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This Old Iron—Dave Foley by Dave Ruhland

WAPA vice president, Dave Foley, was born in Cook County Hospital, Chicago, Illinois. When he was 9 years old his family moved to Glendale, California, where he finished school and dove into life. Dave's dad and brother Mike were machinists and it was his father who taught him how to work on cars and fix things, the seed had been planted that would bare fruit later. His dad gave him a 54 Chevy that he dearly loved, and he got married at 20 years of age. He was divorced after about 9 years from his first marriage having a daughter, Sherry, who passed away at an early age of a disease. Dave started a truck driving career by supporting his family driving a tow truck for police impound yards and AAA, for the first 10 years.

Dave moved up to big rig trucks driving for Pepsi, McClane and others. While working for Pepsi he met Tim Neely, WAPA's safety officer, and they have remained friends since 1990. In 1996 Dave met his wife Angie and they have been married for 26 very happy years. He has a daughter Sheena and a granddaughter named Sabrina who is 21. Dave has always loved hiking, camping, working on cars, dirt biking and archery.

Tim Neely and Lance Wilson introduced Dave to car shows and since Dave had a 68 Chevy ½ ton step side named Pumpkin (because of the orange paint job), they used to do the San Bernardino Route 66 Show together. Dave bought his first tractor, a National, from Lance Wilson. He joined WAPA in 2019 or 2020 and has been active with the club, especially helping with the Cal Poly Pumpkin Festival.

Thanks Dave for being my second crack at this bit for the newsletter.



President's Message by Bob Smith

I sat down with Craig Walters, the person who makes the decisions on whether or not we make major improvements to the WAPA property, to discuss what WAPA would like to accomplish for 2024.

The first item was to move in our 40' shipping container for additional storage. We would set it approximately 30' from our buildings south wall and construct a roof between the building and the shipping container. Craig gave us the green light. The next big project regards the clubs 160 horsepower Western engine. For those of you that are not aware of it, several members rescued the engine from a water pumping building in south Ontario owned by shareholders of the Chino Water Company. The majority of the known shareholders donated the engine to WAPA. It has been stored at Greg Stires equipment yard in Ontario for the past several years. I would like to see this engine placed and running in a building adjacent to our existing building. The project would require excavation and pouring a massive concrete footing and then have a heavy equipment hauler move the engine from Ontario to Pomona, then with a large crane, lift the engine and place it on the foundation. After the engine is in place, we can construct some kind of building around it. This is not a small task due to the size and weight of this engine. Craig gave his approval to move the engine on-site. I will make the move of the engine an agenda item and the progress will be discussed at each meeting.

This should make for a very exciting year so if you can help in any way, you are welcome to join us and lend a hand.

Next WAPA Board Meeting
January 6, 2024
9:00am at Cal Poly



Get ready for the 2024 WAPA Fun Day.

Saturday, January 13, starting at 7:00 am until the fun runs out.

Coffee and donuts in the morning,
Chili and fixings at lunch with donations.

Swap meet, silent auction of WAPA treasures, engines running,
tractors cruising, hay rides and fun for all.

Bring something to sell and lots of cash to buy that
special item you have been looking for.

Location: The WAPA building behind the Farm Store, 4102 S. University Dr., Pomona, CA 91768

Flabob Airport Show by Paul Montgomery

The Veterans Day event at Flabob Airport is the last official show of the year for WAPA, and usually one of the best.

Everyone was there early to get displays up and running before the crowds of spectators were allowed in. Engines were running, flywheels spinning, belts slapping, but alas, no spectators. Seems the event organizers relocated most participants to other areas of the airport but left WAPA out in the cold. Speaking of cold, we all

did enjoy excellent homemade ice cream compliments of Mark Panzone. Lance brought his Wards Riverside motorcycle to ride around. Eric showed his recently acquired McCormick Deering engine with a water pump. But despite all that, by the end of the day we were feeling forlorn like the Maytag repairman.

