GREATER KANSAS CITY TWO-CYLINDER CLUB

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2011 DREAM FACTORY TRACTOR CRUISE

From the Desk of the Club President:

It seemed it would never warm up this Spring, but we know one thing for sure -- the tractors will. At the present time we have around 83 paid members for 2011, which is a little less than last year at this time. A new development this year was the establishment of a much needed budget. Hopefully Linda and Bev are hard at work on the club cookbook as a fundraiser. We had a great time at Joe and Lori Meyer's Overland Tow business on Sunday, April 3, 2011 for the club meeting and barbecue. Thanks to Joe, Lori and Spike for the hospitality and delicious barbecue. The 6th Dream Factory Tractor Cruise, Saturday, May 7, 2011, at the Blue Springs High School in Blue Springs, MO was an overwhelming success under blue skies. A special thanks to Dan Hanna and the committee for a job well done. The American Royal and Missouri



State Fair Parades are always an exciting time later in the year and we look forward to being a part of them. Thanks to all the club members for everything they do for the club. As I said before, it takes a while to "getter done" but they "gotter done". Hope to see you at the National Agricultural Center and Hall of Fame on June 5, 2011 for our club picnic and meeting; and of course the other events throughout the year.

Don Hrabik

2011 Club Officers

Listed below is the club officers for 2011:

President:Don Hrabik1st Vice President:Bryce York2nd Vice President:Wes Storm3rd Vice President:Bob AntesTreasurer:Bary PorterSecretary:Justin Read

Note: Glenn Ratzlaff is the club historian. If anyone has any pictures of club activities, please send them to Glenn (1702 S Pollard Ave, Independence, MO 64055-1852). You will need to write on the back of the picture who is in the picture and what the activity is. His email address is gnlratz@comcast.net if you would like to send the pictures via email. Please give him a call in advance so he won't accidentally erase it 816/252-4063.

Dues for 2011

Speaking of club dues, they are \$25 a year and worth every penny because of our social and fun activities. Please check the mailing label on your newsletter. If it says "Paid Member 2010" or earlier at the top, then you will need to pay your 2011 dues to be current. If the mailing label is not correct please let the President know (913/262-5904). If you can't be at the next meeting you can send your dues to Bary Porter as listed below:

Bary Porter - Treasurer GKC Two-Cylinder Club 1012 N State Route 7 Pleasant Hill, MO 64080

Trivia:

Where was Mr. John Deere Born? See Page 10, Outside Cover, for the answer.



Club Website and Newsletter

The club website http://www.gkctcc.com/ has over 27,100 hits on it. Our webmasters have done a great job of putting our website together and keeping it up to date. Special thanks to John Didde and Justin Read. The web site gives our club world wide recognition along with reaching prospective members. We are looking for member stories for future issues of the newsletter. If you have any, please contact President Don Hrabik at 6206 Craig, Merriam, KS 66202, 913-262-5904 email: dhrabik@kc.surewest.net OR Secretary Justin Read at 10219 Forest Ave., Kansas City, MO 64131, 816-943-1090 email: onsitetech@mac.com

Upcoming Event News

June GKCTCC Meeting and Picnic -- June 5, 2011

The next scheduled meeting (and picnic) for the year will take place on Sunday, June 5, 2011, 1:00 p.m. at the National Agricultural Center and Hall of Fame in Bonner Springs, KS. Six years ago it was decided we should have a picnic starting at 1:00 p.m. with the formal meeting beginning at 2:00 p.m. In order for the picnic not to cost the club the following guidelines were established --- Everyone who comes with the last name beginning with A to M would bring a main dish and everyone who comes with the last name starting with N to Z would bring a side dish. Since this is the 6th year the A to M names should bring a main dish (example-fried chicken, meatballs, sandwiches, etc.) and the N to Z names bring a side dish (example - potato salad, beans, chips, desserts, etc.). Every year we rotate the alphabet. Everyone should bring their own drink. Paper goods will be provided. The activity will be held in the air conditioned barn at the Ag Hall so everyone can enjoy the day. Meeting agenda items will include: Tractor Daze activities, Dream Factory Tractor Cruise results, Plow Day results, and American Royal Parade Theme, etc..

