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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This winter is speeding along, 2015 is well on its way. Marlene and I have just spent one week in the frigid north and are now heading back to the warmth of Arizona. We are joined by Marty and Cathy Nervick and Lyle and Linda Garratt to spend a bit of IH culture time in Lake Havasu City again this winter. You may question the IH culture, but Marty and I have been successful in obtaining some articles for the memorabilia table, getting a bit tougher with this \$0.80 dollar. I also have been successful at some of the swap meets in getting a few manuals and parts books as well as about 60 IHC wrenches. It is surprising what comes out of the woodwork when you least expect it.

To update you on the 63 Impala SS, we have been to one Thursday afternoon showing and are ready for more, just a great place to visit with other snowbirds. The Chevy needed a few mechanical parts, the steering box and signal light switch had to be replaced, the seat springs needed a bit of reconstruction, as well as a new layer of foam under the recovered seats, but all in all not too bad. It was sold to me as a 327 High Performance, but one look under the hood told me otherwise, still a 327 but the 250 HP instead of the 300. Oh well enough jam for what I will be doing. I was fortunate to be doing some business in the past with a group of old school mechanics, who incidentally both had 63 Chevies at one time, to work on my 63, I think they were having as much fun as I was. You would be surprised at how many mechanics working today say "what are points", while they are texting on their iPhone, looking for the answer.

Your board had a teleconference the other evening, (Marty and Lyle on the line from Az) getting updated on activities that will be happening this summer and some talk of our 10 year anniversary. I will mention to you, the membership, that as a project before that anniversary everyone will be asked to put on their thinking caps and produce ideas to create a new logo for the Chapter. The current logo while serving our needs, for the past ten years, today it is the feeling of the board that we may be able to find something more fitting for the mature club. Keep your thoughts to yourselves as there likely will be an announcement at the annual meeting as to how to best proceed with this project. George Kirkham has offered suggestions as to guidelines that a good logo would attain. A contest from the membership just may be a suitable way to get as many new ideas as possible, so start the gears turning, our 2016 show would be a suitable time to unveil the logo that will carry us into the future.

While on the subject of the future, this year the Red Power winter convention is in Michigan City IN on March 5, 6 & 7; Red Power Round Up in Sedalia, Mo. June 10-13. These are educational events and do not disappoint show goers. Closer to home our annual show will be held at Leduc West Museum 5 km west of Leduc Ab., July 24-26, 2015; under the capable hands of Bernie and Gerry; this promises to be a celebration like nothing in our past. And an extra special opportunity has been extended to Ch 38 members by George Kirkham and his family to visit their newly expanded museum of IH trucks and associated memorabilia. George now has over a half acre under roof with the most complete collection of vintage IH trucks that I have ever seen, and all this happens on June 13; make plans to be in Lethbridge that Saturday

afternoon - this is one of the things that anyone who misses out on will live to regret. See you there!

As a closing note, I want to mention that the 4300 that I put a request out for in the last newsletter has been found. Through a chance conversation with Lyle Garratt, he knew that Ch 38 member Jim Faulkner had one. A call to Jim produced the desired result and we will be picking the truck up in the spring, and only an hour from home.

Guidelines for logo: Clean, crisp, sharp, straight block letters. Easy to print and embroider. Easily recognizable. **GOOD LUCK!!**

Remember to get a room in Lethbridge for the night of June 13, and in Leduc for July 24-26.

Darald Marin, President
IHCC Ch 38



FROM THE MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

Since our last issue of the Chapter 38 IH Legends Newsletter the time has flown by and now I am eagerly waiting to receive the renewals once again. A few have arrived and I thank those members who have already sent in their dues for another year.

Chapter 38's year end for membership subscriptions is the end of February for the newsletter and Harvester Highlights.

There is a change this year that will save on postage costs; that being the receipts for dues and membership cards will be sent to the members with the very next Newsletter following receipt of the dues. For members who have requested email notice of the newsletter, instead of mail-out, I will send receipts and membership cards.

Thank you, everyone for understanding.

Would you like to get the newsletter on line, and save a lot of paper? Please let me know on your application form.

Respectfully,
Barb Bender, Membership Secretary

IN MEMORIAM: Remembering respectfully members & families:

Brian Wolfe from Imperial SK. on October 3, 2014

VICE PRESIDENT'S VIEW - FROM THE PARTS COUNTER

Fall '84 arrived with some questions. We had heard rumours about the Company and waited with some trepidation as to our fate in business. January '85 brought the Company reps and we were told the news; we were not in the new plans. We quickly contacted the Alberta Retail Implement Dealer's Association but to no avail. If we signed off in 10 days, the new power to be would give us \$10,000. Our parts, etc were to go to a dealer they chose.

