

U.P. Steam and Gas Engine Association

NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2021

President: Jim Yoder (2020/2021) **Vice President:** Rod Salyer (2021/2022)
Secretary: Jon Paul LaFave (2020/2021) **Treasurer:** Joseph Cilc (2021/2022)

Directors: Skip DuFour (2020/2021); Bob Willis (2021/2022); Tony Beauchamp (2021/2022); Larry Anderson (2021/2022); Susie Beauchamp (2020/2021); **Alternate Director:** Mark Elder (2021); **Board Appointments:** Flea Market Chair, Susie Beauchamp and Anne Chapman; Parade Chair, Larry Anderson; SOS Liaison, Wendy Gibson

To access our web page and Facebook page, use this address:

www.upsteamandgasengine.org

~ 2021 SCHEDULE OF CLUB EVENTS ~

Christmas in the Village	12/3	12:00 noon - 7:00 p.m.
Christmas in the Village	12/4	10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

~ THANK YOU TO ALL MEMBERS AND VOLUNTEERS ~

Thank you to everyone who helped in any way with this year's Labor Day Show! It does literally take a Village to put on this show and without all the members and volunteers pitching in, it would not happen. A big thank you to everyone!

~ COOKIES NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS IN THE VILLAGE ~

Each member is asked to bring **6 dozen cookies** for the Christmas in the Village Cookie Sale. **All cookies must be individually wrapped this year with 1 cookie to each bag or wrapper.** Please bring your cookies to the Scoop & Float Ice Cream Shop.

~ WORK BEES AT THE VILLAGE ~

Jeff Wood is picking up the big compressor on Oct 11th and will be winterizing the fairgrounds that week. Please let Rod or Skip know if you are able to help out with winterizing the Village. It is likely that the Village water system will be blown on Wednesday or Thursday, but please check with Rod or Skip to confirm the date.

There will be a Work Bee on Wednesday, October 13th, starting at 1:00 p.m. The project will be cleaning the storage area in the Museum, which will require moving items around and removing whatever doesn't belong there. Please help out if you are available!

There will also be a Fall Clean-Up Work Bee scheduled for the near future. Also, decorations for Christmas will have to be put up. This can be done during the October 13th Work Bee, or at another scheduled Work Bee. An email will be send out to the membership and will be posted in the Newsletter when this Fall Clean-Up Work Bee will be scheduled. Please watch for it!

~ ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTIONS/CHRISTMAS PARTY ~

The Annual Meeting & Elections/Christmas Party is being planned for December 11th, 2021. Please watch the Newsletter for further information coming!

~ 46TH ANNUAL SHOW UPDATE ~

This year's Labor Day Show is now history and it most definitely was considered a successful show! The weather mostly cooperated and we had good attendance overall. There were 192 registered exhibitors attending and the Allis Chalmers Club brought some interesting pieces that they displayed. Thank you to everyone who exhibited items and who attended the show. Plans are already underway for the 2022 show with 89 already pre-registered. Pre-registration started in September and will run through January. Please check the website for all the information you need to pre-register.

~ NOTICE TO SHOP MANAGERS AND VENDORS ~

Anne Chapman will be collecting payments back to the UP Steam & Gas Engine Association from vendors in the Community Hall Building when each Club event is done. All Shop Managers are responsible to pick up green envelopes from Anne at the Float & Scoop Ice Cream Shop, include your percentages that go back to the Club and return the envelopes back to Anne in a timely manner. Please call Anne if you have any questions at 906-398-7526. Thank you!

~ CHAPEL NEWS ~

Contact Ann Salyer at annsana@aol.com for any questions pertaining to the Chapel.

~ SOS UPDATE~

- ❖ There are only a few raffle tickets left to sell out of the 1500 tickets printed. Anyone with tickets and/or money to turn in, please make sure you get them to Joanne.
- ❖ Our next meeting will be October 21, 2021 , at 11:30 a.m. in the Community Hall Building.

~ LABOR DAY SHOW CHURCH SERVICE ~

(This was the sermon given by Ann Salyer on Sunday, September 5, 2021, during our Labor Day Show at the Village Chapel.)

