



# FARMALL FLYER

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## 2024 Calendar of Events

**May 4, (Saturday) Elba Plow Day** at Lew Esten's farm, Rt. 98 & Edgerton Rd. We no longer have a meeting at this event, so you have more time to enjoy it. Food available on your own. Contact: Gene Preston 585-690-8005. Lew Esten 585-409-8308.

**May 19, Note Location!** Meeting to be held at member John Langless Classic Tractor Barn at 4757 Littleville Rd, Avon, NY 14414. This is also our Swap Meet and **General Membership Meeting. Directors Meeting at 12 noon, Lunch at 1 PM provided by the chapter. General Meeting to follow.** Bring anything IH to swap or sell. Directions: Going south on Rte. 39 through Ashantee, take first left onto Littleville Rd. **THIS MEETING IS DEDICATED TO ANITA DEGLOPPER AND DONATIONS BY MEMBER DICK BELDING COVERS COST OF LUNCH.**

**June 13-15, Red Power Showdown** at the Bloomsburg, Fair Grounds, Bloomsburg, PA 17815. Visit [IHCC17.org.com](http://IHCC17.org.com) for information. Hosted by PA Chapter 17.

**June 23, Annual Picnic** at Butch & Cindy Christ's Farm, 2255 Peter Smith Rd, Kent, NY. Eat at 2 PM. Contacts: Gene at 585-690-8005, Butch at 585-748-3215. Bring lawn chairs, wear **RED** for photo for Harvester Highlights. Butch's IH Trivia, guest speaker Chad Klotzbach, Alleghany Farm Services, and wagon ride farm tour. This is always a fun afternoon of visiting with members.

**June 20-23, 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Red Power Roundup**, hosted by Iowa Chapter 5, Spencer, Iowa. See details in Harvester Highlights. 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the mighty Farmall MTA.

**July 13, Huge Tractor Pull**, Kendall Fire Department Grounds, Kendall, NY, 10 AM until 4 PM. Contact: Butch Christ at 585-748-3215. (Not Chapter 35 sanctioned)

**August 7-10, NYSEA Pageant of Steam**, Canandaigua, NY. We no longer have a meeting at this show so that you can enjoy it more. Featuring construction equipment.

**September 5-8, WNYG&SEA Rally**, Alexander, NY. This is our state show, "**RED POWER CHARGE 2024**" Chapter meeting **Saturday, September 7.** Directors meet at 2 PM followed by a General Meeting. Food available on the grounds. Contact: Dale Rissinger at (585) 584-3886.

**September 29, Reorganizational Meeting** at clubhouse. Director's meeting 12 noon. Potluck lunch at 1 PM followed by General Meeting. Election results.

**December 14, Annual Christmas Party**, Batavia First United Methodist Church Hall, 8221 Lewiston Road, Batavia, NY 14020, Installation of officers, Directors meeting at 12:30 PM, General meeting 1:30 PM, dinner served at 2:30 PM. Guest speaker TBA. Contact: Gene at 585-690-8005

**Deadline date for Articles July 7, 2024**

Send us a story about your tractor or anything IH!

## Sunshine Notes:

*Patty Feeney will send cards or notes to our members who are ill, in distress, recuperating or who have lost a loved one. If you know of anyone needing some TLC at these times, please contact: Patty at (585) 269-9594 or email to [feeney134@aol.com](mailto:feeney134@aol.com)*



## From the President .....

Springtime is my favorite time of year as everything wakes up and begins the big show for the growing season. My Farmall 400 and its Number 8 McCormick

2-bottom 16" plow accomplishes the first step in fitting my ground for another year of fun growing produce for my roadside stand. Of course, I will get my annual kidding from our Geneseo, NY gentleman, Doug Harke about how the 400 is a 3-plow tractor. I can hear you now Doug.