We took the money, signed out and the business that started in 1927 was over. We bought a boat and took the kids tubing!

Gary Algot, Vice President, Chapter 38

**DALLAS. NOVEMBER 30, 1984.
A BOLD NEW FUTURE FOR YOU AND YOUR BUSINESS.**



The management of
International Harvester Company
urgently requests your attendance
at a special meeting of all dealer principals
to announce a dramatic development
with far reaching implications
for the future of your business
and our industry.

**HYATT REGENCY.
DALLAS.
4:00 PM
NOVEMBER 30, 1984**

**A plane ticket is enclosed. Please call 1-800-323-2424 *only if* you are unable to attend
or have a problem with your plane ticket. A reservation has been made for you
as our guest at the Hyatt Regency for the night of November 30, 1984.**

CANADIAN RESIDENCE CALL

1-312-295-3300

EDITOR COMMENTS

I let my grandchildren take my wife and I to visit the world's biggest mouse in California this past January. Yes, yes, they all had a GREAT time, since it was their very first visit.

What grabbed MY attention, was the beautiful R190 that was still slinging beer for a living in the food court!



And as I was trolling on the internet, looking for interesting story ideas, I came across references to International Harvester nearly entering the snowmobile market!

See pages 7 and 9 of this website:

<http://vintagesleds.com/bs/index.php/topic.68614.0.html>



And then there is this one that was seen at the Huron RPRU 2014....hoax or the real McCoy?!!

<http://www.binderplanet.com/forums/showthread.php?t=108692&highlight=Snowmobile>

NOMINATING COMMITTEE UPDATE

Our Annual Meeting and election of officers will take place this summer at our show in Leduc.

We have three directors whose terms are up this year. They include Claude Roeland, Bernie Yakimyshyn, and Gerry Magnan.

Please consider this an invitation to put forth your name or that of a fellow Chapter member and become a Director in IHC Collectors Chapter 38.

You can send your nominations to either of us on the nominating committee and please include a brief biography so we can all get a chance to know you!

We all have a strong connection to International Harvester and through the support of you - the membership - we can continue to grow and promote this legendary brand.

Thanks from the nominating committee: Claude Roeland and Marty Nervick.



2015 ANNUAL SHOW UPDATE

Planning is well underway for the annual Chapter 38 IHCC show at Leduc West Antique Society grounds July 25-26, 2015.

Here's a little more "teaser" information for the July 24th surprise evening event:

You'll be meeting some very special people who helped build IH in western Canada!
You'll be tapping our toes to Elvis, the Beach Boys, the Platters and Chubby Checker!
Special treats to eat and drink!

And...another special treat for those staying over til Monday morning! A private tour of a major antique truck, car, tractor and memorabilia collection that was featured on Canadian Pickers! More information on this in the next newsletter. Stay tuned!

ACCOMMODATION in the LEDUC AREA:

This year, we have not identified any specific hotel for Chapter 38, due to the large number of facilities available, and the varied costing of rooms. This site will provide a complete listing of hotels:

<http://www.expedia.ca/Hotel-Search?#&destination=Leduc,%20Alberta,%20Canada&startDate=24/07/2015&endDate=26/07/2015®ionId=8571&adults=2>

BOOK SOON - MANY EVENTS HAPPENING IN THE LEDUC AREA THIS SUMMER!!!

Bernie Yakimyshyn & Gerald Magnan, Co-Chairs

DARN ENGINEER!!

by Ralph Jorgensen

THE PATH TO NEW PRODUCTS - Field testing or lab testing, which is best?

The question often arises, how can lab testing ever replace the tried and true get-your-hands-dirty-in-the-field approach to product development? Surely you can't beat hooking up a tractor to a plow and start looking for places that will tear apart.

In many areas field testing is irreplaceable. Flow of stubble through cultivator shanks, separating of grain across sieves, consistency of depth; all are best found by going to the field. However, with rapidity of changes required to stay ahead of the competition, time has to be shortened. Certain things can be best done at home behind closed doors.

Take for instance, controlled destructive testing. Often it can take years for a part to fail in the field. But when it occurs, repairs and warranties can cost vast amounts of money, to say nothing of lost time and loss of reputation. In a laboratory, whole machines can be subjected to a battery of tests to evaluate a design.

