

The Rusted Plow

Newsletter of the Howard County
Antique Farm Machinery Club

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President's Report **by John W. Frank**

Happy 2019! Our winter has been wet and somewhat quiet. We all look forward to a little drier weather for 2019. As we prepare for the 24th Annual Consignment Sale we are also preparing for another busy spring and summer. Look for evenings of music at the museum, our Summer Fest and the Howard County Fair. I hope that you will join us for these activities and support the Living Farm Heritage Museum.

Schedule of Events

April 20th – 24th Annual Consignment Sale/Auction starting at 9:00 a.m. at the Howard County Fairgrounds' parking lot. Set up will be April 17, 18 & 19.

May 19 – 5th Annual West Friendship Antique Car Show starting at 9:00 a.m.

June 22 & 23 – Summer Fest

August 3 – 10 – Howard County Fair

Blacksmith Workshops – (to register for a workshop
apm.activecommunities.howardcounty/activity
search)

April 27 & 18 – Introduction to Blacksmithing

June 8 & 9 – Intermediate Blacksmithing

August 24 & 25 – Introduction to
Blacksmithing

Music Festival Comes to The Museum

Join us on Saturday, May 11 from
2 until 7 p.m.

For

Rock 'N Boots
Music Festival

Featuring:

4Warned
Midnite Run
NOMAD

Tickets are \$30 each
This is a 21-and-Over Event



**24th Annual
Consignment Sale/Auction
Saturday, April 20, 2019
9:00 a.m.**

Howard County Fairgrounds

Proceeds to Benefit Howard County
Antique Farm Machinery Club, Inc.
A Non-Profit Organization

Consignment drop-off –
Wednesday through Friday,
April 17, 18 & 19, 9:00 a.m. until dusk.

Call John or Virginia Frank for information –
410-531-2569 or 410-241-0695.

Terms: A 5% buyer's fee for all items sold for
\$1,000.00 or less will go towards the Living
Farm Heritage Museum. Cash or Good Check.

Complete payment on Auction Day.
Not Responsible for Accidents

Lunch available.

Auction conducted by
Randy Ridgely Auction Company

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With Great Sadness

It has been a rough winter for our Club. We
have lost three members since December.

Raymond Ridgely, a retired Colonel, US
Army, died December 14, 2018 at the age of 87.
He was the husband of Mary Jo Ridgely, his
wife of 66 years. He was a lifetime member of
the Howard County Antique Farm Machinery
Club. He loved genealogy and helping others
with financial matters. Surviving in addition to
his wife are sons Gary Ridgely, Mark Ridgely
and his wife Michele and daughter Karen
Schmiedt and her husband John, brothers,

Donald Ridgely and his wife, Shirley, and
Darrell Ridgely and his wife Ruth, 5
grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Dorothy L. Frank died January 12, 2019 at
the age of 86. Dorothy, along with her
husband, Ed, was one of the founding members
of the Howard County Antique Farm
Machinery Club. She was a staunch supporter
of the Farm Machinery Club and for many
years she was seen at all the programs held by
the Club. She is survived by her husband of 69
years, Edward Frank, Jr. In addition, she is
survived by her sons, Edward Frank III, John
Frank and wife Virginia and daughter, Dorothy
Jett, 6 grandchildren, and 14 great
grandchildren, sisters, Shirley Ridgely and
husband Donald, Alice Martin and husband,
Gene, and Linda O'Donnell and husband John.
She will be greatly missed by everyone in the
Club.

Herbert Wessel passed away January 22,
2019 at the age of 90. He was a lifetime
member of the Howard County Antique Farm
Machinery Club and made many donations to
the Living Farm Heritage Museum. He is
survived by his wife, Mary Fisher Wessel of
nearly 67 years. He was a lifelong dairy farmer.
He is also survived by his daughter Joyce
Wessel Raezer, sons, Tom Wessel and Philip
Wessel and brother Donald Wessel, nine
grandchildren and four great-grandchildren

Our sympathy also goes out to Lifetime
member, Tom Murphy, on the death of his
wife, Sandy on March 14.

The Adventures of Big Red An Unexpected Purchase

By: Alexander Gibilisco

I have a love for machinery. It all started with my grandfather's New Holland, with a loader and backhoe, tractor. I've been operating it with him ever since I was 3. I know all the controls for the tractor and that's how it all started.

