



Newsletter

of the Badger Steam & Gas Engine Club

Winter, 2017

Baraboo, Wisconsin

Annual Meeting February 26

St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Baraboo has once again agreed to provide the space for our annual meeting. There is an ample parking lot behind the church, and the meeting room is accessible to all from the parking lot. The church will be open at 1pm., and the meeting starts promptly at 2 p.m. There is an official meeting notice and financial report included with this newsletter, with driving directions, the agenda and Club calendar on the same sheet. Please bring it with you for reference during the meeting.

Business at the meeting will include discussion of all fees, i.e. gate admission, flea market space rental fees, shingle price, etc. There is a proposal for a new storage building to be discussed (see next article). Other business may be introduced from the floor. There will be reports and announcements regarding other activities of the Club. Information about the Club Bus Trip will also be available (see p. 2 of this newsletter).

When the business meeting adjourns, the election of officers will be held. This year all current officers are willing to return to office. This time, Paul Hasheider's directorship is up for vote. The Nominating Committee this year is composed of Committee Chair Tom Ripp (608)234-1111, Paul Grotophorst (608)355-1000, Jim McGhee (608)574-4607, and Al Riddle (608)742-6282. If you are interested in running for office, or wish to nominate somebody, please contact one of the Nominating Committee members before the meeting if possible. Nominations from the floor may also be made during the election. Elected board members are *not* compensated and give freely of their time making

decisions in the best interest of the Badger Steam and Gas Engine Club.

When the messy business of politics is over, we will adjourn to a potluck meal, so please bring a dish to pass. Before and after the meeting, the Book Store has tables full of items for sale. Bumper stickers, trifolds, swap meet flyers and posters for the 2017 show will likely all be available, as well as show directories. You can also sign up for the Club Trip, and visit with friends you haven't seen since the show.

Proposal for New Storage Building

Jim Turner and Paul Grotophorst have proposed a new storage building as follows. This will be discussed at the annual meeting.

Dec 26, 2016

Tractor "condo" storage building concept for Baraboo Steam and Gas Club.

Some ideas have been kicked around. Estimate is for materials and labor to build a 60x100' building with 14' door clearance. It would be similar in size to current bundle building. Doors would be on the side walls and provide access to virtual stalls or bays. Every other door would hang on the outside of wall, the next would hang on the inside of wall. There would not be any dividers or center posts.

We are leaning towards half bays being 16x30' or 20x30'. If you needed the whole length of 16x60 or 20x60 you would pay for 2 half bays. Doors would be either 16' or 20' wide. Depending on building configuration, (all 16' bays, or all 20' or mixture) prices will change.

16x30 \$6984.00

20x30 \$8235.00 to 8700.00

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We would like to measure the interest by members to move this project forward. Members would pay for the bay they intend to use for exhibit storage. The intent is that the building costs be covered by the actual users, not the club.

Benefits:

- you have a designated storage area for your exhibits after the show.
- you don't have to move other member's equipment to get access to yours.
- as long as you are an active member with working exhibits, the space is yours.
- cement is not being considered yet. Might be possible for those that want it to pay extra and install on one end of building?

Other:

- Club owns it, can reassign space upon your passing, or no longer active member.
- Could stay with your next generation if they are active in club.
- Possible site is between bundle building and horse barn.
- We would appreciate your interest and comments.

JT and PG

Engine and Tractors Needed for Spring Auction
The spring auction is Saturday, May 6 at 10 a.m.

At the January meeting, Mark Beard said that there have not been many engines or tractors offered for the auction. If you have items you want to sell, contact him *soon* so they can be included in advertising, and so photos can be included as well. Remember, only allowable items such as steam/gas engines, engine related parts, tractors, tractor related parts or implements, and related documentation or literature will be accepted. *No household goods, appliances, etc. will be accepted.* No items will be accepted for consignment on the day of the sale. All items will be sold. Call Mark at (608)355-6115.

19th Annual Swap Meet Information

The 2017 swap meet will begin with setup day on Thursday, May 4, and continue through Sunday, May 7. Admission is free, as always. Outdoor selling space cost remains at \$25 per load, indoor space is \$4.00 per foot. Indoor space is limited. Contact Robert J. Mattson or Robert D. Mattson (608)393-3021 for more information.

Welcome New Members

Membership Secretary Crystal Hasheider reported two new members since the Fall newsletter. They are Tim Herbrand, Sauk City, and Lisa Zelt, Reedsburg.

11th Annual Bus Trip Is March 29

This year we will be returning to Milwaukee. Our first stop will be at the **Basilica of St. Josaphat**, which is a magnificent building constructed from salvaged material from the Chicago Post Office. Construction was completed in 1901. The building bears no resemblance to the old Post Office; its design is based on St. Peter's in Rome. In its early years, the only larger dome was on the national capitol. It is still the largest church in Milwaukee, seating over 1000, with more standing room in the galleries. During our picnic lunch stop at Pere Marquette Park on Old World Third Street, we will be able to shop at **Usinger's and the Spice House**, so please feel free to bring coolers. There will be room under the bus for them, if needed. After lunch, we will go to the **Harley Davidson Museum**, where we will have two tour options (see below), and after we are done at the Harley Museum, we will eat dinner at the Old Country Buffet in Greenfield before heading back home.

The two tour options at the Harley Davidson Museum are as follows: the first option is an unguided or self-guided tour; you go through the museum at your own pace. The second option is a

guided tour which will cost you another \$20. This tour is a “behind the scenes” tour, where you will be in the area where bikes and other items not on display can be seen. We must have a minimum of 12 people for this tour. I also need a head count at least 2 weeks before this tour, and I must make the payment one week before the tour.

