

PRESIDENTIAL STATE OF THE HILL ADDRESS:

Greetings! Let's hope that Mother Nature has gotten the idea of snow "outta" her system. I have a bad case of "spring fever" and it is tough to get over when the weather doesn't cooperate.

Can you all believe we are only 2 1/2 months away from the 2017 show? There are so many new and exciting things. Hopefully everyone is as excited and positive about this year as I am.

I'm sure most of you have seen the newspaper with article about Heritage Hill. I almost cried when I read it because the quote I wanted in there wasn't fitted into the article. Thanks to the very nice people at the newspaper for placing a small note in paper finishing what I felt was the most important thing that I wanted said. The most important part of Heritage Hill is the senior members who built it to what it is today. Thank you everyone-that includes ALL members. Working together is an awesome thing to keep the club and grow from here on!

Clean up day is May 13th starting at 9 am. If available, please come and pitch in. The things on the list don't do themselves. Also, servers for the Membership Meeting are: Terry Hubble, Mr.& Mrs. Gerald Kleene & Mr. & Mrs. Bert Faehn.

All take care and enjoy what is hoped to be spring.

Thank you, Monica Engen, President

MEETING NOTICES & COMING EVENTS

Next Membership Meeting: Next Board of Directors Meeting: Srvers for May: Heritage Hill 2017 Threshing Show Tuesday, May 16th @ 7:00 PM at Heritage Hill. Thursday, June 1st at Heritage Hill at 7:00 PM. Terry Hubble, Gerald and Karen Kleene, Burt and Sandy Faehn August 18th-20th, 2017

MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES: April 18th, 2017 – Bob Schultz, Secretary

President Engen called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at the Heritage Hill Thresher's Kitchen. Quorum: 39 Members Present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Bob Schultz reviewed the minutes of the March 20th, 2017 Membership Meeting. M/S/P Les Bergquist/Doug Norman to approve the minutes.

Treasurer Les Bergquist presented the Treasurer's report. M/S/P Pete Anderson/Sally Phillips Helling to approve the report.

- **Tractor Drive:** The tractor drive was again discussed along with concerns for insurance issues and liability. The Chippewa County Sheriff's Department are aware of and express their support of the event.
- Beer Garden: County Treasurer/Auditor Jon Clausen has issued the requisite permit for the township for the Beer Garden Event.
- **Thresher's Kitchen:** There was extensive discussion related to the kitchen. Wes and Dorraine Thompson spoke about the measures the Kitchen Committee have taken in the past and currently to hold down costs. It was also pointed out that our kitchen is the most profitable part of the show. It was disputed whether or not people are taking advantage of the gate for breakfast.
- Queens Reunion: It sounds like virtually all of the former queens have been contacted, or at least Sally and Carmen are aware of their whereabouts. Many former queens have expressed excitement about the queen event.
- Hanson Building event: Celeste Suter has expressed interest in coming to the Hanson Building with her spinning wheel and teaching carding and knitting skills.
- **Mowing Days:** Dustin Johnson is again in charge of our mowing days at the site. Please make every effort to help those times you can
- **Spring Cleanup:** the Spring Cleanup day has been moved from May 20th to May 13th due to conflicts with the Milan parade.
- Events update: Events mentioned: queen reunion, commemorating veterans, tractor and pickup pull, tractor drive, band and beer garden, jaws of life demonstration on Saturday afternoon, a photo both event for people to dress up in pioneer gear on Friday and Saturday.
- **Tractor Drive:** People in the event will be asked to sign a waiver. There will also be a safety inspection of all vehicles involved. You do not need to be a member to participate. Car Club members are welcome as well. Les Bergquist spoke of liability issues.
- **2018 featured:** Allis Chalmers/ Rumley Oil Pull will be the featured line in 2018. Please submit a photo of you tractor if you would like it considered for the feature vehicle.
- **Raffle Tickets:** Please keep pushing the raffle ticket sales.
- Farm Committee: The Farm Committee got the wheat in.
- **Threshing Machine:** The wooden threshing machine contributed last year needs some wood preservation/maintenance. Please talk to someone on the Board of Directors if you are willing to help.
- **Caps:** Monica has some Heritage Hill caps for sale. The price is \$15.00.
- **Poster:** A possible show poster was circulated at the meeting.
- Next Board of Director's Meeting: Thursday, May 4th @ 7:00 PM at Heritage Hill.
- Lunch servers for May: Terry Hubble, Gerals and Karen Kleene, Burt and Sandy Faehn.
- Next Membership Meeting: Tuesday, May 23rd @ 7:00 PM at Heritage Hill.
- Adjournment: M/S/P Les Bergquist/Terry Hubble

DIRECTOR MEETING MINUTES: May 4th, 2017 – Bob Schultz, Secretary

President Monica Engen called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at Heritage Hill.

Quorum: Present – Grube, Coon, Thissen, Johnson, Kleene, Ashling and Schultz. Guests were Pat Schmidt, Karen Kleene, Jim Roe, Kevin Stegeman and Sally Phillips Helling.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Secretary Bob Schultz read the minutes of the April 6th, 2017 Board of Directors meeting. It was noted that Director Johnson was at the meeting, but his name was missed. M/S/P Kyle Ashling/Scott Thissen to approve the minutes.

There was no treasurer's report given. The information will be published in the newsletter.

