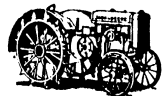


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PRESIDENTIAL STATE OF THE HILL ADDRESS:

Greetings from Heritage Hill. January is here but one would never know it. We now have about 2 snow months behind us...without snow! Already this winter there must be countless weather related records broke. You may be curious as to the significance of the John Deere tractor and disk photograph that is inserted to the right? That is Orlynn Hegna disking a field on January 6th, Yes, probably a very rare event in Minnesota. The lack of snow has not been missed by any means. The lack of shoveling and lack icy sidewalks and streets has been overwhelmingly appreciated. All of that is coupled with record breaking high temperatures, 60°F on January 5th. The weather service is not always correct. Back in early November I remember hearing the 90-day outlook calling for below normal temperatures and above normal snowfalls throughout the winter months. Well that did not happen in December, and January to date has been about the same. I wonder what the snow-birders are now thinking, after they made their annual escape from Minnesota to avoid the cold and snow? It has been most enjoyable hanging around home this winter. For every advantage there always seems to be a disadvantage. This is not the first dry winter in history, but the lack of moisture since mid-July is reason for concern. Hopefully the weather pattern will change before spring.



My recovery from triple by-pass surgery is progressing. I think I have finally turned the corner as every day I am feeling a little bit better. Hopefully by the time spring arrives I will be in real good shape. I am getting out of house more often and my energy level continues to increase. Again, I wish to thank everybody for you cards, concerns, phone calls and visits during my recovery period. It was all very much appreciated.

My recovery has generated ample time for television watching and catching up on reading. I really enjoy reading various toy tractor and implement magazines as well as other antique iron publications. One of the greatest authors in the field of agricultural heritage is Charles H. Wendel. Wendel is a resident of Atkins, Iowa, a small community just west of Cedar Rapids. Over the years Wendel has singlehandedly amassed countless volumes of literature from multiple sources and compiled the information into many books. One book, titled Encyclopedia of the American Farm Tractor, is in itself, a great resource as it contains references and short description of hundreds of tractor makes and manufacturers. Another book of equal size is titled The Allis Chalmers story. I was curious how just one equipment manufacturer could generate enough information to fill one book. I did not need to read too far into the book before my mind was overloaded and drowning in information. The Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Co., when first incorporated in 1901, was the culmination of eight different companies, two of which founded the company name: 1) Edward P. Allis Company, and 2) Fraser & Chalmers. Since 1901, 40 other companies consolidated to form the 1971 Allis-Chalmers Corporation. Aside from the well known tractor production, Allis-Chalmers built

about every conceivable farm implement. Allis-Chalmers also built products of every size and shape. If there was a demand, Allis-Chalmers was close behind supplying the need. Some of the lesser known equipment manufactured included air gauges, taffy pullers, chain saws, comfort chairs, rock crushers, drying fans, beach sanitizers, firefighting equipment, flour mills, forklifts, fuel cells, home heating systems, kilns, jet aircraft engines, trail bikes, kaddie karts (golf), compost shredders, garden tillers, post hole diggers, refrigerators, and saw mill machinery just to name a few. I thought this would be some interesting information to share in light of the Gathering of the Orange which will be hosted at the 2012 Heritage Hill Threshing Show. Plans for the 2012 Threshing Show, August 17, 18 & 19, are moving ahead. To date there have been many inquiries from interested exhibitors who have seen the Heritage Hill advertising and found related information on the Heritage Hill website.



I would like to remind the members that the 2012 raffle tickets are printed and available for sale. Ron Molde is managing the 2012 raffle. This year there will 1500 tickets printed and available for sale. Please take part in selling these raffle tickets, as it has become a major fundraiser for Heritage Hill. Please see the "Meeting Notices and Coming Events" below. Raffle tickets will be sold at the forthcoming Ole and Lena Days, Granite Falls, February 4th – the first raffle ticket sales event of the season.

As a special note I would like for all members to please consider volunteering for one or more of the following Heritage Hill responsibilities that need to be filled in the near future: 1) President; 2) Threshers' Kitchen Coordinator or Committee; 3) Newsletter Producer/Editor; 4) Gate Admissions Chair. The fulfillment of these positions is very critical for future of the organization. If you have not had the opportunity to serve in any of these capacities, please consider the same, as your service to this organization is needed and valued.

I hope to see you at the Monday, January 16th Membership Meeting which will be held at the Montevideo Senior Community Center. Have a safe and enjoyable winter.

