

Middlecreek Valley Antique Association Inc.



Fall/Winter Newsletter

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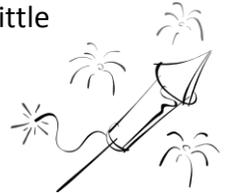
Dear Member,



It is so hard to believe that another year is almost over. This has been another busy year for the Association members with making chips at different events in the area, having two shows and all of the improvements to the grounds and buildings.

On June 30th some of the members got together and went out to a local field to binder wheat. We were able to get three wagon loads to use for our threshing demonstrations during the fall show.

The next event was the Fourth of July "Just for fun" campout weekend. It would have been a little better if it was a little cooler though, with the temperatures in the 90's and lots of humidity it was hot, but we made it through and everyone had a good time. The food was excellent and so were the fireworks on Saturday night. The Association appreciates all of the donations that continue to make it possible to have the fireworks show, the chicken barbeque, corn on the cob and all of the other food, supplies and time. These items were donated so that everyone could gather together to socialize, relax and have a good time. On behalf of the Association, thank you all for your continued support so that all of the members can come together to enjoy these events.



THANK YOU

While we are on the subject of donations, there are several members that have donated a lot this year and they need to be recognized for their support to this Organization. These good folks donate a ton of time, money, fuel, wear and tear on their own vehicles and wear and tear on themselves to help this club continue to survive and grow. From maintaining the grounds, buildings and equipment to buying and supplying food and supplies for the events and workers, we cannot thank you all enough for what you have done and what you continue to do for this Organization. THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

After the camp out was over, the following weekend some members got together to start drilling holes for the posts for the pavilion expansion. Eight post holes were drilled and the posts were set and braced. On July 28th, we were back at it, building and setting the roof trusses and a few pieces of metal roofing were also put into place.

One evening the following week, a couple of our members and a bunch of members from the Masonic Temple in Selinsgrove gathered to finish the roof and close in the gable end. This was all finished just in time for our fall show. Special thanks goes out to all of the Selinsgrove Masons that came out to help us.

This summer, the Salem Lutheran Church, just up the road from the show grounds, remodeled their picnic pavilion and replaced all of their picnic tables. We were lucky enough to be able to get the old tables from them. Some members got together on a Saturday and went over these tables, adding new wood braces and legs and now these tables are a perfect fit under our new pavilion.



The next event was the fall show. It was another great show with two beautiful days of weather and lots of activities going on for the crowd to see. There were a total of 115 registered tractors and equipment at the show which included: 32 John Deere, 23 Farmall/Internationals, 27 Oliver's, 6 Allis-Chalmers, 4 Massey-Harris', 3 Case, 3 Huber's, 1 Ferguson, 1 Minneapolis Moline, 1 Leader, 1 Cockshutt, 1 Auto-Dodge, 6 Garden Tractors and 6 steam engines which included; the Aultman & Taylor, 2 Frick, Reeves, Farquhar and Nichols and Shepard.

Throughout the weekend there were lots of activities going on like the truck and tractor pulls, tractor square dancing by the Middlecreek Tractor Swingers, threshing and baling demonstrations, sawmill and shingle mill demonstrations and of course our entertainment on Saturday night by Covert Action. There were also steam engine rides on the Pleasant Valley Express and horse drawn wagon rides, Flea Market and Craft Vendors and lots of great tasting food. We hope you all had the chance to come out to enjoy the show. Unfortunately, Sunday was a washout, so this gave us the chance to spend the day cleaning up from the show.

I know I put this in every newsletter, but, it takes lots of people a lot of time and energy to put on these shows and we can't do it without everyone coming together and helping out. From all of the folks that help out at the tractor pulling track and to all of those who pull, to everyone that brings tractors, engines and equipment, everyone that works so hard in the food buildings, to all of the food vendors, flea market and craft vendors, to everyone that helps out in the demonstrations and to everyone that helps set up and clean up. THANK YOU all very much!

On September 22nd, members got together at the Selinsgrove Market Street Festival to make potato chips. We made 29 bags or 1450 pounds of potatoes. There was a great crowd at the street fair and by around 1 o'clock, folks were standing in line waiting for the chips to come out of the kettles. You can't get any fresher chips than that! A big thank you goes out to everyone that came out to help with the street fair. We couldn't have done it without you.



