

Cherokee Chapter, AMCA



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The Cherokee Chapter Leads by Example!

Show Me, Don't Tell Me is something my father told me from very early in my life. "Talk is talk... just walk the walk." "Don't tell me what you are going to do... Show me the Results." These early life lessons seem very appropriate to describe our Chapter in many ways at present.

Two and a half years ago we had 25-30 members and a board of directors that was pretty tired from serving for so many years. Our average member age was as it currently is in the AMCA... just too high. Normal was the same few people worked their "rears" off and no one wanted to take their turn to be on the Board of Directors. This seems to be an issue with many small AMCA Chapters over the past decades. Yet the current AMCA National BoD's still feel and preach that having more smaller, more localized Chapters is still the answer. We understand those that live in highly populated, traffic congested parts of America such as the upper Eastern Seaboard, and in other heavily populated areas such as LA, etc... But America is a big place and in more sparsely populated states and regions where people drive greater distances on a daily basis in their lives the rule is different perhaps.

Another topic of concern with Chapters is **how to attract new members, get them activated and retain them** for years to come by having

an enthusiasm level that is high enough, having enough local and regional events for them to attend and enjoy their classic motorcycles, their memorabilia collecting or even the simplest enjoyment of our great sport, the fellowship of meeting many new members with similar interests. **New blood is a good thing. Change is a good thing** when implemented in moderation and with proper planning.

Today the Cherokee Chptr. has proven that bigger can be better. Today we have over 250 active members.

That is a 1,000% increase in membership in 2.5 years.

Why does it work so well? There are a few reasons.

First... all small AMCA Chapters can have issues at times with none of their membership wishing to step up and volunteer to serve as an event chairman or to be on the board of directors. This causes existing BoD members to shoulder far too much load and to get tired. By having one extremely sharp BoD's that represent all corners of the State of Texas and Oklahoma our members in every region do vote & have representation.

With proper annual planning, events can be held in multiple parts of the state throughout the year. By having larger "pods of members" in all these areas of the territory, these local pods do get together to ride and help each other on their

projects. Twice a year we hold large events that all members can travel to and the events are worth the gas and hotel money. Our Spring Cherokee / Pate Swap Meet / Concours Bike Show and our annual Fall Road Run are just two examples here.

All of this works well as there is only one BoD's, one checkbook, one newsletter and website to handle.

The members can just enjoy their hobby. The side benefit is that by having such a large membership the talent pool of people for event chair positions, volunteers to work events and future BoD positions is large as well. People will take their turns to plan and run an event and to be on the board. No one wants to step up when things are stagnated, but many do when the Parade is Fun.

We have much to be proud for and we have all accomplished much together as a Chapter.

"It is far easier to keep a big wheel turning than the constant effort to turn a small one, plus a larger wheel covers far more ground as it moves forward. I am Very Proud to serve all of you."

**"Proud To Be Cherokee"
We Ride!**

For The Love of the Sport;



Steve Klein, President

On the Road with Cherokee Membership & Events...



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Hello Fellow Members...

Wow what a past few months in Texas. Our ranch in Paradise survived a multi-year drought, causing us to move and sell cattle, followed by a range fire that burned out some of our neighbors ranch, part of our ranch and most of our mature trees, followed by tornado's missing us merely by hundreds of yards, followed by torrential rains and flooding in most of the State during May / June. Our Oklahoma Members survived two big tornado events near Moore and OKC and our Central and South Texas Members from the Hill Country around Austin to the Gulf of Mexico and as far North as Houston were all flooding with 20-30+ inches of rain falling endlessly. week after week. But we all survived none-the-less. We are blessed indeed.

By the time you start reading this July edition of our Cherokee Chapter Newsletter Gloria and I will be on the road logging another 5,000 miles heading back to Florida to get the rest of my pile of parts moved back home to Texas. No, Florida is not 5,000 miles from Paradise TX. We are going the long way around by attending the AMCA's Wauseon Swap Meet, then on to Chicago and other destinations and for a family reunion on Gloria's side of the family.

Why do we do this grueling roadwork in our retirement years? It is what we know and we just love the people in this sport. The Chapter Presidents Meeting is held in Wauseon this year and Steve cannot attend due to a conflicting family schedule. So Greg McFarland, VP and I will represent the Cherokee Chapter in Wauseon. Plus we will be distributing fliers to vendors for 2016 Cherokee

Pate Swap Meet / Concours Bike Show.

