FORT SMITH ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE CLUB OCTOBER 2017

OCTOBER MEETING WILL FEATURE FALL AND HALLOWEEN TREATS

ELECTIONS COMING UP - NOVEMBER MEETING

Have you been enjoying your membership with Fort Smith Antique Automobile Club? The fellowship? The events? The tours short and small? The e-mails? The news? The food? All of this is possible because a handful of people have been willing to dedicate some of their time and effort to make it happen. We've never had a politician for president - we've never had a CFO for treasurer - we've never had a board-room transcriber for secretary - we've never had an English professor for news and/or communications. All we've had is a few people who said, "I'll give it a try, it's the least I can do to help keep this club up and running." How about you? Are you willing? We are in need of someone such as you to stand in the gap. Please think about it. You'll have plenty of support.

HALLSTED COOKOUT

A big THANK YOU TO Bill and Pat Hallsted for hosting the cook-out on September 23rd. FSAAC members, Model A Club members, and special guests enjoyed touring Bill and Pat's beautiful new home, viewing all the antique cars, and eating burgers with all the extras around the pool. The warm weather and great fellowship made it a delightful evening for everyone!!

Here's from an interesting ad from Camden, New Jersey, given to us by Jerry Boyd:

BARGAIN WEEK		
Save Money on the Following Cars		
1932 Auburn Brougham	\$ 397	
1929 Packard 8 coupe	277	
1929 Buick rumble Seat Coupe	227	
1931 Ford Tudor	207	
1928 Packard Sedan	167	
1929 Hudson Coupe	147	
1930 Ford Coupe	167	
1920 Ford Coupe	97	
1928 Studebaker Sedan	97	
1927 Dodge Sedan	57	
Liberal Weekly or Monthly Payment Plan		
Tom Shallcross Ford		
2041 Federal St. At Marlton Pike - Phone Cam	den 335 <i>-</i>	Open Evenings

FIRST SATURDAY REPORT

Another one of those week-ends when everybody was either out camping or doing their fall activities. There was an even dozen of us at Miss Anna's for breakfast, followed by a visit to the Trolley Museum where the Tractor Club was having a show.

ANOTHER REMINDER - SAVE THE DATE!!

Tuesday, December 5, 2017 = 6:30 p.m., Creekmore Park

Delicious food and great entertainment planned. Reservations needed, \$15 per person. Ron Plunkett is in charge of reservations and \$\$. He will need yours no later than the November meeting. This is guaranteed to be a relaxing and enjoyable evening!

REMEMBERING FSAAC'S MOST COLORFUL MEMBER

Dale and I and the Boyds attended services for Sherri Chambers Thursday evening, at a service well attended by her church family and many, many friends. As you probably know, Sherri passed away unexpectedly during her sleep last week.

I first met Sherri when I spoke at a civic function years ago, and she later brought her daughter into my office for a consultation. So we weren't exactly strangers when she happened into our midst as a new club member.

Such a fun person; she was always smiling and appeared content with whatever was going on. One of my fondest memories was one of the trips to Mountain View, when she drove her old Dodge truck. When we stopped at Clarksville, someone noticed that she had her skirt on wrong-side out! The next time we stopped, the skirt was on right-side out. She had *made the change driving down the road*!!

Sherry provided accounting services for Dale and me over the years, and we came to know her well. She would sit behind her desk flanked by those little Schnauzer dogs of hers, and carry on business as usual, always finding time to chase a few rabbits about what was going on in our lives. We admired her for her determination to graduate from UAFS, having started the work when she was 58, and graduating this spring at 64 with a Bachelor's in Business Administration and Marketing.

She was world-traveled, active in her church, sat on various boards, and was known for her service to several organizations. She had a reputation for taking the initiative to help people whatever the need. Until last week we never knew she played the saxophone and was a breast cancer survivor.

At the church service, at the end of every pew, hung one of Sherri's hats. We knew she had many, but not that many. Such a poignant touch, as was a wonderful eulogy given by her sister, Karen, who has an accounting service in Little Rock, and with whom Sherri worked regularly. Sherri, I will always remember you as the one person I knew who seemed to be entirely comfortable in her own skin. You were special. Love, CARolyn

"THE KING OF BARN FINDS"

Contributed by Jim Kreuz

Tom Cotter, of Davidson, North Carolina, is the well-known author of four books detailing over one hundred "barn finds", desirable autos that were discovered after having been "lost" for many years. Typically they were located in old barns, hence the term "barn find".

The cars are all amazing, but the real story lies with the person and how they located the vehicle as well as what they did with their "find" afterwards. Cotter's own #1 barn find was a 1963 British AC Motors two-seater that Carroll Shelby converted into a high-performance Shelby Cobra in America. Only 655 were made and they sell for over \$900,000 today. But he's never found a Rolls. I had the pleasure of spending an hour with Tom at his home in 2011 while on a business trip, and saw my first two Shelby Cobras in his garage - one being a barn find. He still gets excited when he re-tells the Cobra discovery tale.