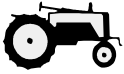




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# Agricultural Preservation Association of Cuyahoga County "THE TRACTOR CLUB"

Branch 182 Early Day Gas Engine & Tractor Association



## TRACTOR TALK NEWSLETTER



**MEETING... WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 10, 2007 7:00PM**

at the Cuyahoga County Farm Bureau Office

8460 Ridge Road, North Royalton, OH

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*The North Royalton Harvest Fest was a success again this year. I want to personally thank our members that sold the DoDo Drop tickets, brought the 13 tractors that we had on display and the members that helped take the cattle fence down at the end of the event. Be sure to see the results inside this newsletter.*

*On Friday September 28th Steve Mattes, Matt Sommer and I took tractors to Career Day at the Broadview Center. Kathy Sommer did a fantastic job talking to the kindergarden children about farming, tractors and the food in the stores and on their tables. Thanks Kathy, you were great.*

*We need someone to volunteer to pull a hay wagon for the Brecksville homeowners association on October 13th. A clambake, hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided. Two people should attend so one can keep the kids in line. They said they would give the club a donation for attending.*

*We have been asked to have a Tractor Display at the Brunswick Heritage Days on October 13&14. If you are interested we will have a discussion at the meeting. There will be security on duty all night to watch over the tractors and displays. See inside for part of the e-mail I received in regard to this event.*

*Andy Anderson is gathering details to plan a Fall Tractor Cruise. We are trying to set it up for Sunday, October 21st. Hopefully we will have more info at the meeting.*

See YOU at the meeting, Fred

Refreshments will be provided by

Jerry & Linda

Boardman



Ladies always welcome

### Advisory Council....

This month's discussion will be

"Stream/Creek/Ditch Maintenance"

Be sure to read the enclosed information and be prepared to answer the questions at the meeting.

Click [HERE](#) to view the OCTOBER 2007 Speakout Guide

**EVERY PATH HAS A FEW PUDDLES.**



**YOU CANNOT UNSAY A CRUEL WORD.**

### Tractor Trivia.....

1. What item did Henry Ford buy for \$10, had completely restored and also gave a Model T Ford for ?
2. What two changes recommended by company stockholders resulted in Hart and Parr leaving the company in 1918 ?

The Tractor Club was organized by a group of men and women that enjoy and share an interest in antique tractors.

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This is the e-mail I received from Amber Dalakas, President of The Brunswick Area Historical Society, after talking to her at the Royalton Harvest Fest. She was impressed with our tractor display and wants us to partake in their upcoming event. We will have a sign up sheet at the meeting for those who are interested.

I hope your festival went well yesterday in North Royalton.

We would love to have the Tractor Club join us at Heritage Days on October 13-14th.

This is our fifth year for this festival. It is held at Heritage Farm at 4613 Laurel Road in Brunswick (between Pearl & Substation Roads) from Noon to 6 p.m. each day. The Ramrod Busters reenactors are joining us as well as a blacksmith, soap maker, taffy puller, beekeeper, and others. There are hayrides and numerous children's activities such as candle dipping and paper making.

I would need to know approximately how many tractors to expect about four or five days ahead of time so that we can have the appropriate amount of grass mowed for your group.



## HEALTH UPDATES

Tom Hooper is slowly recovering from his surgery. He has had some ups and downs with headaches, reoccurring pain and some unexpected reactions. Things are looking better and he hopes to come home from the hospital in a few days. He said to tell everyone he misses them and the events.

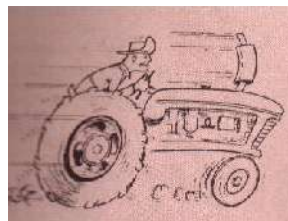
June Hurley has gotten an all clear and a "0" meaning no cancer in the lymph nodes. She said she is back to doing windows and mowing again.

## **Tractor Trivia Answers.....**

1. Henry Ford bought for \$10 and a Model T Ford a Westinghouse steam-powered road locomotive that he so badly wanted.
2. A hint to this question is that one was mechanical and the other concerned design philosophy. The forward-looking Hart-Parr board of directors wanted two important changes. First, they recommended a smaller, more maneuverable tractor and, secondly, a cooling system that was water-cooled instead of oil-cooled.

## Do Do Drop Update

The "Tractor Club" has certainly done a superb job on setting-up and taking down the cattle fence for this event and selling tickets. We sold 11 of the 13 winning tickets with the Holiday Lighting Committee selling the other 2. Your efforts have certainly paid off for the winners and for our club. Jerry & Linda Boardman sold the most tickets and Fred sold the winning ticket. Come to the meeting for more details and see the percentage our club has received. Many thanks to our member Kenny Trimble for bringing "Lizzy and Leon" to do their duty.