- Bouncy House: Gerald Kleene is still checking on the specifics for renting a bouncy house for this year's show.
- Dance Floor: We are still in the process of checking and arranging for a dance floor to go with the Canyon Cowboy's show.
- **Donations:** The estate of Milo and Marvel Moen has several items they would consider donating to the club. After deliberation, a motion was made to accept the walk behind plow and potato digger. Dustin Johnson will make the arrangements with the family. M/S/P Dustin Johnson/Kyle Ashling. We also thank the family for the loan of a vintage sled/stroller to be on display.
- Work Day Change: As previously discussed, Clean Up day has been moved to Saturday, May 13th at 9:00 AM. Jim Roe has an extensive list of things that need attention, and he and Dustin Johnson will be coordinating the cleanup efforts. We will probably need more cleanup days as the tasks become apparent.
- Burn Permit: President Engen will obtain a burn permit for our cleanup efforts.
- **Kitchen Committee:** Dorraine Thompson and Karen Kleene have agreed to chair the Kitchen Committee for one more year. Please make every effort to assist them on their endeavors in this. This is a large and arduous task.
- Auction Items: We should all be making personal inventories and sending our list of items for consignment to Fragodt Auctioneers for the Friday morning Consignment Auction on the first day of this year's show. Don't forget the items at the show site we wish to consign as well. Communication between club members is essential. Remember, the Bill of Sale needs to be ready to post ONE CALANDAR MONTH ahead of the sale which would be July 18th, 2017. Contacts for Fragodt Auctioneering are: Randy at (320) 808-8731, Nathan at (320) 297-0578 or Jacob at (320) 760-3652.
- **Tractor Drive Waiver:** A copy of the proposed tractor drive waiver was passed about. If a licensed non-adult is going to participate (under 18) they will need a parent or guardian's signature to participate. The appropriate changes will be made to the document.
- Poster Specifics: Corrections and additions to the official show poster were discussed: tractor pickup pull vs tractor truck pull, acknowledgement for Prairies Edge Casino support, Rico – the drug dog and more. We need to finalize this soon, to be ready in time.
- **Pat Schmidt**: Pat Schmidt was here to take some pictures, collect some information and brainstorm some ideas for the show guide he publishes. Please make every effort to help him out (if he contacts you) for some information for an article. Pat provides a tremendous service to the club and deserves our universal "thanks".
- Queens Reunion: If anyone knows the whereabouts, (or even the name of a person to contact to find the whereabouts) of former Queen, Shauna Tepfer, please contact Sally at 612.868.0632 or at <u>sallyiphillips@comcast.net</u>. We need to contact Shauna about the Queen's Reunion.
- Vendor Posters: Sally showed the group some 8.5" by 11" two sided posters being designed for our vendors. Thank you, Waunita Kanten, for your efforts on these!!
- Steiner Support: Steiner Tractor Parts is again sending many "freebies" to hand out at our show. Thay have also pledged \$200.00 to our club. A big thank you goes out to the generous folks at https://steinertractor.com.
- Holt Caterpillar: M/S/P Kyle Ashling/Chip Grube to sell the club's "Holt Caterpillar". Kyle has the go ahead to sell it if he can get \$2000.00 for it, or to bring offers to the board if the offer is less. The tractor is currently in many pieces.
- **Mowing**: Expect to hear from Dustin about mowing on May 9th.
- Next membership meeting: Tuesday, May 16th @ 7:00 PM at Heritage Hill.
- Lunch servers for May 16th: Terry and Mrs. Hubble, Gerald and Karen Kleene, Burt and Sandy Faehn.
- Next Board of Directors meeting: Thursday, June 1st at Heritage Hill at 7:00 PM.
- Adjournment: M/S/P Chip Grube/Kyle Ashling to adjourn the meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT: APRIL 2017

Financial Statement: April 1, 2017

Internal Accounts

Depository Accounts

\$6,385.41	General Fund	\$2,078.05	Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking
\$411.90	Building Fund	\$37,982.55	CAB - Preferred Money Market
\$4,072.99	Chapel Fund	\$0.00	CAB - Certificate of Deposit

\$190.30	Chile Cook-off	\$40,060).60	TOTAL			
\$17,500.00	Farming Fund						
\$11,500.00	Insurance Fund	Ł					
\$40,060.60	TOTAL	\$0	0.00	Loan Balan	ce - Citizens Alliance Bank		
Operating Staten	nent						
\$40,060.60	Balance: April 1, 2017						
	<u>RECEIPTS</u>				DISBURSEMENTS		
	\$25.00	Due Membership		(\$165.00)	Chamber of Commerce Dues		
	\$6.09	Interest		(\$213.29)	Electricity		
	\$43.00	Meeting Lunch Donation		(\$2,216.32)	Liability Insurance Premium		
	\$150.00	Monte Community Center Refun	d	(\$49.00)	Postage		
	\$30.00	Newsletter Donation		(\$394.00)	Real Estate Taxes		
_	\$127.84	REC Dividend		(\$75.00)	Street Dance Permit		
	\$381.93	TOTAL		(\$495.00)	Wheat Seed		
				(\$3,607.61)	TOTAL		
\$36,834.92	Balance: April 30, 2017						
Financial Statement: April 30, 2017							
Internal Accounts	Internal Accounts Depository Accounts						
\$5,871.05	General Fund	\$2,846		Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking			
\$411.90	Building Fund \$		3.27	CAB - Preferred Money Market			
\$4,072.99	Chapel Fund	\$0	0.00	CAB - Certificate of Deposit			
\$190.30	Chile Cook-off	\$36,834	4.92	TOTAL			
\$17,005.00	Farming Fund						
\$9,283.68	Insurance Fund	t					
\$36,834.92	TOTAL	\$0	0.00	Loan Balance - Citizens Alliance Bank			
Leslie K. Bergquist, Treasurer							

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Please Help: Shauna Tepfer served as the Heritage Hill queen from 2000 to 2001. Anyone with any leads on how to contact her, please call 612.868.0632 or email sallyjphillips@comcast.net