Tractor Daze (Farm Heritage Days) -- July 8-9, 2011

Tractor Daze is scheduled for Saturday, July 9, 2011 at the National Agricultural Center and Hall of Fame in Bonner Springs, KS. July 8, 2011 is scheduled as set up day. Club activities this year will involve around "tractors" and will include: a large tractor pull, garden tractor pull, 2 pedal tractor pulls, parade of power, tractor display, and tractor games. Other activities taking place this year will include activities provided by the following clubs: Caterpillar, Red Power, and antique trucks. This year we will use Larry Richard's (Draggin Wagon) sled again for the large tractor pull. We will use Phil Parson's (Old Yeller) sled again for the garden tractor pull. The (Old Yeller) sled is self-propelled so the help needed for the garden tractor pull will be somewhat less than the large tractor pull. The (Draggin Wagon) sled will need a pull back tractor. Mike Corum has offered to bring the pull back tractor. As you can see a lot of help will be needed for the action packed day so everyone can find time to get around and enjoy the day. A Tractors Daze Flyer that covers the different activities and times during the day will be available with the next newsletter.

2011 Club Budget Information

The past few months, club officers and a few other members met on three different occasions to establish a club budget for 2011. The following information provides input into our 501(c)3 status along with budget guidelines to allow our club to grow.

We are a charitable organization organized under Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code. Activities of the club are tax exempt and all donations to the Club are tax deductible. We are an all volunteer organization and no member receives pay of any kind for their efforts.

Money that the club makes is used to support several other charities such as the National Agricultural Hall of Fame, Harvesters, Powell Gardens and the Dream Factory. The club also does a lot of things that don't show up in our finances, such as organizing a tractor pull that the Ag Hall charges admission for, and holding a tractor cruise that collects pledges directly for the Dream Factory. We also provide tractors to show and parade at Powell Gardens, the American Royal, Western Farm Show, and many local events in the greater Kansas City area. All of this supports the club's mission of promoting the interest and education of the public in the preservation and restoration of antique tractors.

For the past several years we have spent just a little more than we took in. We need a few years of taking in more than we spend. We have created a budget for 2011 and each event is close to break-even, but will cost the club a small amount. As it stands now the cash reserves of the club will shrink a little more in 2011.

As a club we need to plan some new activities to increase our cash reserves and in turn increase the financial stability of the club. We should work toward each event making a little money for the club instead of using club money. Plans for this year include enhancing participation in the Annual White Elephant Auction in the fall and possibly starting an annual cash raffle. **Let's all get on board and keep our club strong.**

April GKCTCC Meeting and BBQ April 3, 2011

WOW!! What a great start to the tractor season. The GKCTCC had its second meeting of the year on Sunday, April 3, 2011, Overland Tow, in Merriam, KS. Thanks to Joe Meyer, wife Lorie, and father-in law Duane "Spike" Spieker for their hospitality and great barbecue. Thanks also to everyone who brought salads, desserts, etc. to complement the main dish. The windy day with a 90 degree temperature blew in over 65 family members which made an excellent turn out. At the beginning of the meeting Marietta Rogers and the choir opened with the singing of the Star Spangled Banner. Recent new members were introduced. Following the approval of the Feb. 13 meeting minutes and a financial report other topics discussed were: (1) budget committee report, (2) 2011 Schedule of Events revisions, (3) Dream Factory Tractor Cruise, (4) Tractor Daze - Ag. Hall, (5) Gathering of the Green in 2012, (6) Shirt / Sweatshirt prices and color and (7) Tractor Ladies Cookbook in the making. The President hopes they include Joe and "Spikes" barbecue recipe. Its great to be a part of this organization!

Sixth Annual Dream Factory Tractor Cruise May 7, 2011

The President of the GKCTCC had a dream come true on Saturday, May 7, 2011 in Blue Springs, MO - with perfect weather for the 6th Annual Dream Factory Tractor Cruise. The cruise started with registration at Blue Springs High School and ended back at the school for a delicious dinner and awards program. Following introductions that included Larry Moore (TV 9) and three people from the Dream Factory around 9:30 a.m., ninety-eight tractors moved out and traveled around 40 miles with a morning break at a middle school, lunch in at Frick Park, afternoon break at an elementary school and then back to the high school around 4:15 p.m. There were a few tractors that had a problem, but we won't go there. Renee DuRee, a Dream Factory recipient rode part way on the 76's Fire Truck. The tractor cruise generated over \$17,000 for the Dream Factory. Over the past six years the tractor cruises have raised a little over \$95,000 for the Dream Factory. A special thanks to Dan Hanna, cruise leader, for doing an outstanding job again this year. Also thanks to the Jackson County Sheriff Department, 76 Fire Co. crew, rollback drivers, Blue Springs School District, break food movers, registration ladies, the cookie lady, and all the tractor drivers. Everyone working together made for an enjoyable day. What a beautiful and fun day for a great cause.



