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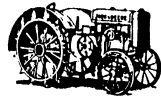
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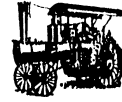
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PRESIDENTIAL STATE OF THE HILL ADDRESS:

Greetings from Heritage Hill. I hope your summer has been memorable and filled with good experiences. The end of summer is a good time of the year for most as it marks the threshing show season. The 35th annual Heritage Hill Threshing Show is just around the corner and the preparations are in full swing. I appreciate all that is being done to make the 2015 Threshing Show a success. Thanks are extended in many different ways.

July 30 was a big day at the Hill. There were many members who gathered to help with cleaning and various tasks that needed completion. The farming crew gathered on July 30 as well to cut and bundle the wheat crop. At the same time other members were able to get all bundles loaded upon the racks and placed in the Chippewa building. It is good to have the wheat harvest behind us, knowing that the bundles are under cover and free from more rain. A huge thanks goes out to all who volunteered.

The Threshers' Kitchen reconditioning project is progressing on schedule. The insulations and sheetrock has been replaced. The new floor tile and baseboard has been installed. This week Olsen Plumbing and Heating will be installing appliances, fixtures and shelving, all previously removed to repair the building. As stated earlier the plan is to have the project completed and the kitchen all in workable order by August 10, so the kitchen crew will have adequate time to prepare for the Threshing Show weekend. As previously indicated volunteers will be needed to help with final kitchen cleaning prior to the show. Everything is on target. Thanks are extended to the Leentrop Insurance and Larry Happy, the contractor, for their quick response.

This year on Saturday night during the Threshing Show, Heritage Hill will be hosting Sneaky Pete's Garden Tractor Pullers. Garden Tractors and other small modified power units will be featured at this interesting and exciting new event. This new entertainment comes with additional costs. As a result the Heritage Hill Board of Directors has decided to request sponsorships from local business. The response has been overwhelming. Donations, totaling \$200 or more, have been received.



Sunday, July 19 the Montevideo Lions sponsored the Carson and Barnes Circus, which was hosted at Heritage Hill. The circus event was well attended and was a huge success. It was a pleasure to meet and visit many of the circus performers, managers and support staff. They are a hard working and well organized group of people. They are also an interesting group of people, which I deeply admire. Circus living is a very demanding lifestyle and leaves very little time for individuals to spend at home with family. For many the circus staff is their family and their home. Like two years ago, I had the honor of riding the elephant, as part of the introduction to the circus performance. Thanks are extended to the Montevideo Lions and to the Carson and Barnes Circus for making this event a success.

Finally, on behalf of the entire membership, I would like to express our deepest sympathy to the family of Philip Thissen. Philip died on July 31 on Golden Pond near Sunburg in a very tragic pontoon accident. His funeral was held Tuesday, August 4 at Saint Clara's Catholic Church in Clara City where he was a life-long member. Philip was a great volunteer at Heritage Hill. He will mostly be remembered for his years of service watering trees which were increasing in number every year. When asked Philip always agreed to take on that responsibility for another season – he never needed to be reminded. In the spring of 2015 a tree was purchased by Heritage Hill in honor of Philip's dedicated service. Now that tree stands as a memorial to **Philip Leo Thissen**. Blessed be his memory.

Thank you, Wesley Thompson, President

2015 PIE DONATION: .. One nine-inch pie is requested from each family. **Fruit Pies Only, no pies made with milk or egg will be accepted.** You may bake you own or like last year Pauline Stranlund will bake and deliver a pie for you for \$7,00. Her phone number is 320 841 1234.

TAKE NOTICE- The Gate admission passes are included with this newsletter. Non transferable and if you do not present it to the gate, you will have to pay admission.

work week starts on Mon. Aug. 17. Final touches on Thurs. Aug 20 with noon lunch in kitchen for workers.

Need volunteers to help with kitchen cleanup after the show Aug 25 at 9:00 a.m.

Members, We need your tractors for display, Please bring as many as possible

The following members have agreed to serve as committee chairs during the threshing show:

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| Announcer – Jordan Zeller | Past Feature Tractors –Mick Sellman, |
| Antique Autos – Jim Roe | People Movers – John Lyngen |
| Audio – Erwin & Dan Winter | Pedal Pull – Waunita Kanten |
| Barnaal Bldg – Floyd Kanten | Portable toilets – Doug Norman |
| Blacksmith – Dan Poach | Church Service – Gerald Loe |
| Consession Stand – Carol Hegna, Sue Bergquist | Queens – Carmen Haugen |
| Corn Sheller – Kimm Jacobson | Registration – Sandy Faehn, and Monica Engen |
| Dust Control – Peter Lindholm, Orlynn Hegna | Sawmill – Kimm Jacobson |
| Fairbanks-Morse Bldg. – Mick Sellman | Schoolhouse – Jim Roe |
| Gate Admission - Wayne Spiess | Tractor Races – Glen and Stephen Coon |
| Food service-tractor pull – Carmen Haugen | Threshers Kitchen – Kitchen Committee |
| Shocking/Threshing – Farm Committee | Camping – Curt Berg |
| Hanson Bldg. – Sonja Norman | Hagen House – Jim Roe |
| Shingle Mill John Bangsund | Small Engines – Kyle & Lonnie Ashling |
| Lawn Mower Pull – Sneaky Petes | Steam Engine – Jeff Lund |
| Log Cabin – Ron Molde | Swap Vendors – Floyd & Waunita Kanten |
| Merchandise Sale – Monica Engen | Tractor Parade, display – Mick Sellman, Kevin Stegeman |
| National Anthem – Gerald Loe | Toy Building – Robert Kellen |
| Parade – Mick Sellman | Train Bldg – Jim and Marlys Heath |
| Parking – Montevideo Chamber & Lions | Tractor Pull – Gerald Kleene |

Lawn Mowing & Show Preparation, August 17th 9 AM

Raffle 2015: Raffle tickets for the 2015 Heritage Hill raffle are available from Ron Molde. There are many tickets that need to be sold prior to and during the annual Threshing Show. Please help by taking an active role in selling thicketts. 2015 prizes include **1) Benelli Montefeltro Silver shot gun; 2) \$750 cash; 3) \$250 cash.** All unsold tickets need to be returned to Ron Molde prior to the August 18, 2015 membership meeting.

MEETING NOTICES & COMING EVENTS

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| <i>Membership Meeting – Heritage Hill</i> | <i>Tuesday, August 18, 7 pm</i> |
| <i>(Servers: Gerald Keene's, Erwin Winter's & Chip Grube's</i> | |
| <i>Heritage Hill Directors' Meeting – Heritage Hill</i> | <i>Thursday, Sept 3, 7 pm</i> |
| <i>Annual Threshing Show featuring Cockshutt Tractors & Gas Engines</i> | <i>August 21, 22 & 23, 2015</i> |
| <i>Kitchen Clean-up</i> | <i>Tuesday, August 25, 9 am</i> |
| <i>Christmas Party – Montevideo Community Center</i> | <i>Saturday, December 12, 2015</i> |

DIRECTOR MEETING MINUTES: August 6, 2015 Marlys Heath, Secretary

President Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at Heritage Hill, Montevideo.
 Quorum: *Present* – Thompson, Hegna, Bergquist, Heath, Molde, Grube, Sellman, Kleene, Kanten, Roe *Guests: 5*
 Secretary Heath presented the minutes of the July 2, 2015 directors meeting M/S/P Hegna/Sellman to approve the minutes
 Treasurer Bergquist gave the July 2015 financial report. Corrections to report: Donations and Sponsorships should be listed in separate categories. M/S/P Grube/Roe to approve the report.

- **Farm Report:** The wheat has been cut, bundled and loaded on the racks. The remainder of the wheat has been combined and sold. The yield was between 60 and 65 bushels per acre.
- **Kitchen repairs:** The repairs from the water damage are in the completion stages. Electricians, plumbers and the contractor are finishing installing all the equipment and putting everything back in place. Volunteers will be contacted when the kitchen is ready for the final cleaning before the Threshing Show.
- **Nominating Committee:** A minimum of three members will be selected at the membership meeting on August 18, 2015 for the nominating committee. The election of officers and 3 directors will take place during the October 2015 membership meeting.
- **Disposal of the straw:** Melvin Mortenson has requested to remove the straw stack created during the threshing. President Thompson honored his request with the stipulation that the straw be removed within three days following the show. If the straw is not removed in a timely fashion the farm committee will dispose of the straw.
- **Cockshutt Flags:** The Cockshutt collectors will bring the flags to be displayed during the threshing show.
- **Handicap Groups:** Groups of clients from handicap facilities, assisted living, and nursing homes will be admitted to the show without charge if they are together in a group. The groups must have their own staff or volunteers to assist the clients.
- **Show Guides:** Several show guides are remaining to be handed out. Everyone was reminded to distribute them to the public.
- **Heritage Hill Clothing:** Monica Engen reported on the clothing in stock at the present time. Monica and Sandy Faehn will price the items at a reduced price to clear out the old stock and will order some new items as needed. The directors gave the approval for Monica and Sandy to make the decisions.
- **Preparing the Grounds:** The mowing will be started on Monday, August 17, 2015 at 9 am. The buildings will be cleaned out by Wednesday, August 19 and the final day of cleanup and set up will be completed on Thursday, August 20. A light lunch being served in the Thresher's Kitchen at noon on Thursday.

