Middlecreek Valley Antique Association Inc.

Spring Newsletter

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Dear Member,

I hope that everyone has been enjoying the mild winter and the warm spring this year. Let's just hope that we will get lucky this year with some good weather for all of the events that we will be having and attending.

We will start this newsletter off with the Longaberger Basket Bingo that was held on November 18th. First, we need to thank everyone that came out to help with the bingo and also to everyone that came out to play. Unfortunately, we will no longer be having the basket bingo parties. Over the past couple of bingos, the number of folks coming out to play and the profit that the club was getting has been going down. At this last bingo party, the Association made a profit of \$86.00. At this rate, the members feel that the Association can no longer afford to hold the basket bingos, so, at the meeting held in January, the members made a motion to stop the basket bingo parties. We are looking into doing another fund raiser though. The members have discussed doing a Vera Bradley Bingo or trying to have a gun and money raffle. Over the next several months, the members will have a lot to discuss on what we want to do for a fund raiser and how we want to do it. So, with that said, on behalf of the Middlecreek Valley Antique Association's Officers and Trustees, I would like to thank everyone that has attended and helped with the bingos since the beginning. THANK YOU all for your support!

On November 26th, the Association went out to Richfield's Basom Park to the "Christmas in the Park" event to make potato chips. The weather was very nice which helped bring in a big crowd. We ended up going through all 25 bags or 1,250 pounds of potatoes and we sold out of chips before the event was over. Thank you to everyone that came out to buy the chips and a big thank you to everyone that came out to help. You all did a great job!

December 10th was another busy day. There was a crew at the show grounds making scrapple, another group preparing the meats for the Christmas Banquet and a group at the Banquet Hall setting up for the banquet. The 15th Annual Christmas Banquet was another big success and there was a big turnout of members too. There were over 220 members in attendance at the Banquet along with lots of great tasting food and lots of gifts for the auction.

Thank you to everyone that helped make the 15th Annual Christmas Banquet a big success and a big THANK YOU to everyone that brought food and gifts and especially to everyone that participated in the auction. Thank you for helping support the Middlecreek Valley Antique Association and the Buffalo Valley Antique Machinery Association. Hope you all had a great time!

Since the weather has been nice this winter, some members have been getting together to do some work at the show grounds. Because our new Track Side Food Stand was such a big success and we had the opportunity to get a pizza oven for the stand, it was decided to make the stand bigger. We have added around 10 more feet to the building giving the workers a lot more room to work. A new water line is also in the works and is to be run to the announcers stand and to the Track Side Food Stand. If things go well, this should be finished before the Spring Show.

During our meeting held in January, the members discussed redoing the Bar-B-Q pit which is located by the pavilion. It was decided to make the pit big enough to hold 4 racks and the roof big enough to cover the entire pit which would be around 20 feet long and 12 feet wide. This project might take place later on this year.

This is going to be another busy year for the Association. This spring, members will be heading to Milton on April 21st to the Kuhns Brothers, American Heritage Crafters Outlets "Spring Celebration" to make chips and fries. We hope that this year there will be no rain for this event. For more information about this event, you can visit www.kuhnsbrosoutlets.com or www.visitcentralpa.org. After that event we will be holding our 16th Annual Spring Show on May 18th, 19th and 20th. Then we will be trying a new event this year in Lewisburg at the "Days Gone By" Antique Tractor, Car and Truck Show to be held on June 9th and 10th starting at 10:00 AM each day. We will be making fries and possibly chips. It is located just off of Route 45 on Salem Church Road in Lewisburg. There is free parking and admission. So, come on out and see what it's all about!

As you can see, we will be very busy and will be in need of lots of help. So, if you can, please come out to lend a hand or come out to help support these events. It would be very much appreciated.

Speaking of the Spring Show, if anyone can come out to help, there will be lots to do during the show and the week of the show. The grass will need mowed and trimmed, the food building will need to be cleaned and organized, picnic tables cleaned and tents and canopies put up. We also will be in need of some help in the food building for breakfast and the rest of the day as well, all three days of the show. As always, any help from our members is always appreciated. Remember, a club or organization is only as strong as its members.

Please spread the word that we have booked Covert Action for both the Spring and Fall Shows again this year. They will perform on Saturday, May 19th at 5 PM and Saturday, August 25th at 5 PM. Hopefully the weather will cooperate this year so we can bring in a big crowd. Please come out early and grab a bite to eat and walk through the Flea Market and Craft

Vendors and don't forget to bring your lawn chair. Please invite your friends and neighbors to come along too. You can't beat the prices; free admission, free parking and free entertainment!

This year we are featuring "Lesser Known Makes" of tractors and engines. So, if you have a tractor or engine that is an "odd ball" or a make that is not as familiar as some of the others, please bring it to the shows. This will be fun to see what different makes and models show up this year.

Just as a reminder, this spring is membership renewal time. Please stop by our office at the show and see our Treasurer to renew your dues. If you can't come to the show, that's OK, you can always send them to our Treasurer, Michael Smith at 104 Oak Lane, Middleburg, PA 17842. Our dues are \$6.00 per person, \$8.00 per couple and \$10.00 per family with children under the age of 18. Please make all checks payable to the MVAA.

Mark Your Calendars

- Making Chips at the "Spring Celebration" in Milton- April 21st, 2012
- 16th Annual Spring Show- May 18, 19, 20, 2012
- "Days Gone By" Antique Tractor, Car and Truck Show- June 9th and 10th, 2012
- 4th of July "Just for fun" weekend with fireworks- July 7th and 8th, 2012
- 16th Annual Fall Show- August 24, 25, 26, 2012
- 34th Annual Selinsgrove "Market Street Festival" September 22nd, 2012
- Richfield's "Christmas in the Park" TBA
- MVAA and BVAMA Annual Christmas Banquet- December 8th, 2012

Special Note

Here are some dates for all of the tractor pulling fans. These events will be taking place at the tractor pulling track on the MVAA show grounds.

Mid Penn Garden Tractor Pullers

- April 21st
 -Test and Tune Event
- May 19th and 27th
- June 16th -2nd Annual Fathers Day Special
- June 23rd
- July 7th and 21st
- August 25th
- September 2nd
- October 13th



For more information about the Mid Penn Garden Tractor Pullers, please visit them online at: www.freewebs.com/midpenngardentractorpullers/



Snyder County Tractor Pullers Association

- April 22nd
 -Test and Tune Event with rain date on April 29th
- May 26th
- July 14th
- August 18th
- September 8th -Interstate Pulling Event

For more information about the Snyder County Tractor Pullers, please visit them online at: www.ptpapullers.com/sctpa.htm

Don't forget to check us out on Facebook. We now have over 60 fans. Let's keep it going!

I want to wish everyone a great spring and see you all at the shows!

Sincerely,

Michael Clark

Michael Clark, Secretary