GREATER KANSAS CITY TWO-CYLINDER CLUB

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Jon Pirie at the St. Patrick's Day Parade on his MT.

From the Desk of the Club President:

Spring is here and it is time to bring the "Johnnie Poppers" (and other tractors) to life for the spring and summer activities. Hopefully you got all your winter maintenance and repairs completed already. This year marks the 100th anniversary of the Model D tractor production starting (Serial number 30401 built May 30, 1923) and perceived 100th anniversary of the Type E engine production (1923). While Type E engines were made before this date (as early as April 1921), they were mixed into the serial numbers with Waterloo Boy engine serial numbers. 1923 is considered the first production year for the Type E engine. John Deere will be the feature at numerous shows this year due the century of history with the model D and Type E. I hope to see each of you at these events and membership meetings though the year.

The second meeting of the year will take place April 2nd at 1 PM at the Ag Hall of Fame administration building. This meeting will include the traditional BBQ meal beforehand and the silent auction afterwards. More details on this event are on page 3 of the newsletter. Also, don't forget to sign up for the Ag Hall tractor cruise before April 14th, it helps organizers plan a successful event.



The picture here is of the Waterloo factory during production of the 1924 model D tractors. Deere had not adapted an assembly line yet, and tractors were build in work areas. Where a stack of the same part was sitting to be assembled onto the tractor. The tractor then moved to the next work area for the next part to be installed. In June 1923 a tractor was built a day. Lucky that pace increased and over 105,000 John Deere Model Ds were built in 30 years.

Justin Read

2023 Club Officers

President:Justin Read1st Vice President:Jon Pirie2nd Vice President:Jeff Gast3rd Vice President:Lloyd MesmerTreasurer:Herman SachseSecretary:Kim SachseHistorian:Wes Storm

Note: Wes Storm is our historian (and Trustee). 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. It is important to put specifics regarding the event in with the pictures (Event, Date, People Present, and a Short Description).

Dues for 2023

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 2022" or earlier at the top, then you will want to pay your 2023 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 (913-775-3353 or kimsachse@yahoo.com). Send your future dues to:

Herman Sachse-Treasurer, GKC Two-Cylinder Club 28290 203rd Street, Leavenworth, KS 66048

Club Website and Newsletter

The Club website http://www.gkctcc.com/ gives our Club world wide recognition along with reaching prospective members. If you have any club related information or pictures for the newsletter, please contact Secretary Kim Sachse by email: secretary@GKCTCC.com

Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/GKCTCC

Upcoming Events

April GKCTCC Meeting, Silent Auction and BBQ -- April, 2nd, 2023, 1 pm

The next GKCTCC meeting of the year will be held at the National Agricultural Hall of Fame in Bonner Springs, KS on April 2nd. The BBQ will start at 1:00 pm with the meeting to follow. In honor of Joe Meyer, the Board wants to continue the tradition of BBQ and fellowship. The BBQ meat will be provided by the Club and potluck such as salads and desserts are welcome to compliment BBQ meats. Please RSVP the GKCTCC Facebook Event Page or RSVP to Herman via phone or text at (913) 775-3353 or send an email to info@GKCTCC.com. Topics for the meeting will include the following: 2023 Schedule of Events (Approval), Barnyard Babies Festival (April 22), Ag Hall of Fame Tractor Cruise (May 6th) and the June 4th meeting and picnic. There will be a silent auction again this year, so bring your unwanted and good items for the auction. Also bring your checkbook or cash to buy items up for bids..

Ag Hall Tractor Cruise - May 6, 2023, 8:30 AM

A benefit ride for the National Agricultural Center and Hall of Fame will be held on May 6th at 8:30 am. It will start and end at Basehor-Linwood High School, Basehor, making a scenic 35 mile journey around Leavenworth County, stopping for a morning break in the beautiful country side, lunch in Jarbalo, and an afternoon break in the beautiful country side, returning to the High School. Pre-registration is March 1st-April 14th, \$35 per tractor/driver, which includes a hat and an lunch. Additional guests are \$15 per person. Drivers are encouraged to get at least \$100 in pledges. Our goal is to give the Ag Hall \$10,000. So get your buddies together and get registered and ask for pledges! Parking will be provided in the high school parking lots on the south side of the building (2108 155th St, Basehor). For more information, contact Lloyd Mesmer at 913-441-1180 or Wes Storm at 816-228-2660.