This is the UPSGEA 46th show. Do you realize that at least two of the current board members were at that first show? They are Skip Dufour and Bob Willis. Dave Houseman and Al Dills were original members who are still active. I keep hearing that if the younger generation does not step up and recognize the importance of this club, and get involved, we won't have a 50th show because the older generation is getting worn out. I wonder how many of you have read the UPSGEA mission statement. It starts this way: "The U.P. Steam and Gas Engine Association is a non-profit corporation dedicated to the preservation, restoration and exhibition of early steam engines, gasoline engines, tractors, farm machinery and other items of historical interest. We believe that these implements are as much a part of the American heritage as the hardy men and women who used them in forging this great nation. It is lamentable that the unending march of time, coupled with the ravages of the elements and simple ignorance, has all but destroyed much of this machinery." We need younger blood to carry on this mission, but today I want to talk about just one of the 'other' items of historical interest.

We sit here today in this beautiful chapel which represents the importance of God and the Church in American history, and I believe it is lamentable that the march of time, ravages of the elements and simple ignorance is destroying the American Church and thus our nation. I'm not here this morning to give you an American history lesson, but I believe there are some important truths that have been lost, because they are no longer being taught properly in our public schools, but being replaced by some New York Times journalist's rendition of our history. Many of the symbols of our heritage are being moved out of public sight or destroyed by anarchists so our youth will no longer ask about them and have the opportunity to hear our rich history. We can't sit by idly and allow this to happen.

The Mayflower Compact was signed by 41 men who recognized that without structure there would be chaos. As they were preparing to exit their ship and proceed on to their new land of opportunity, they all agreed on certain truths and principles. It opened like this: "In the name of God, Amen." There was some talk about the king protecting their faith, and it continued: "Having undertaken for the Glory of God, and the advancements of the Christian faith and honor of our King and Country" and then continues to discuss setting up ordinances and just and equal laws. These people gave up any comfort they had in their home country and came to a new world to create an environment that would bring Glory to God. (<https://www.mayflowercompact.org>)

The Declaration of Independence honored this compact by beginning "that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights." After signing the Declaration, Samuel Adams wrote: "We have this day restored the Sovereign, to Whom alone men ought to be obedient. He reigns in heaven and...from the rising to the setting sun, may His kingdom come." (<https://www.goodreads.com/quotes/9875958-we-have-this-day-restored-the-sovereign-to-whom-alone>) He knew that England was not allowing them to develop a country to the Glory of God under the current monarchy. Today we are told most of our founding fathers were agnostics or atheists, but in reality, 27 of the 56 men who signed the Declaration of Independence had seminary degrees.

One signer, Thomas Jefferson wrote: "I am a real Christian - that is to say, a disciple of the doctrines of Jesus Christ." (come-and-hear.com/editor/cp-jefferson-letter/index.html) He also wrote: "God who gave us life gave us liberty. Can the liberties of a nation be secure when we have removed a conviction that these liberties are of the Gift of God? Indeed, I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just; that His justice cannot sleep forever..." (<https://www.monicerello.org/site/research-and-collections/quotations-jefferson-memorial>)

John Hancock wrote: "Resistance to tyranny becomes the Christian and social duty of each individual...Continue steadfast and, with a proper sense of your dependence on God, nobly defend those rights which heaven gave, and no man ought to take from us." (<https://samuelatgilgal.com/2011/11/11/john-hancock-resistance-to-tyranny/>)

Benjamin Franklin wrote: "Here is my Creed. I believe in one God, the Creator of the Universe. That He governs it by His Providence. That he ought to be worshipped." "As to Jesus of Nazareth, my opinion of

whom you particularly desire, I think the system of morals and his religion, as he left them to us, is the best the world ever saw, or is likely to see.” (<https://www.barleby.com/400/prose/366.html>) Those don’t sound like atheists or agnostics.

In 1791, Benjamin Rush, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, formed the American Sunday School Union. The first president of that organization, was Francis Scott Key, the author of “The Star Spangled Banner”. His two great loves: America and getting kids in Sunday School to teach them about Jesus Christ.

