

# Massey Harris Ferguson Club of Ohio

August 2013

Annual State Show  
& Summer Picnic

Volume 19 Number 3





The Saturday evening banquet at the Handle-Bar Ranch was a big success. The food was delicious and the decor was interesting to say the least. The auction netted over \$1800.00 which helps support club activities. Jim & Sharon Jones topped the auction with the purchase of the wooden replica Massey Harris Pony for \$275.00. The replica was done by Scott Dawson of Mingo, Jct., OH.



## From the Editor

I would like to give very special thanks to Sandy Kessel for her great coverage of the Massey Harris Ferguson Club of Ohio summer pic-

but also a write up that is very in depth and absolutely ready to be used in the newsletter. Sandy is responsible for six pages out of the 16 in this newsletter. **Thanks again Sandy!**

Interested in displaying a tractor at the Farm Science review? We always feel that a crowded display

with more people at the Farm Science Review than any other event. Feel free to stop over and chat and help folks with their questions. You never know who you might meet.

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### 2013

Sept 17-19      London      OH      Ohio Farm Science Review  
December 14      Site to be announced in the November newsletter

### 2014

March 14-15	Hermitage	PA	MCA Spring Meeting	
March 29	Plain City	OH	MHFCO Spring Meeting	
June 12-14	St. James	MO	Massey Days 20	Dale Lawrence (314)291-7421
<b>July 11-13???</b>	<b>Ashland</b>	<b>OH</b>	<b>MHFCO State Show</b>	
July 31-Aug 3	Rushville	IN	Massey Expo of North America	
August 1-3	Stoystown	PA	Stoystown Lions/Friend of Massey	Allen Rhoads (814)629-9625

### 2015

June 11-13	Baraboo	WI	Massey Days	Mike Popp
July	Plain City	OH	MHFCO State show	
August	Chambersburg	PA	Massey Expo of North America	

### 2016

June	Shelbyville	IN	Massey Days	John Bush
August 25-28	Madison	SD	Massey Expo of North America	

# Not too early to renew your dues

## Massey Harris Ferguson Club of Ohio

Revised Membership Application Form, (Revised August 2012) Date \_\_\_\_\_ New \_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_

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# Massey Harris Ferguson Club of Ohio Summer Picnic—June 15, 2013 Chuck & Joann Plott

Written by: Sandy Kessel Gardners, PA



I had the honor to report on the summer picnic that was held at the home, business & museum of Chuck & Joann Plott of Southington, Ohio. This is our 3rd visit thru the museum and no matter how many times you walked the aisle ways, there is always, always something that you did not see the first, second or third time.

Arriving on Wednesday, Terry & I had the unique pleasure of spending a lot of quality time with the Plotts. Chet McNabb arrived on Thursday noon and Chris Kessel, Paul Starner & Chewy arrived at midnight Friday. We all thought we would come early to assist in whatever needed to be done to prepare for the picnic. And to no surprise to us, there was very little to do. Moving a few tractors, setting up the tables and just enjoying seeing his collections was it. We did however, get to hear for the first time running, after being completely torn down, an early Ford 9N on 06-13-2013.



Chuck, Mitch & Joann Plott with the Ford 9N

Now, I need to describe the setting of the indoor picnic. Down thru the middle of the museum, before his collection of Ferguson 35 & 40 series tractors, some tractors were taken outside to make room for the 10 tables that were decorated with red, yellow, gray, blue & green tablecloths with vases of flower to match. There were 59 people in attendance from Ohio & Pennsylvania. They were served by family members with a delicious meal consisting of 1/2 chicken, baked ham, baked potato, cole slaw, dinner rolls, drink, 1/2 pound container of ice cream topped with strawberries & chocolate. Each guest was given a pound container of trail mix (candies, nuts & raisins) to take home or enjoy there.



Ferguson 35 & 40 series



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**The entire fantastic meal was donated by the Plotts.**



## MHF Club of Ohio Summer Picnic at the Plott's (Continued)



Guests awaiting meal

There are no words that can adequately describe this one-of-a-kind museum. Let me first begin with the easy part—the outside. It is a 60' x 150' maroon steel building that was built in 2000. When you step inside the front door, you are totally amazed of the content and quantity of items. You would think it is all tractor related...wrong!. However there are a lot of tractors & equipment in addition to tools, complete parts counters, shoe repair shop, fishing lures, hundreds of keys, tons of antiques, manuals beautifully displayed and it goes on and on. Even the nooks & crannies & ceiling have a themed arrangement. The only words that can describe it is in PICTURES, PICTURES, PICTURES.



Wayne, Mitch, Ami, Joann & Zack Plott serving the guests



Museum in the background



Shoe Repair Shop



Parts Counter



Key Display



## MHF Club of Ohio Summer Picnic at the Plott's (continued)



Chuck on one of his many Ferguson restored tractors



Chris Kessel on MF 1150



Big Chuck & Bubble on a John Deere



Coming & going. Chester McNabb is taking "it" for a test run. Could they be the same tractor? The answer is, YES IT IS. It is a Massey Ferguson 98 & Oliver Super 99. Only Chuck would think of doing this.



