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Governing Board Meeting

When: November 18th; 4:30pm

Where: Room 1J; Freightliner Corporate Building, [4747 N Channel Ave, Portland OR](http://www.oregonsae.org)

Meeting minutes and agenda are located at <http://www.oregonsae.org/GovBoard.html>

Friday Lunch Meeting

What: The World of Antique Tractors: History, Innovations, and Today

When: November 14th, 2008 from 11:30am to 1pm

Where: Daimler Trucks North America (Freightliner) Corporate Conference Center
Willamette West Room; 4555 N. Channel Ave, Portland OR. [map](#)

Cost: See page 2

RSVP: Blake Kashiwagi at Blake.Kashiwagi@Daimler.com by **Tuesday, November 12th**

Winter Social

What: Murder a Millionaire: Meet, Mix, and Murder!

When: Wednesday, December 10, 2008, 6:30pm – 9:00pm

Where: Kennedy School, Martha Jordan Room, 5736 N.E. 33rd Ave, Portland OR. [map](#)

Cost: See page 3

RSVP: Rebecca Bauman at: Rebecca.Bauman@Daimler.com by **Friday, December 5**

News/Announcements

Renew Your Membership Dues!!!

Please renew your SAE membership. A portion of these dues are refunded to our Oregon Section to help cover our operating costs. A few examples of section activities covered by membership dues include Student Project Fund to support collegiate engineering design, travel expenses for nationally renowned speakers & K-12 AWIM education.

Membership renewal is available online at <http://www.sae.org/membership/renew>

A summary of the membership benefits is available at <http://www.sae.org/membership/memguide.pdf>

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The World of Antique Tractors: History, Innovations, and Today Presented by Zack Peterson

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Cost: \$9 Lunch Meeting with meals for members and guests
\$5 Lunch Meeting with meals for students
\$10 Lunch Meeting with meals for non members
Free Lunch Meeting with no meals for members and guests
RSVP: Blake Kashiwagi at Blake.Kashiwagi@Daimler.com by **Tuesday, November 12th**

Until the early 1900's, much of the field work (plowing, planting, harvesting) in agriculture was done with horses. Tractors, first steam powered and then later gasoline powered, were introduced in the early 1900's as a way for farmers to be more productive. Since then, tractors have become an integral part to farming. They have transformed agriculture by greatly improving productivity. By doing this, many people have been inspired to restore tractors to their original glory, including Zach Peterson.

Zack grew up in Corvallis, OR. On his first birthday, he received a toy tractor, which sparked an interest in a hobby he's been involved with ever since. As a child he collected toy tractors and memorabilia, as a teenager he bought and restored his first antique tractor, and as an adult with his father, he has built a world class collection of over 100 antique tractors.

Zack's passion for the antique tractor world has led him to study the history of his machines, innovations of times past, and find continued uses for them today. His knowledge is highly regarded in the tractor collecting community and is somewhat special since he is a young person who did not experience these machines in a farm like setting, nor grow up when the machines were new. Zack's willingness to share his interest and knowledge is unparalleled, especially with his recent involvement with the National Speakers Association.



Come learn more about the history of tractors and the many mechanical innovations that have made the machines the centerpiece of American agriculture.

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Cost: \$20 Winter Social with meals for members and guests

\$15 Winter Social with meals for students

\$25 Winter Social with meals for non members

\$10 Winter Social with no meal for members and guests

RSVP: Rebecca Bauman at: Rebecca.Bauman@Daimler.com by **Friday, December 5, 2008**

- Please specify “voraciously vegetarian” or “creatively carnivorous”
- Motivated about murdering millionaires? Please let us know if you would like to be a “key player” in our murder mystery!

Murder Mystery: Murder a Millionaire

Have you ever wanted to kill people at a cocktail party? Well, here's your chance. Get out your fancy duds, enjoy a buffet-style dinner, mix with other SAE members, and maybe even kill someone! As the dinner progresses, so will the plot. Be the first to discover “whodunit” and win an Oregon SAE mug and certificate good for one free entry to the Oregon SAE activity of your choice in 2009.

Attire

Cocktail dresses, evening gowns, tuxedos, cravates, cummerbunds, costume jewelry and anything appropriate to the ‘millionaire’ theme is highly encouraged, but not required.

Alcohol

Alcohol and cocktails will be available for purchase at your discretion (or indiscretion). The Kennedy School charges a \$10 corking fee per bottle of wine if you choose to bring your own.

RSVP

Space is limited so please RSVP early. Please specify if you would like a vegetarian meal with your RSVP.