After the street fair, the members decided that it was time to start working on the barn.

After many years of talking about it, we finally started. We fired up the sawmill and cut new floor joists and plank for the floor and then we got together and removed the old flooring in the back of the barn and replaced the joists. On November 10th, some members got together again and put the new floor down and now it is finished. We can now get some of the wagons and equipment back there to make more room to store all of the things that we have sitting outside.

Now that the floor is finished, we can start working on the outside of the barn and then maybe someday in the near future, we can get the barn painted.

We also have to get our new barbeque pit built that will go under the old section of the pavilion and we have a couple of wagons that need new beds made for them. This will take a lot of time and a lot of work, but with the help of our members, it can get done.

Mark Your Calendars

- Richfield's "Christmas in the Park"- November 24th, 2012
- MVAA and BVAMA Annual Christmas Banquet- December 8th, 2012
- 17th Annual Spring Show- May 17, 18, 19, 2013
- 17th Annual Fall Show- August 23, 24, 25, 2013



If you were able to make it to the fall show, you might have seen how small the Flea Market was. After so many years of bad weather and other shows going on in the area, our Flea Market has diminished. After a lot of discussion at our meetings, it has now been decided that we are going to be eliminating the space fee for the Flea Market area and doing a donation only for the spaces. We hope that this will help bring in more Flea Market and Craft vendors and some yard sale items as well. The more vendors we can get, the more people we can attract to the shows. If you have anything you want to sell, get together with your neighbors and come to the show and do a community yard sale. There will be entertainment, food and plenty of SAFE places to park and look around. If you would like more information about the Flea Market and Craft Vendor area or you might be interested in doing a community yard sale, please contact Ira Lessman at (570) 374-6591, write to: Middlecreek Valley Antique Association, 798 South Front Street, Selinsgrove, PA 17870 or you can find our vendor contracts on our website (www.mvaapa.org) under the Vendors page.

If you know of someone that would like to become a member or you have a question about your membership, please contact our Treasurer, Michael Smith at (570) 374-9108 or you can always mail your dues to him at 104 Oak Lane, Middleburg, PA 17842. Our dues are still the same, \$6.00 per person, \$8.00 per couple and \$10.00 per family with children under the age of 18.

Just as a reminder to the members that attend our membership meetings, there will be no regular meetings held in December. Our next regular membership meeting will be held on January 8th. If any of you are interested in attending a meeting but can't get there, just send me your e-mail address and I can send you the minutes from the meetings so you can keep up to date on what's happening with the Association or you can always find the meeting minutes on our website under the Members page.

NEW We will be having a special meeting on December 4th to discuss a new event that will be taking place at our spring show. We are going to be having the SUN Area Dairy Princess Pageant at our show. We are very excited about this new event and this should be a great way to draw a lot of people to the show. They are planning on having their pageant, milking contests, cheese tasting, kids pedal pulls, games and their free ice cream sundaes. There are still a lot of details to go over, so I will have more information about this new event in our spring newsletter.



During the meeting held on November 13th, we had our election of Officers and Trustees. The results are as follows: President: Carl Landis, Vice President: Michael Lessman, Secretary: Michael Clark, Treasurer: Michael Smith and the two Trustees are: Donald Athey and Mark Cromley. Please give these folks your continued support in the upcoming year.

Many of you have seen or even had a ride in our barrel train at the shows. One of the men that designed and built that barrel train was Mr. Ralph Musser. He was the train engineer for many years and loved every minute of it. Unfortunately, last year in October, Ralph passed away. His family would like everyone to know about a public sale that will be held next year in April. Here is the information: On April 6, 2013 there will be a public sale of the tools and older farm machinery of the late Ralph Musser. No tractors will be sold. Directions - take Route 35 from the southern end of Selinsgrove (at Selinsgrove Speedway). Go 1.5 miles and the sale will be on the right.



I would again like to thank everyone for their continued support, commitment, donations and help throughout the year and I look forward to working with and seeing everyone in the New Year. I would also like to wish everyone a safe and warm winter and a blessed holiday season.