The 2015 Pate Swap Meet was a grand undertaking and there are so many people to thank in our Chapter for chairing committees and volunteering for a multitude of portions of the show that I cannot attempt to start listing them all here. But you are all thanked from the bottom of my heart. We had 280+ Vendor Booths and over 180+ motorcycles in the Concours d' Pate Bike Show in our inaugural year. **The Cherokee Chapter portion of the Pate Swap Meet was the "Big Talk at Pate Swap Meet in 2015." And Pate had over 11,000 vendor booths in 2015!**

Besides the Vending and Bike Show we also held a VIP Party to recognize event sponsors & VIP participants A professional catering company fed 150 VIP and Cherokee Volunteers and an outstanding Rock and Roll Band played live music most of the evening at Shadetree Fabrications facility a few miles from Pate. Special Thanks go to our wonderful event sponsors, John Parham, The National Motorcycle Museum, Dale Walksler, Wheels Through Time Museum, Chris and Heather with Cycle Source Magazine, Chris Maida, Editor of American Iron Magazine, Carson Classic Motors, Kirk Sharp, Just Kickers, Dallas TX.; Alan Stuhlburg, Revival Cycles, Austin TX., Big Greg Hale, MC Creations, Houston TX.; Kyle Shorey, Shadetree Fabrications, and many more.

Planning and work is already well underway for the 2016 Cherokee Pate Swap Meet and Concours d'Pate Bike Show.

We will have Cherokee members attending the rest of the AMCA Events this year to promote our event. Plus we will have Cherokee people at Davenport & Barbers spreading the word as well.

We had 217 Cherokee Members prior to Pate and 258 at the end of the event. **Yes we were visible, available and carried the "Word of the AMCA with Pride" at The Pate Swap Meet.**

2016 will be bigger and better than ever with improved advertising via social media and internet. Virtually all of our 2015 Vendors are coming back in 2016. The Concours d'Pate Bike Show will add a large 80 ft. long tent this year for the higher dollar, rarer Concours bikes to stay out of the sun, wind and (rain?) The VIP Party will be in a new location with a new sponsor. Plus we are getting interest of larger major manufacturers in securing larger spots to bring their larger booths in. More on that in future months.

Buck Carson's Classic Chrome Radio Show did a live internet broadcast from our event and over 100,000+ classic motorcycle enthusiasts world-wide listened in at Pate. Buck has now reached out to 1 M+ classic motorcycle enthusiasts with his wildly successful show. We cannot thank Buck enough for the promotion he had always given the AMCA and our Cherokee Chapter free of charge. Buck Carson is a class act that we appreciate much.

It is a great time to be active in our vintage motorcycle sport! Please Invite a Friend to Join!

From the Road!
Shelby

The Cherokee Chapter is featured on the cover and as a feature article in July Cycle Source Magazine. We also will be having a feature story about Cherokee Concours d'Pate and our Cherokee / Pate Swap Meet in a future edition of American Iron Mag. Our Cherokee Members from Austin who own Revival Cycles and put on The HandBuilt Show are also featured in a story in this issue. Texas is Rising! I have posted the entire Cherokee article here for your personal enjoyment. Proud to be...Cherokee!



The cover of Cycle Source magazine features a custom motorcycle with a gold and red fuel tank, chrome engine, and a skull logo on the headlight. The magazine title 'CYCLE SOURCE' is prominently displayed in large white letters with a skull logo in the center. Below the title, it says 'A GRASS ROOTS MOTORCYCLE PUBLICATION'. The cover includes several headlines and teasers for articles.

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CHEROKEE CHAPTER AMCA BRINGS MOTORCYCLES IN FOR FIRST YEAR

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CHOPPAHEAD TRIUMPH
GIRL POWER SHOVEL
SPEED FOUNDRY EVO
TEN YEAR EVO

THE HANDBUILT SHOW
IS TEXAS TAKING OVER THE CUSTOM SCENE

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The Party IS TEXAS TAKING

Article By: Chris Callen Photos By: Heather Walker

Typically when we get a chance to see or do something new we are all in. In truth, that's partially how the magazine got started, an insatiable appetite for experience. In any event, when we got the call from Steve Klein of the Cherokee Chapter of the AMCA about the expansion of the Pate Swap to include motorcycles this year, we signed up in a minute flat.