SAVE THE DATE! June 4, 2023, 1 pm, GKCTCC Meeting and Auction

Plans are underway for our June 4th meeting. We are planning to hold it at Herman Sachse's farm in Leavenworth. Stay tuned for further information. We will have our Auction, and if you noticed the blanket with the black background in one of the pictures of the Western Farm Show—it featured some our members and their tractors in various activities throughout last year. Kim has agreed to put it in the auction! So be sure to bring your checkbooks!

Kim Sachse is planning on having a taco bar for lunch with some cookies for dessert. You are welcome to bring anything you'd like to add to the table. After a quick lunch, we will hold our meeting and then enjoy our auction. Spouses are welcome, but as Kim noted, Herman has a collection of over 100 tractors and they are scattered between buildings and the woods. Since it will be warm, Kim suggested that once the auction begins, and before the tour starts—the ladies could join her in a field trip of their own, to the beautiful air-conditioned, Carroll Mansion in Leavenworth (just a short 15 minute drive). It's an 1880's Victorian house featuring elaborate handcrafted woodwork, beautiful stained glass windows and elegant antiques from the Victorian era to the

early 20th century. It is typically closed on Sunday, but Kim knows some people. ;) Kim can get a special tour arranged for us, if there's interest. If interested, please text Kim at 913-775-0690 and let her know you would like to participate in the Carroll tour. Once the tour is over, we will return to the Sachse farm so you can pick up your GKCTCC member and their goodies (from the auction). We hope you can join us!



Western Farm Show-Feb. 24-26, 2023

The Greater Kansas City Two Cylinder Club had a booth at the Western Farm Show on Feb. 24-26, 2023. The theme was "Propane Power". We had two tractors for display, on from Lloyd Mesmer which was a 620 LP-Gas, a 3020 LP-Gas from Herman Sachse, and two 1 1/2 horsepower hit and miss enginez from Justin Read. The overall display included toys (Richard Thompson), flags, blankets, quilt and the Plow Day video/Year in Review video. We enjoyed lots of visitors. Thanks to everyone who managed the booth, we couldn't do it without your help and support. Special thanks to Richard Thompson for providing the giveaway toys for the children. They enjoyed that!





Shawnee St. Patrick's Parade—March 12, 2023:

The 39th Annual Shawnee St Patrick's Parade launched the 2023 parade season. The day started cool, damp and cloudy but yielded to a mostly sunny day and moderate temps (42 degrees) for the start of the parade. The Meyers clan led the charge on behalf of the GKCTCC with Lori and granddaughter (JD 530), Jodie w son (JD 630), Chris w son (JD 730), and Jon Mcpherson w son (JD R), followed by Stan Tracz (JD M), Jon and Michelle Pirie w grandtwins (JD MT), Bob Antes (JD 630), Ed Essig w granddaughter (JD G), and David Essig bringing up the rear (Farmall H).





GKCTCC Meeting Minutes February 5, 2023 (1 PM)

American Truck Historical Society, 10380 N Ambassador Dr # 101, Kansas City, MO 64153

Meeting was opened with the flag salute at 1:10 pm. There were no new guests/members.

Outgoing President, Herman Sachse, Installed the 2023 Club Officers: Justin Read as President, Herman Sachse as Treasurer, Kim Sachse as Secretary, Jon Pirie as VP1, Jeff Gast as VP2, and Lloyd Mesmer as VP3. President Justin Read presided over the meeting. President Read sought approval of November Meeting Minutes, as published in previous newsletter. Marvin Halverson moved to accept and Wes Storm seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Herman Sachse gave the financial report. He discussed how he moved funds from UMB bank and moved them into Mutual Savings Checking Account. The UMB Bank is intended to have only the funds for the Scholarship (to include any donations from Benevity). The Mutual Account is for the rest of the funds for the club's day to day business. The UMB Bank has \$3,534.50 remaining. The Mutual Account has \$10,137.71 in it. Herman also discussed the deposits/expenditures since November. Bob Antes moved to accept the financial account. Lloyd Mesmer seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

President Read discussed the Budget Report. Stated that it was similar to last year – although we agreed we should budget for a 10-20% increase on insurance; \$29 increased for the Farm Show, and we are now budgeting \$2500 for the Scholarship. President Read stated that our insurance is renewed on May 21st, and is currently at \$1,136.00 per year now (Base Insurance plus the number of events at about \$25 per event and \$1.75 per member.) He anticipates it to go up to \$1300-\$1400 range. President Read discussed the insured events and that it was approved by board for 29 events and they are listed in the newsletter as well as on the website. He reminded everyone that the person in charge is listed in newsletter/to call them with questions on the events, such as where to meet, etc. Other (non-insured) events are listed on the website. If any dates need updating, let Justin know of any updates. We will vote on list at the April meeting (since the insurance renews in May).