Past Event News (continued)

Spring 2011 Plow Day -- April 9, 2011

The Eastside tractor boys, plus one from Kansas, were at it on Saturday, April 9, 2011 in Sugar Creek, MO starting around 8:00 a.m.. They continued until 2:00 p.m. when they ran out of ground to plow. The top of the ground was a little slippery when they started but by 11:00 a.m. it plowed great. Lunch was served by Delmar Seager which consisted of hot dogs, hamburgers, etc. People plowing included: Glenn Ratzlaff (JD A), Dan Hanna (Farmall Super H), Tim Simmons (Farmall Cub), Delmar Seager (Ford 8 N), Paul Antes (JD 630), and Bob Antes (JD 630). A few horses and mules also participated in the plow day. Everyone seemed to have a good time.



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GKCTCC Minutes - April Meeting and BBQ

April 3, 2011 - 1:00 P.M. Overland Tow, Merriam, KS.

Attendance: 67

Marietta Rogers and the group choir opened the meeting with the Star Spangled Banner.

The President thanked everyone for coming and thanked Joe Meyer, wife Lori, and father-in-law Duane "Spike" Spieker for hosting the meeting and barbecue.

New members were introduced, Gary Minor and Ronald Brittain. The group welcomed the new members.

Bryce York moved to approve the Feb. 13, 2011 meeting minutes as sent out in the newsletter. Bob Antes seconded. Motion passed.

Bary Porter presented a financial report. As of Dec. 31st of last year we had \$5,099.02. As of Jan. 31. 2011 we had a balance of \$4,655.55. As of Feb. 28,2011 had balance of \$4,029.57. Took in dues, paid out for buttons, reimbursement for Dream Factory supplies and paid Olin Miller for additional insurance. As of March 31, 2011 balance of \$4,218.64. Bary Porter moved for the \$5.00 additional insurance coverage. Phil Addison seconded. Motion passed. Dan Hanna moved to accept the financial report. Duane Craig seconded. Motion passed.

A proposed club budget was discussed. The President and Bary Porter met over lunch to begin the process. Following the meeting the President met with Jay Pruitt, a club member with a financial background, and put a rough draft together. The President, Jay Pruitt, Bill Eagleburger, Bob Antes, and Bary Porter then met to review the rough draft. Since that time, the proposed budget was again revised. The proposed 2011 budget will be presented to the club at the June meeting. \$500 was placed in the budget for donations, not specifying where that would go. Other fund raiser ideas were discussed.

The President, Frank Van Fleet, and Joe Steineger gave a pitch to help save the Ag Hall. It is important to help support the field of agriculture.

The 2011 Schedule of Events was discussed. Bob Antes, Paul Antes, and Marietta Rogers suggested revisions. All revisions were to be added to the list. Bary Porter moved. Bryce York seconded. Motion passed.

Dan Hanna presented a brief report on the 6th annual Dream Factory Tractor Cruise scheduled for Sat., May 7, 2011 in Blue Springs, MO. He made a push to get the registrations in. Dan presented detailed activities during the day. A lot of help will be needed to have a successful cruise. People should get there around 6:30 a.m.-7:00 a.m. In the past, the club has averaged around \$17,000 - \$18,000 per year Overall the donation has been around \$80,000.

The President talked about a dream Joe Steineger has with a tractor cruise. It would be a tractor cruise in Kansas. The cruise would include starting out at the Ag Hall, going through the hills and valleys around the Wyandotte Lake, going around the Kansas Speedway Race track two or three times, and then returning to the Ag Hall for the awards and dinner in the barn. Many people would like to see Joe's dream come true.

The President discussed Tractor Daze that will take place at the Ag Hall on Fri.-Sat., July 8-9, 2011. Friday is designed as set up day with the Caterpillar club moving dirt and some people doing contest plowing. Saturday, the club will provide a number of activities as in the past: static tractor display, large tractor pull, garden tractor pull, pedal tractor pull, parade of power, and tractor games.

