

## **Tontitown Historical Museum (THM) Report for the COW Meeting**

**Tuesday, June 21, 2022**

The THM Board of Directors met in-person on Monday, June 6th.

- 1. Tontitown Heritage Day Recap:** The main discussion of our meeting was recapping our Tontitown Heritage Day that took place on Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup> from 11-1 pm in the Arthur Penzo Pavilion. First, a huge thank you to our sponsors: Centennial Bank, McKee Foods, and Tontitown Winery. We also want to thank: Danielle DeLille for her wonderful help as The Tontitown Market partner; Fire Department crew Mark Ramsey and Todd Witzigman for their help with tables and chairs; Araiza Bakery, Mama Z's Café, and Village Inn for donating beautiful baked goods for our auction; Michael Pianalto for providing awesome music; and Schari Montez at Ranalli Farms Produce for their delicious cookies. We were blessed with amazing team support for a successful event and great weather. Everyone had a super time!
- 2. Thank you:** We would like to thank City Council Member Penny Baskin for joining our June Board Meeting. We hope this is the start of a deeper partnership with our City Council members as our city continues to grow. City Council members are always welcome to join our monthly meetings.
- 3. Visitors:** We had 13 visitors in May and 45 on the day of our Tontitown Heritage Day. This is a significant increase from previous events.
- 4. Board Member Resignation:** Our President, Katherine Karras, is resigning as President as she has accepted a new job in Colorado. June was her last board meeting with us. We are very sad to see her leave, yet excited for her new career opportunity. We are deeply grateful to Katherine for her many contributions to the Museum. Starting July 1<sup>st</sup>, Misty Piazza will take over as President and Jennifer De Martino will be Vice President. No other changes to our board at this time.
- 5. Upcoming Event:** The **123<sup>rd</sup> Tontitown Grape Festival** is August 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>. The museum will have extended open hours during the festival and we invite everyone to visit.

### **Regular Museum Hours: Friday, Saturday, and Sunday 1pm – 4pm**

Due to the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday, the next THM Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 11, 2022 at 6pm in City Hall.

#### **THM Board Members – starting July 1st**

Misty Piazza, President

Jennifer De Martino, Vice President

Emily Pianalto-Beshears, Secretary

Bev Cortiana-McEuen, Treasurer

Caroline Franco Ceola

Heather Ranalli-Peachee

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