Founding fathers were also responsible for the formation of the American Tract Society for the purpose of evangelization and witnessing. The founding fathers of this country authorized the first printing of the Bible in America in 1782- to be used in schools. There are only 8 of them in existence, and in the opening is an endorsement by the congressional committee who reviewed it, and recommended that Bible to the inhabitants of the United States.

John Adams wrote: “Statesmen may plan and speculate for liberty, but it is religion and morality alone which can establish the principles upon which freedom can securely stand.”

(<https://thefederalistpapers.org/founders/adams/john-adams-foundation-of-a-free-constitution-is-pure-virtue>)

That is why the 1783 peace treaty opens with “In the Name of the Most Holy and Undivided Trinity.”

(https://avalon.law.yale.edu/18th_century/paris.asp)

Alexander Fraser Tyler, born in Scotland, who became a British lawyer and writer in the late 1700s wrote: “A democracy cannot exist as a permanent form of government. It can only exist until the voters discover that they can vote themselves largesse from the public treasury. From that moment on, the majority always votes for the candidates promising the most benefits from the public treasury with the result that a democracy always collapses over loose fiscal policy, always followed by a dictatorship. The average age of the world's greatest civilizations has been 200 years. These nations have progressed through this sequence: From bondage to spiritual faith; From spiritual faith to great courage; From courage to liberty; From liberty to abundance; From abundance to selfishness; From selfishness to apathy; From apathy to dependence; From dependence back into bondage.”

(https://www.goodreads.com/author/quotes/5451872.Alexander_Fraser_Tyler)

I fear that America, 245 years after its birth, may be headed toward bondage. We are heading toward bondage because of apathy. We have developed apathy because of complacency, and we developed complacency because we became a rich nation. We became a rich nation because of the freedom our founding fathers won for us.

Eleanor Roosevelt was quoted to have said: “With freedom comes responsibility.”

(<https://www.goodreads.com/quotes/230160-freedom-makes-a-huge-requirement-of-every-human-being-with>)

I believe in many cases, our nation has forgotten that. We were responsible to God for the freedom we won, but we, like the prodigal son, have squandered our freedom on easy living. We forgot what it took to get where we are. We’ve squandered all the work that went into obtaining our freedom for our wants and desires.

Rev. Dr. Peter Marshall, a Presbyterian preacher and a former Chaplain of the United States Senate in the 1940s said, “The choice before us is plain. Christ or chaos, conviction or compromise, discipline or disintegration. I am rather tired of hearing about our rights and privileges as American citizens. The time is coming-it is now-when we ought to hear about the duties and responsibilities of our citizenship. America’s future depends upon her accepting and demonstrating God’s government.”

(<https://www.azquotes.com/quote/1310334>)

Pope John Paul II, once said “Every generation of Americans need to know that freedom consists not in doing what we like, but in having the right to do what we ought.” (<https://aleteia.org/2017/07/08/what-is-freedom-anyway-and-how-are-we-living-it>)

Very early on in his career, George Washington learned of God’s providence. On August 27, 1776, six weeks after the Declaration of Independence, it was believed all was defeated. The American troops were surrounded, but George Washington believed they should rely on the protection of Divine Providence and that God has not brought them that far to desert them. Though the British had the upper hand, and the Americans were low on powder, for some unknown reason, the British just sat there. There was a two day stand off at the East River. George Washington came up with a daring plan to evacuate the entire army of 8,000 men across the river which was a mile wide, under the cover of night. With moonlight, and the sounds moving 8,000 men would make, it seemed like a pretty risky plan. It just so happened that a regiment of Massachusetts fishermen

came to reinforce Washington's army that day. They were joined by mariners from Salem. These men, knowing what they were doing, rounded up the supplies they would need, and loaded boats with men, supplies, cannons, carts, cattle and horses. They moved throughout the darkness of the night, but in the morning there were still more men to be moved. Without the cover of night, they were goners. Major Tallmadge described the scene this way: "At this time, a very dense fog began to rise off the ground and off the river, and it seemed to settle in a peculiar manner over both encampments. I recollect this providential occurrence perfectly well, and so very dense was the atmosphere that I could scarcely discern a man at six yards distance. We tarried until the sun had risen, but the fog remained as dense as ever." (<https://warfarehistorynetwork.com/2016/10/29/the-brooklyn-campaign-the-battle-of-long-island/>) Luck? No. The hand of God. As Joshua's troops were protected in the past, so Washington's troops were during this war. Why were they so blessed? I believe in my heart it was because they put their trust in the one who granted them freedom, both spiritually and physically. They knew that with freedom comes responsibility and through living responsibly they would keep their freedom.

