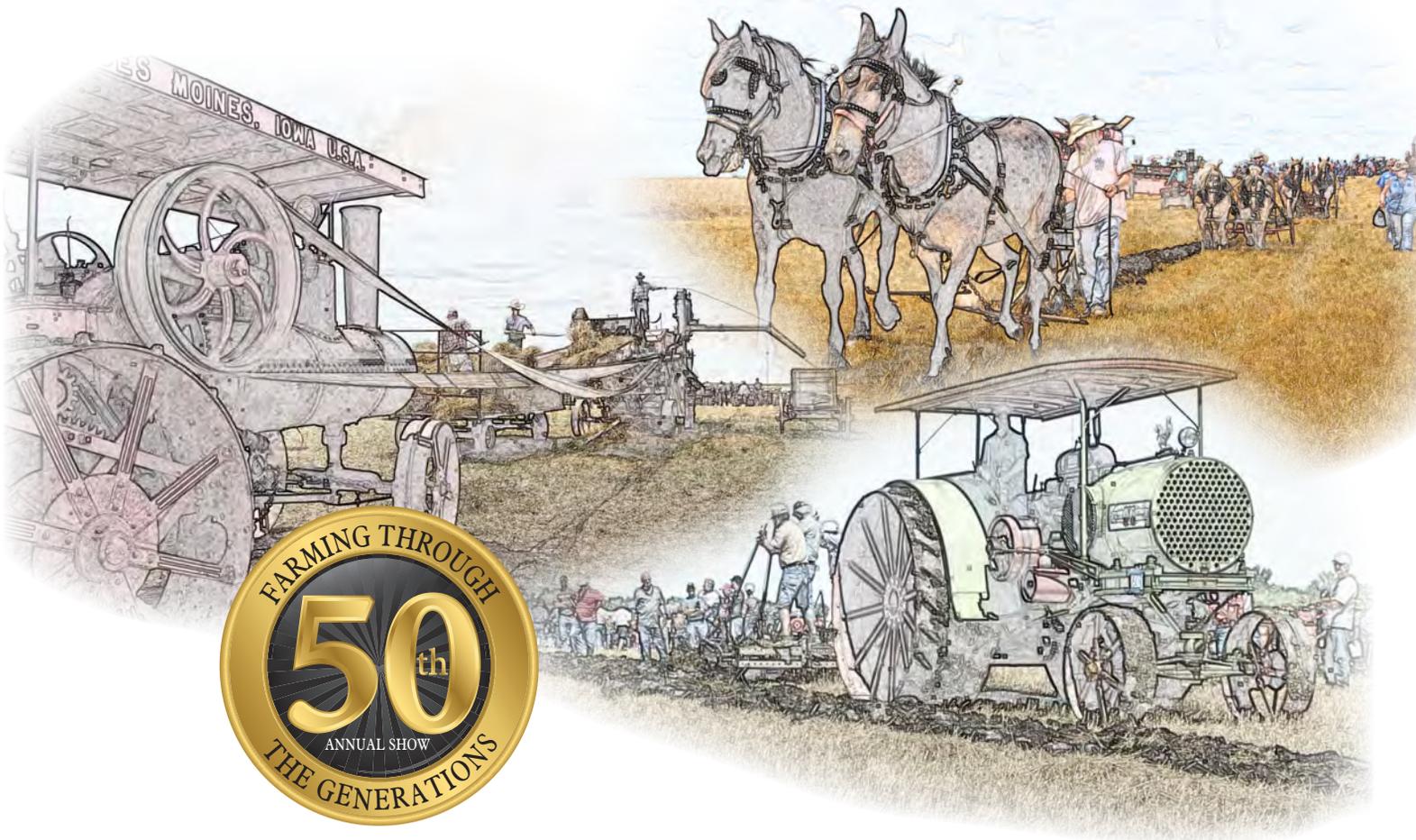


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After being stalled last year due to the pandemic, finally it is the 50th annual show. I am among the many who are ready for the legacy to continue.

I am in awe of those who have worked tirelessly year after year to make the show happen and to keep the Association going.

Over the years, I have had the opportunity to visit with folks who have been to every show and to folks who are first-timers. Regardless of how many times someone has been a part of the show, they become part of the Threshermen Family.

It is with excitement and great anticipation that we all look forward to the big Threshermen Family Reunion of 2021.

Thank you to all those who keep the stories alive, the machinery running, and to all who have worked hard on this year's events. As you enjoy the show, please take a moment to share your appreciation to the many volunteers who have given of their time and talents to put on such a great event.

I offer my thanks to those who have shared their time, their talents and of course, their stories.

See you at the show.

Connie J Reinert

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50th Annual Collectors Show: It's Finally Happening!

The Albert City Threshermen and Collectors Association is proud to celebrate the 50th annual show. Originally planned with special activities for 2020, the show was cancelled due to the pandemic. Finally, the celebration can take place! The Association is also featuring International Harvester and hosting the Iowa Chapter 5 IH Collectors.

Although some of the original 50th activities have changed, there are many special highlights planned each day of the show. Special events include the opening of the time capsule, planting of the Founder's Tree and a Family Reunion Dinner. For a complete list of 50th-related activities, please turn to page 4.

The fifth annual Wagon Train will be staying at the show grounds starting one week prior to the show.

The Threshermen's Tractor Ride will leave the grounds at 1:30 p.m. Thursday. The ride is open to all makes of tractors.

Be sure to stop in at Freedom Hall to check out the new displays and memorabilia that have been organized by members of area service organizations.

The Civil War reenactment group, Army of the Southwest, will be demonstrating life in the period of the Civil War. Stop by to visit with them at the south end of the grounds.

A special presentation, Quilts of Valor, will be held in Freedom Hall Saturday afternoon at 3:30 p.m.

New this year is a vintage wedding dress display in the Farm House and a cinnamon roll baking contest. The Flower Power Contest continues, and there is a great line-up of musical entertainment under the shelter.

IH collectors will be showing what they can do on the tractor pull track with a fun pull Friday evening starting at 6 p.m. The antique tractor pull will start at 9 a.m. on Saturday.

Field demonstrations will include corn shelling, combining, baling, discing, raking and threshing—demonstrations done with both tractors and horses. The popular One Year of Farming will be held daily at 1 p.m.

Regularly scheduled exhibits include a toy show, carpenter shop, wood carvers, a heritage doll show, petting barn, arts and crafts, vintage military vehicles, antique cars and trucks, Ridge Runners, blacksmith shop, broom factory, flour mill, saw mill, school house, farm house, Svenska Stuga, and many horse activities.

All events are weather-permitting and may change. Please listen to announcements during the show.

The 50th show officially begins with Opening Ceremonies at 9 a.m. Friday. Admission for those 12 years and older is \$10 per day. A three-day pass can be purchased for \$20. Children 11 and under are admitted free.

A complete schedule of events and show grounds map can be found on page 24-25.

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A bird's eye view of the Massey-Ferguson exhibit space during the show in 2019. The event included 124 Massey-related exhibits. Overall, there was a grand total of 361 tractors, 117 antique autos and trucks, 26 implements, 31 yard & garden tractors, 70 stationary engines, 24 military exhibits and 5 gas engines. Attendance for the three day show was 9,416.

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Help Celebrate the 50th and Enjoy These Special Activities

It was September 2019 when the 50th Planning Committee organized at their first meeting. With great enthusiasm, the group put together a long line-up of special activities to celebrate the occasion.

The group headed into early spring with a strong set of plans, but by May 2020 it was obvious that the show could not take place. With great disappointment, the group put plans on hold, but agreed to work together to continue the plans for a special celebration.

Some of the events and activities originally planned have been revised due to various circumstances, but there are still many fun and special things for everyone to do as they return to this special “Threshermen Family Reunion.”

For those registering exhibits, you are invited to tell the family history of your exhibit. This brief story will be printed on your exhibit sign for visitors to read. This is especially for those who have tractors or machinery that have been in their family for multiple generations. Registration can be done online or upon arrival at the show.

The Opening Ceremony starts the show as usual at 9 a.m. Friday, Aug. 13. Immediately following, guests are invited to participate in the planting of the Founder’s Tree. This tree will be planted near the Flour Mill and will signify the strong roots of the show’s beginnings and the branching out of new activities over the years. Guests will then move over to the Farm House where the original time capsule will be opened and items for the new time capsule will be identified. These items will also be shown from the announcers stand before the Threshermen’s Parade Friday afternoon. They will be on display for the weekend in the Store Building.

A Sweet Corn Feed is being planned at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 13 at the Feed Bunk (following parade).

The Family Reunion Dinner will be held at the Marathon Community Center, Saturday, Aug. 14. Social hour and cash bar will open at 5:30 p.m. followed by the dinner at 6:30. There will be a short program and entertainment to conclude the evening.

