

# GREATER KANSAS CITY TWO-CYLINDER CLUB

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OUR CLUB MEMBERS GATHERED  
AT THE CLASSIC GREEN REUNION, IN TENNESSEE

## From the Desk of the Club President:

Summer is in high gear and so is the list of up coming events. Check out the schedule of events in the newsletter and the “Events of Interest” on GKCTCC.com. Get out to show your green and participate in the amazing events.

The Ag Hall of Fame awarded the Greater KC Two-Cylinder Club the Dale Hininger Award for Volunteer Service at their annual meeting June 29, 2023. It really was great to see the recognition of the club members who volunteer at the Ag Hall. Thank you to all current and past members who have helped out over the last 33 years.

I am again reaching out to all our members to see if anyone is interested in being the official GKCTCC representative on the Ag Hall Board of Directors. This is a position occupied by Don Hrabik for over a decade and most recently by former President Herman Sachse. The Board of Directors meet once a month (4th Monday of each month except July). This position gives our Club a good way to have direct communication with the decision-makers at the Ag Hall. It also means we have a voice in the direction the Ag Hall is going. This is a concern for several reasons: the 1938 Model B Club tractor and cultivator are on loan/display at the Ag Hall, meeting location for 2 of our meetings, activities for Club members, and donations from Club members. If you have an interest in being on the Ag Hall Board of Directors, please let me or the Ag Hall know.



All I can say is “Wow, what a show!” Classic Green Reunion in Lebanon TN had over 1000 John Deere exhibits this year. It was great to see all of the exhibits, catch up with friends, and make some new ones. The cover of the newsletter highlights the GKCTCC members that made the trip and have great stories to tell. Be sure to ask Charlie about his flap-pers. Don’t forget to put it on your calendar to attend CGR25 in West Bend, WI June 12-14, 2025.

*Justin Read*

## 2023 Club Officers

President:	Justin Read	1st Vice President:	Jon Pirie
2nd Vice President:	Jeff Gast	3rd Vice President:	Lloyd Mesmer
Treasurer:	Herman Sachse	Secretary:	Kim Sachse
Historian:	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 [waley01@att.net](mailto:waley01@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](mailto: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](mailto:secretary@GKCTCC.com)

**Facebook Page:** <https://www.facebook.com/GKCTCC>

## Upcoming Events

**September 8-10 Ottawa, KS. Antique Tractor & Engine Show.** featuring Deere Tractor & Engines It is the 28th Annual Power of the Past Antique Engine & Tractor Show, held at Forest Park, 302 North Locust, Ottawa, KS. For more information, check out their website at <http://www.powerofthepast.net/show-events/> or call 785-241-0834.

**September 9, 2023—Johnson County Old Settlers Parade - Olathe, KS**

The Greater KC Two-Cylinder club is registered for one of the largest parades in the State of Kansas - the Johnson County Old Settlers Parade held in downtown Olathe, KS. The parade begins at 10 AM, however the club will need to be in place on the parade route by 9 AM. Club members can meet and unload tractors at Northview Elementary School located at 900 N. Woodland St, but must be prepared to move toward the parade staging area by 8 AM. Questions can be directed to Jon Pirie at 913-238-2505.

**September 16, 2023-- Blue Springs Parade, Blue Springs, MO.** Wes 816-228-2660 can provide more information.

**October 7-8, 2023—Lake JaCoMo, 1855 Missouri Town - Tractor Display.** Contact Wes 816-228-2660 for more details. Set up will be on October 6th.

**October 21, 2023-Maple Leaf Festival - Baldwin City, KS - Baldwin City, KS**

The Greater KC Two-Cylinder club is registered for the Maple Leaf Festival Parade which begins at 11 AM. Club members should plan to park and unload at Heritage Tractor located at 915 Industrial Park Rd, Baldwin City, KS 66006. Participants should be unloaded and prepared to move Heritage Tractor toward the parade route by 9:30 AM so we can be in place by 10 AM. Questions can be directed to Jon Pirie at 913-238-2505.

**October 28, 2023—Independence, MO. Halloween Parade.** Contact Wes 816-228-2660 for additional information.

**SAVE THE DATE! November 5, 2023 GKCTCC Meeting** , 1:00 p.m., location Heritage Tractor in Adrian, MO. More details to follow in the next newsletter.

### The Club has T-Shirts and Flags available again.

Adult T-Shirts Small-5XL \$8

Kids T-Shirts Sizes XS-XL \$8

Parade Flags are available in Yellow, White, or Green \$80.