Inside the Charlanne Farms store

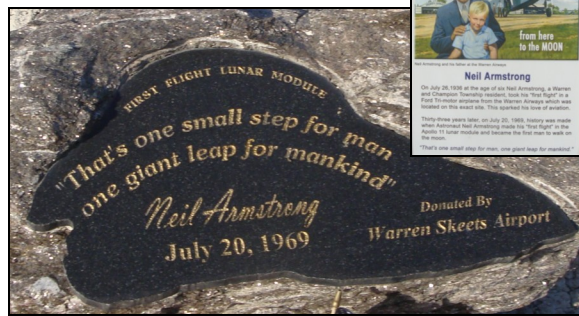
### Attractions in nearby Warren, PA



National Packard Museum



Site of where Astronaut, Neil Armstrong took his first airplane ride on July 26, 1936 at age 6.

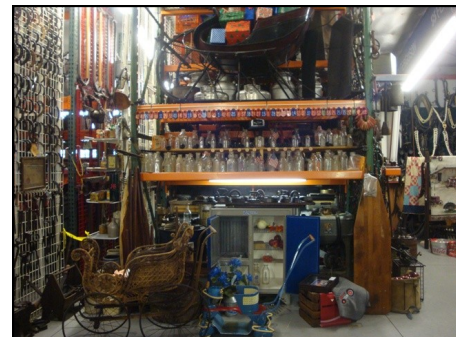
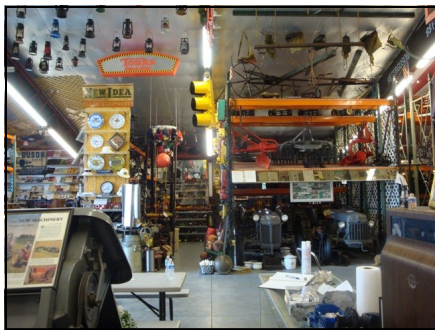


Neil Armstrong famous words "That's one small step for man— one giant leap for mankind" after walking on the moon from Apollo 11, July 20, 1969



## MHF Club of Ohio Summer Picnic at the Plott's (continued)

### Inside the museum



**FAMILY** - The Plotts' have 2 children, Wayne & Beth, and 4 grandchildren. Wayne manages & is very knowledgeable of the processing plant in Cortland where we had the honor of having a personal tour of the facility. Beth is a truck driver pulling doubles. Zack & Mitch (Wayne & Ami's sons) both work there on the farm when not attending college or high school, and are delightful young men who you could tell adored their grandparents. We just briefly met Beth's daughter, Danika, & son Caleb was home feeling ill. Joann & I toured the area and later she showed me her "Sewing rooms", but it looked like a professional studio. She had made many quilts, clothes, wall hangings, to include a recently embroidered wall hanging of a country church as seen thru a window. She does amazing work. And Chuck, did you know he flew an airplane, was Fire Chief and the subject of a book written by Sam Plott in 2010 titled "Royal Reflections, Charles H Plott Jr.—and his obsession".



Three-generations in family business. (Son) Wayne, (Grandsons) Zack & Mitch & Chuck



Just sitting around the campfire Saturday evening.

At the end of that day, Chuck & Joann sat down to rest, along with us campers, by the pond with a camp fire burning & again treated us to dinner. That was the first time I saw Chuck relax that day. Both he and Joann are the perfect hosts, but it sounds like they have lots of experience with that, by serving an estimated 600 guests a year. Just in case you have not concluded by the above, the Plotts are one of the most generous & kind people that you will ever meet. For years, I tried to figure a way to give back to them, but you may have heard the expression "needle in a hay stack". Well my contributions to them is the needle.

So when you don't see Chuck & Joann at tractor shows, just know he is at home overseeing, working, managing a very successful business. Although, we have missed his "fleet" of Ferguson tractors at the shows & his sense of humor, you should now know that his business, museum, restoring tractors & family are where his heart is. Thank you, Chuck, Joann, Wayne, Ami, Zack, Mitch, Beth & children for allowing all of us into your homestead for a very incredible visit and a meticulous planned-out luncheon (more like an evening dinner meal) for the MHF Club of Ohio!



# Friends of Massey annual show at Brownsville PA.



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Karin Morrison of Frazeyburg, OH



A very large digging show!



Chris Kessel working on one of Jim Dawson's problem tractors. From left: Chris Kessel, Ken Cowher, Jim Dawson, & Dave Edder.



Dave & Nancy Edder from McKean, PA.