The trip started with a fever of activity. We would only be in this part of the country a few days so once we flew into the Dallas Fort Worth airport we hit the ground running. First stop DC Choppers to catch up with Bacon at his place in Spicewood. It was a three and a half hour drive but worth every mile. Dan is currently working on some next level stuff for Pans and Knuckles and I left there jonesing for some shop time.

From there we dropped in on David at Voodoo Vintage in Austin. This cat does amazing work and on top of all the cool parts he makes for motorcycles he has an incredible

knack for making tools or just plain making them better. I must have taken ten good ideas away from our visit there from tools that he has modified or made himself. Both of these shops will be covered in an upcoming issue.

We had a blast the first day but unfortunately Texas ended up being so much bigger than we expected that we just ran out of time and ended up crashing somewhere in Waco, unable to make it back to the Dallas area like we had planned. Anyone who follows the magazine knows this is about par for the course with us, but the next day gave us another chance to redeem ourselves.

We pulled into the Roanoke Texas shop of our host for the weekend Kyle Shorey, just in time to see him and Chris Maida of American Iron finishing up a tech article. The place was hopping with people scattering everywhere getting the joint in shape for the Friday night VIP Party in association with the event. Just in case, like us, you have never heard of this incredible swap meet, let's get some



THE SWAP G O V E R ?



background info going.

For 43 years the Pate swap has achieved legendary status among hot rod pickers and those of the motor memorabilia clan. 11,000 vendors over 15 miles of the parking lot at the Texas Motor Speedway, all with their wares displayed. This year over 300 motorcycle vendors were added into the mix through an initiative launched by the Cherokee Chapter of the AMCA. Parts, whole bikes, a killer bike show of everything from hummers and Panheads to Indians, Cushmans and Hendersons. More classic and antiques motorcycles than the human mind can take in at one time and prices

on parts that actually made them an easy decision to take home. Lucky for Heather we didn't drive the White Dragon with our little trailer or I would have broke the bank.

I got some time to the side with Steve to talk about why they were pushing for a motorcycle presence here and it came out simply that the members of the Cherokee Chapter have to travel all over hell and back to get to the good meets and shows. He wanted to put a flag down for the AMCA in Texas. But it goes even deeper than that, these cats are die hard enthusiasts. It has become a priority for Steve and quite a few of the members to reach out

to the next generation. In this they, unlike the stereotypical Antique Bike guy you might think of, are going to great lengths to bring in the younger crowd with their sixties and seventies choppers as well.

Steve's own love of the sport goes a long way to where his own wife forced him back into bikes after a lifetime of striving for success in business. Today, he has an amazing collection of what he calls "Pedal Bikes" which is to say the bikes of the pre 1916 era. A Flying Merkel, old Harley Grey Fellow and no one could go past his spot without getting a good hard look at his Johnson.

At the awards ceremony we were so



happy to see the youngest member of the AMCA ever get a trophy for his work. Eight year old Joe Kieen scored a win on a bike that he and his grandfather Klint built. His Grandfather said that there was a time where Joe only wanted to play video games but since he got into bikes with his pap, that's all behind him. Another proud winner was Lecil Morgan for the Hummer she and her husband Jerry built. Jerry was nice enough to tool us around the fifteen mile meet in his limo sized golf cart, we would have never seen it all without him. Our pick for the show was Mike Hardin who had a beautiful 45 flattie that was put together with surgical precision. There's a picture of it on the next page but we are going to run a full feature on the bike in our very next issue.

The guys from the Just Kickers. Event were on hand with some rocking machines and a truck load of parts. We have been hearing so much good about the event these guys put on in Oklahoma around this time of year that we suggest you check them out. Oliver Peck of Ink Master fame was there with a flat side shovel and a beautiful shovelhead bagger that was spotless. Oliver is also a member of the Cherokee Chapter and his good nature was only surpassed by his passion for motorcycles during the time we caught up with him.

John Parham was on hand to support this historic expansion and had a booth set up for the National Motorcycle Museum. They have a year long exhibit going on for period choppers but during their open house in June would be another great excuse. We're even throwing a little bike show there on the Sunday of the event.

During this meet a milestone was achieved by the Cherokee Chapter, they became the largest AMCA chapter with a now record 250 members and from our perspective we can see why.