Contact Tine Neu 913-396-1455 or [redraven66002@yahoo.com](mailto:redraven66002@yahoo.com)



## Past Events

**GKCTCC MEETING AND WHITE ELEPHANT AUCTION ON JUNE 4TH** at Herman Sachse Farm. It was a beautiful day for a meeting overlooking the countryside. We enjoyed a taco lunch and meeting, followed by the White Elephant Auction. Not sure which was more enjoyable, meeting everyone and visiting with our members under the shade trees, or watching Herman bid on his own stuff that he didn't remember was his.



**THE JULY 4TH PARADE IN LENEXA, KS** was well attended with eight John Deere tractors representing the GKCTCC! Tractors lined up with oldest up front and late models in the rear. Marvin Halverson led the way (1940 JD-A), followed by Justin Read (1941 JD-H), Jon & Michelle Pirie (1949 JD-MT), Chris Meyer w/ Waverly (1951 JD-R), Lori Meyer W/ Brandon (1959 JD-530), Mike Ramsey w/ Noah (1959 JD-630), Jon McPherson w/ James (1960 HD-730) and Jay Pruett (1960 JD-530). A cloudy morning yielded to mostly sunny skies as all present celebrated the nation's birthday!



**LEAVENWORTH COUNTY FAIR PARADE** was held on July 25th in Tonganoxie. We had a nice turn-out on a warm summer's evening. Thank you to all our tractor club friends who participated! We received 1st place in the Tonganoxie parade in the antique division!



## GKCTCC Meeting Minutes June 4, 2023, Sachse Farm, Leavenworth, KS

The meeting was opened with the flag salute at 2:00 pm. There was a young couple (Corey Davis and his wife), Don Kirby and Gary Derzinski, were our guests.

President Read sought approval of the April 2023 meeting minutes. Bryce York moved, Bob Antes seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Herman Sachse gave the financial report. The general account began with a balance of \$10132.48 and after expenditures/deposits, to include the clubs insurance expense which was \$1199, ended with \$9394.62. The scholarship fund account began with a balance of \$3945.65 and ended at \$4384.50. Lloyd Mesmer moved to accept the financial report. Bryce York seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

An announcement that Kenny Read's 1923 "D" celebrated its 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday on June 4, 2023.

A reminder that the Classic Green Reunion will be held June 15-17, 2023 in Lebanon Tennessee.

Raffle tickets for the scholarship are available. 12 tickets for \$2 each. We have received a donation from Heritage Tractor for \$300. We are hoping for a donation from Safety Made Simple. The big rush to sell the tickets will be in the fall.

There are Power of the Past brochures available.

Lloyd recapped the Ag Hall tractor cruise. Received donations of around \$3000 for the Ag Hall. He's planning on the next cruise for May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024, looks like a 40 mile cruise leaving the high school at Bonner, headed to Linwood/DeSoto and returning to the High School.

The Show & Shine will be held July 22<sup>nd</sup>, with tractor exhibit and car show. Possibly tractor games.

Reminder of upcoming events – July 23-28 Adrian, July 4- Lenexa Community Days Parade, July 15, Buchanan County Tractor Cruise, July 25<sup>th</sup> Lvn County Fair Parade @ Tonganoxie, Aug 10-Plate County Tractor Cruise, Aug 15-16 Mo State Fair at Sedalia. We hope to have another newsletter by late Aug./Early Sept. Nov 5, 2023 Meeting/Picnic location has not been decided. If you are interested in hosting, please contact Justin.

We are looking for a replacement for our representative at Ag Hall (as Herman has resigned due to a number of other commitments).

Don Hrabik's funeral will be June 24<sup>th</sup> at Amos in downtown Shawnee.

Discussion on the Post Office Box in Lenexa renewal, which is due June 17, 2023. Sheryl Newham moved to keep the post office box, and seconded by Marvin Halverson. Motion passed. Sheryl made a generous donation for the PO Box.

We then had our white elephant auction. Thank you to all the donors and bidders. The auction brought in \$577 for our club.

Meeting adjourned. Ending with a tour of the Sachse collection for those who were interested.

Kim Sachse,  
Secretary



### JOHN DEERE TRIVIA:

How many models of tractors has John Deere designed since 1837?  
(See last page for answer!)



## Let's Shine the Spotlight on Tina Neu, Jeff Gast and their son Charlie:

Tina was born in Atchison Kansas. She grew up in the Everest/Horton area and now lives in Shawnee, Kansas. She currently works at KU Medical Center as a Research Biller (which is wonderful because she gets to work from home). Jeff was born in Leavenworth, KS. His career took him for a tour in the Military, a SeaBee in the Navy. He currently works as an Electrician for Teague Electric. The couple met on-line years ago and have enjoyed each other's company since. They both liked auctions, old tractors, fairs, demolition derbies, old cars, parades, travel, and have an energetic, John Deere-Tractor Loving young son, named Charlie. Charlie has joined many of our tractor events as he is the proud owner of several and happily shares his tractors with spectators as he rides with his dad.



