

# GREATER KANSAS CITY TWO-CYLINDER CLUB

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**2018 COMMUNITY DAYS PARADE — JULY 4TH — LENEXA KS**

## From the Desk of the Club President:

Fall is officially here, and the colors are beginning to show. The weather is having its usual ups and downs as it always does this time of year. It also means we only have a few more activities on the calendar for this year. It has been a pleasure to lead the Club and feel it's time to start planning for 2019.

As the year winds down, it's time to start thinking about how each one of us can contribute to The Club next year. By helping out where you can, it means everyone can benefit. It also means you get to help point where The Club is going in the future. Please talk with the current officers about ideas you have or ways to help out with events / tasks. It takes all of your participation to make The Club a success.



On another note: I have become active in a new John Deere themed organization called "Classic Green". This is a new and different type of club than ours or other John Deere themed organizations. Their motto is "It's about the people" and they facilitate getting John Deere enthusiasts together online and in person. This club can complement and enhance what our club does by broadening our scope. They work with smaller clubs to promote their events and activities. "Classic Green" does not have a newsletter, but uses their website [www.classicgreen.org](http://www.classicgreen.org) and social media to reach their audience. They are putting on a big show in Grand Island, NE June 13-15, 2019, so put it on your calendar now. Please check out their website and there will be more info at the upcoming GKCTCC meetings.

*Justin Read*

## 2019 Slate of Club Officers

Listed below is the proposed slate officers for 2018:

|                     |             |                     |               |
|---------------------|-------------|---------------------|---------------|
| President:          | Justin Read | 1st Vice President: | Jon Pirie     |
| 2nd Vice President: | Joe Meyer   | 3rd Vice President: | Lloyd Mesmer  |
| Treasurer:          | Jay Pruett  | Secretary:          | Justin Mooney |
| Historian:          | Wes Storm   |                     |               |

Note : Wes Storm is our new historian. If you have pictures of any club activities please send them to him at 1808 SW Bird Ct., Blue Springs, MO 64015-5314 or [waleye01@att.net](mailto:waleye01@att.net). It is important to put specifics regarding the event in with the pictures (Event, Date, People Present, and a Short Description).

## Dues for 2019

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 2018" or earlier at the top, then you will want to pay your 2019 dues soon to not miss anything (the cut-off date is the May-June Newsletter mailing). If the mailing label is not correct please let the Treasurer know (913-302-1273 or [jay70nc@yahoo.com](mailto:jay70nc@yahoo.com)). 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  
P.O. Box 14071  
Lenexa, Kansas 66285

**Trivia: Trivia: What is a John Deere Patio Tractor?** 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 around 15,500 visits). The Webmaster(s) continue to do a great job of putting it together and keeping it up to date. The website gives our club world wide recognition along with reaching prospective members. Check out 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 Mooney at 2401 Queen Ridge Dr. Independence, MO 64055, 816-868-2318 email: [GKCTCC@outlook.com](mailto:GKCTCC@outlook.com)



