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89TH AMERICAN ROYAL PARADE - SEPTEMBER 20TH, 2014

From the Desk of the Club President:

Fall is here in the Midwest, cool mornings, lots of rain, and the trees are starting to turn beautiful colors. We have had a busy past few months; American Royal Parade, Buckner Parade, Blue Springs Parade, Tractor show at Powell Gardens to name a few. I think we picked up three more new members. That's great for the club. It was great to see Miles Wolf and Steve Kemp at Powell Gardens. Next year John Deere will be the featured tractor there. We need to start gathering up things to take to the November meeting for the White Elephant sale, the club can use the money to fund projects for 2015. Also start thinking about what you would like for the Club to accomplish next year. Remember that this is your Club and we need your help in making it better each year. I think that Bill has some new ideas for the Missouri State Fair next year. What can we do to improve the Tractor days at the AG Hall? If it dries out we will have plow day in a couple of weeks - I hope. Is anyone interested in a another Tech Day and would any of you want to sponsor it at your home or shop? Several of us plan to travel to Wichita for the Swap meet for several bargains. Remember the Halloween Parade in Independence October 25th. Have you sold your raffle tickets yet? See you at the November meeting At the Reed's Farm.





Wes Storm

2015 Slate of Club Officers

During the November meeting a slate of club officers for 2015 will be nominated and voted on so they can be installed at the February 2015 meeting. If anyone would like to be nominated as a club officer please make your wants known. Listed below is the current officers for 2014:

President: Wes Storm 1st Vice President: Dan Hanna 2nd Vice President: Joe Meyer 3rd Vice President: Ron Brittain Treasurer: Jay Pruett Secretary: Justin Read

Note: As you may know or may not know Glenn Ratzlaff, our former club historian, passed away as a result of a car / tractor accident during the Independence Halloween Parade on Oct. 2013. Bary Porter is our new historian. If you have pictures of any club activities please send them to him. It is important to put information on the back of the pictures regarding the specifics of the event (Event, Date, People Present, and a Short Description).

Dues for 2014

Speaking of club dues, they are \$25 a year and worth every penny. The award winning newsletter every two months and the great activities make it a real value. Please check the mailing label on your newsletter. If the label says "Paid Member 2014" or earlier at the top, then you will want to pay your 2015 dues soon and not miss anything. Dues taken at the November meeting will be put towards 2015. If the mailing label is not correct please let the Treasurer know (913/302-1273 or jay70nc@yahoo.com). A number of members who attended the April and June meetings paid their 2014 dues. We will be collecting dues throughout the year. If you can't be at the meeting you can send your dues (\$25) to Jay Pruett as listed below.:

Jay Pruett - Treasurer GKC Two-Cylinder Club 5334 Bond St. Shawnee, Kansas 66203

Trivia: What was the first John Deere tractor with a live PTO, which used a separate clutch.? What are the statistics? (Weight, cost, speed, engine specs, production numbers, and horsepower). See Page 8 for the answer.

Club Website and Newsletter

The club website http://www.gkctcc.com/ counter was reset in July of 2012 (it currently reads over 6800 visits). The Webmaster(s) continue to do a great job of putting it together and keeping it up to date. The web site gives our club world wide recognition along with reaching prospective members. Checkout the articles, pictures, and more. We are looking for member stories for future issues of the newsletter. If you have any, please contact Secretary Justin Read at 22715 W 50th St, Shawnee, KS 66226, 816-547-8608 email: onsitetech@mac.com"

Upcoming Event News

Independence Halloween Parade -- October 25, 2014, 3 PM

The annual Independence Halloween Parade will be attended by the GKCTCC again this year. The parade is a well attended event that is right after the young children trick or treat at the downtown businesses. This is one of the biggest parades in Jackson county. Glenn had been the sponsor of this event in the past and now Francis Brenner is the sponsor. We will gather in the parking lot on the south side of the RLDS Auditorium. Line up starts around 1 pm and the parade is at 3 p.m.. Questions may be directed to Francis at (816) 804-5271. The Club will present a college scholarship in Glenn's name prior to the Parade. Plan on attending the event and you will not be disappointed.

