

# Antique threshers put away for the year

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In spite of the hot weather in the 90s the 59th Antique Engine and Thresher Show had a good crowd. The rain held out until Monday evening when most of the farming equipment was put back in storage for next year. Everything went off with no serious problems, and everyone was thrilled with the new changes and additions.

As in year's past, Hal Sager conducted the grandstand events that began with Vernetta Haack presenting her doll likeness to Bonnie Burr, who added the doll to the collection of former thresher queens in the museum.

Phyllis Wright introduced Stephanie Busse, the thresher show princess. After her introduction and presenting her a wheat bouquet, Ken Beougher escorted her in a 1925 Model T Ford to pitch the first load of wheat for threshing.

Dale Henderson escorted this year's queen to the grandstand in his restored 1968 cream colored Chevrolet pickup. As he helped Manette Henderson up the steps the queen's identity was finally revealed.

Several family members then accompanied her on the stage. They were: Delbert and Bonnie Henderson, Deanna Forsythe, Sharon Harper, and Sandra McElvee who read Manette's speech.

Several gifts were handed out by Manette's great-granddaughter and two young girls selected from the audience. The gift for the oldest in attendance was Lucille Wright, age 93, and the youngest was 3-week old Liam Wright from Colby.

During the parade of antique farm machinery each day, the 1922 Holt Combine purred, and the reel whirled around going around the arena. Randy Hudson did a good job of restoring the reel, which he only had a photo of, and Gerald Wrights knowledge of how it should look to work with. Hudsons research assured him this

specific Holt Combine is the only one still in existence.

Rod and Beth Klepper's daughter-in-law Terry Hawkins added to Saturday's events by singing the national anthem as the flag was raised.

A new attraction was McGilvray's Clydesdale horses and the demonstration on harnessing.

All the other events went on throughout the thresher grounds as in year's past.

On Thursday Candy Glasco was dressed as a clown and had fun entertaining everyone as Lynn drove the kids around in the barrel train.

A new addition this year for entertaining the children was the inflatable slide and tunnel set up in front of the schoolroom. This also drew the children into the school house where they made a model windmill and learned how windmills worked.

The most improved building on the grounds was number five which is called the Craft Fair building. With a grant of \$18,000 from Century II Development Foundation the building is now fully insulated with ceiling fans, overhead lighting and electrical plug-ins for the venders. Dr. Peck's buggy is on display. There are also pedal toys and antique wagons displayed on shelves around the room, as well as antique tools and a bank vault door.

The thresher show committee was hoping more of the local residents would attend the potluck dinner on Thursday evening. Those that attended had a good time of visiting and lots of home-cooked food.

Friday's Tacos In The Park sponsored by the Cheyenne Recreation Commission was well attended. Everyone enjoyed the entertainment from Heart City Heart Warmers musical group consisting of: Yvonne Gothard, playing the guitar, Jack Gothard on the guitar, and fiddle, Kate Songer on base, Paul Bader on the squeeze box, guitar, and mandolin, Dallas



**THE FUTURE OPERATOR** walks beside a massive steam engine, headed to the daily parade. Another well planned

and interesting show concluded last Sunday.

*Times staff photo by Norma Martinez.*

Parker the fiddle, and Rhonda Klaszus played the key board.

The evening was cool enough that everyone could relax in the park and some of the couples entertained everyone with their dancing.

The chuckwagon breakfast cooked over the open coals by John Schaffner, the chuck wagon cook, sold out by 9 a.m. Menu consisted of biscuits and sausage gravy, or scrambled eggs with ham, coffee and orange juice.

The free watermelon served by, Alicia Siruta and Kayla Sloan

from Farm Credit in the afternoon hit the spot with everyone.

The Cheylin golf team barbecue of smoked peppercorn brisket, herbed green beans, three-cheese southern potatoes, ice cream sandwiches and iced tea was a hit with all those who attended.

The Kountry Kitchen served lots of hamburgers, sandwiches, potato and macaroni salad. One lady said "If you haven't had any pie yet, you are in for a big decision," with 60 pies there was a big selection to choose from.

The Shiners candy wagon,

parked next to the covered seating, was kept busy spinning cotton candy, dishing up snow cones, and serving lots of bottled water.

Klepper Konnection's traditional three generation lemon and lime aides were kept busy all three days of the show. They are not only the best lemonades ever, but still selling for only one buck.

As an added attraction Klepper Konnection sponsored a Scavenger Hunt for the kids. They had questions to answer from different areas of the show. The ones with all the correct answers were entered into a drawing. The prize was a bike of the winner's choice of size. All the time Hal Sager was announcing Amanda

Robins from Syracuse, sat on the benches looking at the bike and telling everyone, "I am going to win that bike." She was really surprised when Brady Mullen from Garden City, Mo. drew her name out.

The final event of the show was the church service in the Neville Methodist Church chartered in 1910 and in operation until 1983. The church was three-fourths full of people. Ken Beougher spoke using the parable of "The Sower" as "The Man and His John Deer Tractor." This was a project he had to write when he was at Lay Speaker's School. Brenda Johnson played for the service.

## Rec 4 U



John Finley

## Cards for 85 years

John L. Finley will be celebrating his 85th birthday on Monday, Aug. 8. His family is asking that friends and relatives remember him by sending him cards at 200 North Ash #11, St. Francis, KS 67756.

It's fair week already! It seems after fair you turn around and the first day of school is soon here. With the beginning of school comes a change in focus for the recreation commission. Summertime is all about youth: softball and baseball programs, football camp, science camp... We can now begin to plan for flag football, and offering adult classes this fall.

As we have done in the past, flag football will be four Saturdays in September starting Sept. 8. Sign up for it will be during grade school enrollment. Plan to fill out the form for your boys and girls, kindergarten through sixth grade.

Last fall the Adult Flag Football program got off to a late start, but hopefully we will have enough interest to begin playing sooner. Let me know if you are interested.

I am excited to announce an upcoming class for this fall.

On Tuesday evenings, Oct. 2 and 9, Alan Mais, also known as The Camera Doctor, will conduct a Beginning Digital Camera

Class. Mr. Mais comes from Kearney, Neb., and will present the hands-on class according to the needs and interests of those participating. This class in ONLY for those photographers who have a SLR camera or "bridge" camera. These types of cameras have interchangeable lenses. If you are not sure if your camera fits into this category, call me. Class instruction includes the basics of taking pictures, camera operation, settings for optimum performance, accessories, care and lots of hands-on training. We must have a class of 15 before the class can be guaranteed. Pre-registering and payment of \$75 is required

By Penny Gienger  
St. Francis Rec Director



for attendance. Call Penny at 332-3949 for specific details.

Also, coming this fall - On-line Genealogy. Margaret Bucholtz has agreed to conduct classes to help you research your family genealogy. She is familiar with several on-line sites to assist her. More details will follow. If you know you are interested in this topic, please, contact Penny at 332-3949 to share what time frame would work best with you.

Remember - your presence is needed to make these events happen.

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*By Robin Jones Gunn*

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But Miranda's high hopes for a jolly Christmas are toppled when Ian's father is hospitalized and the matriarch of the Whitcombe family refuses to bless Miranda and Ian's relationship. How can Miranda ever find a place to belong in this cheery corner of the world? When family secrets threaten all her relationships in unanticipated ways, Miranda is certain all is lost.


And yet...as Miranda searches for love, she finds the promise of so much more in the arms of a certain Father Christmas. Perhaps this holiday has special gifts in store for her after all.

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