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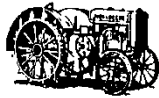
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**PRESIDENTIAL STATE OF THE HILL ADDRESS:**

Greetings to all Heritage Hill members! I cannot believe that it is already six weeks until the 41<sup>st</sup> annual Heritage Days show. We are getting so close! With many things getting finalized and lined up for the show, I get more excited by the day. Having a helpful board and great members like yourselves, it makes for an easy setup for the show. Every year it amazes me how many things need to be organized to make our show happen. From arranging the tractor pull, to making sure buildings are cleaned up, it always seems a bit overwhelming. With a little bit of teamwork, and a whole lot of sweat equity, we pull together each year to put on a great event fun for everybody.

This spring has been a weird one. With cold temps still lingering, it is hard to really feel like it is almost showtime! Many crops have yet to be planted, including our own. This string of cool wet weather puts a damper on much fieldwork! Like each year, I know that the warm weather will come back around soon enough. Hopefully we have nice calm weather for the show.

Update on the igniter on my Nelson Brother's engine. After removing the igniter off of the side of the engine block on my 6hp engine, it was apparent that the igniter points were worn beyond saving. With small points, and a weak magneto, they will ever be able to produce a spark worth bragging about. It was at this point where I had to decide whether to send off the mag to get rebuilt or tackle the project myself. How do you learn without taking something apart on your own workbench? I decided to approach the project with an open mind, knowing I have few good friends to help if things do not go as planned. After seeing an article in the Gas



Engine Magazine on a homemade magnet charger, this route was a no brainer. It is a simple yet effective design. One flat piece of steel, two rare earth magnets, and a lot of careful maneuvers to get everything lined up. The magnets the article suggested have a pull of 67 lbs. a piece! Get that guy stuck on the fridge and its never coming off! I carefully took them out of the box making sure not to get them stuck to each other and placed them on the piece of flat steel. Once they stuck, it really showed how strong they were. After I got the two lined up, I set the magnets from the magneto on them. The article says most of the magnetic field charging happens within the first 30 seconds. A few minutes into it, I had to check the results. I peeled the magneto magnets off of the charging station, and to my surprise when I stuck my 9/16<sup>th</sup> wrench to it, it pulled it right in! And with about 5 times more force than before! My gosh it worked. I have been very busy lately so I haven't reassembled the magneto, but I am certain that this will fix a large amount of my spark issues. Next task is to obtain new points for the igniter and install those. Wish me luck.

I cannot wait to see everybody at the show, it is coming ever so soon.

**Best regards, Grant Schmieg**

**MEETING NOTICES & COMING EVENTS**

**Membership Meetings**

(Future Membership Meetings: July 10; September 9; December 3)

Sunday, June 5th, 6pm at HH Threshers Kitchen. Potluck style!

**Board Meeting**

Sunday, June 5, 2022 after membership meeting

**Heritage Days 2022**

June 17 - 18, 2022

**Christmas Party**

Saturday, December 3, 2022, 5:30 pm, 6:00 dinner.

**MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES: May 1, 2022 Robert Schultz, Secretary**

President Schmieg called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM at the Heritage Hill Kitchen. The Pledge of Allegiance was given. There were 21 members present.

M/S/P Gerald Kleene/Glen Coon to approve the minutes of the March 6th General Membership meeting.

