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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Greetings to all our Chapter 15 members, Well the Harvest season is over and all indications are that the crops run above average in production, the farmers could use a few more years like this.

We had a great time a our Rally in Dalton MN. in September. Thanks to all our members that attended this show, The banquet was a great success as we shared the evening meal with Chapter 26. What a nice bunch of IH collectors they are, fun working with them. I hope they had as much fun as we did work together.

We got home on Monday and I started to clean trailer out and get it ready for John G. to pick up on Tuesday evening. Then I had a lot of winterizing to get done as I went into the hospital on Thursday of that week to have knee surgery.

The members that came out to

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Herman Trasnbrug for plow day had a good time plowing and watching as we had a number of spectators there also, Herman and his family put on a super meal at noon and would not take anything for it. I did not get a count on tractors there but I think Conrad did. Thank you Herman and family for a wonderful day.

I started putting racking in the new trailer and just about had it all in when we went out to Maryland for the National Auction, boy they had a lot of items for sale out there, it has more than they were planning for. I hauled a 184 home in the back of my pickup and Werner Rening haul the belly mower home for me in the back of his pickup. We put 2500 miles on round trip. A week later I was in the hospital with pneumonia, seems like I get this every couple years, This is not the way to lose weight, I have gone from 240 down to 176, the DR, said I need to gain some back.

We are asking for members to

fill the Director spots as Paul A. and Mike W. have said they will not run and I have not heard from Gale S. if he is going to run again. If you are interested see Werner R., Kenny E. or Mel M. We will be voting on the trailer lettering and the Directors in our Dec. meeting.

This meeting will be filled with a number of agenda items, and we will have some extra entertainment also.

The Board set the meal price at \$10.00 for the Dec. meeting reducing it by \$2.00, Please let Kathy or myself know if you are coming as we have order a number of meals, if you don't call and we run out don't blame anyone but your self. We both have Email and Cell phones.

See you all in Arlington on December 12, 2015

Chapter 15 President
Bob Koepp

MY 2 CENTS WORTH

On September 17, 2015, my mother passed. She had lived a full life and was 98 years old. The memorial service was held on September 21, 2015 for the immediate family. That is what Mom wanted. Many of you asked about her at the various club functions, and thank you very much.

We went to our sons and his wife's for Thanksgiving.

The food was very good, but I ate too much. For snacks, we had smoked carp on a piece of garlic toast and cream blue cheese spread. A lot of bones, just the right smoke and that went down very easily.

I have been working on the family vehicles on my 30 days off from the city. I mowed right up to November 1, 2015. I was a little tired of mowing, but got everything pushed back in the ditches for snow removal. Our department borrowed a Challenger rubber tired tractor with a large wing mower on it that would go over and mow on the opposite side of the guard railings. I did a lot of widening of the various out lying roads around Albert Lea. Got rid of a lot of small trees and brush. The hoist in the shop has been going up and down a lot. Also I have been assembling the fenders that I sell.

I need to take the 36 inch snow blower off of the 782 Cub Cadet and put on the 44 incher. It is in better shape and will do a better job. I do not take the chains off of this Cub Cadet. It is strictly a snow blowing machine.

We have a gentleman in the shop that has a 986 for sale. The only thing that I know about it is that it has a turbo on it and does mostly PTO work. I will bring more info with me to the meeting.

Have a joyous Holiday season and will see you at the meeting in December in Arlington, MN.

Bruce Jensen

Minutes of Chapter 15

Board Meeting

5/30/2015 New Ulm, Mn.

Welcome and call to order..... Bob Koepp - President

Meeting called to order at 10:37 a.m.

Motion made and passed to accept agenda.

All officers and directors present except Mike
Walter

Treasurers Report Dave Kanten - Treasurer

Motion made and passed to accept treasurers
report.

Old Business

- Merchandise to sell at Dalton show and other events.
- We have an invitation from Le Sueur County Pioneer Power for their show in 2017.
- National Auction 2016, we need committee chair persons for this event.

New Business

- Motion made and passed to look into purchasing new trailer for the club will bring prices to next general meeting for members input.
- Herman Transburg in Northfield and Ted Swanson in Lakeville are interested in hosting plow days this year more info at future meetings.
- Worthington ag class still restoring tractors, possible candidate for a grant from chapter 15.
- Dalton Show lets make it a big success.
- \$50.00 donation made to the archives in memory of Duane Runke.

-2016 State show at Root River, do we want to split the

cost of advertising with them?

-Next Board Meeting 8/15/2015 New Ulm, Mn.

-Motion made and passed to adjourn meeting at 11:25

a.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Mike Walter

Minutes of Chapter 15

General Meeting
7/18/2015 Grove City, Mn.

Welcome and call to order Bob Koepp - President
Meeting called to order at 1:14 p.m.

Motion made and passed to accept the agenda.

All Officers and Directors present except Andy
Kappers

Secretaries Report.....Mike Walter - Secretary

Motion made and passed to accept secretaries
report.

Treasurers Report.....Dave Kanten - Treasurer

Motion made and passed to accept treasurers
report.

Membership Report

..... Jerry Bambenek - Membership Secretary

348 current members

Merchandise ReportBob Koepp - President

We have some new items to sell at upcoming
events.

