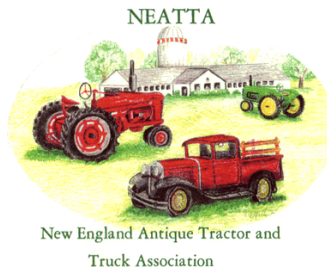


# New England Antique Tractor & Truck Association

## EDGE & TA Chapter 176

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Greetings! Fall is nearly over and our thoughts turn to the winter season. It soon will be the Christmas season, a time for giving. Although the club had no official fund raiser this year, we were still able to give to causes near and dear to us. So far this year, the Rehoboth Helping Hands Food Pantry received over 1500.00 in cash plus food donations, Rehoboth Rescue received 300.00, and the 500.00 NEATTA scholarship was awarded to a Bristol Aggie student. Other awards that the club gave out were lifetime memberships; to former Treasurer Gil Larrabee, former Vice President Greg Abrams and former Secretary Gayle Abrams, three of the original founding members.

Our Fall Show was a huge success again this year because of all of you who gave of your time, helping out at the sales tables, the kids zone, the pulls, the museum, working as gate keepers or parking lot attendants or bringing a vehicle or a display to show. A great BIG THANK YOU to Derek and Frank Horta for the Bounce Room and slide. The kids had lots of fun with that. The club netted about \$2,000.00 from the Show. Free magnets are available to everyone who took part. See Tom Soares to get yours. Tom is also selling club calendars, mugs, and the usual T shirts, sweat shirts, hats and jackets.

Our last pull of the season was held on October 24<sup>th</sup>. The garden tractors had an exceptional turnout but there were less than expected farm tractors. (What? No Durfees?) In other pull news, the club voted to purchase two port o johns for next years' pulls at a total cost of 600.00. This will cut down on the expense of renting one for the 2011 pulling season for 180.00 per month. Maintenance for our own port o john is expected to be about 100.00 per month next year.

This year, at our October meeting, the members decided to donate toys to Rehoboth Helping Hands. Also at our October meeting, Steve Martin was presented with a check for 1033.00 which was collected for Helping Hands Food Pantry at our Fall Show in September. Steve told the club that many local soldiers' families are receiving help from the food pantry and that the need was very great this year. This news inspired the members to have a Spaghetti Supper fund raiser, with the help of Ken Foley and Francis Farm. All the proceeds from the supper will go to Helping Hands Food Pantry. The club is also asking that members bring in toys and canned goods at the supper, or raffle items, again to benefit Rehoboth Helping Hands. The date for the Spaghetti Supper is Dec 4<sup>th</sup>, 6pm at Francis Farm. Tickets will be 8.00 for adults, 4.00 for children 6-12, free for children 5 and under. Tickets will be on sale soon. This supper is open to the public and other community groups are invited to join us in our fund raising efforts.

### **IMPORTANT UPCOMING NEATTA EVENTS**

November 7<sup>th</sup> – Dighton Arts Festival at Araujo's Farm in Dighton. Please have your vehicle in place before 9:00 am. Members can bring their tractor or truck the night before. And by the way, Daylight Savings Time ends, so turn your clocks BACK Saturday night or else be an hour early for the Festival. ☺



The Turkey Raffle is on Sunday, **November 14<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm**. Volunteers are needed to sell tickets during the event, to make sandwiches and snacks and to make up the baskets. This event is also open to the public. Call Bev Baker at 508-222-7109 or Don Leffort 508-252-4990 if you can help. Proceeds from the raffle will go towards club expenses and activities.

November 17<sup>th</sup> – Our next regular meeting is at 7 pm Francis Farm. We will be finalizing the plans for the Spaghetti Supper Fundraiser and making plans for next year. Note for next year: the Spring Show & Swap Meet will be held on April 30<sup>th</sup> & May 1<sup>st</sup>. (Please correct your calendars as it was previously scheduled for Easter weekend...oops!)



December 4<sup>th</sup> – Saturday, 6 pm, Francis Farm and NEATTA Spaghetti Supper Fund Raiser with all proceeds, toys, and canned goods going to Rehoboth Helping Hands Food Pantry.



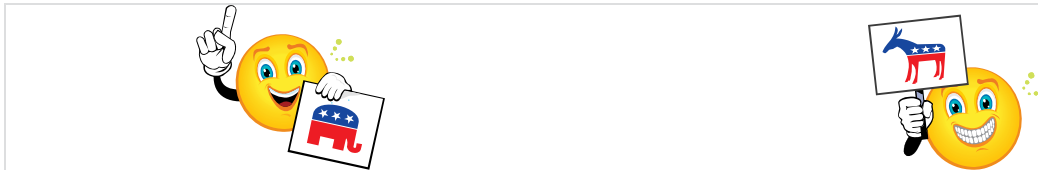
Fun in the Sun Party Rentals – Taunton, MA, Frank Horta 774-961-8806 or Tim 774-451-5810. Reasonable rates, free delivery & set up. Become a fan on Facebook!

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To submit an ad for this newsletter, e-mail Bev at [bgbake@comcast.net](mailto:bgbake@comcast.net) or submit one in writing at the next meeting.

As always, helpful websites: [www.francisfarm.net](http://www.francisfarm.net), [www.neatta.org](http://www.neatta.org), [www.edgeta.org](http://www.edgeta.org)  
NEW!! Club merchandise can now be ordered on our website. ↑

Become a NEATTA fan on Facebook or a Francis Farm Fan on Facebook!

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A bus load of politicians were driving down a country road one afternoon, when all of a sudden the bus ran off the road and crashed into a tree in an old farmer’s field. Seeing what happened, the old farmer went over to investigate. He then proceeded to dig a huge hole and bury the politicians. A few days later, the local sheriff came out, saw the crashed bus, and asked the old farmer, “Were they all dead?” The old farmer replied, “Well, some of them said they weren’t but you know how them politicians lie.” (Thank God for old farmers!)

Happy Halloween!



Tony Vacca??

Don’t forget to get out and VOTE on Tuesday, November 2nd.