

NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

Gary Provansal

I want to begin this month's message with a personal note of thanks to the membership for having supported the club for really the entire time that 242 has existed. 242 has done great things in the past few years under the outstanding leadership of Paul Dunn and I look forward to walking in his shoes for a while.

I would not have considered the position of President without the knowledge that the membership steps up and makes things work and that Paul will be there to mentor and advise not to mention all of this under the watchful eye of Etta Dunn keeping us all in line. I thank each one of you for your support and participation and I look forward to another great year of fun and fellowship with a great group of people.

My phone is always on so if you have an idea or even a rare gripe please let me know. We are a team and a team only works if we all have a say in how things work so don't be afraid to let me know what you think or want from Team 242 and its leadership.

I am a lucky guy with Paul on one side of me and Grant on the other making me appear wiser than I am and Etta keeping us all marching in line. As I write this I am looking forward to Flabob and the Christmas party as well as your ideas for the upcoming year.

God bless you all and God bless the USA.

Gary Provansal

Vice President's Message

Grant Gemel

As a relatively new member of the Early Day Tractor and Iron Branch 242. I'm honored to be your Vice President for 2018 !!! As we finish out the year, we still have 3 great event opportunities ahead. Flabob November 11th (Veteran's Day) the Victorville Christmas Parade December 2nd. Lastly, our annual holiday pot luck. This year we plan to meet on December 9th from 1:00 p.m. until 5 p.m. at the Hesperia United Methodist Church Fellowship hall located at 18623 Main St. Hesperia, 92345.

I look forward to seeing all of you there. We plan to have a great time, sharing good food and fellowship. I'm also excited at the opportunities that 2018 will bring with the usual yearly events as well as exploring new opportunities for our organization.

Grant Gemel

*If I hadn't become a golfer,
I doubt I'd be wealthy, because I don't have the
sort of ego that drives a person all day long.
I might have wound up driving a tractor.*

Fuzzy Zoeller

Minutes – November 1, 2017

Etta Dunn, Secretary

Meeting opened @ 7:06 p.m. with a flag salute. Present are 11 members and 1 guest, Don Young. Members met earlier at 6:00 p.m. at our regular meeting place, Country Kitchen Restaurant in Hesperia for dinner. All officers were present. Minutes from previous meeting were approved as published, motion by Grant Gemel, second by James Marlow.

PRESIDENT OPENING COMMENT: Paul Dunn started the meeting by asking for volunteers to count the ballots, members Roger Meeker and Keith Hokanson accepted the task.

For the record, on September 30, 2017 at the Apple Valley Parade, an accident occurred while waiting in the staging line for the parade to commence. All the necessary preliminary information was gathered and EDGETA and the insurance company were informed of the incident. All pertinent documents have been gathered and sent to resolve the incident. Resolution should be forthcoming this month. Any further information should be referred to Vice President Gary Provansal.

At the San Bernardino county fair, a contact was made from Silverado High School to have our club present a display of vintage and antique items to the students. Suggested was a one-hour presentation in

four segments that resembled the display at the fair. Further information to be explored at the next member meeting.

The display for the Ontario Elementary School in Ontario, CA has been cancelled again due to the extraordinary insurance liability coverage and contract limitations.

VOTERS CHOICE: The results of the balloting have resulted in pronouncing Gary Provansal, President, Grant Gemel, Vice President, Barbara Gemel, Secretary, Etta Dunn, Treasurer, and Roger Kindel, Safety Officer. Thank you to the nominees for accepting the nomination and the term of office for 2017-2018.

PASSING OF THE GAVEL: The Early Day Tractor and Iron Club is now 4 years old. The first president, Ed Beals, started the club at his home by asking the interested guests to volunteer to serve as officers until the necessary paperwork was completed to become a 501-3-C non-profit organization. Serving as president for the past two years has been a humbling and rewarding experience. Thank you for your trust in me during this time, the job now goes to Gary with good wishes for another successful year.

