

NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

Gary Provansal

Thank you to all that participated in the County Fair !! Between set up and tear down there were 8 long days and nights doing what we love to do. The layout was better this year, and we taught, displayed, and amazed, more people than ever before. Another great job by Branch 242. Now for our month of rest? If you don't count breakfasts on Thursdays at Country Kitchen (at 8am) a trip to Branch 30's swap meet in Palmdale on the 8th of June, and scouting trips to the Vista Gas and Steam show the last two weekends of June. Several of us are scouting for more "Stuff" that we don't know we need yet. Oh yea, we are also fixing all the stuff we were supposed to fix this winter and somehow didn't. July starts off on the 4th with the Parade in Lucerne, an annual favorite. Set up times will be sent as soon as we get them, stay tuned. In case, you missed it; our new insurance is paid and in place. Several Branches are expected to follow soon. Even though we can breathe a little easier with the new insurance it is every bit as important to be safe in everything we do at home as well as in club events, no one wants to be hurt, and no one wants to hurt anyone else. It is easy to say be safe, it is easy to say don't worry about me; I am always safe, but the fact remains that accidents are not planned events, they are mistakes or oversights that happen when we don't think things through or can't see a hazard from our vantage point. This brings me to two thoughts. The first is backing up anything anytime. The most prevalent accident in the county with vehicles of any type is the act of backing up. Please announce your attention to back up and the rest of us PLEASE answer the call and take the roll of a spotter. Don't back up

without a spotter PLEASE. This will go a long way to prevent the unplanned, unforeseen event we never want to happen... the backing accident !!! The second thought about safety is our long time member and Safety Officer; Roger Kindel has submitted his resignation as Safety Officer. Roger has served as the Safety Officer for many years and has done a great job of keeping us in line, but he feels it is time to pass on this very important duty. Roger will continue to remain a valuable resource and member of Branch 242 as always and we most certainly thank him for the many years of pestering us into compliance, Thanks Roger. So now as the President I am left with the duties of Safety Officer until a new one is appointed as per the Bylaws. Please if you have any interest in becoming a Board Member and Safety Officer contact me or any of the Board Members for consideration for the appointment. We intend to fill the duty of Safety Officer as soon as possible. Enjoy your time off this month and be ready for the parade on the 4th, stay safe, stay happy, stay young. Love your love ones and always have fun.

Yours in Service,

Gary Provansal

***"Yesterday is not ours to recover,
but tomorrow is ours to win or lose."***

- Lyndon Johnson

Vice President's Message

Grant Gemel

I would sincerely like to thank all the members who came out and supported our display at the San Bernardino County Fair. It was an enormous task requiring many hours of sacrifice to make it all happen. I think this year's event was better than the prior year due to having more volunteers and a more compact space so that we could easily show off our antiques and collectibles.

I plan to enjoy a few weeks off, as I'm still recovering from the fair. Our next event will be the 4th of July parade in Lucerne Valley. This is one of my favorite events; the whole town comes out in support of the parade. I will send our meeting time and location as

soon as I receive the information from the Lucerne Valley Chamber of Commerce.

Please take the time before it gets too hot to go over your equipment to make sure it's in proper safe working order. Remember Safety First!!!

As always, feel free to contact me with any questions or comments.

Grant Gemel

Safety First

MANDATORY SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL EDGETA EVENTS

1. EDGE&TA Branch Safety Officers, EDGE&TA Safety Officers, and EDGE&TA Insurance Adviser are authorized to shut down anyone for unsafe operation.
2. Anyone exhibiting or participating at any EDGE&TA event MUST be a member of an EDGE&TA branch.
3. No set of requirements, regulations or cautions can prevent a disaster. We must, however, take these safety requirements seriously. Our individual awareness and adherence to both required and desired requirements will greatly increase the safety of our exhibitors and the public who attend our events.
4. No Alcohol to be Served or Consumed at Any EDGE&TA Event.