Sincerely,

Michael Clark

Michael Clark, Secretary
Middlecreek Valley Antique Association Inc.

A Word From Buffalo Valley Antique Machinery Association



Dear Friends,

“Thank You” for celebrating Buffalo Valley Antique Machinery Association’s 27th Anniversary Year. The week end was busy with exhibits, demonstrations, tractor pulls, etc. Music by the Gospel Strings provided melodies we all enjoyed. The Memorial Award was presented to Dale and Donna Buckley for their dedicated time to the organization. The church service was enjoyed by those attending with Bill Renno presenting the word.

January 1st we have our traditional New Year’s Day pull (weather permitting). The website is www.bvama.net - please view and enjoy as time permits.

Officers for 2013 are: President, Pete Wertman; Vice President, Mark Cromley; Secretary, Janet Mincemoyer; Assistant Secretary, John Bush, Jr.; Treasurer, Walter Katherman, Jr. and Assistant Treasurer, Cathy Katherman. Please give them your support. As Secretary of Buffalo Valley Antique Machinery Association I would like to “Thank” everyone involved in making our 27th Annual Autumn Exhibit a success.

Janet Mincemoyer, Secretary



Christmas Banquet Invitation

The Middlecreek Valley Antique Association and Buffalo Valley Antique Machinery Association will join together again this year on December 8th, 2012 to hold our 16th Annual Christmas Banquet. This banquet will be taking place in the banquet hall of the Grace Covenant Community Church on North Shuman Street in Middleburg.

The doors will open at 4:30 PM and we will eat at 6:00 PM. The drinks, dinnerware, and two kinds of meat (Turkey and Beef) will be provided by the Associations, we just need side dishes and desserts. There are lots of good cooks and bakers in both Associations, so PLEASE bring a dish to share.

Please Note that the Christmas banquet is for current members. If you would like to attend and are not currently paid up to date, members of the MVAA, please send your dues to our Treasurer, Michael Smith at 104 Oak Lane, Middleburg, PA 17842, or if you are a member of BVAMA, please send your dues to Buffalo Valley's Secretary, Janet Mincemoyer at 79 Houser Lane, Watsonstown, PA 17777. If you forget to send in your dues, that's OK, you can still pay them at the banquet.

Again this year, we will be holding our annual Christmas gift auction. The money raised by the auction goes to both Associations to help pay for the banquet supplies and the rental of the banquet hall. In order for the auction to work, we will need gifts to auction off. Please bring a Christmas gift (wrapped) for the auction. Please do not bring prank or gag gifts to be auctioned off.



If you wish to bring a gift for a child, please mark it "For a Boy" or "For a Girl" and maybe the age group. If you bring a gift that is quite valuable, please let the auctioneer know so he doesn't sell it for less than it is worth.

Again this year, both Associations would again like to give each child (12 years of age and younger) that attends this banquet, a Christmas gift. We will need to know the name, age, and whether a boy or girl, of each child. We will need this information by no later than December 1st, so there will be enough time to shop for the gifts. THIS IS IMPORTANT, we want every child to receive a gift, so, no matter which Association you are a member of, please mail, call or e-mail this information to me. (This information is at the top of the newsletter)

New Information, Please Read

This year we are going to do things a little different. We are NOT going to have any RSVP's which means, you do not have to call, e-mail or phone anyone that you will be attending. We are going to set up for the same amount that have been attending for the past several years. The only information that we need this year is for the kids gifts.

I would again like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season and I am looking forward to seeing you at the Christmas Banquet.

Sincerely,

Michael Clark

Directions: Grace Covenant Community Church, 99 North Shuman Street in Middleburg. If you are going South on Route 522 from Selinsgrove, North Shuman Street is the first street on the right past the Middleburg High School (high school will be on your left). If you are going North on Route 522 from McClure, North Shuman Street will be the first street on the left past Center Street (Center Street will be on your right).



Christmas Banquet Hosted by Middlecreek Valley Antique Association and Buffalo Valley Antique Machinery Association

Name and age of child/children 12 years of age and under that will be attending:

Name: _____

Age: _____

(Circle one) Boy / Girl

Name: _____

Age: _____

(Circle one) Boy / Girl

Remember, you can always find us on Facebook