

PRESS RELEASE FOR THE SEPTEMBER 21, 2023 MEETING
OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF CASEVILLE

The members of the Historical Society of Caseville held their monthly meeting on Thursday, September 21, 2023. There were 19 members present.

President Janet Ekel opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. She welcomed all in attendance. Ekel called for the Minutes of the previous meeting and the Treasurer's Report to be presented. Both were presented, discussed, approved by the group and placed in the record.

President Ekel thanked all the volunteers for their help keeping the Museum open to the public. The Museum is open Wednesdays through Saturdays from noon to 4:30 pm. Ekel circulated a sign-up sheet requesting volunteers to indicate when they would be available to volunteer. "It is important to have someone at the Museum to greet guests and guide them through their visit," she said. Ekel thanked all the volunteers who helped out with the recently held Classic Car and Tractor Show. "It takes a lot of volunteers to pull off an event like the car show," Ekel said. Ekel also thanked Dan Dufty and Sharon Indo for keeping the Museum grounds in great condition.

Ekel reminded attendees that the County Historical Society is looking for a volunteer from each of the Huron County Historical groups to serve as a representative on a planned book centered on Agriculture. The County is also looking for a representative to work on a county-wide genealogy group. The Huron County Historical Society will hold their next quarterly meeting on Thursday, October 12th at Elkton.

Ekel said the Caseville City Council will hold their meeting at the Museum on Monday, October 9th, starting at 5:30 pm. Historical Society members are invited to attend that meeting.

President Ekel advised the group that a Nominating Committee consisting of Rich Bass, Joyce Miller, and Noal Doak has been tasked with proposing replacements for Trustees and Officers whose terms are expiring this year. The next meeting in October will be the Annual Meeting for Election of Officers.

President Ekel said she is investigating the possibility of scheduling a tour of a Michigan Sugar Plant for Caseville Historical Society Members. She has been in contact with Michigan Sugar and has learned the Sebewaing Plant does not do tours but the Bay City Plant does hold tours. Look for more information on this possible tour in the coming weeks.

Reporting for the Membership Committee, Mary Taylor said there were two new members to report, Douglas Schuman and new Sponsor Member, Jody Woltman, from the Huron County VIEW newspaper.

The Events Committee calendar for the remainder of 2023 is as follows: All Museum Weekend on September 23 and 24, Witches Walk/Nightmare on Prospect Street on October 28, and the Fall Feast and Auction on November 5th.

Reporting for the Museum and Archival Committee, Rich Bass said the museum experienced 126 visitors over the past month. He said Archival items were recently donated by Joyce Miller, John and Ruth Depner, Janet Krantz, Sandy Perry, and David Dixon.

President Ekel reminded attendees that Barb Eimers is available at the Museum the first Thursday of each month to assist persons researching family histories. Eimers has research materials available to help with these investigations. This is a great service available to local residents free of charge.

The next meeting is scheduled to take place on Thursday, October 19th starting at 10:00 am. All meetings are open to the public and everyone is invited to attend. Meeting attendance is a great way to show your support for those working to preserve Caseville's rich, colorful past and to gain an understanding of the events and situations that played an important role in forming the Caseville Area as we know it today.