

Hello, Coby!

Following is the progress report for the Bailey Farm Divco Dairy truck restoration project for the week of 25 August 2019. Please refer to the attached photos. We have also incorporated all photos and this report into a PDF document for ease of review.

Work continues on the sanding and straightening of body components, in anticipation of bondo repairs and priming activities to follow. We expect that these activities will continue for some time into the future.

Initially, we helped with the cleanup of the 1955 Willys Jeep Fire Truck from Emerson Electric, to get it ready for a special exhibition. Repairs were made to the ignition, fuel system, and repairs are to begin to the brake system to make it fully operational.

The newly fabricated filler panel between the rear floor and the tail light/license plate panel was spot welded together, and first coat of bondo applied after the welds were ground down smooth. Final bondo operations on this combined panel will be completed this coming week.

Bondo application and repairs continued on the passenger and driver side of the truck. These operations will continue this coming week.

The lower floor pan in the operators cab was cleaned and rust reformer was applied. Also, cleaning and application of rust reformer was begun on the upper floor pans in the operators cab. These activities will continue this coming week, as well.

The order for the three additional modern wheels was placed with WheelsNow in Waukesha, Wisconsin. We asked that the pilot hole and the lug holes on each wheel be made 1/32 inch larger to accommodate our hubs. The representative advised that they would do that for us. We asked for an expedited invoice so that payment for the wheels could begin. As soon as the invoice is received, we will forward it to you.

We plan to repair the damage to the roof over the passenger side doorway this coming week, if time allows.

List of outstanding items for cosmetic restoration (NO PARTICULAR ORDER):

~~Clean, wirebrush truck floor in storage area~~

~~Paint truck storage area floor~~

Repair rust holes in rear doors/rear sheet metal by installing sheet metal panel over all holes

Repair/replace rusted areas of operator cab floor

Paint floor in operator cab area

Clean up, repair other areas in operator cab and clean/paint dashboard

Clean up steering wheel

Repair, reupholster driver seat

Repair roof area

Repaint roof area silver color

Fabricate new diamond plate panel for attachment to rear bumper

~~Repair or fabricate new damaged sheet metal panels on rear of truck behind bumper and reinstall~~

Align, repair rear doors

Complete weld repairs to sheet metal panels

Complete weld repairs to structural components for sheet metal attachment

~~Raise and resecure rear truck body to truck frame~~

Repair operator cab doors

Clean, repaint engine compartment

Repaint engine "Ford Blue" color

Reinstall expanded metal to grille in nose section and on vent grilles on sides of truck

Complete all sheet metal bondo repairs and prime all exterior sheet metal

Reinstall all parts removed from the truck, including front nose, fenders, hood sections and doors

Paint front and rear bumpers semi gloss black, and reinstall on truck

Final sand primer, and finish paint exterior

Install new decals on all sides of truck

Mount tires on new modern wheels either before or after repainting the wheels

Repaint and Install new modern wheels after tires mounted

Final cleanup and inspection for exhibition

We are blocking out items above that are completed, and may add or remove items above, as we get further into this project.

Hope to see you tomorrow.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John E Rastorfer Jr". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

John E Rastorfer Jr

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Bailey Farms Divco Dairy Truck Restoration Photos Week of 25 August 2019



