

FOURTH QUARTER 2019 NEWSLETTER

We've had a very full summer of shows and activities. Recaps of the Half Century of Progress and MRVSEA shows are inside along with news about our t-shirts and hoodies.

Don't forget that our next big event is our Winter Banquet and Meeting at Wise Brothers' Dealership on Saturday, December 14. There is a lot to think about and discuss at this meeting. RSPVs must be made to Randy Grothoff by Sunday, December 1 (573.690.3033, call/text; or randyandcamille@yahoo.com). See you there!

SUMMER EVENTS RE-CAP

Half Century of Progress – Rantoul, Illinois: Dale and Kevin Bauer went to the HCOP this



summer; Mike Hayden was there, too, but we didn't see each other. HCOP was held at the former Chanute Air Force Base and featured an amazing number of tractors, field demonstrations, food, and more.

We also ran into the All About Allis Tractor Club. The

"Triple-A" Club started just after we did and are proud to host an annual show in Watson, Illinois. Their website is https://tripleatractorclub.com/ and you can find them on Facebook (search for "Triple-A-Tractor-Club-Inc").



MRVSEA – Boonville: We had a fairly dry show (it only rained Saturday night) for the

Minneapolis-Moline feature show. There were a fair number of MMs in the feature area. The A-C family turned out with 7 tractors, a lawn mower, and the Friedrich Implement sign inside our building, a further 22 tractors and

11 implements arranged around our building and at least 39 tractors and 4 lawn mowers registered for the entire show. An outstanding turnout of Orange!

We had t-shirts/hoodies for sale (see below) and some membership activity (13 renewals and 1 new member) during the show. More pictures are available on our website.



OTHER NEWS

UC/3-Bottom Plow: The plow has tires and a fresh coat of paint! Billy Wayne Johnson



donated the tires and Jeff & Dawn Byrn volunteered to paint the plow (pictured left, Randy Grothoff loaded it during MRVSEA). The Byrns got it done but

the Wise Bros. Plow Day was

cancelled (pictured right). Many thanks to Billy and Jeff & Dawn! We will try to reschedule a time for our UC donor, Leroy Henggeler, to have a chance to plow with the UC one more time. See our website for some more "before/after" photos of the plow.



Club T-Shirts: We had a nice supply of t-shirts (\$13 each) and zip-up hoodies (\$45 each)



with our Club logo at the MRVSEA show in September and were surprised at the demand. We sold 54 items out of the initial 146 we ordered. We sold out of some sizes/colors during MRVSEA but have placed another order to fill in our gaps. December Banquet we should have MOST sizes/colors of t-shirts (gray or orange) between adult **Medium** and **4XL**. We should have at least 4 in each size hoodie (gray), too. Both the shirts and hoodies have our logo on the front and back. Mike Hayden is coordinating sales, contact him at 573.253.1775 or mhayden1953@gmail.com if you would like a shirt/hoodie.

CALENDAR – MEETINGS IN ALL CAPS AND OTHER EVENTS

WINTER MEETING AND BANQUET — David Backer and his Family have invited us back to Wise Brothers (3361 Old US Hwy 40, Kingdom City) for our Winter Banquet on Saturday, December 14. We will have a social time starting at 12noon and the meal at 2pm. The "pork steak and all the fixins" meal is \$12 per person and you must RSVP by Sunday, December 1, with Randy Grothoff (573.690.3033, call or text; or randyandcamille@yahoo.com) in order to plan for enough food. Great time, good food, and a chance to plan for 2020 and beyond.

