

The Collections Committee recommends the Besser Museum Board of Trustees to accept the following items into the museum's Permanent Collection:

1. Portrait of Col. William D. Hitchcock. Donated by Maura Godinez of Washington D.C.



2. Metal 4" screwdriver with the inscription W.R. Woelk. Donated by Judy Nelson of Milford, Mich.



The Collections Committee recommends the Besser Museum Board of Trustees deaccession the following items out of the museum's Permanent Collection:

1. 1971.6.3 Necklace
Reasoning: Poor condition, beads falling off



2. 1969.38.1 Straight razor
Reasoning: Poor condition and duplicate item



Major Activities	Number
New Accessions	8
Artifacts Cataloged	885
Artifacts Inventoried	517
Inquiries Handled	12
Searches on Public Database	737 Top 5 searches: “Grand Lake”, “Catholic Central”, “1967”, “Abitibi”, and “People”

Other Major Activities:

1. Hosted field trips in the Discover Northeast Michigan History exhibit.
2. Updated the Public Database to include a watermark on images and added a “Request Image” feature for viewers. I am currently reviewing our old “Photo Request Forms” to see if anything needs updating.
3. Finished organizing all exhibit materials into labeled boxes, now stored in the Processing Room.
4. Collaborated with the Alpena County Library to create a temporary exhibit about nursing. One item on loan for the exhibit (Red Cross Uniform 2022.49.4).
5. Attended the Michigan Museum’s Association Awards Banquet at the Grand Rapids Public Museum.