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PRESIDENTIAL STATE OF THE HILL ADDRESS:

Greetings from Heritage Hill. November is already upon us. The fall harvest is complete with the exception of maybe a few fields that need to be tilled. After a very unusual growing season which resulted in reduced crop yields all over the region, the dry fall harvest conditions were welcome. Most all producers reported that the corn and soybeans were harvested at below normal moisture levels, with little or no drying delays or related expenses. The cost savings always helps the bottom line. The same was true with the corn harvest at Heritage Hill. Thanks are extended to Richard Emch, Orlynn Hegna, Ron Molde, Scott Bjorndal, Eugene Zeller, LuVerne Bangsund, Philip Thissen, Merlyn Hanson and Ervin Winter for their assistance with the harvest. I appreciated hanging around during the harvest, probably just getting in the way as I was handing out orders. After the field was opened with the John Deere 55 combine, the New Idea picker was then put to use. Approximately 30 wagon loads of cobbed corn was picked and loaded into the corn crib. The crib was filled to the brim with an estimated 1,400 bushes. Orlynn Hegna assisted with his combine in harvesting the remaining acres. In addition another 3,800 bushels of shelled corn was hauled to the elevator, some bushels were sold and some stored. The equipment worked well with the exception of a chain repair on the corn picker. At the end of the day the corn produced on the county land yielded approximately 120 bushels to the acre.

On Sunday, October 23rd the members at Heritage Hill gathered for the annual plowing bee which was held on the county land. The plowing was a little more challenging this year as we had an ample supply of corn stalks to plow under. Despite the minor inconvenience of some corn stalks plugging up the plows, another miserable memory from the past, about half the corn field was plowed. Later that week the other half of the field was chisel plowed, to finish the moldboard plowing that was started on Sunday afternoon. Thanks are extended to Richard Emch, Ronald Molde, Ervin Winter, Douglas Norman and Mick Sellman for bringing plows and tractors and participating in the event. Of course any gathering at Heritage Hill needs to be accompanied by a "little lunch". A special thanks is extended to Betty Macziewski, Dorraine Thompson, Elsie Holtan, Ramona Bangsund, Jan Sellman and Marilyn Norman for providing the wonderful ~~snack~~ (strike that) feast! Nobody went away hungry – that is for sure. An extra special thank you goes out to Gary Velde and Pioneer Seed for donating the Roundup Ready seed corn, and the Chippewa County Commissioners for the continued use of the farm. Over the past decade, Heritage Hill has been a major financial beneficiary of the county land and the related revenues generated, which subsequently directly attributes to the rapid growth and development of the show site.

Prior to buttoning up the Heritage Hill activities for 2011, there are two upcoming events that may be of interest to you and your family. First the annual Heritage Hill Thanksgiving service is scheduled for Friday evening, November 25th at 7:00 pm in the Heritage Hill Chapel. This has become a very special time for all of us members, family, friends and neighbors to gather and give thanks for our many blessings. And, as stated earlier, a gathering of Heritage Hill members, usually means a time for a "little lunch". Lunch will be served again in the Threshers' Kitchen after the Thanksgiving Service. Finally, on Saturday, December 10th, the annual Heritage Hill Membership Christmas Party will be held at the Montevideo Senior Community Center. Please see the insert and registration attached to this newsletter for all details. I hope to see all of you at both exciting events.

Thank you, Wesley Thompson, President

Thanksgiving Service: The Seventh Annual Heritage Hill Thanksgiving Service is scheduled for Friday, November 25, 2011 at 7:00 pm in the Heritage Hill Chapel. A little lunch will be served and good fellowship can be found in the Threshers' Kitchen following the Thanksgiving Service. All offering received will be donated to the Prairie Five Community Action Fuel Assistance Program. All donations will be matched 100% by funding from the State of Minnesota. Invite a friend or neighbor to come to Heritage Hill for fellowship and a chance to say thanks.

James Roe, Chairman

DONATIONS – Chippewa Building

Thanks are extended to all who have donated toward the new Chippewa Building project. Donations received through the end of October totaled $5,430 from 26 members or families. The final building cost totaled $41,518. The project was funded as follows: $20,000 – Wayne Ost Memorial Fund; $5,430 – Donations; $17,000 – Bank loan ($912 Building Fund Account off-set). The loan will be repaid from additional donations received, as well as future earnings of the organization. Anyone wishing to donate toward the project is invited to do so by sending your donation payable to Heritage Hill – Chippewa Building Project, Post Office Box 226, Montevideo, MN 56265. Donors who contribute $100 or more will have their name recognized inside the newly constructed building. All donations to Heritage Hill are tax deductable. All donations will be greatly appreciated.

