



GAMTRA

March 2009

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COTTON GINNING DAYS



FEBRUARY MEETING'S RE-CAP

*We had several new members attending this monthly meeting and a nice crowd of our regular members. We missed those that didn't make it and hope to see you next month.

*DVD/CD's containing a pictorial tour of GAMTRA's twenty plus year history are available for sell for \$10, all proceeds going to GAMTRA.

*Machine Shop/Welding Building Project Update:
The first phase will be fund raising (letter campaign with a goal of \$20,000) and permit applications. Anyone interested in contributing to this project can contact Devin at 704-853-2992. A bank account for the project will be set up, and he will track the finances.

BIG THANKS (February Meeting Exhibits)

Wally Martin-for bringing two antique metal type weights, which turned out to be for animal horns. He also shared a news article for converting generators from 6 volt to 12 volt and how to still use the original housing case.

Ralph Cronan-for showing a small antique object, thought to be a seed separator or gunpowder filler.

BIG THANKS TO OUR FEBRUARY MEETING DOORPRIZE SPONSORS

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INFORMATION FOR APRIL'S MEETING

Instead of a regular meeting in Dallas for April, we will travel to Belmont and tour the Belmont Historical Society Mill house. More details will be in the next (April) newsletter.

NEW YEAR DAY CRANK-UP RESCHEDULED

Saturday, April 25th at the Berry Farm

GAMTRA's TAKING A TRIP TO ATTEND TRI-STATE GAS ENGINE & TRACTOR SHOW to Portland, Indiana, August 26 -29, 2009

This will be an excellent opportunity for our folks to attend one of the largest and enjoyable shows. This is a joint venture with another club near Asheville, that Dean and Brenda Henderson (Leon's sister) is associated with. We will travel by chartered bus on the 26th, attend the show on the 27th & 28th, and travel home on the 29th. We will be staying at Americas Best Value Inn in Celina, Ohio, 28 miles from the tractor show. They have a complimentary continental breakfast and are located on Grand Lake St. Marys. Cost will be \$250 per person for the bus and motel, based on double occupancy. Meals, except for breakfast at the motel, will be on your own. Admission for the show will be \$4 per day, per person and golf cart rentals are available. A free trolley to downtown Portland is available at the show gate for those that prefer shopping and sightseeing. There are 44 seats available between the two clubs. Pick-up location will be at the Agriculture Center in Dallas around 8:00am with departure being around 8:30. (Time subject to change.)

A non-refundable deposit of \$50.00 per person to be paid by April 2, 2009. Balance of \$200.00 per person to be paid by June 4, 2009. Checks can be made payable to Dean Henderson. Kathy Lineberger will be our contact person for payment.

UPCOMING SHOWS IN MARCH 2009

MARCH 28

GAMTRA's Cotton Ginning Days Swap Meet
Gaston County Park, Dallas, NC

MARCH 2009 MEETING

Our meeting this month will be held on Thursday, March 5, 2009 at Northstar Restaurant 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. ☺☺