

ILLIANA NEWS

April 2015



NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting of the Illiana Antique Power Assoc. will be held on April 20, 2015 at 6:30 P.M. at the club house. Please bring a dish to pass for our carry-in dinner.

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T-SHIRTS:

This year's T-shirts will feature: a hit & miss engine, a tractor and a steam locomotive. I am getting ready to place orders and would appreciate a feedback on what sizes should be available. You can E-mail me at: parsellre@yahoo.com or kaajvog@yahoo.com

Bob Parsell



REMEMBERING MOM'S CLOTHESLINE:

THE BEST RULES FOR CLOTHESLINES: (If you don't even know what clotheslines are, better skip this.)

- 1.) You had to hang the socks by the toes...
NOT the top.
- 2.) You hung pants by the BOTTOM/CUFFS...
NOT THE WAISTBANDS.
- 3.) You had to WASH the clothesline(s) before hanging any clothes — walk the entire length of each line with a damp cloth around the lines.

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A Letter from our President:

GREETINGS AND HELLO TO ALL,

I'm sure that everyone is glad the severe cold and snow is gone and warmer weather is coming. I extend a big THANK YOU to everyone that helped in any way in December for Christmas in the Village. Saturday night was very gratifying for all of us to see the huge crowd and happy faces on the children. Joan and Joe Fry delivered a gift to me that was left under the Christmas tree in the club house. It was from Santa Claus himself. It was a yellow shirt with our logo on the front and Minneapolis in bright red letters on the back! Thank you Santa and helpers. I love it!

It was nice to meet with several Illiana couples in Florida at the Flywheeler's Show.

Carolyn had a bad fall at Zolfo Springs Tractor Show and shattered her left arm close to her shoulder joint. Surgeon had to put in a complete new shoulder socket. She is doing good except therapy is a killer for her. We thank all of you for your calls, prayers and thoughts. Remember Carol Stout as she undergoes treatment.

I am looking forward to our 2015 Show. I have some projects and goals in mind. First, I hope we can celebrate our Christmas in the Village in the new club house. I am setting a goal of having 100 IHC and Farmall tractors and farm implements at the July Show. I would like to have 300 hit & miss and air cooled engines also. I want to get a shelter built to cover the big engine and possibly the Cat engine to. Bob Folk and I will be finishing the Jim Eberle office building before July and I want to enclose the porch on Kathy's Kitchen to give the ladies more room inside. 2015 is another year of opportunity for us to invite at least five people you know that has never attended our show. They don't know what they have missed!

If the Good Lord is willing and the "creek don't rise", I'll see you hopefully at the April meeting. Thanks to Donnie Bodine for filling in for me.

Tom Swanson



TRI-COUNTY QUILTERS NEWS:

SUBMITTED BY: MARSHA WATKINS

JAN., FEB. AND MARCH MEETINGS:

Everyone was glad to gather in spite of the cold. It was decided to continue with Marsha and Diana as co-chairpersons. Onward and upward to a new year of serving the surrounding communities and having fun while doing the job!

We are already mapping out plans for the Power Show at Rainsville and History Day and Christmas in the Village. Also, plans made for demos or tutorials to be given by club members.

We will again donate a quilt to the Power Show Raffle, set up machines at the show, demo quilting or sewing in general.

Chairpersons have been assigned, volunteered or threatened to organize, cuss and discuss all aspects of this year's projects.

Everyone has been busy during cold weather and brought in the results for "sew and tell".

We continue to donate to our shelters in surrounding communities. Arlene has graciously donated a queen size quilt she made for the Tri-County Quilters donation to the Power Show Club Raffle. Can't wait for all to see what a beautiful job!

Hope our member, Becky, has a quick and painless recovery. We need her busy hands and great ideas.



With Heartfelt
Sympathy

Our sympathy to Bob and Kaaren Parsell. Bob's mother of New Hampshire passed away in March. Prayers to the Parsell families.

