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Note from our President:

Well the newsletter snuck up on me again. There is not much going on except "MUD" lots and lots of mud, winter just goes on and on. Sorry we had postpone the annual meeting but it was for the welfare of all our members to stay safe and we will see you on March 23rd for the meeting. So until then stay out of the mud as much as possible.

THE Meyer Family

Note from our Vice President:



Sorry been too busy with work, new horses and babies for much else. Hope everyone is doing well and ramping up for plow season. Meet Rebel.
Robyn

Art, Robyn, Shelby & Wyatt Holtgrewe

Note from our Secretary/Treasurer:



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Hello from your Youth Representatives:

Hello from your youth representative Shelby. I hope everyone has been able to keep up with chores in this muddy/cold winter we've had. I've been keeping up with chores and all of my homework. I've also finally been able to get some driving practice in with the ranger danger! I was glad to be able to help my FFA chapter with preparing a businessman breakfast, and providing a lunch for the teachers to thank both for all they have done for our club and students:). Tiny, the new puppy, has grown quite a bit since we got him, and has already outgrown Bubba. I've also been able to start selling my eggs from my chickens who finally started laying eggs sometime in January. I've been getting over 1 dozen eggs almost daily! Norman, my steer, was so excited to go back out after he was kept in due to the poor weather that as soon as he was in the pasture he started running and bucking around. We were also able to add another horse, Rebel, to the family on February 24! I hope to see many of you at the annual meeting this year :).

Your Youth Representative,
Shelby Holtgrewe

 **2018 MDHMA Annual Meeting** 
February 16, 2019 March 23 2019 10:00 am
at Cunningham Barn, Columbia, MO.
Everyone Welcome!
Directions: www.missourdrafthorse.com

Greetings from Bobby & Genny Wright:

Wow! What a winter this has been and it's not over. I have always said I would be more likely to go where it's cooler in the summer than to go where it's warmer in the winter. I'm beginning to rethink that! Bobby has managed to keep the horses and ponies well taken care of with help from Mike



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Ewigman. God took care of us once again when I got up one night and looked out at the barn. The cats had managed to turn the tractor lights on and I knew Bobby would want them off. I don't know where the switch is, so I had to wake him up, but he was so happy I had looked out that way. I rarely get up once I've gone to bed, so it was another example of God's care for us.

The Bocke Christmas went well, so I can relax for another 3 years!

We were looking forward to the Annual Meeting, but glad to get the notice early on Friday that it was postponed. We are now looking forward to the weekend as we plan to go to Arthur, Illinois for the Teamster's Meeting there. It is an easy trip up there and back and Yoder's Kitchen is always a plus.

Bobby and I have been watching "In the Heat of the Night" a lot lately and I am just fascinated with the buildings in Sparta. I looked up where it was filmed and was thrilled to find out it was in Sparta, Illinois. We had our plans all made to go there when the weather gets better. Then the movie came on some other channel and I figured out it was not the same town as the TV series. So, now we know we have to go to Covington, Georgia to see those neat places. It might just work out as one of Bobby's granddaughters works at a State Park near Blairsville, GA. We visited her one other time and took her to Cade's Cove. It's only 130+ miles from Blairsville to Covington! Bobby says my feet are just getting itchy and that could be!

Hope to see everyone in March, if not in Illinois!

May God bless us everyone!
Bobby & Genny Wright

Bristle Ridge Percheron

Ladies & gentlemen it has been proclaimed by the groundhog representatives an early spring shall commence. This is how February in MO has gone so far.

Feb 1 - 6. Flurries, sunny, mild
Feb 7 - 13 Rain, mild
Feb 14 - 18 Rain, snow, cold *
Feb 19 - 24 Sunny, warm

6 days 0 degrees
4 days 20 degrees
8 days 30 degrees
0 days 40 degrees
4 days 50 degrees
1 days 60 degrees

* - This is the reason why our annual meeting was rescheduled. SNOW

I'm in thought that you should not try to change the habits of the underground mammals. "Let the sleeping dog lie" as they say. You shake the tree, poke the bear, take a stick & tease the snake or the skunk.....you are bound to get some ugly results. You do the math!

