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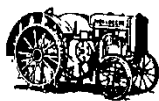
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PRESIDENTIAL STATE OF THE HILL ADDRESS:

Greetings from Heritage Hill. I hope the winter season has been good for you and hope you have remained healthy. I am filling in for the vacationing Heritage Hill President Grant Schmieg who in Arizona enjoying some warm weather. I would like to thank Grant for his leadership these past two years. It is very inspiring to have young new members share their talents with the organization. Much has been accomplished.

Recently, I received a copy of an article from Gas Engine Magazine, July 1985. authored by Mike Milbrandt. Heritage Hill, known only as Minnesota Valley Antique Farm Power and Machinery Association at that time, was only four years old and growing rapidly. The annual Threshing Show was then held on the Denny and Patty Kurtzbein farm. Of particular interest was some of the tractors and equipment exhibited at those shows. There were 85 tractors on display at the 1984 show including four Hubers, fourteen Minneapolis-Molines, three Twin-Cities and a cross-motor Minneapolis. There was also 20 John Deeres, 18 International-Harvesters, 15 Allis-Chalmers along with Case, Oliver, Hart-Parr and others. Two Case steam engines were used for threshing and to pull an eight-bottom gang plow.

As I continued to read through the article I realized how, as things change, how much they stay the same. Minnesota Valley Antique Farm Power and Machinery Association was incorporated in 1985 with the intent of "Demonstration, Preservation and Education of Agricultural History". Specifically, one objective of MVAFPMA at that time was to demonstrate how the machines of old worked. Heritage Hill continues it same mission with cutting and binding of wheat, when the weather conditions cooperate, threshing, saw mill demonstrations, corn shelling, shingle milling, plowing, tractor parades and gas engine restoration and operations, among other things. The flea market, good food, Friday night tractor pulls, and Saturday night dances were also featured. We are pleased that once again steam engines and a gang plow are regular attractions among the Heritage Hill events.



Time has not been our friend. Like most other organizations, Heritage Hill struggles with aging membership and the urbanization of America. As members age, many are no longer able to operate the machines they once owned, so the time arrives when those cherished treasures are passed on to others. Those same aging members may once have had family members that helped with threshing show activities, but for various reasons those family members may have relocated, and their assistance is no longer available. When Mom and Dad were no longer able to be active in the organization, the children lost interest in helping in their various capacities. Many good members have been lost over the years. Heritage Hill is fortunate to have a younger core group of folks working hard to keep the heritage alive. I, for one, am very grateful for that.

We are half way through February and are happy that spring is just around the corner. The wind and cold this winter have been noteworthy. Snowfall accumulation has been relatively low in this area. Projects are pending at the show site once spring arrives. Please plan to attend the next membership meeting March 6 at the Montevideo Community Center to learn what all is being planned and what will be happening at Heritage Hill. I hope to see you then!

Best regards, Chip Grube, Ex Officio

MEETING NOTICES & COMING EVENTS

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| Membership Meetings | Sunday, March 6, 6pm; Pot Luck Supper at 5:30 pm (Future Membership Meetings: May 1; June 12; July 10; September 9; December 3) |
| Board Meeting | Sunday, March 6, 2022, immediately after the membership meeting |
| Heritage Days 2022 | June 17 - 18, 2022 |
| Christmas Party | Saturday, December 3, 2022, 5:30 pm, 6:00 dinner. |

DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES: February 6, 2022 Robert Schultz, Secretary

The Board of Directors met Monday, February 9, 2022 @ 7:00 PM by Zoom teleconference
Present were Schmieg, Bergquist, Coon, Grube, Hamann, L Ashling, K Ashling, Lagred, and Schultz.
M/S/P Grube/Hamann to approve the minutes of the January 3rd, 2022 Board of Directors meeting.
M/S/P Lagred/Hamann to approve the January Treasurer's report.

- **Coffee Cup Photo: President** Schmieg submitted several pictures of the feature tractor to Gerald Kleene for the coffee cup. The best one was selected by both of them.
- **Next Membership Meeting:** The next General Membership meeting will be Sunday, March 6, 2022 at the Montevideo Community Center. There will be a **potluck meal** starting @ **5:30** with the membership meeting to follow. The Board of Directors will meet immediately following the membership meeting.
- **Friday Night Entertainment:** L Ashling will contact the Canyon Cowboys about the Friday night entertainment. Several bands including the Red Letter Band, the Honky-Tonk Stardust Cowboys and Gig Noonan were discussed. We will need to make the entertainment decision shortly.
- **Beer Garden Vendor:** Both the Milan Legion and the Hill Top Bar Grille and Event Center in Dawson are possible vendors for the Beer Garden. Proper licensing will need to be attended to.
- **Decals/Window Stickers:** Schmieg has not been able to contact the person in Madison, SD for a quote. DC signs will also be contacted.
- **Barnaal Building Roof:** We do not have a quote for materials for the Barnaal building roof as of yet.
- **Pulling Sled:** The owner of the "Scrap Iron Express" pulling sled has contacted Schmieg about the 2022 pull. As we do not have any leads on any other sleds, Grant will be in discussion/negotiations with the intention of booking them for our pull.
- **Raffle Items:** Several members went out on Friday, February 4th to area businesses within about a 60-mile radius of Montevideo seeking contributions for our raffle. Some businesses have committed to an amount for a contribution. Certain businesses have also expressed interest in bringing items to display at our show.
- **Threshing Show Queen:** Lilly Ashling has expressed her interest in being our 2022 Threshing Queen.
- **Facility Usage:** Beth Finn would like to use our facilities for her daughter's graduation on June 11th. May 28th, June 3rd and June 4th are other dates that are already scheduled.
- **2023 Feature:** We need to pick a feature tractor/line of equipment for our 2023 Heritage Days show.
- **Liability Insurance:** Our Liability Insurance company from 2021 has notified Bergquist they will not be carrying our Liability insurance for 2022. Our insurance agent has assured us that he will find someone to write the 2022 policy.
- **Postcards:** We would like to have some postcards printed to mail to our vendors/contributors or possible show attendees. Connie will be contacted about this.
- **Motion to adjourn:** M/S/P Bergquist/K Ashling to adjourn the meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT: January 2022

