

ST. LAWRENCE POWER & EQUIPMENT MUSEUM

NEWSLETTER OF THE ST. LAWRENCE POWER & EQUIPMENT MUSEUM, A 501(C)3, EDUCATION CORPORATION

Election Results Announced

At the annual members meeting on January 30, all former officer-trustees of the Museum were returned to office including Ross Goodyear, president; Paul Moore, vice-president; Roger Austin, Secretary; and Grant Thesier, Treasurer.

Robert Johnson's term as trustee ended, and Reginald Chester of Lisbon was elected to fill the vacancy. The terms of Jim McGraw and Gary Hargrave will end in one and two years, respectively.

Election of officer-trustees is for a one-year term. Officers may succeed themselves in elections. The remaining trustees are elected for three-year terms and may not succeed themselves.

President Goodyear stated that the Museum's main effort this year would be to secure suitable facilities where it can develop permanent displays and storage facilities for its collection and where its shows would eventually be held. ♂



Museum president Ross Goodyear at a trustees meeting last year.



Lowell Nicholson minds the tractor while Howard Hutchinson adjusts the plows at the first show held at the Hutchinson farm. That should make the year 1990.

ANNUAL BANQUET SATURDAY APRIL 23

Members and friends of the Museum will celebrate another successful year at the Annual Banquet on April 23 at 6:00 pm at the Canton Sportsman's Club.

The featured speaker will be Margaret Raineri of the Agricultural Museum at Stone Mills. She will discuss activities at their museum near LaFargeville, NY.

The dinner will include spaghetti with a choice of meatballs or sausage, tossed salad, rolls, ice cream, and coffee. Tickets to the dinner are \$5.00/person. The only other things to bring are pictures of your winter projects.

The door prize will be a 2005 Farm Collector Show Directory.

To get to the Sportsman's Club, *(Continued on page 4)*

MUSEUM RECEIVES \$1,000 CHALLENGE

A member who asked to remain anonymous has presented members and friends of the Museum with a challenge to raise \$4,000 in contributions to its Development Fund by June 30 of this year.

If the goal is met, this member will contribute another \$1,000 to the Fund. Contributions made since the meeting on January 30 will count toward the goal.

The challenge provides a chance for contributors to stretch the size of their gift by 25%. With three months to go, how about sending a check made out to St. Lawrence Power & Equipment Museum, and write *Development Fund Donation* where the check says *For*.

For those who itemize their de *(Continued on page 4)*

Association Events

April 23	Saturday, St. Lawrence Power & Equipment Annual Banquet , 6:00 pm. See above.
April 30-May 1	Saturday-Sunday, International Power & Equipment Show , Ft. Covington. See page 2.
June 4	Museum tractors in the Dairy Princess Parade , Canton, NY. See article on page 2.
June 18-19	23rd Annual Antique Gas & Steam Engine Show , Canton Sportsman's Club, Canton, NY.
August 13	Festival of North Country Folklife , Robert Moses State Park, Massena. See page 3.
Sept. 3-4	15th Annual Old Fashioned Harvest Days Show , Hutchinson Farm, Heuvelton, NY.
Oct. 23	Sunday, Members Meeting , 2:00 pm, subject and location to be announced.

WANTED: TRACTOR DRIVERS

June is Dairy Month and will be celebrated with the Dairy Princess Parade in Canton on June 4. Sponsors are the Dairy Promotion Committee and Canton Chamber of Commerce.

You can help promote your Museum while supporting this event. We need as many antique and classic tractors along with appropriate machinery to support the parade and display our banner.

The parade will start off at 1:00 pm. An assembly area is being arranged. If you want to participate, call any of the following: Don Doig, Canton, 386-3785; Reg Chester, Lisbon, 394-6513; Don Sloan, Morristown, 578-2221; Bob Johnson, Heuvelton, 344-6610; or Ken Friedel, Potsdam, 265-8794. 

Annual Treasurer's Report

At the members meeting in January, treasurer Grant Thesier presented the Museum's financial statement for the year 2004. He reported that cash assets at year's end totaled \$7,627.35 which included the \$1,600.00 in the development fund account.

Cash income during the year totaled \$26,334.73 including donations, proceeds from shows, and funds given by the St. Lawrence Gas & Steam Engine Association.

Cash expenses of \$18,707.38 included show expenses, purchase of goods for resale, printing, office supplies, legal fees, and repayment of loans assumed from the old Association.

At year's end, there also was \$56,286.00 of non-cash income largely in the form of equipment given the Museum by the Association and items donated to the collection since the Museum's inception last April. There were no outstanding debts at year's end.

The accounts were established using professional accounting software. Member Michelle Kerr, an accountant, has been instrumental in the success of this effort. \$

Keeping Up With Membership

Forty members attended the annual meeting in Heuvelton on January 30. Another 15 were represented by proxy. At year's end there were 296 members on the roster.