NEW PRESIDENT MESSAGE: Gary Provansal expressed a sincere thank you for the honor and that we still have the members to count on to help make a great year. They appreciate all that has been done. We'll keep going to have the same club experiences, keep the traditions, ideas, and comments coming for next year.

TREASURY REPORT: The balance in the club account is \$2,743.17 and a total of \$15.00 cash on hand. An entry fee of \$20.00 was reimbursed to Treasurer LT Burks for the Boron Parade earlier in October.

UPCOMING EVENTS: The Flabob Airport Tribute to Veterans is on Saturday, November 11th. Parking passes are required and were passed around for the members attending. A flyer to promote the event was given to the Country Kitchen to display in their window. The gates open at 6:30 a.m., all tractors and displays are to be on the premises by 8:00 a.m. We will be in the same area as last year, you can ask at the gate for directions. Bring the red parking pass with you upon entrance.

CHRISTMAS PARTY: Tentative plans have been set for our annual Christmas Party Buffet on Saturday, December the 9th at the United Methodist Church on Main Street in Hesperia. More information will be forthcoming regarding the time, menu, and any other details.

A 50-50 drawing was held and a total of \$53.00 was generously donated to the club treasury.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was closed for business at 7:45 p.m., motion to adjourn by Etta Dunn and seconded by Roger Kindel.

Individual commitment to a group effort - that is what makes a team work, a company work, a society work, a civilization work.
- Vince Lombardi

Treasurer Report

LT Burks, Treasurer

Bank balance as of 11.1.2017 is \$2,743.17.



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SHOW AND TELL

This month Lance Wilson and Gary Provansal provided unusual and interesting items to pass around to the members. They included things from Cuba brought over by a friend of Lance's. He brought Cuban ketchup and Cuban money. There were Farmall promotional pens with a 2 digit phone number, #70 from a South Dakota Farmall Dealer and phone number #26 from a North Dakota Farmall dealer. Lance also brought a 1914 Hotpoint electric coffee pot that was designed to screw into the electric fixture because of no central electricity in the homes.

The Hotpoint coffee pot was manufactured in Ontario, California.

The most interesting was an old belt splicer that laced like a shoestring connecting the belts that ran from the tractor to the machinery. The bench top belt lacer was from the turn of the century; late 1800-1900's made to repair belts on the pulleys. The manufacturer is Clipper Machine Mfg.

Gary Provansal brought a petrified rock like item that was dinosaur dung and an authentic piece of atomic glass found in New Mexico from the 40's produced by the test trials of the atomic bomb project.

New Member

Jeff Corona, spent the day with us at Flabob, after becoming a member.

Welcome Aboard!

Club Wear

- Logo Patches (4") – Iron-On to Hats, Vests, etc.
- Logo Stickers (4") – Peel and stick.
- Tan Baseball Hats with Logo Patch.
- T-Shirts – Tan with screened logos front and back.

Opportunity is missed by most people because it is dressed in overalls and looks like work.
- Thomas A. Edison

Classified Advertising

This space is available for Early Day Tractor & Iron members free of charge. Submit your items, along with graphics to pdunn@EarlyDayTractorIron.org.

- **For Sale** – 1957 International Lo-Boy, original with quick hitch and other extras. For more information contact Paul at 760-956-6460.



For Sale - International W-6, \$1500.00
contact Richard Pope at epopr@me.com



For Sale - 1950 International H
Parade Ready for only \$4900.00
Contact Richard Pope at 760-240-3485

Ads may be submitted each month, free of charge for members. All other ads will be posted for a donation to Early Day Tractor & Iron, Inc. Submit your ad, or renewal, before the 10th of each month to pdunn@EarlyDayTractorIron.org.

Calendar of Planned Events

December 2, 2017 – Victorville Christmas Parade

December 9, 2017 – Christmas Party and Pot Luck

TBA – EDTI Christmas Event

2018 Schedule – In Planning and Open

EDGETA – Branch 242 – Board of Directors

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