Just after we went to press with the last issue of *Farmall Flyer*, we got the sad news that our beloved director, Sharon M. Rissinger 58, passed after a battle with cancer. A tribute for Sharon can be found elsewhere in this newsletter. Charter Member # 014, Jim Bagley also passed away February 17, 2024. See tribute in this issue of Farmall Flyer. He did much to help our chapter get going in early years. He was 83.

Our next event is Saturday, May 4, 2024, the Spring Plow Day at Lew Esten's place in Elba, NY. See insert. Our next meeting is May 19 at the John Langless Classic Tractor Barn. See details in this newsletter.

Speaking of the newsletter, we are asking members to submit articles and photos of a tractor restoration project or related story for our newsletter. A big part of the fun of belonging to a club such as ours is the opportunity to tell our story and network with members. It often results in an exchange of helpful information. I have made new friends from these.

We are looking forward to our Annual Family Picnic scheduled for June 23 at Butch and Cindy Christ's Farm in Kent, NY. Great food, wagon ride, Butch's IH trivia show, and guest speaker Chad Klotzbach of Allegany Farm Services, LLC, Basom, NY, speaking on their site preparation and farm drainage operations

will make for a fun afternoon. Our new meeting schedule no longer includes a meeting at the picnic allowing more time for all to socialize.

In closing on behalf of my vice-president Dick Monkelbaan and the Chapter 35 leadership team, I wish all reading this a most enjoyable summer show season and safe trips for those of us traveling to the Chapter 17 SHOWDOWN at Bloomsburg, PA. Give this some thought as Bloomsburg is as close as any big IH show will ever get to us here in NYS, certainly more doable than the Chapter 5 hosted Roundup at Spencer, Iowa.

**HAPPY TRACTORING!**

*Gene Preston*

**PLEASE TAKE NOTE...**

**Did your address, phone number or email change?**

**If so, please email Dave Meacham our Membership Secretary/Director at [ihcc35ny@roadrunner.com](mailto:ihcc35ny@roadrunner.com) to have all your records updated so you do not miss out on any Farmall Flyers, Harvester Highlights or important Chapter 35 email communications.**

## SEEKING CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

By Order of Board of Directors

Our Nominations Committee is seeking candidates to run in the fall election for the vacant position created on the board of directors by the passing of Director Sharon Rissinger. Interested members shall prepare and send a written biography of at least 150 words explaining how they feel they could add value to the board and bring new growth to the chapter. Candidates must be able to attend director and general membership meetings on a regular basis and agree to lead and/or manage special projects assigned by the BOD or president. Please submit bios to Chapter 35 Secretary Sandra Austin before September 1, 2024. After reviewing applicants by the committee, the fall election process will begin.

# REMEMBERING SHARON M. RISSINGER

By Gene Preston, President

The passing of Board of Director member Sharon M. Rissinger 58, member #781 has touched many in IHC Chapter 35 of NYS. She has always been very active in holding office as secretary, director, and on committees. For years she chaired the Christmas Party and blessed us with her humor. She helped at putting together the newsletter, *Farmall Flyer*, assuring its success.

Sharon was eager to step up and run for office back in the fall of 2017 when Director George Brown resigned from the board. She has been on the BOD since then and always participated by adding items to our meeting agendas and enjoyed being a director until poor health slowed her down a couple years ago. Even then she'd send



us her director concerns for the betterment of the chapter. Having her husband Dale on the board and also serving as president two different times enabled her to have a good grasp on the chapter's progress and growth. She was not one to procrastinate. When making difficult meeting decisions lingered on, Director Sharon would say, "Come on, let's get it done."

Early on in her illness, Patty and I stopped to visit her and although limited in mobility, she still showed excitement whenever chapter things entered the conversation. The last time we saw Sharon at a meeting was February 12, 2023 at our Annual Farm Toy Show at the clubhouse. She was struggling, but forced herself to participate, wanting to take part. That was Sharon, a trooper to the end.