Roaming around the lot we ran into more than our fair share of friendly faces. Big Greg of MC Creations was the first and I jumped right out of the cart to scour over his trailer full of goodies. We never did get to catch up with Grimey (Rod Davis) but the cats from Barbato Cycles did run us down and we finally got to shoot pictures of their Servi Car that took best of show at the Lone Star Rally like 3 years ago.

So in the off hours from the meet we'd take little side trips and spend time

Your Cherokee Chapter Board of Directors ...

If any of our members have specific ideas or input for our Chapter... Please contact us below! We want to hear from you!

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- ✓ To pay your Cherokee Chapter dues go online too www.CherokeeAMCA.org
- ✓ To pay National AMCA Dues.. go online at www.AntiqueMotorcycle.org.
- ✓ Remember, you must belong to the AMCA to be a member of the Cherokee Chapter.

Local and Regional Events Calendar...

09.03.15	Davenport Swap Meet and Races, Davenport Iowa. www.chiefblackhawk.org Yr. 44 of a Great American Meet!
09.12.15	Southern Throwdown https://www.facebook.com/SouthernThrowdown A not to miss event in Dallas TX!
10.01.15	Lake O' Pines Rallye www.ntnoa.org An awesome event by our good friends at North Texas Norton Association
10.17.15	Cherokee Chapter Fall Road Run. (See article this issue.) A Must Attend Cherokee Event! <u>We Ride!</u>



Be There!

National Meets, Road Runs, & Events ...



Details of events can be found in the Antique Motorcycle magazine and at www.antiquemotorcycle.org

The Antique Motorcycle Club of America
PO Box 1715
Maple Grove, MN 55311

2015 AMCA National Meets & Road Runs

<u>Date</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	<u>Location</u>
Feb 27-28	Omaha Chapter National Meet	Fremont, NE
Mar 6-7	Sunshine Chapter National Meet	New Smyrna Beach, FL
Apr 24-25	Perkiomen Chapter National Meet	Oley, PA
May 8-10	European Chapter Meet	Raalte, Netherlands
May 15-17	Southern National Meet	Denton, NC
Jun 12-14	Viking Chapter National Meet	St. Paul, MN
Jun 14-17	Yankee National Road Run	Keene, NY
Jun 19-20	Fort Sutter Chapter National Meet	Dixon, CA
Jun 19-20	Rhinebeck Coalition National Meet	Rhinebeck, NY
Jul 17-19	Wauseon National Meet	Wauseon, OH
Jul 31-Aug 1	Yankee Chapter National Meet	Hebron, CT
Aug 27-29	Badger Heritage National Road Run	Wisconsin
Sep 7-10	Black Hills Chapter National Road Run	South Dakota
Sep 21-23	Yerba Buena National Road Run	California
Oct 2-3	Chesapeake Chapter National Meet	Jefferson, PA



Applause and Welcome to Our Newest Cherokee Chapter Members ...

Please make these new members feel very welcome when you meet them on the road or at an event!

Grant Ackerman, San Pedro CA.

Michael Alton, Dallas TX.

Steve and Susan Baugh, Waco, TX

Michael and Karen Cooper, Ft. Worth TX.

Rebecca Cunningham, Richmond TX.

William Farnsworth, Bryan TX.

Robert and Sharon Gustavsson, Frisco TX.

Scott and Amy Hoepker, Fort Worth, TX

Johnny Jimmerson, Rattan OK.

Brad Kenyon, Suwanee, GA.

Nelson Kugle, Austin, TX.

Dennis and Debbie Leggett, Joaquin TX.

Harold Lorenz, Katy TX.

Doc and Karen McCormick, DeLeon Springs FL.

Winford Moore, Conroe TX.

Bob and Cathy Reko, Sugarland TX.

Sam and Donna Romeo, Pasadena TX.

Rowdy Schenck, New Mexico

Ronald and Caline Spikes, Waco, TX.

George Tuttle, Southlake TX.

John Ackerman, San Pedro CA.

Scott and Terri Baker, Dallas TX.

Vanessa Brewington, Woodward OK.

Dale Crawford, Roanoke TX.

Brad and Susan Duerst, South Lake TX.

Bruce Garrett, Drasco AZ.