ROCKY FORGE BLACKSMITH NEWS:

SUBMITTED BY: TED STOUT

Hello to all the members and friends of the Rocky Forge Blacksmith Guild. The past few weeks since March 11TH have been a most trying time for the Stout's. As most of you know, Carol has developed a form of breast cancer that is hard to detect and treat. She has undergone a complete mastectomy and lymphectomy to remove the active cancers in both breasts. Now that has healed and a PET scan has revealed no visible cancer anyway in the body. That was the best news yet, we had extreme anxiety and fear of those test results. To eradicate any small floaters of cancer in

the body Carol will begin a harsh regiment of chemotherapy April 8th. That will last about two months with a short hiatus, then another 12 weeks of a different chemotherapy. After that she will recover for a month then have 33 radiation treatments 5 days a week. Your prayers, cards and well wishes have been very helpful in the recovery process and will be most welcome in the months ahead. I do not know how much time I can give to the Blacksmith group during the upcoming treatment period so I trust you guys can work out a plan to keep the Guild going.

There will be a meeting on April 11th at the Illiana Show grounds shop. Plan on having an open forge time with iron in the hat drawing. Please try to attend and keep the group alive and well. Coffee and doughnuts should be available by 8:30 to 9:00. Have a good time. Ted



NEWS FLASH!

I have good news! My PET scan and MRI came back "clear". There still could be some small amounts floating around that can't be seen, but the doctor is very happy with the results. We have both fallen apart with relief but so happy with the news. I will start chemo on Tuesday and will go until the end of July, then a month of radiation. But this is just to be sure, and, we can endure that. The prayers have worked. Love to all that have been there for us. I welcome visitors but, please don't stop if you have a cold or any type of illness. The doctors say that I have to be very careful. Thank you so much!

Carol Stout





PINE CREEK & WESTERN R.R. NEWS:

SUBMITTED BY: CHARLIE LUPINEK

Pine Creek & Western railroaders and supporters met Sunday, March 29, 2015 at 2:00 P.M. at the Illiana club house to prepare for the up-coming events at the railroad and Illiana show in July. A list of items were discussed and a great amount of progress was achieved. The Pine Creek & Western participation in the July Show received special attention to determine the most effective ways to provide an enjoyable and educational experience for the people attending the show. In order to provide smooth operation at the July Show and railroad gatherings, there will be some advancements to the Pine Creek & Western system. Several committees have been

formed to provide leadership, developing railroad maintenance, railroad operation and maintenance of railroad right of way. We anticipate a number of returning locomotives from previous shows. A variety of steam and diesels will be in operation and display for all to enjoy.



REMEMBERING MOM'S CLOTHESLINE... (continued)

- 4.) You had to hang the clothes in a certain order, and always hang "whites" with "whites," and hang them first.
- 5.) You NEVER hung a shirt by the shoulders — always by the tail! What would the neighbors think?
- 6.) Wash day on Monday! NEVER hang clothes on the weekend, or on Sunday, for Heaven's sake!
- 7.) Hang the sheets and towels on the OUTSIDE lines so you could hide your "unmentionables" in the middle. (Perverts & busybodies, y'know!)
- 8.) It didn't matter if it was sub-zero weather...clothes would "freeze-dry." Remember Grandfather's union suits standing by themselves frozen? How many remember union suits?
- 9.) ALWAYS gather the clothes pins when taking down dry clothes! Pins left on the lines were "tacky"!

If you were efficient, you would line the clothes up so that each item did not need two clothes pins but shared one of the clothes pins with the next washed item. Clothes were off the line before dinner time, neatly folded in the clothes basket, and ready to be ironed. (IRONED? Well, that's a whole OTHER subject!) There is one thing that's left out. A long wooden pole (clothes pole) that was used to push the clotheslines up so that longer items (sheets/pants/etc.) didn't brush the ground and get dirty! (Sent to me by my friend — Ed Schlenkert) A.B.

TRACTOR TRIVIA:

- 1.) How many horses did IH claim its F-30 was equivalent to?
- 2.) Whose logo was reminiscent of a man on a tractor?



1.) Ten to fourteen 2.) IH

Answers: