

Stephenson County Antique Engine Club

Membership Meeting Minutes

April 21, 2013

Officers: Steve Rognas, Kerry DeBoer, Bunky Mease, and Michelle DeBoer

Directors: Ron Pieper, Lucille Lee, Eugene McMahon, Terry DeBoer, Scott Engelkens, Spencer Yeoman

Absent: Peg Althoff, Ed Keech and Becky Taylor

Steve called the meeting to order at 1:40pm.

Doris Last read the memorial report and stated that Wilbur Kruse is in the hospital. Alan Lestikow thanked everyone for the card his family received for the passing of his mother.

Michelle DeBoer read last month's minutes and they were approved as read.

Bunky Mease gave the treasures report and was approved as read. As of April 21, 2013, current balance is \$69,488.84

Siri McMahon read the Museum minutes and was approved as read.

Old Business:

Pancake supper was held April 6, 2013. There was a good turn out and the kitchen help received rave reviews on the food! Ida DeBoer thanks everyone that helped that night; she couldn't done it without you! The museum made \$700.00 profit from the supper and \$257.00 from the bake sale. Job well done!

Ron Pieper reported that the bridges for the railroad need to be inspected yet and we are waiting for another bid from a company out of Rockford who does this and repairs. The bid should be coming within the next week or so. It was decided not to go with Fehr Graham at this time.

Kerry DeBoer went to Dyersville Iowa to pick up the toy tractors that the club will be selling at the Threshing show. They are \$55.00 each and have a small plate on the fender that says the "Freeport Show" and the shows date. The model is a Massey Ferguson 50. If interested, contact Kerry at 815-275-1731 to get one reserved.

Sara DeHahn set up a booth for the Bunny Trail at Krape Park. Had many little visitors who received a free train ride ticket and got to color and assemble an engineer's cap.

Jerry Kubatzke said we can change the threshing show back to its original dates, the last weekend in July. The fair is not changing their date at this time. Some members voiced concerns in regards to getting on the grounds soon enough to get things set up. Steve suggested that we see how soon the fair pulls out this year and make decisions then.

New Business:

Kerry and Terry DeBoer have put an ad in the Legacy magazine for the show. It's a magazine that is for Massey enthusiasts and will hopefully generate more participants.

Elizabeth Historical Society would like brochures and posters sent to them. Steve Rognas said he will take care of this.

Chairman for the Ag Breakfast would like someone from the club to run the people wagons and have a booth to hand out literature. The breakfast is June 22nd, 2013, from 6-10am and we would receive \$50.00 to do this. Kerry will get some people together to do this.

Many members were on hand to move items from the depot and gift shop to avoid getting damaged by the flood. Since that has worry has passed, help is needed to return those items back. Talk to Etha Stimpert or Mary Seefeldt-Swanson if wanting to help.

Rose Reeter is celebrating her 80th birthday at the Jane Adams Community Center in Cedarville on April 21, 2013. Those interested may stop by after the meeting.

Ron Pieper will need help as he has several grade schools coming for train rides and to go through the Museum. Empire School will be here on May 6th at 9am to go through museum; Lanark School will be May 8th at 9:30 to ride the train; and Blackhawk School will be May 15th at 9am to ride train and go through museum; and a bus tour from Chicago will be May 18th at 9am to ride train and go through museum. Contact Ron for more information.

Surveys need to be sent in by April 22nd newsletter.

Leaf River is having an Antique Tractor and Equipment Show on May 31 through June 2, 2013. On Friday they will be having a tractor parade at 4:30pm and tractor rodeo at 5 pm. Saturday will be an all-day tractor show and tractor pulls will start at 9:30am, Sunday is an all-day tractor show.

Water hydrant needs to be replaced on southwest corner of railroad grounds. It's leaking underground. Three large piles of brush at railroad need to be burned and corn needs to be planted on south side of road yet.

Goody bringers were Ida DeBoer, Michelle DeBoer, Lucy Lee and Mary Seefeldt-Swanson.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Scott Engelkens and 2nd by Eugene McMahon, motion passed.

Next Meeting May 19th, 2013

Submitted by Michelle DeBoer