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Happy Independence Day!

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Notes from Bill

We are thru another session with not much happening. Although we did not get our bills through I still think it was a successful year. We kept our friends with us and maybe made a few new ones. But with the elections coming up this year we will need to make even more. We need to watch the new people running for office and check to see how they stand on our issues. If they are not with us we need to find out why and what there issues with our bills are. There is also a few people that are running that are a big pain in our butt so we need to work on these seats and see what we can do to maybe get them out.

With the new elections we will be having new people in places that were not there last year so it's a whole new game next year. There will be a new speaker of the house and a lot of the committees will be changing also. So this is going to be a big challenge for this organization. All we can do at this time is hope that some of our friends stays in some good places to help us out.

At the next CC meeting we will be starting to have discussions on what we will be working on the next year session. We will need to be thinking of bill sponsors and what bills we want to back and have filed for us. Last year we had the right of way and the helmet bills that we back. Then there was a number of other bills that we backed and watched. I'm sure that there will be a number of bills next year again.

We did have one of the best years we have had in a long time. We had more precipitation in the capitol days then we have had in a long time and hopefully we can only get better. We all need to keep up the work to keep our freedoms and the right to ride the way we like. We don't need the big brothers up in the capitol to tell us how we need to be protected from ourselves. We the people are there boss and we need to make sure they are doing the job they are there to do.

LET'S KEEP THE FREEDOM TRAIN ROLLING. RIDE SAFE Bill Kempker

Legislative Coordinator

2014 Meeting of the Minds

The 2014 Meeting the Minds will be here before we know it and we on the committee are hoping that you all are making plans to attend. You can find the MOTM flyer and registration form included in this issue of the Freedom Press. If you are planning on staying at the Embassy Suites be sure to tell them you will be attending the MOTM. We are working on overflow arrangements at an alternative hotel, a stone's throw from the Embassy, in the case the Embassy is full, and which would also be easier on the pocket book. The May meeting was very productive, all the Captains have their committee duties well under control with only a handful of questions yet to answer. The hospitality room is looking for items to stock the bar. In order to keep the cost down, donations of plastic cups, paper plates, paper towels, napkins, straws, snacks, coffee, soft drinks, etc., and of course, adult beverages from the locals or individuals would be greatly appreciated. Please contact me if you have anything you can donate. We are planning a memorial ride on Sunday after the conclusion of the MOTM which will be open to all motorcyclists, not just the MOTM attendees. Keep an eye out in the upcoming Freedom Press issues for more info on the ride. We would also like for every local to have their local's banner proudly on display for the entire event. Therefore we would like to see members of every local at the MOTM. If you can help work any at all while you are there it would also be greatly appreciated. Remember, volunteers are not required to pay conference registration fees, and are encouraged to attend workshops and general assembly presentations when not on duty. The only thing we ask is that the volunteers pay for their Saturday evening banquet ticket if they are planning on attending.

You can call me at 573-576-6662 or email at "tomar10king@gmail. com" and I can get you pointed in the right direction.

With respect to all,

Martin King

From the chairs of the FEW Committee:

To insure no energy or participation is compromised for the planning and presentation of the Meeting of the Minds, the FEW committee will NOT be on the agenda for Saturday Central Committee meetings until November. Our allotted time will be shared with the MOTM's committee to allow for as much input and discussion as possible to insure this event is the best the attendees have ever experienced.

The FEW Committee is made up of representatives of the FORR membership and that makes them the strongest of the strong. We will post updates in the Freedom Press and communication between the committee members will be handled electronically until we come together in November to finalize plans.

At the time of this writing location is the main consideration. Susan and Deanna will be scouting a total of four possibilities for the best possible venue.

The agenda is set and will be included in our first mass email to both committee members and presenters.

We ask all those wishing to participate in the 2015 FEW to send preferred contact email information to Susan Lockhart, L25 at sscc1952@ gmail.com and Melanie Coy, L16 at mscoy@netzero.com. Please include both co-chairs in your communications to insure our list is complete and everyone is included.

With the anticipation of the Mid-Missouri Motorcycle Rally, Meeting of the Minds, The Mid-South MILE and the 2015 FEW this organization is on fire!

Respectfully submitted, Susan Lockhart Melanie Coy

Motorcycle Awareness- It's been a busy couple of months

15th Annual Mike Sloan Memorial Motorcycle Awareness and You Rally – (The MAY Rally) It was April 29th, 2014. What a great turn out, especially considering the cold wet conditions. I can't tell you how proud I am of all the members that attended. I had a challenge out for each local to have an Awareness event the weekend before. Then come to the rally and tell us what they did within their local to spread the word of awareness. The weather was really bad that weekend so I know some had to be cancelled. Some were able to happen, I love the ideas you all come up with, please keep it up. It doesn't have to be MAY to spread the word, we really need it spread all year around.

I went to Local 29's bike show in Kearney, which Local 9 also helped with, and did their awareness event. Unfortunately with the weather, they didn't have as good of a turn out as usual, but I'm surprised they had what they did as hard as it was coming down. Myself along with Tony Shepherd of ABATE presented a proclamation and a Flag that had been flown over the Capitol, to Vinetta Garnett, in honor of our buddy and her brother "Puddy", Joe Loyd. Puddy was once president of Local 29 and had over 300 members in his local, he was a Safety instructor for years, and had collected \$10,000 for the MRF, with his Puddy Pot. Joe was proud of Freedom of Road Riders and how far we have come, but he wanted to see us do more, that we will do. He was a member of Local 29 when he passed in a Motorcycle Wreck in January. He was very inspirational to new members in local 9 and of course his little sister Vinetta. If you knew Puddy you knew what a dedicated and passionate man he was; as they say to know Puddy was to love Puddy. RIP PUDDY.

