

# **Massey Collector News**

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## **IMCA Fall Gathering Bush Farm—OCTOBER 19th**

enjoy the autumn breeze at John and Marlene direct route... Bush's Family Farm west of Shelbyville, Indiana. The date has been set for Saturday, October 19, 2013.

This is always a special time to get together and share our summer experiences about our toys and our families. John will have all his collection polished and ready for inspection that day. His collection is growing every day, so there will always be something new to examine!



The day will start off at 12 Noon with a pitch-in luncheon. IMCA will provide meat, drinks and table service. Please bring a hearty side dish and/ or dessert to share as a pitch-in. Lawn chairs optional.

Following the luncheon a general meeting of the membership will be conducted with the most important part of the agenda being dedicated to planning the 2014 MENA. Come prepared to volunteer for one of several committees being developed.

You will be welcome anytime after 11 AM and can stay and visit throughout the day—just don't expect supper!!

#### Directions to John Bush Family Farm:

The GPS address is:

2776 W County Road 200 N Shelbyville, IN 46176 MapQuest, Google or any of the other on-line

Mark your calendars for the Fall Gathering of the mapping sites, as well as most GPS units will Indiana Massey Collectors Association as we generally guide you, but some don't take the most

#### From the West, Northwest, North, Northeast, East, or Southeast:

Find your favorite way to the I-74 / State Road 9 interchange just north of Shelbyville. From there, travel south on SR 9 to the traffic light at Rampart Road (McDonalds on the corner). Turn right (west) on Rampart. Take Rampart ~0.6 mile until it T's at Michigan Road. Turn right (north) on

> Michigan Road. Take Michigan road ~0.6 mile to Walser Rd / 200 N (it says Walser on the green county road sign. There are Vassar storage units on the right). Turn left (west – only option) on Walser Rd / CR 200 N. Go  $\sim$ 2.2 miles to my lane on the right (north). Gray house and red barns back the

From the Southwest, South, or West if your path doesn't take you through In-

Find your favorite way to I-65 and State Road 44 interchange. Go east on SR 44 towards Shelbyville ~6.5 miles to CR 600 W. Turn left (north – only option). Go  $\sim$ 3 miles on 600 W to 4-Way stop at CR 100 N. Turn right (east). Travel ~2.5 miles on 100 N to second stop sign at CR 350 W (little Old white used-to-be church on corner – grave yard across from church). Turn left (north). Go ~1 mile to CR 200 N, turn right (east – only option). Go  $\sim$ 0.8 mile to my lane on the left (north). Gray house and red barns back the lane.

If you would normally come up State Road 9 to Shelbyville, don't do that. SR 9 is closed south of Shelbyville for bridge replacement.

If you get lost, stop at an intersection where you can read the road signs, and give John a call: 812 -343-1374

Be sure to mark your calendar now to reserve your time for fellowship and good food!!

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Enjoy the Day at *OCTOBER 19* IMCA Fall Gathering

#### **Tipton Hosts IMCA State Show - August 8-11**

The Mid America Threshing & Antique Show hosted the 2013 Indiana Massey Collectors Association State Show August 8-11, 2013. The show was held at the Tipton County Fairgrounds in Tipton, Indiana.

This was a great show with lots of activities for all to enjoy. Harvest demonstrations, tractor pulls, large flea market, entertainment and lots of food kept everyone busy all weekend!

Donald Dunn and his son Garry worked hard to ensure you had a great time while you were at the show.

Friday evening IMCA provided a hot dog roast for all our Massey, Wallis & Ferguson exhibitors. Saturday the IMCA sponsored a pizza party for everyone as well!

A 30' by 60' tent was available to display memorabilia, sit under and visit with friends.

A special thanks goes out to the Dunn families for their tireless efforts in coordinating this fun weekend. When you see them, please thank them for what they have done.

A list of exhibits included:

3 Challengers, 7 Ponies, 2 Pacers, 1 Colt, 1 Mustang, 2 81s, 4 101 Jrs, 1 101 Sr, 18 44s, 2 44 Specials, 1 444, 5 33s, 4 30s, 2 55s, 2 555s, 1 22, 1 20, 2 50s, 2 MF 35s. 1 MF 50, 2 65s, 1 7, 1 8, 1 14, 1 16, 4 plows, 1 disc, 1 cultivator, 1 wagon.

Sorry—no pictures were made available for the newsletter!

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Yes, that is correct! On April 13, 2013 the Board of Di-

rectors of the Indiana Massey Collectors Association elected our own Bush as President. That would be John W. Bush of Shelbyville, Indiana.

John brings a vast amount of experience to the position of President having served on the national MCA Board of Directors and being elected as their President and leader. John recently completed his duties as Past President at the national level so it is only appropriate he leads the Indiana chapter forward.

John was one of the "founding fathers" of the Indiana chapter of MCA and helped organize and develop our state as a leader in Massey affairs from the start. He served as one of the first Board of Directors and as the chapter's Vice President from 2002 through 2005.

If there is a Massey event, you will probably see John there. He travels extensively around the Midwest attending Massey shows, meetings and events. The only thing that stands in his way of a Massey event are his grandchildren!!

John has a large collection of Massey Harris tractors and has recently started looking for those "muscle" Masseys.

If you look in his barn, you will also see some John

Deeres, Fords and other colors. He has an appreciation for all tractors that relate to his past. He also has a nice collection of toys he has accumulated over the years.

John and his wife Marlene live on his family's farm just west of Shelbyville.



A special thanks is extended to Donald Dunn who has served as the IMCA President since 2007. Donald has always been a passionate and committed leader to the organization and its members. Although Donald is no

longer President he will continue to lead. He, and his son Garry, are the co-Chairs of the 2013 IMCA State Show that was held in Tipton, Indiana—Donald's hometown.

At the Spring Meeting, the IMCA Board of Directors thanked Donald for his years of service by recognizing him with the title "President Emeritus" of IMCA. They also presented him with a life membership to IMCA/MCA.

Congratulations and thank you, Donald, for all you have done for the chapter and its members.



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## **IMCA Board Reorganizes**

At the April IMCA Spring Meeting the membership elected three individuals to serve as their representatives to the IMCA Board of Directors. Vernon Knight of Brazil, Indiana and Kevin Reeves of Westpoint, Indiana were elected to three year terms on the IMCA Board. They replace Garry Dunn and Stanley Shew who have both fulfilled their maximum commitment of two three-year terms on the

Board

Charles Shields also announced his wishes of being replaced on the Board. Nick Godfrey was appointed to fulfill the remaining year of Shields term.

Congratulations to all the new Board members and a special thanks is extended to Charles Shields, Garry Dunn and Stan Shew for their years of dedication

## Appointments made to MENA

MENA—Massey Exposition of North America Selection Committee is made up of two individuals from each chapter within MCA, two members from MCA and two members from the Twin Power Heritage Association in Canada. This group is charged with selection and the location of the yearly MENA show.

IMCA's representatives are Donald Dunn (term expires in 2014 and John Mays (term expires in 2013). In conversations with our new President, John Mays felt it was

time for someone else to have the great experience of serving on this "select" group and chose not to be reappointed.

At the July 13, 2013 Board of Directors meeting, Vernon Knight volunteered and was appointed to represent IM-CA's interest in the selection process. He will serve a three yearterm in this position.

Thank you Vernon for stepping forward and insuring the Indiana voice is heard at the Selection table.

#### John Dunn Steps Down as Secretary

John Dunn, secretary of IMCA, has decided to step down from his position of Secretary and Newsletter Editor for IMCA. At the July 13, 2013 John Bush announced Dunn's intentions.

The Board wishes to thank John, and his wife Sue, for all their hard work over the past years as they collectively kept the membership informed of its activities and recorded the activities of the organization.

At the meeting, the Board moved forward and elected Paul Wilkinson of Lewisville, Indiana as the new Secretary of IMCA. Congratulations Paul!

## Officers Formally Elected

At the July IMCA Board of Directors Meeting the group re-affirmed the April Officer elections by re-electing the following officers for 2013:

President—John Bush

Vice President—Garry Ryan

Secretary-Paul Wilkinson Treasurer-Emmanell Dunn

Congratulations to each of the newly elected officers of IMCA. We commend your leadership and your willingness to move the organization forward.

#### **Health Issues for Shews**

Our thoughts and prayers go out to IMCA members Stan & Vera Shew, Clinton, IN. Stan has had a stroke and is recovering in the rehab center in Clinton. His wife Vera has had a heart attack and is recovering in the same rehab center. They will be in the rehab center for quite some

time. They would enjoy cards from their Massey friends by sending them to 1901 E. Hazel Bluff Road, Clinton, IN 47842.

We wish them both a speedy recovery.

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#### **National Massey Show Returns to Canada**

The 2013 edition of MENA was held August 16-18, 2013 in Paisley Ontario, Canada. With Canada being the home of Massey, the Canadian version of the Expo brought out some special items most of us have never seen! Whether it is horse drawn implement, a bicycle, some great artwork or some other neat memorabilia, this was a must show to attend.

Over 234 tractors and a total 422 items were on display making this one of the largest MENA shows that has been put on in recent years. A large assortment of old calendars filled the display tent along with some other rare and unusual collections. When was the last time you saw two Massey Harris 744P sitting at one show?

The Twin-Power Heritage Association has made it a real challenge for IMCA to equal their efforts. Congratulations to everyone making this show a special event for us all.

Several IMCA members made the crossing into Canada to not only attend MENA but to take in George & Barb Smyth's great dispersal auction on the way North to Paisley. The beautiful gently rolling farm ground was "postcard" perfect and the weather was beautiful for both events.

# "Better Built" Decorative Lights Available to Massey Collectors

Is your hallway dark or do you need a light to hang up your jacket? Then, you are in luck. A gentleman in Terre Haute, Indiana is producing these handmade lighted coat/hat racks with our favorite Massey logo shining the way.

They are approximately 24" long and approximately 10" high with four hooks across the bottom of the lighted area. They are crafted from wood with a smooth finish applied to the surface with electric back light.