## Upcoming Event News

### 69th Annual Independence MO Halloween Parade -- October 27th, 2018

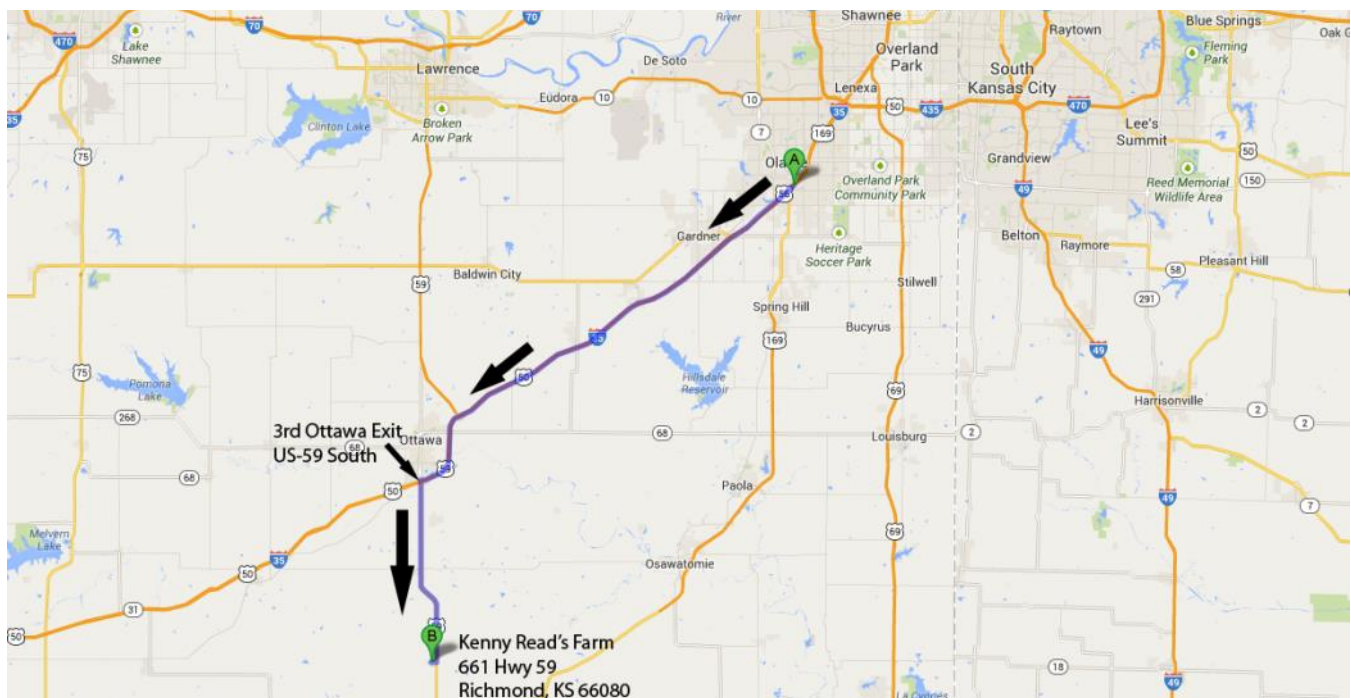
The annual Independence Halloween Parade will be attended by the GKCTCC again this year. The parade is a well-attended event that is right after the young children trick or treat at the downtown businesses. This is one of the biggest parades in Jackson County. Glenn had been the sponsor of this event in the past and now Francis Brenner is the sponsor. Questions may be directed to Francis at (816) 804-5271. We will gather in the parking lot on the south side of the RLDS Auditorium. Line up before 8 AM and the parade is at 10 AM. Plan on attending the event and you will not be disappointed. There is an email from the Chamber and a map posted on the [www.GKCTCC.com](http://www.GKCTCC.com) website.

### Fall Plow Day (Lloyd Mesmer — Bonner Springs, KS) -- November 3, 2018, 8 AM

A plow day has been scheduled for November 3rd outside Bonner Springs, KS (weather permitting). Lloyd says they should start plowing about 8 AM and that there is enough ground that they will be plowing well into the afternoon. Directions: Exit K-7 onto K-32 West into Bonner Springs, KS. Follow Front St (do not turn right to follow K-32 W). Continue on Front St / Loring Ln to 142nd. Turn Left (cross RR tracks) and go South 1/4 mile to field. Contact Lloyd Mesmer to RSVP or for more details: Home 913-441-1180 or Cell 913-904-8186 (Directions and MAP on Page 6)

### November Meeting and White Elephant Auction -- November 4, 2018, 2 PM

The GKCTCC meeting with a white elephant auction is scheduled for Sunday, November 4, 2018 and will be hosted by Kenny Read. During this time we need to approve the June meeting minutes, discuss and approve a slate of officers for 2019, establish a budget committee, plan for a tractor display at the Western Farm Show in February, discuss the Annual Tractor Cruise at the Ag. Hall, determine hosts / locations for the 2019 meetings, and have the raffle drawing. The white elephant auction will follow the formal meeting. As you know the white elephant auction is a fundraiser 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 need nice things for the auction. Desserts and snacks are welcome. Thanks to Kenny Read for hosting the meeting. If you want to see some unique John Deere tractors --- don’t miss this meeting. Directions from Olathe, KS: Follow I-35 South to the 3rd Ottawa Exit #183. Take US-59 South 12 miles to 661 Hwy 59, Richmond, KS 66080. The destination will be on your left.