"Gathering of the Green" scheduled for 2012 was discussed. Ken Buell suggested via e-mail that the club provide another 10 x 10 booth during that time. He would take care of the booth if the club approved. Bary Porter moved to approve. Joe Steineger seconded. Motion passed.

Jean DuBois discussed shirts and sweat shirts colors and cost. [See Page 9 for details.]

Door prizes were won by Sandy Hanna (alarm clock) and Sabrina Rasa (bank).

Bary Porter moved to close meeting. Bryce York seconded. Motion passed.

Meeting closed 2:00 p.m.

Following the meeting everyone enjoyed barbecue, beans, assortment of dishes, and a variety of desserts. It was a great day for a meeting and a great day for eating.

Following the barbecue, Linda Ratzlaff and Bev Lee asked the members to send them a favorite recipe for the development of a Club Cookbook. Hope Joe and "Spike's" barbecue recipes will be included.

Dan Hanna also mentioned a plow day, scheduled for Saturday, April 9 in Sugar Creek, MO from 8:00 a. m. - 5:00 p.m..



2011 Schedule of Events - Approved at the April meeting. (All dates and events are subject to change. Call contact for verification if necessary.) (Club Meetings are in Bold)

Date Location Event Contact#

June 4	Shawnee, KS. Old Shawnee Days Parade 913 262-5904			
June 5	GKCTCC Meeting/Picnic, 1:00 p.m., Ag. Hall of Fame 913-262-5904			
June 16	Lathrop, MO. Tractor Cruise, 8:30 a.m. J. Plowman 816-228-3511			
June 16-19	Lathrop, MO. Antique Car, Tractor & Engine Show 816-528-3511			
June 24-26	Adrian, MO. Antique Tractor, Steam and Engine Show 816-626-3770			
June 25	Savannah, MO. Show Me Tractor Cruise 660-778-3476			
7.1.4	http://www.showmetractorcruise.com			
July 4	Lenexa, KS. Lenexa Parade 913-262-5904			
July 4	Sugar Creek, MO. Sugar Creek Parade 816-252-4063			
July 5	Pilot Grove, MO. Antique Tractor Pull Miles Wolf 660-834-5133			
July 8-9	Bonner Springs, KS. Antique Tractor Pull and Show GKCTCC, 'Tractor Daze'			
1 1 15 17	National Agricultural Hall of Fame 913-262-5904 http://www.gkctcc.com			
July 15-17	Meriden, KS. Threshing Show 785-867-3030			
July 16	Pleasant Hill, MO. Cass County Fair Parade 816-540-2622			
July 16	Cole Camp, MO. Antique Tractor Pull (6:00p.m.) 660-438-0928 Eudora, KS. Tractor Show (2-5 p.m.) and Parade (6:30 p.m.) 785-542-1606			
July 23 July 24	Hardin, MO. Antique Tractor Pull 660-398-4508			
July 24 July 28-30	Macon, MO. Antique Tractor Show 660-385-3639			
July 28-30 July 31	Gardner, KS. Johnson County Fair & Parade			
Aug. 2	Atchison, KS. Atchison Co. Fair and Parade 816-229-9998			
Aug 5-6	Overbrook, KS. Parade (Aug. 7-6:30 p.m.) (Aug. 8-6:00 p.m.) 816-228-2660			
Aug. 5-7	McLouth, KS. Threshing Bee 913-683-9234			
Aug. 6-7	Cape Girardeau, MO Antique Tractor Pull 573-339-7304			
Aug. 11-21	Sedalia, MO. Missouri State Fair antique & classic tractor pull (2 sleds)			
1145. 11 21	http://www.mostatefair.com/ Parade Thursday, Aug. 11 (Evening)			
Aug. 12-14	Tracy, MO. Antique Tractor, Steam & Gas Engine Show 816-858-5826			
Aug. 13-14	Buckner, MO. Parade, Lewis and Clark Days 816-228-9292			
Aug. 18-21	Hamilton, MO. Antique Tractor Pull and Show 816-583-4823			
Aug. 20-21	Lamar, MO. Parade, Show, etc.			
Aug, 21-22	Hale, MO. Antique Tractor Pull 660-565-2908			
Aug. 27	Olathe, KS. Old Settlers Day Parade 913-262-5904			
Aug. 27-28	Bethany, MO. Antique Tractor Show 660-439-2485			
Sept. 2	Louisburg, KS. Antique and Classic Tractor Pull			
Sept. 3-4	Cole Camp, MO. Antique Tractor Show 660-668-3651			
Sept. 8-11	Booneville, MO. Antique Tractor Show 847-526-7318			
Sept. 9-10	Pleasant Hill, MO. Railroad Days 816-987-2595			
Sept. 9-11	Ottawa, KS. Antique Tractor & Engine Show 785-242-2686			
Sept. 10	Blue Springs, MO. Blue Springs Parade 816-228-2660			
Sept. 15-18	Springfield, MO. Antique Tractor Show 417-265-3477			
Sept. 16-18	Shelbina, MO. Antique Tractor Show 660-676-0256 and 573-439-5583			
Sept. 17	Kansas City, MO. American Royal Parade 816-322-2546			
Sept. 17	Blue Springs, MO. Parade 816-228-2660			
Sept. 17-18	Kirby Threshing Bee			
Sept. 17-18	Princeton, MO. Calamity Jane Parade, Antique Tractor Show and Car Show			
a	660-748-4331			
Sept. 22-25	Cole Camp, MO. Fall Tractor Show w/ Tractor Pull on Sept. 27 660-438-0928			
Sept. 23-25	Chilhowee, MO. Antique Tractor Show 660-647-5876			
Sept. 23-25	Marshall, MO. Antique Tractor Show 660-837-3422			
Sept. 23-25	Fort Scott, KS. Pioneer Harvest Fiesta 51stAnnual Show 620-224-7761)			
Sept. 23-25	Harrisonville, MO. Living History Festival Parade (Sat) 816-887-2393			
Sept. 24-25	Meriden, KS. Fall Show 785-876-3030			
Sep. 30-2	Powell Gardens Tractor Show 816-524-6738 http://www.powellgardens.org			
Oct. 1	Abilene, KS. Tractor Show w/Parade of Power 913-381-5661			
Oct. 7-9	Lathrop, MO. Living History Show, 816-528-3511			
Oct. 8-9	Salina, KS. Antique tractor Show 785-825-8473			
Oct. 14-15	Adrian, MO. Swap Meet 660-679-4703 and 816-529-7138 Baldwin City, KS. Maple Leaf Festival and Parade 913-486-5534			
Oct. 15	Independence, MO. Halloween Parade (Glenn Ratzlaff) 816-252-4063			
Oct. 29 Oct. 28-30	Wichita, KS. Antique tractor Pull & Swap Meet 316-541-2570			
Nov.6	Adrian, MO. GKCTCC Meeting & Auction, (Duane Craig) 660-679-4703			
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2011 (mini) SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

