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A tractor-pulling contest, home talent show and queen competition will launch the Davis County Old Soldiers and Settlers Reunion this Thursday at Drakesville.

This year marks the 117th anniversary of the beginning of the annual event. Old Soldiers' Day is Friday, Old Settlers' Day on Saturday.

Tractor-pulling is on the agenda for 9 a.m. Thursday and the evening program will open at 7:30 with the home talent program.

Those planning to enter the talent show should contact Mrs. Bill Bassett at Drakesville prior to Thursday evening.

Feature of the first day of the

reunion will be the Queen of Conservation contest on the evening program when judges will select a winner and runner-up to advance to the regional event Aug. 14 at Fairfield.

Kay Clyman, last year's county and regional queen, will crown the new winner. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Neal Clyman of route 8.

Deadline for enrolling in the queen contest is 5 p.m. Wednesday at the Soil Conservation Service office, Bloomfield. Mrs. Sam Botts, Jr., is queen contest chairman. Enrolled to date are:

Donna Jean Rudd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Rudd.

Vicky Lynn Hershey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Hershey.

Georgia Wilty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wilty.

Sharon Newell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Newell.

Mary Beth Bohi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bohi.

Judges will be Dave Davis of Ottumwa, KTVO television personality, and Mr. and Mrs. Warren Dickey of Hedrick. Bill Eyers, Davis county extension director, will be emcee.