Heritage Hill By-law Changes:

At the September 20, 2011 membership meeting, potential changes to the Minnesota Valley Antique Farm Power and Machinery Association By-laws were discussed. A By-law review committee was elected, consisting of five organizational members: James Roe, LuVerne Bangsund, Vincent Welling, Merlyn Hanson, and Curtis Berg. The committee presented its findings and

recommendations to the Board of Directors at the October 6, 2011 board meeting. The board concurred with the committee's recommendation. The Board of Directors is now recommending the same By-law changes to the membership as was presented by the committee. A draft of the reinstated By-laws was included in the October 2011 newsletter for your review. The proposed reinstated By-laws were discussed at the October 18, 2011 membership meeting. The final draft of the proposed reinstated By-laws will be voted upon at the November 15, 2011 membership meeting. ***Thanks, the By-law Committee and the Directors***

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 either of the Nominating Committee members: Ronald Molde, Kevin Stegeman and Eugene Zeller. ***Thanks, The Nominating Committee***

Weather Related Announcements: With the winter season approaching, questions may arise whether or not meetings or other Heritage Hill events may be postponed. Any such postponement will be announced on KDMA, A.M. 1460 and an email announcement will also be sent. You may also contact President Wesley Thompson at 320-269-8470 with further questions. ***Thank you. The Directors.***

Tree Memorials: Since MVAFPMA relocated to Heritage Hill in 2000, there have been numerous trees donated to Heritage Hill in memory of deceased members and transplanted around the show site. A memorial plaque acknowledging these memorial gifts is in process of being made. If you are aware of a Heritage Hill tree that was donated in memory of a deceased member, please contact President Wesley Thompson and advise accordingly. ***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 has transitioned with the development of technology. There is an assortment of 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***

MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES: October 18, 2011 – Marlys Heath, Secretary

President Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:00PM at Heritage Hill, Montevideo. Quorum of 40 members present.
Vice President Kleene led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Secretary Heath read the September 20, 2011 membership meeting minutes. M/S/P Phillip Thissen/Sally Phillips to approve the minutes.
Vice President Kleene reported the September Financials. M/S/P Doug Norman/Marilyn Norman to approve the report.

- **Trees:** Donations of $200 from Fern Landmark in memory of David Landmark, $200 from Richard Emch in memory of Lucy Emch, $100 from John Lyngen in memory of his mother, Jean Lyngen, and $200 from Richard Emch in memory of Margaret Martinson Emch. The board of directors authorized Jim Roe to purchase trees to be planted in front of the Hagen House. 5 trees have been purchased from and planted by Eden's Gardens. Jim Roe has been authorized to purchase 2 more trees with the total price of all the trees being $741.00. The additional $41.00 will be taken out of the general fund.
- **Newsletters:** President Thompson questioned if the members have been reading the newsletters and if it worthwhile to continue with the monthly printing or if newsletters should be published bi-monthly or quarterly. After a short discussion the membership indicated newsletters are read, newsletters are a goods means of communicating organizational activities, and newsletters should continue as in the past.
- **Christmas Party:** The party is scheduled for December 10, at the Montevideo Community Center. See insert and registration for additional details.
- **Plaque:** The donation plaque for the Chippewa Building has been completed by Jim Roe in the shape of Chippewa County. Bob Christenson, Gallery on First, Montevideo will donate the name plates for the plaque. The name plates will include Gallery on First as a donor. Total donations to date are $5,230.
- **Feature Tractor:** The Board of Directors voted to recommend Gerald Kleene's 1937 Model A Allis Chalmers Tractor to be the 2012 feature tractor. M/S/P Mick Sellman/Marilyn Norman to approve Gerald Kleene's tractor for the 2012 feature tractor.
- **Pop:** There was a drawing for the left over pop cases from the Threshing Show.
- **Corn Harvest:** The harvest is complete. The corn crib is full. Richard Emch, Erwin Winters, Orlynn Hegna, Phillip Thissen, Gene Zeller, LuVerne Bangsund, and Ron Molde helped with the corn harvest. $100 has been paid to Lonny Tostenson for the use of his corn stalk chopper.
- **Plowing Bee:** The plowing bee will be on Sunday, October 23, 2011 at 1:00 PM. Marilyn Norman will be in charge of the lunch.
- **MAAPS:** The meeting was held at Heritage Hill, Saturday, October 8, 2011. All the shows are having the same issues. Discussions were held about venders fees, gate passes and camping.
- **Show Buttons:** Joe Olson donated a miscellaneous bag of show buttons that belonged to his father, Leslie Olson. Bob Kellen will make a display board showing all the buttons from many past Heritage Hill Threshing Shows.
- **By-laws:** LuVerne Bangsund presented the committees proposed by-law changes. The annual officer and director elections should take place in October instead of February, with newly elected officials taking office effective January 1st; the nominating Committee should consist of the newest elected directors; the terms of President and Vice President would be limited to two consecutive one year terms, the Ex-officio will have voting rights at the board of directors meetings. The new by-laws will be voted on at the November 15, 2011 membership meeting.

