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Note from our President:

Hello everyone, I thought we had a very good annual meeting but about two weeks after the meeting I was informed that we had gone against the bylaws that we cannot split the Secretary/Treasurer but we did what we had to do. So be at the board meeting on May 19th 2018, we will fix our problem. That means all those people that can talk about what we did wrong to each other, but not to the ones that will fix the problem so be there and bitch to my face.

So until next time keep a tight line.
In the spirit team work,
Billy and Elsie Meyer

Note from our Vice President:

No report this time.
See you next time.

See you down the Road!
Art, Robyn & Wyatt Holtgrewe

Note from our Secretary:

No report this time.
See you next time.

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Note from our Treasurer:

I don't have any meeting minutes since we have had a newsletter go out since the last meeting. I do want to give another huge thank you to Karen Redeker for taking on the Secretary duties!

I hope everyone is getting some drive time in with the spells of good weather we have been having. I spent the evening cleaning out the horse trailer, going through what I need and don't need. I was doing a lot of hunt and find last weekend in Miller, MO at the plowing at the Hanger Kafe. It was windy and cold but good to see horse people again!

Hope to see you soon!!
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Hello from your Youth Representatives:

Hello from your youth Representative Shelby. I hope you all have been able to drive horses when the weather was cooperating. I enjoyed seeing some of you at the Illinois lunch at Yoder's Kitchen in Arthur, Illinois. It was fun going to see the Mosses during spring break and Thank you mom for putting a cool design on my sweatshirt for me. :) On our trip to Clark to pick up dad's mares, we had to bring the boys along since Amos lost one of his shoes. Since we picked up dad's mares, I've had to wake up at 6 am to feed them every morning. I'm glad to say that my brother and I have invested in a dozen chicks, and they are still alive. :) My plants are also still growing and I would like to thank my dad for plowing my garden. Even though I wish I could've been disking my garden instead of the bottom field while dad disked my garden. I hope everyone who attended Tom's plowing this year had fun, and I would like to congratulate Bobby Wright for winning Men's walking plow and Men's best teamster. I'd also like to congratulate Mike Traub for best matched team and Sulky plow. I had a lot of fun at Tom's seeing everybody, plowing, and listening to all the stories that were told. While Tom's plowing was fun while sleeping it was really cold because mom and dad had all of the heat, and our trailer isn't insulated yet. I also think I got some really cool pictures, but my favorite picture that I got overall is of Billy Meyer's horses. I also enjoyed seeing those who attended the plowing in Miller, MO despite the cold temperatures



and windy weather. I hope to see many of you at future events.

Your Youth Representative,
Shelby Holtgrewe



Billie Meyer's Team



2018 MDHMA Board Meeting



May 19, 2018 10 am

at Cunningham Barn, Columbia, MO.

Everyone Welcome!

Directions: www.missourdrafthorse.com

Greetings from Bobby & Genny Wright:

It seems that Newsletter time comes around quicker and quicker!

Bobby and Mike had a great time once again at Spud's Plowing. Tom and Lori are such wonderful hosts and I really appreciate that. Bobby doesn't like it when I brag on him, so I will just say that he did really well in the walking plow part of the Percheron Association Spring Plowing! I'm sure most of you have seen all about it on Facebook.

Hopefully the weather will be good for the plowing at Columbia on the 28th. I will be off on a one

day bus trip to a Dinner Theater in Kansas City. In all my travels, this will be a first for me. We will be seeing "Sister Act" and I know that will be funny.

I don't know much else. Bobby is off to visit the Amish at La Plata as he has a chain saw that needs to be tuned up. More daylight at the end of the day is nice for things like that.

I hope everybody gets to have a nice bit of spring before the summer heat hits.

Bobby & Genny Wright

Bristle Ridge Percheron

I believe the first plowing of the year are to be marked as successful! Tom & Lori Eldridge held "Spuds Memorial Plow" (In memory of Spud -Tom's dad) with 28 horses, 4 mules along with 2 oxen & the many teamsters this year. The food was remarkable as was the camaraderie amongst the troops.