## Past Event News

### Maple Leaf Festival Parade -- Oct 20, 2018

The GKCTCC participated in the 2018 Maple Leaf Festival Parade on October 20th starting at 11 AM. It was a wonderful day as the 4 streaks of green and yellow made their way to Baldwin City and thru the Maple Leaf festival parade. There was an abundant amount of enthusiasm by the drivers and spectators alike. Thanks to Jon Pirie for entering The Club in the parade and organizing the event for us. A great time was had by all. Participants were as follows: President - Justin Read (and Dalamar controlling the wheel) on their 1941 JD model H. VP - Jon Pirie (and his brother Chuck Pirie) on their 1949 JD model MT. Former President - Don Hrabik on his 1957 JD 520 and plow. VP - Lloyd Mesmer on his 1958 JD 620 LP Wide Front.

### Blue Spring Fall Parade -- Sept 15, 2018

It was a great day for a parade in downtown Blue Springs. Blue skies and a little bit of a gentle breeze. There were several thousand Kids, Parents and Grand Parents lining the sidewalks. We had a great turnout with 16 Tractors, 1 Old Truck and a Lawn Tractor. The following were in the parade, Lloyd Mesmer on a 1951 MM UTS, Justin Mooney on a 1948 JD B, Tom Bowlin and Miss Whit on a 1935 JD B, Troy Mooney, Melanie Dye and Miss Jade on a 1949 JD A, Troy Duncan on a 1952 JD A, Wes Stegner on a 1950 JD G, Francis Brenner on a 1950 Farmall H, Jerry Lee on a 1957 JD 620, Wes Storm on a 1949 JD D, Bob Antes and Addison on a 1960 JD 630, Sharon Antes on a 1959 JD 430, Gary Antes and Zack on a 1947 Farmall B, Ken Antes on a 1960 JD 530, Ron Brittan on a 1960 JD 830, Matt Willier on a 1966 Farmall 1206, John Peterson on a 1960 Porsche Super, Paul Owsley in his 1946 Chevy pickup and Fred and Mays on the Chigger Lawn Tractor. A special thanks to all who attended and made this a success.

### Olathe Old Settlers Parade -- Sept 8, 2018

The Johnson County Old Settlers Day Parade was scheduled for a cool and wet Saturday, September 8th, 2018, starting at 10 AM. The JCOSP is the largest parade in the state of Kansas. It has an average of 160 entries, including 16 area High School and Middle School bands, numerous club and organization entries and several commercial floats. The parade is attended by between 65,000 and 75,000 people. This year's theme was "Love & Peace- A look back to the 60's". There were two brave member families to come out and endure the cool damp weather: VP - Jon Pirie on his 1949 JD model MT and President - Justin Read (and Dalamar controlling the wheel) on their 1941 JD model H. The club won \$125 and a first place ribbon in the tractor category. (Pic — Page 8)

### Missouri State Fair -- August 16, 2018

A few club members traveled to the Missouri State Fair on Thursday, Aug. 16, 2018 for the tractor show. Don Hrabik (430W) and Bob Antes (530) enjoyed the day under a cloudy sky. Tractors of all makes were on display with many of them being a part of the parade as they traveled through the fair grounds at 2:00 p.m. Sorry, some other club members couldn't make the trip. Thanks to Miles Wolfe for organizing the fun day.



2018 Maple Leaf Festival Parade



2018 Blue Springs Fall Festival Parade



2018 Missouri State Fair Parade



## Items Wanted / For Sale:

### For Sale:

**Restored 1947 John Deere A, Rebuilt engine, electrical, radiator, and may other. New tires and flat top fenders. \$3500**

**Bob Antes 816-863-9966**

**(10/18)**



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:

Club Shirts: Interested in ordering a club shirt?  
Call Don Hrabik at 913-262-5904 (Tax included.)  
Shirt w/o pocket:

S-XL = \$15.00, XXL = \$17.00, XXXL = \$18.00

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S-XL = \$28.00, XXL = \$29.00

**Display Ads - Business Cards:** Club Members \$10/issue or \$50/year, Non-Members \$20/issue or \$100/year (save some \$ and become a member). Contact Justin Mooney to place an ad, 2401 Queen Ridge Dr., Independence, MO 64055 (816) 868-2318 or email to: [GKCTCC@outlook.com](mailto:GKCTCC@outlook.com)