M/S/P Bob Schultz/Liz Ashling to approve the Treasurer's report

- **Fliers and Raffle Tickets:** Fliers and raffle tickets are ready for pickup. Show guides will be available in about 2 weeks. Thank you to Connie from Beyond Broken for the fliers and show guides and thank you to Gerald Kleene for printing the registration forms and raffle tickets. Raffle tickets are ready for pickup. Please record the raffle tickets numbers you take on the next to the tickets. Show guides will be available about May 13.
- **Show guide distribution:** Please take a bundle of show guides (after they come in a couple weeks from now) to distribute in and around the surrounding communities. They will be in the Thresher's Kitchen.
- **General help:** Most of our displays are short of help. If you are interested in volunteering to assist at any of the displays, please let a board member know!
- **Facility Usage:** May 21 has been added to our previous dates of May 28, June 3, June 4 and June 11 that are scheduled to use our facilities. All are graduation events. We will not be scheduling further events beyond June 11, until after our 2022 show on June 17 and 18, in order to prepare the grounds for the show. Requests after that weekend will be considered.
- **New Bench:** Edna Neubarth has donated a bench in memory of David and Wanda Heath. It has been placed in front of the Hagen house.
- **Dumpster & Portable Toilet Service:** Dumpster Service is booked for the show, as well as portable toilets services.
- **Water Testing:** Arrangements have been made to test the well water or this year's show.
- **2022 Kitchen:** Carla Johnson and The Borstads have agreed to chair the kitchen for the 2022 show. Plans are to offer breakfast and lunch for the two days, with the kitchen to close around 4:00 PM each day. Proper licensing will be necessary for all locations. Members **are needed** to step up and volunteer to help with the many kitchen tasks. Contact Carla Johnson or Ann Borstad if you can help! Knutson Concessions will be doing a PM food truck both days of the show.
- **Loss of a Member:** Dorainne Thompson has sadly passed away on Monday April 25. Blessed be her memory.
- **Toy Building Issues:** We will need more toys for display in the toy building as the farm site replica is gone.
- **Thank You:** Mustang Seeds has donated a pallet of soybean seed for this year's planting. We are very grateful!
- **Case Mower:** Gene Zeller informs us that the blades need to be sharpened and the oil changed on the Case VAC mower so it can be used this year. Can anyone help us with that?
- **Parades Schedule:** The parades scheduled so far for this year include: Milan, Saturday May 14, 2:00 PM; Granite Falls, Saturday June 25, 1:00 PM; Maynard, July 4, 11:00 AM; and Dawson, Sunday June 26, 2:00 PM.
- **Coffee Cups:** The Coffee Cups with the picture of the 1964 Allis Chalmers 190 tractor owned by Chip Grube have arrived. Commemorative plaques are coming.
- **Promotional Coin:** A promotional coin featuring Economy Engines is being minted for the 2022 show. It is about the size of a 50-cent piece.
- **Ticket Booth:** Changes to the ticket booth and its location are still in the works. Watch for a change in traffic flow.
- **Hanson Building:** The Women's building will be used for flea market and club clothing sales. Liz Ashling is working on this endeavor.
- **Pie Donations:** A \$15.00 donation is suggested for each family for a pie donation. All pies will be purchased.
- **Next Membership Meeting:** The next Membership meeting is scheduled for Sunday, June 5, 6:00 PM. in the Thresher's Kitchen, Heritage Hill.
- **Motion to adjourn:** M/S/P Marshal Lagred/Kyle Ashling to adjourn the meeting.

**TREASURER'S REPORT: April 2022**

Financial Statement: April 1, 2022

**Internal Accounts****Depository Accounts**

|                    |                |
|--------------------|----------------|
| \$42,545.10        | General Fund   |
| \$4,688.00         | Chapel Fund    |
| \$17,500.00        | Farming Fund   |
| \$10,000.00        | Insurance Fund |
| <u>\$74,733.10</u> | <b>TOTAL</b>   |

|                    |                                   |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| \$2,028.59         | Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking |
| \$72,704.51        | CAB - Preferred Money Market      |
| <u>\$0.00</u>      | CAB - Certificate of Deposit      |
| <b>\$74,733.10</b> | <b>TOTAL</b>                      |

\$0.00 Loan Balance - Citizens Alliance Bank

**Operating Statement**

**\$74,733.10**      **Balance: April 1, 2022**

| <u>RECEIPTS</u>    |                                | <u>DISBURSEMENTS</u> |                             |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| \$100.00           | Donations                      | (\$400.00)           | Advertising                 |
| \$210.00           | Dues/Membership                | (\$75.00)            | Alcohol Permit              |
| \$5.37             | Interest                       | (\$876.45)           | Cups                        |
| <u>\$315.37</u>    | <b>TOTAL</b>                   | (\$248.56)           | Electricity                 |
|                    |                                | (\$447.00)           | Farming - Wheat Seed        |
|                    |                                | (\$1,426.07)         | Liability Insurance Premium |
|                    |                                | (\$213.00)           | Office/Postage/Printing     |
|                    |                                | <u>(\$7,249.51)</u>  | Property Insurance Premium  |
| <b>\$64,112.88</b> | <b>Balance: April 30, 2022</b> | <b>(\$10,935.59)</b> | <b>TOTAL</b>                |

