



## FIRST QUARTER 2020 NEWSLETTER

Welcome to a new year! We have a lot of stuff going on including our Swap Meet in Lathrop in March, two summer meetings, and more.

The first quarter newsletter is mailed out to our full mailing list to make sure we have accurate contact information. Look for the section “Membership Information Update” to see if we have your correct e-mail and phone number. That section also has your membership number and current dues status. If you prefer e-mail newsletters, they will be sent for the rest of the year. Make sure to check your spam folders in case your e-e-mail/internet provider put it there.

### WINTER BANQUET AND MEETING EVENTS RE-CAP

We had a great time during our Winter Banquet at the Wise Brothers Dealership in Kingdom City. Dave Backer and his family and friends were gracious hosts and we enjoyed bar-b-que pork steaks and chicken, baked beans, potato salad, seven-layer salad, and amazing pies and homemade ice cream. We had over 50 people join in the feast.

After the meal, we had a fun raffle with the meal tickets. Dave’s daughter drew names and lucky winners won prizes including an A-C puzzle, A-C hats, Wise Bros. prybars, and Allis Connection calendars (the Connection’s Mike & Bonnie Anderson even won their own calendar!). Dave then led the group in a lively game of “heads or tails” where the lucky winner got a framed picture of an Allis-Chalmers B.

Randy Grothoff opened the meeting with the presentation of Minutes and Treasurer Report from Michael Crowe. We are doing well in terms of finances and Michael reminded everyone that they can review Club Minutes and financials at any time (his contact information is listed with the rest of the Board).

Randy then entertained nominations for Vice-President and Secretary/Treasurer. Danny Friedrich was nominated to be re-elected as Vice-President and Michael Crowe was nominated to be re-elected as Secretary/Treasurer. Both were re-elected.

There was a discussion about a donated WD-45 that the Club received and Michael Crowe has been parting out. He has collected over \$400 so far and will continue selling parts at the upcoming Swap Meet. Mike Hayden has taken the lead on selling t-shirts and hoodies with our Club logo on them. He would like some help in selling items at shows he can’t attend (his contact information is in the Board section if you can help).

We had already set one of our 2020 meetings for the August 14-16 Platte City show and needed a second site. Dave Backer is hosting a one day show at Wise Brothers celebrating Callaway County’s bicentennial. The show is August 22 and will feature a tractor ride and other displays. The Club voted to hold our second 2020 meeting during the show at Wise

Brothers. The show is not “color-specific” but let’s try to overwhelm everyone with lots of orange!

We also decided one of our 2021 meetings to be held at the Rosebud show. The Gasconade Threshers Association show is scheduled for July 16-18, 2021. Visit their website, <https://gcta.us/>, for more information as we get closer.

There was a brief discussion about how to utilize the lean-to on our Building in Boonville. Some ideas were shared and the Board was asked to collect preliminary figures for concrete, wall, etc. that might enclose a portion of the lean-to for greater floor space for displays, merchandise sales, and the like. The Board will present their findings to the Club for consideration.

Dale Bauer’s son, Kevin, presented a brief summary of membership activity for 2019. For the year, we had 12 new members, 70 renewals including 7 choosing the 8/10 option, 10 renewing for multiple years, and 6 that were more than 2 years in arrears. Altogether, we have about 200 active members.

Seeing no further business, Randy closed the meeting and hopes to see everyone in Lathrop for our Swap Meet in March.

## OTHER NEWS

**Club T-Shirts:** We had a nice supply of t-shirts (\$13 each) and zip-up hoodies (\$45 each) with our Club logo at the MRVSEA show in September and Banquet in December. We sold out of some sizes/colors but placed another order to fill in our gaps. By the March Swap Meet we should have MOST sizes/colors of t-shirts (gray or orange) between adult **Medium** and **4XL**. We should have some hoodies, too. Both the shirts and hoodies have our logo on the front and back. Mike Hayden is coordinating sales, contact him at 573.253.1775 or [mhayden1953@gmail.com](mailto:mhayden1953@gmail.com) if you would like a shirt/hoodie.