- **Sponsorship and Advertising:** Several sponsors have been secured to pay for the expenses for the tractor and lawn mower pulls. Gerald Kleene is the coordinator for the advertising.
- **Chairman:** Gerald Kleene reviewed the list of chairpersons for each of the positions for the Threshing Show. The complete list will be printed in the August newsletter.
- **Deposit for Facility Usage:** A discussion was held about charging a security deposit for the usage of the show grounds and buildings. Everyone using the facility is given a list of rules which includes giving a free will donation and leaving the area as it was found. M/S/P Bergquist/Sellman to not charge a security deposit.
- **Usage of Facility:** Bourne Family Reunion in the Hanson Building and on the grounds on Saturday August 8, 2015. A Class reunion will be held in the Thresher's Kitchen on Saturday, August 29, 2015. \$100.00 was prepaid by the Class reunion committee.
- **Heritage Hill Repairs:** There are several repairs and cleanups still needed to be completed at Heritage Hill. Contact Gene Zeller if volunteers are available to work on the repairs.
- **Goose Hunting:** Several Goose Hunters have been given permission to hunt on Heritage Hill Grounds with the understanding that they are courteous to each other and keep the grounds clean and undamaged.
- **Tree Watering:** Due to the death of Phillip Thissen, a volunteer is needed to water the trees at Heritage Hill. Phillip has been a very dedicated volunteer at Heritage Hill and he will be greatly missed.
- **Petting Zoo:** Brenda Sharar has requested to set up a petting zoo during the Threshing Show. She will furnish all the animals and be totally in charge. Brenda will also sign a waiver taking full responsibility for her animals and their actions. M/S/P Roe/Bergquist to approve the Petting Zoo. The site for the petting zoo will be decided in the near future.
- **Raffle Tickets:** A reminder was given to everyone to turn in their raffle tickets by August 18, 2015.
- **Golf Carts:** Golf carts must be driven by licensed drivers only.
- **Shingle Mill Blades:** The blades are ready to be picked up. Anyone willing to travel to Rice to pick up the blades should contact Ron Molde.
- **Adjourn:** M/S/P Bergquist/Hegna to adjourn.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES: July 21, 2015

Marlys Heath, Secretary

President Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at Heritage Hill, Montevideo

Quorum 50 Present: VP Hegna led the Pledge of Allegiance

Secretary Heath presented the minutes of the June 15, 2015 membership meeting. M/S/P Doug Norman/Mark Bigaouette to approve the minutes

Treasurer Bergquist presented the June 2015 financial report M/S/P Jim Wik/Peter Anderson to approve the report.

- **Circus:** President Thompson reported on the good attendance and the great Circus show which was presented at Heritage Hill on June 19, 2015, sponsored by the Montevideo Lions Club. Wes and Dorraine Thompson spent the day at Heritage Hill and interviewed several of the circus performers. He had interesting stories to tell and also reported on the circus performer's appreciation of the Heritage Hill show site. The circus performers and workers left the area very clean.
- **Chamber After Hours:** Heritage Hill hosted the Montevideo Chamber After Hours Meeting on Monday evening June 20, 2015. Heritage Hill Directors and Officers served hot dogs and root beer floats to 42 Chamber members.
- **Thresher's Kitchen:** President Thompson reported on the contractor's progress in the Thresher's Kitchen to repair the water damage which occurred in June 2015. The work is moving along at a good pace and the deadline for the completion has been set for August 10, 2015. A sign-up sheet was sent around for workers to help clean the Thresher's Kitchen when the contractors work is completed. Several volunteers signed up and information will be sent by e-mail when the work date is set.
- **Raffle Tickets:** All raffle tickets sold or unsold must be turned in by August 18, 2015 to Ron Molde.
- **Show Preparation Work Days:** The work will start on Monday, August 17th and continue as needed during the week. The final work day before the Threshing Show will be Thursday August 20th. A light lunch will be served in the Thresher's Kitchen at noon on Thursday.
- **Pulling Track:** Norm's repair, Kevin Stegeman, Eric Haugen and Gerald Kleene along with several other volunteers are preparing the pulling track to be ready for the upcoming show. Sneaky Pete Pullers have been contracted for the Lawn Mower Pull on Saturday night August 22, 2015 at a cost of \$2000.00. Several sponsorships have been secured by the officers and directors to cover the costs of the Tractor and Lawn Mower Pulls. KDMA radio has agreed to trade \$200.00 worth of advertising with Heritage Hill instead of paying cash.
- **Threshing Show advertising:** Posters will be printed only as needed to lower the cost of advertising. Some posters were available at this time. Show Guides are ready and are being distributed.
- **Chippewa Country Fair:** Heritage Hill has been invited to present an exhibit of tractors and the threshing show sign at the Chippewa County fair and in return the fair board requested the use of 2 people movers.
- **Car Parkers:** Volunteers from the Montevideo Chamber of Commerce will help park vehicles in the parking lot on Friday, August 21, 2015. Volunteers from the Montevideo Lions Club will cover the parking duties on Saturday, August 22, 2015. These volunteers will replace the horse riders who parked cars in the previous years for a charge of \$600.00.