I have ordered a name plate to add Sharon's name to our Memorial Plaque at the clubhouse. Being a director, her name will include an asterisk \* indicating holding an office, in her case a director. She will be missed, and we rally around Dale as his life takes on a big change without Sharon.

Many of our members attended *A Celebration of Life* for her, February 10, 2024, at BW's Restaurant & Banquet Facility in Pavilion, NY. Here we learned of another strong interest of Dale and Sharon, that of stock car racing. A speaker shared interesting stories of that hobby that was a large part of their lives awhile back. I felt honored when asked to speak of Sharon's love of our tractor club and accomplishments she made with IHC Chapter 35. We are grateful and thankful to Sharon for all she has done as a friend and for the chapter. May her spirit soar as she rests in the peace of heaven and its everlasting joy.





# REMEMBERING JAMES G. BAGLEY

By Gene Preston, President

Jarring news reached us of the February 17, 2024 passing of Jim Bagley, Charter Member #14. Taking this phone call was especially disturbing to me as Jim and I go way back to times when our IHC Chapter 35 was just a dream. We met online chatting about anything International Harvester as members of now defunct IHC Chapter 34, known as the Cub Cadet Chapter made up of 19 states. We rejoiced when our own IHCC NYS Chapter 35 was formed in 2005.

The passing of Jim Bagley sadly closes the book on what I see as much different times for our chapter when a group of us that included Jim Bagley, John Wallace, Nick Breslawski, Jay Fullerton, Steve Werner, Dick Elmer, Dick Maier, Tim Howard and myself formed a travel group often traveling in a stretch-van attending Red Power Roundups everywhere. Times were different back then. Our “fifteen minutes of fame” took place at “The Little World’s Fairgrounds” at Hemlock, NY when we set up our Headquarters Building overseeing our first and only stand-alone Red Power Charge, July 28-29, 2006. We all had major assignments and responsibilities. Bagz headed up the Cub Cadet Corral, and rounded up special guests including Oscar “Hank” Will III, a noted author and IH guru known worldwide living at Gettysburg College at the time where his wife was college president. Bagley used his Cub Cadet Big Country ATV to haul VIPs around the grounds.

When Director Gil Dassance of Bath, NY became ill and had to step aside as director, the board appointed Bagz director until Gil got back on his feet and returned to the board. Said Bagz with tongue-in-cheek, “I did enough damage.”

I could go on and on with this written tribute to one of our more colorful individuals proud to be a charter member who loved all of us, often teary-eyed telling us so. “I speak from the heart,” he would say. I have located some photos to accompany this remembrance of our friend who has left his mark among us forever. It hurt like heck to have ordered his name plate (with asterisk for Past Director) to be put on our Deceased Member Memorial Plaque at the WNYG&SEA clubhouse. It joins names of individuals that admired each other and we pay respect to each time we meet there and see the names. His spirit lives on among us and Chapter 35 is blessed because of it.

Thanks for being a good friend, and part of our Chapter 35 history Jim Bagley. You made our chapter fun to belong to and we shall forever keep your stories alive. Rest easy old pal until we all meet again one day.





# ANNUAL “BRAGGIN’ RIGHTS” FARM TOY SHOW FEBRUARY 11, 2024

By Gene Preston, show coordinator.

Our Braggin’ Rights Chapter 35 Annual Farm Toy Show was another success as members displayed their favorite farm toys in creative displays on 7 tables set aside from our meeting area. Forms were available for members to note information on their displays and describe toy histories.

Our nationally famous well-known writer and farm toy guru Doug Harke of Geneseo, NY blessed our event by attending and sharing information on rare toys here and there. He displayed an International 660 tractor, the largest IH tractor from 1958-1962 producing 79 PHP in the Nebraska Tests. It was shown on a B Series International customized 1959 Tru-Scale truck of which the frame was extended and bed scratch built. It was a popular display drawing quite a crowd.

