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From The President

Jim Justice

Regardless of the winter weather, we all have Spring just around the corner and will soon get to be on our bikes more consistently.

The thing I wish to emphasize the most right now is the success of our annual Lawrence bike show/ swap meet that was held on February 2nd.

I have been the SFT President for 6 years now and I am forever amazed at the generosity of time and effort that many of our Club members give to the Lawrence show each year. From the hours it takes to plan the event, set up for the show and then the final day's work, I and the other officers of the Club have been able to count on many people to step up and help.

Each year we appreciate all those who bring bikes to show, to the vendors who bring items to sell and mostly to the public who come out, many for years and years, and support this great show. I am, of course, prejudiced and always feel it has been a great show, but I also get a lot of feedback agreeing with me!

And, never a small matter, we were extremely lucky to have some great weather the day of the show. Several attendees rode motorcycles to the show which is a great part of what we are about!

My wife, Sharon, wishes me to also mention that she is amazed at how those who attend the shows always seem so very positive and happy to have the opportunity to see bikes that they may never have had seen before and to just generally be able to attend a family, cost friendly event. The fact that we sell out of most of the food, sell most of the t-shirts and get some positive feedback from some vendors, adds credence to this fact.

It is my continued belief that our future annual shows will also be as successful as we strive to make improvements and carry on with all those things that have worked so well since the beginning.

I do want to mention some upcoming shows:

March 21-23: Fremont, Nebraska AMCA's swap meet, bike show and cycle judging.

April 12th: Sunflower Chapter's Twisted Oz bike show and swap meet with a vintage bike ride on April 11th at 9:00 am, meeting at the Twisted Oz Museum.

As always, keep safe and keep the old wheels turning.

Jim Justice

President



Meeting Minutes

recorded by Sharon Justice



Our December meeting was the annual Christmas dinner. This year we switched it up and went to Cinzetti's Restaurant in Overland Park KS. About 50 SFT members and their family showed up at the buffet to sample a huge variety of Italian dishes and desserts. Everyone seemed to love the food.



Santa Fe Trail Antique M/C Club Meeting Minutes

January 12, 2025

Treasurer, Ibbey Rollert, gave a general amount of the Club's financial assets as she still has amounts for the Club's Lawrence Show that will need to be paid.

Jim J. indicated that he has received the dash plates and it was decided that those not given to those showing bikes, be available for purchase at \$3.00 each. They will be placed near the T-shirts being sold and a sign indicating their price.

John Webb said that 20 of the 25 spaces for vendors have been sold. The price was increased to \$35.00 this year.

Frank Sereno gave an overview of the information he has been accumulating regarding the ads for the Lawrence Show being added to Facebook. Although the number of views and those indicating they will be attending the 2025 Show are a little less than last year's, the ad will continue to run this month which should show an increase in both categories. It seemed that the Club members at the meeting felt the additional money was well spent.

Jim J. reiterated that he has purchased more large, XL and XXL shirts this year as we ran out last year.

There was some discussion about the special posters that Don Lipsky had made (Great to see Don at a meeting again!). Some felt they should be auctioned off rather than having a flat price for them. Jim J. will look into this further.

Recorded by Sharon Justice
Secretary

Santa Fe Trail Antique M/C Club Meeting Minutes

February 9, 2025

Treasurer's Report was given by Ibbey Rollert, including the preliminary results of the 2025 Lawrence show. She will have the final numbers soon. Although the net amount realized at the show indicates some losses compared to the 2024 show, it was generally very successful. As all the officers of the Club felt, she complemented those who worked so hard to make it a success.

Jim J. mentioned that there were t-shirts still for sale at the meeting and he has decided to bring them again for the March meeting. There are approximately 15 left. For the taking, there were dash plates and stickers and posters available.

Frank Sereno gave a report on his efforts to get the word out about the Show via Facebook. (Thank you again, Frank!). For a fairly small cost, a great many people saw the information and a remarkable number of young people visited the Show for the first time after seeing the information on FB.

