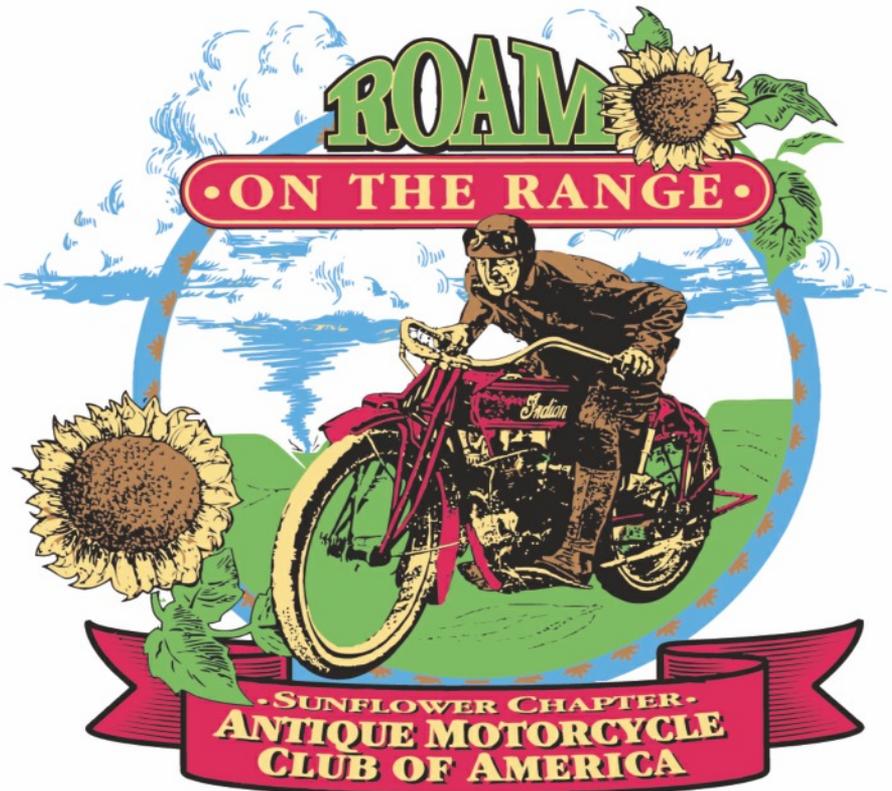


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Antique Motorcycle Club of America

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**SUNFLOWER CHAPTER MEETINGS**

Monthly meetings of the Sunflower Chapter are held at 6:30 PM on the last Wednesday of each month. The meeting site is Spears Restaurant at 4323 West Maple Street, Wichita, Kansas.

**SUNFLOWER CHAPTER NEWSLETTER**

The Sunflower Chapter Newsletter is published quarterly and distributed to Sunflower Chapter members, AMCA Chapters, AMCA Officers, Sunflower Sponsors, and Sunflower commercial advertisers.

**SUNFLOWER CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP**

Membership in the Antique Motorcycle Club of America is required to be eligible for membership in the Sunflower Chapter of the AMCA. Dues are \$20.00 per calendar year, and membership is open to any member of the AMCA. Members of the Sunflower Chapter will receive four issues of the club newsletter, and a membership card,

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well look at that, January is already gone and the shine is wearing off the New Year. I am looking forward to 2017 and some new antique motorcycle adventures. I start with a couple of annual regional events, the Santa Fe Chapter Swap Meet and Bike Show in Lawrence Feb 5<sup>th</sup>, and the Omaha Chapter National Meet in Fremont, Feb 24 & 25. The Sunflower Chapter is visiting and old friend, Dale Keesecker, Feb 18<sup>th</sup>, find details about it in this issue. The first week in March Robbie and I are leaving for Florida. We will make the Sunshine Chapter's National Meet one of our stops, along with visiting friends and relatives, and old work buddies in Florida.

We will be back in time for a new event for the Sunflower Chapter in April. The Twisted Oz Museum is celebrating its 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary April 1<sup>st</sup> and Kelly Modlin has invited the Chapter to join the celebration with a Swap Meet and Bike Show. This will be a low key "vintage" event, just show up, sign up, and show what you brought. Details in this issue. If there is good response we could make it an annual event.

The next thing on my calendar is the Rocky Mountain Chapter Road Run, June 20 – 22<sup>nd</sup>. If you want to go, make your reservations now, it is filling up fast.

Membership renewals were due January 1<sup>st</sup>, and I thank all of you who were prompt with you dues. You will find your 2017 membership card enclosed. Those who have not renewed; the renewal form was in the November issue. Please take time to send it in now.