Louie Buckner is trimming off some of his collection and brought a great variety of row crop and crawler tractors of all colors that were very reasonably priced for sale. Sadly, many of us up in years are being faced with the reality question of what will happen to my collection after I am gone? No easy answer to that situation. I boldly chose to display my Allis-Chalmers Model G collection of varied Persion Orange rear-engine tractors. My dad had two of these on our produce farm and they were best known as cultivating tractors because of the excellent view of the plant row right below the driver’s feet. Even a portion of the steering wheel was cut away on that model to allow the best view while cultivating or planting seed, etc. Butch Christ treated us to his collection of nice International trucks of all sizes.

Dick Belding brought his Doepke Rossmoyne Model Toys, Adams Road Grader, a very collectible toy from the early 1950’s. Dan Hofman showed the largest assembly of 4WD articulating tractors we ever saw in one place. Many were custom built to represent the huge tractors used on farms nowadays.

We are most appreciative to everyone that made our show a success this winter. Next year we plan on calling our Farm Toy Show the “All Color Show” when members can show their tractors and machinery of all brands and makes. We all have a couple of toys that are not IH red. Enjoy the pictures below showing some of the toys.







# **IHC CHAPTER 35 of NYS ANNUAL PICNIC AT KENT, NY**

**Thanks to our hosts Butch and Cindy Christ Farm  
2255 Peter Smith Road, Kent, NY, Orleans County**

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**IH Collection of Tractors on Display.  
1:00 PM, SUNDAY, JUNE 23, 2024**

**WEAR RED FOR A GROUP PHOTO**

**NO MEETING HERE THIS YEAR. EAT AT 2 PM FOLLOWED BY GUEST  
SPEAKER AND WAGON RIDE AROUND FARM.**

**Guest Speaker: Chad Klotzbach,  
Alleghany Farm Service, LLC**

**R.S.V.P. to  
Gene Preston (585) 690-8005**

**\*\*\*BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIRS\*\*\***

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***IHC Chapter 35 of NYS is seeking a Farmall Flyer newsletter Editor.***

**Please consider being our newsletter editor and putting the Farmall Flyer together. We will train you and provide the articles. The newsletter only goes out 4 times per year.**

**Please contact Gene Preston at (585) 690-8005 and he will guide you through the next step.**

**General Membership Meeting 02.11.2024: Time:** 01:30pm-01:56pm

**In attendance:** Gene Preston, President/Director; Dick Monkelbaan, Vice President/Director; Dale Rissinger, Director; Bob Andrews, Director; Harry Pankow, Director; Sandra Austin, Secretary; General Membership Patty Feeney, Butch Christ, Dan Hofmann, Carol Monkelbaan, Louie Buckner, Dick Belding, John Langless, Doug Harke, Lois Pankow, Tim Hagen, Bill Dellapenta – President WNYG&SEA

**Meeting called to order by:** Gene Preston, President

**Pledge to the Flag led by:** Dick Monkelbaan

**Invocation by:** Gene Preston, President

**Reading of Minutes:** Motion to approve printed notes in last newsletter made by Dick Monkelbaan, seconded by Bob Andrews; the motion was carried.

**Treasurer's report:** Nothing new to report. Our Treasurer is in Florida right now and will be back for the next meeting; other than our Memorial Plaque name plates, there have been no other expenditures.

**Membership Secretary Report:** Membership is up to 202 now. We still have membership brochures, so members are encouraged to take some with them and pass them out or leave them around their communities.

**Secretary Report:** No correspondence this month. Motion to approve made by Dick Monkelbaan, seconded by Harry Pankow; the motion was carried.