The total cost of the bus tour is **\$70.00 or \$90.00**, depending on which Harley Davidson option you choose. Both tours include the bus, admission fees, lunch, dinner, taxes, tips. We will be using a 38 passenger bus for the tour again, like we had for the Iowa trip last fall, and we need a minimum of 35 passengers to have the tour. The bus will leave from Baraboo, probably pick up at CS & I90/94, and maybe another pickup or two if needed. Lunch will be from the Baraboo Subway. Cameras are permitted at both the Basilica and at the Harley Davidson Museum. Also, Wednesday is a Senior discount day at Usinger’s.

Please contact Louise Coates (608)764-5563 if you have questions or want to sign up. Payment at this time would be appreciated. A more detailed info sheet will be available at the annual meeting also.

Howard Larsen Memorial Benches

A pair of very nice benches was donated in memory of Club member Harold C. Larsen, who passed away in December, 2015. They occupy the office porch during the show. Thank you, Larson family.



Photo by Crystal Hasheider

Deaths:

Eugene Becker, age 83, of Burlington, WI (Randall Township) died Saturday, December 3, 2016. He was born on May 19, 1933 in Chicago, IL, the son of the late Joseph and Edna Wertley Becker. In May, 1960, Eugene was united in marriage to Barbara J. Lasco. He moved to the Twin Lakes area 67 years ago. He served in the U.S. Army. He worked for the Twin Lakes Department of Public Works, then for Richmond High School, and later retired as a plastic molder for Intermatic Corp. of Spring Grove, IL. He was a member of the Twin Lakes Volunteer Fire Dept., and a founding member of the Twin Lakes Rescue Squad in 1949. He was a member of our Club since 1991, and he enjoyed all old engines. He was also a member of the S.E. Wisconsin Antique Power and Collectibles Society in Union Grove. He is survived by his wife, Barbara; a son, Brian (Jenny) Becker of Marquette, MI; grandson Brad (Trisha), and great grandchildren, Kylie and Tristan. He was preceded in death by his sister, Jacqueline.

William McGowan, age 54, of McFarland, WI passed away on Tuesday, November 8, 2016. He was born on May 17, 1962 in Mauston, WI, the son of James and Anna (Doran) McGowan. Throughout his life, Bill was dedicated to helping others. He worked as a mechanic at Kayser in Madison, an EMT in McFarland, and as a Sheriff’s Deputy in Dane County, where he was known as “Beltline Bob”. A Club member since 2007, he enjoyed spending time with his family restoring tractors and being actively involved in various Club activities, including the Pop Stand. He also volunteered at the church, Justice for a Cure, Shop With a Cop, Safety Saturday, and the Special Olympics. Bill is survived by his wife, Karin; daughter, Clara; son, Orie; parents, James and Anna McGowan of Lyndon Station; brothers, James P.(Vicki) of Lyndon Station, David of Kansas City, MO, and Dan of Lyndon Station; sisters, Ann (Alan) Taylor of Nekoosa, Kathy Bermeo of Lyndon Station, Marlene McGowan of Chicago, IL, and Charlene

(Mark) Winchell of Holmen, WI, as well as many nieces, nephews, and friends. He was preceded in death by his grandparents and beloved sister-in-law, Joanne Largen.

Membership Meeting Reports:

November 16, 2016

About 38 people were present. The minutes and treasurer report were read. The Membership Secretary reported the passing of two members, and two new members joining. It was reported that the banquet had less attendance this year. Allen Steele and Mark Hellenbrand worked on cleaning up more stumps from the parking lot area to the north. Louise Coates reported that everyone on the Club trip had a great time. Warren Knaub will be a contact person for the Oliver feature. It was discussed to set up return envelopes for the banquet to help increase attendance.

January 18, 2017

About 32 members were present. After the Secretary's Report and the Treasurer's reports, the nominating committee was chosen. Tom Ripp, Al Riddle, Paul Grotophorst and Jim McGhee will all serve on the committee. All current officers will be running again, and Paul Hasheider's Directorship is the one up for vote. Allen Steele and Jerry Phelps are working on the South Gate ticket booth over the winter. Stump burning on the north patch of land will be delayed until equipment is available. A new storage building was proposed by Jim Turner and Paul Grotophorst. People who want to store tractors, etc. would pay for the building, which would possibly be located between the Bundle Wagon building and the horse Barn. (see p. 1 for more info). It was suggested a roster for workers/volunteers be created. Louise Coates shared information about the 2017 spring bus trip. A motion was made to dedicate the 2018 show book to Crystal and Paul Hasheider. MC. Ralph Pierce

shared some new information on Wisconsin Tractors. Mark Beard stated that tractors and gas engines are needed for the spring auction. Kids Day is May 19.

Club Calendar and Dates to Remember

Membership Meeting Dates: Meetings begin at 8 p.m. **March 15, April 19, May 17, June 21, July 19, August 9, September 20, November 15, 2017, and January 17, 2018.** Membership Meetings are held at the Baraboo Civic Center, 124 Second St., Baraboo, WI in Room 18 (south end of hall) from November through April. From May through September, meetings are held in the Women's Events Building at the show grounds on Sand Road. Executive Board meetings are held at 7 p.m. on membership meeting evenings in the same room, if members care to attend.

Annual Meeting – February 26, 2017

11th Annual Spring Bus Trip - March 29, 2017

19th Annual Swap Meet – May 5, 6 & 7, 2017

Swap Setup begins Thurs., May 4

Auction – sale begins May 6 at 10 a.m.

Kids Day – May 19, 2017

54th Annual Show – August 18, 19 & 20, 2017

John Deere GP Rally – September 8-9, 2017

Exhibitor Banquet – October 14, 2017 (tentative)

Contact Information for the Executive Board

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