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Dear Eagle Tractor and Engine Owners,

The Bollinger family will be hosting its second Eagle Tractor and Engine Rally in conjunction with their annual antique tractor, engine, car and truck show. Our first Eagle rally was in 2005 and remains the largest Eagle gathering ever held. (see picture to right) This reunion will start on Wednesday July 3rd, 2013 and go through Sunday July 7th 2013. The Bollinger family farm is in Chelsea, MI, located just off interstate 94 west of Ann Arbor.



The last rally had owners from MN, IA, WI, IN, OH, MI & Canada. We had 21 two cylinder tractors, 7 six cylinder tractors, 6 stationary and portable engines, one silage cutter and a nice variety of hay tools. Preliminary head counts indicate most or all from the first rally will return along with new owners and several others that didn't make it. At this time we are in the upper 20's with just the 2 cylinder tractors! The "might be able to attend" owners could easily push that number to over 30. Every model and size of Eagle tractor known to exist, along with several one and two cylinder engines, silage cutters and even a couple of operating scale models will be there. It will be a very impressive display and as an Eagle owner we would like you to be an exhibitor and enjoy this fun and once in a lifetime historic event.

Bring your equipment in ahead of time if needed, or leave it for a later pick up after the rally and we will provide safe storage. We understand that not everyone can be present the entire time. We will make sure your exhibits are safely displayed and taken care of per your instructions until you return. There is typically an impressive professional fireworks display and a live band for evening entertainment. On site camping is available with a limited number of hookups. Showers, bathrooms and kitchen facilities are available. There are several motels nearby and plenty of shopping and places to see in the area. More info on activities, site amenities, food, and directions will follow.

We encourage you to bring whatever you have regardless of condition, running or not. You'll see both original and restored tractors and engines. Leave the tractors as idled exhibits or operate them at will. Tents will be available for equipment that people want to leave under cover. We will have a Baker fan, saw mill, power eater, pulling sled and plowing and tillage activities. We'll belt up 2 Eagles on the saw mill and several together Amish style, to perform other tasks. Loader tractors are available for loading and moving your equipment.

Bring your literature and memorabilia. Talk with other Eagle owners who may be interested in exhibiting, coordinate trucking and let us know if we've missed someone. This will be a great time with friends and family and a chance to meet and learn from other Eagle owners. You won't want to miss it.

This event is strictly invitation only for exhibitors and their families. Our facilities and insurance do not allow for the general public, and this really makes it even more enjoyable and secure for the exhibitors and families. Jeff Vigue is coordinating the Eagle owner invitations and related activities. Mark your calendars and please let us know your plans. We look forward to seeing you.

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