About 20 will be removed from the list, not having heard from them since 2002. A larger number of members joined during 2004. The largest number of new members join during the two shows. Others join during other events in which the Museum participates.

The January meeting was well attended and saw more members volunteering their support for programs than ever. Dues payments in 2004 exceed all prior years. Many attended the meeting of the board of trustees that preceded the members meeting.

Present at the members meeting were Roger & Carol Austin, David Baker, Phil Bigarel, Reginald Chester, William C. Clinger, Gary Crowe, Wayne Day, Don Doig, Ed-

The *Farm Collector Show Directory* is now available from the publisher. The *Directory* lists almost every *old iron* show held in the US and Canada, including our two Museum shows.

If you want a directory you may call them toll free at 1 (866) 803-7096 or go on line at www.farmcollectorshow-directory.com. The price is \$11.95 plus \$2 shipping & handling in the US or \$7 S/H in Canada. In Canada add 7% sales tax. US funds or payment by credit card are preferred. 

INTERNATIONAL VINTAGE POWER & EQUIPMENT SHOW APRIL 30-MAY 1

Museum members will participate in the 3rd Annual International Vintage Power & Equipment Show to be held at the Salmon River Central School Arena at Ft. Covington, NY, Saturday-Sunday, April 30 - May 1. Set up will be on Friday.

The Museum is one of four organizations in upstate NY and Canada that support the show. Items featured each year include vintage tractors, engines, farm equipment, models, and other items of interest.

We were voted *Best Display* last year, and your help is needed to make our section of the arena a success once again. Please give Jim McGraw a call right now; his phone number and email address are on page 4 in the trustee list. The show is inside, so engines can not be run. Tractors can be driven in.

A consignment Parts Corral will be featured this year. Just put a tag with your name and the price on an item, and it will be sold for you. This is a great chance to meet new people and share thoughts on your old iron. 

WANTED: Inboard Marine Engine from Canastota, NY; Cadys or Tuttle. Contact Tom Johnson, 5767 Stokes Lee Center Road, Lee Center, NY 13363. Will be at Canton Show.

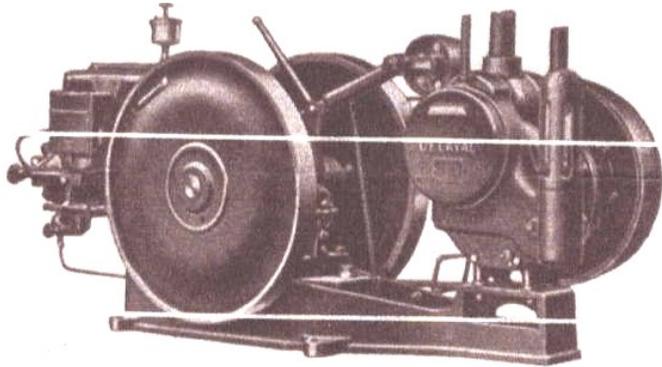
WANTED: Sicklebar Mower, side mount, for 8-N or NAA Ford Tractor. Contact Dave Baker at (315) 388-7738.

FOR SALE: IHC Trailer Mower, 7-foot cutter bar, clutch activated cable lift. Needs a U-joint and pitman arm wood plus some TLC. Worked 3 years ago. Spring delivery available for gas money. \$250 or possible trade for Briggs letter series or Maytag engines or parts. Contact Gary Hargrave: (315) 353-2888 or ghargrav@twcny.com.

ward Fincham, Ken Friedel, Ross Goodyear, Kenneth Gordon, Gary & Irene Hargrave, Dave Hebert, Howard Hutchinson, Bob Johnson, Eugene Jones, Michelle Kerr, Gary Livingston, Mike Livingston, Jim McGraw, Jim Mitchell, Paul Moore, Eric Parkman, Chelson Putman, Stanley Russell, Jr., Stanley Russell, Sr., Ted Schulz, Rebecca Shirley, Bill Short, Donald Sloan, Lyle Sloan, Oliver Sorrell, Grant & Katherine Thesier, Keith Tyler, Lee Williams, and Betty & Brice Winters.

Ken Gordon won the meeting's door prize, a 2005 tractor calendar. Everyone appreciated the hospitality of hosts Gary and Cheryl Crowe. 

*The DeLaval Separator Company
Chicago, Illinois*



Shortly after WW I, DeLaval added the Alpha engine line to their established cream separator series. Those built by Lauson are best known. Above is an Alpha engine and a DeLaval vacuum pump designed for use with milking machines.

Four Benefactors Cross Paths

For some, winter is a time for warming up the shop and becoming intimate with a few hundred pounds of cast iron, brass, and steel. Member Ted Utes of 3 Mile Bay, NY is one such person.

