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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Well this is going to be a short message as I am under the weather.

First of all we had a very good turnout at the RPRU in Huron, South Dakota. There was lots of stuff to see, and our chapter sales were good also, and thanks to everyone that helped out at the table. We will be at Kenny and Harley Myllykangas place on July, 26 2014. Please bring a chair along and if you have a card table please bring it along also. We will be serving Sloppy Joes, potato chips, baked beans and a pickle. If you are coming from the Minn State HWY 15 take a right turn into Kingston, go about a block and turn left. If you are coming from the North on Minn 15 turn left into Kingston and go about a block turn left follow the road and they are about a mile or more out north of Kingston. We will have flags at the corners.

Hope all that got flooded are get-

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ting things back to order.

Plow days, Matt Lindberg South Hayvin, Herman Transburg Northfield Mel. Melcher Norwood Minn. We will be talking about the dated on July 26.

Chapter 12 President, Bob Koepp

National Directors 2 Cents Worth

July 5, 2014

Well, Donalie and I went to the National Red Power Roundup at Huron, South Dakota. Chapter 21 did a marvelous job. Huron wasn't that hard to get around in, the state fair grounds was easy to find, just follow red tractors coming to be displayed. I walked pretty much around the whole grounds.

It was the 25th anniversary of the Round Up. Chapter 21 with the help of Howard Raymond, "Nebraska Cowman", got a tractor of each year of the Round Up, and this was displayed in a heck of a big building, the beef arena. I found

some more parts for my 1250 Cub Cadet out there. Some day I will get this Cadet together and restored.

While at the Roundup, as a chapter we learned of some sad news, Duane Gran's passed. We as a chapter visited his farm west of St. Peter, MN, in September after our Round UP in 2011. I wish the Gran family my deepest condolences.

We will be visiting the Myllakanges collection, July 26, 2014. They are located along Minnesota Hwy 15 near Kimball, MN. They have a very nice collection of the older tractors. Some of you will remember their tractors they brought to the Wright County Fair.

The grass is growing not only all around Albert Lea, but at my home too. Some of the grass around Albert Lea, got away from me, and is now 4' to 5' high. This coming week will be catch up week.

We collectors of Cub Cadets can put them to work this year. And the mosquitoes, whew, no wonder, they are called our state bird. They will carry you away in some places. A little trick, if you have not heard about it, wear clothes dryer sheets. Tuck them in your cap, and in your pockets of your shirt. You look stupid, you smell good, the mosquitoes hate them, but you don't itch at night. The dryer sheets do the trick.

Well, happy collecting, and see you at the different shows.

Bruce Jensen, MN Chapter 15
National Director

Minutes of Chapter 15 General Meeting

MARCH 8, 2014

Welcome and call to order Bob Koepp - President

- Meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.

- All directors and officers present except Gail Suter.

Additions and corrections to agenda..... Bob Koepp

- No additions or corrections.

- Motion made and second and passed to accept agenda.

Secretaries Report Mike Walter - Secretary

- Motion made and second and passed to accept secretaries report as printed in newsletter.

Treasurers Report David Kanten - Treasurer

- Motion made and second and passed to accept treasurers report as printed in newsletter.

Membership Report

..... Jerome Bambenek - Membership Secretary

- Motion made and second and passed to accept the membership report as printed in the newsletter

Merchandise Report Bob Koepp

- We have a sign up sheet for members to sign up and help set up , pack up and sell merchandise at shows and meetings.

- Some new merchandise will be added for sale.

Old Business

- Plow Day, We may have 40 acres of winter wheat for a plow day possibly in August, and are looking for more or other plow days as well.

- Trip to Farmall Land was cancelled.
- National Trust Fund donation of \$1,000.00 was made at the winter convention in Michigan City, Indiana.

New Business

- Website, David Kanten reports the website format has now been changed and now he can add things and delete things from the website.
- We are looking for a member to take over the merchandise sales.
- We are looking for volunteers to help register the IH items at the Butterfield show.
- Do we want to do anything for our 20th anniversary?
- We had a motion to serve light meals at our farm or collection visits possibly hamburgers and hot dogs made by a local group. Motion made second and passed.
- All golf carts at shows must have a handicap sticker and proof of insurance.
- Bruce Jensen reported on the Dec. 15 National Board Meeting and the election results for the National Board of Directors.
- Joel Klein is now on the National Trustee Board for scholarships.
- We are looking for schools for our scholarships.

Motion made, second and passed to adjourn meeting at 2:15p.m.

Respectfully submitted by : Mike Walter

From the Collector's Corner

By Conrad Fiskness

Once again we have a year where the weather is anything but normal. The rain gauges, streams and low spots in the fields are full of water! For a second year in a row there are areas where fields have not been tilled let alone planted. It has to be discouraging for those affected. Those of us not actively engaged in farming certainly feel for you!

The excess water was evident on our drive to the RPRU in Huron. It was a far cry from the droughty appearance of the countryside two years ago on our drive to the RPRU in Du Quoin, IL. One of these years we may have a "normal" year weather wise.

