

PRESIDENTIAL STATE OF THE HILL ADDRESS:

Greetings to all Heritage Hill Members! I know most Minnesotans have been feeling like it is the heart of winter for quite some time now, but here in South Dakota the winter season has just begun! Well, the snow that is. It has been brutally cold for a while now, but there has yet to be snow accumulation covering the ground for more than a couple days.....until Saturday, March 5! Now that everything is covered in snow, it truly feels a bit more like winter. Usually it starts to be "winter" in November or December, but this year mother nature waited until March to make the switch. Hopefully she will make the switch to spring before too long.

Speaking of spring, June is almost here! Well, not really but it is only 3 months away. In the realm of time, that is not long at all, especially when the 2022 Heritage Hill Threshing Show is on the horizon. The board and volunteer members have been busy getting things lined up and scheduled for the show. The band is booked, tractor pull skid is scheduled, including the big, small, and pedal pulling skid, and much more. Finalizing all these things is really making me excited for this season. Before long the warm sun will be melting this snow away and the green grass will be making an appearance once again, meaning the show site will be ready for its regular maintenance. Just like every year, there will be much preparation in advance of the show, but I know with help from the great membership, all will be completed in a timely manner.

Debuting at the 2022 Threshing Show is a new-to-me hit and miss engine! This past fall I acquired a Nelson Brothers 6 horsepower engine on a homemade cart from a friend here in South Dakota. The only parts it really needs is a fuel mixer and a muffler, which just so happened my good friend, and fellow Heritage Hill member, James Lee had sitting in his garage. How convenient! Of all the engine companies, the Nelson Brothers Co. history is one of the most difficult to trace, according to C.H. Wendell's *American Gasoline Engines*. The manufacturer was located in Saginaw, Michigan. Not only did the Nelson Brothers line include the Jumbo engines, but also extended into numerous other contract lines including Bohan, Drew, Mandt, Monarch, Maynard, P&O, and Trojan. Prior to my acquisition the engine has changed hands quite a few times, but hopefully it is here to stay. Admittedly, I have not prioritized the time to work on the engine repair and restoration this winter...okay maybe I am scared of the cold. Regardless, it will take minimal



time for the engine to get fired up and running well. Once spring is in the air, so will be the exhaust of the new Nelson Brothers 6hp engine. I will post updates as there is progress to report.

Please keep an eye on the Heritage Hill newsletter for updates. I hope to see you at the next membership meeting, May 1.

Best regards, Grant Schmieg

MEETING NOTICES & COMING EVENTS

Membership MeetingsSunday, May 1, 6pm
(Future Membership Meetings: June 12; July 10; September 9; December 3)Board MeetingSunday, April 3, 2022, 6:00, via ZoomHeritage Days 2022June 17 - 18, 2022Christmas PartySaturday, December 3, 2022, 5:30 pm, 6:00 dinner.

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

The Board of Directors meet Sunday, March 6, 2022 @ 7:00 PM at the Montevideo Community Center Present were Schmieg, Coon, Grube, Kyle Ashling, Lagrad, and Schultz. There were 4 guests as well. M/S/P Ashling/Grube to approve the minutes of the February 7th 2022 Board of Directors meeting. There was no Treasurer's report.

- Friday Night Entertainment: The band Honky Tonk Stardust Cowboys has been booked for Friday night's entertainment during the show.
- Pulling Skids: The skids for both the Kiddie Pull and the Saturday night pull have been booked.
- 2021 Audit: The 2021 Audit was performed and officially approved at the General Membership meeting.
- **2023 Feature:** Albany is featuring Ford for their 2023 show. By "piggybacking" on that we might have a good turnout. After much discussion, we tabled the decision until the April BOD meeting. A possible Fagen fly over was also discussed.
- **Kitchen:** The kitchen was discussed in length at the General Membership meeting. Please refer to the minutes in this newsletter. We will need to have food service available at the tractor pull, be it a barbecue as in the past, or the food truck. Chip has forms relating to insurance carriers, which can affect licensing for both the food truck and beer cart.
- Indoor Stage: We will try to use a gooseneck trailer in the back of the Chippewa building as a stage for the band in case of inclement weather.
- **Pedal Tractor:** Arnolds of Willmar has donated a pedal tractor for our show. Ziegler in Madison has also donated one, so we now have two.
- **Sound System:** Dave Evenson has been contracted to do the sound system for this year's show. He may want to put a small camper trailer by the stage to facilitate the sound system.
- Live Music: Sally Phillips Helling has indicated she does not want to line up live music performers during the show. We will need to find someone to do that when the list is made for the 2022 show.
- Steiner Tractor: Steiner tractor has been "booked" as far as providing t-shirts, caps, catalogs and other items again this year. Chip has applied to Steiner's as far as to providing a \$100 scholarship as well. We will find out about that at a later date.
- **2022 Steam engines:** Brian Vouk would like to bring his steam engine to the show again this year. Bob will contact Kibble's as far as the possibility of hauling it for us.
- Saw Mill: We will need extra help with our saw mill this year. We lost a faithful helper, Lynell, just recently.passed.
- Homemade Ice Cream: We will check into the possibility of having the homemade ice cream vendor (Clem Anton family) from Hanley Falls to come to our show.
- **Tractor Drive:** Will we still be having a Tractor Drive on the Thursday before the show? Glen will talk to Stephen to see if he will coordinate the drive again this year. If you have interest in helping coordinate this, please contact a board member.
- Swap Meet Coordinators: Lanny and Brenda Ashling have agreed coordinate the Swap Meet again this year. Liz Ashling will help as well.
- **Barnaal Building Quote:** Grant has started to work on the quote for the Barnaal building roof. The different pitches need to be considered in the bid.
- Chicken House: Tim Borstad addressed the board as to the possibility of fixing up and moving the chicken house that was once in his family, currently residing on the Heritage Hill site. It would be moved, painted up, (pouring a cement foundation under it which Tim would pay for) and be a place to store Tim's 15-30 tractor. Tim would pay for the project, but will need help moving the building. M/S/P Grube/Ashling to accept Tim's offer to move and restore the chicken coop.
- **Membership Proposal:** Tim Borstad also proposed a membership mailing plan where first year membership is offered free in hopes of recruiting more members.
- Froland Building: M/S/P Ashling/Schultz to budget \$850 for Marshal Lagred to fix up the Froland Building to make it more feasible to run engines inside it.
- Next Board Meeting: The next board meeting will be Sunday, April 3 @ 7:00 PM by Zoom.
- Adjournment: M/S/P Ashling/Coon to adjourn the meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT: February 2022