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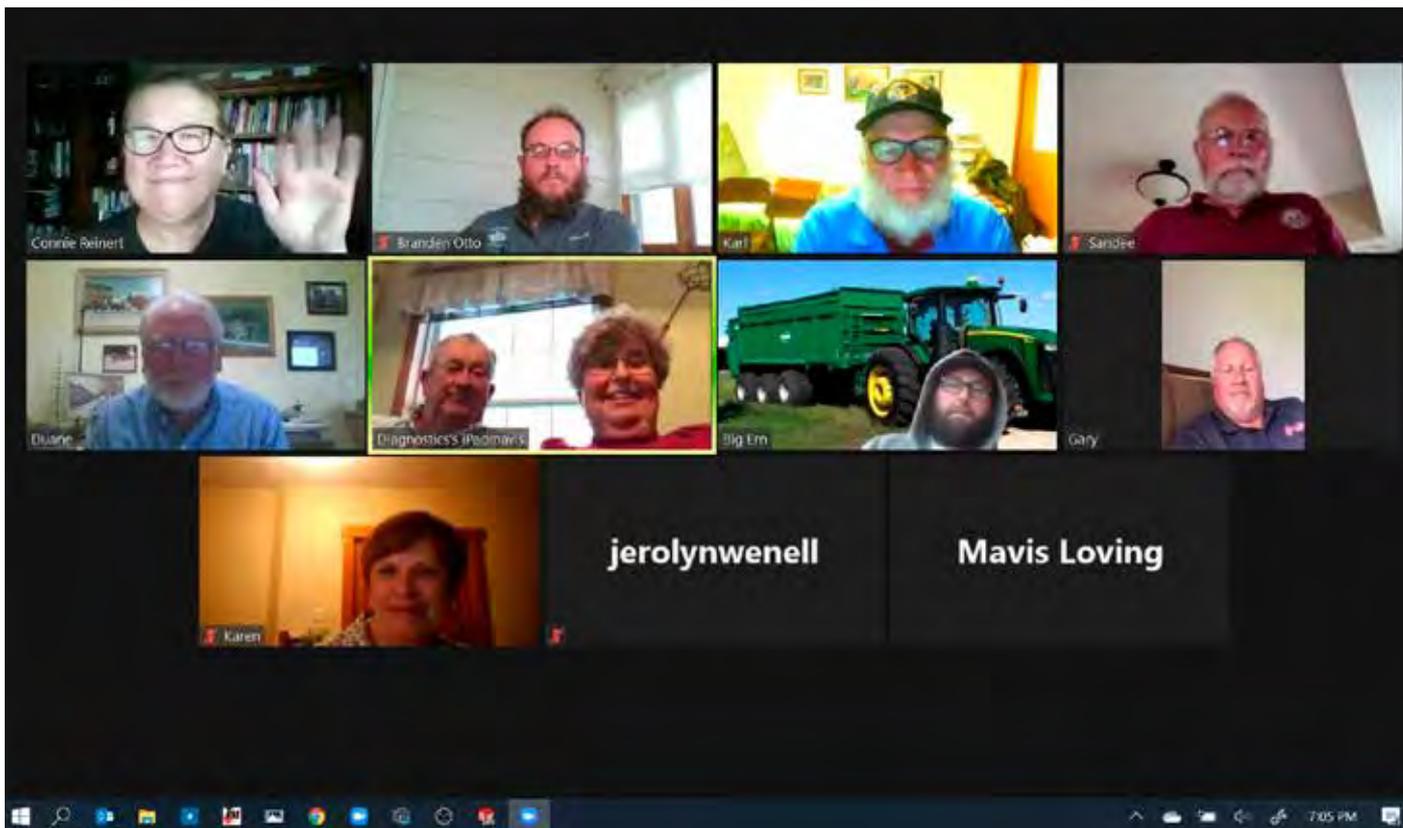
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Like many businesses and families during 2020, the 50th Planning Committee met using Zoom – using 21st Century technology to talk about demonstrations using 19th and 20th Century technology.

Daily Activities

The Threshermen’s Store will have special 50th souvenirs for sale. This includes t-shirts, mugs, and caps. Also, the Threshermen Family Cookbook and 50th Tea Towel will be available. The 50th History Book, *Pocketful of Memories*, will also be available during the show. Over at the Shingle Mill, visitors can purchase a shingle and then take it over to the Blacksmith Shop for a special 50th brand.

Show memorabilia from the last 50 years will be on display in the Store Building.

Down at Freedom Hall, the volunteers have organized a tent and exhibit showing a soldier’s living conditions from the Korean War period.

Stop by the Farm House and view the display of vintage wedding dresses that have been gathered for the show.

Also, located near the Farm House, enjoy listening to a variety of Storytellers at 3:30 p.m. as they talk about farming days gone by.

Near the Corn Crib, make time to stop by as a family and share in some playtime with a variety of games that represent generations from the early 1900s to the 1950s. Enjoy a game of marbles, jacks and more. Games will be available from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. and again from 3 to 4 p.m. each day.

For field activities, come and watch the Generations of Farming in Motion. This event will feature a variety of



International Harvester tractors and machinery as they show typical farm operations and how the equipment has changed over a 100-year period. This event is scheduled for 11 a.m.

Field work will continue in the afternoon starting at 1 p.m. with a mix of old-time field activities. Unfortunately, Mother Nature changed plans for what was to be a big wheat run demonstration. Because of wheat conditions, other field demonstrations are planned.

Join in the fun of a few tractor games that will take place out in the west field starting at 3 p.m.

A Walking Plow Contest will take place in the horse area at 10 a.m. each morning. As always, this is a working show and anyone who wishes to participate in these or other field activities are invited to do so.

At 2:30 p.m., there will be a jumping mule demonstration. The Crooked Creek Mule Co. of Cameron, Missouri will perform the demo of what some may recall was an attraction from the early years of the show. This will take place following the Kid’s Potato Patch at about 2:30 in the horse area. They will demonstrate again at 4:15 p.m. on Main Street before the daily Threshermen’s Parade.

Members of the 50th Planning Committee are: Connie Reinert, Duane Madson, Lynn Wenell, Brice Wenell, Brady Bonin, Charlie and Mavis Widlund, Gary and Leah Sundblad, Branden Otto, Karen Feeley, Bob & Mavis Loving, and Karl Lind.



Ted Schulte pictured with his 1926 McCormick-Deering 15-30.

Ted Schulte of Sac City is long time IH Exhibitor at the show

Ted Schulte of Sac City, Iowa has attended every Threshermen's Show since it opened at the show grounds in 1975.

"My dad and my uncle had antique tractors. Early on, Karl Lind asked us to bring the Hart Parr 28-50 engine and it is still there today, now owned by Don Hoover," said Ted. "Even when I was in high school, my dad and uncle had tractors there. My uncle was buying tractors and if we could make them run, they were there."

Ted served two tours in Vietnam as a Navy Seabee.

"When I returned from the service in 1971, I decided I needed a tractor. I grew up on Farmalls. I spotted a McCormick-Deering in a grove. I ended up getting two of them from that grove, a 15-30 and a 22-36. The 15-30 has been to Albert City for many years and the 22-36 has been there once or twice."

Other tractors in his collection include: 1946 I-6 International, 350 Farmall, 460 Farmall, 560 Farmall, Farmall Cub, 284 International and a B John Deere.

The John Deere has been a fun tractor and one that his daughter often uses to plow during the annual show.

Ted has restored his tractors and also restores tractors for others in the area giving him the nickname of tractor doctor. He has restored and sold tractors that have gone to Canada, El Paso and Louisiana.

"I was a mechanic all my life, working as the shop foreman and diesel mechanic for Sac County, so the tractors were something different."

When he first got the McCormick-Deering he took it on tractor pulls. Later, he found a plow for it and switched to using it for plowing. He has placed in several plowing contests around the state and in a national contest.

He thinks that plowing has become somewhat of a lost art. For a contest, judges compare how straight you plow; all furrows should look the same after several passes; for the dead furrow on the last pass, there should be one furrow and one wheel track.

"It's fun at Albert City. As soon as we go out to plow,



In 1990, a state antique plowing contest was held at the show with 14 contestants. First place went to Jack Law from Pierson. Second place went to Harlan Roarda of Prairie City and third place went to Ted Schulte of Sac City.



The 1957 350 Farmall.



The 460 Farmall.

some of the older guys, the first thing they do is look at the furrow to see how deep it is, see if the furrow wall is nice and clean, and see if the bottom of the furrow is level and then they look at your plow to see if it is level.”

Ted enjoys the friendships he has made over his years of participating in the show and enjoys looking at all of the tractor displays, even though he claims to be a diehard Farmall fan. His wife Linda, usually goes for one day and now their grandkids also enjoy going to the show.

“I always enjoy watching the saw mill run and every



Ted Schulte and his daughter, April Vass, putting a plow to work with their 1937 John Deere B in a photo from 2014.

year we see something we hadn't seen before.

“I have always told family, ‘whatever you do, don't plan anything for the Threshermen's Weekend,’ because I would be going to the show. One weekend I even missed a wedding so I could attend the show. I made the reception, but missed the wedding. I have been to other shows, but I have always thought this one was better.”

Watch for Ted out in the field plowing as he maintains his attendance streak by attending the 50th annual show.

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Plan to see this Beautiful 1934 Ford Fuel Delivery Truck

Phil Jahde of Alta just wrapped up the restoration of a 1934 Ford fuel delivery truck and plans to exhibit it for the 50th annual show.

“It was sitting in a guy’s shed near Alta and his father had actually used it in the day,” said Phil. “He was tired of working on it, so I bought it from him about 20 years ago. I was busy at the time, so I just started working on it a few years ago.”

“He took it down to the frame and into pieces,” added his wife Jean. “His business was paint stripping and this all had to come apart to get the paint off.”

Every detail on the truck has been restored to original condition and it shines like a mirror both inside and out. A custom-built wood box sits on the rear driver’s side to hold the empty gas cans, ready to be filled. The engine runs smooth and sounds like a sewing machine.

“It gave me something to do I guess. It took me a long time to get it like I wanted it and I had to buy another truck just to get the parts I needed,” said Phil.

He discovered a matching 1934 Ford fuel truck near Lakeview when he was moving trees and that became a

donor truck for parts. The license plate was found in a box of old plates in their garage. Phil has several D-X collectibles and says the brand was real popular back in the day and he can name off three D-X stations within just a few miles from his farm. The price for gasoline in 1934 was just 19 cents.

Phil and Jean are both retired now and enjoy their beautiful family farm. Phil operated Jahde High-Tech Paint Stripping for 25 years while also farming. He then moved trees for about ten years with his tree spade.

“I’ve done this all my life. I started out as a kid when I didn’t like the color of my bicycle so I sanded it down and repainted it. Then, I did tractors after that. I did my grain truck and I did a bus for our church. That is when I got the paint stripping system and the business drew customers from all around.”

“He is really fussy, and there wasn’t really anyone around to take the paint off,” said Jean.

“God provides,” said Phil. “He gave me the expertise to do this. I could never do it on my own and everyone has to learn to use their God-given abilities.”

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This 1934 D-X Fuel Truck is ready to make deliveries. Top photo: Phil and Jean Jahde with the newly restored vehicle.

Photo above: A new bumper from a second donor truck shines like a mirror.

Photo to right: the rear of the fuel truck including an original license plate.

Photo at far right: gas cans are lined up and ready to be filled.



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International Harvester Timberjack to be exhibited by Dick Bennet

Dick Bennet found his 1966 IH Timberjack in the woods of northern Minnesota. For 46 years, he has travelled there to cut and gather the wood that he uses in the teepee poles he makes.

“I had a house there for 14 years, and my goal was to cut teepee poles there in any weather situation,” said Dick. “I tried a pickup, a snowmobile, and a four-wheeler but they just didn’t work. I found out that a good logger always has a Timberjack.

“I asked around and found it near Deer River, Minn. I was able to get it going. One time the transmission went out. The junk yards up there have all the original logging equipment going back to horse-drawn of the late 1800s.

“I found a 1939 Ford transmission in the mud and dug it out and took it back to the mechanic that was working on my Timberjack. He cleaned it all up and it is still in the tractor today. Then, I had a flat tire. They are huge and are multi-ply tires. They probably weigh at least 1200 pounds. I had to go to a junk yard and buy a rim with the tire on it. The motor eventually went out here. I had to go to Kansas to get a 4-cylinder Ford motor.”

The IH Timberjack is a logging skidder, a piece of equipment used to drag trees and material from wooded areas to a landing area.