Thank you, Wesley Thompson, President

Raffle Ticket Sales: The 2012 Heritage Hill Raffle tickets have now been printed and are ready to sell. Please take an active role in selling the raffle ticket. The annual raffle generates approximately \$4,000 in revenue for the organization – a great fundraiser for Heritage Hill. 2012 raffle prizes include: **First** – Browning Citori Satin Hunter, over-under 12-gauge shotgun; **Second** – Old Log Theater/Country Inn and Suites hotel stay tickets-for-two package; **Third** - \$100 cash; **Fourth** - \$100 cash. Please see Director Ronald Molde for tickets and other details. **Thank you, The Directors**

NEWSLETTER CORDINATOR – Replacement needed

I would like to thank the members of Heritage Hill for the opportunity to serve as the Heritage Hill Newsletter coordinator for the past 11 years. The February 2012 addition of the Heritage Hill newsletter will mark the 132nd newsletter I have helped produce for the organization. It has been a true pleasure and an interesting challenge to assist with this task. The time has come to pass on the torch to the next newsletter volunteer coordinator. A new volunteer is needed starting with the March 2012 newsletter. I am looking forward to mentoring and helping the new coordinator transition into this position. Periodic newsletters are very vital communication links to any organization, and hopefully the Heritage Hill monthly publication can continue. The Heritage Hill newsletter formatting has transitioned with the development of technology. There are many tools available in today's world that can aid in the production of an organizational newsletter. If the HH newsletter continues to be produced in its present format, the newsletter coordinator will need a computer, internet access, email access and working knowledge of Microsoft Word and Excel. The new coordinator is welcome to change the newsletter format and use any new formatting tools that may be available. If you are interested in becoming the new newsletter coordinator, please contact Les Bergquist at xyzbergquist@embarqmail.com or 320-226-7878 or any of the other directors. **Thanks again, Leslie Bergquist**

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: The nominating committee is seeking dedicated members to become future leaders of Heritage Hill. Candidates are needed for all positions including President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and two Directors. If you are interested in placing your name on the ballot for 2012, please contact one of the Nominating Committee members: Ronald Molde, Kevin Stegeman and Eugene Zeller. **Thanks, The Nominating Committee**

MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES: December – no meeting

MEETING NOTICES & COMING EVENTS

EVENT

Membership Meeting – Montevideo Senior Community Center

January Servers: Phil Thissen; Gerald/Orel Jane Loe; Douglas/Marilyn Norman

Directors' Meeting – The Rivers Restaurant

Ole & Lena Days, Granite Falls – Raffle Sales

Great Western Minnesota Get-Together, LqP Valley HS – Raffle Sales

Willmar Ag Show, Willmar – Raffle Sales

Gun Show, Watertown, SD – Raffle Sales

2012 Swap Meet

2012 THRESHING SHOW – Featuring Gathering of Orange

DATE/TIME

Monday, January 16, 2012, 7:00 pm

Thursday, February 2, 2012, 7:00 pm

Saturday, February 4, 2012

Saturday/Sunday, February 11&12, 2012

Tuesday/Wednesday, March 13&14, 2012

Saturday/Sunday, March 17 & 18, 2012

April 20 & 21, 2012

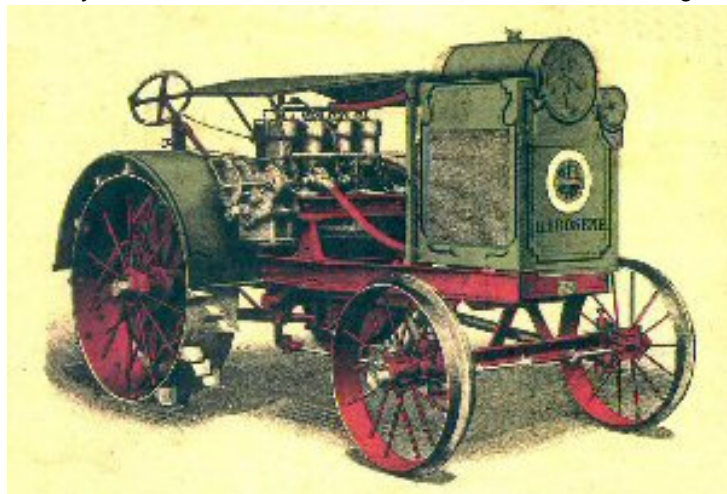
August 17, 18 & 19, 2012

Electric Wheel Company, Quincy, Illinois



The Electric Wheel Company had its roots dating back to April 24, 1890 when it was incorporated by Charles G. Comstock, Thomas Hill and Samuel H. Emery, Jr. The company did not enter the tractor manufacturing business until 1911, but rather started by manufacturing metal wheels. The manufacturing process included the use of a new electric welder, thus how the company name was founded. In 1908 the company began building a traction-truck chassis that included all components except the engine. That gave buyers of the chassis the option to mount then engine of their choice upon the unit. There were other manufactures at the time building similar types of chassis, so therefore nothing was real unique about the product. The Electric Wheel Company built its first complete tractor in 1911 with the introduction of the Quincy Model O All-Purpose Tractor. Soon to follow was the "Number 1". Both of these tractors were equipped with a four-cylinder vertical cross mounted engine. In 1915 the Electric Wheel Co. introduced the "Light Allwork", a scaled-down version of their earlier designs that would form the basis for a range of different models over the next few years. Allwork tractors were sold in Canada through agents Geo. White & Sons of London, Ontario, and were advertised there as the "White Allwork". A number of Allworks were also exported to Scandinavia, where a handful has survived to this day. In 1920, the first Allwork to feature an in-line engine appeared - this was known as the Allwork II and was developed with Californian fruit farmers in mind,

although at least two made it as far as Australia. The same period also saw the introduction of two different models of crawler tractor, but these do not seem to have met with much success. The onset of the Great Depression put an end to Electric Wheel Company tractor production, and the company was eventually absorbed by tire manufacturer Firestone Tire and Rubber Company in March 1957. Firestone has roots going back to 1851, as a result of the 194 merger with Peru Wheel Company, Peru, Illinois. Originally established as Brewster, Dodge and Huse, it became known as Peru City Plow Company. This firm was the first builder of metal spoked wheels in this country.



DIRECTOR MEETING MINUTES: January 5, 2012

President Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at The Rivers Restaurant, Montevideo.

Quorum: *Present* – Thompson, Bergquist, Heath, Molde, Zeller, Bangsund, Winter, Stegeman, Emch, Absent: Kleene.

President Thompson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary Heath read the minutes of the November 3, 2011 and December 1, 2011 meetings. M/S/P Bergquist/Zeller to approve the minutes.

Treasurer Bergquist gave the December 2011 financial report. M/S/P Bangsund/Stegeman to approve the report.

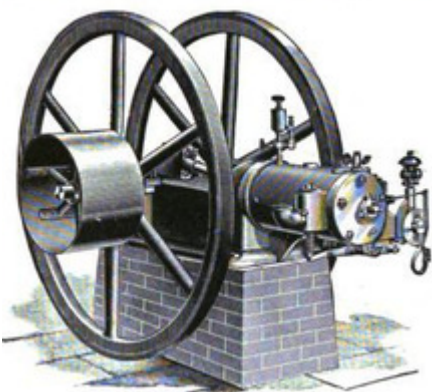
Treasurer Bergquist presented the 2011 Annual financial report. M/S/P Molde/Winter to approve the report as written.

- **Tractor Pull:** Gerald Kleene finalized the Tractor Pull plans scheduled for Friday, August 17th during the 2012 Threshing Show.
- **Raffle:** Ron Molde is in charge of the raffle tickets (see newsletter insert for details).
- **Coming Events:** Ole and Lena Days, Granite Falls; Great Western Minnesota Get-Together, Lac qui Valley High School; Willmar Ag Show; Watertown Gun Show; Swap Meet. See Coming Events section of newsletter for details.
- **Chippewa Building:** "Chippewa" lettering of building has not been installed, yet. Thompson reminded French Glass to install lettering prior to the April 20th Swap Meet. The Gallery on First is updating the plaques with donor names.
- **Lawn Mower:** Bids will be reviewed at the February Directors' Meeting.
- **Gathering of the Orange:** Patty Kurtzbein advised that of preliminary plans for a bus tour during the Threshing Show. There will be a tractorcade coming from Hutchinson to Heritage Hill on Thursday, August 16th.
- **Air Compressor:** Glen Coon advised that Western Coop would like to donate a Joy 4 cylinder gas air compressor to Heritage Hill. M/S/P Stegeman/Bergquist to accept the donation. Glen Coon will deliver the compressor to Heritage Hill.
- **Logs:** Richard Emch advised that Gunval Knutson will be donating logs to Heritage Hill and the logs will be loaded and delivered to Heritage Hill on Friday, January 6th. Volunteers are needed to load the trailers.
- **Positions Open:** Many positions are open and need replacement in order to make Heritage Hill function.

