

U.P. Steam and Gas Engine Association

NEWSLETTER APRIL 2023

President: Jim Yoder (2022/2023) **Vice President:** Tony Beauchamp (2023/2024)

Secretary: Jon Paul LaFave (2022/2023) **Treasurer:** Joseph Cilc (2023/2024)

Directors: Skip DuFour (2022/2023); Bob Willis (2023/2024); Bob Hawkins (2023/2024); Larry Anderson (2023/2024); Susie Beauchamp (2022/2023); **Alternate Director:** Anne Chapman (2022/2023); **Board Appointments:** Show Manager, Nicole Landers; Flea Market Chair, Lorraine Zawacki; Parade Chair, Larry Anderson; SOS Liaison, Wendy Gibson; Bill Kolpack, Parliamentarian

To access our web page and Facebook page, use this address:

www.upsteamandgasengine.org

2023 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Village Museum (Every Thursday)	Starting 6/1	Noon - 4 p.m.
Village Shops (Every Thursday)	Starting 6/1	Noon - 4 p.m.
Village Days/Music Festival	6/10	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
U.P. Trappers Convention	7/27 thru 7/29	Village Hours TBD
Hiawathaland Cub Scout Fun Day	8/5	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
U.P. State Fair (Preview Day)	8/14	5 p.m. - 8 p.m. - Village Open
U.P. State Fair	8/15 thru 8/20	11 a.m. - 7 p.m. - Village Open 7 a.m. - 8 p.m. - Cook Shack Open
U.P. Steam & Gas Engine Show	9/1	9 a.m. - 5 p.m. - Gate Times Cook Shack Hours TBD
Exhibitor Breakfast	9/2	7 a.m. - 9 a.m. - Ruth Butler Building
U.P. Steam & Gas Engine Show	9/2	9 a.m. - 7 p.m. - Gate Times
Exhibitor Breakfast	9/3	7 a.m. - 9 a.m. - Ruth Butler Building
U.P. Steam & Gas Engine Show	9/3	9 a.m. - 7 p.m. - Gate Times
Exhibitor Breakfast	9/4	7 a.m. - 5 p.m. - Ruth Butler Building
U.P. Steam & Gas Engine Show	9/4	9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Gate Times
Fall Family Fun Day	10/7	11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Christmas in the Village	12/1 & 12/2	11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

~ WORK BEE MAY 6TH ~

There will be a Work Bee scheduled for May 6, starting approximately at 9:00 a.m. Please bring rakes, yard tools, etc. This will be mainly a grounds clean-up Work Bee with raking leaves and branches. It may also be a good time to spruce up your shop, inside or out!

There will be additional Work Bees scheduled throughout the season. As you will notice, the Scoop & Float Ice Cream Shop is getting some big repairs done with the outside torn up. Other buildings need maintenance in certain areas and a running list of repairs needed will be ongoing. Please consider helping out with the work that needs to be done this year!! If you are able to volunteer (please see Volunteer Hours Opportunity below) and help out with any of the projects, please contact Jim Yoder or any Board Member. All Club Work Bees will be posted in the Newsletter or will be posted through email and on our website.

~ BY-LAW UPDATES - PLEASE REVIEW ~

The Board of Directors approved a motion to update the Clubs current By-Laws. A proposed draft has been completed. The next step is to have the Membership review the amended draft copy of the By-Laws. Please note that the proposed changes are all in bold type with capital letters.

A draft of the proposed By-Law changes will be attached along with the April Newsletter to those receiving their Newsletter by email. Those who receive their Newsletter by mail will receive a copy in the mail. A copy will also be posted on the U.P. Steam & Gas Engine Association website. Please review the draft copy of the By-Laws and direct any questions or concerns to Jim Yoder. The changes will be voted on at the July 5th Membership Meeting.

~ 48th ANNUAL SHOW UPDATE ~

Early registrations are still coming in. We have close to 100 already pre-registered for 2023. Our 48th Annual Show will be featuring Oliver Farm Machinery. There will be bands playing on Saturday and Sunday evenings. Please watch for updates in upcoming Newsletters and on our website. Nicole Landers is our Show Manager. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Nicole at 906-280-8453.

~ FLEA MARKET ~

The 2023 Flea Market will be managed by Lorraine Zawacki. Applications will be going out to vendors the first week of May. Please watch for them in the mail. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Lorraine at 906-466-2259. Watch for future updates!

~ SOS UPDATE~

Tickets are here for the 2023 quilt. It is very unique and beautiful. Please see Joanne for your tickets to sell. We have 2500 this year, so the sooner we start selling the better. The quilt is in its final phase of being complete. There will be a scheduled time to help sew up the outside binding. Please watch out for that and help out if you are able.

Plans are being pulled together to hold Sewing Classes in 2023 at the Village. Watch for more details to come on these classes.

The SOS will be having a plaque made in honor of Nancy Gage and Ann Roman. This plaque will be placed on the outside of the Infirmary building. Joanne Dufour will be working on getting this completed.