Not only was it the first plow of the season on our annual calendar in Greenview, IL but it was the weatherman's predictability of...bad, badder as well as worse & worser meaning! Well rain, sleet & a mixture of both followed by 6" of snow.

For many reasons unbeknownst to Tom, we the teamsters were fonching* to drop our plows & head for the horizons at our leisure & pool our "prayer" resources. Not only did we the teamsters (along with Tom & Lori) say a bedtime prayer. On Saturday the sun came out, the sky was a beautiful shade of blue & the wind was plentiful. Great day for plowing, eating & catching up on last year's news.

The Percheron Horse Association of America moved the spring plow to the Midwest which our hosts were Tom & Lori. Ken Pimentel & I were in charge of making the things run smoothly and our guest judge was Dave Frieden of Wellman, Iowa.

9 teamsters with Percherons were signed up. The 4 classes to be judged & winners were:



Men's: sulky - Mike Straub.
Walking plow - Bobby Wright.
Ladies sulky plow: - Robyn Holtgrewe.
Youth sulky plow - Shelby Holtgrewe.

Anne Clarey & Ken Pimentel are directors with PHAOA who presented the awards. The freelance photographer was J. Ann Braulaud who works with many publications. I believe the plowing was well attended.

Thank you everyone who came out to participate, spectate, visit & eat or to chant to keep a sunny afternoon. A great big "Thank You!" to Tom & Lori for all their hard work to prepare for both plowings!

Bristle Ridge Percherons
Neal & Terri DeVasher

**fonching means: To move around annoyingly while close to others as a result of boredom, physical discomfort or simply youth.*

**Come One Come All
To Neal's Plowing
May 4-6, 2018**

If you wish to order a license plate the price is \$5.00 per plate plus tax. The sign is \$20.00 plus tax just give Terri or Neal a call.

RE M I N D E R If you have items for sale or looking for an item our newsletter will advertise for free.

For Sale: Draft Horse Journal Magazines from 1980 - current. All are in good shape. \$2 - \$8 each. For more information please call Lyndell Galloway at 573-473-8679.

Greetings from Illinois BC's Belgians:

As I ponder over what to write in this newsletter I realize that Spring is supposed to be here, but it is a rather rainy, gloomy day. Where are you Spring and when will you be here? Looking back, we remember the year of the ice storm, 1978, on Good Friday it began to rain and then turn to freezing rain. By noon power lines were tumbling down along with tree limbs and that meant no electricity. No school for a week and no power for 13 1/2 days. What memories we have of the strange meals we ate as we needed to use up what was in the refrigerator and the refrigerator's freezer. We avoided opening the big freezer and made due with what was available. A quick trip to Newton Iowa to have an old generator fixed, back home to attach it to the International H. This generator ran on a belt pulley on the tractor. What a life saver that was as we could now have a luxury or two. When the electricity came back on at 5 pm how we missed the purr of that old tractor.

We attended Tom Eldridge's plow day and it was rather chilly but well attended by horses and people. The Percheron plowing contest was held in conjunction with the plow day. I know the results have been posted on Facebook and elsewhere in this newsletter. Came home from Tom's on Sunday morning to find a mare down and not able to get up. We attempted to get her up to no avail, watered and feed her and she ate and drank but her hind legs would not hold her up. What a sad decision we had to make. We could not watch her lay there so had the vet come and put her down. I have to stop writing as I am blinded by the tears. Her name was BC's Lolly DuMarais, and she was born and raised on our farm. She will be missed by us and our family. She was the true meaning of a gentle giant.

We are going to the Kalona Iowa horse sale and the weather looks like it may cooperate. We like the Kalona area and some of the neat shops, the sidewalks have quilts made out of bricks inlaid in them.

Not much other news to report so keep those drafts moving and have a wonderful spring.

Bill and Celia Edwards
BC's Belgians



While toting a walking boot, Neal DeVasher tries his hand at the walking plow with oxen. He thinks he'll keep working his horses but it did peak his curiosity.



Mike Straub is recipient of Men's Sulky Plow.



Tom & Lori Eldridge are the recipients of "Spuds Memorial Plow" block made & presented by Neal & Terri DeVasher.