“It has a bulldozer blade on the front and a winch on the back and articulates. The wheels are about five-foot high and it is four-wheel drive. If you come up to a 30-inch tree, it will go right over it. If you come up to a creek, it will drive right through it.”

With the Timberjack at his home just south of Marathon, he can use it for stabilizing trees that are located near a house that need to be cut down.

“It is really overkill for a machine around here, but



it actually moves snow really well. I have had it at the Threshermen’s show before and have ran it in the parade.

“I don’t really think of having it as an exhibit. I have it for work around here. It is a tool. I used it for cutting down about five trees that were all growing over a house in Rembrandt. It takes a big trailer to load it and haul it.”

Dick is a contractor and does living history events. He also owns Rembrandt Leather Goods. It is a frontier trading post and he sells things that people who do reenacting would purchase. It represents from 1700 to 1840. He displays muzzleloaders going back to 1830.

He also makes and sells teepees and is an active speaker related to that period.

“Going back in history, all our relatives had muzzleloaders. It is a matter of going back in time. They had to use them to hunt so they could have food to eat.”

During the Threshermen’s show, he is active in the Cherokee Ridge Runners and can be seen making teepee poles.

“I made a teepee when I was a kid and have always been interested in it. I have done a half million poles across the U.S. and it takes 18 poles for one setup.

“While at the show, if I am not making poles, I am in my tent making leather goods,” said Dick.

Dick does presentations at shows such as the one in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa and is a vendor at the annual trade fair in New Ulm, Minn.

While at the show, check out the unique IH Timberjack and visit with Dick in the Ridge Runner area to watch his demonstration and learn more about that period of history.

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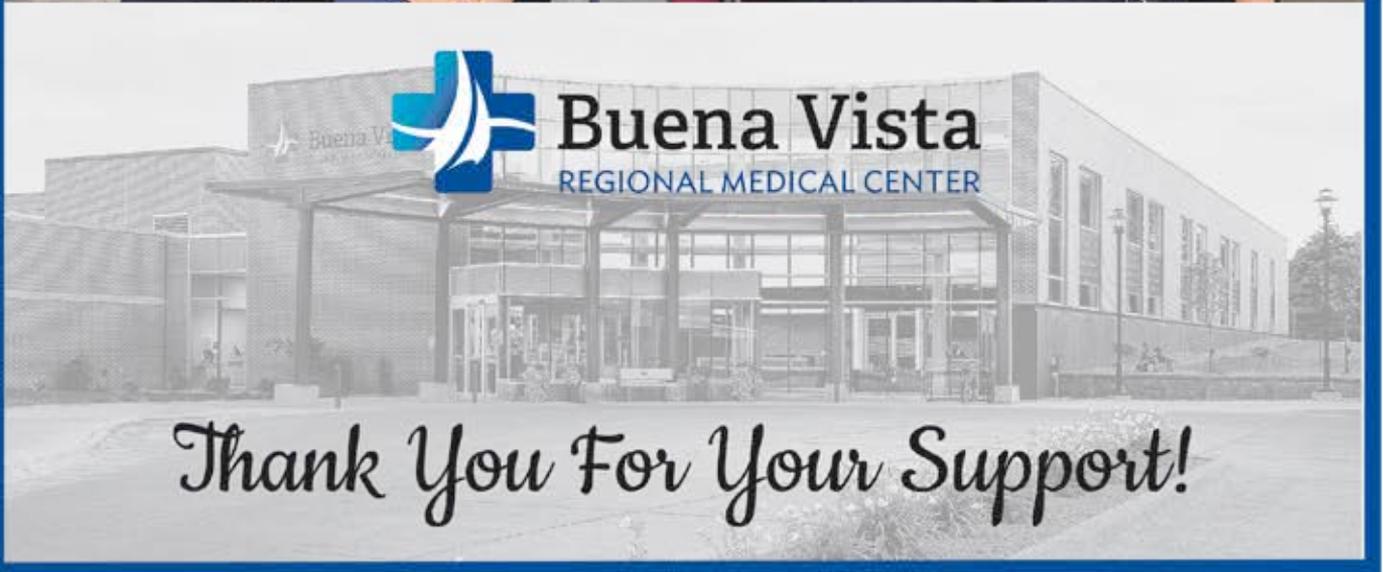
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Field Demonstrations are an Annual Highlight of Show

The annual show at Albert City is well-known for its hands-on and live field demonstrations. These activities offer collectors a chance to get out and use their equipment in the field and to demonstrate what farming was like in earlier years.

One of the main events held over the last several years has been the One Year of Farming Demonstration which takes spectators through the operations of a typical farm through the year. This year, that event is called “Farming through the Generations in Motion,” and will feature the IH line of tractors and machinery.

Demonstrations will include plowing, discing, seeding, planting, cultivating, combining, baling and chopping. The tasks are typically done with the feature line of tractors and implements as much as possible. And, horses may also get in on the demonstration. This event will take place at 1 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Other field activities include threshing with steam power, plowing, cultivating, corn shelling, corn picking, combining, and baling.

Horse-drawn implements are used for discing, cultivating, binding, threshing and well-drilling.

Spectators can enjoy the view from bleacher seating while an announcer explains the activities.

Top right photo: Brice Wenell of Albert City with his 1950 Massey-Harris self-propelled corn picker during the 2019 show.



Second right photo: Angie Smith of Webb on a Massey-Harris 444 pulling a DuckFoot Digger field cultivator. The cultivator was purchased new by Angie’s great grandfather, Hugh Taylor.



Bottom right photo: Bryson Smith of Webb on his Massey-Harris 444RC pulling a two-bottom plow.



Below: David and Sue Glienke with their team of Haflingers raking straw.



Andersons Family Farmall is Show Exhibit and Workhorse



The Anderson's Farmall M has run the corn sheller for about seven years.

The Farmall M stationed at the corn sheller is owned by the family of Dennis Anderson of Albert City. The 1940 tractor was first owned by his grandmother who, as a widow during war-time, was able to purchase it even though there were many shortages at the time.

She was from Goodell, Iowa. Dennis' parents built a home right next to her, and he remembers that the tractor was a workhorse on the farm for many years. Later, his uncle purchased the tractor and it moved to Clarion, Iowa where he did a minor restoration. After his passing, Dennis' dad bought back the tractor and eventually it made its way to Dennis. It has been used at the Threshermen's Show since 2010.

Dennis and his wife, Julie, have three children: Gregory, Andrew and Kylie who are all involved at the show.

"I have always loved being involved with community

things, and so when we moved to this area in 2009, we started getting involved," said Dennis.

One of the activities that he has worked on for about seven years is shelling corn along with Chuck Virgil.

The family assists before the show where they can. Both Gregory and Andrew are responsible for the mowing. They helped move in the rocks for the ice cream stand and the Southside Cafe.

As volunteers for GoServ Domestic, they planned to cut down and clean up trees in the campgrounds before show time. And, visitors will find them working in the Safe-T Home serving up maple bacon sandwiches and other treats.

Dennis grew up on a farm and enjoys keeping that connection. "It is important for the younger generation to understand how the older generation did things. It is the hard work and farming tradition. In the 80s and 90s I was a youth pastor in the cities, and people would always look to hire people from Iowa.

"There is a good work ethic that comes from the farm. We have lost the opportunity for kids to work at a young age. This shows how we developed our work ethic on the farm.

"What makes the show successful is seeing the demonstrations and the hands-on activities. There are things happening. I enjoy learning from the older generation. I grew up shelling corn, but I never ran the sheller, I ran the scoop shovel, so now thanks to Chuck Virgil, I have learned to run the sheller.

"One of the reasons we moved back here was for the opportunities for our kids."

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Dennis is the Domestic Director for GoServ Global where he has worked for 11 years. He leads efforts to assist for personal and natural disasters which could mean assisting individuals facing hardship, organizations, or communities following a natural disaster.

“We exist so volunteers can be successful at what they do. We bring volunteers, expertise and resources to a disaster site. We have the tools and the equipment.

“Following the derecho that hit eastern Iowa in 2020, they spent three months working with 83 families doing \$150,000 worth of work.

“During the flood at Hamburg, Iowa we were the organization that managed all of the volunteers that worked there. Over 40 family homes and structures were cleaned up.

“We are just serving, all of the good is from God, not from us,” said Dennis.

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Volunteers: Recruit, train and lead volunteers so they can be successful; see more volunteers become better equipped so they can provide assistance to those in need; connect and work through local organizations, assisting them in helping their local community.

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Mother Nature Cancels Wheat Run, but Old-time Activities will Take Place

For two years, the field team of the 50th Planning Group has worked on organizing a great big Wheat Run demonstration. They had their eyes set on having as many as 30 combines and all of the related equipment to perform this demonstration.

However, as happens in a farming operation, Mother Nature has caused a change in the plans. Due to poor wheat crop conditions, the wheat harvest demonstration will be limited.

But the organizers are not sitting still, and instead have put together a variety of other demonstrations and activities for guests to enjoy. These will be new and unique to the show and may vary based on crop and field conditions.

The Threshermen's Show is known for active field demonstrations and this will be something you don't want to miss.

There will be a limited wheat harvest; a corn harvesting demo, crop cultivating, wire-check planting and a slow tractor race. And, most likely other activities set by show time!



Just like in a typical farming operation, Mother Nature changed plans for the Wheat Run. Members of the 50th Planning Group Field Team have put their heads together to make a fun and educational demonstration. Come out to the field each day at 1 p.m. to see their hard work.



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The afternoon starts with a welcoming at the public library on Main Street at 1:30 p.m.

At 2:30 p.m., there will be a program at the Straw Horse. Regular hours at the Straw Horse are Tuesday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 9 to 11:30 a.m. The store is decorated to inspire and show many unique styles with the latest fashion. They sell kitchen gadgets, gourmet foods, table decor, wall art, fashion accessories and Scandinavian interests. The decorating in the store will show off some of the influence and interests of the Threshermen.

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This is the seventh year for the Threshermen collectible toy tractor sale. This year's tractor is a Farmall 400 with loader, 1/16 scale die cast.

Each toy tractor will include a serial number. The #10 tractor is being donated by Le Mars Toy Store and will be included as a prize in the large tractor raffle, so with the purchase of a ticket for that raffle, buyers are automatically included for a chance to win this toy tractor.

One hundred tractors are available, and anyone who purchased a toy previously has the first option to buy the same number this year. Those not purchased will be available for the general public.

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Lussmans Maintain Family History of Exhibiting at the Show

Wayne Lussman and his wife, Rita, exhibit gas engines at the annual show as a way to keep alive the spirit of Wayne's parents, Willis and Lorna Lussman who were avid Threshermen volunteers. Willis also had a strong passion for collecting Oliver tractors. Lorna worked in the Gas Station for many years and that chair is now being held by Wayne's sister, Wanda Cady.