~ CHAPEL NEWS ~

There will be a wedding at the Chapel on Tuesday, September 26, 2023. Please keep this date in mind when planning any kind of work within the Village.

Contact Ann Salyer at annsana@aol.com for any questions pertaining to the Chapel.

~ MUSEUM UPDATE ~

The Committee has plans for several projects for 2023 and have already been in the Museum working on updating displays. Stop in once in a while and see what they have been working on and perhaps you may be interested in volunteering time to help complete a project or two. Contact Bob or any Committee Member if you have questions or would like to volunteer time. Those volunteering to be on the Committee are: Bob Willis, Joe Cilc, Pete Conine, Larry Anderson, Dave Houseman and Bob Hawkins. Bob Willis will be the Chairperson of the Museum Committee. The Museum Committee will meet on a regular basis to improve operations and displays in the Museum. We appreciate the work that these volunteers will be doing.

~ HAPPENING IN THE VILLAGE IN 2023 - THINGS TO WATCH FOR! ~

- ❖ Work Bee - May 6, approximately 9:00 a.m. Please bring rakes, yard tools.
- ❖ June 10, 2023 - Village Days/Music Festival - many demos and music - details to come!!
- ❖ Demonstrations on alternating Thursdays through summer - dates to be determined!
- ❖ Sewing Classes coming to the Village - dates to be determined - watch for more info!
- ❖ U.P. Trappers Convention - July 27, 28 & 29. Village hours to be determined.
- ❖ August 5, 2023 - Boy Scout Days with activities throughout the Village - more info soon!

~ CONDOLENCES ~

Our sincere condolences to the family and friends of Nancy Gage who passed away on Sunday, April 16, 2023. Nancy was a part of the Village as Manager of the Infirmary. She had many friends outside and within our Membership.

Services were held on Friday, April 21, 2023, at the Skradski Funeral Home in Escanaba. Rampart EMS conducted a "Last Call". On Saturday, the Eagles Auxiliary 1088 presented a funeral ritual at 11:30 AM at the Skradski Funeral Home. Nancy will be laid to rest in the Holy Cross Cemetery in Escanaba. A luncheon was held at the Eagles 1088 Club.

Our heartfelt condolences to Nancy's family and friends. She will be missed.

~ VOLUNTEER HOURS OPPORTUNITY (Revised) ~

Since our Labor Day Weekend Show is continuously growing and costs have increased there is a need for changes in our Club. Due to rising operating costs for our Labor Day weekend show, we need to make some changes. At our January Board meeting it was voted & approved to implement a volunteer hour opportunity. A summary of the opportunity criteria is as follows:

- 5 hours volunteer time for an individual member and 10 hours volunteer time for a family per calendar year (Jan 1 - Dec 31). One (1) person from a family can contribute all 10 hours.
- Lifetime members are exempt from volunteer hour requirements.
- If volunteer hours are met during the year of 2023, the camping fee of \$60.00 will be waived at our 2024 Labor Day weekend show.
- If volunteer hours are NOT met during the 2023 year, the camping fee of \$60.00 will be charged to the member who is using a camping space at our 2024 Labor Day weekend show.

This criteria is effective and will back date to January 1, 2023. The members that attended the January 7th Work Bee will be credited for the hours worked.

Board and Membership meetings will not count towards volunteer hours.

Starting in 2024, members & non-members will be charged \$60 for camping at our Labor Day show Thursday- Monday.

Volunteer hours can be completed during Work Bees, U.P. State Fair, Labor Day Show, Christmas in the Village and any Club activity that help is needed at. I will continue to post on our Members Only Facebook and email anytime we are needing help.

Please reach out to me if work is done and I am not present so I can make sure everyone's hours get recorded. I understand this will take a bit to adjust to & people will have questions. Please feel free to reach out to me: Nicole Landers (906) 280-8453 or

Diamond45transport@gmail.com

~ MEMBERSHIP DUES ~

All membership renewals can now be paid for 2023. Remember, our membership year is January 1st to December 31st. Please use the Membership Application included in this Newsletter to send in your membership if you have not already done so. Of course, new members may join at any time of the year. Lifetime Membership Cards are available to members who qualify. If you have any questions regarding your membership, please contact Wendy Gibson at (906)251-0119 or wlgibson2010@gmail.com. Thank you for your support to our Association!!

~ YOUTUBE, WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA NEWS ~

In 2022 U.P. Steam and Gas once again increased our reach on social media.

Our Facebook page reached 89,906 people in 2022. We received 8,315 likes and reactions to our posts, 633 comments, and 1,787 shares. We welcomed 390 new followers, giving us a year end total of 2,268.

You can find our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/UPSteamAndGas>

78 people have joined our private Members only Facebook group. If you are on Facebook and a club member, you really should join. Nicole Landers does an outstanding job administrating the group. She also does a lot of work on the public Facebook page as well.

