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BOARD MEETING SCHEDULED
APRIL 11

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These meetings are open to the general membership. We would like your ideas and support. We welcome anyone who has something to discuss, introduce, or question to attend our meetings. You are also welcome to simply come and listen to the meeting.

SPRING AREA MEETING

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A tour of the Depot Museum, 128 Wetmore Street, Howell, will be available from 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The depot was built in 1886 and has artifacts on display from the Livingston County area.

The courthouse will also be open at 6:30 p.m. for tours sponsored by the Historical Advisory Committee. The Livingston County Courthouse was built in 1889.

The area meeting will begin at 8:00 p.m. in the courthouse. Representatives of the area societies will share current activities of their society. A short program on the McPhersons, a historically prominent family in Howell, will be presented.

Everyone is encouraged and invited to attend.