Old Business

- National Auction in 2016 will be held at Steffes Auction 24400 Mn. Hwy. 22 Litchfield, Mn. 55355 October 14 & 15 2016. Items can be emailed to **eric.gabrielson@steffesgroup.com** and photos emailed to **crystalbailey@steffesgroup.com** or items and photos may be mailed to above address. This auction will include online bidding. We need volunteers to help out at this event.
- At the Dec. 2014 meeting chapter 15 voted to give \$500.00 to the archives and \$500.00 to the trust, these have been sent in.
- Banquet at the Dalton show will be held at the Rec. Center in Dalton, it will be a joint event with Chapter 26.
- Items can be dropped off at the Dalton show grounds starting the Monday before the show.
- Feature tractors for Dalton are High Crops, and all V-8 and Diesel powered tractors.

New Business

- Bruce Jensen was presented a plaque for his term as a director on the national board.
- Randolph, Mn. Ag class has been sent a \$250.00 grant.
- Motion Made and passed to send a \$250.00 grant to a school by Worthington to buy equipment for restoring tractors.
- Motion made and passed to accept Le Sueur county Pioneer Powers invitation for 2017 show.
- Motion made and passed that the board decides what trailer the club purchases to replace the existing trailer.

- Motion made and passed to spend \$162.50 for joint advertising with Root River for the 2016 show in Red Power magazine.
- Motion made and passed to adjourn meeting at 2:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by: Mike Walter

From the Collector's Corner

By Conrad Fiskness

We are nearing the end of 2015 and the December meeting is just around the corner. Since the last newsletter we have had an enjoyable Minnesota IH Rally and a Plow Day. This year we participated in the Lake Region Pioneer Thresherman's Association show in Dalton. For Chapter 15, it was the third time we have been part of their event and it was a return to the site of our very first show in 1995. It was also the second time we have joined with Chapter 26 at the LRPTA showgrounds.

This group always puts on a good event and they were great hosts as well. A large number of IH tractors and equipment were on display. An additional feature is the large number of steam engines displayed. Our participation was well coordinated largely thanks to Wayne Swenson who is a member of LRPTA as well as a Chapter 15 member. Thanks Wayne, for making us feel very welcome. I was given the opportunity to drive a tractor (Farmall H) pulling a people mover with a number of children in the Saturday parade through downtown Dalton. LRPTA follows a ten year rotation for their feature tractor, so I guess that means we may have a chance to be back in 2025!

On October 17, Herman Transburg hosted a Plow Day near his farm near Northfield. It was a beautiful day and the countryside scenery was spectacular. The view of the field being plowed was great and it was a pleasure to watch about 12 tractors at work. A great lunch was served in the shop of one of Herman's neighbors.

On a personal note, the arrival of fall also meant that the house we were building all summer was finished and our life in exile came to an end in late October. It feels good to have a home again! Now I need to work on clearing off the gooseneck trailer by next summer so that I can haul some tractors to a few shows.

In a few days our December meeting will be held in Arlington and I hope to see you all there.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

The club has 350 members which is the same number the Club had a year ago for this report.

Member dues are payable as of March 1st. Some members pay for the upcoming year at the December meeting. I will have forms / envelopes available there. Dues notices are sent out in February.

Recent new member is:

Roger H Byrne Racine, MN

If you know someone who wants to join the organization, you can go to the Chapter 15 web site, www.ihcc15.com and print the membership application. Or contact me and I can send the perspective member an application. Then complete the application and send it to me with \$25.00.

If you have any questions about your membership please let me know.

Jerry Bambenek, Membership Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

As of 11/23/2015

Checking; \$ 2,655.50
Savings; \$ 31,950.95
Cash; \$ 325.00
Total; \$ 34,931.45

Thanks,
Dave Kanten
Web Master; Treasurer IHCC MN 15

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 12, 2015

Chapter 15 Meeting
Arlington Community Center, Arlington, MN
204 Shamrock Drive

March 12, 2016

Arlington MN ... Spring meeting

March 17-19, 2016

Winter convention O'fallon IL

April 2016

Pioneer Power Swap Meet, Le Sueur MN

June 16-18, 2016

Racing Fair grounds ...RPRU, Union Grove WI

July 15, 16, & 17, 2016

Root River Antique Power Assn.

Aug. 20 & 21, 2016

Our club Rally ... featuring IH
Forest City MN

Oct. 14 & 15, 2016

National Auction Litchfield MN



Well Wishes

Ewrin Atzenhoefer is going thru cancer treatment

If there is anyone ill or injured please let me know so we can post their name. Thank you, Bob Koepp



Condolence

Please if you know of someone that has passed, please let me know so we can post their name. Thank you, Bob Koepp



For Sale

Two Red Diamond parts engines, one stationary block #54610-HA 1941, second one block#54610 -HA 1948 \$200.00 ea..... Ted 218-731-7917

#80 IH Combine nice shape Paul Larson 218/583/2538

1956 Farmall W-400, new tires, new TA, new paint low hours Gilbert Dick, 320-221-1590

1953 Super H & 1935 F-20 Dwayne Anderson, 507-448-0021

ITEMS FOR SALE

If you have sold your item or want a new item put in the news letter please let me know. Any member having a sale item can place it in the news letter FREE by letting the President know.

NEXT MEETING:

December 12, 2015

Arlington, MN

Arlington Community
Center

204 Shamrock Drive

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See you there!!!

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