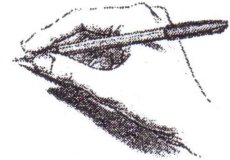


SHARECROPPER'S ANTIQUE FARM EQUIPMENT CLUB

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER



Dear Sharecropper's Members,

Well, it's hard for me to believe that two years have gone by since I started as your club President. I have thoroughly enjoyed the experience as I know my fellow officers have as well. And I could not have accomplished all that was done, both in-front and behind the scenes, without their dedicated efforts and a better group I could not have asked for. I must also thank all those club members for stepping up and providing their assisting where they could.

After gathering momentum with nominations, the Club's October meeting was accomplished with the elections of our 2012 Officers (see inside). Congratulate each the next time you see them and extend your assistance in the upcoming year! I myself am very pleased with the club's selection and look forward to working with each of the new officers next year. It has been a pleasure serving as your President in the past two years and I leave knowing the club is in good standing and good hands.

Back in January 2010 I took upon the task of evaluating the club and determining how I could benefit the Sharecropper's to further our club endeavors. I am pleased to say I have accomplished the tasks I set myself, and more:

1. Install executive committee (Board of Directors) – IN THE WORKS!
2. Update and post our club's rules & regulations to the club web site.
3. Youth sponsorship program for local FFA & 4-H interested in tractor restoration.
4. Schedule more hobby/technical related programs.
5. Increase club membership.
6. Club PA system.

Additional:

1. Increase involvement of member's w/club activities.
2. Expand options for club events; Ag.Equip. dealer shows (Brookside JD), Club Shop Day (F. Tyson), Historic Society Show (Cypress), More "working shows" plow day (Gross Farm), Ag. Supply store show (TSC/4-H), tractor drives (Prairie Hill, St. John's Church), etc.

If there is an event you would like to see our club become involved with please talk to an officer. Thank you for making the Sharecropper's club one of the outstanding antique tractor & engine clubs in the country.

Be sure to put the club Christmas Party on your list of "things-to-do" on December 3rd. This year it will be at the historic LaBahia Hall with our own Daryl Gummelt and Jimmie Borchgardt cooking a fried chicken dinner! Look for more information in this news letter.

Rodney Sprenger

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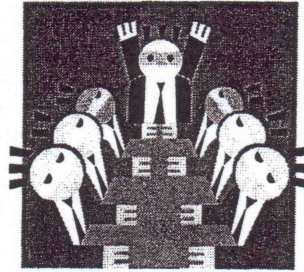
SHARECROPPER OFFICERS FOR 2012

President:
Tracy Raska

Vice-President:
Dustin Gross

Secretary, Newsletter/Mailings:
Elizabeth Sommerfeld

Membership & Treasurer:
Roger Sorum



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Tim Tom Bosse
Brenham

Larry Hirsch
Tomball

Mark Tevebaugh
Tomball

Michael, Kerri & Cory Schovajsa
Industry

Troy Schroeder
Brenham

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Christmas Party will be held at the historic "La Bahia Hall" at 6:30 p.m.,
Saturday, December 3rd.

A chicken dinner w/ mashed potatoes/gravy and baked beans will be prepared by our club's own Jimmie Borchgardt & Daryl Gummelt for all to enjoy!

- Please bring a side dish, rolls, or a dessert
- Christmas Melodies provided By Frank Tyson
- Table Decorations By – Jody Tyson, Donna Sprenger, Cheryl Williamson
- Table/Chair set-up By Kathy & Daryl Gummelt, Emery Schulze, Harold Lindgren
- Gift Exchange - \$10.00 Gift - Men for men / women for women

(No "gag-gifts" please)

Clean-up – everyone please pitch-in!

Please "RSVP" to any Officer by "Thanks Giving"

(So we have an accurate Tally for Meal)

- AGENDA** – 1) 2012 Limits - Youth Restoration,
2) VOTE - Adoption of New Club Bylaws,
3) Installation of 2012 Officers



MEETING NOTES FROM OCTOBER 21, 2011

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Rodney Sprenger called the Sharecropper's Meeting to order at 7:35 PM on Friday, October 21, 2011. It was held at the Gilbert Janner museum in Brenham, Texas. New members and visitors were welcomed. There were 51 members and 10 guests who signed the attendance sheet.

