

Squire SS-100 Registry

THE 2005 SPRING FLING THING

is up and running for the weekend of Friday, Saturday & Sunday, March 18, 19 & 20 with some members arriving as early as Wednesday. However, most will arrive on Friday the 18th and Chuck and Anne Blethen are planning the activities around that date. They are also planning some novel surprises for those attending.

A route map to the Blethen's is attached and for those that will be joining us, they are planning "Chili Under The Stars" for Friday evening around 7:30 PM. The map also includes some motels near their home with current room rates if you have not already made reservations.

Saturday the 19th we'll all congregate at the Blethen's again around 10:30 AM to play cars and have lunch. Anne is suggesting that for the gals (and any guys that might be interested), after lunch a trip to visit Talesin-West, the most famous Frank Lloyd Wright house that's located nearby. Also in Scottsdale, happening every Saturday year round, is a drive-in auto show called The Pavilions that you most likely have seen on the Travel or Speed Channel. We'll drive the Squires over there and show off for a few hours.

Sunday the 20th, most will want to start home but there is a possibility of a breakfast get together if you have the time?

AND SPEAKING OF TRAVEL

May 20th to the 22nd, 2005 is the Import/Replica auto show that's held in Carlisle, PA each year. Many eastern members attend this event each year and plan to do so again this year. We'll get more details in the next newsletter and as of right now, I'm even planning on coming out.

THE BLETHEN CHASSIS # 8

is about half way thru the completion of the restoration project but they plan to haul it home for display during next months get together in Scottsdale. For those of you that have restored your own cars, looking at what's been done to #8 so far is absolutely astonishing. Pay particular attention to the firewall on #8. The original firewall was one of the really weak points on the original design. Carl Coleman of Arizona Prototype in Apache Junction, AZ has stored the mold he used to redo the #8 firewall and he can make more if you're planning on restoring your Squire at some point in the future.

STEERING GEOMETRY

is a subject that even the experts can't seem to completely agree on and I have been able to lay my hands on an excellent article on the subject that is really too long and complex to reprint in the newsletter. If you'd like a copy drop me an email or give me a call and I'll do a reprint and include it with your next newsletter. It covers subjects like king pin axis offset, Ackerman geometry and toe and camber settings.

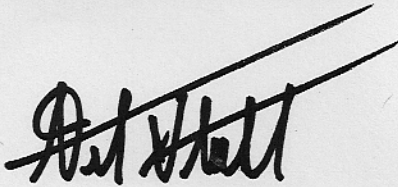
Over the years a few Squire SS-100 owners have complained bitterly about their Squire's tendency to "do its' own thing" when steering in or out of a curve, especially so when there's also a bump involved. A few more owners have corrected this by carefully measuring the distance between the axle centers on each side to find that there was as much as three quarters of an inch difference from one side to the other. Correcting this by shimming the short side of the rear axle forward has corrected the problem -- at least to the best of my knowledge it has? My own #50 has steered perfectly right from the start so I've had no personal history in making these corrections but if you have, will you write it up and send it along for a future newsletter article? And if that's too much, call me and I'll take notes and write it up for you, OK?

2005 NEWSLETTER DUES

What surprises me is that the cheaper I make the yearly newsletter dues, the harder it is to get you folks to send them back to me, even tho I've included a stamped return envelope with the request. Please, if you have not sent in this years dues, will you do so now?

AND ALWAYS REMEMBER

There are two theories to arguing with women. Neither one works!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Art Hall", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending from the end of the signature across the page.