

Subject: 13th Annual Commemorative Christmas Ornament on Sale

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The Romeo Historical Society is pleased to announce its 13th annual commemorative Christmas ornament is now on sale. This exquisite brass ornament is of the Wellington Jersey Home, located at 245 Pleasant Street, and is currently owned by Tom and Isabel Cox. The Italianate-style home was originally built in 1870 by Wellington Jersey, owner of Romeo Marble and Monument Works, at a cost of \$ 1,800. Over the years, few alterations have been made to this stately home.

The ornament costs \$20, and is available at the following locations: Kane's Town Hall Antiques, Connelly's Creations, National City Bank, all in downtown Romeo. It's also available at Christmas Fantasy, located in Frontier town, on Van Dyke Road in Washington. Ornaments can be shipped anywhere in United States at a cost of \$25 each. Previous editions are also available for purchase.

For more information please call the Romeo Historical Society at 586-752-4111 or visit our website romeohistoricalsociety.org. The RHS is a non-profit, 501 c3 organization dedicated to the preservation of Romeo's exceptional heritage.

The Society is a member of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, Historical Society of Michigan and the Macomb County Historical Alliance. RHS supports three museums in downtown Romeo, the Bancroft Stranahan House at 132 Church Street, the Clyde Craig Blacksmith Museum at 301 N. Bailey and the Romeo Arts and Archives Museum at 290 N. Main Street. Each is a unique experience showcasing Romeo history. All three locations are walking distance from historic downtown Romeo, open for events and by appointment.

The Romeo Arts and Archives Museum (RAAC) a former State Police Post building is open every Tuesday evening from 7pm – 9pm, with research archives and gift shop available. On current display is *Romeo on Wheels*, an exhibit chronicling Romeo's progression from carriage, to automotive, to the Ford Romeo Plant in operation today.

RHS is the proud host of the annual Victorian Festival in downtown Romeo the third Saturday in May. The Village of Romeo has been listed in the National Register of Historic Places and on the State Register of Historic Sites since 1970.