

# The Line Shaft

The Official Newsletter of the

# **NORTH JERSEY ANTIQUE ENGINE & MACHINE CLUB**

February 2018





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Founded on October 15th, 1979 by: Arthur Goble, Fred W. Westbrook, John Snook, Roy Bischoff & Lewis Quince

#### The January 11th meeting was held at the Administration Building with 22 members attending.

Blace, as always, welcomed everyone & introduced two new members...Bob Fraley & Chuck Lange.

Mary Muys reviewed the last meeting and discussed the idea of developing a roster of all members to include their names, town they live in, and phone # "only."..no address. This was approved and will be ready for distribution at the next meeting. Mary reviewed the food list for Saturday's party and we appeared to be in good shape!

Paul Bouscaren proceeded with the *Treasury Report* for December and the clubs bills for January. Paul also led a discussion on the handling of monies at the 2017 Fair. There were several new thoughts from members and we will be working on these in the coming months...prior to the Fair.

Blace mentioned we need a few volunteers for some projects and APPOINTED Paulette & Kevin Hendershot to the *Sponsorship/Fund Raising Collection Committee* and Kevin Adams to *Coordinate Events* (parades etc.).

Blace mentioned the passing of Bob Eckes and \$25.00 will be sent to **Father John's Animal Rescue** in his memory...see page 3!

Blace again brought up the small "BOX" trailer as a dedicated trailer and, maybe more importantly, "storage area" for the CARTS...it would appear the trailer will accommodate the (7) CARTS and the purchase is being finalized with the owner. Chuck Lange offered to donate an open trailer to the club. The trailer does needs some work, but the price is right!

#### **REMINDER: 2018 DUES ARE DUE!**

Annual dues are \$25.00 and payable at the February meeting or send to: NJAE&MC

Attn: Mary Muys

67 Branchville Lawson Rd., Newton NJ 07860

Do not forget to send a fully filled out Membership Renewal Slip with the dues \$...

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Our next meeting will be at 7 PM on February 8th at the Administration Building!

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**Christmas in January** 

We had a slight break in the cold weather and the January 13th

Christmas in January Party was, once again, a belated, but fun event with members enjoying time with their friends, family and enjoying the club camaraderie. It was again held in "The Beau-

tiful Conservatory" at the Fair Grounds and the food was plentiful and tasty. We would once again like to



thank Mary Muys and Blace Flatt for picking up the baton and coordinating the event...and the other members who contributed food and helped with the set-up and clean-up. As last year, we had a good turn-out, with 51 people attending!























Blace took a moment to remember our most recent departed member, Bob Eckes (see below)...and another couple of moments to remember the other recently departed members including; Joe Cook, Jeff Jager, Nick Feenstra and John Stickle. Rest-in-Peace guys!



# **Robert Eckes**

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We are sorry to report the December 22nd passing of our friend and long time club member Bob Eckes. The world of John Deere "enthusiasts" is now short a major advocate! Bob was very creative and brought some interesting "floats" and programs to the club...some of which have generated, and in some cases continue to generate, \$ for the club. Thank you Bob!

## **NJAE&MC - Upcoming Events**

## **Spring Plow Day**

Event coordinator: to be announced Date & location not yet determined

### **MTA Swap Meet & Military Vehicle Show**

Event coordinator: to be announced 4/21-22/18 - Fairgrounds

Blace was presented with a new **DRILL DOCTOR 750X** drill bit sharpener as appreciation of the effort he has put forth as President, over these may years. Of note, this will be Blace's last year as Presi-



dent and we are sorely in need of his replacement...2019 is not that far off!





Dave Betts spoke with and sent an electronic copy of our January newsletter to the representative from Drill Doctor, which included his and Bill Castimore's presentation on their products. The Drill Doctor people were impressed with both the presentation and the newsletter!



**February 14th** 



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