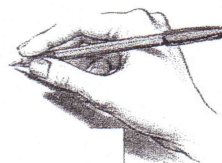


SHARECROPPER'S ANTIQUE FARM EQUIPMENT CLUB

FIRST 2012 EDITION

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER



Hello Sharecropper's Members,

With a great turn out of members and guest, we had standing room only for the wonderful turkey stew prepared by Ed Kuehn and family with great friends to assist. Also thanks to the club members that faithfully attend the meetings and bring desserts and other dishes to complete the meals.

Upcoming Events:

2nd Annual Work Shop Get-Together on February 25th from 9am-2pm at Frank Tyson's shop/pasture at 2305 Old Mill Creek Rd, Brenham, TX 77833 - Phone: (979) 251-7645.

Coffee and donuts, cold drinks - Lunch will be brought in from Nathan's BBQ (donations welcome).

2nd Annual Antique Farm Show on March 3, 2012: The Bastrop Area 4-H & FFA Livestock Show, see the website for more information, or you can contact me for a flyer or For information contact: **Reid Sharp** (512) 332-6051 or rsharp@fnbbastrop.com.

If you have any questions, suggestions or would like to see something different with the club, please contact me: (979) 277-5867 or raskatracy@gmail.com.

I look forward to a great year of tractor shows and fellowship!

Tracy Raska

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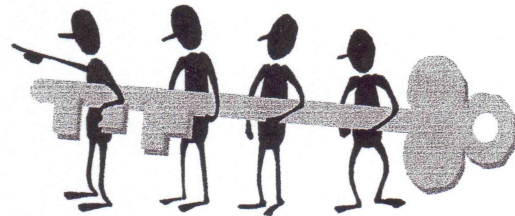
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MEMBERSHIP DUES

It's that time again to pay your membership dues. So far over 90 Sharecropper members have paid dues. The dues are the same price as last year:

Single Memberships: \$15

Family Memberships: \$25

EDGETA membership: \$10

You can go online at www.sharecropperstx.com and fill out the application and mail to:

Roger Sorum

235 Woodlands Drive

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This year I will not be doing a separate mailing to notify Sharecropper members that their dues are due. If you are **not** making any changes to your past membership just send a check to me made out to the Sharecroppers. If your membership has changed from last year for example you have a new phone number or address then please fill out a membership form and send it with your check. Call or e-mail me if you need a membership form, phone 512-304-8806.

EDGETA membership is required for the upcoming Burton Show if you show/drive/pull a tractor or show an engine. Your EDGETA card must have the 2012 sticker.

The 2012 stickers or stickers/cards for new members will be mailed out for those members who have paid for an EDGETA membership. Do not throw away your EDGETA cards because the cards can be used one year to another by just adding a new sticker.

Thanks! Roger Sorum



MEETING NOTES FROM JANUARY 27, 2012

Tracy Raska called The Sharecropper's Meeting to order at 7:12 PM on Friday, January 27, 2012. It was held at the Shelby Volunteer Fire Department Hall meeting room. New members and visitors were welcomed. There were 74 who signed the attendance sheet. Two new members were announced, Brad Voelkel & family and Charlie Cendalski. Everyone enjoyed the turkey stew and special thanks given to the preparers Edwin Kuehn and crew. Secretary minutes & treasurers report were read & approved.

Old Business: The 2012 club officers were introduced and a list with contact information was provided for anyone needing to reach any of the officers. Tracy asked for any comments on the Christmas party. Several members said they liked the new location because there was more room and that it was well liked. Two lists of the upcoming shows and events were provided by Vice-President/Safety Officer, Dustin Gross.

Club Membership fees were reviewed and Allen Neumann motioned to leave the dues as they are currently (Single person club membership at \$15/year, Family club membership at \$25/year, and EDGETA membership at \$10/year). Royce Bartels seconded this motion and the motion passed.

The 2012 funding limits for the Youth Tractor Restoration Program were discussed. Rodney Sprenger suggested decreasing the program limit a few hundred dollars and decreasing the individual award to \$200 from the current \$250. Donna Townsend motioned to keep the limits at \$250 per individual, not to exceed the \$1,000 limit for the club's program. The individual must be a member of the club through a family membership. It was defined that a family membership, according to club guidelines, included parents and any children under 18 years of age. Allen Neumann seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Tracy & Roger noted that the audit of the books had been completed thanks to Mary Ann Hueske & Corky Marshall and that everything was in order. Rodney Sprenger motioned to dismiss the audit committee & Justin Sommerfeld seconded, and the motion passed.

