

## Looking Ahead by Looking at Our Past

The last two years have been challenging in many ways. However, there were some achievements.

Floyd Mansberger, of Fever River Research, performed an assessment on the Cross Home. His report guides us as to the home's original composition and reveals which aspects can be salvaged as we move forward with renovations.

Ed and Jeanette Gawronski, long time residents, and retired librarians, volunteered to re-type "The Story of Roscoe" by Florence Lovejoy Shugars, for a future possible re-publication.

In December of 2020, the Township abated a small amount of asbestos present in the basement and connected the property to sewer and water.

2021 brought us Fall Festival, and the debut of our Heritage Enterprise Awards program. This year's honorees were:

- McCurdy Family – Top Die
- Young Family – Forest City Gear
- Doris Deschler – Whiffletree Tavern

Board Member Tina Franklin hosted a "Building A Home for Our History" fundraiser at her home.

Board President Laura McAfee Zwart led the "History of Roscoe Township Schools" presentation held at RUMC.

December of 2021 brought us the Cookie Exchange held at Kelly-Myers Park, and participation in the Rockton Lighted Christmas Parade. Board Member Phil Rhymer built a small replica of the original Cross Home. We hope to use it many times in the future!

We have purchased windows for the annex, and hope to install those in the spring. The first floor has been cleared for drywall, an ADA bath has been framed out and IBEW Local Union #364 stepped up to install new electrical in the home. We have a quote to remove the paint from the exterior of the original brick structure, and hope that is something that we can accomplish in the next year.

Keep in touch with us by following us on Facebook and visiting our website, and let us know how you can help us move forward!

Here's to a successful 2021!

## Unaudited Revenue and Expenses

Fiscal Years 2020 & 2021

<u>Revenue</u>		
Goods and Services	29,496	
Gifts of Cash	20,032	
<b>Total Revenue</b>		<b>49,528</b>
<u>Expenses</u>		
Business Expenses	307	
Contract Services	2,695	
Facilities & Equipment	13,796	
Operations	2,851	
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>19,649</b>
<b>Net Income</b>		<b>29,879</b>

## Activities & Achievements

### 2020

- March – Display at RoRo Expo
- May – Mansberger Inspection & Report
- May – Re-typing of "The Story of Roscoe"
- December – Asbestos Abatement
- December – Sewer & Water Connected

### 2021

- September – Fall Festival Tent Display
- September – Heritage Enterprise Awards
- September – Amended By-Laws to Increase Directors
- October – Building a Home for Our History Fundraiser
- October – Approved Gift Acceptance Policy
- November – History of Roscoe Schools at RUMC
- December – Cookie Exchange at Kelly-Meyers
- December – Rockton Lighted Christmas Parade

## Renovation Progress

- Annex windows purchased and recently received
- First floor demolition
- ADA bathroom framed
- New electrical



Cross Homestead Circa 1940



Cross Homestead Current



Architect's Rendering



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January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2021

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Michele McAfee  
Robert and Linda McAfee  
Larry and Hazel Ralston  
Phil and Kerry Rhymer  
J. Vincent Toscano

## Roscoe Township Historical Society Mission

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The Roscoe Township Historical Society is an independent, non-profit, 501 (c) (3) designated public charity whose mission is the study, preservation, and dissemination of Roscoe Township history.

All gifts made to the Historical Society are tax-deductible to the extent provided by the Internal Revenue Service.

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### Roscoe Township Historical Society Board

Laura McAfee Zwart – President  
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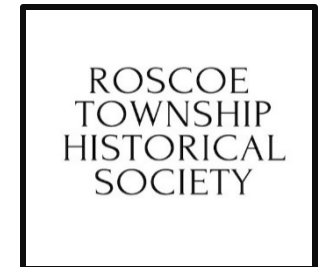
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