amend Chapter 13 by the addition of a Historic District, the City Council shall first obtain a report and recommendation from the City Planning Commission.

Additionally, records in this collection represent employees of the **City of Troy** from 1970-2010 who worked at the Village prior to Troy Historical Society's assumption of day-to-day operations of the village in 2011.

Scope and Content:

The records include correspondence, events, meeting minutes, agendas, newsletters and reports pertaining to the operation of Troy Historic Village. All folders are arranged chronologically by calendar year.

Subjects:

Historical Societies – Troy

Troy – History

Municipal Government – Troy

Troy – Social life and customs – 20th century

Troy – Social life and customs – 21st century

Related Materials:

Other materials in the Troy Historical Society holdings may relate to the topics in this collection. See the archivist for further research assistance.

Series I: Troy Historical Commission Records

Meeting Minutes, Correspondence, and Financial Records, 1966-2010

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Folder 1 - Troy Historical Commission Records – 1965
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Folder 38 – Troy Historical Commission Records – 2003

BOX 3 (Shared with Troy Historical Society 1992-end)

Folder 39 – Troy Historical Commission Records - 2004
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Folder 45 – Troy Historical Commission Records – 2010

SERIES II: Troy Historical Society Meeting Minutes, Correspondence, Reports, & Financial Records 1966-2015

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Folder 46 - Troy Historical Society Records - 2011
Folder 47 - Troy Historical Society Records - 2012
Folder 48 - Troy Historical Society Records – 2013-2014
Folder 49 - Troy Historical Society Records - 2015
Folder 50 – Troy Historical Society Special Events Programs – 1966-1970
Folder 51 – Troy Historical Society Special Events Programs – 1971-1979
Folder 52 – Troy Historical Society Special Events Programs – 1980-1982
Folder 53 – Troy Historical Society Constitution, By Laws – 1966-1984
Folder 54 – Troy Historical Society Hand & Eye Show: Correspondence, reports, art – 1966-1983
Folder 55 – Troy Historical Society Treasurer’s Records: Ledger – 1966-1971
Folder 56 – Troy Historical Society Treasurer’s Records: Michigan Annual Report – 1967-1974
Folder 57 – Troy Historical Society Treasurer’s Records: Federal Tax Returns – 1966-1972
Folder 58 – Troy Historical Society Treasurer’s Records: Financial Reports – 1971-1972
Folder 59 – Troy Historical Society Awards, Certificates, n.d., 1972, 1978
Folder 60 – Troy Historical Society Articles of Incorporation – 1966
Folder 61 – Troy Historical Society Incorporation, Tax Status: Correspondence 1966-1971, 1981

BOX 9

Unfolded - Troy Historical Society: Canceled Checks and Banking Records – circa 1970s-80s

BOX 10

Unfolded – Troy Historical Society: Unsorted Heritage Campaign Donation Records – circa 1990s to present

Series III: Troy Historical Museum Records: Meeting Minutes, Correspondence, Reports and Financial Records, Building Acquisitions -1966 to 1999

BOX 4: (shared with Troy Historic District Commision)

Folder 1 – Troy Historical Museum Records – 1966

Folder 2 – Troy Historical Museum Records – 1967

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Folder 15 – Troy Historical Museum Records – 1980

Folder 16 – Troy Historical Museum Records – January to June 1981

Folder 17 – Troy Historical Museum Records – July to December 1981

Folder 18 – Troy Historical Museum Records – 1982

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BOX 5

- Folder 1 – Troy Historical Museum: US Flag Certificate of Authentication – 1972
- Folder 2 – Troy Historical Museum: Farm Wagon Acquisition Documents – 1981
- Folder 3 – Troy Historical Museum: Historic Village: Site Plans, Corres., Reports – 1975-9
- Folder 4 – Troy Historical Museum: Historic Village: Site Plans, Corres., Reports 1980-2
- Folder 5 – Troy Historical Museum: Historic Village: Site Plans, Plans–
- Folder 6 – Troy Historical Museum: Historic Village: Grounds Improvement, Walkways, Fence, Corres., bids, notes – 1977-78
- Folder 7 – Troy Historical Museum: Historic Village: Caswell House Correspondence, 1978-85
- Folder 8 – Troy Historical Museum: Historic Village: Caswell House Pamphlets
- Folder 9 – Troy Historical Museum: Historic Village: Caswell House Recommendations for Improvement – 1980
- Folder 10 – Troy Historical Museum: Historic Village: Gazebo Corres., reports, contract, specs – 1978-9
- Folder 11 – Troy Historical Museum: Historic Village: Log Cabin Background Research
- Folder 12 – Troy Historical Museum: Historic Village: Log Cabin, Corres., Purchase Agreements, financial reports 1981-2
- Folder 13 – Troy Historical Museum: Historic Village: Log Cabin Research Report - 1981

Folder 14 – Folder 12 – Troy Historical Museum: Historic Village: Pioneer Room Minutes, Memos, - 1978-81

Guide, Manual, Donor list – n.d.

