

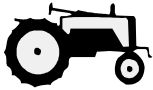


Agricultural Preservation Association of Cuyahoga County

“THE TRACTOR CLUB”

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Branch 182 Early Day Gas Engine & Tractor Association



TRACTOR TALK NEWSLETTER



MEETING... WEDNESDAY February 10, 2010

7:00PM

at the Cuyahoga County Farm Bureau Office

8460 Ridge Road, North Royalton OH

President's Message

I hope you are all keeping warm and busy during this time of the year. At our last meeting elections were held and all officers were re-elected. We also elected Tim Fowler as our Fairboard representative. He will give us updates as to the activities at the fairgrounds and the county fair in August. At the meeting he informed us about the wind turbine that is to be constructed on the property and has to be up and functioning by November 1st. He also stated they are planning a new year-round educational building. As to the fair, they want our club to do more demonstrations and operating exhibits and put implements on the tractors.

Steve Mattes is looking into getting new shirts and hats for the club and we also discussed potential club flag designs. Jason Holzman stated he might be able to get the sled and tractors for the kiddie tractor pull. He is looking into it. Mary Jo Knapper told us about changing our web server at a very reasonable rate. We also discussed a possible spring tractor cruise.

As you can tell a lot goes on at our meetings and if you have some input you need to attend. We also enjoyed some great pizza from Firehouse.

A reminder that dues are due!!! Club dues are \$10 and EDGE&TA dues are \$8 for a total of \$18. We will not receive our EDGE stickers and badges until we send in our membership roster and payment, so get your dues paid ASAP.

If you are not a Farm Bureau member and wish to join, see me at the meeting for an application. I can't stress it enough that we are an affiliate of the FB and receive many benefits from them.

We are in the process of planning for the upcoming season and if you have any suggestions or ideas be sure to bring them to the meeting.

See YOU at the meeting, Fred

Refreshments will be provided by Jerry & Linda Boardman



Ladies always welcome

Can you name these implements?

1.



2.



See answers on next page...

TRACTORS AND COMBINES ARE THE WORKHORSES ON THE FARM. THEIR SIZE, POWER, AND INTRICATE TECHNOLOGY ARE FORMIDABLE, YET THEIR TASKS IN THE FIELDS ARE ANCIENT AND FUNDAMENTAL.



*A bend in the road
Is not the end of the
road....*

*Unless
you fail
to make
the
turn.*



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 AN ARTICLE FROM THE WALL STREET JOURNAL GIVEN TO US BY MEMBER BURT SAGEN. THE VOTE IN OHIO FOR ISSUE 2 IN NOVEMBER IS STILL A FIGHT FOR FARMERS IN OHIO. PLEASE BE INFORMED AND EDUCATED.

JANUARY 13, 2010

POACHERS ARRIVE AT EGG FARMS

Other States Hope to Lure California Poultry Producers Unhappy About a New Law

BY LAUREN ETTER

A year after Californians approved stricter rules on the treatment of farm animals, Idaho and other states are trying to lure away the Golden State's poultry and egg farmers with promises of friendlier regulations and lower costs.

In Idaho, as lawmakers convened Monday, Republican state Sen. Tim Corder said he would introduce legislation designed to attract California chicken farmers who might consider relocating. In Nevada, Pershing County is aggressively recruiting poultry farmers in California, the nation's fifth-largest producer of eggs. Georgia's poultry industry also has reached out to

The movement comes after California voters in November 2008 passed a ballot initiative called Proposition 2 designed to prevent "cruel confinement" of farm animals in cramped conditions, like small "battery cages" for egg-laying chickens, or "gestation crates" for pregnant pigs.

Such measures have grown more popular nationwide as the Humane Society of the United States and other groups have pushed to raise awareness of how animals are treated in the food-production system. Since 2002, similar provisions have passed in Florida, Arizona, Oregon and Colorado.