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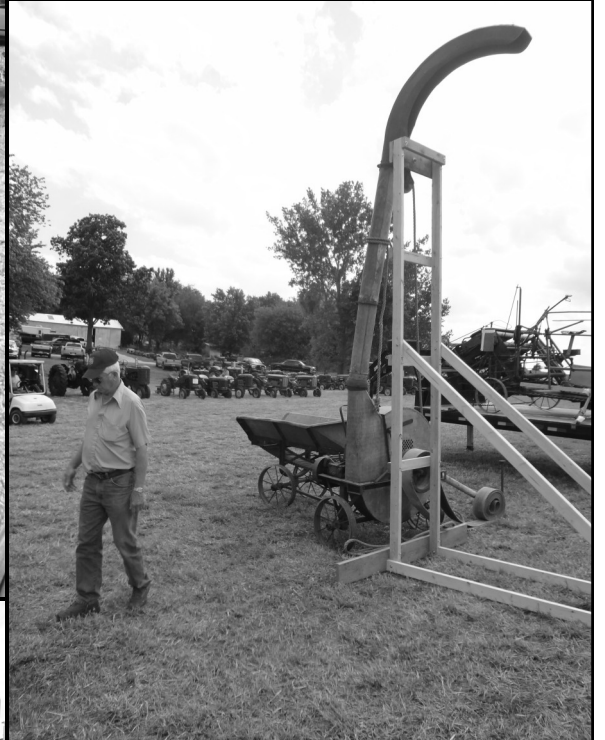
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MH 555LP, restored, with cab	\$6,000
MH 444 Diesel, RC wide front, restored, Tires 85%	\$7,750
MH 444 Standard, restored, Mismatched tires	\$4,000
MH 444 Standard, restored, new rear tires	\$5,500
MH 333 G, RC narrow, Tires mismatched, restored	\$4,200
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MH 44 special, G, Restored, RC narrow, New tires	\$3,500
MH 44 Gas, Row crop, Narrow	\$2,100
MH 33 Gas, Row crop, Narrow	\$2,000
MH 22, restored, Row crop, Narrow, New tires	\$3,000
MH Challenger, Repaint, New Tires	\$5,500
MH 30, New tires	\$3,200
MH 81, New paint, New tires	\$2,500
MH 20, New paint, New tires	\$2,000
MH Pacer, With culti., restored, Tires mismatched	\$4,250
MH Pony, With cultivator, Repaint, New tires	\$2,400
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info as possible

**Acceptable example of auction results:**  
MH 30 that started & ran well, tires wore out  
and paint was bad. Sold for \$1,275.

**Unacceptable example of auction results**  
I think it was a 30 but not sure if it ran, Sold for  
around \$1,200.

**Please, Please, Please do not tell me without  
writing it down. I will Not remember!!!**



This year's picnic brought on some new events in addition to the 16 cars & trucks; 1 Race Car; 22 tractors/garden tractors; 1 cart; 5 golf carts and 32 Massey Harris tractors owned by Chris Kessel. Guests were from Maryland (11), Florida (1), Ohio (1), New Jersey (4) and the remainder from Pennsylvania. It was a hot week-end here in south central Pennsylvania, just 15 miles North of Gettysburg, PA where they were celebrating the 150th Anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg. Thanks to our Massey collectors-Dick Lefever, Dennis Geisinger, Lamar Nell, Corey Bupp, Tim Singleton, Terry, Shawn & Caden Kessel for bringing their Massey tractors. Special thanks to Chef McNabb & Hunter Lewis for coming in early to help get tractors running, mowing & everything that needed to be done.



Leonard Tate, Chet McNabb, Paul Starnier, Chewy, Chris Kessel, Sandy Kessel, Terry Kessel pose for this picture. All were invaluable helping to make this event a great success. (Missing from photo—Hunter Lewis)



And yes, Masseys do break down. Shown above is Hunter Lewis being towed by Justin Steck on the way back from one of the tractor rides thru Leonard & Pam Tate's orchards.



Chris Kessel, Joanne & Tom Wyckoff, Bernette & Jeff McGlynn from New Jersey. Tom is the driver.

A race car owned by Tom & Joanne Wyckoff of Allentown, NJ showed up on Saturday morning. Tom started the car up and allowed the kids to set in the race car and get a feel of how it felt to be a driver. They were racing in the area Saturday night. (Chris assists them mechanically at races)



Backing the wagon being towed by the MH Military tractor between two barrels was quite a challenge for Brian Stoothoff. In the background is a partial line-up of the 32 Massey Harris Tractors that Chris & gang were able to get running and on display.



Just some of the 16 antique cars & trucks that were on display





2013 Antique Tractor & Car Show Picnic, Jul 6 & 7, 2013  
(Continued)



A loaded hayride is shown leaving the property. Chris Kessel driving the Military Tractor. Leonard Tate sitting on the back of the wagon ready to narrate the tour thru his orchard.



Leonard Tate taking a break from cooking corn on the cob. Terry Kessel is about to sample it. Over the 2-days, we served 200 people roast pig & barbecue chicken.



Tim Singleton of Pasadena, MD. on his MH Pony



Some of the many kids enjoying a pedal tractor pull. Also available was fishing in the pond, water balloons, penny pitch, picking-up ducks and making sand art with light bulbs.



Sam Himes, Chet McNabb & Shawn Kessel getting the 100 pounds of chicken ready to be cooked on Chet's famous cooker and "secret" recipe.



On lookers fascinated with the dyno on Chris's MH 33 tractor.



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