New Business: Tracy discussed the need to nominate three directors at-large since the club had become 501c3 incorporated. The past president and current president would fill the additional two seats. Rodney Sprenger motioned to nominate Frank Tyson for the first seat with a one year term and Donna Townsend seconded the motion and it passed. Rodney Sprenger motioned to nominate Emery Schultz for the second seat with a two year term and Hilton Thompson seconded the motion and it passed. Bobby Neumann motioned to nominate himself for the third seat with a three year term and Donna Townsend seconded the motion and it passed.

The 2012 youth tractor restoration took nominations from the floor. Candidates included Ryan Guerrero, Cory Schovajsa, and Dustin Bercaulter. Ryan was the only candidate present and discussed the project that all three boys were working on. There was some additional discussion if the candidates were actually able to participate depending on family membership status. Elizabeth and Tracy said they would check into the candidates status. Rodney Sprenger motioned to accept the candidates nominations and provide \$250/candidate based on family status and Brett Studhalter seconded and the motion passed.

A club project day was discussed. It is to be held at Frank Tyson's shed in Brenham. Members are encouraged to bring small projects such as carburetors, etc to work on during the day. Coffee and donuts will be provided and the event is to occur from 9:00am until 2:00pm. It was decided that February 25, 2012 would be a good date for most members who wanted to participate.

Events happening in the next few months were mentioned and referenced to on the preliminary show list handout. A flyer announcing a show in Bastrop on March 2-3, 2012 was provided to all those present.

The Burton Cotton Gin festival was discussed, which will be April 20-21st this year. Ronnie Holt noted that it will be a one day show, but the tractors will be allowed to practice pull Friday night. Rodney Sprenger motioned that a \$10 fee be charged for Friday night pulls and \$15 fee be charged for Saturday pulls. Royce Bartels seconded the motion and it passed.

Tracy noted the provided show lists and special shows including TSC Show & Fundraiser on March 10, 2012. Case/IH Show in conjunction with a sales promotion on March 24, 2012.

The next meeting will be April 13, 2012 at Shelby. Allen Neumann motioned the meeting to be adjourned and Hilton Thompson seconded. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.



Youth Restoration Program



The Sharecropper's club has set aside \$1,000 this year to help promote youth interested in tractor restoration. To be eligible in this program, a youth must be a member (if 18 years of age, may have individual membership or a family membership under their parents if younger than 18 years of age). An individual is eligible to receive a maximum of \$250 towards their restoration project. If interested, please contact Tracy Raska at 979-277-5867 or raskatracy@gmail.com for an application.

Wanna Get Involved???

To make the Cotton Gin festival a continued success, please consider volunteering to help. We need multiple volunteers throughout the weekend to make everything run smoothly. Consider working the exhibitors registration booth or the pull registration booth. There was interest this year in a kiddy pull, please contact Hilton Thompson (979-289-2014) if you'd be willing to help line kids up or give out prizes. There will be a hot dog supper Friday night for all those that volunteer to help. It's a great way to get involved in our club!



Workshop Get-Together

Saturday, February 25th from 9am-2pm
Frank Tyson's, 2305 Old Mill Creek Rd,
Brenham

Bring items to work on if you need some help.

Questions: call Frank 979-251-7645

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Fred & Vicki Roberts of Fayetteville

Brad Voelkel of Fayetteville

Charlie & Tracy Cendalski of Brenham

SYMPATHY

Evva Lowery, of Brenham, passed away, February 7, 2012. She and her husband, James Lowery, showed motors and were members until a couple of years ago when he passed away.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.SHARECROPPERSTX.COM for:

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

2012 Show List – Dates w/asterisks are Sharecropper sponsored events

March 2-3 Bastrop	Bastrop Area 4-H & FFA Antique Farm Show	Reid Sharp 512-332-6051 rsharp@fnbbastrop.com
March 3 Brazoria	Brazoria Heritage Day Show	979-798-9130 Shirley 979-236-1154
March 8-19 Mercedes	Rio Grande Valley Old Farm Equipment Club & Livestock Show	Fred Young 816-261-2871
March 10 Brenham	***TSC Show & Fundraiser***	Darren 979-836-9797
March 16-18 Houston	Houston Livestock Show Ag-Mechanics Tractor Restoration	
March 24 Brenham	***Case/IH Show ***	Morice 800-720-6403 or 979-830-5655
March 31 Sealy	Antique Cars, Trucks, Tractors & Farm Equipment Show with Parade	Chris Kalfmann 979-885-3511 or 979-227-3182
April 7 Temple	Texas Early Day Tractor & Engine Association Spring Gas Up	Chad Haas 254-913-7556
April 6-7 Canton	East Texas Tractor Show & Swap Meet	Jim Rigsby 214-686-0125 or jmgrigsby@jumo.com
April 14 Fredricksburg	7 th Annual Hill Country Bluebonnet Tractor Ride www.rustyiron.org	Regina Weidenfeller reginaw@fisd.org 830-990-8551
April 21 Burton	***23 rd Annual Cotton Gin Festival *** Tractor Pull & Show	Rodney Sprenger 713-806-9174
April 21 Bastrop	Yesterfest Pioneer Day www.bastropdba.com/yesterfest	Debbie Denny 512-321-2557 x15
May 5 Taylor	Taylorzest Fest	Deby Lannen 512-352-3675 x36
May 5 Brenham	Dan Borchgardt's 7 th Annual Tractor Ride	Dan Borchgardt 979-836-2673 or 979-830-7953
May 12 Ledbetter	***Harvest & Plow Day***	Rodney Read 979-249-5795
June 2 Snook	Snookfest	Georgia Kovar 979-272-8787
June 2-3 Floresville	South Texas Old Iron Club Show & Pull	Mike Tessman 830-254-3253
June 8-9 Fredricksburg	The Hill Country Antique Tractor & Engine Club Show (www.rustyiron.org)	Jason Jenschke 830-685-3344 or 830-889-2001 Brian Roeder 830-997-5962 or 830-889-5810
June 16 El Campo	Ricebelt Show & Pull <i>Benefitting Disabled Vets</i>	Debbie Chappell 979-543-4215
June 24 Wallis	Brazos FFA Tractor Show Restoration Competition	Jason Hill 979-478-6012
July 4 Round Top	**July 4 th Celebration & Parade**	Ronnie Sacks 979-249-3168

July 14 Sealy	Sealybration www.sealyevents.com	Kristin Haidusek 281-610-0577
July 28 Industry	Volunteer Fire Department Fundraiser – Show	Dustin Gross 979-357-2131 or 979-277-2885
August 18 Shelby	***Keith Bartels Memorial Scholarship*** <i>Tractor Drive</i>	Royce Bartels 979-836-9426 or 979-251-2562
August 24-25 Fredricksburg	Hill Country AT&GEC Show	Jason Jenschke 830-685-3344 or 830-889-2001 Brian Roeder 830-997-5962 or 830-889-5810
September 7-8 Columbus	Colorado County Fair www.coloradocountyfair.org	Keith Potter 979-733-0074
September 8 Caldwell	Kolache Festival	Jason Sebesta 979-272-4084
September 9 Industry	**West End Lions Club Show**	Edwin Kuehn 979-357-2295
September 15 Gonzales	First Shot Engine, Tractor & Operators Games	Bob Day 830-437-2753
September 15 Hamilton	Antique Tractor & Engine Show & Pull	Wayne Craig 254-386-5896
September 18-22 Brenham	Washington County Fair www.washingtoncofair.com	Fair Office 979-836-4112
September 27-30 New Braunsfels	Comal County Fair Tractor Show & Pull	Fair Office 1-830-625-1505
October 6 Dime Box	Homecoming Show & Parade	Sharon Brown 979-540-9172
October 6 New Ulm	Oktoberfest Parade, Show & Antique Cars	Vicky Denyer 281-851-9086
October 6-7 Temple	41st Annual Texas Early Day Tractor & Engine Association Show	George Elliot 254-718-3528 Chad Haas 254-913-7556
October 13 Yorktown	Western Days & Parade	Cyndy Hbrecht 361-645-2635
October 14 Fayetteville	Fayetteville Licksillet Day <i>Parade ONLY</i>	Chamber of Commerce 1-800-575-4553
October 14 Bellville	Austin County Fair Tractor Show	Freddie Engelbrecht 832-671- 0116 or 979-478-6528 Allen Kaminski 979-639-8947
October 27 Richmond	Texian Market Days Tractor Pull	George Ranch Office 281-343-0218
October 28 Flatonia	Czhilispiel <i>Parade ONLY</i>	Chamber of Commerce 361-865-3920
January 12, 2013 Hallettsville	Kickoff Show & Pull	Mark Hermes 361-772-4619

Upcoming 2012 Club Meetings

April 13, 2012 - 2Q Meeting

Location: Shelby VFD, Fireman's Hall

Shelby, Texas Time: 6:30 p.m.

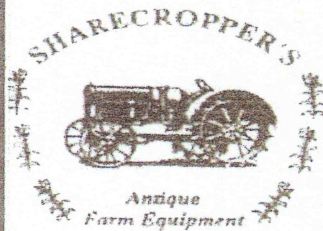
Agenda: Planning meeting for "Burton
Cotton gin Festival"

July 20, 2012 - 3Q Meeting

Location: Shelby VFD, Fireman's Hall

Shelby, Texas Time: 6:30 p.m.

Agenda: Upcoming Memorial Fundraiser's



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