

Message from Rose

We hope to see everyone at our October 21 2023 meeting. Meeting will be held ar the Museum meeting room with an 11:00 Board meeting and 12:00 Noon potluck. Come bring your favorite dish of food, either main dish, salad or dessert to share and enjoy. Everyone's company.

We did well with the corn and watermelon sales, thanks to Sandy Allen and the ones who took time and effort to go get the products. The corn brought in \$471.55 and the watermelon brought in \$405.00.

We are also having election of officers and we need you. We will be needing to replace two board members and elected officers. If you have and interest in becoming a board member or officer, please plan to attend and offer your services to our club.



## 7-15-23 MEMBER MEETING Ag Museum

The president, Rose Parker, called the meeting to order. The secretary read the minutes of the last meeting. It was approved as read.

Treasurer, Rob Gallion, reported \$33,626.11 in the club's account. The report was approved as read. Rob then suggested we put \$25,000 in CD's for six months which would produce a higher yield. Nick Schultz made a motion to do this and George Streby seconded it. Motion passed.

PIONEER POWER SHOW: Kent Blomgren said the wheat has been harvested and is ready for the show. The tractor pull has now been moved to it's new location. Everything is going good with the Swap Meet. The homemade ice cream exhibit will be here again this year.

SPACES: Someone, who is not a club member, has been occupying club spaces 1 and 2 in building #13. It was suggested that someone talk to this person about moving out of the spaces. Kent made a motion for George to talk to the person and Mike Farmer seconded it. Motion passed.

AGREEMENT: Paul Strater explained how the meeting last Tuesday went. The accession team has still to be completely formed.

Don Evans is a new part of the museum and will be taking Paul's place in keeping things on an even keel between the club and the museum people. Paul said that Don "is the conduit for any issues you may have". Don is working now at upgrading the museum security system.

TRACTOR RUN: The Harrah run will be Sept. 9. Under Ken Ruthardt's guidance, a mirror will be on each tractor. This will solve a safety issue.

MAKE MONEY: Lindeman Trac Pad manufacturing will be demonstrated during the Pioneer Power Show by the club. They will be available as a fund raiser. The fund will be shared with the museum. Members were in agreement to go on with this.

QR CODES: Becky Bishop gave a report on the progress. Hopefully the ability to use the QR code will work at the entrance to the show making the line up of people go faster.

George made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Kent seconded it. Motion passed.

Making the Bread! Bessie Milner

When you mention the name Bessie it brings memories of a real pioneer lady who could have come across the prairie in a covered wagon, cooking on an open fire or living in a sod house on the prairie.

I don't think Bessie was scared or afraid to tackle any job. She faced all obsticles head on. Bessie was always ready to help someone and she certainly brought lots of interesting ideas to our Farm Equipment Club.

Bessie and her husband Royce Milner joined our Club shortely as it was formed in 1978. You could count on seeing Bessie in her long prairie dress and her sun bonnet at all our Club events.

When we started growing wheat for our show someone suggested we grind the wheat and bake bread and even sell the loave at our show. The idea grew and the men from the club built a small building that could be moved with a fork lift. This building had counter tops, cupboards and a permenant place for the wood cook stove. Bessie was a very happy "pioneer lady" to have such modern conveniences to work with.

Bessie needed help with the bread baking and Drew and her sister Hannah Hester were happy and excited to volunteer. Drew and Hannah's grandmother Dolores Monroe (one of our charter members) was happy to make prairie dresses for her grandaughters. In a short time the girls were grinding, mixing and baking bread right along with Bessie.





**Bread Making!** 



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