DIRECTOR MEETING MINUTES: November 3, 2011 - Marlys Heath, Secretary

President Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at Heritage Hill, Montevideo.
Quorum: *Present* – Thompson, Kleene, Bergquist, Heath, Molde, Zeller, Stegeman, Winters, Absent Bangsund, Emch,
Treasurer Bergquist led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary Heath read the minutes of the October 6, 2011 meeting M/S/P Zeller/Bergquist to approve the minutes.
Treasurer Bergquist gave the October financial report M/S/P Winters/Stegeman to approve the report.

- **Insurance Claim Fund:** $5,669.34 is remaining from the July wind storm insurance claim. There are no outstanding bills at this time but all the repairs have not yet been completed.
- **Crushed Rock:** Many buildings foundations need rock added. M/S/P Bergquist/Molde to purchase a load of crushed rock and complete the project prior to winter.
- **Christmas Party:** December 10, 2011 at Montevideo Community Center at 6:00 PM, see registration insert for details.
- **Trees:** A memorial list will be placed in the Threshers' Kitchen to acknowledge HH tree donations. If anyone has donated trees in memory of someone that they would like listed, please contact one of the officers or board members.
- **Nominating Committee:** Gene Zeller, Ron Molde and Kevin Stegeman, comprise the 2012 nominating committee.
- **Thanksgiving Service:** A new coordinator is needed. No preparations have been made for the 2011 service to date.
- **Directors' Christmas Party:** No official meeting is planned. The Directors and their guests will meet at Budger's Dinner House in Maynard at 6:30PM on December 1, 2011 for the annual Christmas dinner.
- **South Parking Lot:** M/S/P Bergquist/Stegeman to rescind the motion made at the Directors' Meeting on September 8, 2011 to plant grass in the south HH parking lot. Small grain will be planted as in past years. This will create less maintenance and more revenue for Heritage Hill.
- **Newsletters:** Leslie Bergquist has submitted his resignation as the newsletter coordinator. A new coordinator will be needed by February 1, 2012.
- **Vender Fees and Passes:** M/S/P Bergquist/Kleene to raise the vender fees to $35.00 for 1 table, $65.00 for 2 tables, $95.00 for 3 tables and $125.00 for 4 tables, for both the Swap Meet and Threshing Show. The vendor fee will include 2 free gate passes.
- **Raffle:** M/S/P Bergquist/Zeller to purchase a Browning Over-Under Shot Gun costing $1,550.00+$50.00 which includes the Heritage Hill logo engraving. The second prize includes 2 theatre tickets and an overnight motel stay. Third and forth prizes will be $100.00 each. The sale will be limited to 1,500 tickets.
- **Mowing:** M/S/P Bergquist/Kleene to present a proposal to the members to purchase a lawn mower to be used for mowing the grounds at Heritage Hill.
- **Chippewa Building:** Bob Christenson, Gallery on First, is printing the donor names plates. Space is available to add additional donor names.
- **Exhibitors Passes:** M/S/P Bergquist/Stegeman to give 2 free gate passes per exhibitor.