Speed is the #1 cause of tractor accidents.

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Caught by an unguarded PTO shaft

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Can you tell whose faces are lurking among the vegetables?

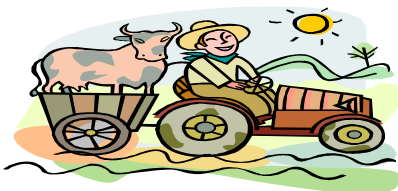
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# **TRACTOR SAFETY**

Tractors are one of the most important pieces of equipment on a farm, yet they are also among the most dangerous. More deaths are caused by tractors than by any other type of farm accident. It is therefore imperative that farmers routinely check their tractors and keep in mind the following safety guidelines:

- Make sure your tractor has a rollover protective structure (ROPS). Other than using safe operating procedures, having a ROPS is the most important thing you can do to ensure you don't become a farm fatality statistic.
- Make sure the Power-Take-Off equipment is shielded. They are installed for your safety. Always shut off engine and be sure that implement motion has ceased before making any adjustments or repair.
- Make sure your tractor has rear-wheel and front-end weights that you can mount when needed. Use rear-wheel weights to add stability for front-end loaders, and always lower the loader before transporting.
- Make sure the steps and platform of your tractor are free of loose tools, snow, ice, mud, and other debris that might cause you to slip and fall.
- An ABC fire-extinguisher and a first-aid kit should always be readily available. Inspect fire extinguishers every six months to ensure your safety.
- Be sure to have a slowmoving vehicle emblem mounted on the rear of each tractor and each implement. This emblem should be centered between two and six feet above the ground.
- Review safety procedures in your manual regularly. Your operator's manual is the best safety guide you have, so make good use of it.
- Don't let your child become a farm fatality statistic. Say "no" to tractor rides.

**GOOD  
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AND A LOT OF  
THAT COMES  
FROM BAD  
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## **Stearns Homestead Fall Festival**

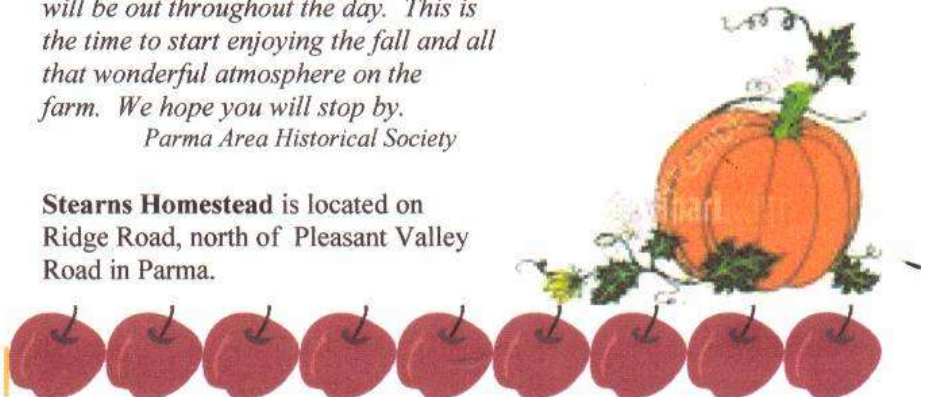
**October 6-7, 2007**

**1 pm.-4 pm. both days**

*Come and enjoy the sights, sounds and smells of autumn including delicious apple fritters, fresh baked apples and pumpkin pies. You can purchase these along with apples and apple cider, pie pumpkins and jack o'lanterns. Visit the country store and purchase fresh and dried herbs. The museum houses will be open and the farm animals will be out throughout the day. This is the time to start enjoying the fall and all that wonderful atmosphere on the farm. We hope you will stop by.*

*Parma Area Historical Society*

**Stearns Homestead is located on Ridge Road, north of Pleasant Valley Road in Parma.**



## ***Mark your calendar!***

The Cuyahoga Farm Bureau Equine Advisory Council will sponsor it's  
Fourth Annual **Tack Auction** at the **Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds**

On **Saturday, November 10, 2007**

**Viewing at 11 a.m. Auction begins at 12 noon.**

**Auctioneer: Jonathan Polcen**

**Tack items include Weaver Leather, Western Heritage, Royal King  
and other quality tack. Grooming supplies, buckets, corner feeders,  
saddles, and more saddles.**



**Free Admission — Door Prizes — Refreshments Available.  
MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND PLAN TO ATTEND.**



(Click the saddle to view the Cuyahoga County Farm Bureau Equine Advisory Council Tack Auction Flyer)