Folder 15 – Troy Historical Museum: Historic Village: Poppleton School Corres., Notes, n.d. – 1972-80

Folder 16 – Troy Historical Museum: Historic Village: Poppleton School Meeting Minutes, Membership Lists - 1975-6

Folder 17 – Troy Historical Museum: Historic Village: Poppleton School National Register Forms – n.d.

Folder 18 – Troy Historical Museum: Historic Village: Poppleton School Programs, memorabilia– 1974-6

Folder 19 – Troy Historical Museum: Historic Village: Print Shop Corres., - 1978-8 Guide Manual - 1979

Folder 20 – Troy Historical Museum: Historic Village: Print Shop Materials printed in shop

Folder 21 – Troy Historical Museum: Historic Village: Wagon Shop Corres., Research Notes, Receipt 1976-8

Unfolded – Troy Historical Museum: Appointment book – 1994-99

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Folder 8 – Troy Historical Museum: IMS Grant Application - 1980

Folder 9 – Troy Historical Museum: IMS Grant Application - 1981

Folder 10 – Troy Historical Museum: IMS Grant Reports - 1981

Folder 11 – Troy Historical Museum: IMS Grant Reports, Corres., Budgets - 1981

Folder 12 – Troy Historical Museum: IMS Grant Application – 1982

Folder 13 – Troy Historical Museum: IMS Grant Application & Correspondence - 1982

Folder 14 – Troy Historical Museum: IMS Grant Application & award notification - 1984

Folder 15 – Troy Historical Museum: IMS Grant Corres. & Budgets - 1984

Folder 16 – Troy Historical Museum: IMS Grant Purchase Orders & Invoices - 1984

Folder 17 – Troy Historical Museum: Audiovisual Orientation Project Corres., Budgets, Schedules 1984-5

Folder 18 – Troy Historical Museum: Research Projects; 6060 Atkins Rd, Troy Union School – circa 1982

Folder 19 – Troy Historical Museum: Heritage Day - 1977-8

Folder 20 – Troy Historical Museum: Heritage Day - 1979

Folder 21 – Troy Historical Museum: Heritage Day – 1980-1

Folder 22 – Troy Historical Museum: Heritage Day – 1982-3

Folder 23 – Troy Historical Museum: Heritage Day – 1984-6

Folder 24 – Troy Historical Museum: Duty Sheets – 1969-80

Folder 25 – Troy Historical Museum: Misc. Guide Notations & Regulations – 1979

Folder 26 – Troy Historical Museum: Duty Calendars – 1979-83

BOX 7

Unfolded- Troy Historical Museum: General Store Proposal and Specification Reports – circa 1986

Series IV: Troy Historic District Commission Records

Meeting Minutes, Correspondence, and Financial Records 1980s-1990s

BOX 4 (Shared with Museum Records)

Folder 1 – Troy Historic District Commission: Correspondence and Miscellany

Folder 2 – Troy Historic District Commission: Meeting Minutes and Agendas

Folder 3 – Troy Historic District Commission: Correspondence

Folder 4 – Troy Historic District Commission: Ordinance

Folders 5/6 – Troy Historic District Commission: Surveys

Series V: Troy Museum Guild Records – 1980s-1990s

Meeting Minutes, Correspondence, and Financial Records

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Unfolded – Troy Museum Guild - *The 19th Century American General Store* – circa 1986

Folder 1 – Troy Museum Guild: Assorted Programming Materials – circa 1982-3

Folder 2 – Troy Museum Guild: Volunteer Training Materials – circa 1982-3

Folder 3 – Troy Museum Guild: Membership Lists – 1980s

Folder 4 – Troy Museum Guild: Heritage Day Planning Materials – 1986-7

Folder 5 – Troy Museum Guild: Volunteer Materials; Calendars, Lists, Miscellany – 1982-3, 1985-7

Folder 6 – Troy Museum Guild: Guild Bylaws, Receipts, Corres., & Business Miscellany – 1985-91

Folder 7 – Troy Museum Guild: Meeting Minutes and Corresponding M