



GAMTRA

July 2008

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COTTON GINNING DAYS

JUNE MEETING'S RE-CAP

*GAMTRA members discussed and approved to secure possession of a 1927 six-cylinder engine connected to a stand-alone electrical power source system that was used many years ago by the Western Union in Charlotte. The unit's purchase price is \$2500.00 with this funding mainly coming from some benefactors. Plans may include using this unit to power our machine shop.

*S. Lamar Hodge and Tony D. Hodge offered to donate to GAMTRA their father's Allis Chalmers "G" cultivating tractor for the purpose of restoration and display at our club-sponsored functions. Members discussed and approved this gracious donation in memory of Tony and Lamar's father, Ralph S. Hodge, a long time GAMTRA member.

*Curt Holland presented sketches of the pioneer village machine shop building that Devin plans to oversee construction of with help from Boy Scouts and GAMTRA members. Members discussed this matter and approved the plans authorizing construction. Building size will be 20'x30' with a 6' walkway for observation. Project's funding will hopefully mainly come from area benefactors.

BIG THANKS TO:

Leon Lineberger, Tyler Lineberger, Wally Martin and Dan Rowe for moving the Allis "G" tractor to a nearby building.

W.S. "Bill" Melton our June's meeting guest speaker. Bill is a humorist, writer and Gaston County good ol' boy. Bill entertained GAMTRA members with his "tales and stories" and all had fun.

THANKS TO OUR DOORPRIZE SPONSORS

June Meeting – Stiles Service Center; Maple Springs Farm and Dallas Feed and Seed.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

** Someone to assume the duties of completing the newsletters for our members.

ASSOCIATION WORK UPDATE

** Significant work was done during our last workdays to replace the aging siding on the engine building. We will schedule an afternoon workday at our July meeting that should allow us to finish this project. As always, your help is needed and appreciated.

**We also plan to schedule some future workdays to get Mr. Hodge's tractor in running condition by this fall's Cotton Ginning Days.

UPCOMING SHOWS IN

July 2008

(Check you Old Farm Days Show Calendar for other July events)

JULY 1-5

SOUTHEAST OLD THRESHER'S REUNION

Denton, NC

JULY 18-19

EARLY FARM DAYS

Franklin, NC

JULY 24-26

HIGH COUNTRY CRANK-UP

Boone, NC

JULY 2008 MEETING

Our meeting this month, will be held on Thursday, July 10, 2008 at North Star Restaurant located in Windsor Shopping Center in Dallas. We will "meet and eat" at 6:00PM and our business meeting will be at 7:00PM. We look forward to seeing you there ☺☺