

## Help to Write Hooksett's History

Bits and pieces of Hooksett's rich history come to life in a book penned by Charles R. Hardy entitled *Hooksett Historical Sketches*. It contains brief descriptions about events and persons significant to the formation of this town from its inception in 1822 to 1968. Much has happened since then! The past fifty years thrust Hooksett through tremendous change as we made our way into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. The Hooksett Heritage Commission would like to begin the process of a sequel of sorts to the *Hooksett Historical Sketches*.

"We can all agree that Hooksett has evolved on many planes since 1968. It is important to actively capture the details of those key events, issues and personalities now, while we can", says Kathleen Northrup, the Commission's Chair. "It will take time to organize and research events to record them." She added, "Putting a book together for publishing is a big undertaking. We'd like it to reflect the key points in Hooksett's growth as experienced by those in the community. We will need the public's input and assistance."

The Commission is looking for your suggestions on topics that you believe are a must to consider for a history update about Hooksett. Categories may include: weather; industry; political; governmental; socio-economic; health & welfare; cultural; missed opportunities.

Think back! What happened in the 60's, 70's, 80's 90's and in the past 10 years? Remember the sesquicentennial? The arrival of Route 93 expansion? Stablex? The introduction of the Town Charter? Well known Hooksett murders? School system changes? Northrup notes "We are only in the early planning phase and very much appreciate the residents' collective input in shaping this next book".

Please contact the Commission at [Hooksett.Heritage@myfairpoint.net](mailto:Hooksett.Heritage@myfairpoint.net) or contact Kathie directly with your ideas for topics for the book or with leads about possible authors to collaborate in the compilation of this book.

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