K. and Sharon Hall, Noman OK.

Nathan and Brandy Igo, DeBerry TX.

Paul and Sarah Jones, Richardson, TX.

Ken and Mary Kinsley, Arlington TX.

Richard and Debbi LeBlanc, Prairieville LA.

Clifford Lewis, Conroe, TX.

Wally Manuagh, Dallas TX.

Gregory and Katie McQueen, Mountain Home TX.

Timothy and Jamie O'Keefe, Frisco TX.

Don Roberts, Houston TX.

Timothy and Tina Scates, TX.

M.A. Sinacolla II, Plano TX.

Rick and Michelle Stadel, Frisco, TX.

Bob and Cindy Whitton, Drumright OK.

Please take a moment and reflect, smile and remember these Cherokee Members whom we lost this year...

Robert "Spud" Guerin, San Marcos TX. Founding Chapter Member, officer, leader, and everyone's friend.

Linley Wright, Glen Rose TX, His beloved wife Martha left us prior to Linley. May they both enjoy better roads.

C.D. "Foot" Martin, Arlington, TX. Foot was a lifelong promoter of the sport, salvage owner & swap meet promotor.

Bud Reveile, Buds Cycle Sales, Austin TX. Bud had a huge heart for all in the sport. We All Miss You Bud!

Will Carnahan, Benbrook TX. A kinder & more gentle motorcycle gentleman has never rode a BMW in heaven.

(If you see any errors here, please email Steve Klein at Steve@SteveKlein.com so we may get it corrected properly. TY SK)

Cherokee Fall Road Run... Livingston TX.



It's time for another Chapter Road Run. Special Thanks go out to Board Director Mike Carson, Ms. "T", and Buck Carson for chairing, planning and hosting an incredible event this **October 30th through November 1, at Livingston TX.** Three full days of riding on Friday, Saturday and Sunday in East Central TX. A convenient location for all Arkansas, North Texas, Central Texas, South Texas and East Texas members to converge for good roads, good food and good friends. The event will center around Livingston State Park as our base camp. Rides will be in and around Sam Houston National Forest and also include stops at The Carson Ranch and Carson Classic Motors. Friday night will include an Evening BBQ Social with a Live Band on forested acreage across the street from Carson Classic Motors Museum and Shop. There is no fee per machine or rider, but we will depend on donations for the BBQ & Band. We try to keep these events as a break even, non-profit event. Your financial help in the food line and for the entertainment is appreciated

The Carsons are also opening their vintage motorcycle collection and shop containing over 100+ rare and interesting vintage motorcycles for our Chapter members and Guest Motorcycle Clubs to view and enjoy. The Carsons are veteran Cannonball Endurance Racers and this is an event not to be missed by anyone in our club. **We do need Houston Area members to volunteer** for help in setup, Road Run registration, and to be Road Captains as each group leaves the starting line each morning. We will have a chase truck and trailer, but understand that each of you will have your machines in top condition so these Chase Truck Volunteers will really have nothing to do each day 😊 As always we outfit the chase truck with extra tires, tubes, batteries and parts to try to keep all riders on the road. Please safety check your motorcycle to not have to participate in the "Ride of Shame on the Back of a Trailer."

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW! YOU KNOW YOU WILL NOT WANT TO MISS ANOTHER TEXAS ROAD RUN!
Headcount is very important so we may plan for BBQ, T-Shirts, Event Trophies and all the festivities properly each day.