**Committee reports:** None at this time.

**Past presidents:** Dale Rissinger

**New Business:**

- **Card:** A card for Rob was passed around and signed by all members in attendance and cards from members are always welcome. They can be sent to Rob's wife and she will see that he gets them.
- **Toy Show prizes:** Prizes for the best displays went to Dan and Butch; thank you to all who shared their displays with us today.
- **Celebration of Life for Sharon Rissinger:** On 02.10.2024, a Celebration of Life was held for Sharon Rissinger at BW's Restaurant in Pavilion, NY. There were over 400 people in attendance including several members of our club. Member Dick Belding donated \$100 in Sharon's name to be used for good of the club. Gene was asked to speak.
- **Board Vacancy:** There is a vacancy on the Board of Directors. We are seeking interested members; anyone interested in running should send a 150-word biography detailing how they feel they can contribute to the growth and success of our club to the secretary by September 1st 2024.
- **Memorial Plaque Name Plates:** Three new plates for members Paul Schneible, Marge VanValkenburg, and Sharon Rissinger were added to the Memorial Plaque. Sharon's name plate has an asterisk as she was an officer/director. We also purchased two extra blank plates.
- **Bylaws Amendment:** When the bylaws were changed in 2019 to reflect a reduction in the number of directors from 9 to 7, the club overlooked changing the number of directors needed to pass any motion (as written in Article 3, Section 5. The amended bylaw is as follows: **Article 3, Section 5 Leadership: All directors, including the president, shall have one vote on any motion. Four affirmative votes shall be required to pass any motion, regardless of the number of Directors in attendance.** This will be read again at the May 2024 meeting; it will then be voted on as a bylaw change and ratified.
- **Bus Trip:** Dick Belding has a bus trip to Central New York with three museums and lunch for \$139 per person; there is a flyer available if members would like to take a look.
- **Red Power Showdown:** Chapter 17 in Pennsylvania is hosting a Red Power Showdown from June 13-15, 2024.
- **Club Picnic:** Our summer picnic will once again be at Butch and Cindy Christ's farm in Kent, NY; the date is June 23, 2024. There will be a guest speaker; there will be no formal meeting.
- **Donation:** Previously, member Dick Belding donated \$100 in Anita DeGlopper's name, which we will use at our next meeting to celebrate her. Dick recently donated \$100 in Sharon Rissinger's name, and the club will decide how to honor her.



- **Next Meeting:** Our next meeting will be on 05.19.2024 at John Langless's Farm in Avon, NY. This meeting will honor Anita DeGlopper through the donation made by member Dick Belding.
- **Digital Newsletter:** We have been doing electronic mailings of our newsletter, and it has been working out well. We've been saving about \$700 per newsletter cycle, as we are able to save on printing and mailing. There are still hard copies available to those members who don't have computers. Let our Membership Secretary know if you like the new digital newsletters or not!
- **Clubhouse Reimbursement:** The club paid \$50 to the Western New York Gas and Steam Engine Association for use of their Clubhouse today. NYGSEA will be having "The Frickin' Eclipse Weekend" April 6th-9th 2024 for the solar eclipse. There will be steam engine demonstrations, a pancake breakfast, camping, and Eclipse viewing. please see their website for details.
- **Rob Mings:** Gene and Dave went to visit Rob at Elderwood nursing home on February 3rd. He's still paralyzed on one side and can't get out of bed on his own. He is alert and his speech has improved. The club signed a card for Rob, and cards from members are always welcome. They can be sent to Rob's wife and she will see that he gets them. She also noted that this visit really perked him up!
- **Christmas Party:** Member Doug Harke noted that this was the first time that he was able to make it to our Christmas party and that it was such a wonderful party and meal!
- **Tractor Collection:** Paul Schneible's wife called Dale Rissinger and Terry Page; she wants to get Paul's tractors out and wants to sell them. More information to follow.

**For Good and Welfare of the Organization:**

- Member Rob Mings remains at Elderwood (corner of Eggert and Bailey in Amherst).

**Next Meeting:** Our next meeting will be on 05.19.2024 at John Langless's Farm in Avon, NY.

**50/50 Drawing won by:** Gene Preston

**Motion for Adjournment:** Harry Pankow

**Second:** Carol Monkelbaan

At 1:56pm, the meeting was adjourned by Gene Preston, President/Director.