We certainly enjoyed the RPRU. Every year there are new features and this year the display set up in the Beef Complex building was great. Showing the 25 features for the 25 years of RPRU along with the many other displays was almost a show in itself. There were features set up for five different decades of IH history. Chapter 15 member, Arnold Zempel, had a display that included some of the Adolph Ronning contributions to IH history. He also had a new DVD entitled It's Just Fun to Fill a Silo the "Ronning Way". I have been too busy since I got back to view it, but I am looking forward to seeing it.

For me personally, it was fun to see the Farmhand

loaders mounted on Farmall tractors. I worked at Farmhand in the last half of the 1960's and did the purchasing of casting and forgings. Looking at the loaders brought back memories and I even remembered some of the part numbers, especially for the pto driven hydraulic pumps. South Dakota was our top sales area for the loaders and other hay equipment so it was special for me to see them included in the show.

On a sad note, while at the show I learned that Chapter 15 member, Duane Gran, had passed away just a few days earlier. Many of us remember the enjoyable day we had at his farm a few years ago. He had a great collection and was a very enthusiastic IH collector. He will be greatly missed.

As I was preparing this article, I read in my home town newspaper that Robert (Bob) Mostad passed away on June 28. Bob was 88 and was a member of Chapter 15 for several years. He was a good friend, served on the Osakis Creamery Board with my father but it was through our common involvement with our respective Watershed Districts and Chapter 15 that we became friends. We would meet at various Watershed Association meetings and during that time he became interested in Chapter 15. He had written a family history with several chapters dealing with IH tractors, threshing machines and other general farm issues. He graciously allowed me to include these in the chapter

newsletter while I was editor. He was a community leader and good friend to many and will be sorely missed.

Personally, I have not made the progress on projects I would like. It seems that my time on the trips to the farm where the tractors are located has been spent on other activities like trimming some trees, repairing eroded driveways and converting an area 1/10th of an acre from field to grass. I chose to till it, plant oats and under seed it with Kentucky Bluegrass. Come late summer, I will have some oats to harvest if I let it grow. Maybe I should get a grain binder and a threshing machine. If I have a good crop I might have 6 to 8 bushels of oats to show for my efforts.

I would like to say that I will see you at the Minnesota IH Rally in August. However, I will be in Norway at that time and so I will miss our show and others in the last half of August. So, see you later in the year at the December meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

as of 7/4/2014

Checking	\$4,272.50
Savings	\$36,534.93

Dave Kanten, Treasurer IHCC MN 15

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

A number of members have as the first numbers on their address "3/14". That implies that you have not paid your membership dues for the 2014-2015 year. You have been dropped by National as of June 1st and will be dropped from the MN Chapter 15 roster in a few weeks. Please send your dues ASAP if you want to continue as a member of the Club and be reinstated with the National organization. If you believe you paid your dues for this year and it shows "3/14" please contact me in the near future.

Recent new member:

Bob Pederson, Paynesville, MN

Jerry Bambenek, Membership Secretary



Condolence

Duane Gran, age 68 passed away unexpectedly on June 23, at his home

Marie and Duane hosted the 2011 summer show at their farm near St. Peter, MN. He will be missed as he had a great love for rec tractors and people.

Condolences may be sent to:

The family of Duane Gran
37127 425th Ave.
St. Peter, MN 56082

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 26, 2014

Kenny and Harley Myllykangas
Kingston, Minnesota

August 16 - 17, 2014

Chapter 15 IHC Rally
Butterfield, Minnesota

October 31 - November 1, 2014

National Auction
Macon, Missouri

UPCOMING AUCTION

September 6, 2014

Harold Olsen will be selling his tractor collection on September 6, 2014. The auction will start at 10:00am and will be held at Harold's home in rural New Ulm. There will be a total of 38 tractors. For more information, go to the Chapter 15 web site.

NEXT MEETING

Summer Meeting

July 26, 2014

RSVP: Kathy @ 507-228-8655
Kenny and Harley Myllykangas
Kingston, Minnesota
See you there!!!

Well Wishes

Richard Bodins, Mother passed away

Duane Runke, is in Hospice

Duane Gran, Passed

WELL WISHES

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

For Sale

1977 — 1586 Farnall 1-651-385-0321

1937 — F-12 Rebuilt, New Tires, High Low Shift
..... 1-320-248-7878

Deering Case Iron Seat \$40.00
..... 507-357-6142 Gordy Trailers

1973 IH Pickup 4X4 3350R 16.5 Tires 4 speed 304 en-
gine 9 FT. flatbed 2 1/2 FT rack new restore
..... Cell 320-293-4157 Ray Schindler

TD9 with dozer blade
..... 507-789-6190 Duane Fredrickson

ITEMS FOR SALE

Any member having a sale item can place it in the news letter FREE by letting the President know.

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Summer Meeting

July 26, 2014

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Kathy @ 507-228-8655

Kenny and Harley

Myllykangas

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See you there!!

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