LONG ISLAND POSTAL HISTORY SOCIETY

ANNUAL MEETING !

Dear Fellow Collector,

Our first annual meeting will be held on Sunday, June 7th, 1981, at 2 P.M., at the Hicksville Post Office Annex. This will be the first opportunity for many of us to meet each other, to chew the fat about Long Island Postal History, and to show and swap Long Island covers and picture postcards.

Please come, and bring juicy tidbits from your collection to tittilate the rest of us with. I plan to bring my own award-winning L.I. Postal History exhibit for your ocular pleasure.

We will also have a short business meeting to elect officers, vote on dues and amendments to the Constitution and By-laws, and discuss our Journal and Newsletter and the possibility of having a mail auction. I appointed Dan Knowles and Fred Rodriguez to the Nominating Committee. They will present a slate of officers at the meeting.

The Annex is two miles from the Hicksville Post Office, at 160 Engineer's Drive. It is on the west side of Route 107 (Broadway), about opposite Grummans, just south of the Nassau Farmers' Market, 1½ miles south of Old Country Road, and about 3½ miles south of the Long Island Expressway on Route 107. If you come by train, get off at the Hicksville station and take a taxi.

.The Board of Directors is proposing the following amendments to the Constitution and By-laws to make the Society more democrat-

ic and in response to some of your suggestions:

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

- 1. So that we cannot pay members for working for us, Article II of the Constitution, second sentence would be canged as follows:

 ...as reasonable compensation for materials, postage, etc.
 used in work for the Society, or for services rendered by an employee; or to the benefit of any other corporation...
- 2. Article VI of the Constitution to be changed as follows:
 ...President, Vice-President/Secretary, Treasurer, one Director, and the immediate Past-President. The Executive Board...

3. In the By-laws, Article II DUES Change the last paragraph to the following:

Members are required to pay their dues within the first six months of the fiscal year, after which they will be considered in arrears. The Treasurer will send out a dues reminder on February 1st to all members in arrears. Any such member who does not pay his dues within three weeks of this reminder will be dropped from membership in the Society.

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To be reinstated, a dropped member must pay his arrearage plus his dues for the current or following fiscal year, whichever applies.

4. Article V ELECTION OF OFFICERS From the fourth line of substitute the following:

The Secretary will send a mail ballot thereafter to all voting

members, the ballot containing all nominations.

The Tellers Committee will receive all returned ballots, tabulate the results, and report them to the membership. The candidate for each office receiving the greatest number of votes shall be declared elected. The results of the election will be published in the next Newsletter.

5. Article VII EXECUTIVE BOARD Substitute the following:

The Board shall consist of the President, Vice-President/ Secretary, Treasurer, one Director, and the immediate Past-President. The Director shall be elected for a term of two years in the same manner as the Officers.

The Board will be convened upon the call of the President when deemed necessary, or upon the request of three members of the Board, on at least two weeks notice.

The general management....

- 6. Article IX MEETINGS Substitute for the second paragraph:
- or by 25% of the general membership on written request to the President. At least a month's written notice of such meeting shall be given to the membership, and the notice shall contain a statement of the purposes for which said meeting is being called.
 - 7. Article X AMENDMENTS Substitute the following:

Amendments to this Constitution and By-laws may originate either: 1. by resolution of the Board.

2. by a petition signed by five or more voting members of this Society.

The Secretary shall circulate a proposed amendment by mail to the membership at least 30 days before the Annual Meeting. It will be presented at the Annual Meeting for discussion. It shall then be voted on by the membership by secret mail hallet. Approval by 2/3 of not less than 40% of the membership shall be required for adoption of an amendment to the Constitution; and by a majority of not less than 40% of the membership, for adoption of an amendment to the By-laws. If adopted it will become effective upon publication in the next Newsletter.

See you on June 7th, rain or shine!

John Price, President