

**International Harvester Collectors • Chapter #23** 

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**Early Spring 2012** 

### **Looking Back On Fall 2011 Shows**



(Above) Noah O'Neal (#426) at Jean's on the River in October, 2011. (Right) Wayne Ashley (#392) teams up with Larry Lemmond (#25) to pull Larry's restored McCormick-Deering corn binder at the Eva show in late September. Wayne and Larry used the Farmall H and corn binder to demonstrate sorghum cane harvesting at the show at Morgan County the next week.





Wiley Johnson (#295) of Wetumpka at the Dothan show in October.



(L-R) Gary Bell (#367) and Conrad Bell (#366) with Gary's new red International Truck at the Falkville show.

### **President's Toolbox**

by Sherman Roberts

I want to welcome everyone to show season 2012. I hope those winter projects are receiving the finishing touches that will catch the eye of our tractor buddies. I am looking forward to seeing the handiwork that has transformed a dilapidated tractor to better than factory new. It takes a lot of work to restore a tractor so that the motor is right, the transmission does not roar, and the straight sheet metal has paint deep and shiny. These are the tractors that belong on the front row. You can tell that many hours were spent making sure all the bolts and nuts are correct. The decals

are all in the right place. The lights have the right bulbs and the seat has the best cushion available.

New tires always help make a restored tractor look it's best. What really makes the project special is to have started with a rare tractor in the beginning. All this could be applied to a truck, wagon, plow, or anything made by International Harvester.

I know several of our members are working very diligently on projects that will fit the above criteria. Some are doing creative engineering and design on their winter projects. Show season 2012 is here and these winter projects will soon be on display.

The membership has voted for Snead CASE-IH to be our State Show for 2013. Joe Criswell has had some very good shows to date and should provide an excellent state show next year. Our first meeting of Chapter 23 will be at Snead CASE-IH on April 21, 2012. I hope everyone will plan to be at this show.

Our State Show for 2012 will be at Elmore (exit 181 on I-65) on May 18, 19, 2012. This will be a great opportunity for our South Alabama members to attend and display at a State Show. Our third meeting will be at Tannehill State Park (exit 100 on I-59) on July 7, 2012. This will be the last State meeting where I will



A Farmall MV offered an opportunity this past year for a family photo on a trip to Pigeon Forge, TN. (Front) Annelise and brother Jaxon stand in front of (left to right) grandparents, Sherman and Jane Roberts, and parents, Ericalyn and Tim Hulsey. Sherman, Jane, Ericalyn, Tim, and Jaxon are all chapter #23 members.

serve as the President of Chapter 23. Our last meeting of the year will be at the Morgan County Fairgrounds on October 6, 2012. This will be the first meeting presided over by the new President of Chapter 23.

I want to thank everyone that has helped make Chapter 23 what we are today. A special thanks to Clay Nordan who has served as Secretary/Treasurer with untiring dedication. Thanks to all those who have served as directors. We have over 200 members from all parts of the state and southern region.

I have made many new friends and been to places I would never have dreamed of going. My life has been truly blessed to have served as your President during the last 15 years. I did not intend to stay this long. I know it is time for new leadership and new ideas.

All I ask is that you give your new President all the support that you have given me and help keep Chapter 23 a club that we can all be proud to belong to.

Be Careful and Practice Safety. Toolbox closed.

Shermon

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# Minutes of AL Chapter #23 International Harvester Collectors Directors Meeting at Morgan County Fairgrounds 11:00 a.m., October 1, 2011

6 Directors present
Charles Allen
Randy Bodine
Preston Jones
Larry Lemmond
Clay Nordan
Dwight Vanderford

1 Advisor present
Sherman Roberts
1 Visitor present
Donna Kennedy

20 Members present

Larry Allen
Wayne Ashley
Ray Best
Bobby Blankenship
Robert Bodine
Joe Criswell
David Grimes
Rubin Haga
Mary Haga
Dean Higgins

Jimmy Hill
Hal Hoaglin
Lonnie Ingram
Billy Kennedy
Keith Manning
Noah O'Neal
Milton Ratliff
Johnny Self
Leonard Summerford
Lewis Wright

The meeting was called to order by president Sherman Roberts and he began the meeting with an invocation.

Following the invocation, Sherman offered some words of remembrance for recently deceased member Billy Sparks of Lacey's Spring. He also said that Harold Beck is past his illness and is doing better following a stay in the hospital.

Clay reported that the chapter bank account currently stands at \$3000 and we have 236 active members with the addition of two new members who joined today.

Sherman began the meeting agenda by thanking everyone who has worked to build our chapter to the strength that we enjoy today. He said that he has been approached by some national members and told that the national club is looking for chapters to bid on future Winter Conventions. They are also looking for hosts for the annual National Auction.

Sherman threw out the idea that the Huntsville area could be an ideal location for a Winter Convention, with the Space & Rocket Center as well as the Navistar Truck plant nearby. He asked everyone at today's meeting to keep these projects in mind as a way we could do our part to help out the national club.

Sherman then reminded everyone of his plans to step down as Chapter president next summer. He said that everyone needs to be aware that candidates for the office have to come from the currently serving group of directors and that the president would be elected by the directors.

Clay asked if everyone had read his proposal in the recent newsletter for a process for nominating and electing Sherman's successor as president. He offered a brief summary of the proposal, which includes having a nomination period that will run from February 1, to March 31, of 2012. At the end of that time, a secret ballot will be put together showing the candidates who have been nominated and the ballots will be sent to all the currently serving 9 directors.

He said that he would tabulate all ballots that are returned by April 16, and then announce the winner on the chapter website and the spring newsletter that will go into the mail just before the Elmore meeting in May.

Following this explanation, Clay made a motion that this proposal be approved as the way the election will be conducted. There was a second and the motion passed without further discussion.

Sherman then moved on to asking for pre-approval to purchase plaques for the 2012 state show at Elmore. There was a motion, second, and the purchase was approved.

Sherman then reminded everyone that the Red Power Roundup in 2012 will be held at Du Quoin, IL on July 19, 20, & 21. He said that this will be the closest RPRU to Alabama since the Lebanon, TN show in 2005. Du Quoin is about 50 miles north of Paducah, Kentucky and is about a 6 hour drive from north central Alabama. He said that motel rooms are already sold out in the area and that the closest that he knew about were in Carbondale, IL.

The next agenda item was the selection of the host show for our state show in 2013. Sherman said that we have received three bids for the show from Snead, Piney Chapel, and Morgan County Fairgrounds. He said that a ballot for voting on the host will be sent to each member when dues renewal notices go out in early November. Clay said that the ballots must be returned by December 31 to be included in the count. The results will be published on the chapter website and in the first newsletter of 2012.

The next agenda item was the selection of three new directors to replace Preston Jones, Doys Jones, and Larry Lemmond, whose terms expire on December 31, 2011. Sherman reminded everyone that if anyone wanted to be considered a candidate for president next year, that they must already be serving as a director.

Sherman said that he was eligible to serve again as a director after serving a year as an advisor, so he would be willing to serve. He then asked if anyone else was willing to serve. With some discussion and persuasion, Joe Criswell and Hal Hoaglin agreed to serve. There was a motion to approve Sherman, Joe, and Hal. There was a second and the motion was approved. The new directors' terms will start on January 1, 2012 and they will serve through 2014.

Next on the agenda was settling on our meeting sites for next year. Sherman reminded everyone that ideally we need 6 weeks between meetings to get a newsletter done prior to a meeting. With this in mind, he suggested that we have our first meeting at Snead in early April. Then the second meeting would be at our state show at Elmore in May. While we usually have a meeting at Hanceville in early June, it would be too close to Elmore, so Sherman suggested that we move that third meeting to the Tannehill State Park show in July. He said that he will work to get the \$3 park entrance fee waived for exhibitors.

Our usual pattern has also been to have a meeting at Piney Chapel in early August, but that would be too close to Tannehill. Sherman suggested that we skip Piney Chapel in 2012 and have our final meeting of the year at a later show. He suggested Morgan County in early October. Eva was also suggested because it is a week earlier. There was general agreement on Sherman's proposal for the first three meeting sites, but a show of hands was required for the fourth meeting. Morgan County won the show of hands, so it was approved as the site for the fourth meeting.

Sherman then asked for preapproval to pay for the printing of the 2012 tractor show pocket schedules that will be sent out with new membership cards in February. There was a motion, second, and the motion passed.

The final item on the agenda was to remind everyone that notices for 2012 dues payment of \$25 will be going out in early November. Sherman asked everyone to respond and send in their checks just as soon as possible.

As the meeting ended, Larry Lemmond thanked everyone for coming to his show today and said that crop harvesting and crafts demonstrations will be going on during the rest of the day for those who can stay.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Clay Nordan, Sec./Treas.

NEXT MEETING
Snead/CASE-IH
April 21• 11:00 a.m.







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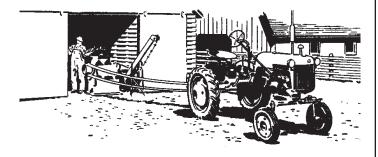


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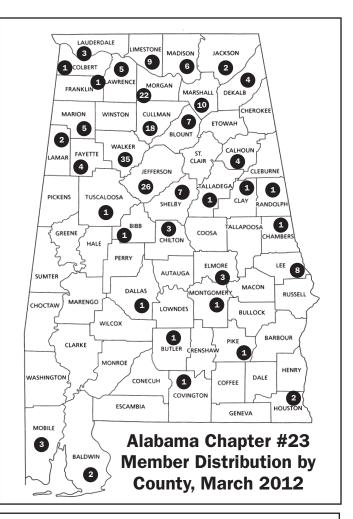
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### **Presidential Nominating Period Underway**

As part of a mailing this past February, all active members should have received a card showing the current line-up of chapter Directors who are eligible to run for the office of President of Chapter #23 in 2012.

There is a checkbox beside the name of each Director on the card so that any member who wants to may nominate one or more directors for the office.

The nominating period began in February and will end on March 31. As of the publication date of this newsletter, 36 nomination cards have been returned by the membership.

The Directors who have been

nominated for President are: Conrad Bell, Randy Bodine, Joe Criswell, Jimmy Kilgore, and Dwight Vanderford.

Before their names are placed on a ballot, these nominees, and any others that come in before the deadline will be contacted by the chapter Secretary and asked to commit in writing that they will either accept the nomination and agree to serve if elected or respectfully decline the nomination.

If more than one nominee agrees to accept the nomination, a secret ballot will be put together showing the names of the candidates and then, according to chapter bylaws, it will be sent to our nine directors

for them to use to cast their votes.

The ballots will go out to the Directors just as soon as the nominating period ends and all the nominees have responded to the request to accept or decline.

Depending on how things work out, we may know who our new President will be by the time we gather for our first meeting of the year at the Snead CASE/IH show on April 21.

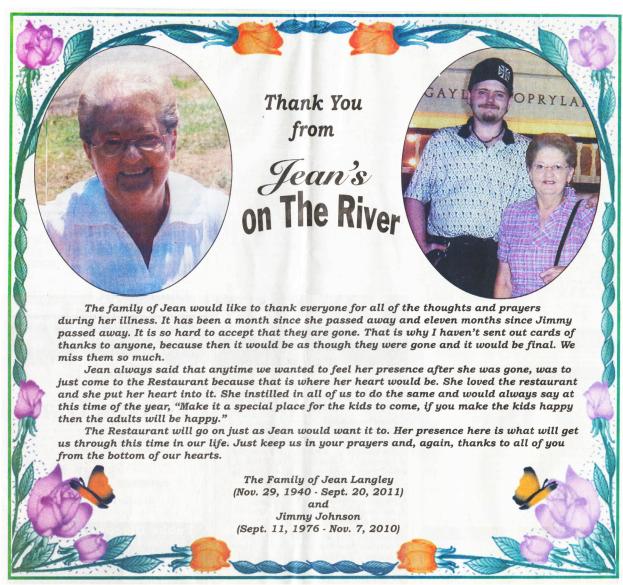


#### **2012 Tractor Show Schedule**

Leesburg, FL IH State Show March 8, 9, 10
Montevallo FFA March 31
Mt. Hope Fire DeptMarch 31
Snead Ag Supply March 31
Flint River, TN April 7 & (Easter) April 8
**Snead CASE/IHApril 21
HackleburgApril 28
Elgin May 5
Somerville May 5
Franklinton, LA IH State Show May 5
Cullman Festhalle Market May 12
**Elmore, AL State Show May 18, 19
Point Mallard May 25, 26
Moulton CourthouseJune 2
Double SpringsJune 2
HancevilleJune 9
Moulton Tractor SupplyJune 16
Fayetteville, TNJune 23
**Tannehill State ParkJuly 7
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Red Power Round Up, IL

Piney Chapel	August 3, 4
Russellville	August 18
Lawrenceburg, TN	<b>August 17, 18</b>
Fyffe	August 25
Eagleville, TN (25th Show)	Sept. 7, 8
Inman, GA IH State Show	Sept. 14, 15
Hartselle Depot Days	
Winfield Mule Day	Sept. 22
Eva	Sept. 29
Bear Creek	_
St. Florian (Old Brooks High School)	Oct. 6
**Morgan County Fairgrounds	
Jean's On the River	
Shelby Iron Works	
Dunlap, TN IH State Show	
Jasper Heritage Festival	•
Peinhardt Farm Days	
Dothan	
Falkville Festival	
Greenville, AL	
Jasper Veterans Day	
Orrville	
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<sup>\*\*</sup>Alabama Chapter 23 Meeting at 11:00 a.m.





Jean's on the River restaurant viewed from the banks of the Warrior River near Cordova.



Becky Johnson, Chapter 23 member #341. Her restaurant in Walker County hosts a popular tractor show each October.



September 16, 2011

Mr. Clay Nordan International Harvester Collectors- Alabama Chapter 23 2907 Virginia Rd Birmingham, AL 35223

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Peinhardt Farm Days near Cullman came together on a fine Saturday in October 2011 after taking a year off. The show has always been popular and had a strong turnout of visitors interested in the ag museums and traditional farming demonstrations.





Randy Jones (#100) gives a youngster and an oldster a ride on his Super M in the Peinhardt parade.



This antique "Roanoke" peanut thresher was on display for visitors to inspect and admire at Peinhardt.



Young visitors to Peinhardt got to handle the plow in a demonstration of traditional farming using mule power.



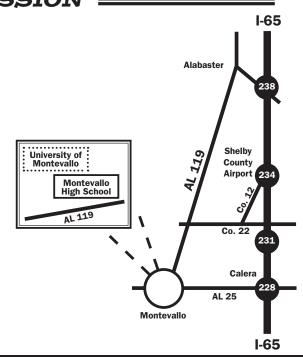
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Tractors on display at Morgan County on October 1, 2011.





(Left) Joe Criswell (#357), and (right) Randy Bodine (#171) visit with a member of the North Alabama Tractor club at the Morgan County show in Decatur.



Crops such as cotton shown above and old-time implements were on hand for various harvesting demonstrations at Morgan County. (Left) freshly pulled corn is ground into cormeal using a grist mill powered by a tractor belt pulley.





(Left) This syrup kettle was fired up and operating at Morgan County. Larry Lemmond (#25) harvested sorghum cane growing nearby with his McCormick-Deering corn binder and then cooked the squeezings down for syrup. (Above) Sherman Roberts stands next to a big CASE/IH QuadTrac tractor at a show in Moultrie, GA.



Frank (#374) and Jan Baker enjoy the fall sunshine at the Jasper Heritage Day tractor display.



Rubin Haga (#54) brought his nice 1950 Cub demonstrator to the Falkville show on Oct. 29.





Buddy Banks (#228) of Bogalusa, LA uses his IH dump truck to help make syrup from sugar cane with his neighbors each fall.



This picture shows a good turnout of tractors for the 2011 show at Jean's on the River restaurant in Walker County.



A nice Farmall B restoration with cultivators and rare exhaust lift as seen at the show at Dothan in October.



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