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## GKTCC Meeting Minutes

### June , 2018 — 1 PM

### Red Barn — Ag Hall of Fame, Bonner Springs, KS

President Read opened the meeting with the flag salute. Treasurer Pruett presented the financial report for the year so far. The club started with \$10,526.00 and then presented figures for expenditures/income which brought the total to \$10,670.00 which included the scholarship program. Wes Storm moved to accept the report as presented. Herman Sachse seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer Pruett talked about the club raffle for 2018. Funds are used for the scholarship each year. Club members are asked to purchase or sell 20 tickets (voluntary). Tickets will be sent out to members if not picked up today. Raffle will take place during the November meeting. First place (1 –\$250), Second place (5-\$25.00.)

Don Hrabik presented information on the May 5, 2018 tractor cruise. It went well (great weather) with 36 tractors of all colors. He discussed the 38 mile route starting at the Ag Hall (8:30 a.m.) and returned to the Ag Hall at 4 p.m. for a barbecue dinner/program. Also discussed was a reverse route for next year along with making the route shorter along with being more cost effective. The committee made up of Donald Hrabik, Joe Steineger, Bill Eagleburger, and Frank Van Fleet will consider it for 2019. The Ag Hall benefitted \$3,200 from the cruise. Some lucky winners won \$25 gift certificates from Feldmans.

President Read discussed the John Deere Show (100 years of tractors) on May 22 at the Olathe Ag Marketing Center. He went into detail on who brought tractors. John Deere paid the club \$450 for bringing tractors. A great meal was provided for all guests and participants. Prospective scholarship applicants were sought out for consideration. President Read discussed the Old Shawnee Days Parade on Saturday. The club had five tractors in the parade along with many other entries which took about one hour from start to finish. Many people enjoyed the parade on a beautiful day. The highlight of the parade was a politician riding on a jeep with a machine gun mounted on it. Other parades/shows in the area were discussed.

President Read discussed the last newsletter of the year and the deviations from the year before. In the past we had six newsletters for the year and last year we had five. Since there was not a tractor show (big event) at the Ag Hall anymore the second newsletter was not necessary. With the new secretary there may not be a need for a six newsletters because of less information. Let him know if you think a six newsletters are necessary.

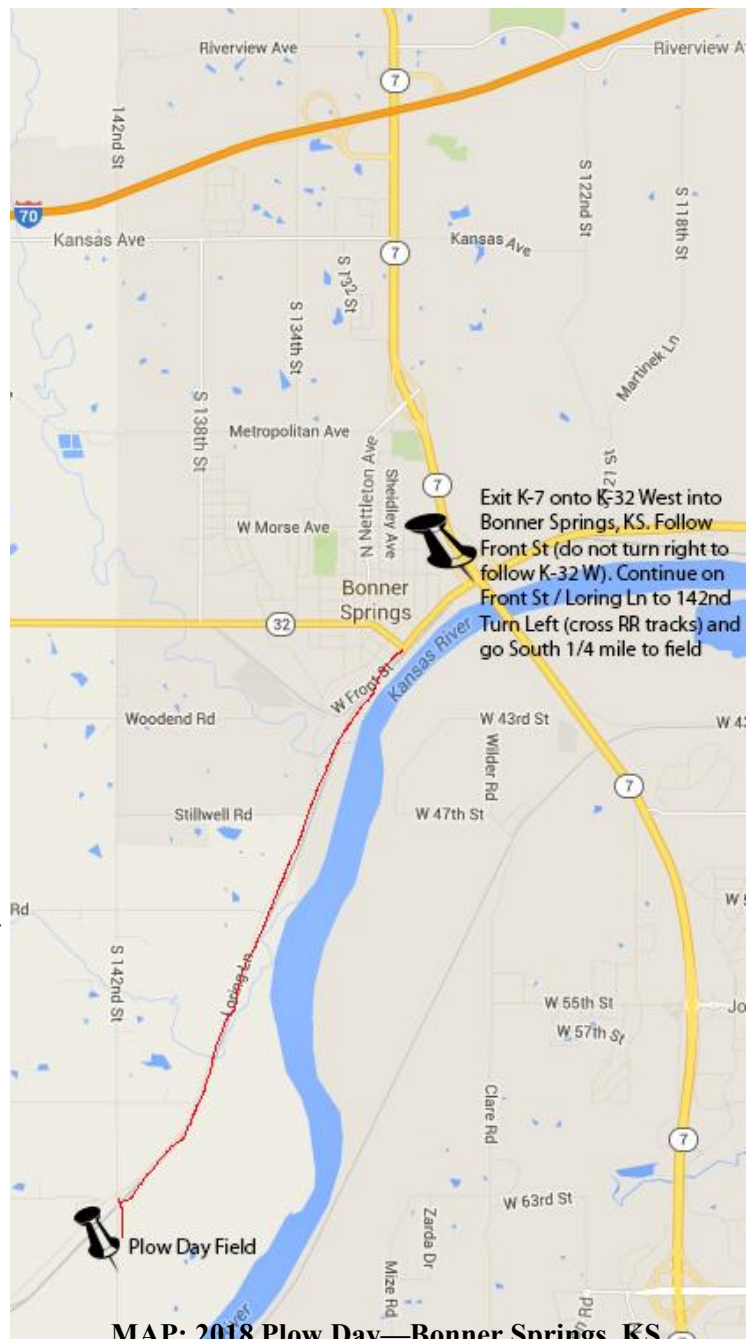
The next meeting will be held at Kenny Reads in November.

