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PRESIDENTIAL STATE OF THE HILL ADDRESS:

Well folks, March has arrived and with it comes the annual mud season here in Minnesota. With the recent warm-up, most of the snow has disappeared and what's left behind is a muddy mess just about everywhere you look. For now it feels like we're coming in like a lamb this March, but if we know anything about Minnesota weather, late March can still have a few surprises waiting for us. Time will tell what Mother Nature has up her sleeve.

The warmer temperatures are definitely getting me excited to start working on projects out at the Hill again. Over the winter I've been putting together a list of things I'd like to tackle around the grounds this year. If anyone else has projects or ideas they'd like to see done, please don't hesitate to bring them up to myself or another board member. We're always open to suggestions that help keep Heritage Hill looking its best.



Once things dry up a bit and my garage project at home is finally wrapped up, I'm looking forward to spending more time out at the Hill in beautiful western Minnesota getting things ready for the season ahead. After a long winter, it'll be good to hear engines popping again and see some activity around the grounds.

As a reminder, our next **membership meeting will be May 9th at 10:00 AM at the Heritage Hill Thresher's Kitchen.** I hope to see many of you there as we start gearing up for another great year. Until then, enjoy the warmer weather, try to stay out of the mud, and I look forward to seeing everyone soon.

Best regards, Grant Schmieg, President

MEETING NOTICES & COMING EVENTS

Board Meeting – April 12th, 2026 at 7:00pm via Zoom
Membership Meeting – May 9th 2026 HH Threshers Kitchen
Plow Day –
Christmas Party –
Heritage Days 2026 – June 19-20, 2026

TREASURER'S REPORT: December 2025 Elizabeth Peterson, Treasurer

HERITAGE HILL TREASURER'S REPORT February 2026

Financial Statement: February 1, 2026

Internal Accounts

\$89,077.34	General Fund
\$4,868.00	Chapel Fund
\$22,000.00	Farming Fund
\$16,213.81	Insurance Premium Fund
\$132,159.15	

Depository Accounts

\$2,009.04	MinnWest Bank - Checking
<u>\$130,150.11</u>	MinnWest Bank - Savings
\$132,159.15	TOTAL

Operating Statement

\$132,159.15 Balance: February 1, 2026

	<u>RECEIPTS</u>		<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>
\$183.01	Miscellaneous	(\$30.00)	Office/Postage
\$49.92	Interest Paid	(\$100.00)	Miscellaneous
\$232.93	TOTAL	(\$266.88)	Electricity
		(\$396.88)	TOTAL

\$131,995.20 Balance: February 28, 2026

Financial Statement: February 28, 2026

Internal Accounts

\$88,730.38	General Fund
\$4,868.00	Chapel Fund
\$22,000.00	Farming Fund
\$16,396.82	Insurance Premium Fund
\$131,995.20	TOTAL

Depository Accounts

\$1,795.17	MinnWest Bank - Checking
<u>\$130,200.03</u>	MinnWest Bank - Savings
\$131,995.20	TOTAL

Elizabeth Peterson, Treasurer

MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES:

None to report.

DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES: Abby Schmieg, Secretary – 3/1/2026

March 1st, 2026 Heritage Hill Board Meeting

Meeting was called to order March 1st, 2026 at 7:00pm by President Schmieg. No pledge was recited due to remote meeting via Zoom.

In attendance: G. Schmieg, A. Schmieg, E. Peterson, R. Miller, C. Grube, A. Burgi, J. Lee, J. Schumacher, M. Preusser

Secretary report was given by Abby Schmieg. M/S/P - Miller/Burgi to approve report

Treasurer report was given by Elizabeth Peterson. M/S/P - Schumacher/Miller

Agenda:

- **Feature Tractor:** This year's feature tractor will be Kyle Lieske's Minneapolis G1000. Kyle has been a consistent attendee over the past several years, and we are excited to highlight his equipment and continued support of the show.
- **Devos Pedal Pull:** The kids pedal pull schedule has been set for 1:30 pm registration, 2:00 pm pull starts. This will take place in front of the stage. In the event of weather it will be in the middle of the Chippewa building. Contract has been signed. Joe Schumacher will call to follow up with Citizens Alliance Bank to sponsor.
- **Pedal Pull Track:** Devos Pedal Pull has committed to sponsoring a concrete slab to be installed in front of the stage. Construction is planned to begin this spring.
- **Emergency Prep:** Discussion was held on the need to develop a detailed map outlining the locations of all emergency preparedness equipment, including first aid kits, AED machines, air conditioned buildings, Narcan, and fire extinguishers, to ensure quick access and improved safety during the event.
- **Wire Location Map:** The board is calling on members to assist at the next membership meeting in developing a map of all underground wiring throughout the show grounds to improve safety, planning, and future project coordination.
- **Pedal Tractor Raffle:** Chip Grube received confirmation that Arnolds will be donating a pedal tractor for the raffle this year.
- **Kids in the Community:** A "Kids in the Community" event is scheduled for May 8th, where youth from the Montevideo community will volunteer their time to work on projects around the grounds. Members are encouraged to submit ideas for age-appropriate tasks and projects for the group to complete.
- **Show Flyers:** Show flyers planned to be printed and ready to go by the next membership meeting. Please plan to take a few to distribute.
- **Soybeans donated:** The group expressed appreciation to Joe Hutt for his time in securing two separate donation of all the bags of soybeans we need to farm this year, which will save us a lot of money.
- **Next Board Meeting: Sunday April 12th 7:00pm via ZOOM.**
- **Membership Meeting:** May 9th @ 10 am in the Threshers Kitchen
- **Adjournment M/S/P:** Peterson/Miller