Financial Statement: February 1, 2022

Internal Accounts		Depository Ac	counte		
\$43,762.42	General Fund	\$3,257.66	Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking		
\$4,688.00	Chapel Fund	\$72,692.76	CAB - Preferred Money Market		
\$17,500.00	Farming Fund	\$0.00	CAB - Certificate of Deposit		
\$10,000.00	Insurance Fund	\$75,950.42	TOTAL		
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\$75,950.42	Balance: February 1, 2022				
	<u>RECEIPTS</u>		<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>		
	\$500.00 Sponsorships		(\$74.90) Advertising		
	\$5.58 Interest		(\$360.78) Electricity		
-	\$505.58 TOTAL		(\$50.00) Meeting Room		
			(\$354.00) Promotional Coins		
			(\$406.86) Raffle Expense		
\$75,209.46	Balance: February 28, 2022	-	(\$1,246.54) TOTAL		
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Leslie K. Bergquist, Treasurer					

MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES: March 6, 2022 Robert Schultz, Secretary

President Schmieg called the meeting to order March 6, 2022, 6:00 PM at the Montevideo Community Center. The Pledge of Allegiance was given. There were 27 members present.

M/S/P Grube/Bergquist to approve the minutes of the December 2021 membership meeting. M/S/P Lagred/Kyle Ashling to approve the Treasurer's report.

- 2021 Audit: Treasurer Bergquist, along with Audit Committee Members, Grube, Lagred and Schultz performed an audit of the 2021 financials. The treasury reports and the bank records agreed to the penny for the year. M/S/P Doug Norman/Jeff Johnson to approve the 2021 Audit.
- **Pulling Skid:** The Scrap Iron Express sleds have been contracted for the 2022 Tractor Pull. The skid for the Kiddie Pedal Pull has also been contracted.
- Friday Night Entertainment: The Honky Tonk Stardust Cowboys have been booked for the Friday night entertainment. Cost will be \$1050.00.

- **Threshing Show Queen:** Lilly Ashling, daughter of Liz and Kyle Ashling has expressed her interest in being our 2022 Threshing Queen.
- Facility Usage: May 28, June 3, June 4 and June 11 are dates schedule to use our facilities. All are graduation events. We will not be scheduling further events beyond June 11, <u>until after our 2022 show on June 17 and 18</u>, in order to prepare the grounds for the show. Requests after that weekend will be considered.
- **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. Beth Finn has agreed to run the popcorn shack. 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.
- **Beer Garden Vendor:** Hill Top Bar Grille and Event Center in Dawson will be providing the "Beer truck" concession on Friday and possibly Saturday nights for the show.
- **Decals/Window Stickers:** Schmieg has not been able to contact the person in Madison, SD for a quote. DC signs will also be contacted.
- **Raffle Items:** So far, large triangular shaped tool box and a homemade quilt are two of our main raffle items. More are needed. Both Ziegler Implement out of Madison and Arnold's of Willmar have agreed to contribute pedal tractors for prizes.
- **Coffee Cups:** A photo has been selected and coffee cups are being ordered this week.
- **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.
- Membership Passing: Sadly, two long time Heritage Hill members passed away this month. Glen Hilden passed away on March 1st and Lynell Leasman passed away March 2nd. Both were long time members at Heritage Hill, and both will be missed by many.
- **Ticket Booth:** Changes to the ticket booth and its location are in the works.
- Hanson Building: The Hanson building will be used for flea market and club clothing sales. Liz Ashling is coordinating the activities.
- **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, May 1, 6:00 PM. The meeting will be in the Threshing Kitchen, weather permitting,
- Motion to adjourn: M/S/P Grube/Bergquist to adjourn the meeting.

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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