With some hard thought, consideration & kicking of the can (head scratching optional), I've made the hard decision this year I will not be having a my plow day at Bristle Ridge Farms. My shoulder is not mending like it should be. Next 2 months, it's a do nothing so am forced to do just that. Less is more & hopefully things will improve or plan B a specialist is not what I'm thinking but was in conversation.

Kevin & Deborah Vering will instead be taking this date for a plowing in his state of Nebraska. I will be back next year so don't fret Jim Buzzard you will once again have that great MO hospitality.

Today it is sunny, blue skies & the birds are definitely singing. Enjoy what we have at hand as tomorrow may not be just what the Doc ordered.

Please know when Spring does come, we will pick up where we left off in someone's field. To be assured, the horses will know the path to follow.

Hope the weather will allow our March 23 date to have fun, food & entertainment with the auction.

Bristle Ridge Percherons
Neal & Terri DeVasher

The Words I speak:

I'm careful of the words I speak. I keep them soft & sweet. I never know from day to day which ones I'll have to eat.

Due to incimate weather, we will not be having outdoors (indoor) games. We will be back in the next newsletter so sharpen you pencil & thinking cap!



From Witness Tree Land & Livestock---

2019 is sure off to the races with....how can I put this?.....freaking wacko weather. Temperatures like a zipper, up down, up down, wind, rain, ice, snow, sleet, then days so nice that the honeybees are flying, then wind, sleet, rain, ice, snow.....and the ever-present mud, mud, mud. Oh, the joys of having firm footing, of being able to wear boots without Ice Trax. It was one year ago that I slipped in the %* & #! mud and broke my wrist, and I do not intend to have history repeat itself. The beasties are not liking it either. Barn lots are a mess, small pastures are a mess, beasties are a mess. I really hate to see them not able to freely move around comfortably.

"Lola" Redeker had us on pins and needles via Hope's post on Facebook when she went down in the mud at their place. Thankfully she was able to be raised back to her feet and stabilized with the help of some good folks with the M.E.R.S. Large Animal Rescue team. I have had to use their services twice, and trust me, this group is a God-send. We are incredibly fortunate to have an organization like this in our area. They are donation-dependent, so please remember them when you are looking for an extremely worthwhile place to send a few bucks.

We were sad to learn of the Radin family's loss of their mother and grandma, Marie. I went to the visitation in Festus, and learned that she was from a VERY large family and was also highly involved in the saddle club and horse shows, which I did not know before. As Jamie so sweetly said, "Now she and Grandpa George are dancing together again."

Congrats are in order to the Holtgrewes on the arrival of their handsome colt. Apparently "Rebel" already believes that he is "all that", LOL, so his training should be interesting. Art & Robyn, we will want videos, just sayin'.

Had a total of 8 baby goats born in January, most of them on the coldest days we've had so far. As long as the moms lick them dry and they nurse right away, they do surprisingly well, even as tiny as they are, which is about the size of a house cat. Nothing like the antics of a goat kid to keep you entertained.

Everyone should have at least one, or two, or thirty-four.....

Definitely looking forward to seeing everyone at the March meeting. In the meantime, stay well, stay safe, stay warm & dry!

In the spirit of teamwork,

Gail & Dennis

[PS: Redeker's mare Lola Just found out a short time ago that she did not make it. Just thought I'd send that postscript. Very sad.](#)

Greetings from Illinois BC's Belgians:

Wow what a winter this has been. I think we are all ready for spring and being able to work our horses. It has been a long dry spell with no horsing activities. Of course, this bad weather has put a monkey wrench into Steve's house building plans, basement is dug but no footings or foundation yet. They are hoping to be moved in by the end of March.

Tom Renner and A.J. had an appreciation dinner for all who helped with their big plowing event. They had a wonderful meal and announced the names of the people who received monetary awards.

In December we went to a Christmas get together with our trail riding friends. On route, we hit a deer and did not think there was a lot of damage but the estimate was close to \$6000. The van has been repaired and we are back on the road again.

Bill and I went to the Kalona horse sale which was attended by a huge crowd. The price of yearling and two year old colts is still high but off a little from last fall. There were over 600 head of horses to be sold. The sale consisted of draft, mules, crossbreds, quarter and standard bred.