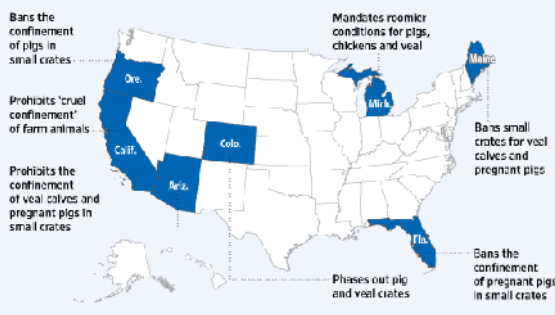
On Sunday, Bob Stallman, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, one of the nation's largest farm groups, implored farmers at an annual convention in Seattle to "aggressively respond to extremists who want to drag agriculture back to the day of 40 acres and a mule." He applauded Ohio for passing a state constitutional amendment last year creating a "Livestock Care Standards Board" that would set animal-treatment rules.

The California initiative prohibits confinement of hogs, veal calves and poultry "in a manner that does not allow them to turn around freely, lie down, stand up, and fully extend their limbs." The law doesn't take effect until Jan. 1, 2015, but farmers already are worried it will drive up costs, because many cages commonly used now probably will have to be scrapped for bigger cages or no cages at all.

"I've got guys saying they're unwilling to make an investment or try to raise capital, because they don't know how to comply with the measure," said Fiona Hutton, a spokeswoman for the Association of California Egg Farmers.

Of course, moving to another state could be costly, too. Moreover, Wayne Pacelle, president and chief executive of the Humane Society, said farmers who flee California may wind up facing tougher rules anyway, because more retailers are seeking food raised under strict animal-welfare standards.

Animal-Friendly States | Laws governing confinement of livestock



It's not surprising that some of the factory farms would flock to states that are deregulated when it comes to animal welfare," said Mr. Pacelle. But "that is not a long-term answer."

Other states don't see it that way. "The vultures are circling," said Debbie Murdock, of the Pacific Egg and Poultry Association in California.

Economic-development officials from Pershing County, Nev., recently visited egg-industry officials in California to pitch Nevada as an alternative home. "We wanted to let them know that we do have the land, the climate, and we'll work with them," said Kathy Johnson, the county's economic development director. "We don't have these stringent regulations that are being imposed now in California."

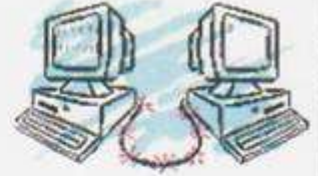
In Idaho, where there's currently little poultry production, Doug Manning, economic-development director of the town of Burley, said he wanted to offer incentives to poultry farmers as a way to increase jobs and tax revenue in the area. He has heard from a few California farmers who "are looking at some options," Mr. Manning said. "We said, 'When you're ready, give us a chance.'" Idaho is no stranger to California farmers. In the past decade, the state has attracted scores of dairy farmers from California seeking cheaper land and less regulation.

Mr. Corder, Republican chairman of the Idaho Senate's Agriculture Affairs Committee, has been pushing an animal-cruelty bill that distinguishes between companion animals — such as cats and dogs — and production animals like chickens, hogs and cattle. The proposed law would also give Idaho's agriculture department full authority over farm-animal welfare. Now, law-enforcement agencies have some jurisdiction over such matters.

Mr. Corder also is drafting a proposal to update state rules governing how large farms win business permits. He said the current rules needed to be tailored to specifically accommodate poultry farms. "We know that ... some of the chicken operations are looking toward Idaho," said Mr. Corder. "We wanted to be very proactive and make sure our statutes could resist efforts" by animal-rights activists and provide "a place where [farmers] can continue to be profitable, while protecting the environment for Idaho."

DID YOU KNOW?

Mary Jo Knapper is our webmaster and does a fantastic job on our web site, www.tractorclub.info.



She has asked that all members, that have not done so already, get pictures of your tractors to her so she can get all members represented on the site.

Be sure to check our site often. You will be amazed at the information that is available and you can keep up with the meetings and events and see the tractors owned, restored and in use by our members.

What did the plow say to the tractor?
Pull me a little closer
John Deere.

Why are farmers respected?
Because they are out standing in their field.....

Can you name these implements?

1. This is a Moldboard Plow



2. This is a Chisel Plow and Harrow



Ohio Farm Bureau responds to HSUS Power Grab

"...HSUS' latest tactic isn't about reasonable animal care, it's about power. Ohioans took control of the animal care issue, and HSUS doesn't like it one bit." ~Jack Fisher, Ohio Farm Bureau executive vice president

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