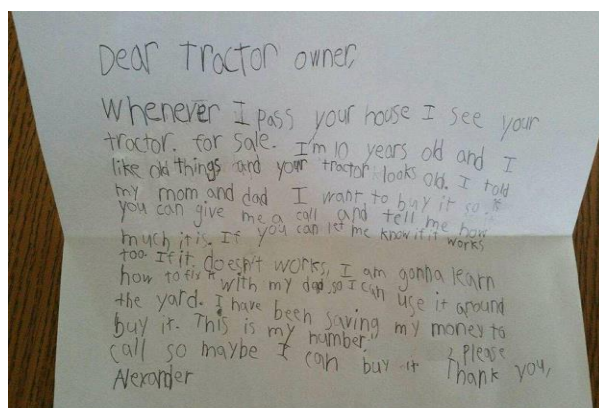
When I was 10 years old, around the corner from my house, I saw a 1965 Wheel Horse model 1055 tractor for sale in the tractor owner's yard. Tractor owner is what I called the owner before I purchased the tractor. One day, my uncle was so kind to lend me the money to buy the tractor. Of course, I had to pay back the money by shredding papers for him. The day my parents told me that my uncle loaned me the money I wrote a note to the tractor owner and stuck it to his front door. About one week later my parents told me they got a call from the tractor owner saying that he would like me to come and see it.

The day came, April 17, 2016, I went to go see the old, red tractor. The tractor, when I went to see it, had no choke, the ignition would not turn over the engine and it had to be started with a screwdriver. In the end, I bought the tractor. When I got home, I went over to my grandparents' house to show them my new tractor,

The next day, my grandparents suggested the name Big Red for my tractor. The name Big Red came from my grandfather's tractor that I named Big Blue. I was young at the time I named my grandfather's tractor.

My father and I went into the garage to see what needed to be done with Big Red. We found that Big Red needed a new spark plug, ignition, choke, and oil. I found a manual for Big Red online and printed it out so I would not have to go online to read it. The adventures of Big Red will continue in the next issue.

(Alexander is one of our newest members to the Club. We welcome him and look forward to getting to know him better).



Animals

Animals gather in groups for a variety of reasons: safety- a predator will not usually attack a big group of animals; divide and conquer- some animals will sleep while others stand guard; etc. Those groups have many names. See if you know some:

murder of crows

pitying of turtle doves

cast, kettle (in flight) or **boil** (two or more spiraling in air) -hawks

parliament of owls

rafter or **gang** of turkeys

descent of woodpeckers

army of frogs or herring fish

maelstrom of salamanders

grist or **hive** or **swarm** of bees

How many names for a **group** of people can you name?

Crowd

Mob [also of emus and kangaroos]

Tribe

Team

Battalion

Crew

Staff

Company

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Did you know?

The Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program (VEIP) may grant you an extension, an exemption or a waiver of the VEIP test requirements.

A waiver eliminates the VEIP test requirements for only the remainder of your vehicle's current test cycle (a test cycle typically lasts two years). You must re-apply before each new test cycle to continue receiving the waiver. Who is eligible to receive a waiver?

Three types of waivers are available: **the senior citizen emissions waiver**, the disabled citizen emissions waiver and the

repair waiver. The following criteria must be met:

1. **Senior citizen emissions waiver**

- All owners listed on the vehicle's registration card are 70 years of age or older; **and**,
- The vehicle is driven less than 5,000 miles annually.

Note: If the vehicle is driven for a nonprofit organization and you are applying for a senior citizen emissions waiver, the mileage driven for the nonprofit organization can be deducted from the annual mileage with written verification on the organization's letterhead. <http://www.mva.maryland.gov/about-mva/info/58000VEI/58000-08T.htm>

Have fun with the Maryland Online Driver Test <http://www.mva.maryland.gov/drivers/rookie-driver/tutorial/tutorial-intro.html>
Have fun with this tutorial – use it as a practice guide to help you prepare for the knowledge test that all new drivers must pass to obtain a learner's permit. About 50% of those who take the knowledge test fail it the first time. So, be sure to study the Maryland Driver's Manual before you take the test for your learner's permit.

You are allowed a maximum of 20 minutes to complete the driver's knowledge test and a score of 88% or better is required to pass.

This tutorial contains a sample of the topics that will appear on the actual knowledge test.

- Each test includes 25 questions – just like the real knowledge test.
- You can take the untimed version of the test as many times as you need. Link directly to the Maryland Driver's Manual to study each topic.
- Take the timed version to see if you can pass it within the 20 minutes allowed.

Book Review

- Mile Marker Ten: An Ellicott City Mystery (Mill Town Series ~ Book 1)
- The author, Michael Maloney, currently resides in Catonsville, Maryland. Except for brief stints in Boston and San Diego, he is a lifelong Marylander. He attended the Peabody Conservatory and Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore.
- This is a historical fiction. The setting is Ellicott City, Md in 1908. The Preface "this book is a work of fiction, but it is based on real

Comments:

- * "Some of the characters are real people and others are fiction, which the author tells you in the first pages."
- * "the names of familiar Howard County families and personalities was especially interesting. I got to time travel back to one hundred and ten years ago when our little town was a developing into civic center for Howard County, Maryland."
- * "Although it is a book of fiction, some of the last names used in the book were also very familiar
- * recounts our almost-lost history
- "Michael Maloney weaves an exhilarating tale from true events described in numerous clippings from The Baltimore Sun and other newspapers. Insightful and whimsical, Mile Marker Ten vividly portrays a time of transformation, not unlike our own, driven by rapid technology and social change."

What do the letters W & D stand for in the product "WD40"?

WD-40 = Water Displacement #40. "The product began from a search for a rust Preventative solvent and degreaser to protect missile parts. WD-40 was created in 1953 by three technicians at the San Diego Rocket Chemical Company. Its name comes from the project that was to find a "water displacement" compound. They were successful with the fortieth formulation, thus WD-40. If you sprayed WD-40 on the distributor cap, it would displace the moisture and allow the car to start." <https://www.snopes.com/fact-check/household-uses-for-wd-40/>

From WD40 manufacturer, besides lubricating things like noisy door hinges on vehicles; doors/windows in homes; gear shift and mower deck lever for ease of handling on a riding mower; umbrella stems; stops squeaks wheel sprockets; prosthetic limbs; many more uses.

Bug guts will eat away the finish on your car if not removed quickly! Use WD-40!
Removes road tar and grime from cars.
Restores and cleans roof racks on vehicles
Keeps rust from forming on saws and saw blades, and other tools.

Protects silver from tarnishing.
Loosens stubborn zippers.
Untangles jewelry chains.
Keeps ceramic/terra cotta garden pots from oxidizing.
Keeps scissors working smoothly.
Keeps pigeons off the balcony (they hate the smell).
Removes all traces of duct tape.
It removes black scuff marks from the kitchen floor! Use WD-40 for those nasty tar and scuff marks on flooring. It doesn't seem to harm the finish and you won't have to scrub nearly as hard to get them off. Just remember to open

some windows if you have a lot of marks. Wash off after use.

<https://www.snopes.com/fact-check/household-uses-for-wd-40/>

Have you discovered other uses? What uses have you actually and successfully used WD40?

Sayings

TO BOOT - If you get something to boot it means you get it extra. However, it has nothing to do with boots you wear on your feet. It is a corruption of the old word bot, which meant profit or advantage. Then there is an English boot meaning car trunk! And there is a wheel lock!!

DON'T LOOK A GIFT HORSE IN THE MOUTH - This old saying means don't examine a gift too closely! You can tell a horse's age by looking^[1]_{SEP} at its teeth, which is why people 'looked a horse in the mouth'

LONG IN THE TOOTH - When a horse grows old its gums recede and if you examine its mouth it looks 'long in the tooth'.

GO TO POT - Any farm animal that had outlived its usefulness such as a hen that no longer laid eggs would literally go to pot. It was cooked & eaten.

DON'T THROW THE BABY OUT WITH THE BATHWATER - During the 1500's, most people bathed once a year. Even when they did bathe, the entire family used the same tubful of water. The man of the house bathed first, followed by other males, then females, and finally the babies. You can imagine how thick and cloudy the water became by that time, so the infants' mothers had to take care not to throw them out with the bathwater when they emptied the tub.

The rhyme '**Good night, sleep tight, don't let the bedbugs bite**' became used in the United States by the 1880s and 1890s. Before the introduction of spring mattresses in the 19th century, mattresses were often filled with straw and feathers and sat on a latticework of ropes. The "**bedbug**" is the **BED WRENCH**, so "**don't let the bedbugs bite**" means to be careful and **don't** pinch your fingers on the **WRENCH**.

Hogwash denotes not water used to bathe a hog, but the SWILL the hog is FED. SWILL is kitchen refuse in liquid or partly liquid form. When the food contained or had come in contact with MEAT. Trichinosis and other disease are transmitted from uncooked meat to humans.

Membership

January to December

Membership for an individual is \$15.00 per year. Lifetime \$100. Dues can be paid by MAIL, ONLINE or at MEETINGS.

MAIL CHECKS: "Ho Co Antique Farm Machinery Club" or HCAFMC. Please include: your NAME ~ ADDRESS ~ PHONE and E-MAIL (we will e-mail meeting reminders, Rusted Plow Newsletter... & nothing else!!)

ONLINE go to website and Membership Section via PayPal
www.farmheritage.org/membership.html

HOPE TO MEET YOU SOON!

Club Officers, Board of Directors and Committee Chairpersons

The names of club officers and their telephone numbers can be found under the masthead of The Rusted Plow. Current members of the Board of Directors and Committee Chairpersons are as follows:

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For the betterment of the goals of our organization, your club leaders would welcome any helpful ideas, your constructive suggestions, and especially your active participation. Please feel free to contact them.

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