I went to talk to the kids at Kirksville high School in May, about driving around Motorcycles. Local 19 set it up and was right there with me and Valerie Taylor out of Local 13, to help in any way they could. I also had an interview with the local news station. I told them we are there talking to the kids about driving around Motorcycles, and also asked the public to "Look Twice". I sure appreciate everything Sharon and the rest of 19 did to get me in there. Valerie Taylor was a huge help, thanks for going with me Valerie. We had one hour to touch all 100 kids if we could, I

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know we touched a lot if not all of them. They don't have Drivers Ed anymore, in most of the schools in Missouri, so our hour may be all they get. Remember if you want me to talk to your school, or other groups, or if you want to learn how to do it yourself please give me a call, number is in the front of the newsletter.

Doug Clawson and I manned the Freedom Trailer once again at the Freedom Rally- Met a lot of great people gave out all I had with me for awareness. I do believe we should get some new members from the rally and some for the riding classes as well. I hope you were able to come by and see us, it was a great time.

Motorcycle Awareness Supplies- everyone has got their supplies by now, and some have already run out. I know we would all love to have more, but as I explained again this year, there are more groups getting supplies and we get the biggest percentage still. We need to start coming up with our own ideas and locals can do this once they get it approved look at Local 33's magnets. Someday the grants will run out and we don't want to be left with nothing to hand out. Also there have been 5 locals now that have called MODOT and asked for more supplies, even though I have asked them not to. When we got this set up they (MODOT) asked that I be the contact for Freedom, that way we don't have all sorts of people calling. It's been this way for years, so please DON'T CALL MODOT FOR SUPPLIES what you have is really all there is this year but if you have questions I'm your girl.

I have seen people on the internet bashing bikers, after one of us has been killed. I looked into this a little farther to find that people that don't ride blame the rider almost every time. As you know we have sport bike riders doing tricks, and weaving in and out of cars. Also there are bikers of all types that think people will move for them, none of us own the road. When the average person sees this disrespect, their thoughts go to Damn Bikers, they think they own the road, and with that they don't care what happens to the rest of us when we come around. We need to change that thinking process. First of all no one should be riding like that if we want them to take notice and share the road then we have to do the same thing. Make yourself more visible, wear neon colors or put reflective tape on. Make sure your bike is well lit at all times and I don't care what they say "Loud pipes do save Lives", so Rev it up, and make sure they hear you in case they didn't see you. It is our job and our job only to make sure we are visible. We are doing outreach events and passing out supplies all over the state to get the drivers to pay attention, but from The Highway Patrol reports show, we are going to have to focus on the riders more. The majority of accidents this year are operator error, this we can help by being vigilant when we ride. Don't ride impaired, always look for an escape path, know where your destination is so you don't have to worry about losing the group, follow the rules of the road at all times, pay attention, and it always helps to take a Riding course. If you have already taken the course then think about a refresher or an experienced course. We offer these courses and would love to have you, contact Dallas if you have any questions on classes. I'll get off my soap box now but I can't tell you all enough, how important each and every one of you are to me, I don't want to go to your funeral. So please be safe out there and don't forget to spread the word to drivers and the riders. As always please let me know if you have any questions or suggestions.

Many prayers going up for Half breed for a speedy recovery. We lost a great member and brother in Crash Harrison, many prayers to Carol, Trevor and the family.

Ride Safe My Freedom Family Deanna Rhodes Freedom of Road Riders Motorcycle Awareness Coordinator - MAC

Letter to the Editor

Thank you Melanie for "What the heck do all those letters mean? "Where you mentioned the Mid-South M.I.L.E. I would like to tell FORR members the M.I.L.E. mission statement.

The goal of the Mid-South M.I.L.E.[Motorcyclists Improving Legislative Effectiveness] is to share ideas,techniques,strategies and enthusiasm using the format of an annual education seminar. This seminar provides an opportunity for motorcyclists rights group members to work together toward the preservation of motorcyclists freedoms through education.

I first got involved with the M.I.L.E. when I went to committee meetings with Buddy Battreal in Joplin at a little community center across the street from Duncan Campbell's bike shop. Duncan and his wife[sorry,I do not recall her name] were two of a group that started the M.I.L.E. I was also involved in 2001 and 2006 when it was in Springfield,MO. And in 2013 voted Missouri Rep. to the M.I.L.E.

Start saving your nickels and dimes for gas and hotel money. The M.I.L.E. is Oct. 17-19 in Wichita KS. at Best Western Wichita North Hotel and Suites, 915 East 53rd Street North.

If a district or local sends in \$100 everyone in the district or local can attend the seminars.

Safe Travels "Cowboy" Roy Hoard Missouri Rep for the M.I.L.E.



Letter to the Editor

The Missouri State Fair will be here before we know it. Local 33 agreed to coordinate the event but we need your help to fulfill the work obligations for the booth. The State Fair runs from Thursday, August 7th through Sunday, August 17th. We need a minimum of two people present at the booth from 9:00 a.m. until it closes each day at 9:00 p.m. Because of the booth size two to three workers at a time in the booth is the optimum number. More than four gets too crowded. We will be working in four hour shifts 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Randy and Debbie Farris have volunteered to help get the booth opened for the morning shift and will work that shift if needed throughout the event. If you can help fulfill the needs of one of these work shifts please contact Bo at 660-441-0625 as soon as possible.

Remember this event benefits all of the locals in FORR since it allows us to get word out about our organization to people from all over the state. As you can see there is a lot of work required to man the booth during the event. However it's really not work, it's a lot of fun and good times since you get to meet a lot of interesting people, talk about FORR and motorcycling and another big plus: We're in the Matthewson Center which is air conditioned. We will also need give a way items, tri-folds and other informational materials to distribute at the booth. So give Bo a call, take a day to come to the Missouri State Fair and help us spread the word.