Thank you to the Janner's for hosting the meeting. Recognized new member Timmy Bosse. Bobby N read the minutes from the last meeting... John Adams 1st motion Frank Tyson 2nd motion to accept the minutes. Roger S treasurer's report \$9,972.40 balance as of the meeting...John Adams 1st motion Mr King 2nd motion to accept the minutes.

Officer Nomination/Selection 2012 Positions:

President: Nominations from the floor by Mrs. Seeker and 2nd from Bill Seeker for Bradley Raska -- Bradley declined the position

Tracy declined secretary and accepted President position-- with Frank Tyson 1st motion and Dustin Gross 2nd motion

Vice-President: Dustin Gross nominated by Rodney S. -- Mr. King 1st motion and Frank Tyson 2nd motion

Secretary: Nominations from the floor by Frank Tyson and 2nd motion from Brett Studhalter for Tracy Raska -- Tracy declined the position.

Tracy Raska nominated Elizabeth Sommerfeld, with Nancy Hopper 2nd motion

assisting with meeting notes are Nancy Hopper and Mary Ann Hueske

Treasurer: Nomination from the floor by Nancy Hopper and 2nd motion from Frank Tyson.

Tabled for another Meeting: EDGE&TA only membership...Rodney spoke to the National Level....OK to do this by the National Level for insurance only and No membership. Raise the insurance amount we charge??

Sharecroppers becoming Non-Profit Corporation and voted to be a 501C group. --Roger Sorum nominated Rodney S to see this through and Bill S 2nd motion

Frank Tyson will be photographer and send pictures to Hal. Still looking for a web content person.

Special Meeting called to review and updated Bylaws: Rodney putting committee together and will contact the members for the meeting on November 5 @ 1:00pm

Discussed Christmas Party at LaBahia Hall on Dec 3 with no door prizes, Preparing for 75 people and gift exchange for \$10.00 and no gag gifts. Rodney checking on prices for catering. Darrell G and Jimmy Borchardt volunteered to do the cooking and desserts provided by the club members.

Meeting adjourned at 8:54pm 1st Roger Sorum and 2nd Michael Thorp

WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON....

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alfred Rodenbeck passed away on October 4th. He is the brother of **Kathryn Janner**.

Edwin Kuehn has been having some health problems.

Thank You! -- Gilbert and Kathryn Janner for hosting our October club meeting at your Hall and Museum.

TSC Show & 4-H Fundraiser

New for our club this year was a gathering of our club's old iron at the TSC Store in Brenham on October 8th. 28 club members attended with 24 bringing their antique tractors and engines for display around a corner of the parking lot. TSC is a large supporter of the 4-H clubs of Texas and the Sharecropper's pitched-in providing a "hot-dog & soft drink" lunch fundraiser to benefit 4-H. Even though the spectators were light, the club netted \$74.27 after costs and made a donation to TSC benefiting 4-H for \$100.00. Thank you Daryl & Jimmie for being the cooks! TSC was generous to provide our club with gift cards that were raffled to several lucky winners and caps for all who participated. Show your appreciation by saying "thanks" to Darrin or Jeff the next time you visit the TSC in Brenham.

Prairie Hill, St. John's "Community Fest"

The Sharecropper's club participated again with the St. John's Lutheran Church program fundraiser and was appreciative of the return invitation. The fair weather brought out just over a handful of club members with Mr. Ed Zubicek's 8N Ford tractor and Bob Sprenger's old-fashioned ice cream machine powered by an IHC 1.5 hp engine represented our club with their old iron. Since the steak dinner fundraiser was held in the late afternoon, it did not bring out the number of tractors as the first year did but plans are in work to bring back the tractor drive next year!



January 2012 Club Meeting

You will need to go to Shelby this year to get the famous "turkey stew" cooked by Edwin Kuehn and crew. The club January 2012 meeting place has been changed to the Shelby Firemen's Hall in Shelby, Texas. The meeting will commence at the normal time of 6:30 p.m. Come early if you want to see how Edwin makes the stew!!!

VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.SHARECROPPERSTX.COM

for:

- * Show & Pull Schedules
- * Special Events
- * Club Meetings
- * Exhibitor/Puller Guidelines
- * Show & Event Pictures
- * Membership Information