EXTRAS – Take a trip and not leave the farm? Here are some destinations

- I have been in many places, but I've never been in **Cahoots**. Apparently, you cannot go alone. You have to be in Cahoots with someone.
- I have also never been in **Cognito**. I hear no one recognizes you there.
- I have, however, been in **Sane**. They do not have an airport; you have to be driven there. I have made several trips there, thanks to my friends, family and co-workers.
- I would like to go to **Conclusions**, but you have to jump, and I am not too much on physical activity anymore.
- I have also been in **Doubt**. That is a sad place to go, and I try not to visit there too often.
- I have been in **Flexible**, but only when it was very important to stand firm.
- Sometimes I am in **Capable**, and I go there more often as I am getting older.
- One of my favorite places to be is in **Suspense!** It really gets the adrenalin flowing and pumps up the old heart! At my age I need all the stimuli I can get!
- I may have been in **Continent**, and I do not remember what country I was in. It is an age thing.

Lambert Gas and Gasoline Engine Company

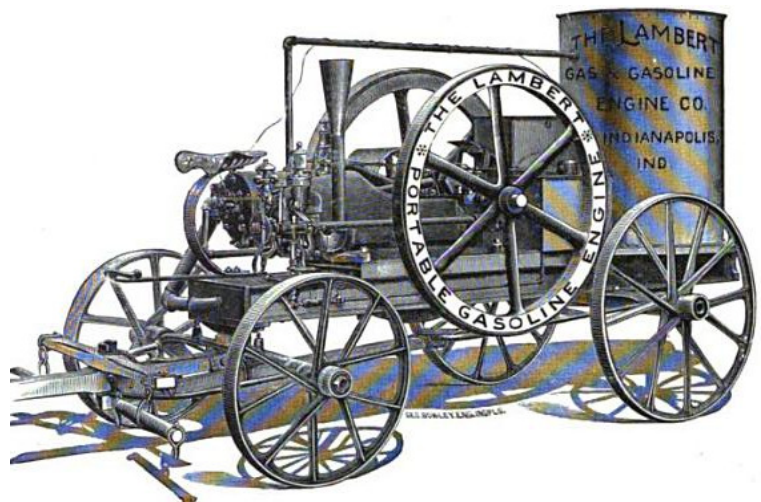


The **Lambert Gas and Gasoline Engine Company** was a company founded by John William Lambert in the later part of the nineteenth century as part of the conglomerate of the Buckeye Manufacturing Company. When in his early twenties Lambert had formed a partnership with his father, and under the firm style of J. W. Lambert & Company. The company was engaged in the manufacture of fork handles and spokes. In the later part of 1891 Lambert moved to Ohio City, Ohio after failing in his initial attempt to make and sell "horseless carriages." There he ran an agricultural implement store, a grain elevator and a lumber yard. In 1893 Lambert came to Anderson, Indiana moving some of his machinery to this location. This was the nucleus for the factory plant he made in Anderson. The factory covered 6 acres of brick construction and was equipped with modern machinery of the day. The company Lambert ran made farm implement equipment and stationary gasoline engines for farms and other commercial uses. In 1893 the company was incorporated under the firm name of the Lambert Gas and Gasoline Engine Company and the Buckeye Manufacturing Company. The company employed about 250 people at the time. The factory tooled up with

equipment for the manufacture of automobiles in 1900 with the Lambert Gas and Gasoline Engine Company making the automobile engines and the Buckeye Manufacturing Company making the other automobile parts. The officers of the companies were B. F. Lambert as the president, George A. Lambert as the secretary, and John Lambert the treasurer and general manager. The capital stock of the companies was \$100,000, which would be millions in today's dollars. Before the Lambert Gas and Gasoline Engine Company built automobile motors, it manufactured stationary engines. A partial description of the Lambert gasoline stationary engines were described in *Gas, Gasoline and Oil-engines* written by Gardner Dexter Hiscox in 1910 as:

"The engines built by the Lambert Gas and Gasoline Engine Company are all of the horizontal four-cycle type. The engines scheduled in fifteen sizes from 1 to 40 horsepower. The valves are all of the poppet type and are operated by a secondary shaft and work reducing gear. The exhaust valve is opened by a lever across and under the end of the cylinder, the lever having a roller riding against a cam on the secondary shaft. The exhaust chamber has a water circulation through a jacket, and the cylinder head is also jacketed and connected, so that there can be no leak into the cylinder from the water circulation."