David Park had an idea of how to organize items that are stored in the trailer, so that the clean-up after each show goes more smoothly. He suggested having specific, labeled containers for each station. That is already being done for almost all the kitchen supplies and has worked well. This will be discussed further this fall when plans are being made for the 2026 show. (Thanks, David for your excellent idea). He also suggested having the cash put in bank-type bags for Ibbey to take home instead of her having to lug home the cash boxes. That is a matter that Ibbey can address before the next show.

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Fifteenth Annual Santa Fe Trail Antique Bike Show and Swap Meet

Winter 2025



Clockwise from top left; Some of the older machines at the show included Tim Thoele's 1911 Wagner Tourist, Bob Walker's 1916 Reading Standard, Mike Bahnmaier's 1915 HD Model J, Dan Holman's 1916 Indian Power Plus, Tom Binger's 1930 Excelsior Super X, Bob Walker's 1917 Shaw, and Bill Page's 1929 HD JDH.



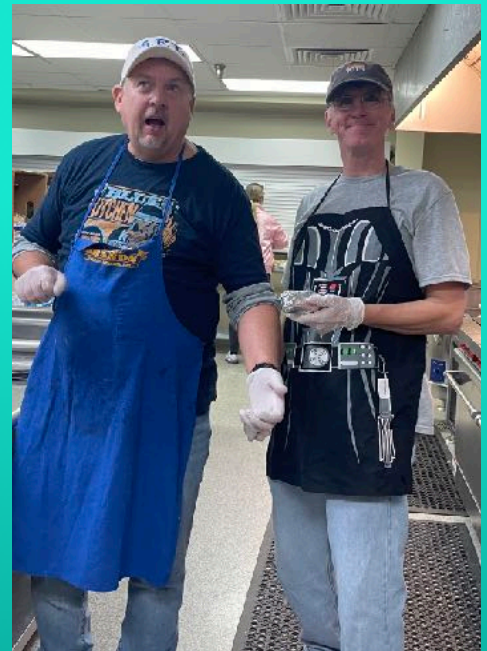


SFT's 15th annual show was another well attended event. We were lucky enough to get a small window of good weather between rounds of snow storms and single digit temperatures. Frank Sereno's efforts to get the word out on social media have paid off the last 2 or 3 years in larger attendance numbers and bike entries. We had about 100 bikes entered in the show which is 20 percent more than last year. There were a good variety of bikes in the show. The KC Vintage Japanese club made up about one third of our show as usual. There was also a strong showing of German, British and domestic makes, and a few choppers and bobbers. The theme class was larger this year, being bikes from the 50's, and many of the members got into the spirit of the fifties with their costumes which made it a lot of fun. -Ed.





Top right and right; Kelli Baily, Frank Sereno and K.W. Cates did an amazing job in the kitchen. When you come to our bike show you can get delicious, quality food at yesterday's prices. At left are Pink Ladies; Marguerite Giger, Kathy Burton and Malena Binger. You want a Don Lipsky designed t-shirt or poster? They can fix you up.





Clockwise from top left; Tony Halpin and Patti Welty both worked with me at the bike registration table; Dave Park and Steve Lecher, along with Jerry Semlar (not pictured), helped Frank count ballots; The Pink Ladies arrived in their 50's gear. They must've parked their scoots outside; Marsha Lecher and Cynthia Park worked the admissions desk; Also selling tickets were Elizabeth Castillo, Sharon Justice, Dan Holman and Ibbby Rollert; Jim and Sharon sporting their 50's fashion. The Pink Ladies made for a great 50's atmosphere. Cynthia hit it out of the park with her poodle skirt and pink tennies.







The swap meet is a big part of the show each year and we want to thank all the vendors who make it happen.

Below; SFT member Gina Williams and her friends Bill and Deb Hart check out the show.