Thursday Aug 7, 2014	Sunday Aug 10, 2014	Wednesday Aug 13, 2014	Saturday Aug 16, 2014
9:00-1:00	9:00-1:00	9:00-1:00	9:00-1:00
 Randy Farris 	37.	73.	109.
2.	38.	74.	110.
3.	39.	75.	
4.	40.	76.	111.
1:00-5:00	1:00-5:00	1:00-5:00	112.
Deb Farris	41.	77.	1:00-5:00
6.	42.	78.	113. Sherry Harris
7.	43.	79.	114. Billy Harris
8.	44.	80.	115.
5:00-9:00	5:00-9:00	5:00-9:00	116.
9.	45.	81.	5:00-9:00
10.	46.	82.	117.
11.	47.	83.	118.
12.	48.	84.	119.
Friday Aug 8, 2014	Monday Aug 11, 2014	Thursday Aug 14, 2014	120.
9:00-1:00	9:00-1:00	9:00-1:00	Sunday Aug 17, 2014
13.	49.	85.	9:00-1:00
14.	50.	86.	121.
15.	51.	87.	122.
16.	52.	88.	123.
1:00-5:00	1:00-5:00	1:00-5:00	124.
17. Sherry Harris	53.	89.	1:00-6:00 Teardown starts
18. Billy Harris	54.	90.	at 6:00
19.	55.	91.	
20.	56.	92.	
5:00-9:00	5:00-9:00	5:00-9:00	
21. Roy Hoard	57.	93.	
22.	58.	94.	
23.	59.	95.	
24.	60.	96.	
Saturday Aug 9, 2014	Tuesday Aug 12, 2014	Friday Aug 15, 2014	
9:00-1:00	9:00-1:00	9:00-1:00	
25.	61.	97.	
26.	62.	98.	
27.	63.	99.	
28.	64.	100.	
1:00-5:00	1:00-5:00	1:00-5:00	
29. Roy Hoard	65. Doug Weiss	101.	
30.	66. Sandy Jenkins	102.	
31.	67.	103.	
32.	68.	104.	
5:00-9:00	5:00-9:00	5:00-9:00	
33.	69. Roy Hoard	105.	
34.	70.	106.	
35.	71.	107.	
36.	72.	108.	

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Freedom of Road Riders®, Inc. Central Committee Meeting #207 Sunday, May 4, 2014 at the Quality Inn in Columbia MO

Local Standings 5/1/2	014			
-	Local	Count	Vote	CC Rep
West Central Mo	Local 01**	55	1 Vote	Tim O'Connor
Truman Lake	Local 03	49	1 Vote	Dean Singleton
South Kansas City	Local 05	46	1 Vote	Amy Allmon
St. Joseph	Local 06	103	2 Votes	Tim Etherton
Lebanon	Local 07**	51	1 Vote	Absent
Chillicothe	Local 08	108	2 Votes	Layne Shady
Kearney	Local 09	35	1 Vote	Tina Hall
Jefferson City	Local 10	132	2 Votes	Randall Owen
Southwest Missouri	Local 11	37	1 Vote	Absent
Glasgow	Local 12	69	1 Vote	John Stouffer
Mexico	Local 13	101	2 Votes	Raymond Palmer
Independence	Local 14	62	1 Vote	Joe Widmer
Branson	Local 15	261	3 Votes	Duane Harrison
SEMO	Local 16	67	1 Vote	Melanie Coy
Kirksville	Local 19	118	2 Votes	Doug Yearns
Dexter	Local 20	39	1 Vote	Mona Morgan
Eldon	Local 21*	17	1 Vote	Absent
Lincoln County	Local 23*	11	1 Vote	Absent
St. Louis	Local 24	149	2 Votes	Kathleen Duncan
St. Peters	Local 25	75	1 Vote	Mark Roloff
Maryville	Local 26	52	1 Vote	Roy Brown
Sac-Osage	Local 27	59	1 Vote	Bill Thornhill
Waynesville	Local 28	171	2 Votes	Merel Johnson
North Kansas City	Local 29	57	1 Vote	Ursula DeMoss
Springfield/Nixa	Local 30	53	1 Vote	Danne Roberts
Rolla	Local 31*	21	1 Vote	Marty Craft
Highway 50 West	Local 33	112	2 Votes	Roy Hoard
Golden Valley	Local 35	43	1 Vote	Bob Hawkins
Cameron Crossroads	Local 41	25	1 Vote	Steve Gallus
Franklin County	Local 42	107	2 Votes	Keifer York
South Platte County	Local 47	26	1 Vote	David Voigts
Members at Large	Local 00	48	0 Vote	
Total		2,359		
Corporate Sponsors		4		

^{*} Vote suspended due to financial reports

Membership Report - March-April 2014

Memberships Processed

March Total 32 New Members 145 Renewed Members

Life Members for March - 27

April Total 42 New Members 156 Renewed Members

Life Members for April – 11

38 Life Members 74 New Members 301 Renewed Members

March – April 2014 413 TOTAL MEMBERSHIPS PROCESSED

Total Membership 2,359 - (decrease of 71 members)

CALL TO ORDER time 10:07. Preamble, Pledge of Allegiance, Moment of Silence, put cell phones on vibrate, roll call of Locals – 2 Locals 'no vote' for non-return of give-away tickets. 3 Locals 'no vote' due to financials. Approval of Minutes with NO CORRECTIONS –<Motion to approve L8 2nd-L35>

Treasurer Lynne Adkins - FINANCIAL REPORT- February 28 - April 30, 2014

General Fund: Beginning balance \$9264.38 ending \$7380.18; Riders Education: Beginning \$13,734.08 ending \$21,394.81; PAC: Beginning \$21,407.82 ending \$21655.95; MMMR: Beginning \$6,251.77 ending \$6,623.93; MOTM 2014: (giveaway) Beginning \$13,028.66 ending \$13,108.66 Freedom Park: Beginning \$710.00 ending \$710.00

Local 42 award (resolution) for last year financial obligation. Accepting Locals donations – To the PAC Fund: Local 3 - \$200, L24 - \$1500, L26 - \$150, L30 - \$500. L42 - \$2000. Donations in Kind: Locals 15, 27 & 30 for their managing of Lincoln Days in Springfield and Local 13 for their managing Demo Days.

Vice-Chairman -Ronda Felts- Engineer of Freedom Award - Georgia Haley (posthumous)

^{**}vote suspended due to non-return of Giveaway tickets

Corporate Secretary- Singleton - Corp. computers - Thank you for voting to let us have new computers, it makes so much difference.

