

NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

Gary Provansal

Thank all of you for participating in the National Night Out in Hesperia. We looked very good, the set up was great as well as the participation. We had a lot of interest in our toys and the club itself. Our last two events have been excellent and safe, thank you all. We continue to learn each event how to make our events safer, this one was no exception. We loaded all our toys in the dark this year which brought up the value of having loading lights installed on our trailers to make the operation easy and safer, pass it on. Several members are working to install loading lights and even area lighting for the events that we load or unload in the dark hours.

Our September meeting will be on the 4th and this meeting will include the appointment of an election committee to be responsible for the nominations of new officers and the preparation of the ballot for the coming elections. This year marks the ending of the terms of office for the President, Vice President, and the Secretary. The position of Safety Officer is also open this year. According to the Bylaws of our organization each office is limited to a two-year term. The Bylaws provide for an exception for the position of the Treasurer to maintain continuity, but the re-election must be on the ballot each year.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you on September 4th, 2019 for our Board and General Membership meeting. Be there or you might be appointed King or at least placed on the ballot. Be well, be safe, and be happy.

As always, contact me with any questions.

Gary Provansal
909.855.6152



Vice President's Message

Grant Gemel

MEETING MINUTES

Board members present:

Gary Provansal, Paul Dunn, Etta Dunn, Grant Gemel, Barbara Gemel

Absent: LT Burks

Call to Order: 7:05PM by Gary Provansal

Flag Salute: Led by Grant Gemel

President: Gary Provansal

V.P. Message - August 2019

I would like to thank everyone who attended the National Night Out in Hesperia. It was a great event! I think that the engines brought that extra WOW factor to the event. After loading back up in the dark, I will be looking into lights for the bed of my trailer. Special thanks to Bob Wicherts who came prepared with a flashlight and to all the others who helped loading members in the dark.

I'll take this opportunity to announce that Early Day Tractor and Iron won first place for tractors at the Lucerne Valley 4th of July Parade. We have won first place two years in a row but who's counting. (I am)

Our next event will be Hesperia Days parade which will be Saturday September 21st. Last year was a great event and I am looking forward to this year as well. I will have more details at the September meeting.

I hope everyone enjoys the rest of their Summer, stay cool!

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

Grant Gemel

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President, Gary Provansal:

Welcomed everyone and thank you for your continued participation and contributions to our club. Without you there would be no club, with you this club is as no other. Once again, we did a great job at the National Night Out event in Hesperia, we had a nice mix of tractors and motors including a rock crusher as the cherry on top. I had lunch today with the Phelan Phun Days director and we discussed the event this year. They are going to a two-day event and holding the event on Phelan Road. (blocked off) We will be in a dirt lot in front of the hardware store. The event will be on the 5th and 6th of October.

Vice President, Grant Gemel:

Grant brought up that the upcoming Hesperia Days Parade will be on Saturday, September 21st.

Note: Just because that is Etta and my 56th wedding anniversary doesn't mean you have to have a parade for us 😊.

We will meet again on Juniper street behind the rescue mission. Grant will send out an e-mail as to the time we will meet. Grant also thanked everyone for their participation at the National Night out this year.

Treasurers Report: Etta said that our total balance this month is \$3,079.47 includes cash on hand in the amount of \$25.00. Etta indicated that a \$30.00 check which was made out to the California Franchise Board is still outstanding. Current membership is 26. The name changes finally went through with the IRS and the State of California. Thanks to Etta for all she does for us!!!

Safety: Gary: After the National Night Out event we found ourselves in the dark to load up. We quickly realized the wisdom of having rear facing trailer loading lights to be able to back up safely and load our equipment. Several members will be installing lights on their trailers to light the area around and in back of

their trailers as well as the bed to avoid any future mishaps. I do want to point out the excellent cooperation in spotters for backing units and unloading assistance with lights and spotting. Great job folks for a difficult situation!!!

Thank you, folks for taking safety personally and seriously. Remember if you have any safe concerns please contact L.T. Burks, Myself or any board member.

Unfinished Business:

No changes in status for: Insurance from EDGE&TA. The "Lawsuit" remains unsettled.

Note:

Please see July agenda and minutes for full description of current statuses.

Membership:

Memberships and fees have been sent to EDGE&TA for the current year. PLEASE NOTE: If your membership has not been submitted and fees paid before any EDGE&TA event you will not be able to participate and will not be covered by EDGE&TA or our private extra policy.

Events: Gary

Pumpkin festival at Cal Poly October 5th and 6th. Invited by Cal Poly and WAPA, set up Friday or early Saturday, free motor home camping for us Friday- Sunday evening. This event will conflict with the Phelan Phun Days event which is scheduled for the same weekend. Members can decide which event they want to go to.

Next scheduled club meeting will be Wednesday September 4, 2019.

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM by Gary.

Barbara Gemel, Secretary





Mandatory Safety Requirements for All EDGETA Events

The safe operation and exhibition of farm equipment is of prime concern to the Early Day Tractor and Iron, Inc. and we encourage our members to promote the safe use of their own tractors, engines and other farm equipment and encourage others to do the same. However, no amount of safety precaution can ever prevent the occurrence of an incident. As an EDTI member, it is always your responsibility to practice safety.

Our goal is to minimize the occurrence of any unsafe condition. Failure to do so, may prevent your participation in EDTI sanctioned events.

EDTI takes safety very seriously and all members must adhere to the safety requirements as set forth by Early Day Tractor & Iron, Inc. and the Early Days Gas Engine and Tractor Association, our national affiliation.

A Parade Official/Safety Officer may shut down any operation, or participation, at any time due to unsafe operation or conditions.

Member Speak

Paul Dunn

Last month this section was introduced with the hope that members would use their liberty and write or speak out.

Please send your thoughts, wants, or ideas, to me at: pauldunn@dunn.com for publication.

*You might be a redneck if on your first date
you had to ask your Dad to borrow
the keys to the tractor.
- Jeff Foxworthy*

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Calendar of Planned Events

September 4 – Monthly Meeting

September 21 – Hesperia National Night Out

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