A small example may describe it best: An inventive new door hinge looks good on paper and may work great. However, should that hinge have a fault, repercussions can be extensive. A test can be devised that will determine if the mechanism is faulty. Test 'bucks' are built and hinges subjected to opening and closing, slamming, and twisting as would be done in real life. This still may not give fast enough results, so added loads or twists are incorporated in the cycling to hasten failures. There is however, a fine balance between accelerated testing, and destruction. (A destroyed part has no value.) Knowing the difference is a fine art. In this example, hinges of various configurations can be tested over a matter of weeks and good design quickly determined.

We had a Rock n' Roll machine which was a grouping of flat-surfaced bumpy wheels submerged in the floor. To test a cultivator frame, a cultivator would be mounted and the wheels powered. Added to the test frame were several hundred pounds of weight to hasten cracks and hasten failures. When it was hooked up to a dummy tractor hitch, the wheels were set in motion. Ongoing results were meticulously recorded. This was first done on an existing model as we knew its history in the field. When it failed, or the test stopped, we installed our prototype and ran in the same tests. Evaluations were made on failures, type of failures, reason for failure, and recommendations made. Only when we were assured that the frame was as good as, or superior to the old did we stop the tests.

- I had the privilege of being both a design and a test engineer. To put it mildly, I disliked test engineering. I much rather use a machine than systematically destroy it. But testing, failure, and failure analysis is vital before a company can put their stamp of approval on it. Even so, failures can still occur, some subtle, others obvious.

Sort of brings back the old adage "Damn engineers, why can't they produce machinery that doesn't break down!"

INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER CREAM SEPARATORS

Story by member David Saville, Rosetown, SK

In the late 1800's a machine was developed that revolutionized the dairy industry, the cream separator. Soon many companies including International Harvester were making cream separators for on farm use. For the rest of this article I shall use the term separator to mean cream separators while grain, water oil etc. will be saved for another day.

The working principle is many spinning disks which use inertia to force the milk and cream into separate outlets. The curse of many farm women was that these disks had to be hand washed daily. Many farms girls moved to the city and ended up bored to tears in a typing pool but they could console themselves by saying "At least I am not washing the separator".

Someone at IH decided that what the world needed was a self washing separator and by the early 50's they had one in production. There were various models rated in gallons of milk per hour. I have seen them painted black or maroon with stainless steel working parts. Always floor models. While "150 Years of International Harvester" discussed cream separators self washers were not mentioned other than saying all separator production ended in 1957.

In 1958 when south west Saskatchewan got electricity, my parents bought a used 3F model. That machine separated milk for our family until the late 1980's.

The secret to the machine was that the spinning disks were contained inside a heavy airtight vessel. Once the milk was passed through, there was a washing process. At full power hot soapy was allowed into the bowl, not restricted by a float like the milk but as fast as gravity could pull water down a one inch drain. While the water was flowing the operator turned off the power and shut off the water flow. As the machine slowed down pressure or a vacuum built up until the pressure differential caused air to slip by an o-ring with a good pop. This violent pop shook loose any contaminants left in the works. Immediately the power was turned on again and more water allowed in to wash the cream side before the speed built up. Once back up to full speed the process was repeated with clean rinse water. This time after the pop and low speed water rinse it was allowed to return to full speed for a few



moments to dry and then shut down. If this was followed by another pop as it slowed down it meant you had done something wrong and had to repeat the last cycle.

It was a wonderful machine that came out just a little too late. By that time the dairy industry was moving to whole milk production and there was no need for any separator, self washing or not.

That machine worked for us for many years with little maintenance. As the principle of the thing is centrifugal force there was a mercury switch to control motor speed. Eventually that was no longer available and we had to replace it with a household lighting dimmer switch that "almost worked" but required operator control. What finished the machine though was the o ring. It was about 5 inches in diameter and about 3/8 inch thick. It looked like any old o ring but it had a wound spring core and a regular o ring would not work. We had a very dedicated dealer, Al Houston at Busse Bros. Implements in Shaunavon Sk. He dug deep but eventually cleaned out the supply chain. Without that ring the machine needed washing everyday which was a much worse job than the old daily wash units had been.



Chapter 38 President Marin hosted fellow 38 'ers and friends in Lake Havasu City, AZ.

From the rear of the table; Alan and Marion Hardy (member Bill Young's daughter and son in law), Lyle and Linda Garratt (Linda in front), Rita and Foster Boles (friends) Paul and Elva Dennis, Conrad and Lori Kirchner, Darald and Marlene Marin



SPECIAL INVITATION!