Halfbreed- Debbie says he's doing better, but a long road to recovery. Go visit him at University Hospital, Columbia.

Sgt. of Arms - Taz- Make sign to piss off Treetop (Stand Up!!) Hold up sign! Madd Dawg asked to stand in for TAZ at this meeting.

Rider Education - Doug Clawson - Of 3 beginners classes 31 passed. Still have a 2001 Honda Rebel for sale \$1250.00

Motorcycle Awareness Coordinator – Deanna Rhodes -Tri-fold committee- new tri-fold is on the FORR website. Need artist - Awareness poster to put up in DMV and a Video of a crash scene. MAY Rally: 45 bikes, rainy day but was a good rally. Safety Awareness stuff from MoDot. They cut down on what we get.

Deanna needs an assistant, anyone interested?

Legislative Cord. – Bill Kempker- May Rally better inside capitol building. "I Lobbied" patches goes to any motorcyclist at the capitol, no matter FORR member or not.

AMA - Staples - Absent. Martin King E-15 bad for bikes. UN has recommended World-wide safety applications.

MRF - Amy Allmon - Royals Give a way tickets.

Product Line – Shelly Payne - New coolie cups in a mix of colors, with Local #"s if you want. \$1.75. Next year's calendars need pictures of motorcycles in a historic setting for your Local. Will need a written release if using a professional photographer for watermarks. Needed by end of July.

Webmaster - Larry Scott - website needs to be updated any ideas appreciated.

MOTION TO ADJOURN FOR LUNCH - L15, 2nd- L3

Resume Meeting 1:06

Chairman Duncan -

General Office (GO)- Dallas Chapman -Electronic Roster Get with Dallas if you have any questions. New GO Printer - \$101. 85 Dot Matrix. Newsletter – Dallas Chapman – some getting them late.

Hospitality Room Behavior - letter written from TT to Quality Inn because of some inappropriate behavior from a few members.

New insurance cards – If you have changes send in the card. If no changes no worries.

ROC – Ride of the Century – Aug. 30-Sept. 1. What does ROC do to our legislative efforts? Teaming with ABATE of IL. Will send out a statement separating us from ROC.

Work and effort from the product line. < Motion to pay for replacement of the canopy for Product Line \$269.02- L27, 2nd – L1, passed by unanimous voice>

COMMITTEES-

2014 MOTM - Martin King -

Local 21 has 10 books of tickets missing. The other local's issues are resolved. <Motion L10: \$100 be written off for giveaway tickets for L21, 2nd by L30. Discussion: Motion denied by unanimous voice> MOTM 2014 Packets – Greeting letter written by Amy Allmon sponsor letter, registration form and flyer. Please take this back to your local and please print the flyer. Capt.'s of sub-committees are full on board and have their particular areas together. Need hospitality room donations.

FEW – Melanie Coy – Down playing as a courtesy to MOTM. Need new place to hold because we outgrew the location in Jeff City. Next CC we should know where it will be held. FEW patches \$5.

Mid-South MILE – Cowboy- Hotel is comping many of the things (hospitality room, banquet room, projector screens) No info for ABATE Oklahoma wanting out of the MILE. Dates: Oct. 17-18. Any Local/district pay \$100 they can send as many people as they can to seminars but this does not pay for your banquet dinner.

State Fair Booth – Information booth. August 7-17th. Thank all locals for contributing. Needing Locals to work shifts. Email for shifts 9 am-1 pm, 1-5 pm and 5-9 pm. 2 bodies per shift: bosmith5@yahoo.com. Donation in kind for Locals that contributed to this event.

Different color tri-fold for state fair or a stamp to know where Fair attendees got the tri-fold.

MMMR - Family event— Layne Shady Contract signed, deposit paid. Cowboy still getting sponsors. Taz was nominated to be in charge of field events. Bike show L15 & 27. Needing a tent. Bands secured. Stage trailer on sight. Need single ax truck to pull 32' stage trailer from Chillicothe and back. No lottery to do shifts. Back to standard chart w/write-in of local working security and gate shifts, get ahold of Layne ahead of time. Or call Layne to schedule shifts. No worker t-shirts, and going with generic MMMR patch. Will have event t-shirt. Treetop securing vendors. Day passes available. Safety and Product trailers will be there. No roped off area for under 18, will have an over age 21 beer garden. Cooling stations will be available.

OLD BUSINESS:

Give-away Project proposal in Policy and Procedures:

Give Away Proposal addressed.

<motion by L27 to vote on this proposal as written. 2nd L10> Roll call vote. 29-yes, 6-no. motion passes by majority vote.

3 By-Law proposals by L27 posted in the Freedom Press–reminder of what's happening – NO DISCUSSION

NEW BUSINESS

Springfield Ozark Empire Fair July 24-Aug. 2 Booth L27 with 15 & 30, 35. Goes to promote FORR. Each Local asked to donate \$20 and will be considered DIK. Bikes, Blues and Hot Cars and State Fair Booth are considered one (1) project. Rooms at lamplighter Inn \$62.70 Dlb. Queen.

Member services directory - by district. Submit a business card, print once a year. Put an ad in the freedom press, or give a business card to Secretary, by next CC meeting. Printed by October. Put in Locals submission or published in FP January. And on FORR website.

CONNECTIONS- District Chairmen

Spring Fling -June 14-16

Local 20 received invitation in October from Corp of Engineers. Set up after Thanksgiving.

Memorial Weekend -Freedom Rally entry begins noon Thursday. Blacktop Rally -May 30-June 1. RV Park- Pony express Maysville. Octoberfest -Oct. 3-5 -Thunder Valley Drag Races Grain Valley. L20 doing Butler Co. (fair)

L15 doing Rally in Branson in June.

L19 doing an Awareness Assembly at the local High School.