When asked, what is their favorite tractor they own, I was told Charlie's 39AW. They bought it from Aumann Auction and are currently restoring it. I'm told they were bidding and Jeff stopped when he felt it was his max. Then another bid came in, from beside him....it was Tina! She knew he wanted that tractor, and went ahead for the next 5 or 6 bids. Later, they found that there were only 30 of those made. She said she told Jeff, you can thank me later.

Tina is "into" the old vehicles. She has a handful of them. Her favorite is a 65 Mustang Fastback (everyone, groan in envy!). She said that's the next one that will be restored. She had her dad's blue 54 Ford Skyliner restored. She grew up with that vehicle which was intended for a future project for her dad, who worked on mechanical and auto-body repair. After her father passed, it was taken to a shop in Everest, which happened to be her Dad's old shop and it was completed 1 week before what would've been his 64<sup>th</sup> birthday. She now displays it proudly in car shows. She showed it in the Piperfest Car Show last year. To her excitement, it won Principal's Choice – which means this year her car will be show-cased on their Flier, Banner and T-shirts. How cool is that? Dad would be so proud! By the way, she will be participating in the Piperfest Car show again this year. It will be held Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 11-3, with awards at 3 pm. So be sure to add that date to your calendar so you can come see it and buy a t-shirt!



How did Tina get so interested in cars, trucks and tractors? From working around her dad. Although he didn't have her sanding/painting or repairing the vehicles, she was involved in working around the shop and became very interested in the vehicles/tractors he had around. He bought/sold many vehicles over the years, and once she became driving-age – she got to try many of them out. He then started collecting tractors. He had a 35B and had it at a shop to be restored. Unfortunately he had passed and that person kept his tractor. The family tried to get it back, but without a serial number, they had no proof that the tractor was theirs. They tried to catch up with the thief, but he kept moving. So Tina's word to the wise – jot down your serial numbers when you have these vehicles/tractors out to be worked on. Don't let someone take an heirloom from you. Later, Jeff found a 35B at an auction in Haiwatha and bought it with the intention of restoring it for Tina. Later he ran into a better 35B on Facebook and restored it for Tina.



We all have noticed that this is a family divided. Jeff likes the Allis Chalmers and Charlie/Tina like the John Deere brands. Tina likes the Fords while Jeff likes the Chevrolet. So Charlie tried to bridge the divide....for his birthday, Jeff received an orange hat with a John Deere emblem.

Charlie is not to be forgotten....he has a nice collection of pedal tractors, toy tractors and of course, the real ones as well. He is appreciative of Don Hrabik who mentored him on starting his collection. He enjoys going to auctions as well, and is not afraid of bidding on those future projects/treasures.



**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 Pruet 913-302-1273



For Sale: 1950 Styled AR, Serial Number 273481. Earlier Restoration, primed and repainted, Powertrol, recently rebuilt carburetor, wheel weights, new tires and tubes. Asking \$5000 O.B.O. - Lloyd Mesmer 913-441-1180

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



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## 2023 Schedule of Events - Approved at the April 2023 Membership 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. 5</b>	<b>K.C., MO. GKCTCC Meeting @ American Truck Society</b>	<b>816-547-8608 1 PM</b>
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
<b>April 2</b>	<b>GKCTCC Meeting 1 PM.</b>	<b>816-547-8608</b>
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
<b>June 4</b>	<b>GKCTCC Meeting and White Elephant Auction Herman Sachse (1 PM).</b>	<b>913-775-3353</b>
June 23-25	Adrian, MO. Antique Tractor, Steam and Engine Show.	Bob Surber 816-797-4243
July 4	Lenexa, KS. Community Days Parade. (10:00 a.m.).	Jon Pirie 913-238-2505
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 Deere 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
<b>Nov. 5</b>	<b>Adrian, MO, GKCTCC Meeting, 1:00 p.m., Heritage Tractor.</b>	
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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**ANSWER TO TRIVIA (pg 5): ALMOST 700!** Since John Deere manufactured his very first plow in 1837, approximately 690 different tractor models have been designed, produced, and sold. This number includes 38 backhoe-loader tractors, 45 industrial tractors, 8 Waterloo Boy tractors, and 70 Lanz farm tractors. Woah! See the list at: <http://www.tractordata.com/farm-tractors/tractor-brands/johndeere/johndeere-tractors.html>.