## CALENDAR –MEETINGS IN ALL CAPS AND OTHER EVENTS

### FUTURE SWAP MEETS (per March 2019 Meeting Decision)

- **9<sup>th</sup> Annual Swap Meet** – March 6-7, 2020, Lathrop, MO  
We will be visiting the Lathrop Antique Show Grounds (2488 MO-33, Lathrop MO 64465) for our 2020 Swap Meet. We will have some heated indoor space and a lot of naturally-conditioned outdoor space to set up. Our Club Meeting is planned for 2pm on Saturday, March 7 (indoors; where it’s warm and where we’ll have membership and Club garb for sale). For more information, please contact President Randy Grothoff.
- **10<sup>th</sup> Annual Swap Meet** – March 5-6, 2021, Boonville, MO

**\*\*\*DATE CORRECTION!!!\*\*\* “SUMMER” 2020 CLUB MEETING: 59<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PLATTE COUNTY STEAM ENGINE SHOW – August 14-16, 2020, Platte City, MO. The show will feature**

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all AGCO equipment, Cushman Engines, Dodge trucks, and military equipment. There is a tractor cruise at **8:30 a.m., Thursday, August 13.** Our Club Meeting will be at **2pm** on

**Saturday, August 15, 2020.** The website is: <http://plattecountysteamandgasshow.com/>  
Incorrect dates were included in previous newsletters.

**“FALL” 2020 CLUB MEETING:** Callaway County’s Bicentennial Celebration at Wise Brothers Dealership. David Backer is hosting a one day show on Saturday, August 22, as a part of the county’s yearlong celebration; our Club Meeting will be at 2pm. There is a LOT of history of A-Cs and Wise Brothers in Callaway County, including an early demonstration of the benefits of rubber tires versus steel rims. The show will feature a tractor ride and other displays so let’s overwhelm them with historic A-Cs! For more information



about Callaway County’s celebration, look for their Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/Callaway200/> or contact David Backer at 573.642.6395. Wise Brothers is located at: 3361 Old Highway 40, Kingdom City, MO 65262.

**“SUMMER” 2021 CLUB MEETING:** The Gasconade County Threshers Association has invited us to their 2021 show that runs July 16-18, 2021. Our Club Meeting would be that Saturday at 2pm. Their website is <https://gcta.us/>

**Gatherings of the Orange** – Our friends at Old Allis News have published a list of upcoming Gatherings of the Orange. For more information, please visit their website: [www.oldallisnews.com](http://www.oldallisnews.com)

- 2020, June 12-14 – St. Lawrence Power and Equipment Museum, Madrid NY, [slpowermuseum.com](http://slpowermuseum.com)
- 2020, September 11-13 – Clay County Historical Society/Old Trusty Show, Clay Center, NE, [oldtrusty.org](http://oldtrusty.org)
- 2021, July 23-25 – Orange Spectacular, Hutchinson, MN
- 2021, August 5-8 – Northwest Ohio Antique Machinery Association, Findlay, OH
- 2022, August 19-21 – Badger Steam and Gas Engine Club, Baraboo, WI
- 2022, September 15-18 – Maryland Steam Historical Society, Upperno, MD
- 2023, June 23-25 – Western Missouri Antique Tractor and Machinery Association, Adrian, MO. Their club is trying to get a complete, detailed listing of every Missouri A-C dealer. If you have details like dealership name, address, and if anyone associated with the dealership are still living, please contact Michael Crowe (816.898.7277; [moacclub@gmail.com](mailto:moacclub@gmail.com)).
- 2023, August 11-13 – Albert City Threshermens and Collectors Show, Albert City, IA

## **OBITUARY:**

Charter Member Don Bradley (C114) died on 22 February 2020 at the Holden Manor Care Center. Don was a skilled mechanic known for being able to make anything run. His mechanical expertise, detailed but accessible classes, and “inside” tips were appreciated throughout our Club and the greater Allis-Chalmers community. His full obituary and service information is posted at:

<https://www.castfuneralhome.com/obituaries/Donald-Bradley-8/>

Our sympathies are extended to his family and friends.

**NEWSLETTER:** If you have a story, tip, recipe, or anything of interest to include in a future newsletter; please contact Dale Bauer. We can take electronic submissions (MS Word files, etc.), typed or hand-written notes, or other formats. Let’s make our newsletter more than just a calendar.

**MEMBERSHIP/NEWSLETTER NOTE:** We mailed a paper copy to everyone to make sure we have your contact information correct. In your paper copies, you should see a section that shows the e-mail/phone information we have on file as well as your membership number and year you are currently paid through. If you have any questions, please contact Dale Bauer (see below). We will send an e-newsletter to you for the rest of the year ***IF*** we have an e-mail address on file ***AND*** you have not specifically requested a paper copy. If you do not have an e-mail address ***OR*** you have specifically requested a paper copy, look for paper copies to continue.

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