<Motion to adjourn L37, 2nd- L42> 2:57 pm

JULY 2014 CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS Quality Inn

Legislative

Saturday, July 12, 2014, 12 noon

F.E.W. Seminar

Saturday, July 12, 2014, 1 pm

Mid-Missouri Motorcycle Rally Saturday, July 12, 2014, 2 pm

Mid-South Mile

Saturday, July 12, 2014, 3 pm

Meeting of the Minds 2014

Saturday, July 12, 2014, 4 pm

Officers Meeting

Saturday, July 12, 2014, 5 pm (with closed session for annual employee evaluation)

Central Committee Meeting

Sunday, July 13, 2014 10:00 am

LOCAL 1 - WEST CENTRAL MISSOURI

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 2 p.m.

VFW Post 5765, 9642 Old Hwy 40, *Odessa 64076* Contact: Rebel 816-850-4511 or Dallas 816-690-4200

Hello all.

Just here for the usual catch up on the news. The weather is soooo GOOD!

Everyone listed last month is healing well, and on the road to physical and mental recovery. Terribly I need to report we lost one of the true greats.... Kim "Crash" Harrison in May due to complications from a recent surgery. Many gathered at the Hilburn's in Bates City area for a day of brotherhood& sistership. Very sad day, but it was great to look back at some of the old times we had. He will be missed by all.

The Lunch/Meeting get togethers are going well, next meeting will be repeat of the previous so if you want to bring something and need any suggestions on what you might bring contact our VP, Joe at 816-517-4048.

Apologies to Dragon for making the trip to CC last time. (we didn't have a vote on the floor due to some ticket books not being turned in) Thanks to the members of Local 1 for passing the hat to take care of the problem.

Sounds like the planning for 2014 Octoberfest is at full throttle - lets get er done! Can't wait!!!

Not much more to say but... Have a good one .then have another..... See va.

Michelle "Rebel" O'Connor #7157

Local 3-TRUMAN LAKE

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1:30 p.m. VFW Post 4197, Rt Tt, Osceola, MO

Contact: President: Dean Singleton 417-808-0286 or

Vice-President: Ray Burns 417-324-5596

Howdy L3,

First we would like to welcome our new members, Donna McWilliams, Chuck Duffy, Chad Duffy, Ira Johnson, and David David.

We have a lot of thanks to extend to all the people who stepped up and helped in our fundraiser. First to Tony DiMaggio and David David for their more than generous donation. Next to Dave Singleton, Myron Duskin, and Corey Duskin for the use of their tractors. And then to Ray Burns, Steve Burrow, Casey Singleton, Dave Singleton, and Corey Duskin for the use of their muscle. With members like this L3 will always be strong.

Talking about strong it was good to hear Halfbreed made it home from the hospital.

Well by the time you read this our Family Fun Day at the Roscoe Mo. Park will have come and gone hopefully having been a great weekend for all those who show up. Casey Singleton has worked his training wheels off to get a trailer full of bikes ready for the kid's events. Ray Burns again has been a very big part of getting the when, what, why and how done



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for this. To all our members who contributed to this, in volunteering and bringing supplies for this special day, I applaud you all.

Our last meeting was another great get together of like minded friends hoping to get a bit farther down the road of Bikers rights..... Not just the Helmet Law but others like the Failure to Yield laws and such. It looks like our right to choose has again hit a brick wall, myself I'm Pro-choice, and I think if you're old enough to vote you're old enough to make your own decisions. We are a growing group that all want the same things, better laws to protect us as riders and also for the freedom of choice that surrounding states enjoy. I alone cannot change this, neither can you, alone do this but as a whole WE can change things for the better. This is my hope. We have a lot coming down the pipe but nothing concrete yet.

On a sad note we have lost a member of Local 14 that was also a great friend of mine Kim (Crash) Harrison Passed away on the 17th of May from complications after open heart surgery. He will be greatly missed by his family, the Local 14'ers and all of his friends.....please if you can have a moment of silence at your next meeting.

And our heartfelt sympathy goes out to family and friends of the Wevers who lost their life at the Freedom Rally.

Ride Hard or Stay Home

TURK

Local 5 - South Kansas City

Meetings: 3rd Saturday @ 2 p.m.

VFW Post 1829 at 5904 Crystal in KCMO.

Contact: 816-942-7507 or the VFW Post 816-921-2222

Greetings from Local-5 Members to all of our Brother and Sister Bikers: I just got word (before sending this post) that our helmet law died again in committee but, until Missouri has a new Governor we haven't much chance to get this passed anyway. We all remember Jay Nixon's false promise of support the last time we got a clean bill to the Governor's desk at his request. It seems that doing the right thing for the good of the majority of our citizens and using what my Grandmother called "common sense" to decide issues has become an art of talking out of both sides their mouths instead, while getting nothing done! Things are becoming the worst I've ever seen when they can look you in the face and downright LIE to us not once but throughout their terms and think we are stupid enough to believe it. It is high time the American people stand up and remind the minority of those in power from DC on down that it ain't your party or that corporate lobbyist that's important now, you might do well to represent the majority of the American people for a change!

Congratulations to L-5's Amy "Sunshine" Allmon for being awarded at the March CC meeting the Engineer Of Freedom Award. Amy has worked very hard to promote and represent the interests of FORR for years now at all levels of our organization thank-you. I would like to say that ANY member who is nominated by their local for any of these awards brings pride to FORR you are our future, thanks for all your efforts upon our behalf Statewide.

We had a good meeting and had some welcomed guests come by to visit L-5 is preparing for both Octoberfest and Meeting of the Minds. We were saddened to hear about Crash Harrison and our prayers go out to his family and L-14. We also extend our prayers for a speedy recovery to Halfbreed and Darral Clancy. Everyone please watch out for the texting , phone talking, or just plain careless cagers running amok on our roads and highways. Until next month ride safe and watch out for idiots playing with their phones instead of driving or caring about their fellow human beings!!

Angel L-5

LOCAL 6 - ST. JOSEPH

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 12:30 p.m. VFW #1668, 821 N 4th St., St. Joseph Dan Harmon 816-387-1095

LOCAL 7 - LEBANON

Meetings: 1st Sunday @ 4 p.m.