"Dad collected Oliver and Hart-Parr tractors and we were farming together and working on machinery. We always went to the show with him, it was the thing we did growing up," said Wayne. "I was about 12 when I started going to it. Farming was in my background and dad got me into the old stuff. When he started collecting tractors, I started helping him.

"He found a 1-1/2 h.p. It was only about two years before he passed away that we were able to get it running. We found an old well water pump and we had the sink, so we can show the water pumping with the engine. I have a lot of people ask me what the engines were used for.

"These ran the feed grinders and water pumps. It was portable power. This Montgomery Ward engine was sold for \$43."

According to Wayne, people purchased the engines to generate power and how they were used would determine the horse-power of the engine purchased.

Wayne likes to keep his engines in their working clothes and doesn't worry about restoring them. The same goes for his 1948 Oliver tractor.

"I have always been fascinated with machines and mechanical work. We have rebuilt a '56 Ford pickup that we have taken to the show. Then, I have an Oliver 88 power unit with a 25,000 watt generator and now I am building a 1929 model AA Ford."

"No matter what you find," said Rita. "If it isn't running, he will get it running."

Rita shares an interest in the gas engines and visiting at the Albert City show.

"We missed a few of the shows because we were running Sturgis bike week at the time. But, now we have been going back full-time to the show. We just have to keep this history going.

"My favorite thing is everything mechanical. I just wonder how they could build these things without the technology that we have today. These are amazing considering the period they were built and they are so accurate.

"It's fun to see the threshing and think back to how

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Wayne Lussman having some fun at the show with his 1917 Montgomery Ward 1-1/2 hp gas engine.



Wayne and Rita Lussman of Fort Dodge, Iowa with their Montgomery Ward engines, a 1-1/2 hp and a 5 hp.

times used to be on the farm. It was when neighbors and families had to work together to get the work done. The history and looking at how they make the power work is amazing.”

Both Wayne and Rita enjoy watching the work at the saw mill. Wayne also enjoys seeing shingles being made at the mill.

“Dad was in charge of the Blacksmith Shop and I would go up and help him with that. I learned everything about work ethic from my dad. When we were milking cows, they didn’t wait for us. It was work ethic but also the enjoyment of working on these engines and getting things running.

“Every engine I got running, I was on my phone calling my dad so he could listen to the engine. One time he came here with a friend, and he said ‘Where did you learn how to do this?’ and I said, ‘I learned it from you, this is working on machinery, things that we always did.’

“Work ethic and my faith, that was what he taught. We would butt heads, but at the end of the day, the work got done.

“I don’t have the room to collect a lot of tractors or anything. This is a way to keep his spirit alive and to still be involved in the show.”

Wayne works for Iowa Central Community College in Fort Dodge as the truck driving instructor and Rita works in the office at Wolfe Eye Clinic. Be sure to stop by and visit with them about their gas engines.



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Founders Families will be Recognized as Threshermen Parade Marshals

Family members of Karl Lind and Keith Sundblad, founders of the Association, will be recognized as the 2021 Threshermen Parade Marshals.

The families include the children of Karl and Mary Lind: Karla (Jon) Brown, Klarice (Eddie) Arguello, and Karen (Lee) Shervheim, plus grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and the children of Keith and Mary Ann Sundblad: Alan, Mick, Gary, and Ken plus grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

These extended families have been involved in the annual event since the beginning and it is only fitting to recognize them during this special year.

In the early years, the Lind and Sundblad children were sent out with flyers to hang up to promote the event. Later they all participated in different areas of the show.

Karla recalls: "The summer of 1972 I learned how to run the spinning wheel that my dad had gotten. He had asked Ed Sundholm to overhaul it and get it into working condition. So during the 1970s I was the one who demonstrated spinning.

"In those early years there were no permanent buildings. I remember setting up a couple of times in a new hog shelter. In 1976 it was exciting to demonstrate in the new craft building at the permanent site."

"The Threshing Bee is one of the most wonderful memories I have from my childhood. It was exciting and adventuresome! I remember as a little girl running all over the grounds, with my bandana and pocket knife - always looking for good sticks to carve. There was an endless array of activities," said Karen.

Klarice recalled her early memories:

"I do remember the early years, as we made the treats and served them to the 'workers' and to those who came to watch. It felt like MANY of the tasks to be done were either done by the Sundblads or our family. (Garbage pick-up was one of the tasks we did NOT enjoy!)"

The responsibilities for the Sundblad clan grew as the event continued to grow.

"We always were involved with helping to seed the oats, bundle and shock the oats, pitch the bundles into racks, getting things ready for the show and just pitching in during the show with whatever needed help. For quite a few years dad had Belgian horses so my brothers and I would help out with them as well as other things," said Gary.

"As the show continued to grow and more things were added to the show I remember spending quite a few summer days working on projects, repairs, mowing and doing whatever it took to be ready for show time. A lot of that time was spent with either dad or Grandpa Karl so



A 1999 newspaper photo of Karl Lind and Keith Sundblad, founders of the Albert City Threshermen & Collectors Show.

they were always teaching us about something (or getting cheap labor)!"

Mary Ann DeYoung (formerly Sundblad) believes the show is good for kids to be around.

"Kids are handed things so much today, it's good for them to see all the work that was involved. Even the house, you see how much work it was, you didn't have all the conveniences. Things were not handed to people back then."

And thinking about her children's involvement:

"I'm so glad the kids and grandkids are taking part. Their dad would be so happy that they are really involved. They work shifts in the different stands, and they love it. Gary runs the store; Mick does the sawmill with his sons and grandsons, they all love being there; Alan is involved in parking and traffic. I'm thankful and their dad would be so proud, and I'm proud of them, too!"

Founder Karl Lind stated, "One of the highlights and what has impressed me over the years are the people who have come back year after year as workers, as exhibitors, and then those who are willing to come back and be observers who pay admission which helps to pay the bills. It's a combination of those things that makes it worthwhile.

"I am looking forward to seeing families come back to do the things they have done in previous years. I see them having fun and that is worth it all."

Roland and Gwen Taylor Recognized as Feature Parade Marshals

Roland and Gwen Taylor will head up the Feature Parade as they are the 2021 Feature Parade Marshals. The parade is 10 a.m. daily.

It doesn't take long when visiting with the Taylor family, to understand they are very passionate for the color red. Especially when it is painted on an IH tractor.

Roland and Gwen Taylor live just east of Terril where their office is decorated with family pictures showing a tradition of farming and working with International Harvester. It is this tradition that they want to continue and have shared with their family.

The family now owns several pieces of IH that were bought originally by family members.

"My grandfather bought the first F30 west of the Missouri River when he lived in North Dakota," said Roland. "We were lucky to buy it along with a cultivator and the tractor manual. The manual has his handwritten notes which make it very special."

Roland owns a 1947 B Farmall that also belonged to his grandfather. Their three children and grandchildren have all learned how to drive using that tractor.

The first Taylor in the U.S. came in 1682 from England and was a farmer. They've been farming ever since and started farming with IH back in the 1920s and the tradition continues. Roland's uncle was a meticulous IH owner and traded up every other year.

Roland and Gwen started collecting in the 80s. "We were probably collecting before we knew we were collecting," he said. "We have a W-400 from the early 90s. There were low production numbers and it is a real neat tractor." They have traveled to several states to obtain their treasures which includes a large collection of toys.

Roland and Gwen farm and run some cows. "It gives us a chance to run our tractors," laughed Roland. All of their tractors are working tractors and Roland really enjoys hooking up and doing some plowing with one of his many plowing outfits.

In their spare time they enjoy going on tractor rides and spending time with family. They have been on every KICD tractor ride and Gwen is the only female to have gone on every KICD ride.

"It was quite an honor to be recognized," said Roland. "We have enjoyed the show for many years and like to participate in it. It's a fun show and we like to have the activities to do. Both of us were surprised and felt it was pretty neat to be chosen as parade marshals."

They plan to bring 15 to 20 pieces of equipment as part of the IH feature. "Just because you get old, doesn't mean



Gwen and Roland are both active volunteers at the annual show. In 2013, they helped line-up equipment and participated in the One Year of Farming in Sixty Minutes demonstration.

you get smart," laughed Roland as he told stories about picking up new pieces of equipment to bring to the show.

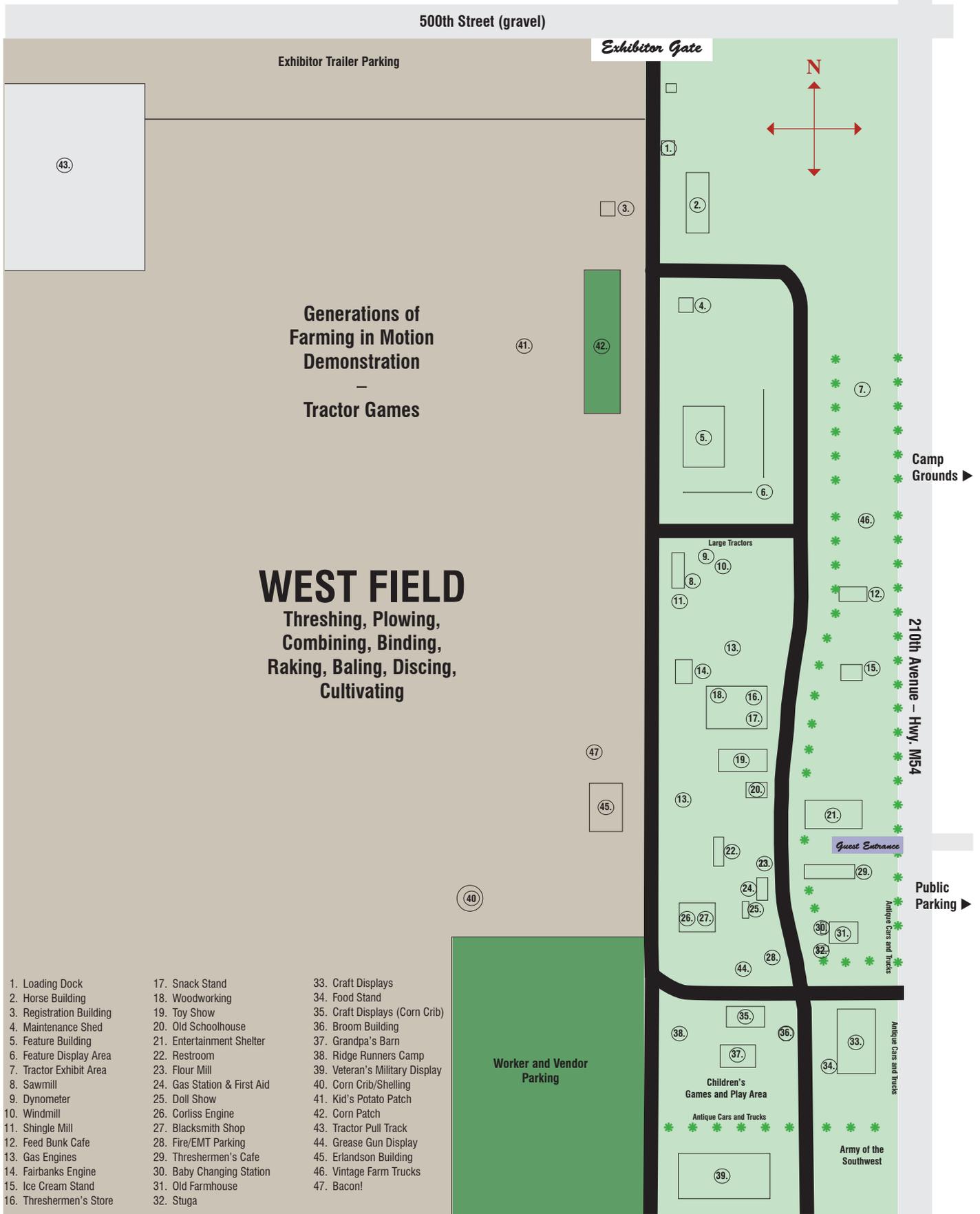
"We like original stuff as much as we can. Gwen is finishing restoring a field cultivator, and we are both very much involved. We bought a combine that was the same as my dad had years ago. It's a pull-type and Gwen has it all cleaned up really good."