In the center of this issue you will find a membership roster. The last time we published this was in 2012. I have had several requests to update it. It is now setup so it can be updated easily. If you find errors in the roster please let me know. The roster reflects 2016 membership and we have had a slight increase in membership since 2012.

Membership is an important part of the future for our Chapter. I want to use local events to give our club exposure to other old bike enthusiasts. The Twisted Oz anniversary will be a great opportunity for us to recruit. If you can spend a couple of hours in our booth please let me know. We will be discussing this and other opportunities to volunteer at our February meeting.

*See ya on the road,  
Jim Wellemeyer*

## Annual Christmas Party

Sunflower Chapter members met on December 2<sup>nd</sup> for the traditional Christmas party. The party was held again at the Candle Club. Randi Williams entertained us during the social hour with a selection of seasonal songs. 2016 was busy year for our Chapter. Memories of the Cannonball, Roam on the Range, and the other events were recounted as a slide show with photos of the last year played on the big screen.



**The old fashion “selfie”**



**Randi Williams shares the Christmas spirit**

## Annual Christmas Party

Appetizers preceded a buffet dinner that was set up by the Candle Club staff. After dinner Club President Jim Wellemeyer called the group to order and gave a short account of the past year and presented some ideas for the coming year. Jim's presentation concluded with a drawing for door prizes and everyone received a DVD with photos from the past year. Randi filled out the evening with more music.



# Annual Christmas Party

So another year of sharing the antique motorcycle hobby came to an end with fellowship and looking forward to 2017. I hope you all enjoyed it as much as I did.

Jim Wellemeyer



This marks the 3<sup>rd</sup> year that we have held the party at the Candle Club. The food and service have been good and I have no complaints. Thanks to Bob and Glenda for handling the arrangements.

I tend to get stuck in a rut when it comes to planning events so if you would like to see a change, think about a different venue, or yearend activity and please let me know. This needs to be planned early in the year as the holiday calendars fill up quickly.

# Annual Christmas Party



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Kelly enjoying a tune from Randi



# Annual Christmas Party



Jerry where is your sleigh?

# Upcoming Events

## Saturday February 18<sup>th</sup>

### Road trip to Washington Kansas

We will be visiting Dale Keesecker to see his motorcycle collection.

Meet at Alefs Harley-Davidson parking lot. We will car pool from there at 9:00 AM. There will be a stop in Clay Center for lunch and then on to Dales place. We should return to Wichita by about 5:30.

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# 1st Annual Twisted Oz Vintage Motorcycle Show & Swap Meet

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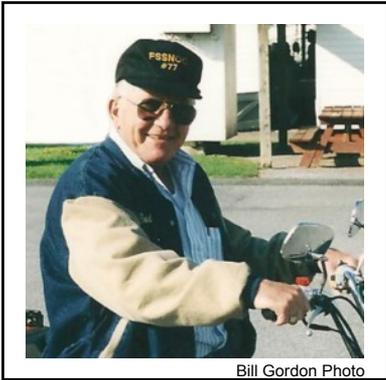


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## The Old Sage 1924-2016



Bill Gordon Photo

*Bud Cox was an Honorary Member of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America, and he penned the “Old Sage” articles for more than thirteen years, with the first episode appearing in the 1994 Winter issue of the AMCA magazine. These articles are reprinted here with the permission of the AMCA.*

*Those articles will continue to be presented here in the future issues of the newsletter.*

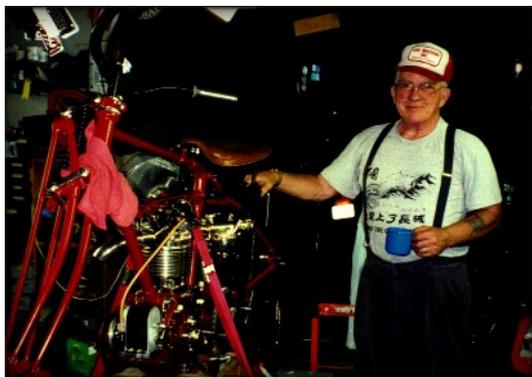
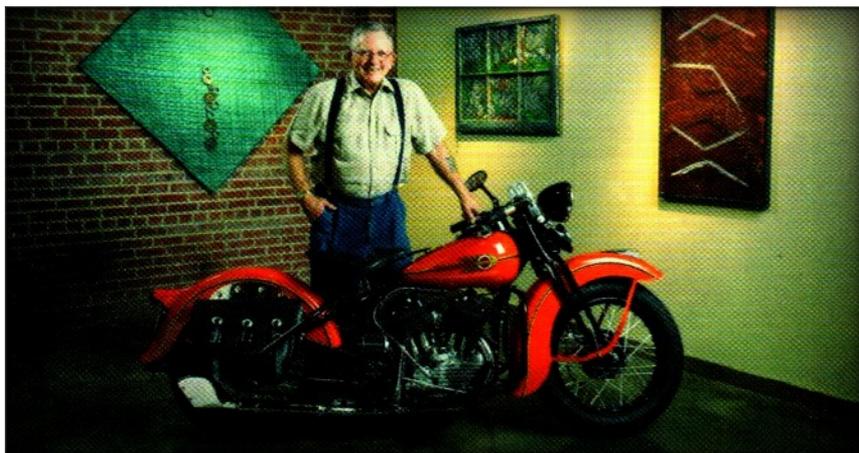
The  
Old  
Sage

