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"A good way to end any year is to give thanks for all the blessings we all have before we embark on the New Year."

In last month's issue outgoing President John Nixon outlined all the good things our Chapter had accomplished in 2013 and pointed out the many members whom contributed to making 2013 such a great year in our Chapter. I sincerely thank John and First Lady Susan for the many decades of volunteerism they bestowed upon our Cherokee Chapter. Without their unselfish efforts we would not be where we are today. Please read the **Recognition Article** in this issue applauding many other members whom have served our Chapter as well.

2014 lies directly in front of all of us and promises to be a very exciting year. We have three new Directors in 2014, plus John Nixon will remain as a Director at Large. Please take time to read the article in this issue on our **Annual Meeting and Elections**.

We started 2013 with approx. 45 members and at present we have 109 members paid and a few more checks on the way. We are the only AMCA Chapter in the world that has had such record breaking growth. Something to be proud of indeed.

Bigger is not better... Better is Better!

I have already had many members ask what we are going to do in 2014 and how large will we grow in the future. My answer is this simple... We will grow sensibly and to whatever size our members wish us to grow to. This simple math equation is based on how many prospective members we find or that find us at events and through our website, whom have any level of interest in our sport of Vintage Motorcycling. We will continue to participate in as many non-AMCA motorcycle related events as our members suggest we attend in their perspective areas of our Cherokee Chapter Territory of Texas / Oklahoma / Arkansas. If our members ask us to bring our Chapter Trailer or set up our Chapter Membership Recruitment Booth and talk to prospective future members, we will do so. We will also promote all AMCA Regional and National Events that are provided by those Chapters and the National Organization. You see... the reason The AMCA is in existence is to provide an environment for all members to participate at the level they seek and also to provide enough venues for all members to be able to participate. One of the major issues with our territory is the sheer size of it. Your Board of Director's 2014 goal is to essentially

build more membership in each region of this territory so that our members do not have to travel hundreds of miles just to be able to attend any one Cherokee Chapter event or function. In 2014 we will **Reach-Out** in regions such as Houston, San Antonio, The Valley, Oklahoma City & Tulsa OK. Each year there-after we will Reach-Out to even more corners of the territory. Once we establish enough local membership in each region and establish a local annual event in that region then we expect those members to carry on the effort by meeting together, riding together, assisting each other with restoration projects etc.... As usual we will retain a larger centralized event such as an Annual Bike Show Swap Meet and a Spring and Fall Chapter Road Run each year in strategic areas.

Like I said.... Bigger is not Better.. Better is Better! But we need your input, suggestions and help to accomplish these goals. Like I said...2014 will be an exciting year in our sport.

For The Love of The Sport



Steve Klein

Applause and Recognition...



John Nixon presents Shelby Withrow with **The Member of The Year Award**

At our Annual Christmas Dinner Meeting and Elections numerous individuals were recognized for their unselfish **Volunteerism, Vision and Leadership** to our Cherokee Chapter and our Sport.

Bob and Marian Guerin were presented individual plaques for over 35+ years of continuous service since they helped charter our Chapter. Long term member Lewis Heye also presented Bob with a beautifully hand-made solid mesquite Arrowhead

Plaque that Demi made.

John Nixon was presented an award for his tireless leadership as President for so many consecutive terms as well as similar decades of service to our Chapter.

Shelby Withrow, Director of Membership and Events received the Member of The Year Award for initiating and execution of The Reach-Out Program that was so instrumental and successful in doubling our membership

size in 2013 as well as his efforts for activating these new members.

I also wish you to thank **Greg McFarland Director**, for planning and implementing our new website this year. It is just a great asset to our Chapter. Also **Jon Neuman** for his successful Spring Road Run and also for being Chairman our 2014 Texas National Road Run.

I sincerely Congratulate and Thank all of you on behalf of all of our members.

Annual Meeting and Elections...

