

PRESS RELEASE REGARDING THE JUNE 20, 2024 MEETING
OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF CASEVILLE

The members of the Historical Society of Caseville held their monthly meeting on Thursday, June 20, 2024. There were 20 members present.

President Janet Ekel called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. 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. Ekel thanked all the volunteers who have worked at the Museum over the past month. She also thanked Dan Dufty and Sharon Indo for their hard work keeping the Museum grounds looking great. Ekel circulated a sign-up sheet requesting volunteers to work at the museum over the next month. "It is important to have someone on site at the Museum," she said, "To help guide visitors through the displays and exhibits and to answer questions."

President Ekel said there have been two events since the last meeting. The Ice Cream Social was held on May 26th and the Ladies' Luncheon was held on June 12th. Ekel said 89 persons had purchased Ice Cream Sundays and enjoyed the Museum on a beautiful spring day. Ekel thanked Thumb Bank and Trust for a generous donation that was very helpful in covering the costs of the supplies for that event. Sherry Hoelzle reported on the Ladies' Luncheon. She said a sold-out crowd of 40 guests enjoyed a selection of salads and desserts prepared and donated by Caseville Historical Society Members. The planned speaker was unable to attend due to an illness so Harold Hoelzle, at the last minute, pulled together a slide presentation on Michigan Wildflowers. Everyone enjoyed Harold's colorful, informative, and entertaining slide show.

Ekel said there are no major events planned for July. She said the August Meeting will be moved to August 8th so that attendees can stay after the meeting to help set-up for the Cheeseburger Museum Event which begins on August 9th and will run through August 18th. Following the Cheeseburger Event will be The Classic Car and Tractor Show on September 21st, All Museum Weekend on September 28th and 29th, The Witches' Walk/Nightmare on Prospect Street is slated for October 26th, and the Fall Feast and Auction on November 10th will be the final event for the 2024 calendar year.

The Membership Committee had two new members to report, David and Nadia Maurer.

President Ekel said the Museum experienced 24 visitors over the past month. Recent donations of items have been made by Donna Martin, Donna McCormick, and James Devroye.

President Ekel said Barb Eimers is available the first Thursday of each month at 1:00 p.m. at the Museum to assist persons researching their family and/or property histories. Eimers has

research materials available to help with these investigations. This is a great service that is being offered free of charge and has been utilized by many Caseville residents and visitors.

The next meeting will take place on Thursday, July 18 at the Museum beginning at 10:00 a.m. 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 have played an important role in forming the Caseville Area as we know it today.