"People like to see the rare and original things. We have some unique items including a mechanical four-bottom plow, a Super W400 and Super W4."

Roland concluded, "We have a lot of family interest in farming with and collecting IH. It is now a disease, and what do you take for it—iron."

Roland and Gwen are spearheading the demonstration, Generations of Farming in Motion, and no doubt it will be an event for all to enjoy.

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| 8. Sawmill | 24. Gas Station & First Aid | 40. Corn Crib/Shelling |
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In 2018, Derek Hansen operating his 1965 80 combine pulled by a Farmall 400 diesel tractor, both will be exhibited at the 2021 show.

An avid IH Collector, Derek Hansen has Variety of Exhibits

Derek Hansen of Ruthven has been collecting International Harvester tractors for about 20 years. Like many collectors, he grew up with the brand and owns a tractor that was purchased new by his grandfather, a 1940 M that has been completely restored.

He also owns the IH 706 that he grew up on. He restored it and uses it on Wisconsin tractor rides which he has done since 2011. “My dad had red tractors and that is what I wanted to stick with. Except for the Thieman tractor that I own, all of my tractors are IH.

“The 1964 140 high-clear came from Roanoke, Virginia,” he said. “I did a complete restoration on it. It is pretty nice and there aren’t many of them in this part of the country.

“The 460 Wheatland is a 1958, and would have been used in wheat country. It has a standard front-end with big fenders to keep the dirt off the operator. I am partial to the standards and have gotten quite a few of them.”

He also has a 1958 560 diesel standard that he uses for tractor rides. It has the wide front and the big dust shields.

Derek will make several trips to the show this year and will spend the weekend camping at the grounds. He has a 1957 650 that will be going to the show. It starts on gas and switches to diesel. He will also bring an F-12 on steel with a one-bottom plow to exhibit along with a 1935 W-30



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McCormick-Deering Wheatland tractor. This unique tractor sports grey paint and is one of the very few equipped with a starter. He says it is a big tractor and pulls a plow real well.

“I like restoring tractors,” he said. “It’s a good feeling when you can bring one back from the dead. It’s fun getting the old ones to run. There is a guy here in town that helps me a lot.”

Following his dad’s retirement from farming, Derek started farming the family farm in 1988. His daughter, Molly Nerem lives in Ruthven and he has two grandchildren age nine and five.

“At the show I enjoy participating. I like to combine and plow. It gives people something to look at and they can have a good time. I have met a lot of really good people there at that show.”

For the daily field demo, he expects to demonstrate his 400 diesel with combine, F12 with the one-bottom and the W30 with a two-bottom plow.

One thing he is hoping to find, is someone who has or knows about parts for an IH two-way plow. He is on the hunt for the levers that are used to raise and lower the plow.

Derek is a member of the Northwest Iowa Antique Tractor Collectors and is a member of the Iowa Chapter 5 IH Collectors and typically attends the national IH show. He is already looking forward to the RedPower Round-up set for the Clay County Fairgrounds in 2024.



Derek is pictured with four of his IH tractors at his shop in Ruthven.



Derek enjoys pulling a 1956 power utility Army trailer on tractor rides.

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Freedom Hall Honors Members of Service with Military Displays

Volunteers from the area service organizations work throughout the year to update and expand on the various military displays at Freedom Hall.

A special exhibit for the 50th annual show is a tent that will take a light-hearted look at a soldier's living conditions. From a game of checkers, to a heater, to a shower, expect to see a mix of items representing the 1940s and 1950s.

Also, on display will be a rare International Harvester M1 garand rifle. In 1951, the U.S. Ordnance Dept. granted a contract for 100,000 M1 rifles to the International Harvester Co. (IHC). The rifles were to be manufactured at the firm's Evansville, Ind., plant with deliveries scheduled to begin in December 1952. The Evansville facility was built during World War II by the Republic Aviation Corp. for production of the P-47 Thunderbolt fighter. In 1945, International Harvester bought the former aircraft factory and converted it for manufacture of farm implements and refrigeration and air conditioning units.

Stop and see the 944 Cushman Model 53 Airborne Scooter with a 1944 M-3A4 General Purpose Utility Hand Cart. In the later stages of World War II in Europe, Allied paratroopers used these scooters to maintain contact between units, increase their mobility and haul small loads.

Freedom Hall opened in 2014 and was designed to honor all members of service, both past and present. The 64' x 128' building and all related items were made possible thanks to generous donors and volunteers who have covered all expenses.

In 2015, volunteers added more display space and a collection of military patches. That year they featured items from WWI.

In 2016, the display case for the Navy Target Kite was purchased along with two additional display cases. Volunteers created a flag display along the road for show days. The flags, poles and materials were purchased with funds from the Sundholm Foundation.

Other displays that visitors will want to see include a replica of a 16-inch projectile that would have been shot from a USS



battleship, the "super-heavy" 2,700 pound APC (Armor Piercing, Capped) Mark 8 shell. Large caliber guns were designed to fire two different 16 inch shells: an armor piercing round for anti-ship and anti-structure work, and a high explosive round designed for use against unarmored targets and shore bombardment.

Check out the Clinometer on display. Clinometers are used for measuring list of a ship on still water and the roll in rough water. The angle of list is the degree to which a ship leans or tilts to either port or starboard. The vessel is stable, but the distribution of weight aboard (often caused by uneven loading or flooding) causes it to heel to one side.

Also on display are a 5-inch projectile, Zippo Lighters, a battle lantern, Navy dress uniforms and teak wood from the Battleship USS New Jersey.

There are over 24 vintage military vehicles in the building. Other displays include uniforms, photos, weapons, and other memorabilia. Each includes a detailed explanation of who manufactured it, the features, use and costs.

Veterans take turns staffing the building in an effort to answer questions. Freedom Hall is also open Memorial Day, Labor Day and other times by appointment. For additional information, contact Garland Otto at 712-843-5761, Woody Wenell at 712-843-5328 or Ron White at 712-289-2251.





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50 Years

Threshermen's Show

It's taken an extra year, but the Albert City Threshermen & Collectors are eager to celebrate their 50th annual show.

Karl Lind and Keith Sundblad, farm neighbors living near Albert City organized an event to show their children how an old threshing machine worked. Little did they know, that was the start of a tradition that would carry on for years to come.

That year, other neighbors and volunteers joined them in the effort. About 200 people heard about it and attended the show. It was held the first part of August and was repeated on Labor Day on the former farm of the late Mabel Fredrickson. Equipment for the show included: five tractors, one threshing machine, one horse-powered elevator, a pair of Welsh ponies, one bundle rack, and one oats wagon. A total of three acres of oats were threshed.

Food was served from a 1930 Chevrolet truck and lunch was served on a flat rack and visitors enjoyed lemonade, coffee and bars.

In 1972, the event was held at the Karl Sundblad farm



and in 1973 it was held at the Keith Sundblad farm. The event in 1974 was held on the east edge of town in conjunction with the Jubilee. In November of that year, the Association was officially formed.

The first show organized by the Albert City Threshermen and Collectors was in 1975. On October 31, 1975, the Association voted to accept a land gift of 15 acres from the late Ed and Agnes Sundholm for the development of a "Heritage Site." The first annual meeting was held Dec. 6. The first nine-member board included: Keith Sundblad, president; Eldon Johnson, vice-president; Karl Lind, secretary; and Bob Loving, treasurer; also: Merlynn Bean, Dean Sundblad, Cliff Johnson, Floyd Myer and Darwin Johnson.

Since those early years, the show has grown seeing a record attendance of nearly 19,000 guests in 2017.

Other historical highlights include:

1976: Heritage Site hosted show for first time; attendance of 2,500 with 59 tractors on exhibit. New 54' x 90' exhibit and storage building erected.

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 1978: First year for toy show, doll show, Golden Rule quilt raffle. Permanent restrooms added.
 1979: Ladies Auxiliary formed, permanent food stand added and 22 trees planted.
 1980: Building moved in for Blacksmith Shop. Bought 5-acre camp ground and out buildings on east side. Sioux Rapids jail on display.
 1981: First year for broom making.
 1982: First 3-day show. First year for corn shelling, well drilling and community church. Laurens Railroad Depot moved in. Attendance was 6,000.
 1983: First year for antique tractor pull.
 1984: Added the Corliss engine. Acquired Fairbanks-Morse engine.
 1985: First year for Cherokee Ridge Runners, children's pet farm and Bill Riley Talent Show.
 1986: Old Depot destroyed by tornado.
 1987: Barn and silo added. Built Mercantile Building.
 1988: Moved in Maintenance Shed. Assembled Fairbanks-Morse engine on the site.
 1989: Built Svenska Stuga.
 1990: Added Li'l Red Barn. Built addition to food stand and shed over Fairbanks engine. First year for a state plowing contest and for the Carpenter Shop.
 1991: Added new showers at the campgrounds. Replaced cupola on corn crib. Attendance hit 13,500.
 1992: New show sign was added.
 1993: Shingled Gas Station and built new stage.
 1994: Added flag pole and planted trees.
 1995: Buildings added to east ground. Windmill added.