Wes Storm moved to donate \$50 to the Ag Hall for the use of the facility for the June 3, 2018 meeting/picnic. Bryce York seconded. Motion passed. Any other donations will be made at the Nov. meeting.

Don Hrabik mentioned the Land of Oz Show at the amphitheater in conjunction with the Ag Hall in Bonner Springs, KS. It will be held on Aug. 2-5, 2018. Tractor drivers will be needed at the Ag Hall.

Bryce York moved to close the meeting. Dalamar Read seconded. Motion passed.

Door prizes were won by Dave Mooney, Maritta Rogers, and Eugene Rogers



MAP: 2018 Plow Day—Bonner Springs, KS



## 2018 Schedule of Events - Approved at the April 8th, 2018 meeting.

(All dates and events are subject to change. Call contact for verification if necessary.) (Club Meetings are in Bold)

| Date           | Location  | Event Contact#   |
|----------------|---|--|
| <b>Feb. 11</b> | <b>K.C., MO. GKCTCC Meeting (KCPD South Patrol) 9701 Marrion Park Dr.</b>                         | <b>816-228-2660 1 PM</b>   |
| Feb. 23-25     | K.C., MO. Western Farm Show, Governors Building, (Setup Day Feb. 20)                              | 913-262-5904   |
| March 11       | Shawnee, KS. Shawnee St. Patrick's Day Parade   | 1 PM (Joe Meyer)   |
| <b>April 8</b> | <b>Merriam, KS. GKCTCC Meeting &amp; BBQ, Joe Meyer (Overland Tow)</b>                            | <b>1PM</b>   |
| April 21       | Bonner Springs, KS. Barnyard Babies Festival at the Ag Hall of Fame (10 AM-4PM)                   | 913-262-5904   |
| April 27-29    | Pleasant Hill, MO. Railroad Days.   | 816-987-2595   |
| April 28       | Paola, KS. Garden Tractor Pull and Show.  | Jan 913-485-4222   |
| May 4-5        | Lathrop, MO. Swap Meet, (8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.).  | J. Plowman 816-528-3511  |
| May 5          | Bonner Springs, KS. Ag Hall Tractor Cruise.   | 913-262-5904   |
| May 11-12      | Fort Scott, KS., Pioneer Harvest Fiesta Swap Meet (8 a.m.).                                       | A. Warren 620-224-7761   |
| June 1-3       | Lee's Summit, MO. Downtown Days   |  |
| June 2         | Shawnee, KS. Old Shawnee Days Parade. (10 AM)   | Jay Pruett 913-302-1273  |
| <b>June 3</b>  | <b>GKCTCC Meeting and Picnic, 1:00 p.m., Ag Hall Red Barn</b>                                     | <b>816-228-2660</b>  |
| June 14        | Lathrop, MO. Tractor Cruise, (8:30 a.m.).   | J. Plowman 816-528-3511  |
| June 14-17     | Lathrop, MO. Antique Car, Tractor & Engine Show.  | 816-528-3511   |
| June 21-23     | Oskaloosa, KS. Old Settlers Parade.   | Matt Miller 785-233-8200 x4208   |
| June 22-24     | Adrian, MO. Antique Tractor, Steam and Engine Show.   | Bob Surber 816-797-4243  |
| June 23-24     | Rockville, IN. Parke County Covered Bridge Tractor Ride.  | 765-569-1619   |
| July 1         | Heart of America Tractor Cruise.  | Kathy Roach 816-244-1785   |
| July 1         | Pilot Grover, MO. Antique Tractor Pull.   | Miles Wolf 660-834-5133  |
| July 4         | Lenexa KS. Community Days Parade. (10:00 a.m.)  | Jay Pruett 913-302-1273  |
| July 4         | Sugar Creek, MO. Sugar Creek Parade. (9:00 a.m.)  | Francis Brenner 816-804-5271   |
| July 4         | Basehor, KS. Independence Day Celebration Parade (Line-up 6:45).                                  | Melissa Bosley 816-868-3931  |
| July 7         | Harrisonville, MO. Tractor Show on the Square.  | Scott Beck 816-645-8480  |
| July 10-15     | P. Hill, MO. Cass County Fair. (Parade Saturday)  | 816-540-2622   |
| July 13-15     | Meriden, KS. Threshing Show.  | 785-876-3030   |
| July 14        | Hardin, MO. Antique Tractor Pull.   | 660-398-4508   |
| July 21        | Buchanan County, MO. MO Farm Bureau Tractor Cruise. (8 am)  | 816-279-2985   |
