“Old Nancy”
From Retirement To Restoration

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Restoration began in 1974 with agricultural engineering students disassembling Old Nancy. All the parts (and there were lots of them) were completely disassembled. Most items were sandblasted and then repainted.

The photos above and below show Old Nancy being reassembled.

Duffner Boiler and Iron Works refurbished the boiler from Old Nancy. Shown here are their suggestions for the tasks that were needed.

The note below (sent to former Agricultural Engineering Department Head, Fred Kummer) accompanied a contribution toward the restoration of Old Nancy.

Keeping the wood fire going at the 1999 Ag Roundup.

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