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Dear MAPA member:

Season's Greetings and best wishes for a Happy New Year! We hope you have 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 Directors Jim Perry, Barry Thomas and Rick Gilbert were re-elected to an additional 3 year term. Thank you for your continued confidence in us!

45th Anniversary: 2018 marks the 45th anniversary of the founding of Maine Antique Power Assn. We need to discuss what we would like to do, to commemorate this special year! More on this at the next meeting.

Website: The MAPA website is a busy place! Your newsletters are posted, including an archive section, as well as the Classified ads, which are updated frequently. We have made a couple of navigational changes so moving around on the site is more user friendly. Please check back often to view the changes.

Business Card Ads: Time to **re-new** your subscription for your business card ad! Thank you to those members and businesses who have supported MAPA this past year. We welcome new business cards or hobby cards 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. **New Feature:** Your business card ad now appears on the home page on a rotating basis, in addition to being listed on the business card ad page. Thanks!

Next Meeting: Please join us at our next meeting on January 13, 2018, in Topsham, at the Fairgrounds Cafe. The Cafe is located in the Topsham Fair Mall. Please note that this is a **Saturday** meeting. A luncheon buffet will be served at 12:00 noon with the meeting to follow. Cost is \$14.00 per person. In the event of a storm, we will use email/telephone to advise of a cancellation. The meeting will not be re-scheduled! If you have any questions, please call us, 862-2074. Please plan on attending.

2018 Buttons are here.

Gary Willison requests that if you have any old tools, tool boxes, tool chests or tool cabinets that you would like to donate to MAPA. Please contact Gary for more details on delivery etc. Any surplus items or duplicates will be sold to raise money for MAPA. Thanks!

Joe Kelley
Chief Engineer

Membership Information: (Please note the changes!)

MAPA memberships run from Jan 1st to December 31st. 2018. 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 30th, 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!

MAPA Meeting 11/4/2017 Topsham, Maine

The regular November meeting of the Maine Antique Power Association was called to order by President Kelley at 1:29PM at the Fairgrounds Cafe in Topsham. 29 attendees enjoyed a varied buffet put on by the staff of the Cafe. Introductions were held in order to renew old acquaintances and make new ones.

The Secretary's report was read and accepted.

Treasurer Pat Kelley gave the following report which was accepted:

Income \$6,942.34 Expenses \$5,962.80 Cash on hand \$16,796.07

Committee Reports:

Gifts and Property: Tim Mayberry donated a number of articles which will probably be converted into income for MAPA.

Scholarship: Jonathan Vining, grandson of Don Vining, has applied for the In-house scholarship. The tech scholarship is awaiting the recommendation of the Community College System.

Merchandise: President Kelley advised that the extra large sweatshirts are available.

Building and Grounds: New locks have been put on the building in Skowhegan and it is ready for winter.

Old Business: None

New Business:

President Kelley advised that the 5 year lease at Skowhegan is up 12/31/2017 and that the procedure to renew it will be initiated.

Thanks was expressed to Lyle Merrifield for his support at Cumberland for MAPA's October Show.

A discussion was held as to what to do about a possible raffle in 2018.

The 2018 show will be the 45th Anniversary Show. There will be a discussion at the January meeting as to what to do to mark the event.

Gary Willison did a follow up report on the Skowhegan and Cumberland Fairs which included lists on needs and projects, to have a better show for the general public. Members volunteered to take responsibility for the different needs and projects. The lists will be reviewed at the January meeting. Thanks to Gary for his efforts.

Lyle Merrifield gave an update on the building of a new building that might be ready for MAPA at the next Cumberland Fair.

During the election of officers it was voted to have Jim Perry, Barry Thomas, and Rick Gilbert serve for another three year term as Directors. The present slate of officers was elected for 2018.

Joe Kelley, President. Doug Kimball, Vice-President

Russ Welch, Region#1 vice-President Pat Kelley, Treasurer

Will Ellis, Secretary Region#2 vice-President will remain vacant

The Visa Card Raffle was won by Lynn Roderick of Madison, Maine.

The collectors clearing house was held. Doug Kimball reported that Tim Mayberry is selling a lot of his engines at a fair price.

The Gardiner Christ Church Episcopal has advised that they can no longer provide a meeting meal because of a lack of volunteers.

The next meeting will be held on January 13, 2018 at the Topsham Fairgrounds Cafe with the meal at noon.

The meeting was adjourned.

"Keeper of the notes"
Will Ellis