Farmall Tractor Advancements

Early Years: After years of development and several prototype configurations, International Harvester introduced the Farmall tractor in 1924. It was a smaller general-purpose tractor, to fend off competition from the Ford Motor Company's Fordson tractors. The Farmall tractor was the first in the United States to incorporate a tricycle-like design, which could be used on tall crops such as cotton and corn. At first there was just one model of the Farmall, but when it became evident the factory could not fill orders fast enough, International Harvester developed models with more power and new features to carry on the Farmall brand. Afterwards, the first Farmall model become known as the "regular" to distinguish it from later models which carried F-designations, followed by the so-called "letter series" tractors then the "hundred series"

The McCormick-Deering FARMALL is the Original, Successful, Row-Crop, All-Purpose Tractor

Farmall Regular: The Farmall Regular was the first successful attempt to build a general all purpose tricycle type tractor, designed by Bert Benjamin, after several years of patient effort. The new Farmall tractor had high rear-axle clearance, gear drive, automatic braking of either wheel for quick and short turns, small closely spaced front wheels designed to run between crop rows, vertical steering column with steering rod over the top of the tractor, three forward and one reverse speed, means of mounting cultivator and other attachments, power take-off working off the transmission and delivering power at the center rear, and belt pulley. It had the same four cylinder engine as the McCormick-Deering, but the horse-power was stepped up to 20 on the drawbar and 25 on the belt. It burned kerosene with a water intake on the carburetor and became the most popular all-around tractor of the late 1920's.

Farmall F-20: Beginning in 1932, International Harvester Company commenced production of the F-20 tractor. When production finally ended in 1939, a total of 148,960 F-20 tractors had been built, breaking all previous records. The F-20 replaced the original Farmall Regular, but was slightly larger. Slight modification can be found during production, but the tractor remained basically unchanged during the entire run.

Farmall Letter Series: Beginning with the letter series tractor, A, B, C, H and M, the famous industrial designer, Raymond Loewy was commissioned to give the tractors a sleek, modern look. Generally tractors were marketed by the number of plows they could pull in average soil to indicate their power. Here is a brief family tree of Farmall tractors based on number of plows:

- One Plow: Farmall A, Super A, B, BN, 100, 130 and 140
- Two Plow – Small: F-12, F-14, C Super-C, 200, 230, 240, and 404
- Two Plow – Large: Regular, F-20, H Super H, 300, 350, 340, 504
- Three Plow: F-30, M Super M, 400, 450, 460
- Four Plow and up: 560, 656, 706, 806, 1206

Farmall A: The Farmall A was introduced in 1939. The Farmall A had the same engine as its predecessor, the F-12 and F-14, however, the engine was to the left of the operator seat. It came with rubber tires and a four-speed transmission. The A was available with either a gasoline or kerosene engine and it was equipped with PTO and a belt pulley that was at the back rather than the side.

Farmall H: Farmall H tractors were originally available with all-steel wheels, full rubber, and had a 1940 price of $962. When equipped with front and rear steel, the price dropped to $765. World War II hampered the transition to full pneumatic equipment. War requirements used nearly all available rubber, forcing many farmers to be satisfied with steel wheels. The Farmall H, produced from 1939 to 1952, became the top selling individual tractor model of all time in North America with over 390,000 sold. The Ford 8N being a close second. In 1952 the Super H was introduced. It was available in tricycle, adjustable wide-front or fixed

wide-front high-crop versions with optional hydraulics. The Super H also came with the new International disc brakes.

Information Source: Antique Farming website.

MEETING NOTICES & COMING EVENTS

EVENT	***DATE/TIME***
Heritage Hill Membership Meeting – Heritage Hill	***Tuesday, November 15, 2011 – 7 pm***
(November Servers: Merlyn/Ruth Hanson; Robert/Helen Lerohl; Orlynn/Carol Hegna; Les/Sue Bergquist)	
Thanksgiving Service – Heritage Hill	***Friday, November 25, 2011 - 7pm***
Directors' Christmas Party – Budger's Dinner House	***Thursday, December 1, 2011 – 6:30 pm***
Christmas Party – Heritage Hill Membership	***Saturday, December 10, 2011***
2012 Swap Meet	***April 20 & 21, 2012***
2012 THRESHING SHOW – Hosting The" Gathering of the Orange"	***August 17, 18 & 19, 2012***

TREASURER'S REPORT: October 2011

Financial Statement: October 1, 2011

Internal Accounts		**Investment Accounts**	
$25,413.88	General Fund	$1,324.71	Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking
$1,503.39	Chapel Fund	$58,583.77	CAB - Preferred Money Market
$1,237.00	Decibel Reduction Fund	$0.00	CAB - Certificate of Deposit
$8,800.91	Farming Fund	**$59,908.48**	**TOTAL**
$3,724.66	Hagen House		
$3,500.00	Holt Caterpillar Fund	$17,000.00	Loan Balance - Citizens Alliance Bank
$9,539.22	Insurance Claim Fund		
$507.51	Pole Building Fund		
$1,348.10	Threshing Fund		
$323.30	Tractor Pull Track Fund		
$4,010.51	Wayne Ost Fund		
$59,908.48	**TOTAL**		