- **Pre-Registration** Fill out the attached Registration Form and follow instructions to return it.
- **Volunteers needed.** Contact Greg McFarland gregory.mcfarland@sbcglobal.net or cell 214.912.9245
 - **Registration at the Event** – All Riders and passengers must sign Registration Forms and Release Forms. Need 2 people to register.
 - **Chase Truck and Trailer Driver and Passenger** Need two people
 - **Group #1 Road Run Captain** (We will depart in smaller groups on each of the three days rides for safety reasons on narrow roads)
 - **Group #2 Road Run Captain**
 - **Group #3 Road Run Captain**
 - There are three days of road routes. If you can only ride two days... let us know so we can have a Road Captain for Day #3
 - **Safety Captain** – Individual(s) to look at each motorcycle to ensure no issues with tires, loose part(s) etc.
 - **Volunteers for Setup and Cleanup.** As always we all seem to pitch in anyhow and help our hosts get all the chores done daily for parking, setup and trash detail cleanup.
- **Camping / RV.** Use the preferred location below at **Lake Livingston State Park.** Any overflow can go to the two very nice RV Camping Areas directly on the Lake at Lake Livingston within a few miles of the Carson Classic Motors location and also the Carson Ranch. We encourage all attendees to make arrangements for a site at this time in either of these RV Campgrounds.
 - *** **Preferred Location - Lake Livingston State Park** – 300 State Park Road 65, Livingston TX, 77351 **Call 936.365.22**
 - **Lake Livingston / Onalaska KOA** - 15152 US 190, Onalaska TX. 77630 **Call 936.646.3824**
 - **Northshore RV Resort on Lake Livingston** – 168 Butler, Onalaska TX. (Just North of US190) **Call 877.766.7847**
- **Hotels**
 - **Hampton Inn Livingston** – 1510 US Hwy 59 **Call 936.327.2300** \$85 rooms. Free breakfast
 - **Holiday Inn Express / Suites** – 120 Southport Lane, Livingston TX. **Call 936.327.9600** \$88 rooms, Free breakfast
 - **LaQuinta** – 402 US 59 Loop South (frontage road of US 59 just North of Livingston) **Call 936.328.5290** \$79 Free Bkfst.
- **Groceries / Ice / Things you forgot to pack...**
 - **Brookshire Brothers Grocery and many large Convenience Stores / Marinas in the immediate Area.**

Cherokee Chapter Road Run Registration Form



Rider Name (print neatly) _____

Passenger Name (print neatly) _____

Rider Address _____

City _____ **ST** _____ **Zip** _____

Cell Phone (_____) _____ **Email Address** _____
(In case of severe weather or other extreme cause necessary to cause cancellation of the event, we need to be able to contact you)

Cycle Ridden YR _____ **Make** _____ **Model** _____

Addtl. Cycle YR _____ **Make** _____ **Model** _____
(if applicable)

Rider
Signature _____ **AMCA #** _____
(A current active paid AMCA # is required)

Passenger
Signature _____ **AMCA #** _____
(If applicable . If you are a Guest of AMCA Member, enter Guest here)

- I have insurance coverage on my motorcycle to the minimum limits required by Texas Law.**
- I understand that I will sign a Release of Liability Form at the event before riding any road routes.**

Mail Registration Form to: **Greg McFarland**, 8547 San Fernando Way, Dallas TX 75218
or Scan/Email to gregory.mcfarland@sbcglobal.net
or questions may be left on cell voice mail **214.912.9245** & will be returned.

Chapter Communication / Website / Facebook ...

"As Editor, I truly intended to have a total new format for our newsletter by this issue. I have received much needed advice from other AMCA Editors on exactly what program to use. Time has been a valuable commodity the last couple of months and I am still not to that point yet. But look for a new, fresher, easier to read, more exciting format soon. For the Love of the Sport;" Steve Klein

From Greg McFarland, Cherokee Chapter Vice President, Webmaster & Merchandise Manager...

Our Website www.CherokeeAMCA.org is still one of the most exciting and successful Classic Motorcycle Websites in America. Our hits per month continue to rise and **viewers are from all over America and the World.** This is cause to know we are doing something well.

CHEROKEE WEBSITE BLOG. Each and every week there is a new **Blog** topic (normally posted on a Sunday) for all our Chapter Members and worldwide internet guests interested in Classic Motorcycles to enjoy. Photo's are always a part of such Blog posting as well. I hope you all have enjoyed the wide variety of Blog Posts on our website. If you have information, photos, a story or restoration project you wish to share, please email me the information at gregory.mcfarland@sbcglobal.net and I will be glad to post and share this information with all our Cherokee Chapter Members and Classic Motorcycle Enthusiast Viewers Worldwide.

CHEROKEE WEBSITE SPONSORS. You will notice that we do have **Sponsors** listed on our website now. We thank each and every one of these companies and individuals whom have paid us from \$100 - \$300 to place their business logo on our website. Websites cost money monthly to maintain and also to update, add information and continue to keep us in top positions on the internet page. These sponsorships help defray our website maintenance expenses greatly since we are a non-profit club.

