



Merrillville/Ross Twp. Historical Society 2023 Newsletter

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Preserving history for Merrillville and all of Ross Township

Join us and become a history buff!

2023 Meeting Schedule – Tentative

Each date is a Sunday – Meetings begin at 1pm at the museum (13 W. 73rd Ave.) – Refreshments & Programs follow

April 2, 2023 – Clean-up Day – 2pm-4pm – Bring something to clean with!

April 16, 2023 – Opening day for 2023 – Bring a friend for a visit

May 7, 2023 – Business Meeting; 1pm

July 9, 2023 – Business Meeting; 1pm

Oct. 1, 2023 – Business Meeting; 1pm

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Best wishes to you all for 2023!



Left: Most cars were lined up in the parking lot for all to see and enjoy. Center: Joe Berger flips burgers. Right: Martha Foreman and Joe Berger handled the cookout and refreshments. Here we see Martha making sure that Dan Kleine gets a tasty hotdog.

For the first time in several years we felt safe in once again sponsoring a car show at the museum. It was a pleasant September day, warm in the parking lot but very comfortable in the shade on the north side of the building. The show was well attended with most of the cars being provided by the Winamac Old Auto Club. Many thanks go out to all the members who attended and assisted in making this an enjoyable day.

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MEMBERSHIP DUES:
Individual - \$10/yr
Couple/Family - \$15/yr

Your support as a member helps us continue! Please contact us if you would like to be a member. Thank you!

Have an item or photograph that you would like to donate? Please contact us!



2022 had it ups and downs, but we pulled through



In March we welcomed the Griffith High School Paranormal Club to the museum. We had a fun evening chasing a number of ghosts throughout our building.



Members Bill Kadelak, David Unger, and Pat Unger took some time to relax after our July meeting.



We had three business meetings this year along with our cleanup day, car show, and special visitors.



Paul Nelson discussed his Regionology project with us and, thanks to a grant from the Indiana Historical Society, he plans to help us produce videos and digitize photos. Members and residents of the area are all invited to participate.

Three small televisions were purchased and incorporated into various displays. With the help of Paul Nelson and our members we hope to bring more of these displays into the museum.