November Meeting and White Elephant Auction -- November 2, 2014, 2 PM

George Reed has agreed to host the November 2, 2014 meeting and white elephant auction starting at 2:00 p.m. at his farm south of Louisburg, KS (Exit US-69 HWY east onto 335th St. - 3.5 miles to Cold Water Rd.). Desserts and snacks are welcome for consumption during the auction. Major topics to be discussed will include: approval of the June meeting minutes, financial report, establish a 2015 budget committee, select a slate of club officers for 2015, Western Farm Show display, tractor cruise, etc. The Glenn Ratzlaff Scholarship Raffle drawing will be a highlight of the meeting. Members wanting to donate items for the auction are welcome to do so. As you know the auction is a fund-raiser for the club so look around and see what you could do without and bring it along. Just remember --- "someone's junk may be another person's treasure." We also want nice things for the auction. Thank you to the Reeds for hosting the meeting. **Don't forget Day Light Savings Time Ends Sunday Nov. 2nd.**





Blue Springs Parade -- Sept. 23, 2014

Wow! What a parade. The Blue Springs, MO parade took place on Saturday, Sept. 13, 2014 under a beautiful sky. It appeared everyone from Missouri and the surrounding area was at the parade/celebration. Many club members and others participated in the parade which made for a variety of entries. Club members bringing tractors included: Travis Ross (1940 JD H - 1936 JD A), Phil Addison (1957 JD 420T), Ken Heins (1953 Farmall Super M), Steve Suchsland (1949 JD D), Bob Antes and Addison (1960 JD 630), Sharon Antes and Shelley (1945 Farmall B), Ken Antes and Dylan (1960 JD 530), Gary Antes and Zack (1950 JD 430W), Frances Brenner (1949 JD B – 1960 JD manure spreader R), Don Hrabik (1959 JD 430W), John Peterson (Porsche Super), Dan Hanna and Mattie (JD 60), Steven Eagleburger (1950 JD A), Andy Eagleburger with Cartn and Wyatt (1953 JD B), Wes Storm (1959 JD 630), Jarvis Sackman (JD 530) and Paul Owsley, and John Riley (1946 Chev. Pickup). Two riders on the manure spreader included John Cunningham (friend of Don Hrabik) and Ron Brittain (forgot to turn tractor switch off night before resulting in a dead battery so he was being punished for not bringing his tractor). Great parade—you had to be there to enjoy it. Thanks to Wes Storm for his organizational skills.

89th American Royal Parade -- Sept. 27, 2014

It was a perfect day for the American Royal Parade on Saturday, Sept. 27, 2014 with many viewers along the parade route cheering everyone on. The theme was "Honoring the Military" with a fly-over of antique airplanes at the start of the parade. Many military personnel, Scouts, bands, floats, and other organizations were part of the parade. The GKCTCC was out in force with 23 tractors. Following the parade the group enjoyed a trailer gate party which topped off the day's activities. Thanks to Bill Eagleburger for arranging the parking area, organizing the outing, and purchasing the food. Thanks to Dan Hanna for bringing the grill and being "Chef for the Day". Thanks also to everyone who brought desserts, etc.







Items Wanted / For Sale:

For Sale:

1938 John Deere Model A on real steel, older restoration, engine loose, located in Lowery City, MO. \$3500.00 Call Danny Snider at (816) 215-5969 (Sept 13)

1939 John Deere Model B - Runs good, New Tires, Spoke Wheels, Restored, asking \$3000 James Steward, Kingsville, MO Phone 816-597-3519 (Mar 14)

Wanted / For Sale Ads: Club Members \$1/issue or \$5/year, Non-Members \$10/issue or \$50/year. (Save some money and become a member) Contact Justin Read to place an ad, 22715 W 50th St., Shawnee, KS 66226 (816) 547-8608 or email to: onsitetech@mac.com

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GKCTCC Meeting Minutes
June 1, 2014 - 1 p.m. picnic lunch / 2 p.m. meeting
National Agriculture Center and Hall of Fame
Attendance – 21

President Wes Storm welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with the flag salute following a picnic lunch. Anyone wanting a newsletter via the Internet should provide an e-mail address to the Secretary or Treasurer. Minutes of the April meeting were discussed. Lloyd Mesmer moved to accept minutes as written. Don Hrabik seconded. Motion passed.

Jay Pruett provided the treasurer's report. As of April the bank balance is \$8,201.32. Took in \$1,600 and paid out \$624. Expenses for the tractor cruise were \$667.03 and \$800.00 was budgeted. The Glen Ratzlaff scholarship (\$500) was discussed with it being a total of \$500 for the first year. An additional \$1,000 was sent in for the Ag Hall (Tractor Cruise) – little over \$7,000 now. The Ag Hall is open for special occasions only this year. Herman Sasche moved to accept the treasurer's report and Larry Burton seconded. Motion passed.