Things We will Talk About at the Banquet Meeting:

- 1.) Merchandise Committee: Mike Hayden is coordinating the t-shirt/hoodie sales but needs some help. He is looking at adding some additional items with our logo on them (cups, caps, etc.). Volunteers are needed for the Committee to help sell items at events Mike can't attend.
- 2.) **Building Proposal:** Since we are adding items to our permanent collection and having things like shirts to sell, we need to think about a place to store them in the building and how that space might be fully utilized.
 - a.) Build a Room: section off a part of the main building or enclose a part of the lean-to to serve as a "store" (both for selling items and storage).
 - b.) The space could also house parts/items that were donated to the Club for sales/fundraising (i.e., Rick's estate items) or supplies that shouldn't be "left out" during a show (tables, chairs, etc.).
 - c.) Display cases/walls could show off some of the things we have in a more educational, secure, and inviting environment.
 - d.) If the room is in the building, we would have more wall space to display in both the new room and in the main building area.
 - e.) If the room is in the lean-to, we would probably need a concrete floor, new exterior/interior doors, and more electrical work than an interior room.
- 3.) **Elections:** The Offices of Vice-President and Secretary/Treasurer are up for election at the December Banquet. If you are interest in being considered for one of the offices, please contact Michael Crowe (816.898.7277, moacclub@gmail.com).
- 4.) **Newsletter:** Our current laser printer is in need of replacement soon; the drum is at the end of its service cycle and replacing it would cost more than the printer did to begin with. We could get another "simple" black/white printer or we can jump into a more costly color printer that might make photos look better in print. Things to consider: do we like the current newsletter format? Do we want more photos and/or color? Can we get more articles to keep it interesting?

5.) **Issues from the Floor:** The Board is open to any Member's ideas/suggestions on how to make our Club better. If you have an idea or suggestion, there will be time to bring them up during the meeting or you are always welcome to contact a Board Member if you cannot attend a meeting (contact information is listed below).

FUTURE SWAP MEETS (per March 2019 Meeting Decision)

- > 9th Annual Swap Meet March 6-7, 2020, Lathrop, MO
- ➤ 10th Annual Swap Meet March 5-6, 2021, Boonville, MO

"FALL" 2020 CLUB MEETING: 59TH **ANNUAL PLATTE COUNTY STEAM ENGINE SHOW** – August 7-9, 2020, Platte City, MO. The show will feature A-Cs and our Club Meeting will be at 2pm on Saturday, August 8, 2020. The website is: http://plattecountysteamandgasshow.com/ Watch for more information as we get closer.

Gatherings of the Orange – Our friends at Old Allis News have published a list of upcoming Gatherings of the Orange. For more information, please visit their website: www.oldallisnews.com

- ➤ 2020, June 12-14 St. Lawrence Power and Equipment Museum, Madrid NY, slpowermuseum.com
- ➤ 2020, September 11-13 Clay County Historical Society/Old Trusty Show, Clay Center, NE, oldtrusty.org
- 2021, July 23-25 Orange Spectacular, Hutchinson, MN
- ≥ 2021, August 5-8 Northwest Ohio Antique Machinery Association, Findlay, OH
- 2022, August 19-21 Badger Steam and Gas Engine Club, Baraboo, WI
- 2022, September 15-18 Maryland Steam Historical Society, Upperno, MD
- ➤ 2023, June 23-25 Western Missouri Antique Tractor and Machinery Association, Adrian, MO. Their club is trying to get a complete, detailed listing of every Missouri A-C dealer. If you have details like dealership name, address, and if anyone associated with the dealership are still living, contact Michael Crowe (816.898.7277; moacclub@gmail.com).
- 2023, August 11-13 Albert City Threshermens and Collectors Show, Albert City, IA

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

We have three levels of membership:

- ➤ "8/10" For \$200, you will receive ten years of membership for the price of eight.
- "Lifetime" For \$500, you will receive a lifetime membership.
- "Regular" For \$25, you will have a one-year membership.

Your dues status is printed with your address on this newsletter. 2019 or less indicates that you are not current. If you have a year with "8/10", you are a current 8/10 member through that year. If you have a year with "L", you are a Lifetime member. Contact Dale Bauer with any questions.

If you receive this by email, we haven't figured out an easy way to include your membership status. Call or email Dale if you have questions; we may be sending a postcard to email recipients in the future that would have membership status.

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