The Annual Christmas Dinner, Meeting and Elections were RSVP'd by 57 members this year. That is more members than our entire Chapter had in 2012. Unfortunately the weather played a cruel hand in many members being able to get to the meeting. A huge winter storm left all areas north of Waco TX. paralyzed in 3" of ice. None-the-less we had 37 members arrive safely at the Klein's Home on Sunday for a wonderful catered meal. Tables were set up throughout the home and heated garage and members enjoyed a long day of visiting with each other. Steve Klein's shop was also a favorite gathering spot to view his collection of vintage motorcycles, art, clothing, literature and memorabilia.

Shelby Withrow reported on the **2014 Draft Calendar** of

Reach-Out Event locations, The Smithville Bike Show and Swap Meet and all the regional events he felt our Board should consider for the New Year.

Steve Klein updated the membership on the 2014 Texas National Road Run since Jon Neuman was stranded in the Dallas ice storm. The National Road Run is well planned and executed this far in advance.

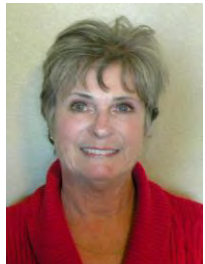
Marian Guerin gave her year-end Treasurers report and our Chapter has paid all our bills in 2013 and has enough money in the account to handle the National Road Run and all other events in 2014.

Three new Directors were elected. They are **Emily Hudkins**, Llano TX; **JoAnn Kugle**, Austin TX.; and **Dwight Rinner**, Moore OK.

John Nixon was re-elected as a Director. Following the Annual Meeting all Directors convened in Steve's shop and elected Officers from the slate of the newly elected Board of Directors. They are as follows: Steve Klein, President; Greg McFarland, Vice President; Emily Hudkins, Secretary; and JoAnn Kugle, Treasurer. Shelby Withrow will continue as Director of Membership and Events and Dwight Rinner and John Nixon are Directors at Large. An additional Directors position was created but left vacant at this date. With continued membership growth it is apparent that we will eventually need separate Membership and Events Directors to handle the work load. Steve conducted a short 2014 Planning Meeting and this meeting adjourned shortly thereafter.



Greg McFarland, VP



Emily Hudkins, Secretary



JoAnn Kugle, Treasurer

Membership News *We Proudly Welcome our Newest Members!*

- Richard Warner, Arlington TX.
- Mike Carson, Livingston TX
- Buck Carson, Livingston TX.
- Ernest Wally, Bedford TX. (AMCA Pending) 56 Triumph 110 Tiger, 66 HD ElectraGlide, 76 Triumph T140 Bonneville
- Jeffrey Burleson, Dallas TX (AMCA Pending)
- Dave Curts, Ennis TX. (AMCA Pending)

NOTE: All Members 2014 Annual Dues (\$15) are due January 1, 2014.

- ✓ If you are an existing member or a new member whom joined prior to July 1st, 2013 please renew your annual dues NOW.
- ✓ If you are a NEW member in 2013 whom joined after July 1st 2013... You do not have to renew in 2014

Renew online at www.CherokeeAMCA.org Please check the new box for Renewal. (There is a \$1 fee to use PayPal and pay online)
Or lick a stamp (saves you two bits) and mail your \$15 check to JoAnn Kugle, Treasurer; 8601 South view Road, Austin TX. 78737

We want all 2014 Renewal Dues paid from now till the end of January, 2014. No exceptions or extensions after that date.

- ✓ **Annual Dues are only \$15 so please do not expect us to finance your hobby membership until later in the year.**

Do It Now... Tie a string around your finger for tomorrow... or borrow some money from your Mother? But renew now. 😊

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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National Road Run	Greg Nelson	Greg.char@gmail.com	512.731.4446	2014 Co-Chairman



Local and Regional Events Calendar ...

- Dec. 29** **Arlington Swap Meet.** Arlington TX. The largest indoor swap meet in Texas. Same venue we attended last year.
- Jan. 9-11** **Mid America Auctions,** Las Vegas South Point Hotel www.midamericaauctions.com
- Jan. 9** **Bonham's Las Vegas Auction** Bally's Casino Hotel [www.bonhams.com/departments M T-C C](http://www.bonhams.com/departments/M_T-C_C)
- Feb. 15/16** **Oklahoma City Bike Show.** Same Show we attended in 2013. We are VIP invitee's again and signed up a lot of new members last time. Dwight Rinner, OKC will be in charge. (More in the December issue of this newsletter)
- Feb 16** **Bikers Lifestyle Expo.** Ellis County Expo Center in Waxahachie TX.