One of the founding members of the Sunflower Chapter of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America recently passed away. His contributions to the Sunflower Chapter, the AMCA, and the antique motorcycle community were beyond measure.

Bud Cox was an extraordinary mechanic, machinist, and craftsman, Bud’s true passion was the antique motorcycle. Not just restoration, but the riding, the searching for old iron, and sharing his knowledge of the rare and common machines. He had a great sense of humor and his many tales of motorcycling usually provoked a good laugh. We thank Bud for those many stories penned in “The Old Sage”, for they will continue to remind us of his achievements, contributions, and leadership within the motorcycle community.

The Sunflower Chapter offers condolences to the Cox family and all of Bud’s friends. Buds final ride to the hereafter was no doubt on two wheels and a journey with a tale for the ages.

# The Old Sage 1924-2016



# New Years Day 2017

The Sunflower Chapter started the New Year with a traditional gathering of members. Roger Nelson hosted the party at his shop. A smaller group than usual still managed to fill the buffet table with everything from coffee and donuts to delicious smoked brisket.

This annual wrap up of the holiday season gives everyone a chance to recall their travels of the past year and talk about plans for the coming year. I truly appreciate Roger opening his shop for us to get together. His collection of Joyland Amusement Park artifacts brings back happy memories for many of us.

New destinations, new projects, new events, and new friends, all these things and more are waiting in the New Year. I hope you join me down the road in 2017.



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# New Years Day 2017



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# SUNFLOWER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**January 25th** ~ Sunflower Chapter monthly meeting at Spears Restaurant, 4323 West Maple (6:30 PM)

**February 18th** Road trip to see Dale Keesecker collection. See details on page 9.

**February 22nd** ~ Sunflower Chapter monthly meeting at Spears Restaurant, 4323 West Maple (6:30 PM)

**March 29th** ~ Sunflower Chapter monthly meeting at Spears Restaurant, 4323 West Maple (6:30 PM)

**April 1st** ~ Twisted Oz Anniversary, Swap meet and Bike show. See details on page 22.

**April 26th** ~ Sunflower Chapter monthly meeting at Spears Restaurant, 4323 West Maple (6:30 PM)

**May 31st** ~ Sunflower Chapter monthly meeting at Spears Restaurant, 4323 West Maple (6:30 PM)

**Sunflower Website** ~ [www.sunfloweramca.org](http://www.sunfloweramca.org)

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# AMCA 2017 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

## NATIONAL ROAD RUNS

June 20-22	Rocky Mountain Chapter Road Run, Black Hawk CO
July 24-26	Evergreen Chapter Road Run, Sequim WA
Sept 11-13	Fort Sutter Chapter Road Run, Lake Tahoe CA
Sept 20-23	Smoky Mountain Chptr Road Run Chattanooga, TN



## NATIONAL MEETS

Feb 24-25	Omaha Chapter	Fremont, NE
Mar 10-11	Sunshine Chapter	New Smyrna Beach, FL
Apr 28-29	Perkiomen Chapter	Oley, PA
May 19-21	Southern National	Denton, NC
May 19-20	European Chapter	Raalte, Netherlands
June 16-17	Viking Chapter	St. Paul, MN
June 16-17	Fort Sutter Chapter	Dixon, CA
June 30-July 1	Rhinebeck National	Rhinebeck, NY
July 21-23	Wauseon Meet	Wauseon, OH
Aug 4-5	Yankee Chapter	Hebron, CT
Aug 25-26	Australia Chapter	Bulli Show Grounds
Sept 29-Oct 1	Chesapeake Chapter	Jefferson, PA