KIRKHAM INTERNATIONAL MOTOR TRUCK COLLECTION Open House for Chapter 38 IHCC Members

Saturday June 13th, 2015

828 45 Street North, Lethbridge Alberta

Doors open at 3 pm until...whenever!

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- 2) Light Cover and Clip Assembly
- 3) Shelf (14x22) with 2 pins that push into grommets in back
- 4) Egg Drawer/Dispenser
- 5) "Butter Dish" that sits inside of the butter compartment on the door

Contact: Gary Costel, Butler, Pa USA Email: gcostel@zoominternet.net

For Sale: 1975 IH 150 AWD 4x4, V8-345, auto, ps, pb, A/C, Dana 44 front, Pow-R-Lock Rear. 800 miles on new trans, u-joints , wheel alignment. Ten year old restoration. About 6000 miles on shocks, tires, dual exhaust & paint. Very good driving truck: just gas up and go. \$7500 + GST. Contact: Larry 306-221-4563



For Sale: 1967 IH 1100B, V8-304, 4spd, custom cab, 41666 original miles, original fan belts, wires & dist cap. Excellent interior, exterior, always stored inside. Originally purchased at Jardine's Equipment in Oyen, AB. Larry 306-221-4563



For Sale: 1974 Travelall - owned it for 40 years. Garage-stored for 30 years. V8 - 345 and Torqueflite 727 automatic transmission. Approx 90,000 mi. No accidents, very little rust. Excellent interior. This was our family traveling and tent trailer towing vehicle for our family of 6.

Also have a 1974 with 392 engine, and auto trans. as a parts vehicle. Ran good when I parked it in outside storage. Has rust in the hood hinge mounts, plus wheel wells, but is certainly salvageable. Contact Glen Montgomery: 403-288-7330,



For Sale: Two L110 pickups for sale. Not running. \$1000
Contact Eric Sundstrom, 3628 15A street SE, Calgary, (403) 909-7469



Wanted: Parts for 1922 IH speed truck; 4 cylinder Lycoming engine, distributor cap for a Delco Remy 376A Model, serial # 8727, Cap # 6980, and wheel lugs.

Contact Dennis Ranger at email:

antiques@mts.net or phone (204) 476-5630



**OLD INTERNATIONAL
TRUCKS. CA**

Introducing the “HARVESTER HERITAGE” program just approved by the IHCC National Board ... See below!

International Harvester Company and the world-wide dealer organization serving customers, became one of the most significant organizations for the betterment of mankind the world has ever known. There are many untold / undocumented "stories" reflecting the incredible contributions of IHC and related personnel that should be captured without further delay. Harvester personnel working in all capacities in the latter years over-came great challenges. Our purpose is to document as many of those stories as possible.

Mission Statement:

Preserve for posterity the significant events particularly, in the later years of International Harvester that have been largely un-documented. Our objective is not only to document stories and experiences but to compile a data base of former “Harvester” folks whether dealer or IH corporate employees.

We seek input from former dealer and IHC employees from all Product Groups! There are over 8,000 IHCC members worldwide. There resides a wealth of valuable information, so, ... even if you don't wish to submit a story, send us your name, contact info and brief work history (when / where) for us to file. This file will be made available to all IHCC members and will be of value to many of us who have lost track of former friends and colleagues.

Note: In addition to our effort to preserve this living IHC history in the Wisconsin Historical Archives, we also plan to run selected stories in future issues of "**Harvester Highlights.**"

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Please note:

Dan Kennedy, Ron Schmitt, Joe Neville and Rich Nelson will be your primary contacts / information processors. Feel free to submit multiple articles, however if possible limit all articles to 500 words or less to minimize editing for “Harvester Highlights” articles. Please know that if necessary longer “stories” are welcome. We do reserve the right to edit articles as required to fit formats.

Please send info by e mail when possible, however US mail addresses are listed below as well. *Make sure you include basic employee information / time frame so we can properly document.*

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Welcome Room / Interview Plans:

At future National IH Collectors Club meetings such as Winter Conventions and RPRU's a “**Welcome / Reception Room**” will be provided for all former dealer and IH employees to gather for coffee visit, and renew friendships. Although no one will be pressed, there will be an opportunity to share some of your experiences with future generations if desired.

We will ask you to provide basic employee info such as jobs, where and when, and then we will be prepared to take note of the IH story you wish to share.

Welcome Rooms and Interview Locations will be clearly marked.

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