Jim Trickett



Aaron West and Dave Schneider



Gregory Maggiore sells prescription eyewear and goggles. <http://www.rxsportoptics.com>



Tom Allen and Larry Niederschulte, our license plate guys. ksplates@gmail.com noonnoen@aol.com



Jack Larson



Tim and Marlene Milbern and friends from Heaven's Angels



Steve Spencer



Mark Bayer from the Vintage Japanese MC



Dan Kramer and Earl Mustard



Chris Treat



Tony Rawls-Riley from ABATE of Kansas



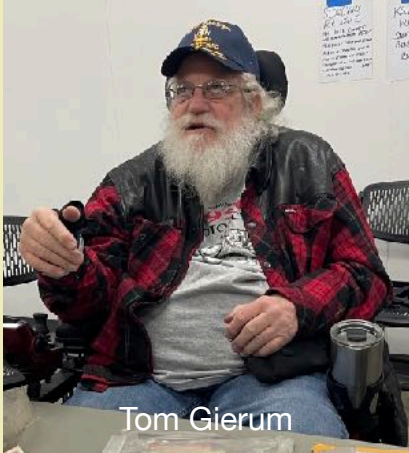
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Brad Peterson, his Dad Karlen and his brother Rod, Brad and Rhonda own Oz Discount Powersports in KC KS
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Andrew Taylor and son Kegan came all the way from Carson Iowa to promote their speedometer repair business and to show four beautifully restored 'Matchless' ranging from

1954 to 1963.

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100 Series- American Street

1st- 1937 Indian Jr Scout	Chris Treat
2nd- 1958 HD FLR	Bruce Silkey
3rd- 1946 HD FL Knucklehead	Seroj Terian

200Series- British Street

1st- 1955 Triumph Tiger 100	Doug Rollert
2nd- 1975 Norton Commando	Jeff Unger

300 Series- European Street

1st- 1956 BMW R60	Ed Klein
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400 Series- Asian Street

1st- 1973 1/2 Honda CB 500	James Smith
2nd- 1971 Honda CB 750	Daniel Fox
3rd- 1971 Yamaha AT1	Bob Church

500 Series- American Competition

1st- 1953 HD Board Tracker	Chad Harris
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600 Series- British Competition

1st- 1969 Triumph Bonneville	Mike Gallup
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700 Series- European Competition

1st- 1986 Jawa Speedway	Andy Fisher
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800 Series- Asian Competition

1st- 1974 Suzuki GT 750	Bob Doll
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900 Series- Special Interest

1st- 1955 Allstate 125	Bill Doll
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1000 Series- Period Modified

1st- 1939 HD EL	Jack Larson
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1100 Series- Bikes from the 50's

1st- 1951 HD EL	Jack Larson
2nd- 1954 BSA B31 Plunger	Kevin Carrier
3rd- 1957 HD Sportster	Kenny Howard

1200 Series- Youth

1st- 1979 Yamaha YZ80	Ameli Horner
2nd- 1977 Suzuki PE175	Kai Bishop

Awards of Excellence-

1917 Shaw Motorbike	Bob Walker
1962 Triumph TR6 SS	Doug Rollert
1967 Bultaco Metralla MK2	Harry Enyart
1981 Honda CB 900F	Randy Sams
1958 Matchless 612CS	Andrew Taylor
1972 Maico MC 400 WM	Jim Trickett
1971 Suzuki TM 400 Cyclone	Jim Trickett
1974 Honda XR 75	Curtis Taldo
1964 HD Pan Chop	Bill Page
1956 HD Hummer	Jerry Jones
1959 HD KHK	Mike Bahnmaier
1979 Kawasaki KZ 1300	Nolan Toimil

President's Award-

1915 HD J Model	Mike Bahnmaier
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Best of Show-

1929 HD JDH	Bill Page
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I had some space to fill so here are three of my favorites from the show. The 1917 Shaw Motorbike was made in Galesburg KS so it has a local pedigree and I like it's refined, classy finish. The 1915 Reading Standard was made in Reading PA, not so local but you don't see them very often around here and It has that distinctive American style. Both are owned by Bob Walker. I also love the lines on Chris Treat's '37 Jr Scout. He did a really nice job on this bike. Those are some very sexy fenders. - Ed.



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