George Washington was known to court martial men for cussing in the ranks because of his fear God would be offended and leave the troops. He often called for prayer and fasting to seek God's guidance. This is from his Thanksgiving address: "Whereas, it is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humbly to implore his protection and favor. . . that we may then all unite in rendering unto him our sincere and humble thanks for his kind care and protection of the people of this country." (<https://speeches.byu.edu/posts/5-noble-attributes-george-washington/>)

There was one particular battle where his jacket sustained four bullet holes, but he was left unharmed. Later, he learned from an Indian Chief, who had been fighting against those troops that the Indians had given up on them because the Great Spirit protected him. That chief prophesied that Washington would "become the chief of nations, and a people yet unborn will hail him as the founder of a mighty empire." (https://www.reddit.com/r/latterdaysaints/comments/od4c7k/native_america_chief_gives_deadon_prophecy_for/) Of course, we never became an empire, but Washington did become our first president. How many of you know that instead of holding an inaugural ball, George Washington, and his cabinet walked to the closest church after his inauguration, and held a prayer meeting?

Again, I will state that I didn't go through all this as an American history lesson. We read the stories in Scripture about how God's hand protected the Israelites, and then protected Peter and Paul in the New Testament. I sometimes think we read those stories and say 'that was then, but this is now'. I don't think people recognize God's providence in the blessings of his nation, and I don't think we believe that God can protect us as he did in Biblical times. I don't think people today have the faith and trust in God that our forefathers had.

In the New Century Bible, Proverbs 11:6 reads like this: "Doing right brings freedom to honest people, but those who are not trustworthy will be caught by their own desires". In King James, it is read: "The righteousness of the upright shall deliver them." 1 Corinthians 1:30 tells us: "you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification, and redemption." So being right with Jesus, who is our righteousness, delivers us, and sets us free. John 8 says "if the Son sets you free; you will be free indeed!" (John 8:36)

Our Founding Fathers knew that only through God could we live in a country free of tyranny. Our nation, in general seems to have forgotten that, but we should not, and cannot if we are to preserve this nation. 2 Chronicles 7:14 was written to the Israelites, but we are still God's people. It says: "if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land." If you, like me, are unhappy about what you see happening in America today – The destruction of our history, Covid, Afghanistan Crisis, The Border Crisis, Hurricanes, Wild Fires, Abortion, National Debt that will cripple the next generation, transgenderism being forced on our children, critical race theory replacing God's greatest commandment to love God and our neighbor as ourselves, then we need to turn back to God. If we are not personally right with God, we need to start there first, and then as a nation we must turn back to God.

~ REPAIRS NEEDING TO BE DONE IN THE VILLAGE ~

1. Finish skylights in Museum
2. Finish roof on red barn - painting - **DONE**
3. Get Murphy engine running
4. Install heater in Textile Shop (Glass Shop)
5. Sewer line to Cook Shack and electric to Red Barn
6. Paint Community Hall Building (Anne Chapman heading up this project) - **DONE**
7. Netting on Brute
8. Get soffit on Murphy engine roof
9. Replace trim on Blacksmith Shop
10. Get Mack engine on tracks
11. Community Hall (Need some trim on a few windows) - **DONE**
12. Cover gas regulator on Ice Cream Shop - **DONE**
13. Put awning on Sock Shop - **DONE**
14. Repair back wall on Ice Cream Shop
15. Baseboards on front of Granary
16. Install vented heaters in Ice Cream Shop and the Granary

As you can see, there are many projects that need to be done, with other more minor maintenance items that are not on this list. Please consider to Adopt A Project together with a few others and coordinate it with a Work Bee Day to get it completed. Contact Joe or Jim with any questions or if you need help in any way with completing the task! Your help is appreciated!!