|                | <a href="https://www.mofb.org/FoundationforAg.aspx">https://www.mofb.org/FoundationforAg.aspx</a> |  |
| July 24        | Tonganoxie, KS. Leavenworth County Fair Parade.   | Ron Brittain 816-804-2673  |
| July 26-29     | Macon, MO. 34th Antique Tractor Show.   | Danny Primm 660-385-3639   |
| Aug. 4         | Eudora, KS. Tractor Show. (2-5 p.m.) and Parade (6:30 p.m.)                                       | 785-542-1606 or 785-760-7878   |
| Aug. 4         | Kingsville MO. Tractor Cruise.  | 816-258-2373   |
| Aug. 4         | Gardner, KS. Johnson County Fair & Parade. (10:30)  |  |
| Aug. 8-11      | Overbrook, KS. Fair Parade. (Aug. 10 @ 6:30 p.m.) (Aug. 11 @ 6:00 p.m.)                           | Wes 816-228-2660   |
| Aug. 9-12      | Hamilton, MO. Antique Tractor Pull and Show.  | 816-583-4823   |
| Aug. 10        | Atchison, KS. Atchison County Fair Parade.  | 816-229-9998   |
| Aug. 10-12     | Tracy, MO. Antique Tractor, Steam & Gas Engine Show.  | 816-858-5826   |
| Aug. 11-12     | Lamar, MO. Parade and Show.   |  |
| Aug. 15        | Sedalia, MO. Missouri State Fair Tractor Show and Parade. (Fair runs Aug. 11-21)                  |  |
| Aug. 18        | Cole Camp, MO. Antique Tractor Pull.  | 660-723-6241, 316-201-8620   |
| Aug. 18-19     | Bethany, MO. Antique Tractor Show.  | 660-439-2485   |
| Aug. 24-26     | Fort Scott, KS. Pioneer Harvest Fiesta 60th Annual Show. Parade 25th @ 6 p.m.                     |  |
| Sept. 1-2      | Louisburg, KS. Truck and Tractor Pull.  | 816-694-0267   |
| Sept. 6-9      | Boonville, MO. Antique Tractor Show. (Cruise on 9th)  | 847-526-7318   |
| Sept. 6-9      | Shelbina, MO. Antique Tractor Show.   | 660-676-0256 and 573-439-5583  |
| Sept. 7-9      | Ottawa, KS. Antique Tractor & Engine Show.  | 785-418-2190   |
| Sept. 8        | Olathe, KS. Old Settlers Day Parade.  | Don 913-262-5904   |
| Sept. 14-16    | Princeton, MO. Calamity Jane Weekend-Tractor Cruise. (Fri.)                                       |  |
|                | Parade and Tractor Show. (Sat.) Car Show. (Sun.)  | 660-748-4438   |
| Sept. 14-16    | McLouth, KS. Threshing Bee.   | 913-683-9234   |
| Sept. 14-16    | Harrisonville, MO. Living History Festival Parade. (Sat)  | 816-887-2393   |
| Sept. 15       | Archie, MO. Fall Festival and Parade. (10 AM)   |  |
| Sept. 15       | Blue Springs Parade, Blue Springs, MO.  | Wes 816-228-2660   |
| Sept. 21-23    | Cole Camp, MO. Fall Tractor Show. Tractor Pull Sept. 24.  | 660-438-0928   |
| Sept. 20-23    | Fredonia, KS. Antique Tractor Show. Tractor Pull Sept. 24.  | 660-378-3307   |
| Sept. 21-22    | Marshall, MO. Antique Tractor Show.   | 660-837-3422   |
| Sept. 21-23    | Chilhowee, MO. Antique Tractor Show.  | 660-647-5876   |
| Sept. 22       | Buckner, MO. Parade.  | 816-650-6507   |
| Sept. 22-23    | Meriden, KS. Fall Show.   | 785-876-3030   |
| Oct. 1         | Abilene, KS. Tractor Show w/Parade of Power.  | 913-381-5661   |
| Oct. 5-7       | Lathrop, MO. Living History Show.   | 816-528-3511 and 816-896-5546  |
| Oct. 5-6       | Adrian, MO. Swap Meet.  | Bob Surber 816-797-4243  |
| Oct. 8-9       | Lake JaCoMo, 1855 Missouri Town - Tractor Display.  | Wes 816-228-2660   |
| Oct. 20        | Baldwin City, KS. Maple Leaf Festival and Parade.   | 913-486-5534   |
| Oct. 19-20     | Powell Gardens Glow Night.  | 816-524-6783 <a href="http://www.powellgardens.org">http://www.powellgardens.org</a> |
| Oct. 27        | Independence, MO. Halloween Parade.   | Francis Brenner 816-804-5271   |
| Nov. 3         | Bonner Springs, Fall Plow Day.  | Lloyd Mesmer 913-441-1180  |
| <b>Nov. 4</b>  | <b>Richmond, KS. GKCTCC Meeting (Hosted by Kenny Read)</b>  | <b>816-547-8608 Justin</b>   |
| Dec. 1         | Oak Grove, MO. Christmas Parade.  | Wes 816-228-2660   |

