

SHOP TALK



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COMING EVENTS

Next Meeting
November 20, 2008

Shows

January 8-10, 2009
Rio Grande Valley Old Farm Equipment Club Show + RV Show, Mercedes, TX

February 13-14, 2009
Glen Rose Antique Tractor & Machinery Club 8th Annual Winter Show, Glen Rose, TX

WORDS OF WISDOM FROM B.S.

If you were not able to attend the October meeting you missed a good one. Many things are happening as always at the end of our year! It is the time when the Club winds things down from last year and begins to start everything anew. The seasons come and go, but you could say this is our springtime. New committees are nominated, the change of Board of Directors will be elected in November, and by January everything for the coming year is set.

Four terms on the Board of Directors are available for election. Of these four, three incumbents have agreed to remain on the Board. The slate is as follows: Kenneth Treibs, Jason Jenschke, Brian Roeder, and Regina Weidenfeller. During the November 20 meeting other candidates may come from the floor. Roberts Rules of Order will govern the election process. If you

are able please attend this very important meeting to participate in the election process. Deciding on the individuals who make the day-to-day, and month-to-month decisions of our club is a responsibility and choice that every member has. Your support and guidance helps these members guide our club to continue growing in the positive direction it has during the last five years.

An Audit Committee was also formed. These three members will go through all the banking transactions and report to the members their findings at the February meeting. Members who volunteered are Shannon Burke, Cliff Ingold, and Regina Weidenfeller.

Before we start on the annual show we must focus on our tractor ride. It happens April 11. Three possible routes were discussed, but I learned CONT P. 2

NOMINATING COMMITTEE PRESENTS SLATE

The Nominating Committee presented a slate of three candidates to fill the four upcoming vacancies on the Board of Directors. Three current members, Jason Jenschke, Brian Roeder, and Kenneth Treibs, agreed to run for re-election. Regina Weidenfeller was nominated from the floor for the fourth spot. This slate will be voted on at the November election. Nominations from the floor may be made at that meeting provided the nominee is either present and agrees to serve if elected or has submitted a letter agreeing to the same.

Following the elections the newly constituted Board meets and elects officers—President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

this week that the Cherry Springs School cannot be used due to lack of parking space. The school has only 2 acres. They are currently updating the facilities, but the lack of off-highway parking is a safety problem. Anyone who has a suggestion for a route please contact me. We need to get information available on our website as soon as possible.

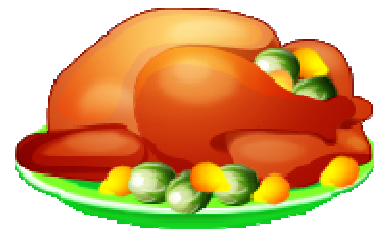
A Program Committee was also named by the Board. These individuals will plan and organize the annual show. The Vice President of the BOD chairs this committee. They will have their work cut out for them. At this time Brent Kramer is chair; members are Kay Allen, Boots Follmer, Cliff Ingold, Owen Meredith, Glenn Thompson, and Buddy Webber. There are quite a number of members who have helped make the annual show happen in the past. I am sure this committee is looking forward to all of you doing the same great job you have done before by doing it again. Any member of the Program Committee will be glad to hear from you.

This is something I don't have to start reminding members about—the annual show! We are sponsoring the National EDGE&TA show for 2009. This is a privilege and quite an accomplishment for our club. EDGE&TA started in 1957, awarding clubs branch numbers as they joined. We are Branch #66. Granbury beat us out as the longest member club in Texas by being Branch #43. There are 194 branches at present, so we are in the top 100. EDGE&TA is a good organization to be a member of, and we are lucky to be a part of this group. I was a Club member when discussion and re-discussion about joining took place, and I am proud to say I voted for it then. There are Club members who thought it was a good idea before we joined and still hold their allegiance and EDGE&TA membership with Granbury. Everyone needs to help us with this very important show we are planning.

Enough of my words; you know what you need to do now! See you November 20 (Don't forget this is the 3rd Thursday because of Thanksgiving.) If I don't see you at this meeting enjoy good holidays and family time. We have no meeting in December, so I will see you next year. **Becky**



Thanksgiving



FOR SALE & WANTED

Wanted: John Deere: Unrestored unstyled A/B with loose engine, bad wheels/tires, complete, prefer running. 10/12 spline removable hubs. Steel wheels (including extra wide) -R/other. Contact: Monk Ivicic 254-657-2678. Holland, TX

NEWSLETTER GUIDELINES

- Ads will be placed on a space-available basis.
- Ads must be related to the Club's purpose and activities.
- Ads must be personal/individual, not commercial.
- Ads must be renewed every month.
- The Editor has discretion as to length and suitability. To meet the publication deadline ads must be received by the Editor no later than the first day of the month.

YOUTH ENCOURAGEMENT PROGRAM (YEP)

Recently members of the Board of Directors, noting that most members of the Club are as old or older than their antique iron, decided that they needed to do something to recruit some more youthful members. To do this they have approved the Youth Encouragement Program (YEP).

Purpose

To encourage and assist young people who are interested in the history and restoration of farm equipment to pursue their interest and projects.

Components:

1. Complimentary Club membership to students involved in high school FFA , 4-H, or similar agriculture mechanics programs;
2. Featured display location for project tractors/equipment at the annual show;
3. List of club members who are willing to provide technical assistance and knowledge upon request..

Guidelines:

The following guidelines will govern the YEP.

To be eligible for complimentary membership the youth must be a member of an organized agriculture mechanics program sponsored by a school or recognized youth organization. The program adult sponsor must sign and validate the membership application.

Although parents and other family members will be encouraged to join the Club, only the youth whose application has been validated will be eligible for complimentary membership. Membership eligibility must be renewed annually.

The Club Show Chair and/or Tractor Master will determine where and how the featured location for YEP tractors will be located and set up at the annual show.

The Club will compile a list of members who are willing to serve as technical experts/mentors to YEP members. It will be published in the newsletter as well as being given to the YEP member when he/she joins.

Limitations: Hill Country Antique Tractor & Engine Club assumes no responsibility for the technical assistance provided by members. Further, other than standard liability involved with annual show activities, the Club will assume no liability for incidents that may occur in conjunction with the YEP.

Club members can contribute to the success of the YEP in several ways:

☺ Sign up to be a mentor or technical expert. Expertise may be for a particular make of tractor or engine, a specific mechanical part or process, etc. The most important qualification for helping is the desire to share knowledge with a young person.

☺ Encourage eligible young people to become Club members.

☺ Pass on information about the HCAT&EC YEP to agriculture mechanics teachers, adult leaders, and sponsors. Brochures and membership applications will be available soon.

If you are willing to be on the mentor/technical expert list please contact a Board member. Also, pass on any other ideas or suggestions for improving the youth program.

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**2009 Annual Show—June 12, 13,
14 (National EDGE&TA)**

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NEXT MEETING

November 20, 2008

7:00 pm

Exhibit Hall

Gillespie County Fairgrounds



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