There was a "leaflet" given out by the Lambert Gas and Gasoline Engine Company on their engines giving directions to the operator. It was a guide to their gasoline engines giving special



instructions for how the internal action of the engine was performing by just listening to the engine operation sounds.

TRESURER'S REPORT – December 2011

Financial Statement: December 1, 2011

Internal Accounts

\$26,124.33	General Fund
\$1,503.39	Chapel Fund
\$12.51	Chippewa Building Fund
\$1,297.00	Decibel Reduction Fund
\$7,598.91	Farming Fund
\$4,233.66	Hagen House
\$3,500.00	Holt Caterpillar Fund
\$5,669.34	Insurance Claim Fund
\$1,348.10	Threshing Fund
\$323.30	Tractor Pull Track Fund
\$4,010.51	Wayne Ost Fund
\$55,621.05	TOTAL

Investment Accounts

\$3,014.85	Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking
\$52,606.20	CAB - Preferred Money Market
\$0.00	CAB - Certificate of Deposit
\$55,621.05	TOTAL
\$16,000.00	Loan Balance - Citizens Alliance Bank



Operating Statement

Donations	
\$100.00	Eugene/Grace Zeller
\$100.00	Jordan/Kristie Zeller
\$100.00	Terry Holen

\$55,621.05 **Balance: December 1, 2011**

RECEIPTS

\$18.00	Buttons
\$670.00	Christmas Party
\$300.00	Donation
\$495.00	Dues
\$11.13	Interest
\$1,494.13	TOTAL

\$34,858.81 **Balance: December 31, 2011**

DISBURSEMENTS

(\$1,762.66)	Buttons/Plaques
(\$780.81)	Christmas Party
(\$1,270.85)	Cups
(\$191.06)	Electricity
(\$55.97)	Equipment Repairs
(\$1,561.54)	Farming Expense
(\$195.23)	Loan Interest
(\$16,000.00)	Loan Principal
(\$438.25)	Office/Postage/Printing
(\$22,256.37)	TOTAL

Financial Statement: December 31, 2011

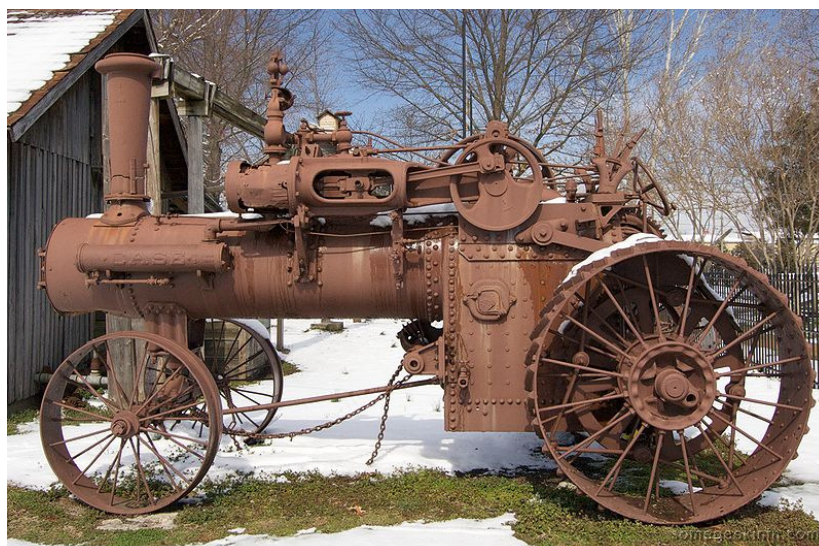
Internal Accounts

\$6,656.68	General Fund
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\$4,233.66	Hagen House
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Investment Accounts

\$1,241.77	Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking
\$33,617.04	CAB - Preferred Money Market
\$0.00	CAB - Certificate of Deposit
\$34,858.81	TOTAL
\$0.00	Loan Balance - Citizens Alliance Bank

Leslie K. Bergquist, Treasurer



PAST DUE NOTICE

2012 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES

The annual membership dues WERE due and payable ***prior to January 1, 2012.***

Single Membership: **\$15.00**

Family Membership: **\$25.00**

Please send to: MVAFPMA – Membership Dues, Post Office Box 226, Montevideo, MN 56265.

Lifetime Membership: If you are interested in purchasing a lifetime membership, please contact Leslie Bergquist, Treasurer, at 320-226-7878. Thank you.

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