National Events Calendar



Club of America

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

The Antique Motorcycle Club of America
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2014 AMCA National Meets & Road Runs

Date	Chapter	Location
Feb 21-22	Omaha Chapter Meet	Fremont, NE
Mar 7-9	Sunshine Chapter Meet	New Smyrna Beach, FL
Apr 14-16	Cherokee Chapter Nat'l Road Run	TX
Apr 25-26	Perkiomen Chapter Meet	Oley, PA
May 9-11	European Chapter Meet	Geldrop, Netherlands
May 16-18	Southern National Meet	Denton, NC
May 18-21	Bluegrass Chapter Nat'l Road Run	Bardstown, KY
Jun 13-14	Rhinebeck Coalition Nat'l Meet	Rhinebeck, NY
Jun 13-15	Viking Chapter Meet	St. Paul, MN
Jun 20-21	Fort Sutter Chapter Meet	Dixon, CA
Jul 17-19	Oregon Trail Chapter Nat'l Road Run	OR
Jul 18-20	Wauseon National Meet	Wauseon, OH
Aug 1-2	Yankee Chapter National Meet	Hebron, CT
Sep 8-10	Allegheny Mtn. Chapter Nat'l Road Run	Elkins, WV
Oct 3-4	Chesapeake Chapter National Meet	Jefferson, PA



"Come on 'all"
Stanley Miller

Oklahoma City Bike Show. Plan Now! www.jwswapmeet.com

The Cherokee Chapter will once again be Guest VIP Attendees at The Jeff Williams Productions Bike Show and Swap Meet in Oklahoma City February 15/16, 2014. We attended this show last year, set up our booth, displayed a 100+ ft long row of vintage motorcycles and signed up a large number of new members. We won First Place as a Booth and about 7 or 8 other bike trophy's. This is the biggest bike show in Oklahoma and a great chance for new Cherokee Members in the Northern part of our territory to get active and show your bike.

If you are an Oklahoma, Arkansas or North Texas Cherokee Chpater Member... we need you at this event. We need your vintage motorycle(s) and yourself to help us talk to people for the two day show. New Members have "First Dibs" on displaying your motorcycle. The rest of our membership will fill in the missing years or models after you commit to attend. The 140 ft. long booth space is being donated by the promoter. Cost per machine is \$25 and \$10 per each additional machine. This includes two 2 day wrist band passes so it is a big discount over what other attendees have to pay.

Please contact Shelby Withrow, Director Membership and Events ShelbyinParadise@wccs.net or 940.748.2555
Dwight Rinner, Director Oklahoma drinner65flh@cox.net

Name and what model / year machine(s) you will display to reserve your space in our club booth display.

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NATIONAL ROAD RUN



**KERRVILLE, TEXAS
APRIL 14 -16, 2014**

3 FULL DAY TEXAS HILL COUNTRY ROAD ROUTES

Ride The Old West Again!

**PRE-REGISTER ONLINE
WWW.CHEROKEEAMCA.ORG**

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Texas National Road Run Registration Form

--- Ride The Old West Again in 2014 ---

Print Name _____ Passenger Name _____

Rider Address _____ City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ Email Address _____

Cycle Ridden YR _____ Make _____ Model _____

Addtl. Cycle YR _____ Make _____ Model _____

(If applicable)

Rider Advance Registration Fee (____) X \$125 = \$ _____

(Registration at the event will be \$135)

Passenger Advance Registration (____) X \$75 = \$ _____

(Registration at the event will be \$85)

Xtra Banquet Award Dinners Wed (____) X \$35 = \$ _____

Extra T-Shirts (____) X \$20 = \$ _____

Checks Payable To: **Cherokee Chapter** Total Due \$ _____

Rider T-Shirt Size S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL _____ XXXL _____

Addtl. T-Shirts Ordered, S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL _____ XXXL _____

(Please put # of each in appropriate size. Total number must match # in Xtra T-Shirts ordered above)

Rider
Signature _____ AMCA # _____

(A current active paid AMCA # is required)

Mail Registration Form and Check to: Jo Ann Kugle, 8601 South view Road Austin TX. 78737

• Questions may be left on voice mail at (512)288.3537 and will be returned in reasonable time.