The best part for you is the discount he is making available to all IMCA members. The light retails for \$125.00 but as an IMCA member you can have one for only \$95.00!

Contact your IMCA Board Member Vernon Knight at 812-864-2289 home phone or email misfire41@aol.com to place your order. This would make a great Christmas present for the person who has almost everything!

## John Mays Disposal Auction—Sept 28

Long time Massey Collectors, John & Margaret Ann May are having a disposal auction as they make plans to spend more time in the South!! The auction is planned for September 28, 2013 in Walton, IN starting at 10:00 AM.

There will be several nice Masseys up for your choosing along with other collectable items for all to enjoy. This will be a nice auction so mark your calendars to attend.

For details of the auction and directions to the site go to:

http://www.auctionzip.com/Listings/1883024.html

or:

www.lesterauction.com

We will see you there!!

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## We Need Your Help & Thoughts!!

#### **Newsletter:**

The goal of the IMCA Board of Directors is to provide our members with at least four newsletters each year. However, we need your help on several fronts with regard to this publication.

- #1—Most of our members now have access to the internet and have an email address. **Would you prefer to receive your IMCA Newsletter via email or US Mail?** Pros: you will receive it faster, it can be stored on your computer for future reference, it will create a financial saving to IMCA. Cons: You don't have email!! We want to hear from you. Please email or call your opinions to Gary Emsweller 317-745-7949 or email MasseyH@aol.com today
- #2—We have several email addresses for our members but they have not been updated. Please send an email to Gary Emsweller at MasseyH@aol,com so your records can be updated, especially if you want the newsletter via email!
- #3—We always need personal stories about your collection; that tractor or implement that has been in your family forever, that special Massey cream separator you finally got working, or maybe about your kids and grandkids enjoying a Massey experience. We need to hear about them. Do not worry about being an English professor!! Just share your notes, ideas and thoughts and we will put them together to share with our Massey family. Please contact: Tom Tague at 765-561-2561 or email tomcarolt@yahoo.com or Gary Emsweller 317-745-7949 or email MasseyH@aol.com to share your story or ideas for an article.

#### State Show Location and Selection:

Each year the IMCA Board decides on where our State Show might be located. We have had the great fortune of traveling to all parts of this State to share and enjoy everyone's tractor, implement or memorabilia. This year we were in Tipton, 2014 we host the National Massey Show in Rushville, in 2015 we have been invited to Elnora.

- #1—If you are familiar with an outstanding show you think would be a great location for a future IMCA show please share that with one of your board members. Although we are familiar with several shows across the state, we might miss one or two!! We need your help in identifying that special show!
- #2—If you have **ideas as to how our show can be improved,** please let your board members know as well. It is your show. Help us make it the best it can be!

#### **MENA Comes to Indiana!!**

As mentioned earlier, IMCA will be hosting the Massey Exposition of North America in 2014—NEXT YEAR! The show will be in conjunction with the Pioneer Engineers Club Annual Reunion in Rushville, Indiana July 31—August 3, 2014. With that responsibility will come numerous tasks that will need to be performed. John Bush, along with Charlie Shields, Tom Tague and Gary Emsweller are serving as the planning committee for this huge event. But they can not do it alone.

They will be looking for all of our members to be an important part of hosting this event. Tasks might include: making flyers, helping park tractors and implements, coordinating memorabilia displays, directing Massey specific vendors, helping with camping and hotel accommodations, planning the banquet, organizing the special fund raising auction or helping with an exhibitors appreciation meal. Maybe you would help decorate the feature area, or be the "official photographer", put together "goodie" bags for our guests, be a greeter for new arrivals, or help with registration. The list goes one!!

As you can see we will need everyone's help. It is not too early to begin thinking about what role you would like to play in making this event a success. We have had a great track record in the past for delivering some of the best Massey Shows in the United States. We hope this will top them all!! But we can not do it without you!

Volunteer today and we will be happy to give you a task or better yet, pick something you would like to be the leader of and the committee will help you carry out the job!

Contact John Bush at 812-343-1374 email jwbush53@hotmail.com or Tom Tague at 765-561-2561 email tomcarolt@yahoo.com or Gary Emsweller 317-745-7949 email MasseyH@aol.com or Chuck Shields at 812-663-1566 email acscropinsurance@yahoo.com and volunteer today!

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## **Massey Calendar of Events**

(Indiana Shows, MCA Chapter and State Shows)

September 26-29 Franklin Co Antique Machinery Show featuring Massey Brookville, IN

September 28 John May Disposal Auction 10:00 AM Walton, IN

October 19 IMCA Fall Gathering Shelbyville, IN

February 15, 2014 Massey Whiz-N-Day (the last!!)

Bellchester, MN

March 14-15, 2014 MCA Spring Meeting Hermitage, PA

June 5-7, 2014 Massey Days Summer Reunion St James, MO

Jul 31-Aug 3, 2014 Massey Exposition of North America RUSHVILLE, IN

#### IMCA FALL GATHERING

BUSH FAMILY FARM SHELBYVILLE, IN OCTOBER 19, 2013

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" Old Masseys collect the nicest people! "