You can find the Members Only Facebook group at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/994917891289915/?ref=share>

Our Instagram posts reached 18,036 people in 2022. The top Five cities where our followers reside are Escanaba, Michigan; Cumming, Georgia; Ball Ground, Georgia; Senoia, Georgia; and Sydney, NSW, Australia. We attracted 98 new followers, giving us a year end total of 261.

You can find our Instagram page at <https://www.instagram.com/upsteam.gas/>

We received 24,597 total video views on YouTube in 2022. Viewers came from the United States, Brazil, Canada, India, Poland, Russia, France, Mexico, Vietnam, Germany, the United Kingdom, the Philippines, Italy, the Netherlands, Turkey, Malaysia, Argentina, Indonesia, Sweden, Thailand, Spain, Denmark, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Japan and Ukraine. Our YouTube channel gained 40 new subscribers, giving us a year end total of 315.

You can find our channel at www.youtube.com/c/UPSteamGasEngineAssn

Thank you to everyone who interacts with our social media content. Every like, comment, share, and follow helps extend our reach, both locally and worldwide.

In 2023 we plan to continue utilizing Facebook as our main announcement and advertising outlet. For those of you not on Facebook, we're working for a way to add announcements to our website.

Our Instagram will remain primarily a photo sharing outlet. We typically post two photos and one short video each week. While some content cross-posts with Facebook, the majority of it is exclusive to Instagram.

This year we moved from a bi-weekly to a weekly schedule on YouTube. Every Tuesday at 7 AM, we release a new video, slideshow, or short. What's a short? YouTube Shorts are vertical videos that are 60 seconds or less in length. Although they've been around for less than six months, shorts are proving to be very popular. Our first short debuted on January 3 and received 3,500 views the first week.

If you have photos or videos taken at any of our events, we'd love to share them on social media. You can contact us through any of our social media profiles or email us at UPSteamAndGasEngine@gmail.com.

Again, thanks for your support.

Terry Starlin & Sharon Willis
Website and Social Media Team



~ REMINDERS TO MEMBERSHIP ~

All requests for demonstrations, speaking and vending in the Village proper must go through the VVC for review. The Board makes all final decisions. The VVC job description is available upon request. **VVC (Village Vendors Committee) consist of all Antique Village Shop Managers.**

~ MEETING SCHEDULE ~

Wednesday, May 3, 2023

Membership Meeting @ Chamber of Commerce Building at 6:30 p.m. Membership Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month.

Thursday, May 18, 2023

SOS (Sisters of Steam) Meeting @ Antique Village School House at 11:30 a.m. SOS Meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month.

Tuesday, May 30, 2023

VVC Meeting @ Antique Village Community Hall at 6:30 p.m. VVC Meetings are held on the last Tuesday of each month.

Wednesday, May 31, 2023

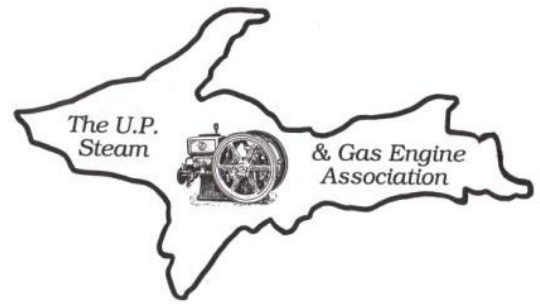
Board of Directors Meeting @ Chamber of Commerce Building at 6:30 p.m. Board Meetings are held on the last Wednesday of each month.

Wednesday, June 7, 2023

Membership Meeting @ Chamber of Commerce Building at 6:30 p.m. Membership Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month.

Membership Application

By submitting this form, I agree to support the Association by paying my dues and by assisting to the best of my ability.



New Membership Renewing Membership

Single Membership (\$15 annual dues) Family Membership (\$20 annual dues)

Lifetime Membership (No annual dues, donation appreciated)
Must be at least 70 years of age and been a member for 10 consecutive years to be eligible

Method of Payment: Cash Check made payable to the U.P. Steam and Gas Engine Association

Date of Application _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone (_____) _____ Email _____

Please indicate the areas in which you would consider volunteering a few hours of your time:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Fair Week | <input type="checkbox"/> Annual Show | <input type="checkbox"/> Christmas in the Village |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cook Shack | <input type="checkbox"/> Show Set Up | <input type="checkbox"/> Advertising & Promotion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> General Store | <input type="checkbox"/> Show Clean Up | <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural Museum |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Cream Shop | <input type="checkbox"/> Breakfast | <input type="checkbox"/> Photography & Video |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Museum Office | <input type="checkbox"/> Cook Shack | <input type="checkbox"/> Village Landscaping |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saw Mill | <input type="checkbox"/> Cut Off Saw | <input type="checkbox"/> Village Maintenance |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Exhibitor Registration | <input type="checkbox"/> Website & Social Media |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Flea Market | <input type="checkbox"/> Work Bees |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Gate | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> General Store | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Cream Shop | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Memberships | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Museum Office | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Pie Sales | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Saw Mill | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Shingle Mill & Rock Crusher | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Threshing & Bailing | |

Please mail application and payment to:
Memberships
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