2018 San Bernardino County Fair

Minutes – June 6, 2018

Barbara Gemel
Secretary

Board members present: Gary Provansal, Grant Gemel, Paul Dunn, Etta Dunn, Barbara Gemel, Roger Kindel
Absent: L.T. Burks.

Call to Order: Gary Provansal

Flag Salute:

Gary Provansal: Gary welcomed everyone to the meeting indicating that we had a potential new member. Gary also thanked everyone who participated at the San Bernardino County Fair.

Grant Gemel: Grant thanked the membership as well for their participation at the fair.

Treasurers Report: We Currently have \$2,692.17 +\$50.00 cash on hand for a total of \$2,742.17. Balance was reduced from last month due to \$641.00 being paid to ARMAC Insurance Co. for supplemental insurance to EDGETA's policy.

Safety: Gary announced that Roger Kindel had resigned from his position on the board as Safety Coordinator. Gary expressed appreciation for all that Roger had accomplished over the years. A later review of our By-Laws will determine the replacement procedure.

A discussion was also held regarding Safety procedures when "Backing-up." All members are required to call out "Backing-up" when moving their tractor/equipment as well as having someone "Spot them" while backing.

Unfinished/Old/ New business: Paul Dunn reiterated that we still have EDGETA insurance in addition to the supplemental insurance we purchased from ARMAC. Gary and Paul both thought that we would be better off being "double insured" in some areas than not insured at all.

Gary Provansal said that we would need to increase dues by approximately \$22.00 per year for each member starting next year. This amount may change due to membership numbers changing each year. Gary also stated that the membership needed to be aware that it must be a club #242 sanctioned event to have the additional coverage.

Upcoming Events: Lucerne Valley Parade July 4th. Grant will contact the Lucerne Valley Chamber of

Commerce to pick up the application and insurance information.

Gary will make the necessary arrangements for the Phelan Family Phun Days event.

June Church of the Nazarene summer festival has been postponed.

Victorville National Night Out. Paul Dunn volunteered to get information on both the Victorville and Hesperia events and a decision will be made which one we will attend.

Hesperia Days Parade has been cancelled. Bob Wicherts will check the possibility of a static display at Hesperia Lake Park.

Gary will take care of the Flabob event which is a very popular event for Veterans Day. Gary will check if Victorville is having a parade around the same time.

Bob Cushman will look investigate using the Silver Lakes Meeting Room for our Christmas Party in December.

Next Meeting will be Wednesday July 11th due to the Independence Day Holiday.

Meeting was adjourned by Gary at 8:17 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Gemel, Secretary.

“It is better to be looked over than overlooked”
- Mae West

Treasurers Report

Etta Dunn

Our current balance, as of 5/31/2018 is \$2692.17. All outstanding debts have been paid, including \$641.00 for insurance.

Collected was \$50.00 in the club donation drawing.

Early Day Tractor & Iron, Inc. Insurance Update – Paul Dunn

Early Day Tractor & Iron, Inc., (EDTI) Branch 242 of Early Day Gas Engine & Tractor Association (EDGETA) now has its own supplemental insurance.

EDTI insurance fills a void in the EDGETA coverage. This liability insurance is for EDTI **members only**, in good standing, for participation in EDTI **sanctioned or approved events**. Members are required to have their own insurance for transit to and from events. As with the EDGETA insurance, our insurance is effective once your tractor and items are unloaded, and touches the ground, at the event, and until reloaded for departing from the event.

Branch 242 members **only** have this supplemental insurance coverage, when participating in EDTI approved or EDGETA event.

Should there be any doubts, or for clarification, of this insurance coverage contact a Board Member.

***“The laziest man I ever met
put popcorn in his pancakes so
they would turnover by themselves.”***
- W.C. Fields

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.

Hobart Handler 140

115 Volt Wire Feed Welder – Very little use.

Doctor said it must go, so I will take a reasonable offer. – Paul Dunn 760.956.6460

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.

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Calendar of Planned Events

June 16th - Apple Valley Summer Street Fair

July 4th - Lucerne Valley Parade

October 5-7th - Phelan Phun Days



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