

# ILLIANA NEWS

May 2013



## HISTORY DAY MAY 13TH, 2013

### HISTORY DAY WORK DAY

**D**ue to the fact that May 12th is Mother's Day, we are scheduling ONE work day on Saturday, May 11th to get the show grounds prepared for History Day on May 13th. The clubhouse needs a "sprucing up" along with the other buildings, equipment and "stations". The souvenir bags need to be filled for the students. (Again, thanks to the Quilter Ladies for sewing them this year.) Come as early as you can! (8:30 A.M. ?+) If you can't work all day, just attend according to your schedule.

**Any questions about Work Day call:  
Dave Sims @ 765-585-1389 or Joan Fry @ 765-363-5406.**

### Meeting in May!

The next meeting of the Illiana Antique Power Assoc. will be Monday May 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M. at the clubhouse. We will begin with our usual carry-in dinner so please bring a dish to pass. We will have a report on History Day .....try to attend! See you there!

## All the News

### Rocky Forge Blacksmith News



The Rocky Forge was host to the Indiana Blacksmith Association (IBA) on April 20th, with a theme of making Norwegian sheath knives. K.J. Groven gave a nice demonstration of the process. Ted had made up 42 blanks of 1075 steel sandwiched between two layers of mild steel and welded to a handle for convenience when forge welding. (continued on page 2)

### Pine Creek & Western R.R. News

No News this month...

### Tri-County Quilters News



We met at PV Community Room on April 22<sup>nd</sup> with 12 members present. Joan Fry had the project and what a challenge it was! It started with an octagon placed on a foundation, then we were to sew strips on it and trim part off of the strips and it actually turned into a spiral pillow top. (continued on page 2)

## Rocky Forge Blacksmith Continued...

We had 38 smiths in attendance and a large part of them took their turn at forge welding the blanks into a knife billet. At least 7 forges were going for the project. Many members took home a forge welded knife blank and a few had ground them to the proper profile for attaching a handle. Several took handle blanks in the hope of completing the knife at home. We had a good time that day. The pitch in meal gave us enough food for everyone to overindulge, and many of us did. Blacksmithing is fun!!! The next meeting of the Rocky Forge group will be at the Illiana show grounds to clean up the building in preparation for the following Monday, May 13th, when we will be part of the Illiana Antique Power Association's annual "History Day" to teach as many as 400

fourth graders about early rural life. Coffee and doughnuts will be available at 8:30 A.M. Bring a brown bag lunch for the day and be prepared to discuss our strategy for what we will make during the kids visit.

Also, bring some coal and your set up to do some blacksmithing on May 11th. Submitted by: Ted Stout



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Pictures taken at the 2012 show

## Tri-County Quilters continued...

After sewing on four rows, mine was wrong. So, I "un-sewed" back to the octagon and started over. Since I am left handed I had been sewing in a direction that wasn't comfortable for me. After changing that, a light bulb went off in my head and then everything went right. Thankfully, I wasn't the only one with problems. Several other ladies were as "dense" as me. We were blessed that Joan is a retired teacher since I'm sure she thought she was back in school. Some of our more accomplished quilters chose beautiful contrasting colors and theirs were gorgeous! I am not happy with my choice of colors, but this is only my first one, and, may be my last!

We were happy to have Karen back with us after some months on the road. She and her husband have a semi and are all over the country and in Canada. She calls me often and my first question to her is always "where are you?" She takes her sewing machine sometimes, but sewing time is limited. They also take a little dog along.

We are all looking forward to History Day at the show grounds. This year we are going to demonstrate the history of sewing machines and how sewing has evolved from treadle machine and hand quilting to electric machines and long arm quilting.

Beverly and Diana have approximately 400 four-patch blocks for the kids to put in their bags. I will be hand quilting on the porch if the weather permits. Hopefully the weather is great and no mud.

Donna Starry and I went to a demonstration on making bobbin lace. WOW! Lots of talent there! Some were tatting, crocheting, netting and some beautiful embroidery and then the bobbin lace. It is fabulous but, very time consuming - only one inch per hour. I fell in love with it and Donna simply "shook her head"! Starting with 24 bobbins laid in a half circle, and only using 4 bobbins at a time, the technique is pretty simple...I think! Anyway, I am going to a meeting on the 11th of May and see how I feel about it and after that I may be "shaking my head" also!

Still trying to sew, Sophia

Submitted by: Sophia Rosa

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The Minneapolis-Moline Z was the first tractor in the Visionlined series, and the first to sport the prairie gold and red paint scheme.



Picture Taken at the 2012 show

LAST BUT NOT LEAST...

## History Day

### REMINDER – CAMPING:

May 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> are scheduled camping days at the show grounds in conjunction with History Day.  
\$10.00 per night (not required but will off-set the extra electricity).

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