1996: Land purchased for parking lot.
 1998: New exhibit building added on Main Street.
 1999: New Blacksmith area built, old one used for Grease Gun Display; Flour Shed built.
 2001: Built roof over stage. Attendance was 10,410.
 2002: Hosted the Farmall Promenade.
 2004: A new building was added to the north end of the grounds to be used as a feature building. The Feed Bunk was also built.
 2007: Hoop building added.
 2010: Added a morning Feature Parade and a swap meet.
 2011: Featured the Case Incline demonstration. Expanded show grounds by 35 acres. Attendance was 16,101.
 2012: First year for Threshermen's Tractor Ride, Kid's Potato Patch. Sioux Rapids FFA takes over Grandpa's Barn.
 2013: First year for Army of the Southwest, Flower Power, Raffle Tractor and One Year of Farming in Sixty Minutes demonstration.
 2014: Moved Toy Show to Main Street. Moved Doll Show to west side. Built Freedom Hall, Registration Building, and Southside Cafe.
 2015: First year for toy collectible. Installed new roof on Farm House.
 2016: First time for wagon train and pie baking contest. Built new kettle corn stand. Established the Associate Board of Directors.
 2017: Celebrated 175 Years of Case with attendance of 18,796. First time for a four-day show and for the activity, Threshermen Experience. Started using a new custom database for exhibitor and membership management. Erlandson Building moved to site. Built new ice cream stand. Refurbished bleachers from Albert City School. New roof on Broom Building, Stuga, Grease Gun Building. New steel and paint on corn crib.
 2018: New boiler for Corliss engine. Electrical upgrades made. Built new ticket/gate stand. First time for Quilts of Valor presentation.

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Enjoy the Threshermen's Tractor Ride Thursday

The annual Threshermen's Tractor Ride will leave the show grounds Thursday, Aug. 14 at 1:30 p.m. The ride is open to all makes, ages and models of tractors (and riders). This is the ninth year for the ride, which has brought as many as 50 participants.

Enjoy lunch from the Threshermen's Cafe before heading out on the ride.

The tractor ride will head to Albert City for a visit at the Albert City Historical Museum, which is a large six-building complex.

Next, riders will head to L M & O Railroad Museum in Marathon. The museum features a depot from Pocahontas that is fully outfitted including the tools, ticketing and passenger areas. There is 1,000 feet of train track with working lights and switches. Visitors can actually take a ride around the track.

The museum includes an all-wood executive car from the 1880s and much memorabilia from Marathon including an original ice house and shoe shop.

Participants can enjoy some Threshermen's homemade ice cream at the end of the ride which should return to the grounds by 4 p.m.





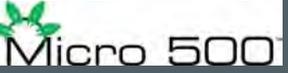
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IH Collectors Iowa Chapter #5 makes Albert City their Summer Show Destination

The IH Collectors of Iowa #5 is one of 45 chapters in a worldwide network. As a state chapter they bring the collecting and preserving IH related products and history to the local level.

While they are involved in collecting and preserving history related to a company that played an important role in the development of rural America, they strive to do so in a way that brings as much pleasure and enjoyment as possible to the participants.

The club's mission statement is: "We are a very active and growing group of people that enjoy collecting and restoring International Harvester or Farmall Machinery or related items.

"We believe in preserving the history of the International Harvester Company, which was headquartered in Chicago during the twentieth century. We strive to support the International Harvester Archives located at the Wisconsin Historical Society, University of Wisconsin which holds a vast collection of the company."



The club meets at least four times per year at different locations. The current president is Jeff Eldred of Newton, Iowa.

State dues are only \$10 and national dues are set at \$15. More information can be obtained by visiting their website at www.ihccia.net.

The spring chapter meeting was held at the home of Nick and Angie Smith of Webb, Iowa. The annual meeting and banquet will be held during the Threshermen's event, Saturday, Aug. 14.

Other upcoming club events include:

Nov. 5-6: National Auction in Monrovia, Ind.

TBD, 2022: Winter Convention, Pigeon Forge, Tenn.

TBD, 2022: Chapter 5 State Show, Belmond, Iowa

June 23-25, 2022: Red Power Roundup, Clark County Fairgrounds in Springfield, Ohio.

TBD, 2023: Red Power Roundup, Grand Island, Neb.

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Minneapolis-Moline Collectors on deck for 2022 Threshermen's Show

The Threshermen welcome the Minneapolis-Moline Collectors for their summer show Aug. 12-14, 2022. According to the mission statement for the Minneapolis-Moline Collectors, Inc., MMCI exists for the preservation and enjoyment of the products of Minneapolis-Moline, its predecessors and related companies, for the exchange of information concerning the same, and for the education of the public as to the historical nature and role of such products. The organization was chartered in 1987.

Most club members rate the number one benefit as getting together with other enthusiastic collectors. Other benefits of becoming a member are: scholastic scholarships; preservation grants; educational projects; website with club events, information and photos; ability to introduce the younger generation to M-M products and history; a summer and winter show; an auction during the winter show and the ability to exchange knowledge and skills with others of similar interest.

Jay Groskreutz of Minnesota Lake, Minn. is the current club president, 507-380-3707 and Loren Book of Nevada, Iowa is the vice-president, 515-231-6334.



The club recently held their annual summer show at the Steam Threshing Festival in Forest City, Iowa.

For more information about the club, visit their website at: www.minneapoliismolinecollectors.org.

In 2023, the Albert City Threshermen & Collectors will host the Gathering of the Orange featuring Allis-Chalmers tractors and equipment.

For 2024, the Association will feature John Deere and host the Northwest Iowa Tractor Collectors.

And in 2025, the feature is Case while hosting the J.I. Case Collectors and the International Case Heritage Foundation.



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Views from the last time the Minneapolis-Moline Collectors visited Albert City in 2012. There were 226 featured tractors registered.

(Left) Loren Book of Nevada, Iowa demonstrated one of his Moline Universal tractors.

(Above) Tony Thompson of Glenville, Minn. demonstrated his 1928 Twin City 27-44 Road King.

2012 was the first year for the Kid's Potato Patch and the Threshermen's Tractor Ride. It was also the first year that the Sioux Rapids FFA took over organizing Grandpa's Barn.



Enjoy it at the show!



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Josh Lindgren plowing in the Kid's Potato Patch in 2019. The center horses are Flint and Bob, his Belgian team.

Josh Lindgren family Represents Third and Fourth Generation with Horses

Josh Lindgren is one of the members of the Threshermen Family who has attended every show since birth. The 40-year old enjoys a family heritage when it comes to working with horses during the annual event.

As the first events took place, his grandpa Paul Lindgren was there with horses. When the show moved to the current location, it was convenient for the Lindgren family as Paul and Donna Lindgren lived on the family farm just across the road north of the grounds. His dad, Neal, and uncle Dennis are also very active at the show. Josh says they have attended all three days of every show except for one when they could attend only a Friday because of a family wedding.

“My grandpa was always one to help,” said Josh. “Grandpa’s thing was the well digger, and that is something that is special to me. My dad and Dennis do it now and I have other family members who come and help with that. It is something that all of our family members want to take part in. It is the Lindgren part of the show.”

“When they got the 8-horsepower, that was grandpa’s thing too, and he was the best at setting it up and getting it done right. I can remember being younger and realizing that the knowledge of how to do these things was going to be lost.”

Josh and his wife, Katie, have three sons, all young cowboys who enjoy the show. They are Colton, 13; Levi, 10; and Cash, age 5.

Josh has two sisters and a cousin who live within a few miles of his farm east of Newell. The home place for his grandpa Fred Kraft is not far. Fred has a family history of show involvement, too.

“We have about four acres over at my cousin’s place that we farm with horses. This is what we were born and raised with and we enjoy doing it.

“We were always around it and we never thought anything of having horses and working with horses. It was a family thing. When my dad and uncle were kids, that is all they did was ride horses. That is what they did for fun. That is the way I have been. I had a pony for as long as I can remember. I have always liked it. I like the cowboy way of life.

“My grandpa Fred was living on the home place and when I was growing up, I was with him from six in the morning to ten at night. At that time, he was taking in horses and training them. Both sides of my family have been in to horses. My sisters are in to horses and have riding horses. My cousin, Tony Kraft, and I both have draft horses.

“When I was growing up, my dad was gone a lot driv-

ing truck. But, I got to spend time with my grandpa and we were always doing something with horses. I feel lucky there. Being with my grandpa Fred, he was a horseman. Being with him every day, seeing the way he did things. There is no value you could ever put on it. It was part of my every day life and I appreciate it. Especially having it on both sides of my family. I still have a lot to learn, but I have had a lot of good men to learn from.”

In 2019, Josh took his team out to plow in the Kid’s Potato Patch for the first time.

“I really enjoy plowing. Grandpa Paul use to be in the walking plow contests during the show. I bought a walking plow and never realized how much finesse it takes. It is a lot of work.”

During the show, there are many activities for horse enthusiasts. From plowing, pulling a binder, raking hay, or well digging. Horse teams are also pulling trolleys around the show grounds each day.

Because Josh uses his team of horses regularly around his farm, they are used to working and it doesn’t take a lot of preparation to get them ready for the show. A day or two before, he cleans them up and cleans up his harnesses.

“The best thing for any horse is for it to be used. If you don’t, there can be problems. The biggest work is keeping food bought and keeping them fed. Summertime haying is a big chunk of work for our family.

“I enjoy being able to go sit on a piece of equipment and I can look and see what I have done. At the show, I enjoy talking to the people at the show and it is fun to think about the history our family has there.

“I enjoy the tradition. There is something for everyone to look forward to. Growing up around there, you know where everything is. You know you have to get ice cream at 10:30 in the morning if you want to avoid the line.

“For my boys, they like the horses, but they love the Civil War Reenactment. They hang out there all after-



At their farm, Josh and Katie Lindgren with their sons, Colton, Levi and Cash.

noon. They ask if they can help wash dishes there, and they just love hanging out there.

“It is a family thing for us. We haul our horses and we park in my grandma’s yard and we are camping there for a week. It has always been that way, spending the week before getting ready. It is a good time, we hang out and do what we enjoy doing together. It is a different feel to be there all together. We sit by the fire and talk about the day. I love it, there is nothing better than that.”

Most likely, there are many that share the enjoyment of the show’s tradition. Be sure to say hello to Josh and his extended family at the show.

Wagon Train *Ridin’ the Trail!*



A family tradition caught at the show in 2019, (L-R): Neal Lindgren, Josh Lindgren holding Cash, Colton, Levi, with grandpa Fred Kraft behind Colton and Cash. His team is in the center and his cousin’s horses are on either side. Josh says this was his crowning achievement at the show and was a very special time for him.



