

NEWSLETTER # 1

PHOTOGRAPHIC HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF NEW ENGLAND

The initial meeting of the Photographic Historical Society of New England was held April 8, 1973 at 1:00PM at the Framingham Historical Building (Old Edgell Library), Edgell Road, Framingham, Mass. 01781.

Registration was held from 1 - 2 PM with 68 people in attendance.

There was a general discussion from 2PM to 3:30PM preceded by a showing of the Ohio Camera Collectors Society's slide program #2 covering their first four years of activity.

Among topics discussed were: naming of the group the "Photographic Historical Society of New England", and frequency and day of the week meetings, dues, possibility of a newsletter and or bulletin.

A delegate, Thom Hiddle, and alternates, Sharon & Matt Isenberg, were elected for representation of our group at the National Organization meeting at Columbus, Ohio in May.

A temporary Board of Directors was elected namely, Bryon Owens, Dick Sanford, Richard Bolt, Larry & Lu Rochette, Sharon & Matt Isenberg, John & Valeria Craig.

Discussion was held regarding dues and was referred to the board. It was voted to hold the next meeting on May 6, 1973 at the same location. The meeting was adjourned and a lively "Swap 'n Sell" session was held in which many thousands of dollars changed hands for items such as a Stirn/Vest camera, a Japanese Machine Gun camera, a Daguerre Type lens, an early Jamain/Darlot Zoom Lens, a banquet camera, and many Daguerre types, Ambrotypes and cases.

After the "Swap 'n Sell" session was held, a meeting of the board of directors was held where the following items were discussed and acted upon, Larry Rochette was elected chairman of the board, Valerie Craig - Secretary. Dues, as suggested by the regular meeting majority were fixed at \$10.00 per individual and \$15.00 per family. It was decided to obtain a checking account and post office box in the Framingham area.

The committee is already studying various constitutions to arrive at one suitable for our group, for incorporating and possible non-profit organization status.

At the next meeting membership forms will be available for prospective members and charter membership will be open for the first three meetings.

At the next meeting you are asked to bring along an unusual box camera for a show and tell session. There will be a "Swap 'n Sell" session following the regular meeting.

Prospective members should plan to attend the next meeting. For more information please send a stamped self-addressed envelope to Post Office Box 2547, Framingham Center, Massachusetts, 01701. Hope to see all of you at our next meeting.

P.S. Will the individual who inadvertently took the wrong all weather coat at the last meeting, please bring it to the next meeting.