**Note: All dates are subject to change. Please check with a contact person to confirm date.**



John Deere 100 Years of Tractors—Olathe , KS



**2018 (mini) SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:** (All dates and events are subject to change. Contact the President for verification).

| Date    | Event                                     | More Info                                       |
|---------|---|---|
| Oct. 27 | Independence, MO. Halloween Parade.       | Francis Brenner 816-804-5271                    |
| Nov. 3  | Bonner Springs, Fall Plow Day.            | Lloyd Mesmer 913-441-1180                       |
| Nov. 4  | <b>Richmond, KS. GKCTCC Meeting (2PM)</b> | <b>Hosted by Kenny Read 816-547-8608 Justin</b> |
| Dec. 1  | Oak Grove, MO. Christmas Parade.          | Wes 816-228-2660                                |

**Trivia Answer:** During the 1969 model year, John Deere introduced the Custom Color series of lawn and garden tractors and attachments. Collectors often referred to these models as “Patio Tractors”. In 1969, the models offered in Custom Colors were the 110, 112, and 140. The Model 120 was added to this list the following year in 1970. The marketing group at John Deere Horicon Works felt that not all of their customers wanted a green garden tractor, and so by offering a variety of colors, sales of lawn tractors would increase. These Custom Color lawn and garden tractors were painted in Dogwood White except for the hood and seat. The hood and seat were offered in one of four colors: Patio Red, Sunset Orange, April Yellow, and Spruce Blue. These colors matched those of John Deere’s popular competitors. Tractors were shipped minus the hood and seat; the dealer would then install the colored hood and seat of choice. Sales of the Patio Tractors were disappointing and after 1971 production ceased .



John Deere Patio Tractors



2018 Old Shawnee Days Parade



2018 Johnson County Old Settlers Parade — Olathe, KS



2018 Leavenworth County Fair Parade — Tonganoxie, KS