This year marks the fifth annual Wagon Train and the event is being organized by Kelly Kraft. Participants will start to arrive Friday, Aug. 6 and will be making camp at the show grounds. They will leave the grounds about 9 a.m. each day for a ride that will take them to area places such as Little Clear Lake, Marathon Park and Pickeral Lake. They will return to the grounds each evening. Kelly expects to have mule and horse teams on the ride, with riders looking forward to being at the 50th annual show.

Baking contest includes rolls

A cinnamon roll baking contest has been added this year. Bring your cinnamon rolls to the Cafe Saturday morning for judging.

“Bring Your Pie to Church” takes place for the sixth year. Contestants should bring a double-crust pie on Sunday morning to the Cafe. Winners of both contests will be announced at the conclusion of the church service. Prizes are \$100, \$50 and \$25.



Visit the Albert City Historical Museum while in town

The Albert City Historical Museum is located at 212 North Second Street and features six buildings packed with historical items from the Albert City area.

During Threshermen’s weekend, the museum is open Friday from 1 to 5 p.m.; Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m.

Regular hours are Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m. during the summer. Or make an appointment to visit anytime by calling, 712-843-5858 or 712-843-5684. Admission for adults is \$5.

Catch a ride on a trolley



In an effort to make sure all guests can get around comfortably to the many activities on the grounds, the Threshermen provide trolleys to carry passengers around the grounds and to the field.

Personal transportation policy

Anyone wishing to use their own golf cart on the show grounds must register it at the Gas Station and provide a valid handicap driving permit and a certificate of proof of recreational-use insurance. Only personal transportation vehicles with a steering wheel are allowed on the grounds and all must be registered. A handicap driving permit and certificate of proof of recreational-use insurance is required for those as well.

Flower Power Contest adds color to the grounds

Flower enthusiasts are invited to participate in the sixth annual “Flower Power” contest. This fun event started in an effort to add some colorful flower arrangements to the show grounds.

The contest is open to anyone and will award prizes in three age brackets and two categories. Age brackets are: youth, age 12 and under; teens, age 13 to 18 and adults, those over 18. The two categories will be for planters in a 5-gallon bucket and those in a planter of any choice.

Director Gary Sundblad explains, “There has always been a great group of volunteers who have planted and maintained the perennials and annual flower beds at the site. We want to continue that and enhance it if we can. This is a fun way to get more people involved.”

To participate in the contest, entries need to be brought to the Old Farm House and registered Wednesday afternoon or Thursday morning the week of the show. The judging will take place Thursday afternoon and then all entries will be displayed around the grounds. Participants can then take their entries home at the conclusion of the show.

“We have had some beautiful entries in past years. This is a way for us to add some color around the grounds while inviting others to share their talents,” said Gary.




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Army of the Southwest will bring Civil War Era to life

The Army of the Southwest will return with an encampment that demonstrates the period of the 1860s. The Army of the Southwest is a group of Iowa Civil War Reenactors dedicated to educating people of all ages about the Civil War. They do this through reenactments, school programs and historical events.

The non-profit organization includes over 40 members from throughout Southwest Iowa. The unit consists of Confederate and Union infantry, artillery and cavalry. In addition, there is a strong group of period civilians.

Dennis Williams has been with the group since 2003 and is responsible for helping to organize locations and activities.

Dennis expects to fire cannons again this year. They will be fired at 9 a.m. Saturday and at 10 a.m. Sunday, or just after the church service. This year they will also be available to fire throughout the day if people would like to participate in the demonstration. The cannons will shoot five-pound blanks.

While at the show, the members are dressed and living in the period the entire time. "We don't just do a performance," said Dennis. "We actually mirror the lifestyle of the 1860s."

We recreate camp life by living in period tents and when time allows, we prepare food over a campfire and eat as the



soldiers did during the war."

Visitors can expect to see arms, photos, diagrams and drawings at the encampment. "There will be a wealth of information," said Dennis. "We like to visit with people and answer their questions. The members do a lot of research and are very knowledgeable."

Members will arrive on Thursday and Friday. The encampment will be located at the southeast end of the show grounds.



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Get your Tickets for the 2021 Raffle

The Albert City Threshermen and Collectors are holding a tractor raffle again this year as a fundraiser.

The tractor raffle will be for a 1957 Farmall 450. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20, and can be purchased from board members or during the show. Look for the raffle display in the feature area.

A second prize will be for the #10 Farmall 400 toy tractor.

The drawing for all raffle items will be at 4 p.m. Sunday before the Threshermen parade and you need not be present to win.



At far right, is Marvin Trojahn of Hartley, winner of the 2019 Massey 44 tractor.



At right, is Mike Jensen, winner of the 2019 Massey toy collectible.



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Souvenirs commemorating the 50th annual show are available for purchase at the Threshermen's Store.

The Family Cookbook is \$15 per copy. Recipes for the cookbook came from over 100 contributors with nearly 450 recipes in a spiral-bound 230-page book.

A souvenir "Threshermen's Kitchen Towel" has been designed by Regan (Grossnickle) Doely of Doe-a-Deer. The towel is \$12 each. Both the cookbook and the towel can be purchased together at a special rate of \$23.

A new history book, *A Pocket Full of Memories* will be ready for purchase at the store. Copies are \$25 each.

Also available at the store are T-shirts and mugs. Stop by the Shingle Mill and purchase a shingle, then take it to the Blacksmith Shop and get your special commemorative brand.



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Two Veterans Receive Quilt of Valor in 2019 Ceremony

During the 2019 show, two veterans were presented with a Quilt of Valor: Pam Jacobson and Ashley Sadewasser, both of Albert City. They were presented by Sandra Otto, a volunteer with the Quilts of Valor Foundation.

In her remarks at the presentation, Sandra said, “Our mission is to honor our service members and veterans who have been touched by war with Quilts of Valor and we feel all service personnel have been touched by war. It is a national organization founded in 2003 by Blue Star mom Catherine Roberts literally with a dream. Catherine’s son, Nate was deployed in Iraq. And she said she was ‘ten seconds away from panic’ twenty-four hours a day.

“She had a dream as vivid as real life. In her words she said, ‘I saw a young man sitting on the side of his bed in the middle of the night, hunched over. The overall feeling was one of utter despair. Then, as if viewing a movie, I saw him in the next scene wrapped in a quilt. His whole demeanor changed from one of despair to one of hope and wellbeing. The quilt had made this dramatic change. The message of

my dream was: Quilts = Healing.’

“Since then, over 194,631 Quilts of Valor have been awarded here in the United States, and in Germany, Iraq and Afghanistan.

“These quilts bring a three-part message from our hearts. First, we honor you for your service, raising your right hand and taking that oath and leaving all that you held dear. Next, these quilts are meant to say thank you for that service, sacrifice, and valor in serving our nation. And finally, these quilts are meant to offer healing, peace, comfort, and warmth to the individual who receives it, and for you to know that you are forever in all of our thoughts and our hearts.

“On each quilt is a Quilt of Valor label that will tell a little about this quilt. We hope the quilt will serve as a reminder that there are thousands of women and men across this land who are forever in your debt.

“Though we may never know the depth of your sacrifice to protect and defend the United States of America, as an expression of gratitude from a grateful nation, we are humbled to be awarding you a Quilt of Valor.”

Pam Jacobson

Pam Jacobson comes from a military family. Both of her grandfathers served in the Army and her dad served in the Army during WWII. She enlisted in the Air Force in September 1972. She attended Technical School for Medical Supply training at Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas, then was transferred to McChord

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Air Force Base in Tacoma, Wash. in February 1973. She served with the 62nd Medical Squadron which supplied Medical and Dental Clinics for the Air Force. At that time the services were going “high tech.” Data was entered into the computer via a key punch machine that was then fed into the computer. There was only one computer on base, in it’s own separate building because it took up most of the building.

She kept the tradition of a military family alive by marrying Tom, a U.S. Army veteran. Tom’s brother served in the Army also and his sister the Navy. Their son showed the good sense of joining the U.S. Navy.

Ashley Sadewasser

Ashley Sadewasser enlisted at 17, in the Iowa Army National Guard on February 26th, 2010, before graduating from Clayton Ridge High School, May 2010, in Guttenberg, Iowa.



For the 2021 Show:

There will be a Quilts of Valor presentation this year taking place in Freedom Hall at 3:30 p.m. Saturday. The public is invited to attend this touching presentation.

She left for basic training on her 18th birthday and completed training as a Health Care Specialist/Combat Medic in April 2011.

She drilled with the 209th Medical Company- Area Support in Iowa City, Iowa until December 2017.

During her time with the 209th MCAS, she volunteered to support Council Bluffs during the 2011 flood season, competed for the German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge, and earned a Bachelor’s Degree in Human Health Sciences from the University of Dubuque where she also completed two years in their ROTC program.

On December 18th, 2017, she started her career as a Unit Training NCO for F Company 334 Brigade Support Battalion in Storm Lake, Iowa.

She reclassified to become a Senior Wheeled Vehicle Mechanic while maintaining her initial MOS as a Combat Medic.

F Company 334 BSB supports the 1-194 Field Artillery Battalion in Fort Dodge, Iowa. F Company provides the Artillery Batteries in the Battalion with fuel, ammunition, and food while they are completing their missions.

Sergeant Ashley Sadewasser is still serving as an Active Duty Reserve member of the Iowa Army National Guard and planned to volunteer as a medical asset to the Brushy Creek Honor Flight in September 2019.

SGT Sadewasser has earned the following Medals and Awards: Iowa Commendation Medal, Iowa Humanitarian Service Ribbon, Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Iowa State Service Ribbon, Noncommissioned Officers Professional Development Ribbon with Torch, Army Service Ribbon, German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge, Combat and Special Skill Badge Driver and Mechanic Badge.

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Jim Busta Band Headlines Fun Entertainment Line-up

Volunteers Ron and Kim Dewey have worked hard to bring in a variety of entertainment and unique talent to the 50th annual show.

The entertainment will include polka, big band, acoustic, stringed instruments, piano and vocal talents all performing under the entertainment shelter.

The entertainment line-up includes:

Glenn Henriksen will play assorted piano at 11 a.m. Friday. Glenn is an accomplished, versatile pianist and organist. He began piano lessons at age seven, and continued through high school. At age thirteen he became the organist at his hometown church. Glenn attended Luther College in Decorah, Iowa and received further musical instruction. He has played for a wide variety of events, including solo piano and organ concerts, church services, weddings, funerals, receptions and other social activities. Glenn's repertoire includes classical, rag-time, blues and jazz, standards, pop and rock, country, Latin, gospel, and sacred.



Glenn is also a seasoned accompanist, providing services to many vocalists and instrumentalists. He is a member of the variety rock band Galaxy. Glenn's lifetime experience in many musical genres has enabled him to develop a unique musical style, resulting in one-of-a-kind improvised arrangements. Glenn resides in Spirit Lake and Armstrong, Iowa.