Western Farm Show plans were discussed by President Read and Tina Neu. We will move our tractors and display in on Tuesday, February 21st, expected around 2 pm, based on weather. Our theme this year is LP tractors – Lloyd will bring his 620 and Herman will bring his original 3020....to show inclusive of newer generation of tractors....and hopefully gain more members. Model E, 1923 engine will be there as well. President Read asked for other small equipment that anyone may be interested in displaying. Lloyd has a 2 hole corn sheller he will bring. Toys will be there and a DVD will be playing. Blankets/quilts to display. The show will run 9-5 FRI/SAT (Feb. 24/25); 9-4 SUN (Feb. 26) and move out after it's done. If anyone is interested to help work the book, they will have badges up in the booth and we can get more. One can always call one of the Board Members to get assistance/badges to enter.

Read discussed upcoming meetings:

April 2, 2023 will be the next club meeting, to include Barbecue to start at 1 pm in the Administration Building at the Ag Hall. Wes donated \$250 towards the expense of the BBQ.

June 4, 2023 – Club meeting AND club auction at the Sachse Farm to start at 1 pm. More info to follow. Sachse address is 28290 203rd Street, Leavenworth, KS 66048. If you have items to donate to the club auction, please bring them. Kim suggested that if the ladies/guests are interested, after the meeting and start of the club auction, they could drive to Leavenworth (15 minutes) and tour the Carroll Mansion, an 1880's Victorian house featuring elaborate handcrafted woodwork/stained glass windows and elegant antiques from the Victorian era. It does have ties to the Sachse farm – Lucien Scott (the richest man in Kansas at the time), who owned the Mansion, in the mid-1880's , and redecorated it in the Victorian décor, used to raise cattle on what is now the Sachse farm. Kim also noted – the museum will be air conditioned!

Nov 5, 2023 – Our last club meeting is at Ag Hall and will hold our annual Picnic John Pirie discussed the upcoming St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday, March 12th in Shawnee, KS. Watch Facebook and our website for updates. Typically we arrive around 9 am, and drive up to Johnson Dr/Monorovia for the 11 AM lineup. The parade is at 1 pm.

Lloyd Mesmer discussed his disappointment in that the Plow Day could not be held last year, but he had magnets he was going to hand out then, so he shared them with everyone. Lloyd Mesmer discussed the upcoming Ag. Hall Tractor Cruise which will be held on May 6. He plans to start the cruise at the Basehor Linwood HS. He planned a 9 mile run before the morning break, another 7 miles to lunch at the former Jarbolo Methodist Church. They will then leave there and have an afternoon break, finishing at the HS. It's roughly a 34.8 mi drive. Hilltop is reserved for serving us lunch, with basically the same menu as last year, unless we want to make changes.

John Pirie discussed the Raffle and Scholarship Fund Update. He said to offset the cost of the raffle, he has reached out to Heritage Tractor and Safety Made Simple. In the past, they've given us \$500 each and are considering for this year. Scholarship amounts will be the same as in past. He planned to start the raffle at the end of summer and pull winners in Nov meeting.

President Read provided Service Gifts/Keychains to past board members, and those involved in some of our events. Wes Storm, GA Salmon, Jon and Michelle Pirie, Jay Pruett, Herman Sachse, Lloyd Mesmer, and Kim Sachse.

Motion to pay the \$50 to American Truck Historical Society for the use of their facilities for the meeting was made by Herman Sachse and seconded by Lloyd Mesmer. Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment....Herman Sachse made the motion to adjourn and seconded by Bob Antes. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 2:01 pm.