If you are in need of goods or services for your motorcycle(s), please try to use the sponsors whom advertise on our website. If your business or you as an individual wish to have your name / logo displayed to enhance your motorcycle related business or you just wish to help us by making this nominal advertising fee to help maintain our website properly, please contact me to add your name/ logo to our Cherokee Chapter website. It is a good cause to support and we appreciate you for doing so.

CHEROKEE CHAPTER FACEBOOK PAGE. If you are a Facebook user you do need to join the **Cherokee Chapter Facebook Page** as well as the **Antique Motorcycle Club of America Facebook Page**. It is easy to set up an account and you will certainly enjoy watching posts of Vintage and Classic Motorcycle Enthusiasts whom post photos of their machines, their rides, AMCA Events such as Swap Meets, and Road Runs etc.... The Cherokee Page is restricted for use only by Cherokee Club Members so you will find it a bit more "close to home" and you will certainly know a lot of the people whom post on our Facebook page. **It's Fun! It's Informative! Try it soon!**

THE CHEROKEE CHAPTER STORE. We have new T-Shirt and Cap designs for sale on our website now!. Please keep in mind that we cannot be competitive with keeping our prices \$5 cheaper since we cannot order massive quantities. But the quality of these 100% cotton items is very high. And the shipping is included in the price of purchase. All these items are currently available on our website for your purchase and will be shipped directly to your home. **Now that saves gas & time while you look sharp supporting our Chapter!** Order your Cherokee Merchandise Today at www.CherokeeAMCA.org and we will ship directly to your mailbox.



Cherokee Caps \$30 (shipping included) **Cherokee Concours d'Pate Bike Show T in Olive or Blue \$25** (shipping included)



Cherokee "We Ride" T. Available only in Black. Very popular design with our Chapter logo on the back
Available in all sizes. \$25 (shipping included)

Chapter Business ...

Elections are certainly not held until early December each year. But mid-summer allows us to think about things ahead of us as a Chapter. All Directors of the Cherokee Chapter of the AMCA are elected by our members for two year terms. These terms are staggered by one year, therefore every year there is some Board Director positions that need voted on by all our members. This year there are two seats up for voting. The seat held by Dwight Rinner from Moore Oklahoma and the seat held by John Nixon, Floresville TX. John has indicated last year that this most likely will be his last year serving our Chapter since he was previously Chapter President for so many years. Dwight Rinner will have until the end of the year to decide if he wishes to run again for a Board of Directors seat or not.

In any event, we always accept nominations from the floor or any individuals whom would wish to volunteer to be on the elections slate. Plus this year we will seek another Board Director whom is interested in being the Chapter Secretary. Emily Hudkins has been our Chapter Secretary for several years now and recent personal, family and business interests have converged and she would very much like to find a replacement for her duties.

What does a Chapter Secretary do? The Chapter Secretary takes minutes of all meetings and records them in the Chapter Binder for a record of all that our Chapter does. Most often most meetings are held via email so the task is easier by just printing the email thread of the topic and putting it in our corporate chapter binder. The Chapter Secretary also mails out approx. 9-10 newsletters to our members whom do not use a computer. This requires folding 5-6 newsletter issues per year x 10 people per issue, placing them in an envelope and attaching appropriate postage before mailing them. Again, not a very large task.

If you or a Cherokee Chapter Member Friend of yours is a great candidate for a Cherokee Chapter Board of Directors seat, please let Steve Klein or Greg McFarland know in the next few month's. With technology now it is very easy to be a BoD member representing your Chapter. You should be able to allocate some free time monthly to work on any project(s) that you may volunteer for or asked to be in charge of. Good organizational, listening, reasoning and communication skills are necessary. And in the end we are not running General Motors, we are simply listening to and carrying out the wishes of our 250+ strong Cherokee Chapter Membership. It's supposed to be a family orientated, hobby based club so we wish to keep it fun and enjoyable for all Board Of Director Members. **We need a minimum of three people to be interested in Board of Directors seats by the end of November.**

Thank You;
Your Officers and Directors of the Cherokee Chapter of the AMCA.

July Photo Album ...



Joe Burch spreading Cherokee in MI.



Joe Burch attends Cushman Meet in Colorado



Some "Cutie" on Joe's VL? Hmm?



The Mecum Auction Company, EJ Cole Auction in March in Las Vegas Nevada. 212 Great Pieces of History got Sold!