Ollie's, 12940 Hwy 64, Lebanon, MO 65536

Contact: Robert 417-426-5627

Greetings Local 7

Alright, riding season is here. Before our May meeting we had a Mother of Fun run. Great weather and a real good turn out with Guy leading us down some back roads to Hollister. Because we needed to be back for our meeting at 4 pm and it was 2:30 pm and we were a hundred miles from out meeting place at Ollie's we had to take a more direct route back and some of us may have broken a few speed limits on our way back. What a crow we had for out Meeting. Did I mention the Local paid for everyone's meal. A two hundred mile ride and a free meal, now that a good day. Later in the month of course came the Freedom Rally. I hear there were 2251 of our friends there. I also heard that after Robert E, Jessie and I left securing the stage area. Our Prez Robert stopped a naked man riding his bike thru the stage infield and wanted to jerk him off but nothing came of it.

Seriously Local 7 would like to thank everyone who worked the rally. Those getting a renewed membership or their entry fee repaid for working at least two shifts at the rally are Tiny, Buck, Charlie, Brian, C.A., Guy, Don, Lee, Tammy, Robert Y., and Bruce. In the coming year when Local 7 is donating money to local charities remember these folks made it possible. Beaver didn't make it to the Rally and work but since he spent time in the hospital that week I guess we'll have to give him a pass. Local 7 is already getting ready for next year's Rally. Anita and Robert E. will be our Freedom Rally committee with Charlie, Buck and Rocky as alternates. Out Prez Robert will be Vendor Coordinator once again. One change, Charlie will not be head of security after all these years. Charlie says he needs a break. Charlie has done a hell of a job and he will be hard to replace. Thanks Charlie! At our last meeting it was agreed that Local 7 wants to scare some kids and maybe a few adults so look out for members to be at the Halloween Bash 2014. Local 7 was glad to see David and Pat our members from Colorado Springs, CO. at our meetings.

Upcoming Rides

Bob Bench Benefit, July 19th Price Cutters 8 am USO Ride June 21st Harley Davidson 10 am

LOCAL 8 - CHILLICOTHE

Meetings: 1st Sunday @ Noon. Carry-in Dinner, 1 p.m.

(Call for info - location varies)

Contact: 660-646-4197 or 660-646-8905



Local 9 - Kearney

Meetings: 4th Tuesday @ 7 pm

Kearney VFW 5717, 301 W Washington, Kearney, MO

Contact: Rob Hull 816-550-8162

Exciting things are happening in our area. Let's be sure to represent Kearney and the Northland in a great way.

Special thanks to Local 29 for working together as a collective voice at our events and at theirs. The bike show was successful even with the storms in the area. We look forward to partnering up with them in future endeavors.

If you want to sign up to volunteer at Meeting of the Minds or at Mid-America Freedom Rally, Leah has the sign-up sheets or knows who to contact. We need to be sure to support our other locals.

Don't forget, the Joe "Puddy" Loyd patches are still available. The cost for each patch is \$7 which includes a \$1 donation to the "Puddy Pot" as it makes its final ride to the MRF September 25-28. To order your "Puddy Patch", contact Vinetta Loyd Garnett or Leah McDonald.

Upcoming Events

July 10: District 4 Meeting (Bates City) July 22: Local 9 Meeting (Kearney)

September 25-28: Meeting of the Minds (Kansas City)

October: OctoberFest (Grain Valley)

LOCAL 10 - JEFFERSON CITY

Meetings: 3rd Thursday @ 7:000 p.m.

Twin Bridges Bar & Grill, 3 Miles South of Jefferson

City on Hwy 54 & Junction CC

Contact: Dale Thomas 573-694-0074 or Denise Taylor

573-353-4127

The "Mid-America Freedom Rally" was an absolute blast again this year.... hope everyone had as much fun as we in Local 10 did! Hope you have been getting some wind therapy in with the nice weather we have been blessed with!

We are all set and ready for our "3rd Annual Christmas in July" event scheduled for Saturday, July 12! (See attached Flyer). This is a rain or shine event.... praying for a nice sunny day to get a little riding in. If you haven't heard the band "Slick Nickel", you will not be disappointed! Twin Bridges has awesome food and the best, fastest and friendliest staff you could possibly ask for! Reminder all proceeds from this event will go to our local Samaritan Center!

For all of you Facebook people, keep checking FORR – Local 10 Facebook page and Freedom of Road Riders (FORR) – Local 10 group page for upcoming events and just news in general. I do my best to keep the pages updated with events, photos and files. If you would like to be added to the group, send me a request and I will get you added



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as soon as I see your request. LET'S RIDE!! Denise Taylor taylord34@embargmail.com

Local 11 - Southwest Missouri

Meetings: 4th Sunday @ 3 p.m.

Carthage Family Restaurant, 125 N Garrison Ave,

Carthage

Contact: 417-793-4899

LOCAL 12 - GLASGOW

Meetings: First Sunday @ 3:00 p.m. Fish Beak Saloon, 1st St., Glasgow

Contact: 660-631-7324 or smokeystrodtman1952@

gmail.com



Welcome to all our brothers and sisters out in FORR-land from your friends in local 12, Glasgow. It's July so our headline this month is the **FIRECRACKER CLASSIC** on Friday, July 11th, and Saturday, July 12th. Sunday the 13th will be pack up and go home day. We really have a special event lined up for you this year. Our events include a poker run, bike show, field meet, and, of course, the best party in central MO! Gates open at noon on Friday, the 11th and we will have a DJ on site.

Nikki and all the lovely ladies on her crew will be handling the beverages, we'll have vendors, and the historic town of Glasgow with lots of good touring roads for you to enjoy.

Our bands this year include Disengage on Friday night and then a real treat on Saturday night as we are bringing Downfall back again this



year. This band kicks some major league ass and will have you rocking all night. Last year they were so good the bartending girls were up on the tables dancing to them and everyone was involved in some major league boogying. We also have the same fireworks vendor, who put on a fantastic show last year. Even the local townspeople remarked on how good it was.