[Junior High basketball is over so more games to attend now. Junior High volleyball is on the schedule. We hope to attend a few of those games.](#)

Bill and Celia Edwards. BC's Belgians.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES !!!!!

To our teamsters & families who have/had a birthday in December & January we hope your day is truly a special one to remember.



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MDHMA has a large selection of assorted color & size T-shirts for sale. Contact Robyn Holtgrewe for inquiries or orders.

REMEMBER If you have items for sale or looking for an item we post for free.

If you wish to share something in the newsletter please feel free to email to milamari55@mac.com, or teresadevasher@yahoo.com

On The Mend... To All of Our Members & families who have been on our prayer list, "Keep Up the Good Work". We tighten our lines for our members & families who need extra prayers in the healing process.



Horses come in many sizes & shapes. Can you define "how many hands" is the horse? This artist is definitely talented & knows how to utilize the sand which is around him. It gives a whole new meaning of washed ashore.

2019 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.

For more listings around America

www.missouridrafthorse.com Events Calendar

March

Wed-Sat Mar 6-9, 2019 **Boone Co. Draft Horse and Mule Spring Sale** MO State Fairgrounds in Sedalia, MO Joe & Ruthy Raber 719-431-3137 Lonnie & Vonda Miller 260-350-4637 www.boonecountydrafthorseandmules.com

Tue-Fri Mar 26-29, 2019 **WAVERLY MIDWEST HORSE SALE** 2212 5th Avenue NW Waverly, IA 50677 WaverlyHorseSale@waverlysales.com FAX - 319-352-5642 PO Box 355, Waverly, IA 50677 <http://www.waverlysales.com/Horse-sale-info.html>

April

~~Sat-Sun Apr 6-7, 2019 **Spud's Memorial Plowing** Greenview, IL Tom Eldridge 20510 Hornback St Greenview, IL 62642 217-381-5735~~

Sat-Sun Apr 13-14, 2019 **Hanger Kafe Plowing** 3103 Lawrence 1070, Miller, MO 65707: Dana Erickson 417-827-1194

Mon-Tues Apr 15-16, 2019 **Kalona Sales Barn, Spring Draft Horse & Carriage Sale** 121 9th Street – Kalona, IA 52247 Sales Barn Office: 319-656-2222 Sales Barn Fax: 319-656-2232 ksbauc@kalonasalesbarn.com <http://kalonasalesbarn.com/draft-horses-carriages-antiques/>

Fri-Sat Apr 19-20, 2019 **Rich Hill Auction** Rich Hill, MO Rich Hill, MO 913-285-0076 <http://www.wendtauction.com/>

Sat Apr 20 2019 **MDHMA newsletter** due date. Send to Milamari55@mac.com

Fri-Sat Apr 26-27, 2019 **Baumli's Draft Horse & Mule** 22783 US Hwy. 71 Maryville, MO 64468 United Producers Sale Barn 22783 US Hwy. 71 Maryville, MO 64468 Richard Baumli (660) 652-4454 Home(660) 582-9891 or rdbaumli@gmail.com <http://www.maryvillehorsesale.com/resources.html>

Sat Apr 27, 2019 **MU CAFNR Horse Plow** Columbia, MO David White 573-819-8998 College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources (CAFNR) 2-64 Agriculture Building Columbia, MO 65211 reinbottt@missouri.edu 573-882-4450

May

Veering Plowing May 3-5 Duncan, Nebraska contact Kevin Veering @facebook or 402-910-4834



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~~Fri-Sun May 3-5, 2019 Neal's Plowing Warrensburg, MO-
Neal DeVasher 660-909-4738~~

June

Sat Jun 8, 2019 **DRAFT HORSE MOW DAY** Hamilton, MO 64644. An annual event, formally hosted at the Bruce Adams farm. Join us for draft horse teams mowing hay at the Northwest Missouri Steam and Gas Engine Association Show Grounds. For more information contact Bruce Adams at 816-294-1230. Camping and accommodations contact Cathy Youtsey

