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THE NEXT MEETING 3/27/17.

The next meeting of the Illiana Antique Power Assoc. will be on Monday, March 27, 2017 at the clubhouse. We will begin with a carry-in dinner at 6:30 P.M. so please bring a dish to pass. This is our first meeting of the year and there will be plenty of items to discuss. Notice...this is one week later than usual so, "MARK YOUR CALENDAR" and please try to attend this important meeting.

TRACTOR TRIVIA:

When wheeled steam tractors were converted to run on tracks, the first pads tested were made from:

- A) rubber
- B) steel
- C) wood

WHY ARE FOUR-LEAF CLOVERS CONSIDERED LUCKY?

Today, four-leaf clovers are associated with St. Patrick's Day, but they appeared in early legends as symbols of good luck. In the early days of Ireland, Celtic priests carried three-leaf clovers, or shamrocks, to help them see evil spirits coming towards them. Thus, they had a chance to escape. Four-leaf clovers were believed to offer magical protection and ward off bad luck. Children in the Middle Ages carried four-leaf clovers in an attempt to see fairies.

Did you know these fun facts?

- There are no clover plants that naturally produce four leaves, which is why four-leaf clovers are so rare.
- About one out of 10,000 three-leaf clovers ends up with four leaves, instead of the usual three.
- The four leaves are said to stand for faith, hope, love and luck.
- Ireland is known for being home to more four-leaf clovers than any other place, giving meaning to the phrase "the luck of the Irish."
- Your chances of finding a four-leaf clover are 1 in 10,000!



**HAPPY ST.
PATRICK'S DAY!!**

SOURCE: Better Homes and Gardens



ILLIANA QUILTERS NEWS*: BY: MARSHA WATKINS

Illiana Quilters met in January and February to make this year's plans for our projects. Decision was made to raffle quilt we donate to the IAPA in July of this year. A March 31st date set for completion of each member's quilt square, to allow time needed to assemble and quilt the project. Minneapolis Moline is the tractor for this year. A calendar of demos and lessons was set up for February, March and April, including Dresden Plate, "biscuit" quilt, T-shirt bag and a special designed table runner. A display hoop was offered by Susan Able to use for raffle quilt to put in local libraries. We were informed the reporter from the Review Republican will come to interview club members due to interest in our community work and let other persons know how to join in the fun! Also requested information to be put in other local papers. We voted on having a bazaar sometime in late fall. We received a "Thank You" from the abuse shelter for our monetary donation towards households supplies needed for the shelter. We discussed a list of "road trips" in Bloomington, Kokomo, Paducah.....I see lots of fabric in my future, but, only to look – not buy! LOL! Cake was brought in for January and February birthdays. Thank you Becky and Kathy and, yes, they were made from "scratch"!! We also discussed a make-up job on our cottage at the Rainsville grounds. We welcomed a new member at our February meeting, Susan Yoder from Delphi. Also a big THANK YOU to Joan Fry for hosting our Christmas luncheon in December, which makes us forgive her for leaving us in the cold all winter!!



Rocky Forge Blacksmith News:

BY: TED STOUT

There is a lot going on in the blacksmith's communities these days, look at Facebook, the IBA sites, U-tubes and the T-V programs. Go to an antique shop and try to find blacksmiths tools, they are being scarfed up rapidly. Every time I replenish our mall booths the tools are going fast. Seeing all the young people coming to our meetings is encouraging and exciting. To me, this all means there is indeed a strong resurgence in the metalsmithing craft or hobby. Working metal since 1973, I believe this is absolutely the strongest surge I have witnessed. It's not only great to see, but it is a huge compliment to the future of our craft.

The next Rocky Forge meeting will be held in Ted's shop near West Point on March 11th. No special plans, I just want to see people metalsmithing and having a good time. I may not even have a meeting, the fires may be going by the time you arrive. Bring your tools and ideas for the day of fun. We will have an iron in the hat so bring goodies for the drawing. For lunch, Carol is going to fire up the hot dog roaster so bring a dish to pass around. When you all bring food we seem to have a good spread. We can even fire up the popcorn popping machine. Who knows what the weather will be that day, after all, we are in Indiana and it is March! I am hoping to see some fires and activity in the breezeway. There will be coffee and doughnuts ready by 8:30 so Carol and I hope to see a good crowd on March 11th.



REPEATING NOTICE:

Due to safety concerns, the use of golf carts, gators and UTV's on Illiana grounds will be limited to handicapped, directors and officers only. Drivers of tractors, vehicles and lawnmowers on Illiana Show Grounds and in the parade must have a valid driver's license. No ATV's on the grounds. Thank you for your cooperation regarding this matter.

Tom Swanson – President

Community News

- Sympathy to the Price families. Member Jerry Price passed away on Feb. 18, 2017 in Ben Hur Health & Rehabilitation Facility.
- Terry Bodine would like to thank everyone for their cards, calls and good wishes while he is recuperating from shoulder surgery.

Trivia Answer:

C. WOOD