The field meet is also killer as we draw some of the most skilled riders in the state and they will be battling it out in the keg roll, ball toss, slow race, and several other events. John and Joyce always do a great job with the bike show and you will be seeing some really nice scooters on display. The poker run route is always entertaining and we have some really nice plaques for all the winners.

Now, attention to all you life members out there: **YOU GET IN THE PARTY FREE!** That's right, local 12 recognizes your years of dedication to the organization by letting you in free! As far as I know, we are the only local in the state doing this and hope we will start a trend as we have some life members in local 12, too. Where else can you beat a deal like that? Of course we hope you will bring plenty of friends with you when you come.

Glasgow has always been one of the most biker friendly towns in the state since FORR did their first event there back in 1983. There are great restaurants and bars uptown if you decide to leave the party for a while and lots of historic scenery to see, including the magnificent houses built by the riverboat captains back in the 1800's. So, how about it? We hope to see you all in Glasgow Friday, July 11th, and Saturday, July 12th.

We had a great meeting on Sunday, June 1st, which I was unfortunately unable to attend due to severe back spasms. I spent my afternoon with Percocet and a heating pad. Fortunately, once again I had Laura Adcock, our most capable treasurer, there to read and take the minutes. Laura, you are an angel for saving me so many times and I can't thank you enough. Boz brought the meeting to order at 3 pm with a fantastic turnout of 27 members. The minutes and treasury report were approved as read. There was a discussion on the amount of money we have been donating to the CC every year. We have been giving \$1,500, which is

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actually more than several locals have been donating.

Socko had no vice-president's report. In her event coordinator's report, Tami said the price of the tents for the Firecracker had gone up \$50. The port-a-potties will be delivered Thursday and cleaned Saturday. We are going to have 1st and 2nd place plaques for the bike show. The fireworks will cost \$1,000 and that money is non-refundable. In old business, Tami needs her sponsor paperwork NOW! We will meet at Lyndal's house on Saturday, June 7th to put the primer on the stage for the Firecracker. If you've never been to Lyndal's before, stop at Casey's in Slater at 12:30 and we will lead you out there. There was no winner of the membership pot this month.

Jim Fitzsimonds is taking the Ironbutt Challenge, which means riding 1,000 miles in 24 hours or less when he takes his trip to San Diego, CA. His 1,000 miles will be coming up somewhere west of Albuquerque, New Mexico. This is quite a feat, Jim, and local 12 wishes you the best of luck. Jim has a 2014 Ultra Classic Limited so he is well equipped for this ride. In 1982, on an MDA Charity Ride sponsored by Zook's Harley-Davidson, formerly of Columbia, I rode my stock 1981 Low Rider 1,000 miles in 21 hours and 50 minutes, as certified by the Columbia Police Dep't. I then hit the nearest smorgasbord and ate my ass off, then went home and slept for 14 hours straight. Best of luck to you, Jim!

Upcoming events-

July 6th- Regular local 12 meeting, 3 pm, Fish Beak, Glasgow July 10th- Special Firecracker Classic Meeting, 7 pm, Stump Island Park, Glasgow

July 11th&12th-Firecracker Classic poker run, bike show, field meet, and party, Stump Island, Glasgow

August 3rd-Regular local 12 meeting, 3 pm, Fish Beak, Glasgow If you have any news you would like in the newsletter, call me at 660-631-7324 or e-mail me at smokeystrodtman1952@gmail.com or see me at the meeting. Until next month......be free, Smokey

LOCAL 13 - MEXICO

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 3 p.m.

For further information about meetings or membership

call 573-291-1465

Contact: 573-291-1465 or 573-881-7410



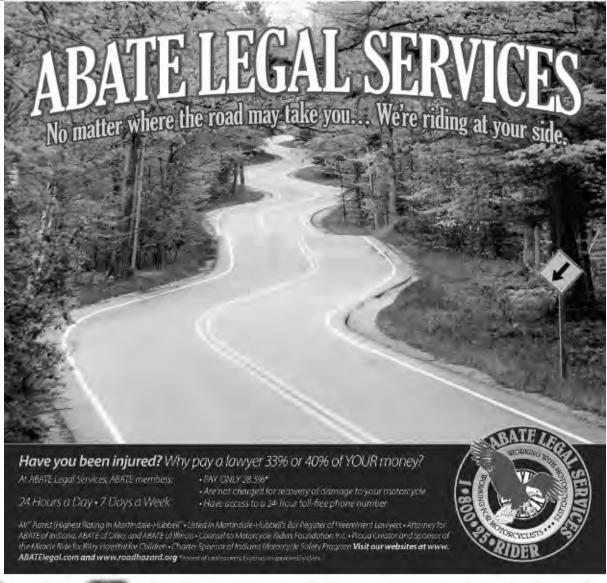
Dear Brothers Sisters and friends of Local 13,

Freedom Rally was a success, a big thank you to all who showed up and participated in our structured play time, Laura and Roy Williams, Rock and Raymond Palmer, Grinny, Jeff Cupp, Ryan Clark, Josh Wright, BL McDonnell, Valerie Taylor, Larry Carson, Roger and Justin Shipp and Anita Servos and her crew because of all you things went very well. All and all

a good time was had by all that attended. The Committee members along with the Shriners did an awesome job with this event. I can't wait to do it again next year. We pulled off all of our play times and it was a overall success, YAY team.

Halfbreed is now recovering at home and doing well, it's going to be a long recovery, so please keep him and Debbie in your continued thoughts and prayers. They are both such a big part of what Local 13 is all about and although they may not be able to participate in many events this summer their support will be felt. Get better Breed, and make a full recovery we need you in Aug. to call the auction at the Wonder Run. Also continued good thoughts and prayers for Cutter as he too is facing a struggle with his health. Just know that our love is with you and you are a fighter as we have all witnessed a time or two, you got this Brother. On a sadder note we said good bye to another member, although he was a member of Local 14 he was a great influence on many including myself. Kim "Crash" Harrison passed away. May you "Eat Bugs" on the other side and ride free forever, you will be truly missed.

