



Minutes of December 10, 2015 General Membership meeting

1) **Call to Order**

-Alan Heatherwick

President Alan Heatherwick called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2) **Roll Call**

Brad Eike

Brad called the roll. There were 11 directors and 13 members and guests present.

3) **Secretary's Report**

Charles Kestel

Copies of the November minutes were distributed, and no exceptions to the "minutes as published" were noted. Dennis Christiansen made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Lane Heatherwick, and was carried by all present.

4) **Treasure's Report**

-Fred Lestina

Fred reported that he deposited \$256 this month, \$215 dues plus \$41 from 50/50 raffle. He paid out \$101.17 for postage and supplies for the newsletter, and made the \$252 monthly insurance payment. This left us a balance of \$6795.90. Fred also requested approval to change insurance billing to semiannual if the insurance company will agree.

Ron Schubbe motioned to accept the treasurer's report as discussed. Dennis Christiansen seconded the motion, which was carried by all present.

5) **Old Business**

Connie reported that the Christmas Party will be held on January 17, 2016 at Wilton Town Hall, located at the intersection of Cedar Road & Rt.52 in Wilton Center. The doors open at noon, with expectation of eating by 1 PM. There will be 2 hams donated by Carol Hossbach, 2 turkeys with gravy donated by Jay Roesel and Charlie Kestel, and fried chicken brought by Butch Brueggert.

Members please bring a dish to share:

A-F Dessert

G-M Hot Potato Dish

N-S Hot Vegetable Dish

T-Z Salads (jello, fruit, apple, etc.)

The club will provide table service, pop and water. We are also reminded to bring "Silent Auction" donations. It was suggested that this was an opportunity to make use of those unwanted gifts.

6) New Business

Toy show schedule, and assistants needed by Brad.

Peotone- January 16

Quincy,IL-Feb 26-28

Serena-March 6

Seneca –April 3

Gateway-Mid America- Feb 5-7

LaFayette show –March 4-6

Sublette- March 19-20

CIH tour- Thursday, March 3 Racine, WI where they make Magnum series tractors

Will leave from Peotone Atrium at 7 am

It will cost \$50 and include cost of coach and 2 ½ hour walking tour. A stop will be made at Golden Corral where lunch will be "on your own" approx. \$12.50, (see attached flyer)

Brad asked Larry Marek to check the website for a reminder of "Membership Due." He was also quite happy that the raffle tables were to be right up front at the Peotone show. He will not be going to the Grundy county consignment sale so... if anyone would volunteer, it will be held the last Friday of February.

During the "open forum" Fred questioned where he could find parts for an old "H" he is g

Connie is hoping that we are all thinking about the white elephant sale in the country store tent. When you're busy putting those Christmas decorations away, it would be good to glance around for possible donations.

7) Show Business

2016 Show- Charlie reports "he is ready." Wheat looks good so far. Many commented on seeing the sign mounted on the threshing machine along Rt. 45.

Advertising was discussed and 3 ad possibilities were passed around. Further discussion and vote were passed on until the February meeting.

Craft/Flea Market- Kim and John will report at the February meeting.

Membership is due.

8) Adjourn Meeting

There being no additional business, Connie Schuler made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Butch Bruggert. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned.

Upcoming activities:

February 11, 2016 – 7:00 PM Membership meeting

March 3, 2016 – CIH Tour

March 10, 2016 – 7:00 PM Membership meeting

April 14, 2016 – 7:00 PM Membership meeting

Membership meetings are held in the lower level of the First Bank of Manhattan, 55 W North St., Manhattan, IL. Please be prompt because the doors are tended until 7:15 and then locked per agreement with bank officials.

Case-IH Tour

1. Racine Manufacturing Operations

Manufacture of Magnum series tractors

When: Thursday March 3, 2016

Where: Sturtevant, WI

Departure from: Peotone Atrium

Time of departure: 7am

Length of tour: 2.5 hours

This is a walking tour

Travel by Motorcoach

Est cost: \$50 due before boarding

Lunch cost est: \$12

Contact: Alan Heatherwick

Will County Threshermen

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Please call Al to sign up:

