

Agricultural Preservation Association of Cuyahoga County



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Branch 182 Early Day Gas Engine & Tractor Association



TRACTOR TALK NEWSLETTER



MEETING... WEDNESDAY MARCH 12, 2008 7:00PM

at the Cuyahoga County Farm Bureau Office

8460 Ridge Road, North Royalton, OH

President's Message

I certainly hope everyone survived the recent ice storm. All is well here.

Our EDGE&TA membership dues are due and will be mailed the day after this meeting for us to meet the deadline. Please make an effort to pay if you have not done so yet. We have to fill out a roster for each member with the required information. So much for that!!!

There is not much else going on this time of the year except shoveling snow or plowing it. Seems hard to believe that daylight savings time goes into effect so soon but that is a sure sign of spring.

We have some new requests for setting up displays and parade participation that will be brought up at the meeting.

Hope to see YOU at the meeting, Fred

Refreshments will
be provided by
Roy & June Hurley



Ladies always welcome

Advisory Council....

This month's discussion will be on "Policy Development".

Click [HERE](#) to review the March Speakout Guide at the Ohio Farm Bureau web site.

Tractor Trivia.....

1. Whom did Harry Ferguson work for that sparked his interest in mechanical things?

Name the feat he accomplished in 1909.

2. Name the first diesel-powered wheeled tractor.

See answers on back of this page....

Field Trip Meeting.....

Plans are underway to hold a meeting at West Shore New Holland Tractor Sales in North Ridgeville. We hope to have details at the meeting.

If you have any other suggestions for meeting locations bring your ideas to the meeting.

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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TRACTOR SAFETY TIPS

NEED TO BE REPEATED

Tractor Safety

Farm tractors provide the primary source of power on many farms. Studies show that the farm tractor is involved in a high proportion of farm fatalities and severe injuries. To avoid them, follow safe management principles and implement a tractor safety program on your farm.

- Develop a "safety first" attitude. Follow safe work practices all the time and set a good example for others.
- Be physically and mentally fit when operating tractors. Fatigue, stress, medication, alcohol and drugs can detract from safe tractor operation. Take breaks.
- Read operator's manual and warning decals. Pay attention to safety information.
- Equip the tractor with a Rollover Protective Structure (ROPS) and wear seat belts.
- Inspect the tractor for any hazards and correct them before operating.
- Make sure everyone who operates a tractor has received training and is physically able to operate it safely.
- Shut down equipment, turn off engine, remove key and wait for moving parts to stop before dismounting equipment.
- Keep bystanders and others away from tractor operation area. Do not allow "extra riders," especially children.

Inspection

- Are ROPS in place and seat belts used?
- Is a PTO master shield in place?
- Is the operator's platform clear of debris?
- Is a reflective "Slow Moving Vehicle" emblem posted?
- Are lights and flashers operational?
- Are tires properly inflated?
- Is the hydraulics free from leaks?
- Are Brakes can be locked together?
- Is a 20 lb. "ABC" fire extinguisher in place?
- Is a fully equipped first aid kit on the tractor?