Registration online and pay by PayPal will become available soon. www.CherokeeAMCA.org

Texas National Road Run

The Cherokee Chapter is proud to Host a National Road Run in 2014. We only get this opportunity every three years so turn in your vacation time and **Plan Now To Attend NOW!?**

www.CherokeeAMCA.org has all the info you need to plan, register, and reserve a room or RV / Mini-Cabin or Campground space.

The YO Ranch Resort Hotel Complex in Kerrville TX is our central location and all contact info is on our website. This is a new hotel location and a very beautiful place to hold a National Road Run. The resort is fully complimented with a great restaurant for breakfast or

supper each day. We have a beautiful Hospitality Room reserved for arrivals, picking up your registration sack as well as being a comfortable place to meet friends or seek help during the event.

The same exact three days road run routes are being used as the last Texas National Road Run. **Day 1&2** Routes are southwest towards the High Texas Hill Country near and around Leakey TX. (Lakey) Known locally as The Three Twisted Sisters area for its three beautiful scenic, twisty roads that cover many miles and offer scenic panoramic

vistas. **Day Three** will be north through the Historic Germanic settlement of **Fredericksburg TX.** and then through the Willow City Loop. With rainfall finally reaching us this year, the crop of wildflowers and Texas **Bluebonnets** are sure to be extra spectacular this spring. We then go south to the little spot in the road made famous by Willie, Whalon and The Boys... called **Luckenbach TX** for a mid-day BBQ and outdoor Country Music. Wednesday night will conclude with an **Awards Banquet** for all attendees. Make plans, call your riding buddies and make your pre-registration arrangements right now.

**RIDE THE OLD WEST AGAIN
In 2014**



Actual photos taken in The Texas Hill Country where this 2014 Texas National Road Run will take place.

December Photo Album . . .

More photos at www.CherokeeAMCA.org



The kitchen early in the day.



"I have a red plastic cup and it makes me happy!" (L-R) Mike Thomson, Hot Springs AR, Stanley Miller, Dallas TX; and Wes Brown, Austin TX.



Teresa Littlefield, Sherry Brown, Steve Littlefield, Joan Klein



Susan Nixon, Debbie Morris, Dina Jackson, Marian Guerin



Someone always in every room.



Dig In! Homemade chicken, salads, sweet potatoes, + deserts.



Greg McFarland, Greg Nelson, 30 KJ Streamliner, John Nixon.



The Escape to The Shop.... Certainly no BS spoken here?



Bob Guerin tutors a Young Enthusiast! (Shelby Withrow)



Christie McFarland and Ms. Joan



Holly and John Heckerroth



L-R Greg and Christie McFarland, Greg Nelson and Sir Shelby



Time to Eat



Bob Guerin being congratulated for 35+ years of service
(How many jokes has that been?)



Marian Guerin **Excellence in Service** for
Over 35+ years to the Cherokee Chapter.



John Nixon (R) receiving recognition and thanks for **Vision, Leadership
and Service** as President for so many consecutive terms. **TY John!**



Bob "Spud" Guerin receives a special plaque from long term
AMCA, Cherokee Member and close friend Lewis Heye.



John Nixon presents the **Member of The Year Award** to Shelby Withrow
Director of Membership & Events for Outstanding Achievement with
Membership. Shelby facilitated doubling Chapter membership in 2013 !

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New Cherokee Website is Online 24/7/365

Our new Chapter website is now online 24/7 and available for all members and others on the worldwide web to use to experience our sport!

www.CherokeeAMCA.org

Enjoy reading our newsletter now every month when you feel like it as it will always be online from now on. We will simply send out an email to all chapter members and guests that it is posted online

Members without computers will still be sent their newsletters through US Postal Service as usual. Features of this site also allow you to view photos of all 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

new website and know the convenience to our members will be appreciated.

**So Stay in Touch***Greg McFarland, VP*

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

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!**YOUR NAME**

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