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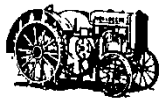
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**SEPTEMBER 2023**

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**PRESIDENTIAL STATE OF THE HILL ADDRESS:**

Greetings to all Heritage Hill members. This summer has been a busy one. During August, I attended 3 different tractor shows, and one more in September. The first one was in Portland, Indiana. Three friends and myself loaded up my pickup truck and camper and drove all the way out there. It was extremely hot close to 100 degrees out! The first show was called the Tri-State Gas Engine and Tractor Show held within a county fairground. This show is pretty good sized and has a tremendous amount of antique gas engines. One unique aspect of a show this far east is they get a lot more oilfield engines that are much more common out there. We do not see very many, however HH does have a Bessemer engine in the powerhouse! On the contrary, in Portland you will find dozens of them. It is always unique seeing what is common in other regions compared to ours! There are tons to do in Portland including a large swap meet so if you plan to come make sure you spend a few days there!

On Friday, we loaded up our camper and headed west to Rantoul, Illinois to the Half Century of Progress show. If you want to experience an insanely large show, this is the one. It is held at a decommissioned air force base. The runways are still there, and all the farming exhibits are done in between them. They have combining, plowing, corn picking, shelling, and more. There is a huge amount of space to do all this, and throughout the whole day something is going on. Mixed in with the antique displays is tons of vendors selling stuff new and old, numerous food trucks, and they have a swap meet as well! I could not believe the size of the show and being the first time I have ever been there, I realized we did not give ourselves nearly enough time. It is a show that will take a few days to go through completely. Luckily, there was golf cart rentals, so we had to take advantage of those.



The third show I attended was Western Minnesota Steam Thresher's Reunion in Rollag, MN. I highly suggest attending this show during Labor Day weekend. I have been going for ten years now and always have a great time. There is so much stuff to do for kids and adults, there is just endless things to see and enjoy. To thoroughly go through all the buildings and displays, it would easily take all four days of the show. Rollag's show is one of a kind and I highly suggest it to everyone.

Finally, Atwater Threshing Days is a great smaller show that is quite local to the Montevideo area! Just a short drive to the northeast and you are there. They have a nice turnout of tractors, engines, and people. There is so many displays here as well that are awesome to see. I have nothing but good things to say about this show.

I have had a hectic, busy summer that was so much fun. I hope everyone has had a great summer as well now that we are creeping up on fall. Hopefully you all can make the Plow Day at our show grounds on October 28<sup>th</sup>, I cannot wait to see everybody there! Just a reminder, during the plow day we will be cutting up firewood for the steam engines next year from our wood pile by the sawmill. Bring your chainsaw and working gloves!

**See you on Plow Day, best regards, Grant Schmieg**

## MEETING NOTICES & COMING EVENTS

Board Meeting	Sunday, October 1, 2023 – 7:00 pm via ZOOM
Membership Meeting – Threshers’ Kitchen	Saturday, October 28, 2023 – 9:30 am
Plow Day – Heritage Hill	Saturday, October 28, 2023 – 10:00 am
Christmas Party – Watson Hunting Camp	December 2, 2023; 5:30 Social Hour; 6:00 Supper
Heritage Days 2023	June 14 - 15, 2024

## TREASURER’S REPORT: AUGUST 2023 – Leslie Bergquist, Treasurer

### Financial Statement: August 1, 2023

#### Internal Accounts

\$20,637.07	General Fund
\$4,868.00	Chapel Fund
\$10,870.03	Farming Fund
\$48,452.30	Insurance Claim Fund
\$12,228.98	Insurance Premium Fund
<b>\$97,056.38</b>	

#### Depository Accounts

\$4,812.82	Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking	
\$92,243.56	CAB - Preferred Money Market	
\$0.00	CAB - Certificate of Deposit	
<b>\$97,056.38</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	
\$0.00	Loan Balance - Citizens Alliance Bank	

### Operating Statement

**\$97,056.38**      **Balance: August 1, 2023**

#### RECEIPTS

\$70.00	Facility Usage
\$463.68	Food Vendor Fee
\$1,387.86	Insurance Claim - 2022
\$47.01	Interest
<b>\$1,968.55</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>

#### DISBURSEMENTS

(\$180.84)	Electricity
(\$109.06)	Farming
(\$850.96)	Fuel Purchase
(\$214.00)	Office/Postage/Printing
(\$200.00)	Raffle Expense
(\$163.98)	Repairs
(\$106.88)	Septic Service
<b>(\$1,825.72)</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>

**\$97,199.21**      **Balance: August 31, 2023**

### Financial Statement: August 31, 2023

#### Internal Accounts

\$19,501.10	General Fund
\$4,868.00	Chapel Fund
\$10,760.97	Farming Fund
\$49,840.16	Insurance Claim Fund
\$12,228.98	Insurance Premium Fund
<b>\$97,199.21</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>

#### Depository Accounts

\$4,908.64	Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking	
\$92,290.57	CAB - Preferred Money Market	
\$0.00	CAB - Certificate of Deposit	
<b>\$97,199.21</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	
\$0.00	Loan Balance - Citizens Alliance Bank	

Leslie K. Bergquist, Treasurer

## MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES: No September Meeting

## DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES: September 10, 2023 – Elizabeth Peterson, Secretary

Attending: Chip Grube, Glen Coon, Becky Miller, Liz Peterson, Grant Schmieg, Liz Ashling, Kyle Ashling, Chantel Hamann, Marshal Lagred, Les Bergquist

President Grant Schmieg called the membership meeting to order September 10, 2023 at 7:00pm.