816-284-1654. <http://northwestmissouristeamandgas.com/>

Sat-Sun Jun 8-9, 2019 **Heritage Days Draft Horse, Haflinger/Show Pony, & Mini Show** Martinsville Fairgrounds, 620 S. York Street, Martinsville, IL Martinsville Fairgrounds 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)

Thu Jun 20, 2019 **MDHMA newsletter** due date. Send to Milamari55@mac.com

July

Wed-Thu Jul 3-4, 2019 **Spring Hill School Consignment Auction** Jamesport MO 64648
660-605-0084

Thu-Sun Jul 4-7, 2019 **MARK TWAIN OLD THRESHERS REUNION** Fairgrounds Paris, MO Angela Fields 573-721-5705 Draft Horse Pull Saturday 8 5:00 P.M. Joe Miller 573-682-0048 <http://www.marktwainoldthreshers.com/>

Sat Jul 6, 2019 **Threshermen Plowing** Penfield, IL Penfield, IL Contact Jim Buzzard 217-821-5930

Sat Jul 20, 2019 **Threshermen Plowing** Bible Grove, IL Jim Buzzard 217-821-5930

Sat-Fri Jul 20-26, 2019 **Ozark Empire Fairgrounds**, 3001 N Grant Ave, Springfield, MO 65803 Ozark Empire Fairgrounds Springfield, MO 417-833-2660
<https://www.ozarkempirefair.com/events>

Fri Jul 26, 2019 **Old Time Flywheel Reunion Horse Pull** Macon County Fairgrounds: Macon, MO Pro Horse Pull 8:00 Macon, Mo Flywheel Reunion Pro Horse Pulls Joe Miller 573- 682-0048 Ray Smith 573-682-4608

Sat Jul 27, 2019 **Threshermen Plowing** Greenville, IL Greenville, IL Contact Jim Buzzard 217-821-5930

August

Sat Aug 3, 2019 **Lathrop Mule Show** Lathrop Antique Show Grounds, 2488 S.E. Hwy. 33, Lathrop Mo. 64465 Mule Show Lathrop, MO 816-528-3000 [duringshow](http://duringshow.com)
www.lathropantique.com

Mon Aug 5, 2019 **Kalona Sales Barn, August Work Horse Sale** 121 9th Street – Kalona, IA 52247 Sales Barn Office: 319-656-2222 Sales Barn Fax: 319-656-2222 ksbauc@kalonasalesbarn.com www.kalonasalesbarn.com/draft-horses-carriages-antiques/

Fri-Sun Aug 9-11, 2019 Albert City, IA **Threshermen Show** 5015 210th Ave, Albert City, IA 50510 Phone & Fax (712) 843-2076 info@albertcitythreshermen.com
<http://www.albertcitythreshermen.com/>

Sat-Sun Aug 10-11, 2019 **Threshermen Plowing** Altamont, IL Contact Jim Buzzard 217-821-5930

Sun-Mon Aug 11-12, 2019 **Illinois State Fair** Springfield, IL Illinois State Fair, 801 E Sangamon Ave, Springfield, IL 62702 www.agr.state.il.us

Thu-Sun Aug 15-18, 2019 **IOWA STATE FAIR Draft Horse Show** Des Moines, IA www.iowastatefair.org National Clyde Show <http://www.clydesusa.com/event/national-clydesdale-show-2/>

Sat Aug 17, 2019 **Threshermen Plowing** Pinckneyville, IL Pinckneyville, IL Contact Jim Buzzard 217-821-5930

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Wed-Sun Aug 21-25, 2019 **Missouri State Fair Draft Horse Show** Missouri State Fair Grounds, MO-135, Sedalia Missouri 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

Fri-Sun Oct 11-13, 2019 Living History Festival Show Lathrop, MO 816-528-3000 during show

Mon-Tue Oct 14-15, 2019 **Kalona Sales Barn, Fall Draft Horse & Carriage Sale** 121 9th Street Kalona, IA 52247



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<http://kalonasalesbarn.com/draft-horses-carriages-antiques/>

Fri-Sat Oct 18-19, 2019 **FALL FESTIVAL & DRAFT HORSE PLOW DAYS** Hamilton, MO 64644 An annual event formally hosted by Bob Blades at the Hollow Road location. 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/>