**Financial Statement: April 30, 2022****Internal Accounts****Depository Accounts**

|                    |                |
|--------------------|----------------|
| \$41,047.46        | General Fund   |
| \$4,688.00         | Chapel Fund    |
| \$17,053.00        | Farming Fund   |
| \$1,324.42         | Insurance Fund |
| <u>\$64,112.88</u> | <b>TOTAL</b>   |

|                    |                                   |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| \$3,403.00         | Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking |
| \$60,709.88        | CAB - Preferred Money Market      |
| <u>\$0.00</u>      | CAB - Certificate of Deposit      |
| <b>\$64,112.88</b> | <b>TOTAL</b>                      |

\$0.00 Loan Balance - Citizens Alliance Bank

Leslie K. Bergquist, Treasurer

**DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES: May 1, 2022 Robert Schultz, Secretary**

The Board of Directors meet Sunday, May 1, 2022 after the regular membership meeting.

Present were Schmieg, Coon, Grube, K Ashling, L Ashling, Lagrad, Thissen and Schultz.

M/S/P Schultz/L Ashling to approve the minutes of the April 3, 2022 Board of Directors meeting.

- **CSB Contribution:** Citizens Alliance Bank wants to sponsor the 2022 Threshing Show pedal tractor pull. We thank them for their generous contribution!
- **Town Hall Furnishings:** Havelock Township has a town hall being closed. They may have some furnishings and maps that we may be able to use.
- **List of Sponsors/Donations:** We need to compile a list of all sponsorships and donations of all the individuals and businesses that contributed to our 2022 show. It is our intention to publicly acknowledge these people at various times throughout the show.
- **Facility Usage:** May 21 has been added to our previous dates of May 28, June 3, June 4 and June 11 as dates scheduled for our facilities. All are graduation events. We will not be scheduling further events until after our 2022 show on June 17 and 18, in order to prepare the grounds for the show. Requests after that weekend will be considered.
- **Toy Building Displays:** We need more toy displays for toy building. Time to dig out those collections that no one has seen for a while. We are featuring items from the 1960's this year, but all are welcome.
- **Show guide distribution:** Please take a bundle of show guides (after they come in a couple weeks from now) to distribute in and around the surrounding communities. They will be in the Thresher's Kitchen.
- **Emergency Personnel:** The sheriff and ambulance crews will be available for the show.

- **Tractor Registration:** Jackie Coon will be in charge of tractor registration from the Chippewa building this year. Please note the change in venue.
- **Dumpster & Portable Toilet Service:** Dumpster service is booked for the show, as are portable toilet services.
- **Exhibitor Registration Banner:** M/S/P Grube/Schmieg to purchase a large banner for the entrance to the Chippewa Building to direct exhibitors there. The cost should be about \$125.
- **Steiner Tractor Donation:** Along with their cups/buttons/hats and shirts, Steiner Tractor will be donating four \$25 gift cards this year. We thank them for their ongoing support!
- **Defibrillator Batteries:** Schmieg has found a source and will be purchasing a battery pack for our Defibrillator.
- **Forrest City Baker Fan:** We are reaching out to a party from Forrest Hill as they have a Baker Fan that we could bring to our show to put some of the big stationery and steam engines under load.
- **Chicken House Placement:** A director will be meeting with Tim Borstad on Wednesday, May 3rd to decide where to place the chicken. More to come on this!
- **Shower:** M/S/P K Ashling/Lagred to install an exterior door on the former bathroom and reinstall the shower for access for people showing steamers/etcetera. This will have to happen post haste to be ready for this year's show!
- **Thank You:** Mustang Seeds has donated a pallet of soybean seed for this year's planting. We are very grateful!
- **Window Stickers:** M/S/P K Ashling/Schultz to purchase 500 window stickers through DC signs. Cost will be around \$360
- **Shingle Making & Saw Mill:** John Bangsund informs us we could use some help with the shingle making process. Also, help is needed at the Saw Mill. If you have an interest in either of these, please contact a director listed on the top of this newsletter.
- **Clothes Order:** M/S/P K Ashling/Lagred to authorize Brenda Ashling to investigate and order clothing to fill in our current inventory for the 2022 show.
- **Show Schedule:** The 2022 Show schedule needs to be finalized by May 5 to be ready for printing. Please contact a director if you have some input you would like to have known before this date.
- **Next Board Meeting:** The next board meeting will be Sunday, June 5, 2022, 7:00 PM.
- **Adjournment:** M/S/P Thissen/Coon to adjourn the meeting.