Robyn Holtgrewe receiving the Women's Sulky Plow trophy.



While Robyn Holtgrewe & her horses (Amos & Comet) acts as a back drop for the trophy presentation. Bobby Wright accepting his award for the walking plow by Ann Carey of the PHAOA.



Shelby Holtgrewe accepts the Youth Sulky Plow award.

Congratulations to all of the winners & those who participated. #JobWellDoneByAll!



We have several interested in hosting in Illinois next year for the PHAOA Spring Plow.

From our Kitchen:

Healthy Chocolate Chunk Cookies

3 mashed bananas (ripe)

2 cups oats

1/3 cup apple sauce

1/4 cup almond milk

1/4 cup raisins &/or nuts

1 cup good chocolate chunks

1 tsp vanilla

1 tsp cinnamon

Mix ingredients in order.

Place 1 tsp of cookie at a time on the cookie sheet.

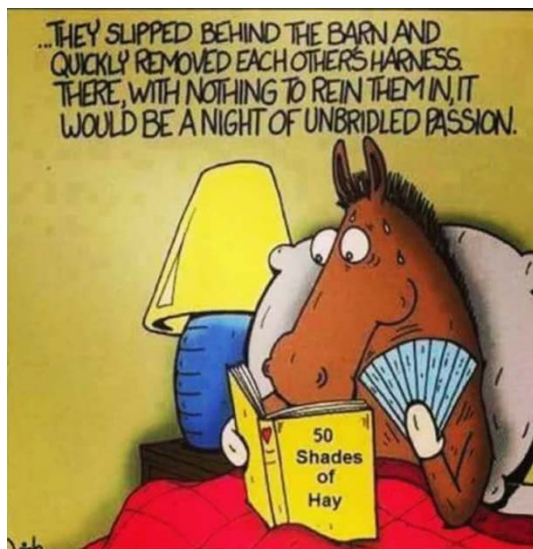
Allow room for dough to spread out.

****Directions****

Preheat oven 350 degrees.

Bake 15-20 minutes.

Cool on rack & Enjoy!



Game:

What's your answer? (Pick from the 2nd list)

1. British draft horse.
2. Draft horse group.
3. Draft horse gear.
4. Heavy draft horse.
5. Call to draft horse/sunning site.
6. English draft horse.
7. Strong draft.

Match answers with above

- a. Belgian
- b. Clydesdale
- c. Gees
- d. patio
- e. Harness
- f. Shire
- g. Shire Team

Last month's Game answers:

1. What is shaped like a horse, often as big or bigger than a horse, but doesn't weigh anything?
2. You have a herd of 19 horses. How can you take 1 from 19 to leave 20?
3. Six horses & 6 children were standing under one umbrella. None of them got wet? How could this be?
4. A man & a horse were going down the street. The man rode yet walked. What was the horses name?
5. A horse is tied to a 30-foot rope. A haystack lies 40 feet away, but the horse is able to eat it. How is this possible?

- 1.) A horse's shadow.
- 2.) When the numbers of horses are expressed in Roman numerals.... If you take 1 from XIX, you are left with XX.
- 3.) None of them got wet because: It wasn't raining.
- 4.) Yet
- 5.) Solution 1: The other end of the rope isn't tied to anything.

Solution 2: The haystack is only 10 feet away from where the other end of the rope is tied, & the horse is 30 feet away on the other side :)

Birthday Wishes...

To our teamsters & families who have a birthday in April or May - hope your day will be truly special & one to remember!

On The Mend...

To All of Our friends, families & members who have been on our prayer list, "Keep Up The prayers & hope you continue your healing progress.

Condolences...

Special thoughts to Valerie Engelton & family for their father Julius D. Johnson who passed away in February, at 91 years young.

Our friend Dale Allen whom many of our members are acquainted with from various shows or plowings has passed March 11, 2018.

"May you sow many wild seeds for all to enjoy in your remembrance."



