

Tontitown Historical Museum (THM) Report
for COW Meeting - 07/18/2017

The THM Board met on 07/10/17.

1. **Secretary Update** - Secretary Annette Pianalto Drake resigned from the THM Board, effective June 23, 2017. Annette's contributions were many, and she will be greatly missed. Grazie Mille to Annette for all her wonderful work, and the good news is that we still have her number! The Board elected Caroline Franco as our new secretary.
2. **Tontitown Grape Festival - Museum Hours & Temporary Exhibit** - THM's extended visitor hours during the Tontitown Grape Festival are:
Thursday, August 3 -- 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Friday, August 4 -- 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Saturday, August 5 -- 10:00 am to 7:00 pm

We are also hosting a temporary exhibit in the Old Tontitown School to help raise awareness and encourage preservation of Tontitown history by saving the building. We will set up Mrs. Mabry's classroom, which still has many creative educational wall art paintings (see below). Mrs. Mabry will be a special guest host during some of the open hours, and is excited to visit with many of her former students. We invite everyone to stop in the Old School and the Museum during the festival!

We thank the Tontitown Police Department for providing a safe Highway 412 crosswalk during the festival. This patrolled crossing allows museum visitors to just walk over while attending the festival.

3. **Phone and Internet Service** - We want to thank the City Council for ensuring that our phone and internet service will be continuous and reliable by providing new cabling.

The next Museum Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 7.

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