Sat Oct 19, 2019 **Plowing White Hall**, IL 62092 Kenny Wise Contact Jim Buzzard 217-821-5930

Sat Oct 19, 2019 **Rich Hill Fall Draft Horse, Driving Horse & Colt Sale** Rich Hill, MO 64779, USA CALL: Dennis Wendt, Auctioneer (913)285-0076 or 800-416-2993 OR WRITE: Andrew Schrock 10519 E Albert Rd., Rich Hill, MO 64779 or Ethan Brubacker 2853 S 1125 Rd., Rich Hill, MO 64779 View online @ <http://www.wendtauction.com>

Sun Oct 20, 2019 **MDHMA newsletter** due date. Send to Milamari55@mac.com

Mon Oct 21, 2019 **Draft Horse Pull** Kalona, IA 7:00 P.M. Joe Miller 573-682-0048
<http://www.clydesusa.com/event/2018-world-clydesdale-show-2/>

Sat Oct 26, 2019 **Rural Heritage Day** St. Genevieve, MO Jack Donze 573-883-5687
<https://www.visitsstegen.com/rural-heritage-days/>

Sat-Sun Nov 9-10, 2019 **Dave's Plowing** Levasy, MO 816-719-1383

December

Sat Dec 7, 2019 25th **Old-Fashioned Christmas Parade** Lawrence, 11:00 A.M. Elaine VanDeventer evandeventer@embarq.mail 785- 856-4437

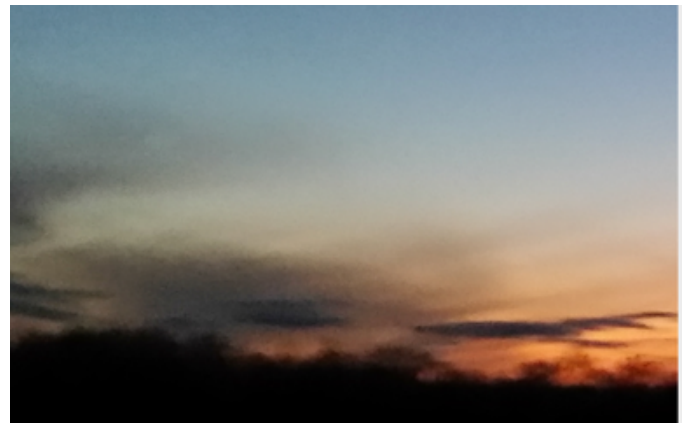
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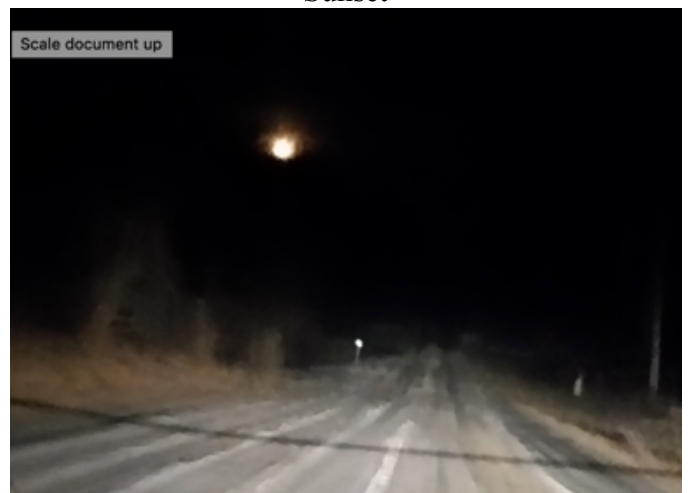
Please send any information to Robyn at robyn1030@gmail.com or call/text 314-803-8969



This winter's snow



Sunset



Full moon



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Come join us for a day of
Mowing hay with Draft
Horses & Mules
Beef Brisket Lunch at Noon.
Bring Lawn Chairs &
a Covered dish to share with
fellow teamsters

Adams' Annual Mow Day Saturday June 8, 2019

Location:

Northwest Missouri Steam and
Gas Engine Assoc. Grounds

834 N.W. Osage Drive

Hamilton MO. 64644



For Overnight
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for Adams' Mow Day

Info call:

Bruce Adams

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