2018 MISSOURI DRAFT HORSE & MULE ASSOCIATION EVENTS CALENDAR

Compiled by Robyn Holtgrewe (314) 803-8969

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Circumstances could change dates, times and/or places

Some dates are based on last year's so please call or check websites

Pro Horse Pulls Joe Miller 573-682-0048 Ray Smith 573-682-4608

Newsletter articles are due 20th of Feb, April, June, August, Oct. and Dec.

May 4-6, 2018 Friday Neal's Plowing -- Warrensburg, MO Neal's Plowing Warrensburg, MO 660-909-4738

May 19th MDHMA Board Meeting 10 AM

June 9, 2018 Friday Heritage Days Draft Horse, Haflinger/Show Pony, & Mini Show -- Martinsville Fairgrounds, 620 S. York Street, Martinsville, Illinois Pull on Friday Plow on Saturday. For Horse Show information contact: Bill (217-276-4036) or Judy (217-932-2991) Crouch. Chairman contact: Brenda Littlejohn (217-232-3232)

June 20, 2018 Wednesday MDHMA newsletter due date Please have Newsletter Articles to Mila by today

June 23 2018 Saturday Scott Morehouse plowing and binding 18783 Jasmine drive Neosho No 64850 417-31-0116

July 5-8, 2018 Thursday MARK TWAIN OLD THRESHERS REUNION -- Paris, Missouri Fairgrounds <http://www.marktwainoldthreshers.com> Angela Fields 573-721-5705 Draft Horse Pull Saturday; 5:00 P.M. Joe Miller 573-682-0048 **July 7, 2018 Saturday;** Threshermen Plowing Penfield, IL Threshermen Contact Jim Buzzard 217-821-5930

July 14, 2018 Saturday Threshermen Plowing Penfield, IL. Threshermen Contact Jim Buzzard 217-821-5930

July 21, 2018 Saturday Threshermen Plowing Altamont, IL Threshermen Contact Jim Buzzard 217-821-5930

July 27, 2018 Friday Old Time Flywheel Reunion Horse Pull -- Macon County Fairgrounds: Macon, Missouri Pro Horse Pull 8:00 Macon, Mo Flywheel Reunion Pro Horse Pulls Joe Miller 573-682-0048 Ray Smith 573-682-4608

July 28, 2018 Saturday Threshermen Plowing Greenville, IL Threshermen Contact Jim Buzzard 217-821-5930

August 2-4, 2018 Thursday Ozark Empire Fair Springfield -- Ozark Empire Fairgrounds, 3001 N Grant Ave,

Springfield, MO 65803, 417-833-2660 <https://www.ozarkempirefair.com/events>

August 4, 2018 Saturday Lathrop Mule Show Lathrop Antique Show Grounds, 2488 S.E. Hwy. 33, Lathrop Mo. 64465 Mule Show Lathrop, MO 816-528-3000 during show <http://www.lathropantique.com>

August 11, 2018 Saturday; Threshermen Plowing Altamont, IL Threshermen Contact Jim Buzzard 217-821-5930

August 15, 2018 Wednesday; Missouri State Fair Draft Horse Show -- Missouri State Fair Grounds, MO-135, Sedalia, MO 65301, USA Wednesday horse pull Joe Miller 573-682-0048 5:00 Mathewson Center; Thursday Exhibitor's Dinner Provided by Missouri Draft Horse & Mule Association; Draft horse Show Friday -- Sunday Mathewson Center www.mostatefair.com

August 16, 2018 Thursday Exhibitor's Dinner Provided by Missouri Draft Horse & Mule Association

August 17-19, 2018 Draft Horse Show Friday -- Sunday Mathewson Center www.mostatefair.com

August 18, 2018 Saturday Threshermen Plowing Pinckneyville, IL Threshermen Contact Jim Buzzard 217-821-5930

August 20, 2018 Monday MDHMA newsletter due date Please have Newsletter Articles to Mila by today

August 25, 2018 Saturday Half Century of Progress -- Rantoul, IL 61866, Century of Progress Contact Jim Buzzard 217-821-5930

Sept 1-2, 2018 Saturday; Plowing Belleville, IL -- Belleville, IL Tom Renner Contact Jim Buzzard 217-821-5930