(All dates and events are subject to change. Contact the President for verification.)

Date	City	Event	More Info

June 5 Bonner Springs, KS. GKCTCC Meeting and Picnic, National Agricultural Center and Hall of Fame

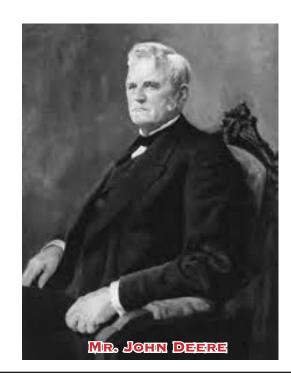
June 25 Savannah, MO. Show-Me Tractor-Cruise (www.showmetractorcruise.com)

July 8-9 Bonner Springs, KS. Tractor Daze, National Agricultural Center and Hall of Fame

Sept. 17 Kansas City, MO. American Royal Parade

Trivia Answer:

Deere & Company began when John Deere (born in Rutland, Vermont, USA on February 7, 1804) moved to Grand Detour, Illinois in 1836 to escape bankruptcy in Vermont. Already an established blacksmith, John Deere opened a 1,378 square feet shop in Grand Detour. Which allowed him to serve as a general repairman in the village, as well as a manufacturer of small tools such as pitchforks and shovels. Prior to Deere's introduction of the steel plow in 1836, most farmers used iron or wooden plows. Which the rich Midwestern soil stuck to these primitive plows and had to be cleaned very frequently. The smooth sided steel plow solved this problem, and would greatly aid migration into the Great Plains. Even though most of us don't use the modernized steel plow in our own daily lives, it is still a very important invention that touches our lives. John Deere died in 1886, and the presidency of Deere & Company passed to his son Charles Deere. In 2010 Deere & Company was listed as 107th in the Fortune 500 ranking.





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