William Lawson from Webb will perform Friday at 12:30 p.m. William started playing mandolin around 6 years old, after being inspired by the sounds of bluegrass music since before he could speak. He began playing guitar and singing at age 11 - just 2 years ago. At 13 years old, William has played on stage alongside such greats as Bobby Osborne and Ricky Skaggs. He has won several mandolin and guitar competitions throughout the country. He mostly plays mandolin & guitar but also enjoys playing banjo as well as the dobro. William can be found playing various festivals and events



throughout the Midwest. He is looking forward to once again playing "A Night of Monroe's Bluegrass Classics" at the world famous Station Inn in Nashville in the fall.

South 71 comes back to the show and will perform at 2 p.m. Friday. They are an acoustic trio with second to none vocals and expert guitar and flute playing country, rock, folk and original music.

Sentimental Swing with Tom Steinkoenig of Laurens will perform Saturday starting



at 11 a.m. Enjoy the music of the Big Band era as you listen to this orchestra that started in 2000 and played regularly at the Surf Ballroom in Clear Lake and the Laramar Ballroom in Fort Dodge.



Jim Busta Band performs from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday. Polka music was ever-present in the Busta household. Wedding dances, which often featured polka bands, were very common in the area communities of Spillville and Protivin, Iowa. Jim and his wife, Mary Lou, both enjoyed listening and dancing to polka music. They often took their four children—Lisa, Chad, Mollie, and Jason—with them to dances and festivals. The children all enjoy music and dancing.



Ron Dewey will perform at 11 a.m. Sunday. Ron is an instrumentalist who has had music as a part of his life since birth. He lives in Varina, Iowa and has lived in the area except for the years he served in the Air Force. Ron's father, Melvin, was a band director and played in a local combo. His love of music passed right to his son, who played clarinet in school and self taught various other woodwinds and strings throughout his life. Currently Ron is the Praise Band Leader at Storm Lake United Methodist, performs in the Karl L. King Band of Fort Dodge, and also performs with the Albert City Municipal Band. Over the years Ron has performed solo at different community functions, and filled in with regional municipal bands when needed. Ron plays an eclectic mix of country, bluegrass, Christian, gospel and various other genres.



The Albert City Community Band will perform starting at 12:30 p.m. Sunday.

Nate Aronson performs acoustic music from 2 to 3 p.m. Sunday. Nate is a casual singer/songwriter and will play all original songs with some acoustic guitar accompaniment. He grew up in Albert City and claims to be a forever Hurricane.

Tony Hogrefe and Friends perform at 3 p.m. Sunday. He will play acoustic guitar. His grandfather was Emil Hogrefe who passed away in 1994 but was part of the entertainment at the show in the earlier years. Then, Tony and his family would join Emil on the stage. Tony lives in Wall Lake with his family and is a long-time volunteer during the show.



Farming through the Generations: Notable Tractor Developments

1892

First Tractor to Propel itself Forward and Backward: Froelich Tractor – (Waterloo Gasoline Tractor Engine Company).
Macmillan, D., Jones, R., & Harrington, R. (1988). John Deere tractors and equipment (Vol. 1). American Society of Agricultural Engineers.

1917

First Power Take Off (PTO): International Harvester 8-16 - 1917
Pripps, R. N., & Morland, A. (2020). The complete book of Farmall tractors: every model 1923-1973. Motorbooks.

1924

First Tricycle (Row Crop) Tractor Front Axle: International Harvester Farmall Regular.
Pripps, R. N., & Morland, A. (2020). The complete book of Farmall tractors: every model 1923-1973. Motorbooks.

1931

First Diesel Engine Tractor: Caterpillar SIXTY
Orlemann, E. C. (2000). Caterpillar chronicle: the history of the world's greatest earthmovers. MBI.

1933

First Rubber Tires (Front and Rear): Allis-Chalmers U
Niskanen, H. (2008). The proud history of Agco. Agco.

1938

First Factory Cab: Minneapolis-Moline UDLX
Swinford, N. (1999). The proud heritage of Agco tractors. American Society of Agricultural Engineers.

1939

First 3 Point Hitch: Ford 9N
Pripps, R. N. (2000). Vintage Ford tractors: the ultimate tribute to Ford, Fordson, Ferguson, and New Holland tractors. Voyageur Press.

1955

First Articulated Four Wheel Drive Tractor: Wagner TR6 / TR9 / TR14
Simpson, P. D. (2002). Ultimate tractor power: articulated tractors of the world (Vol. 2). Japonica Press.

1959

First Power-Shift Transmission: Ford Select-O-Speed Transmission (501 / 601 / 701 / 801 / 901)
Pripps, R. N. (2000). Vintage Ford tractors: the ultimate tribute to Ford, Fordson, Ferguson, and New Holland tractors. Voyageur Press.

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1963

First Front Wheel Assist (mechanical): Oliver 1800 / 1900
Schaefer, S. (2019). Classic Oliver tractors: history, models, variations & specifications: 1897-1976. Octane Press.

1966

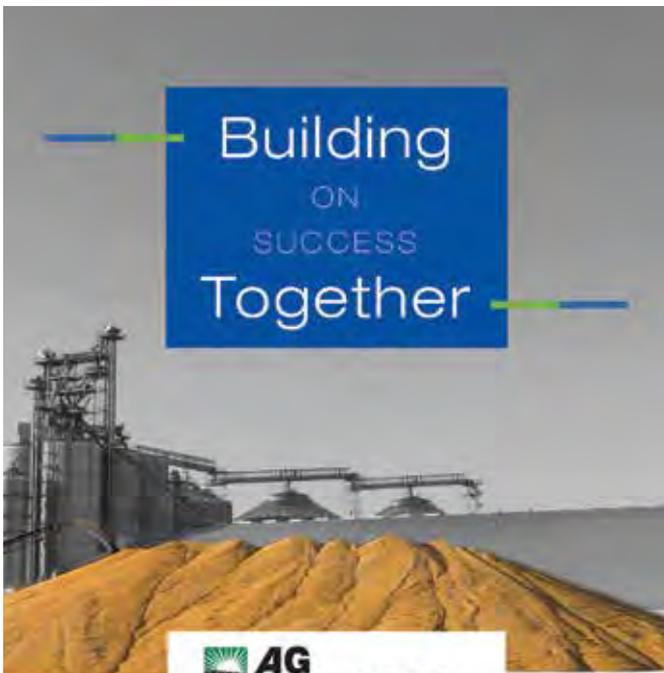
First 100 hp + Row Crop Tractor: International Harvester 1206
Pripps, R. N., & Morland, A. (2020). The complete book of Farmall tractors: every model 1923-1973. Motorbooks.

1972

First Sound Reduction Cab: John Deere 4x30 Series (4030 / 4230 / 4430 / 4630)
Macmillan, D. (1991). John Deere tractors and equipment volume two 1960-1990. American Society of Agricultural Engineers.

1973

First Load Sense Hydraulic System: Allis-Chalmers 7000 Series (7030 / 7050)
Niskanen, H. (2008). The proud history of Agco. Agco.



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Meet the Threshermen & Collectors Board

Karl Lind

Is a co-founder. Works primarily with military, antique tractors, vehicles and field events. Enjoys bringing memories of the past to the present.



Gary Sundblad

serves as the Board President and has served on the board 11 years. He oversees promotions, website, flowers, registration, store, entertainment & upcoming features.



Mike Rebhuhn

Has served on the board since 2006. He oversees trolleys, fuel, games, buildings & grounds, parking, sanitation, garden tractors & parades.



Mike Sangwin

Is serving his 11th year. He oversees the farm house, mechanics, straw, hay, ear corn, scale-size equipment, diesel engine and insurance.



Larry Erickson

Is in his ninth year of board service. He oversees the carpenter shop, blacksmith shop, tickets and parking, first aid, crop ground, tractor raffle, feature building/swap meet area, tree planting, Erlandson building.



Norm Hanson

Is serving his seventh year on the board. He oversees crop ground, threshing & field activities, signs, parade, mechanics, Erlandson building & insurance.



Mark Tuttle

Is serving his fifth year on the board. He works with the tree maintenance, brooms, radios, camping, golf carts, sound/electrical, food, parade, Ridge Runners & Corliss.



Branden Otto

Is serving his third year on the board. He oversees security, parade, big tractors/steam, Freedom Hall, antique cars, small gas engines, dynamometer, and tractor ride.



Angie Smith

Is serving her second year. She oversees Grandpa's Barn, tractor pull, Svenska Stuga, insurance & is the treasurer.



Randy Koenig

Is serving his second year. He oversees the Army of the SW, horses, sanitation, school house, saw mill, shingle mill & potato patch.



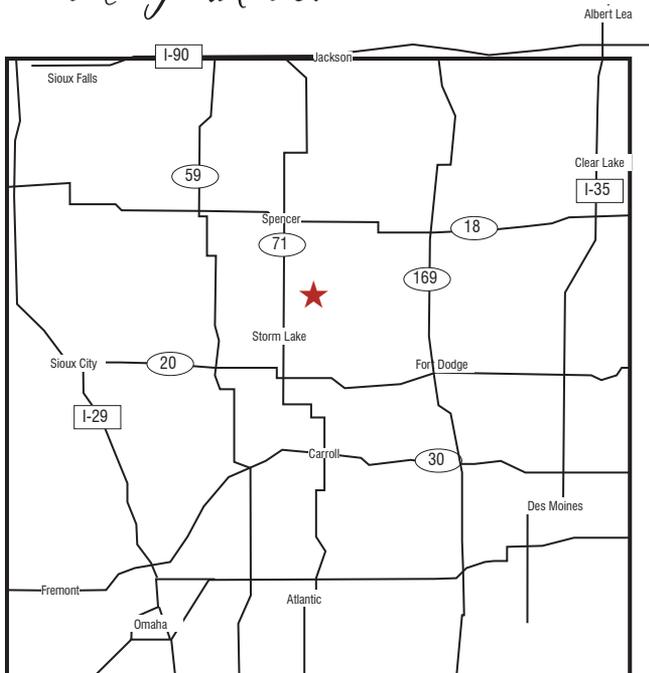
Karen Feeley

Serves as executive secretary and is in her tenth year of doing so. She also heads up the Threshermen's Cafe.



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Become a Member:

If you are a current member of the association and already have a 2019 membership card, please present that at the gate to gain free admittance to the show. Membership monies received at the Registration Office during the 2021 show will be applied to the 2022 year.

Membership amounts are \$25 for a single and \$35 for a couple. This is a great value if you plan to attend the show every day! Members are invited to the annual meeting the first Saturday in December where a delicious catered meal is served before the business meeting.

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