September 6-9, 2018 Thursday Missouri River Valley Steam Show--Boonville, MO Jim Cunningham 573-442-8417 <http://www.mrvsea.com/>

September 8, 2018 Saturday Threshermen Plowing Highland, IL 62249, USA Threshermen Contact Jim Buzzard 217-821-5930

September 13-16, 2018 Thursday Northeast Missouri Old Threshers -- Shelbina, Mo Jim Peters 660-291-9596

September 21, 2018 Friday Farm Draft Horse Pull Charlie Kane 660-346-6366 <http://www.nemoldthreshers.com>

September 14-15, 2018 Friday SEMO Fair Cape Girardeau, MO -- Cape Girardeau, MO, USA Superintendent - Stephen Meier 573-334-9250 <http://www.semofair.com/>

September 21-22, 2018 Friday; Missouri State Corn Husking; Marshall MO; Parade on Friday; Field Work on Saturday Teamsters Needed Call 660-886-2233

September 22, 2018 Saturday East Perry Community Fair



-- Altenburg, MO Steve Mangels 573-270-9630
<http://www.eastperryfair.com/>

September 29, 2018 Saturday Prawl Plow Day -- Troy, KS
66087, USA Doyle Prawl 816-244-5506

October 6-7, 2018 Saturday Mid-Mo Horse, Mule & Ox
Farming Days -- Gerald, MO 63037, USA Witness Tree
Land and Livestock Gail Cross and Dennis Sahm Gerald,
Missouri 573-764-2629 FACEBOOK

October 8-13, 2018 Monday 17th World Percheron
Congress -- Iowa State Fairgrounds, 3000 E Grand Ave,
Des Moines, IA 50317, PO Box 141, Fredericktown, OH
43019 Phone: 740-694-3602 Email:
info@worldpercheroncongress.us

<https://www.worldpercheroncongress.us/www.worldpercheroncongress.us>

October 12-14, 2018 Friday Living History Festival &
Show Lathrop, MO 816-528-3000 during show

October 19-20, 2018 Friday FALL FESTIVAL & DRAFT
HORSE PLOW DAYS -- Hamilton, MO 64644. An annual
event formally hosted by Bob Blades at the Hollow Road
location. A demonstration event with homesteading
skills including apple butter, cider press, bee keeping,
broom making, blacksmithing, pumpkin carving, cooking
by steam engine, saw mills, grist mills, sorghum making,
steam and gas engine demonstrations, and highlighted
with draft horse plowing! We are excited to host this
event in conjunction with the Missouri Draft Horse and
Mule Association. For draft horse accommodations,
please contact Cathy Youtsey at 816-284-1654. For all
other show inquiries, contact Robert Blades at 816-390-
0199. <http://northwestmissouristeamandgas.com/>

October 20, 2018 Saturday MDHMA newsletter due date
Please have Newsletter Articles to Mila by today

October 20, 2018 Saturday Plowing White Hall, IL 62092,
USA Kenny Wise > Contact Jim Buzzard 217-821-5930

October 27, 2018 Saturday Rural Heritage Day -- St.
Genevieve, MO Jack Donze 573-883-5687
<https://www.visitstegen.com/rural-heritage-days/>

November 2-3, 2018 Friday Plowing Belleville, IL -
Belleville, IL Tom Renner Contact Jim Buzzard 217-821-
5930

November 10-11, 2018 Saturday Dave's Plowing --
Levasy, MO Dave Eichman Plow Day Levasy, MO 816-
719-1383

December 20, 2018 Thursday MDHMA newsletter due
date Please have Newsletter Articles to Mila by today



Missouri Draft Horse
& Mule Association
Come join us for a day of
Mowing with your Draft Horses
& Mules

Beef Brisket Lunch at Noon.
Bring Lawn Chairs &
Bring a Covered dish to share
with fellow teamsters

Call Bruce Adams for more info
816-294-1230 816-296-7667

Adams' Annual Mow Day Saturday June 9th 2018

Location:
Northwest Missouri Steam and
Gas Engine Assoc. Grounds

834 N.W. Osage Drive

Hamilton MO. 64644