~ MEMBERSHIP DUES ~

All membership renewals can now be paid for 2022. Remember, our membership year is January 1st to December 31st. Memberships for 2022 should be sent in by January 1st. Please use the Membership Application included in this Newsletter to send in your membership if you have not already done so. Of course, new members may join at any time of the year. Lifetime Membership Cards are available to members who qualify. If you have any questions regarding your membership, please contact Wendy Gibson at (906)251-0119 or wlgibson2010@gmail.com. Thank you for your support to our Association!!

~ MEETING SCHEDULE ~

Wednesday, October 6, 2021

Membership Meeting @ Antique Village Community Hall Building at 6:30 p.m. Membership Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month.

Thursday, October 21, 2021

SOS (Sisters of Steam) Meeting @ Antique Village Community Building at 11:30 a.m. SOS Meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month.

Tuesday, October 26, 2021

VVC Meeting @ Antique Village Community Building at 6:30 p.m. VVC Meetings are held on the last Tuesday of each month.

Wednesday, October 27, 2021

Board of Directors Meeting @ Antique Village Community Building at 6:30 p.m. Board Meetings are held on the last Wednesday of each month.

Wednesday, November 3, 2021

Membership Meeting @ Chamber of Commerce Meeting Room at 6:30 p.m. Membership Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month.

Saturday, December 11, 2021

Annual Meeting & Elections/Christmas Party - Watch Newsletter for more information.

~ REMINDERS TO MEMBERSHIP ~

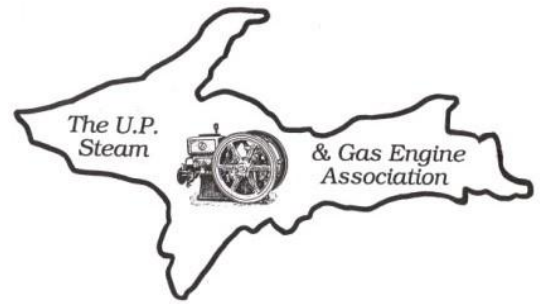
All requests for demonstrations, speaking and vending in the Village proper must go through the VVC for review. The Board makes all final decisions. The VVC job description is available upon request. **VVC (Village Vendors Committee) consist of all Antique Village Shop Managers.**

If you have any information that you would like to share with the Club, please send it to Wendy at wlgibson2010@gmail.com or call me at 906-251-0119 and I will get in in the Newsletter. The deadline to submit to the Newsletter will be the 25th of each month. Please note that the Newsletters can be found on the Club Website at: www.upsteamandgasengine.org

Happy Fall to all our Members

Membership Application

By submitting this form, I agree to support the Association by paying my dues and by assisting to the best of my ability.



New Membership Renewing Membership

Single Membership (\$15 annual dues) Family Membership (\$20 annual dues)

Lifetime Membership (No annual dues, donation appreciated)
Must be at least 70 years of age and been a member for 10 consecutive years to be eligible

Method of Payment: Cash Check made payable to the U.P. Steam and Gas Engine Association

Date of Application _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone (_____) _____ Email _____

Please indicate the areas in which you would consider volunteering a few hours of your time:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Fair Week | <input type="checkbox"/> Annual Show | <input type="checkbox"/> Christmas in the Village |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cook Shack | <input type="checkbox"/> Show Set Up | <input type="checkbox"/> Advertising & Promotion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> General Store | <input type="checkbox"/> Show Clean Up | <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural Museum |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Cream Shop | <input type="checkbox"/> Breakfast | <input type="checkbox"/> Photography & Video |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Museum Office | <input type="checkbox"/> Cook Shack | <input type="checkbox"/> Village Landscaping |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saw Mill | <input type="checkbox"/> Cut Off Saw | <input type="checkbox"/> Village Maintenance |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Exhibitor Registration | <input type="checkbox"/> Website & Social Media |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Flea Market | <input type="checkbox"/> Work Bees |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Gate | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> General Store | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Cream Shop | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Memberships | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Museum Office | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Pie Sales | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Saw Mill | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Shingle Mill & Rock Crusher | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Threshing & Bailing | |

Please mail application and payment to:
Memberships
The U.P. Steam & Gas Engine Association
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