Operating Statement

Donations	
$200.00	James Roe - Chippewa
$205.00	Richard Emch - Chippewa
$200.00	Richard Emch - Trees

$59,908.48 **Balance: October 1, 2011**

	RECEIPTS		***DISBURSEMENTS***
$10.00	Core Refund	($29.60)	Advertising
$4,198.81	Corn Sales	($110.53)	Electricity
$605.00	Donation	($902.00)	Farming Expense
$12.19	Interest	($3,869.88)	Insurance Repair: Chippewa Building
$117.00	MAAPS Meeting	($100.26)	MAAPS Meeting - Food
$28.00	Meeting Lunch Donation	($800.00)	Newsletter Copying
$54.00	Threshers' Kitchen Food Sales	($44.00)	Office/Postage
$213.00	USDA	($165.03)	Repair/Maintenance
$5,238.00	**TOTAL**	($150.00)	Septic Tank Pumping
		($720.50)	Trees
$58,254.68	**Balance: October 31, 2011**	**($6,891.80)**	**TOTAL**

Financial Statement: October 31, 2011

Internal Accounts		**Investment Accounts**	
$27,589.96	General Fund	$5,659.29	Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking
$1,503.39	Chapel Fund	$52,595.39	CAB - Preferred Money Market
$1,256.00	Decibel Reduction Fund	$0.00	CAB - Certificate of Deposit
$7,898.91	Farming Fund	**$58,254.68**	**TOTAL**
$4,233.66	Hagen House		
$3,500.00	Holt Caterpillar Fund		
$5,669.34	Insurance Claim Fund		
$912.51	Pole Building Fund		
$1,348.10	Threshing Fund		
$323.30	Tractor Pull Track Fund	$17,000.00	Loan Balance - Citizens Alliance Bank
$4,010.51	Wayne Ost Fund		
$58,245.68	**TOTAL**	**Leslie K. Bergquist, Treasurer**	

EXTRAS – Things Seniors learned while Trick or Treating

You know you are too old to Trick or Treat when: #10 You keep knocking on your own front door; **#9** You remove your false teeth to change your appearance; **#8** You ask for soft high fiber candy only; **#7** When someone drops a candy bar in your bag, you lose your balance and fall over; **#6** People say: "Great Boris Karloff mask", and you are not wearing a mask; **#5** When the door opens and you yell: "Trick or…..", and you cannot remember the rest; **#4** By the end of the night, you have a bag full of restraining orders; **#3** You have to carefully choose a costume that does not dislodge your hairpiece; **#2** You are the only Power Ranger in the neighborhood with a walker; **And the number one reason Seniors know they are too old to go trick or Treating….#1** Wearing Depends under your costume becomes way too complicated during frequent bathroom breaks.

CHRISTMAS PARTY 2011 - REGISTRATION

The annual Heritage Hill Christmas Party has been scheduled and you are invited to attend:

- **Date:** Saturday, December 10, 2011.
- **Time:** Doors Open at 5:00 pm. Serving will begin at 6:00 pm.
- **Location:** Montevideo Senior Community Center, South Town Plaza, Montevideo.
- **Menu:** turkey, meatballs, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, coleslaw, dinner roll and dessert.
- **Cost:** $10 per person.
- **Questions:** Please contact Marlys Heath, 320-769-4638.
- **Optional Gift Exchange:** If interested you may bring a $5.00 gift to exchange, label gift "man" or "women".
- **Donations:** Donations toward any Heritage Hill project are welcome.
- **Entertainment:** Vocal music and Gerald & Karen Kleene's video of Churchill, Manitoba Polar Bear Tour**.**
- **REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** ***December 1, 2011.***

To register please complete the following information and send to: **Marlys Heath, MVAFPMA-Christmas Party, Post Office Box 682, Dawson, MN 56232.** Please make your check payable to: MVAFPMA. Enclose your check with the registration. Thank you.

NAME(S): _____

ADDRESS:_____

NUMBER ATTENDING: _____

2012 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES

The annual membership dues are 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 320-564-2419. Thank you.

NAME: _____PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____EMAIL: _____