An email arrived at my desk. Ted said he needed an engine to work on and wondered if the Museum had any needing some TLC. The answer was immediate and obvious. Last year Bill Pharoah had donated a 3 hp Fairbanks Morse Z. It needed a little help, but none had been found. Unfortunately, Ted thought the engine would be a few-too-many lbs and passed on the opportunity.

However, the January members meeting was soon to come, and I promised to ask those attending if they had something Ted might take on. At that meeting, member Don Sloan stepped up and said he had a 1½ hp Alpha DeLaval engine, probably built by Lauson, he would give the Museum. Don had started to work on it some years ago and had never finished the job. A few days later, Don and Ted got together. Ted drove home with the engine and a box of parts soon after.

Another email hits my desk, this time from Chuck Lowman in Vermont. He had finished his all-winter project in December, a Lauson engine. He was looking for another engine to work on. Like Ted, Chuck gets satisfaction from restoration. Collecting is nice, but not important.

Not long after, Chuck and I were loading Bill Pharoah's Z into the back of his van. What followed was a flurry of email correspondence between Ted and Chuck, providing restoration tips and encouragement. In all, it has been a very satisfactory winter. *R*

Other Shows:

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| May 7 | Hudson Valley Old Time Power Assn., Annual Commission Auction, Hudson, NY. (518) 828-6425. |
| May 21-22 | Century Museum Village & Collectors Assn., Annual Antique Machinery, Truck & Motorcycle Show, Rhinebeck, NY. 845) 877-3027. |
| July 9-10 | Champlain Valley Antique Gas Engine & Tractor Assn. Annual Exhibition, Plattsburg. (518) 846-7583. |
| August 11-14 | NY Steam Engine Assn. Annual Pageant of Steam, Canandaigua. www.pageantofsteam.org or (607) 243-7634. |

FESTIVAL OF NORTH COUNTRY FOLKLIFE

Civil War encampments, a huge tented music stage, tinsmith, antique displays and sales, antique auction, blacksmith, horsedrawn wagon rides, scarecrow making, and crowds of people fascinated by the Museum's display of engines, tractors and other items - interested?

It is the Festival of North Country Folk Life on Saturday, August 13, 2005 at the Robert Moses State Park just east of Massena, NY. The festival is fun and gives us an opportunity to promote the Museum. And the Museum receives a modest stipend for its participation.

Gary Hargrave is chairman of the Museum's display this year. It will be located close to the food pavillion, a great spot for attracting visitors. Call him now; his name and number are among the list on page 4. There is more about the festival at www.northcountryguide.com under *events*. It is another great opportunity for you to support and promote your Museum. ☺

New Members

Please extend a kind **welcome** to Ted Ritzko of Lisbon, NY and Chuck Lowman of Vergennes, VT, the first new members of 2005. This year, Museum membership should exceed 300 involved members. The majority of members participate in one or more shows or festivals during a year. Members make the Museum. 



A photo of Bill Bartlett at the Antique Gas & Steam Engine Show in June of 1988 at Canton. The tractor is a McCormick-Deering 10-20, and the hat might be the same one he still wears at shows.

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2005 election results announced.
Annual Banquet at Canton Sportsman's Club April 23.
Member makes \$1,000 challenge for the Development Fund.
Tractor drivers needed for Dairy Princess Parade June 4.
Ft. Covington Show and Folklife Festival need member support.

Museum Trustees

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Secretary: Roger Austin, 410 Stevenson Road, Rensselaer Falls, NY 13680. Phone/fax (315) 344-7470. E-mail: rsaustin123@netzero.com.

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Trustee: Jim McGraw, 3385 US Hwy. 11, Dekalb Junction, NY 13630. (315) 347-2362. E-mail: murmac@tds.net.

Trustee: Gary Hargrave, 10 River St., Norwood, NY 13668. (315) 353-2888. E-mail: ghargrav@twcny.rr.com.

Trustee: Reginald Chester, 8350 County Rt. 27, Lisbon, NY 13658. Phone (315) 394-6513, fax (315) 322-4768. ♂

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Banquet April 23

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drive south out of Canton on Park Street (County Rt. 27). About 2 miles out turn right onto County Rt. 25. In about a half mile you will see Nickerson Road on the right. Follow it to the entrance to the Sportsman's Club grounds.

New members will have an opportunity to inspect the grounds where the June show will be held. ♀

\$1,000 Challenge

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ductions on tax returns, donations to the Museum may be included. Donors will receive an acknowledgment from the Museum's treasurer meeting IRS requirements for substantiation.

What the Museum becomes is up to its members and friends. This is an opportunity to express your confidence in its future! **\$\$**



Bringing home the Best Display trophy at the 2004 International Power & Equipment Show held at the Louisville Arena. Pictured left to right are Gary Hargrave, Roger Austin, Brice Winters with trophy, Betty Winters, John Mitchell and wife, Beverly. The Altons, Latulipes, Pharoahs, Shirleys, Thesiers, and Voughts also participated.