*Respectfully submitted by Sandra Austin, Secretary*

**Treasurer's Report by Georgia Macauley for 1st Quarter, 2024**

Opening Balance		\$ 17,113.84
Income:		
January	Membership dues	315.00
February	Membership dues	35.00
	Donation From R. Belding	100.00
	50/50 Raffle	12.20
March		
Total Income		\$ 462.50
Expenses:		
January	IHC National dues	\$ 180.00
	Dave Meacham post cards	20.88
	WNYG&SEA Rental clubhouse	50.00
	Lamont Awards engraving R.Call, R. Starr	30.0
	Warsaw Penny Saver Newsletter	196.14
February	IHC National dues	20.0
March	Lamont Awards engraving J. Bagley	22.0
Total Expenses		\$ 519.02
Ending balance		\$ 17,057.32

## **MAY 19, 2024 LUNCH MEETING AND SWAP MEET AT JOHN LANGLESS BARN**

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### **A Visit with CHARTER MEMBER #086 ROB MINGS**

On Saturday February 3<sup>rd</sup> Dave Meacham, Gene Preston and I traveled to Elderwood Nursing Home in Williamsville, NY. Dave and Gene had a nice visit with Rob Mings who is a resident there. He was in good spirits, and they enjoyed conversing about the “good ol’ days” in the early years of the club, the Alexander State Show in the mud with his golf cart and his Farmall CUB & H.

Harvester Highlights and Farmall Flyer sat on the stand next to his bed. He told of hoping to improve some each day and how proud he was of his wife Sue and his family for all their support. Dave and Gene let him know he is not forgotten by our Chapter 35 members. If you would like to visit Rob or send a card here is the address. Elderwood, 200 Basset Rd, Williamsville, N.Y He welcomes cards and visitors. Please keep Rob in your prayers as he recovers. Photo show Rob at a past meeting.

**Submitted By Patty Feeney  
Sunshine Committee**





## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (new or renewals)

If your address changes, please call, email, or write to Dave Meacham or you will not be receiving your newsletters. It costs the chapter money every time a newsletter or National magazine is returned, and bulk mail will not be forwarded.

Thank you for your interest in the International Harvester Collectors, Chapter 35 of New York State. Below is an application with information necessary to process your membership.

**If you are a member and questioning whether you need to renew, just look at the top left of your address on the newsletter and if it is equal to or greater than N24 you are already renewed. Anything less than N24 means you need to renew. See sample label below.**

**Please use your legal name and full address as required by your post office.** New members will receive a national membership card with your national and state member numbers. Save this, they are not reissued each year.

Club benefits include:

- membership in the National Club and NY State Chapter 35
- quarterly magazine publication from the IHC National Club, *Harvester Highlights*
- quarterly newsletter from Chapter 35, *Farmall Flyer*
- National IHC insurance policy coverage at **Chapter 35** sanctioned events
- post your equipment pictures on our website [www.ihcc35ny.com](http://www.ihcc35ny.com) for all to see!

**Dues currently are \$35.00. This includes the National dues of \$20.00 and Chapter 35 dues of \$15.00.**

Please print information, **cut out application** and return with remittance payable to **IHC Chapter 35 of NYS** to the address below. Save the rest of the information for your records. We look forward to hearing from you and meeting you at one of our future events.



Chapter 35 Membership  
David E Meacham  
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Williamsville, NY 14221  
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### Sample Label

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*Gene Preston  
1036 Long Pond Rd.  
Rochester, NY 14626-1126*



## ***DEDICATION & PURPOSE***

As enthusiasts and collectors of “International Harvester Company” products, we join together as members of International Harvester Collectors, Chapter 35 of New York State to provide localized activities for the sharing of information, ideas, and camaraderie for chapter members.

The chapter is formed to promote IH collecting, restoration, and show displays to help preserve, research, and complete the history of the

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