The Mona Lisa of Harleys. 1907 Strap Tank



The Hand Built Show, Austin TX, Spring 2015



An all still crusty Flathead at Handbuilt



Mike and Buck Carsons Twin Cam



An Incredibly Beautiful Indian

The Handbuilt Show, Austin TX. This Invitational Show of 80+ handbuilt motorcycles from younger 20/30 something age group builders from all over America had over 25,000+ attendees. It was remarkable to see what younger enthusiasts could do with their own hands building motorcycles with what they had for parts... Just like we "older enthusiasts" did at the same age. Visit our friends at www.revivalcycles.com



Hand Built Show Vintage BMW



12 year old Builder Zeke DeZeuw built this!



Bryan Fuller, Atlanta GA. Art on Wheels



Steve Klein's 66 Triumph TT Mild Custom



A Shovelhead Full Custom



Mike and Bucks Carsons Custom Bobber



A Full Hand Built, Twin Flathead Indian Motors, Bonneville 4X World Record Holder built by Jim Mosher, Sante Fe NM.

(Because he wanted to, Because he could, Because he knew how to....Because he did!)

2015 Cherokee / Pate Swap Meet & Cherokee Concours d'Pate Bike Show...

(For hundreds more photos of our Cherokee/ Pate Swap Meet Event visit www.CherokeeAMCA.org)



Cherokee Central & The Beginning of Concours d'Pate



Our Cherokee Office / Store / Info / Membership Booth



Bike Show started here & went to the far white tent top



The 40's Class before it filled up the entire area.



The 60's Class prior to filling up the entire area.



The 20's Class & into the 30's Class before area filled up.

Note: Once the show got busy...I did not have time to rephotograph all the classes. All Class Areas filled up by Friday afternoon.



1929 and 1930 KJ Excelsior Henderson Fours



**Numerous Cannonball Endurance Bikes on Display
This is 3 Time Cannonball Racer Mike Bell's machine**



An all Original 36 EL Knuckle on Display. High Coolness!



**Oldest Display Bike – A 1903 Rex single
This machine will be in the 2016 Cannonball Endurance!**



A very beautiful and very correct Moto Morini



Just part of the Period Modified Class Display



A pristinely original and perfect Kawasaki 750 Triple.
Special Thanks to Steve and Theresa Littlefield, Central TX Powersports, Georgetown TX for bringing so many fine machines.



BSA, Triumph Hurricane, Norton and more British Iron.



Pretty darn close to perfection.



More Period Modified Class Machines



Indian Afficiando meets Indian Motorcycle Co. Rep!



Cherokee Ladies were everywhere!



VIP Party – The BBQ Line stretched for a block



Knowledge, Experience and Proper Fashion Sense.



Nat. Motorcycle Museum Trophy Winners meet John P.



I could ride this! Dr. J and Dr. S



Best of Class 1920's Winner



The Cherokee Team Theme All Week at Pate!



Gentlemen of The Greatest Sport In America!



This Vincent was as perfect as they get.....



Another Great Row of Vintage Iron at Cherokee Concours



Partial 30's Class Display before all bikes showed up.



Primary Colors Still Work Well



A Texas Sunset and the VIP Party Begins



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The Cherokee Website is Online 24/7/365

Thanks to Director, Greg McFarland our Chapter website is always online and available for all members and others on the worldwide web to use to find us.

www.CherokeeAMCA.org

Enjoy reading our newsletter now when you feel like it as it will always be online We will simply send out a confidential email to all chapter members that it is posted

Who We Are ...

The Cherokee Chapter of The Antique Motorcycle Club of America was formed for the purpose of enjoying old motorcycles. We accomplish this through local member organized events in and around Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas. Our members own, study, preserve, restore

online for viewing. Members without computers will still be sent their news-letters through US Postal Service as usual. Features of this site also allow you to view photos of recent events, see a list of our officers and directors along with their contact information and also be able to read the current **Blog** anytime you wish to.

We are all very proud of this website and know the value added convenience to our members will be appreciated.

We All Thank You Greg!



or just appreciate vintage motorcycles that are at least 35 years or older. Often our members also study and collect all forms of vintage motorcycle art, literature, clothing and memorabilia related to these vintage machines. If you have an old bike or just have an interest

in learning more about these magnificent machines and the wonderful history of our great sport, please visit our website and also contact us about membership, road runs, bike shows and other club activities.

We Welcome You!



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