Financial Statement: January 1, 2022

Internal Accounts

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|--------------------|----------------|
| \$44,251.10 | General Fund |
| \$4,688.00 | Chapel Fund |
| \$17,500.00 | Farming Fund |
| \$10,000.00 | Insurance Fund |
| \$76,439.10 | TOTAL |

Depository Accounts

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| \$752.53 | Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking |
| \$75,686.57 | CAB - Preferred Money Market |
| \$0.00 | CAB - Certificate of Deposit |
| \$76,439.10 | TOTAL |
| \$0.00 | Loan Balance - Citizens Alliance Bank |

Operating Statement

\$76,439.10 **Balance: January 1, 2022**

RECEIPTS

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| \$110.00 | Dues |
| \$6.19 | Interest |
| \$116.19 | TOTAL |

DISBURSEMENTS

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| (\$285.62) | Electricity |
| (\$19.25) | Trailer License |
| (\$300.00) | Advertising |
| (\$604.87) | TOTAL |

\$75,950.42 **Balance: January 31, 2022**

Financial Statement: January 31, 2022

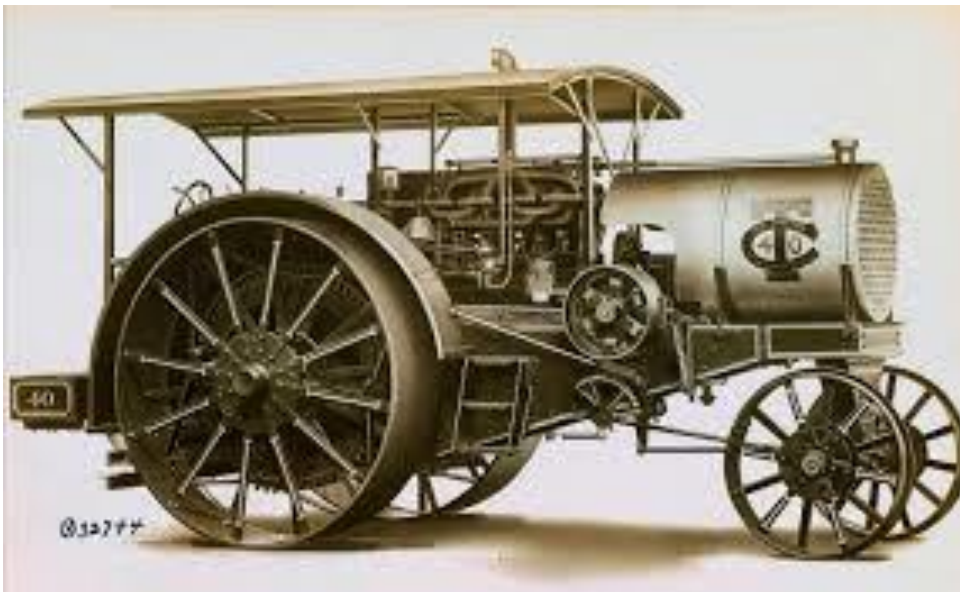
Internal Accounts

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| \$43,762.42 | General Fund |
| \$4,688.00 | Chapel Fund |
| \$17,500.00 | Farming Fund |
| \$10,000.00 | Insurance Fund |
| \$75,950.42 | TOTAL |

Depository Accounts

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|--------------------|---------------------------------------|
| \$3,257.66 | Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking |
| \$72,692.76 | CAB - Preferred Money Market |
| \$0.00 | CAB - Certificate of Deposit |
| \$75,950.42 | TOTAL |
| \$0.00 | Loan Balance - Citizens Alliance Bank |

Leslie K. Bergquist, Treasurer



Minnesota Valley Antique Farm Power and Machinery Association

2022 MEMBERSHIP DUES

\$15 Individual - \$25 Family

If you have not paid your annual 2022 membership dues, please remit your dues payable to:

Heritage Hill, Box 226, Montevideo, MN 56265

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