Our excellent show director Mitchell has assured us that the Flabob event organizers will have us back in the thick of things for next year.







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WESTERN ANTIQUE POWER ASSOCIATES, INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

December 9, 2023 9:00am

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Bob Smith, Dave Foley, Ron Haskell, Paul Montgomery, Tim Neely, Mitchell Reichwein, Lance Wilson.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Brian Stoops and Kelley Garcia

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dick Bouma, Cody Crowley, John DeLazzaro, Valerie DeLazzaro, Carol Haskell, Bob Holman, Bill Karp, Dan Kato, Dale Linn, Steven Mandell, Ellen Morse, Merle Morse, Dave Pasillas, Carl Pfetzing, Danny Ponce, John Rimpau, Lorelie Rimpau, Dave Ruhland, Sparky Sealy, Joe Siddons, Eric Waltzer, Clay Wilson.

VISITORS: Jane Wangjaya.

CALL TO ORDER: President Bob Smith at 9:00 am.

FLAG SALUTE: Led by Dave Foley.

WELCOME: President Bob Smith welcomed members and reminded them they may speak on any subject brought before the board.

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS REMARKS/REPORTS

PRESIDENT: Bob Smith: At our January meeting the new board will be sworn in and start conducting business. We now have a big screen TV projecting the agenda.

VICE PRESIDENT: Dave Foley thanked everyone for attending the meeting. Dave had just returned from a 10 day trip to Morro Bay.

SECRETARY: Lance Wilson made a motion to approve Minutes of the Board Meeting held on November 4. Second by Mitchell Reichwein.

TREASURER: Kelley Garcia was absent. Bob Smith presented the financial report. As of November 30, 2023 the Savings Account had \$32,156.27, the WAPA Museum Account had \$166,849.25, and the Checking Account had a balance of \$2,392.88.

MEMBERSHIP: Brian Stoops was absent. Total membership: 110, active dues-paying members: 77, life members; 28, Honorary members: 4, complimentary members: 1. A motion was made by Mitchell Reichwein to accept Henry Moore as a new member. Second by Ron Haskell. Henry paid through Pay Pal from Terrell, NC.

PURCHASING: Paul Montgomery: WAPA apparel for sale. 2025 will be WAPA's 50 year milestone. We need to work on something to commemorate the occasion. A motion was made by Ron Haskell to purchase a tractor from Mark Panzone and seconded by Dave Foley. A motion was made by Mitchell Reichwein to have Mark Panzone and crew build the kitchen enclosure and seconded by Dave Foley. Both motions received unanimous board approval. Paul Montgomery tendered his resignation as purchasing agent for WAPA, effective December 31, 2023.

SAFETY: Tim Neely: No new safety issues to report.

SHOWS: Mitchell Reichwein gave an update on the Flabob show on November 11 and the Fairplex show on November 18. The WAPA fun day and swap meet is scheduled to be held on January 13, 2024.

MUSEUM: Ron Haskell gave an update on the building improvements: new slab for a wash station. Ron discussed the issues with the Ford tractor's bucket and Gannon and the need to purchase a different tractor from Mark Panzone. Finish Library. Build a corn crib. Move the 40' container next year.

EDITORS: Carol Haskell and Ellen Morse: Deadline for articles December 20.

CAL POLY: Bob Smith reports that there are many tractors to be worked on. We only have 10 months. We will be building another large hay wagon next year. The chassis for it was moved from Ron's house to our building. Bob will be working with Craig Walters to start moving the 160hp Western on-site.

COMMITTEE REPORT: None. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

NEW BUSINESS: None

Meeting adjourned: 10:39 am. Next meeting: January 6, 2024

Lance Wilson, Secretary

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New WAPA Library by Ron Haskell

Thanks to our hard working crew we have a good looking library, ready to fill with the books and materials we've been saving over the years.



More Flabob Pictures





January Birthdays

Bill Karp
Dale Linn
Joseph Schofield
Rob Skinner
Michael Tyler



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