

U P STEAM AND GAS ENGINE ASSOCIATION
June 2008 Newsletter

Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order on June 4, 2008 by pres. Skip Dufour. Leonard was out of town and the treasurers report was read by Skip. As of May 25th check book balance was \$8,476.00 and CD's total is \$12,443.44. That brings the total to \$20,919.44. Bob Willis (acting as secretary) read the minutes from the May meeting. For those of you that haven't been around the village lately the candle shop building is being rebuilt. A building that needed to be replaced so the electrical could be updated is so much nicer now too. At last Saturdays work bee I got a tour of it. All the windows are in and insulation was in too. Dry wall was being put up. I want to take a moment and thank the workers that have put in many hours on Wednesdays and Saturdays to get this building done for Balloons on the Bays which is fast approaching. Skip Dufour, Dick Dutton, Ralph Winkler, Tony Fudula, Leonard White, Al Chie, Joe Cilc, Lowell Seeley, Jim Yoder, Les Elder, Mark Elder, George Potvin and Mike Brackenbury. Thanks guys. This building couldn't of been built without you and ready for this year too.

BALLOONS ON THE BAYS

I have been telling you about up and coming Balloons on the Bays. The dates are June 26th-28th. Pioneer Days will also be held the same weekend ~ Powered Parachutes ~ Spectacular Evening Balloon Glows ~ Bay De Noc Kennel Club K-9 Activities ~ Delta Area Folk Music Festival ~ Beer Tent with live music ~ Pancake breakfast ~ The Historic Tuskegee Airman ~ Live music in the Lumberjack village ~ Crafters ~ Sawmill ~ Village Cook Shack ~ Kids Activities ~ Jaycee Game Tent & Fun Zone. Weekend daily admission is adults \$5.00. Families \$15.00. Children (6yrs & under) FREE. Where can a family come and enjoy the whole day .. maybe take a tethered balloon ride, see the beautiful balloon glow, spend time in the village. Hope to see you there for this fantastic event. Times are Thursday 4:00pm until ? Friday 4:00pm until ? and Saturday 2:00pm until 11pm

THANKS

Our thanks to Theresa Winkler for the goodies at our meeting. Mighty tasty. Darlene Hall volunteered to bring the goodies to our July meeting. Thanks again ladies.

The refrigerator in the ice house quit recently. Thanks to Rod Saylor for donating one from his basement. Now is just needs to be filled. Donations of beverages would and are greatly appreciated. Rod and Ann Saylor will be moving from the area soon. Good luck. Hope to see you back in the area once in awhile.

VILLAGE BRIEF

Flooring for the school house has been picked up by Skip and Jim Yoder. Now that there is power in the candle show Skip and Jim will be able to get back on the school house project. They will be making a trip way up north to pick up the school desks, piano and wood stove for the schoolhouse. This is really a neat project and the Fair Board is very excited to see the progress so far.

UP DATE

FORD, FORDSON, FERGUSON RALLY

Featured tractors for this years show. Special Hotel rates for travelers

At our last meeting Darlene Hall gave me some information to past along to you. She has been in touch with Travel Lodge here in Escanaba and secured some rates for Labor day weekend. Will pass them along to you now.

Single room -----1-2 people \$49.00 plus tax per night
Double room -----1-4 people \$56.95 plus tax per night
Suite ----- kitchen, living area 2 queen size beds \$70.00 plus tax per night
Kitchenettes -----\$65.00 plus tax per night 2 double size beds
Apartment -----2 bedroom \$80.00 plus tax per night

When you call and make reservations please tell them you are with the Steam & Gas Engine Show to secure special rates.

The Travel Lodge is located about 1 ¼ miles north of the fair grounds on US 2& 41 on the right hand side of the south bound 4 lane. The phone number there is 906-789-1000. Or you may call Darlene Hall at 906-428-1704 for information also.

All shops for Balloons on the Bays and Pioneer Days are to be open. Please make sure that your shop is fully operational and people are there to run it.

A REMINDER

Betty will be at the July meeting. Please bring your finished quilt squares to the meeting. If you can't be there please give them to someone who can bring them for you. They will be judged that night also.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

**Antique Tractor Show
Alger County Fair Grounds
Chatham, Michigan
August 1st - 3rd**

Antique Tractor Pull on Saturday. Also on Saturday a home coming parade. Anyone is welcome to participate. Please contact either Bill Kolpack at 906-249-1741 or 906-250-9536. Dan Kolpack at 906-249-0910 for additional information.

Are next meeting will be held on July 2, 2008 at the JHUC at Bay College at 6:30pm. That's the building that faces south on Danforth Road with the 2 story glass front. Hope to see you there.

Also want to take a minute and wish you a safe and Happy 4th of July.

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