President Grant Schmieg presented the Treasurer Report. M/S/P Glen Coon/Liz Ashling to approve.

Due to lack of quorum, there was no August Secretary Report.

- **Special Notice:** The Phillips family is needing to take a step back. The building their tractors are currently stored in will become available for use by Heritage Hill. They are looking to sell Clyde's tractors and would like to see them stay within the HH membership if possible. If anyone has any interest or questions, please contact Sally at (612)-868-0632.

- **Donation:** There is a well drilling rig and tools that has potential to be donated to Heritage Hill. This is a great opportunity to add something new into the displays.

- **Maintenance:** There are still many repairs and projects that are needing to be done on the grounds. During Plow Day (October 28<sup>th</sup>), there is hope to get some of the unusable lumber down by the saw mill split up for the steam engines. Other projects include repairing the walkway into the house and the skirting around the Swenson building. There are many other projects to be done so if you would like to help as your free time allows, please contact Grant.

- **Christmas Party:** Christmas party is set for December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023. Please mark your calendars! We are still looking for ideas for entertainment or trivia. Once RSVP's are sent out, please send them back in a timely manner so that we can be sure they have enough food on hand.

- **Board Positions:** We are looking for someone to fill the Treasurer position. Extensive training is available. We are also looking for a potential Vice President. Please contact a board member if you are interested in either position.

- **Demonstrations:** We are still looking for people who would like to set up/run demonstrations at the 2024 show.

- **Kids Activities:** We are looking to expand what we have to offer for children on the grounds. Our interactive blacksmithing and hit and miss carousel were great attractions this last year! If you have any ideas for potential additions or if you know anyone who has any interactive displays the kids could be a part of, please contact a board member.

- **Ice Cream Shack:** There has been interest in opening back up the popcorn shack and using it as an ice cream, popcorn, water, and pop stand. This will help serve our guests throughout the day and especially in the afternoons and evenings. We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to work short shifts. Please contact Liz or Kyle Ashling if you are willing to help out.

- **Plow Day:** October 28, 2023 starting at 10:00am at the show grounds. There will also be other work that can be done to help repair our grounds. ***There will be a membership meeting prior to the work day! Also, 2024 Officer and Director elections are scheduled during the October membership meeting. Meeting will begin at 9:30am in the kitchen. Please mark your calendars!***

- **Fiesta Day Partner:** As we've been trying to find ways to evolve and move the club forward, we are trying to find ways to partner with Fiesta. There is potential for our show to run on Sunday as well so that we can host the car show. There are fine details that need to be discussed between the boards yet. Please keep an eye on future newsletters for updates.

- **Adjournment:** M/S/P Marshal Lagred/Grant Schmieg

- **Next Membership Meeting:** October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 9:30am in the Kitchen.

- **Next Board Meeting:** October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 via Zoom. -Subject to change due to harvest.

## PHILLIPS BUILDING – New Development and Announcement

In 2008, lifetime member Clyde Phillips constructed a display building at Heritage Hill, donating it to Heritage Hill with the understanding that his family could use the building to house tractors and related memorabilia. The ease and convenience of having the tractors on site allowed Clyde to continue his 30-year tradition and participate in the 2008, 2009 and 2010 threshing shows. After his passing his children and grandchildren, several of them lifetime members as well, have continued their active participation in the club.

Sally Phillips Helling, representing the Phillips family, has announced that a family decision has been made to sell their tractors and machinery, first marketing the tractors within the Heritage Hill organization and members' networks of friends, family, and contacts. Any remaining items will be sold via an on-line auction this fall. As originally agreed, once all items are sold the building will be available to Heritage Hill for perpetual use throughout the year.

The Phillips family appreciates your support and your help throughout the years and extends best wishes for continued success going forward.



Please contact Sally Phillips Helling at 612.868.0632 (phone or text) or email sallyjphillips@comcast.net should you have an interest in any of the items on this list. All have been stored in buildings since they were restored.

**John Deere tractors:** 1936 JD A; 1936 JD B; 1951 JD G; 1931 JD GP (Steel wheels with rubber lugs); 1939 JD H; 1949 JD MT; 1954 JD R (Diesel with pony motor); 1954 JD 50

**Per Marlys Heath: I am having a sale on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday 9 to 7. I have lots of tools, Collectibles, and lots of railroad stuff. Please Pass the word. I am trying to clean out. Contact Marlys at: 320-769-4638**

## Elections – 2024 Officers and Directors

The annual Heritage Hill Officers and Directors election will be held during the scheduled **October 28, 2023**, membership meetings. The following incumbent officers and directors have agreed to run for their current positions. Other HH members are encourage to run for any office as well. If you are interested, please contact any officer or director to have your name placed on the ballot. Please note currently there is no candidate currently running for treasurer.

### PRESIDENT - 1-year term (vote for 1)

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### VICE-PRESIDENT - 1-year term (vote for 1)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Glen Coon
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### SECRETARY - 1-year term (vote for 1)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Elizabeth Peterson
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### TREASURER - 1-year term (vote for 1)

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### DIRECTOR - 2-year term (vote for 2)

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