

New England Antique Tractor & Truck Association  
EDGE & TA Chapter 176

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Newsletter #50



Dear Members,

This is the last newsletter of the year. Our shows and pulls are nearly over. (Yup, there's one more!) It's time to take a break and put our toys away for the winter or work on those indoor projects. If the past few weather events are warnings of what is to come, get prepared now. Winterize your vehicles, your garage and your house (not necessarily in that order) and get your snow blower in running condition, maybe prepare for extended power outages (all with safety in mind).

At our October meeting, the members voted once again to donate toys for Christmas and food for the food bank. Since we are a New England club, the members decided to expand the good cheer to nearby Dighton, so this year our toys and food donations from the November meeting will be going to Dighton children and the Dighton food bank.

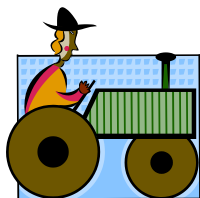
There is **no meeting in December** since it would fall too close to Christmas (though the club calendar is marked for a meeting and a party) but just a reminder Francis Farm will be having an open Christmas party on Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup>.

Tickets are \$26.95 per person which includes a complete dinner (tax and gratuity included) plus entertainment and prizes. Call Paula at Francis Farm 508-252-3212 or Bev or Jerry Baker 508-222-7109 to reserve your tickets. Doors open at 6 and dinner will be served at 7 pm. Deadline to order your tickets is December 5<sup>th</sup>.

In other news: the club Farmall Cub with sickle bar mower has been listed on Craig's list and is getting some attention there. The members would rather try and sell it outright before resorting to establishing a raffle for it. It is on display at the Francis Farm museum. Call Richie Lemieux if you or someone you know is interested 508-252-3976.

In upcoming events; the final farm tractor pull for this year will be on Saturday night, November 12<sup>th</sup>, at Francis Farm. The pull starts at 5 and registration begins at 4 pm. Classes will be limited to 4500, 5500, 7000 and 9000. Don't forget your flashlights!

Our next meeting is November 16<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm at Francis Farm. We will discuss the upcoming year's events, overview the years past events as well as report on the American Cancer Society fund raiser, the November pulls and show at Araujo's farm.



Helpful websites [www.neatta.org](http://www.neatta.org) [www.edgeta.com](http://www.edgeta.com) [www.francisfarm.net](http://www.francisfarm.net)  
Or e-mail Bev (me) [bgbake@comcast.net](mailto:bgbake@comcast.net) or check us out on Facebook.

REMINDER!!!

Please bring a toy and food donation to the November meeting next week.



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## ON THE FARM

It seems a farm boy accidentally overturned his wagon-load of corn. The farmer who lived nearby heard the noise. "Hey Wilmer!" the farmer yelled. "Forget your troubles. Come in and have a bite with us. Then I'll help you get the wagon up."

"That's mighty nice of you," Wilmer answered. "But I don't think Pa would like me to."

"Aw, come on." the farmer insisted.

"Well okay," the boy finally agreed, and added, "But Pa won't like it."

After a hearty dinner, Wilmer thanked his host. "I feel a lot better now, but I know Pa is going to be real upset."

"Don't be foolish!" the neighbor said with a smile. "By the way, where is your Pa?"

Wilmer replied, "Under the wagon."

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PS Some of you may be wondering about the Cruisin' New England Show that was supposed to be aired "sometime this fall" featuring the club and other antique tractors. I have been checking with their website and it looks like the new show season will begin to air in December, but there is no definite date listed. (Sorry I wish I had more info)