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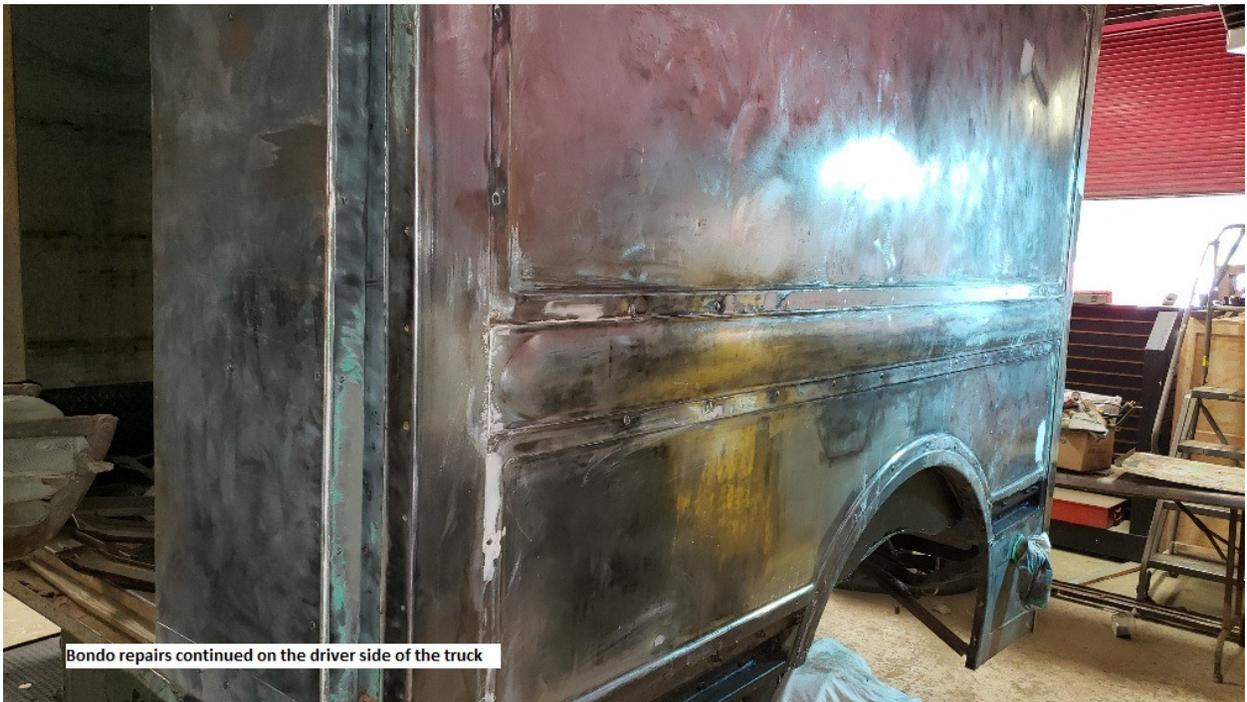
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Bondo repairs continued on the driver side of the truck





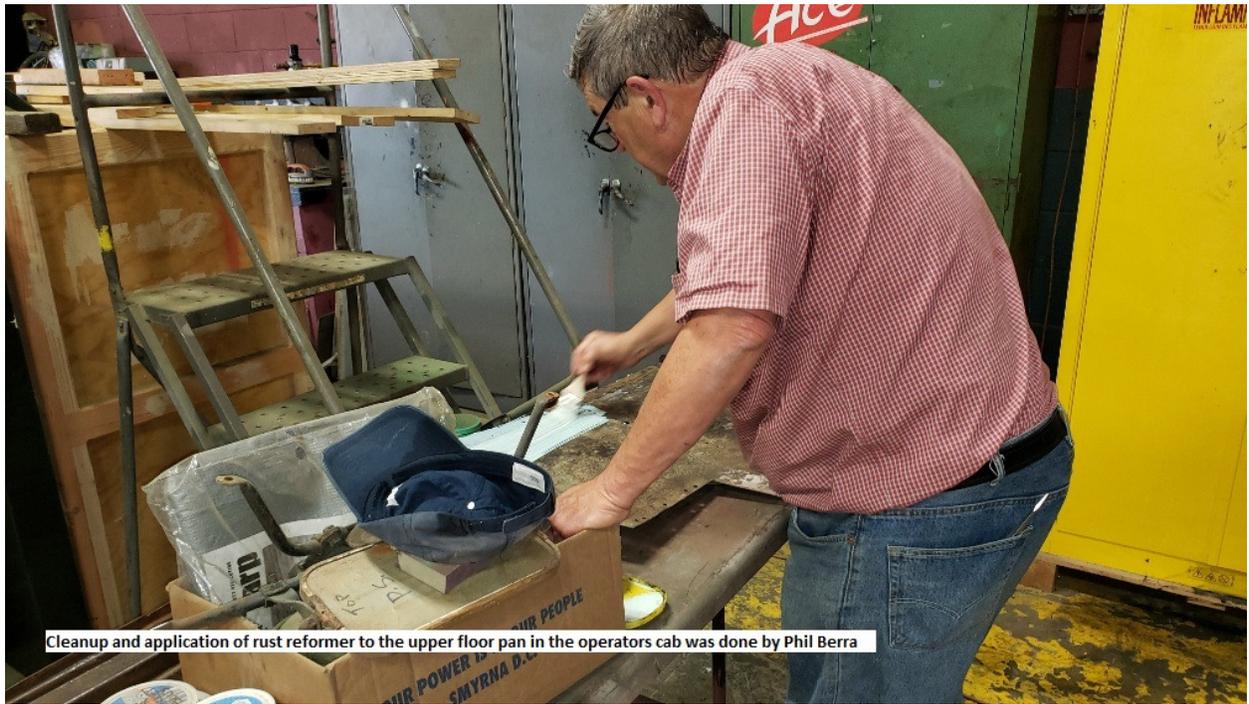
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