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Volunteer Opportunities

The Larsen Tractor Test & Power Museum is currently seeking individuals who would like to be volunteer tour guides. No prior knowledge of tractors or tractor testing is needed, all you need is willingness to learn and a desire to interact with our guests. Hours are flexible during the week, some Saturday availability will be required.

Please contact us for more information about becoming a volunteer.

Join us and become part of something BIG.

Museum Hours:

Tuesday - Friday 9AM - 4PM
Saturday 10AM - 2PM

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Museum Open House & Tractor Show

The Larsen Tractor Test & Power Museum will be having an open house on Saturday, April 13th from 10AM until 2PM. There will also be a tractor show on the mall south of Chase Hall. Participants are welcome; all tractors must have working brakes, all drivers must have a valid driver's license, and no riders will be permitted.

This event will be held in conjunction with the CASNR (College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources) Week festivities scheduled by the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources (IANR) on East Campus. The day's events will conclude with the annual Burr-Fedde-Love Bull Fry from 4:00-8:00 p.m. in front of Burr Hall.

Bring the whole family and come see what is new and happening at the museum. New exhibits are now on display, including the first tractor model ever tested, the Waterloo Boy Model N. Also on display is a model farm created by UNL student Adam Frerichs, who works at the Nebraska Tractor Test Lab. His model has won several awards and will be in the Museum through June 1st.

We will be taking free-will donations for building renovations, which will include a new museum store, the Bill Splinter Memorial Art Gallery, engine displays, and exhibit restorations.



Freshman Adam Frerichs' farm model, now on display at the Larsen Tractor Test & Power Museum.

Get Involved

Become a corporate partner of the Larsen Tractor Test & Power Museum. There are two levels of participation.

Level 1 requires an annual donation of \$500. Your company will be recognized on our Partners Wall.

Level 2 requires an annual donation of \$1000, and your company will be recognized on our Partners Wall and listed as a sponsor on a Museum exhibit.

For more information on how to become a corporate partner, contact Lance Todd at 402.472.8389 or by email at ltodd6@unl.edu.

Fun Facts... and other non-sense

The first engine-powered farm tractors used steam and were introduced in 1868. These engines were built as small road locomotives and were operated by one man if the engine weighed less than five tons. These machines were used for general hauling and used heavily by the timber industry. The most popular steam tractor was the Garrett 4CD.

Calling All Tractor Clubs

Antique tractor clubs who are interested in becoming a Larsen Museum partner, through the sponsorship of an exhibit, or being an advocate for Museum volunteers, are encouraged to contact Lance Todd at ltodd6@unl.edu or by phone at 402.472.8389. The clubs will be represented on our Partners Wall, and their names will be displayed on the sponsored exhibits.

Club members may wish to become Museum volunteers and help maintain our collections and give tours of our facility to visitors throughout the summer. Schedules are very flexible, and Saturdays are available for those who do not wish to volunteer during the week. Prior knowledge is not required, we just ask that you have a willingness to learn and share with our visitors.

Allis WC Donated to the Museum

The Larsen Tractor Test & Power Museum accepted the recent donation of a fully restored 1937 Allis-Chalmers WC from Clarke Mundhenke of Lincoln. This tractor was purchased new from the Seward dealership by Clarke's grandfather, who sold it to Clarke's father to use on their farm. After his father passed, Clarke began the restoration of the tractor.

"We are very pleased with our recent acquisition; it is a wonderful addition to our collection," Museum Manager Lance Todd said. The tractor will be part of an exhibit that features both of the collection's Allis WC tractors, one on steel wheels and one on rubber tires. The restoration of the collection's 1936 WC will begin this summer with the goal of having the exhibit ready in 2014.

WANTED MUSEUM VOLUNTEERS

Become a volunteer at the **Larsen Tractor Test & Power Museum** and experience the unique history of tractor testing and technology dating back to the early 1900s. Volunteers will learn the history of the collection and the Nebraska Test Law in order to share with our visitors. Anyone can be a volunteer and no prior knowledge is necessary. All we ask is that you have a willingness to learn and share. Please contact Museum Manager Lance Todd at ltodd6@unl.edu or call 402.472.8389 for more information. Some Saturdays may be required.

Museum Hours:

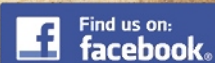
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The museum is located on East Campus at 35th & Fair Street, north of Chase Hall.



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First Annual Tractor Show

Official Registration Card

All registrations must be sent in via mail or email by Wednesday, April 10th.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email Address: _____

Tractor Information

Year: _____

Make: _____

Model: _____

Special Features: _____

The show will be held in the mall south of Chase Hall from 10AM - 1PM. After the show, the tractors will make their way to the museum for loading. All tractors must be loaded by 2PM.

All tractors must have operational brakes, steering, and any additional safety features. All entries will be inspected prior to the show. All drivers must have a valid driver's license, and absolutely no riders will be permitted.

Additional information regarding parking, unloading, and loading will be distributed via email the week of the show. All tractors will be welcome, including pulling, antique, restored, and unrestored tractors. Come show off what you have in your collection while visiting ours. Please feel free to contact the Larsen Tractor Test & Power Museum with any questions you may have about this event.

Getting Branded

It's official! The Larsen Tractor Test & Power Museum has an official brand recognized by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. The new logo features a retro look that lends itself to the Museum's collections and will allow the Museum to market tourism and merchandise in the Museum's store.

The brand has already been installed on several Museum signs, shirts for the volunteers and staff, and the Museum's Facebook page and website. Plans are underway to design a booth display for fairs and trade shows for the upcoming season. Apparel and novelty items will be developed for sale in the Museum store. Like our Facebook page and tell us what you think!

Facebook Giveaway

Like the *Larsen Tractor Museum* on Facebook and you will be automatically entered for a prize giveaway. As soon as we hit 125 likes, we will give out a prize to one of our random fans!



Scan the qr code with any smart device to go to our Facebook page.

Restoration Notes

Along with the Fordson project, we will begin working on our 1936 Allis-Chalmers WC on steel wheels for the rubber versus steel wheel exhibit. The goal is to have this display ready, along with the Fordson display, by 2014.

If you would like to make a contribution to any of these projects, please contact Lance Todd at 402.472.8389 or by email at ltodd6@unl.edu.

Museum Needs

The museum is seeking the following items for display and exhibit purposes:

- Old barn wood
- Full dimensional lumber
- IHC 15-30 with PTO
- 1961 Allis D19 Engine

If you have any of these items, please contact Lance Todd at 402.472.8389 or by email at ltodd6@unl.edu.

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Closed:
Sundays, Mondays & University Holidays



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Mission Statement:

To be the premier steward of advancements in agricultural technology through the development of collections, exhibits, and programs for public benefit.



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