THE GREATER KANSAS CITY TWO-CYLINDER CLUB PRESENTS:



A BENEFIT RIDE FOR THE NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL CENTER AND HALL OF FAME

MAY 6, 2023, 8:30 AM

STARTING AND ENDING AT BASEHOR-LINWOOD HIGH SCHOOL BASEHOR, KS MAKING A SCENIC 35 MILE JOURNEY AROUND LEAVENWORTH COUNTY IN KS STOPPING FOR A MORNING BREAK IN RURAL LV CO., LUNCH IN JARBALO, BREAK IN RURAL LV CO., AND RETURNING TO THE HIGH SCHOOL

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7:00 AM CHECK-IN, 8:00 AM DRIVERS MEETING, 8:30 AM DEPART TIME 10:30 AM Break - LV Co, 11:30 Lunch - Jarbalo, 3:30 PM Return - High School FOR MORE INFORMATION: LLOYD MESMER (913) 441-1180 WES STORM (816) 228-2660



Items Wanted / For Sale:



1940 Early Styled B. Hand start. Restored 9 years ago. Automotive paint. Family tractor with full Kansas history. \$5000 Contact Jay Pruett 913-302-1273



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For Sale: 4 Throwaway Plow Shears for 14" Plow - Lloyd Mesmer 913-441-1180

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 Kim Sachse to place an ad, email to: secretary@GKCTCC.com

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2023 Schedule of Events - To be approved at the April 2, 2023 membership meeting.

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

Date Feb. 5	Location Event Contact# K.C., MO. GKCTCC Meeting @ American Truck Society 816-547-8608 1 PM
Feb. 24-26	K.C., MO. Western Farm Show, Governors Building, (Setup Day Feb. 21-22). 816-547-8608
March 12	Shawnee, KS. Shawnee St. Patrick's Day Parade 1 PM. Jon Pirie 913-238-2505
April 2	GKCTCC Meeting 1 PM. 816-547-8608
April 22	Bonner Springs, KS. Barn Yard Babies Tractor Show. Lloyd Mesmer 913-904-8186
May 6	Bonner Springs, KS. Ag Hall Tractor Cruise. Lloyd Mesmer 913-904-8186
June 3	Shawnee, KS. Old Shawnee Days Parade. (10 AM). Jay Pruett 913-302-1273
June 4	GKCTCC Meeting and White Elephant Auction Herman Sachse (2 PM). 913-775-3353
June 23-25	Adrian, MO. Antique Tractor, Steam and Engine Show. Bob Surber 816-797-4243
July 4	Sugar Creek, MO. Sugar Creek Parade. (11:00 a.m.). Wes 816-228-2660
July 15	Buchanan County, MO. MO Farm Bureau Tractor Cruise. (8 am). 816-279-2985
July 25	Tonganoxie, KS. Leavenworth County Fair Parade. Jeff Gast 913-704-9788
July 22	Bonner Springs, KS. Ag Hall Show N Shine Car, Truck, and Tractor Show. Lloyd 913-904-8186
Aug 10	Tracy, MO. Platte Co Tractor Cruise. Alan Goodwin – (816) 550-0481 or Jim McClung
Aug. 11-13	Tracy, MO. Platte County Antique Tractor, Steam & Gas Engine Show. 816-858-5826
Aug. 15-16	Sedalia, MO. Missouri State Fair "Old & Wow" Tractor Show and Parade. (Fair runs Aug. 10-20)
Sept. 7-10	Boonville, MO. Antique Tractor Show. (Cruise on 10th). 847-526-7318
Sept. 8-10	Ottawa, KS. Antique Tractor & Engine Show. 785-418-2190 featuring IHC Tractor & Engines
Sept. 9	Olathe, KS. Old Settlers Day Parade. Jon Pirie 913-238-2505
Sept. 16	Blue Springs Parade, Blue Springs, MO. Wes 816-228-2660
Sept. 15-17	Princeton, MO. Calamity Jane Weekend-Tractor Cruise. (Fri.) Parade and Tractor Show. (Sat.)
	Car Show. (Sun.). 660-748-4438
Oct. 7-8	Lake JaCoMo, 1855 Missouri Town - Tractor Display. Wes 816-228-2660
Oct. 21	Baldwin City, KS. Maple Leaf Festival and Parade. Jon Pirie 913-238-2505
Oct. 28	Independence, MO. Halloween Parade. Wes 816-228-2660
Nov. 5	GKCTCC Meeting and Picnic, 1:00 p.m., Ag Hall Red Barn. 913-775-3353
Nov. 11	Bonner Springs, Fall Plow Day. Lloyd Mesmer 913-441-1180
Dec. 2	Oak Grove, MO. Christmas Parade. Bob 816-863-9966

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