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Dear MAPA member:

Happy New Year to everyone! We hope you had a great holiday season! We trust that you are busy, restoring that engine(s) you plan on showing this coming season.

Elections were held at the November meeting and our incumbent Officers were re-elected. Incumbent Director Bob Meixell as well as new Directors Jim Meixell and Bruce Bowden were nominated and elected. Dave Huling and Bob Withee declined re-election. We Thank them for their many years of service to MAPA. Thank you for your continued confidence in us.

**Website:** The MAPA website is a busy place! Your newsletters are posted, as well as the Classified ads which are updated frequently. Please check back often to view the changes.

**Business Card Ads:** Time to renew your business card ad (or take out an ad). We welcome your business card or hobby card on this page. Member cards are \$20.00/year. Business (non member) cards are \$25.00/year. What a great way to advertise on the Internet! Please consider this low cost, high exposure way to promote your business and support MAPA at the same time. Thanks!

**Next Meeting:** Please join us at our next meeting in **Gardiner** on January 9, 2016. Please note that this is a **Saturday** meeting. A roast pork dinner will be served at 12:00 noon with the meeting to follow. Cost is \$11.00 per person. In case of a severe storm, the meeting will **NOT** be re-scheduled. We will use email/telephone to advise of the cancellation. If you have any questions, please call us, 862-2074. Please plan on attending. We have to guarantee **35** dinners.

We will be discussing Steam operation, regulations and safety at the next meeting. Steam is a misunderstood subject by many of us. Hopefully the presentation will offer insight into this area and answer any questions that you may have about this form of motive power. Our country was built by steam during the Industrial Revolution and steam power continues to serve us today.

Joe Kelley  
Chief Engineer

## **Membership Information: (Please note the changes!)**

MAPA memberships run from Jan 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>. 2016 dues are payable at any meeting, event or by mail. Individual Membership dues are **\$15.00** per year. Family membership is **\$20.00** per year and includes you, your spouse and children up to age 18.

**Your current membership card must be shown before exhibiting at any MAPA event. MAPA's liability insurance only covers you, if your membership dues are paid!**

**If dues are not paid by June 30<sup>th</sup>, you are no longer in good standing and will not be allowed to exhibit.**

**This is for your protection as well as the general public! Your full co-operation is appreciated!**

Your card can also be presented at an event for an Exhibitor's Button.

Please advise us of any address change, phone number or email address. Thank you!

## Meeting Report:

MAPA Meeting      11/14/2015      Gardiner, Maine

The regular November meeting of the Maine Antique Power Association was called to order by President Joe Kelley at 12:45PM, at the Gardiner Christ Church Episcopal. 33 attendees had a wonderful meal provided by the church staff. Introductions were held in order to renew old acquaintances and to make new ones.

The Secretary's report was read and accepted.

The 50/50 drawing was held early and was won by Lynda Sanders.

The Treasurer's report was given as follows by Treasurer Pat Kelley.

Income: \$5327.00

Expenses: \$7183.77

Cash on hand: \$15,854.82

### Committee Reports:

**Safety:** Everything went well through the season. It was recommended that more displays be roped off at the Skowhegan Fair.

**Building and Grounds:** President Kelley advised that the painting of the building was completed and paid for. The building was pressure washed, primed and painted with Devoe Industrial Devflex products. The building looks real nice.

**Gifts and property:** A Fairbanks Morse Eclipse and electric bench grinder were donated to MAPA by Mr. and Mrs. Larrabee of Whiting, ME. Joe Kelley and Barry Thomas traveled to Washington County and picked up the items. Rick Gilbert will undertake the restoration and pictures will be posted on the website.

**Scholarship:** Bill Ellis advised that the Community College System had recommended that the 2016 "Tech" \$500.00 scholarship be shared by two recipients at Eastern Maine Community College in Bangor. The two students, Michael McAtee of Alna and Wayne Harwood of Owls Head will each receive \$250.00. The membership voted their approval.

**Correspondence:** Recent correspondence was made available to the membership.

**Old Business:** The 470 steam locomotive restoration project is proceeding with its' purchase from the City of Waterville by the New England Steam Corporation. It will be moved to the Ellsworth area for restoration. Our \$250.00 donation has been well spent.

**New Business:** The show at Skowhegan will be on June 11, 2016. The Vermont Gas & Steam Engine Assn. was contacted about their possible future ownership of the air compressor at Skowhegan. Doug Kimball asked about the possible donation of the model saw mill display at Skowhegan to Willowbrook. President Kelley will discuss the issue with Bob Schmick. The nomination and election of Officers and Directors was held. Dave Huling and Bob Withee chose not to renew their terms on the board. Jim Meixell and Bruce Bowden were nominated and elected along with incumbent Bob Meixell to a 3 year term. The present slate of Officers were re-elected for 2016. Thank you all.

A show re-cap was given by President Kelley in which he thanked all the members for their participation. The donation jar was able to maintain the expenses at the Skowhegan Fair. The Fall show at Cumberland will be held again in the Fall of 2016. Russ Welch advised that the folks at the Arundel Show were very appreciative and want us back again next year. The Bowman Field Flying Club donation of \$100.00 has been received. OHTM exhibitor plaques were given out to those members who participated at the August Rally. Doug Kimball advised of some machinist machinery that is available in Lebanon, ME. Doug will have pictures available for anyone that may be interested.

**Collectors Clearing House:** Many members expressed interest in acquiring parts for their projects.

**Next Meeting:** January 9, (Saturday) 2016 at the Gardiner Christ Church Episcopal. Meal at 12 noon, with the meeting to follow. The meeting was adjourned.

"Keeper of the Notes"  
Will Ellis