Tractor Daze/Touch-A-Truck/Swap Meet on July 11-12, 2014 was discussed. The club will sponsor a garden tractor pull, 2 pedal tractor pulls, parade of power, static tractor display, and tractor games. Other activities will be provided by the Ag Hall. Setup for Swap Meet will be on Friday morning---will start at 1:00 p.m. Tractor Daze will be on Saturday only from 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Help will be needed by everyone for Tractor Daze / Touch-A-Truck with Swap Meet.

Don Hrabik and Joe Meyer will pick up the club dynamometer for maintenance before Tractor Daze.

The list of dates for club activities is listed in the newsletter for insurance purposes.

The upcoming auction for Glenn Ratzlaff on July 19, 2014 was discussed. A brochure on the sale will be coming out this week and will include around 100 toys. We will try to get copy on website when available.

Jay Pruett discussed the raffle for this year. It will operate like it did last year. Prizes are: 1st (\$250) and 2nd (5-\$50). The raffle will fund the Glenn Ratzlaff Scholarship this year. Linda Ratzlaff was given the first 20 tickets. You can pick up your tickets or they will be sent to you.

President and Others announcements:

Car and Tractor Show on June 14 (11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.) at Senior Center (ten minutes south of KCI airport) Address: 6500 N. Cosby Avenue, Kansas City, MO. Will be prizes. Telephone number 816-537-5700 (Contact person: Mary Ann A few sweatshirts from Tractor Cruise left over if someone is interested.

Powell Gardens Tractor Show flyer was available. Show is Oct. 3-5 and is featuring Ford.

Flyers were also available for the Power of the Past at Ottawa featuring John Deere.

Missouri State Fair Parade in August was mentioned. We will be in competition with cars this year.

Old Shawnee Days Parade is Saturday June 7, 2014. Unloading can be at S.M. Northwest High School, sounds like seven or eight people are interested.

Tractor display (June 14) at Family Center in Harrisonville.

Adrian Tractor Show (July 27-29) featured tractor – Case.

Herman Sasche moved to close the meeting. Bob Surber seconded. Motion passed. Door prizes were won by Dalamar Read, Bob Surber, and his wife Debbie Surber.

Meeting close: 3:15

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Powell Gardens Antique Tractor Show and Swap Meet -- October 3-5, 2014

The Powell Gardens Tractor Show was held on Friday-Sunday, Oct. 3-5, 2014. It was "cooooool" most of the weekend which probably held down the crowd. Ford, Fordson, and Ferguson Tractors were the featured tractor brands this year - with John Deere being featured next year. Our club provided tractor games with green, red, and gray colors in the lineup. A Pedal pull was held on Saturday and Sunday, with many kids providing the power. Other activities were provided by Powell Gardens. Thanks to all the club members who helped with the tractor games and brought tractors to the show.

Rez West Fall Festival -- October 11, 2014

This year's Rez West Church Fall Festival in Olathe once again offered authentic hay rack rides provided by the GKCTCC. Richard Miller (1940 B) and Jay Pruett (1960 530) pulled wagons full of straw, kids, and parents for two hours on October 11. The soggy field got their tires a little dirty, but the old Deeres had no trouble navigating the mud. Thanks to Richard for trailering north 60 miles and Don Hrabik for providing his trailer, which was converted into a hay rack with green sideboards and straw bales. The club also earned a nice donation for providing this service.

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2014 (mini) SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

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

Date	Event Location	More Info
Oct. 24-26	Wichita, KS.	Antique tractor Pull & Swap Meet 316-541-2570
Oct. 25	Independence, MO.	Halloween Parade (Francis Brenner) 816-804-5271
Nov. 2	Louisburg, KS	GKCTCC Meeting and White Elephant Auction at George Reed's Farm

Trivia Answer:

The model R (diesel) was John Deere's first tractor with a live PTO, which used a separate clutch. Manufactured: 1949 - 1954, Total built: 21,293 in Waterloo, Iowa. Cost: \$3650 (1954). Diesel Engine: Bore/Stroke (inches): 5.75 x 8, displacement (ci): 415.5 and a compression ratio: 16:1, producing 43 HP at 1000 RPMs. Gasoline starting engine: Bore/Stroke (inches): 2.6x2.3125, producing 9 HP at 4000 RPM. The small electric-start gasoline pony motor was used to warm and start the diesel engine. The base tractor weight is was 7,400 lbs. and a wheelbase of 147 inches. Nebraska Test: 406, April 19-28, 1949, Belt HP: 43.52, Drawbar HP: 34.45, Max pull (pounds): 6,644. The Model R set an all time record for fuel economy in test 406. It could plow 40 acres in 12 hours using only 25 gallons of fuel.



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