- **Membership Meeting:** The August Membership meeting will be at the regular scheduled date of August 18, 2015 at 7:00 pm at Heritage Hill
- **Farming Crew:** The wheat will be cut on Monday, July 27, 2015 if the weather permits. Workers are needed to pitch bundles onto the wagons.
- **Clothing Sales:** Sandy Faehn will be in charge of the Heritage Hill clothing sales along with the exhibit registrations in the Ost building during the Threshing Show.
- **Celebrate Fall:** Bob Christensen reported on plans to have a fall celebration at Heritage Hill on Saturday, October 3, 2015, which is the weekend of the annual Arts Meander in the area. He reported on having a chili cook-off contest, consignment rummage, produce and craft sales. Prizes would be given for the best chili and there will be a charge of \$10.00 to rent spaces for the rummage, produce and craft sales. He has several plans and ideas for advertising and would need a budget of about \$2000.00. After a time of discussion and questions a M/S/P Orlynn Hegna/Sally Phillips to budget \$200.00 from the Heritage Hills funds and the rest of the needed funds would be obtained from individual donations and sponsors. Bob Christensen will be the coordinator for the event
- **Log Cabin Stove:** A stove for the log cabin, which is more appropriate for the era of the cabin, was donated by Ramona Bangsund in memory of LuVerne Bangsund. After a discussion about what to do with the stove located in the cabin at present time a M/S/P Merlyn Hanson/Jim Roe to remove and dispose of the old stove.
- **Volunteers for Threshing Show:** Several volunteers are still needed for the gate admissions and also in the Thresher's Kitchen. Everyone was encouraged to sign up for more than one time slot and more than one area. Everyone was reminded to bring one fruit pie. Pauline Stranlund will take orders and deliver pies for \$7.00 each.
- **Upcoming Facility Usage:** A family reunion will be held at Heritage Hill on Saturday August 8th and a class reunion will be held on Saturday August 29, 2015.
- **Adjourn:** M/S/P Les Bergquist/Beatrice Olson to adjourn the meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT: July 2015

Financial Statement: July 1, 2015

<u>Internal Accounts</u>		<u>Investment Accounts</u>	
\$10,820.35	General Fund	\$2,256.53	Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking
\$892.15	Building Fund	\$22,918.85	CAB - Preferred Money Market
\$3,222.39	Chapel Fund	\$0.00	CAB - Certificate of Deposit
\$10,240.49	Farming Fund	\$25,175.38	TOTAL
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Operating Statement

\$25,175.38 **Balance: July 1, 2015**

Donations	
\$200.00	Healing Touch Therapy
\$200.00	Marilyn Norman

<u>RECEIPTS</u>		<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>	
\$400.00	Donations	(\$245.00)	Advertising
\$40.00	Dues/membership	(\$203.88)	Electricity
\$1.14	Interest	(\$250.74)	Farming
\$37.00	Meeting Lunch Donation	(\$534.86)	Food
\$64.95	Miscellaneous	(\$6.71)	Fuel
\$250.00	Mower Sale	(\$219.00)	Postage/Office Expense
\$400.00	Raffle	(\$48.26)	Refuse Disposal
\$125.99	Swap Spaces	(\$339.87)	Repairs
\$1,319.08	TOTAL	(\$480.25)	Storage Building
		(\$2,328.57)	TOTAL

\$24,165.89 **Balance: July 31, 2015**

Financial Statement: July 31, 2015

<u>Internal Accounts</u>		<u>Investment Accounts</u>	
\$10,541.85	General Fund	\$1,246.07	Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking
\$411.90	Building Fund	\$22,919.82	CAB - Preferred Money Market
\$3,222.39	Chapel Fund	\$0.00	CAB - Certificate of Deposit
\$9,989.75	Farming Fund	\$24,165.89	TOTAL
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