CENTRAL ILLINOIS % FARM HERITAGE TRACTOR CLUB

NEWSLETTER

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President's Column

by Dan Wiest

Well, what a year! I feel like I finally made it through the big events this year, with Katherine's Wedding last Friday. They all grow up fast, and if you did not know, she married a local Cowboy, ironically, like my Dad! I had the GMC truck on display, and we did a branding ceremony with a Brand I made. Awesome event! On a side note, we need to talk about old gas in tanks. As a reminder, keep a watch on you gas tanks. Use it up if you can each year and keep it fresh without Ethanol. And use a good additive to help keep the fuel stable.

On to the crop report, the sorghum was a bit weedy - We cut some for hay and I combined some for Chicken Feed. The double Crop Beans are looking good and filling the pods, starting to turn.

Lastly, get out your plows, I hope for a big turnout, including some garden tractor plowing this year. Also we have the Peoria Farm Show diplay on tap for this year on December 2,3,4 - Same as before, let me know if you are coming and we will set up on Monday Dec 1. I am hoping for a special exhibit this year. Until then, hope to see you at Plow Day!







Vice President's Column

by Kevin Engquist

Wow! Harvest is in full gear. Just look for the clouds of dust, and you will find a combine. Our beans were harvested and we made about 60 bushels per acre. The lack of rain kind of hurt them this year. So, I am hoping to have a big turnout at the potluck. If you haven't yet, sign up and put it on your calendar. Kim, Dad and I are looking forward to plowing at Monte's, too. Dad has a new Ford 860 and picked up a 3 point 3 bottom plow for it. It's all mounted and ready to go. No new tractor news from our shop. I have a couple of projects in the shop for this winter, just waiting for cooler weather and a fire in the wood burner. Hope to see you at the potluck.

Calendar Items

October 19 Club Banquet/Potluck, and Fall Plowing at Top of the Hill Farm in Chillicothe, starting at NOON! 2026 Officers will be voted in, so please contact an officer if you would like to run. This is open for anyone to attend, bring a dish to share, bring your friends - Dan to bring Pulled Pork sandwiches. RSVP to Kim by October 12th ONLY IF YOU ARE COMING.

February 16, 2026 - 1st monthly meeting of 2026 (and dues will be due). 7 p.m. Princeville Heritage Museum.

Treasurer Report

by Shawn Weck

Checking		
Starting Balance	9/6	\$2,459.55
Income		\$0
Expenses		\$0
Ending Balance	10/5	\$2,459.55
Savings		
Starting Balance	9/6	\$10,105.22
Interest		\$0.44
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Princeville Ag Team

Contact Roy Maguire if interested in participating, or to get on his communication list. (309) 713-6087 or roy.maguire@frontier.com

Next meetup is October 15th from 6-8 p.m.

Birthdays

Jerry McTaggart	Oct 7
Karl Engquist	Oct 21
Marge Sefried	Nov 5
Alberta Gehrt	Nov 6
Carolyn Holloway	Nov 8
Emily McKim	Nov 9
Emily Thompson	Nov 25
Kevin Engquist	Nov 26
Don Thompson	Nov 28
Barb Beachler	Nov 29
Rob Tortat	Dec 1

Anniversaries

Jerry & Joanne McTaggart	Oct 24
Paul & Emily McKim	Dec 26

- Attention -

Peoria Farm Show will be Dec 2,3,4th, We are asking to bring our old Tractors, or other interesting display items - Set up on Monday Dec 1, Let Dan know if you are attending.



Thanks, Shawn, for representing our club at the Autumn Market held by the Chillicothe Public Library!

Sale Barn

Sale barn ads are free to club members or sponsors and will be posted as space allows. Suggested donation for a non-member ad is \$20. Please notify an officer when your item is sold or ad is no longer needed.

1952 Ferguson TO-20. Engine is loose. Fuel tank cleaned. Have carb and ignition parts to get it running, plus full set of manuals. \$1,400 invested. Asking \$800. Shawn Weck (309) 256-4065



1951 Farmall H. Hydraulics, PTO, Pulley motor. Needs new alternator/generator. Rebuilt/overhauled by Bob Shepard. Sharon/Winston Dunbar. (309) 712-6304 - ok to text.

Wanted

An old Owatonna or IH swather Dan Wiest (309) 253-4842

Jeep CJ2A, 1946 ish John Deere A or GM Shawn Weck (309) 256-4065



Auger tube, or something like what's pictured, to mount a mailbox to. Color doesn't matter. Kim Engquist (309) 645-8349

Last Month's Trivia

In the 50's and 60's a few manufacturers built universal and unique self-propelling tractors that offered a multitude of attachments fitted just for their own machine. Can you name a few?

Moline Universal, Minneapolis Moline, New Idea Uni-System, Lundell 2020



Veterans Day November 11 Thank you for your service!

Tom Cusack
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