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Report problems today at www.RoadHazard.org

I would like to thank Local 19 in Kirksville. For allowing me to attend their Motorcycle Awareness presentation. It was really something to watch as these 11th and 12th grade kids as they became so engaged with the message being presented to them. Deanna Rhodes did an awesome job and to watch her speak to and touch these new drivers in a way that they seemed to understand, was truly amazing. I thought that everything went well. My hope is that we in Local 13 can do the same for the Mexico High school this coming school year. Did you realize Drivers Education is now not taught in high schools and this may have been their only exposure to any type of road awareness? I truly felt that these kids walked away with a better understanding of the faces behind the biker image, it was a great experience. Thank you again for allowing me to be a part of this.

This month we are hoping that as many of you that can, will help support The Fire Cracker Classic held by Local 12 in Glasgow on July 11-13 at Stump Island. This is a great event and life time members will be allowed in at no charge for their dedication to Freedom of Road Riders. I had the privilege of going last year and all I can say is, it is a great party the bands are very good and the fireworks display is one of the

best I have ever seen. The members of Local 12 made me feel so welcome and the stories I heard made me laugh so hard it hurt, thanks Smokey. It is very important that we support our surrounding Local's by going to their events, so that we can ask them to take part in ours. Not to mention that it promotes Brotherhood something we want to promote throughout the State of Missouri. Brotherhood between Local's is important because united we stand and divided we fall. This is one Organization and we are all fighting for the same thing, our FREEDOMS as Motorcyclist. With that said I hope to see as many there that can be.

Upcoming events:

July 11th-13th-----Fire Cracker Classic Local 12 Glasgow

July 20th-----Local Meeting Plunkett Park, Mexico@3:00

August 10th-----Local Meeting Plunkett Park, Mexico@3:00

August 16th-----Wonder Run, Missouri Veterans Home, Mexico Mo.

September 21st-----Family Day and Local Meeting location TBA

September 25th-28th Meeting of the Minds, Kansas City Mo.

November 1st-----Betty Adams Memorial Toy Run

November 16th-----Local Meeting and Nominations

December 6th------Christmas Party and Elections

Until next time live life to the fullest stay Safe and FORRever Free,

Valerie Taylor

FORR Secretary Local 13

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me @ taylor.valerielocal13 or 573-291-1465

LOCAL 14-

INDEPENDENCE

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 2 p.m. VFW Post 3976 on Kentucky Rd. in

Sugar Creek, Mo.

Contact: Joe Widmer 816-709-3618

Local 15 - Branson

Meetings: 3rd Monday @ 7 p.m.

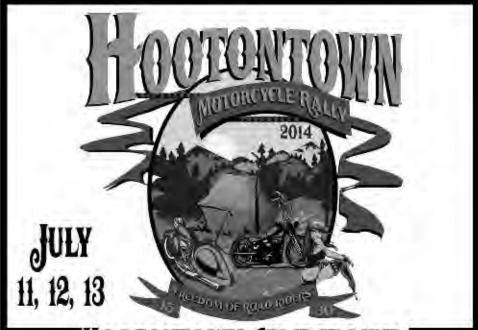
Charlie's Steak & Ale, 3009 W Hwy 76, Branson

Contact: 417-334-0775

Hey everyone,

Hope everyone is enjoying the weather, riding and the fun of RAL-LIES!!!!! There are so many to choose from! But of course my favorite is Local 15 and Local 30's very own.........Hootentown. We are very excited and counting down days until we see you all there. Make sure to bring sunscreen, your bathing suits and a good attitude!

I want to say congratulations to Mary Moeller, Terry and Gail Willey, and Ronnie Ponder, they rode with Rolling Thunder to Washington D.C. They stayed in touch with us through Facebook and we got to share even if just a small way the excitement and emotion of the experience. Thank you guys for bringing us along for the ride. We are very proud of you!



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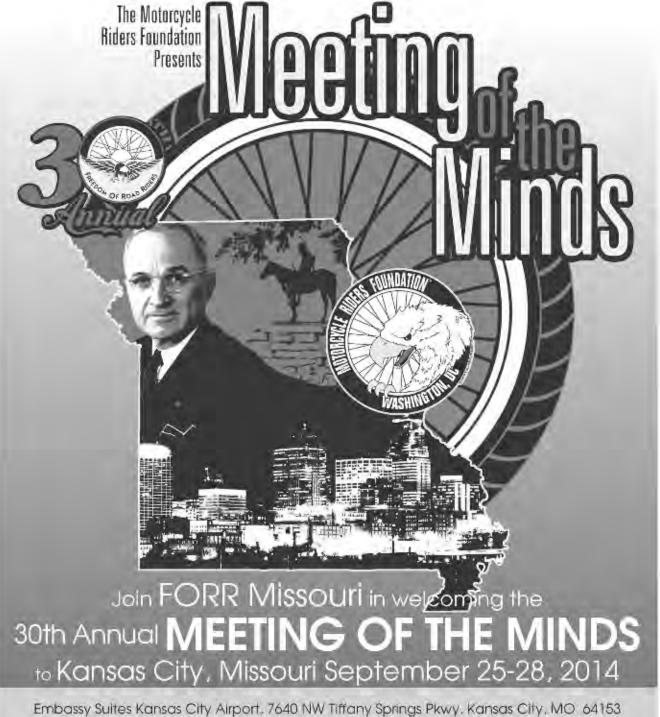
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LOCAL 16 - SEMO

Meetings: (Call for meeting info)

Contact: Whitey 573-768-2524 or Danny 573-270-6430

Email - forrlocal16@gmail.com

BAYOU FIELD DAYS, AUGUST 2 @ The Bayou Bar & Grill, Pocahontas MO....I suppose I should say more but after last year's event, I'm thinking this is one everyone has been waiting for anyway. Last year, despite Mother Nature's best attempt to squash us, this event proved to be fun for riders, patrons of the Bayou's amazing food and people who just came in off the road to see what the excitement was all about. L16 has decided not to hold a ride at the beginning and go straight to the fun and games. Speaking of the Bayou, we send our thanks and very best to the Bayou for hosting our June meeting. No one knows more about good ole southern hospitality than you and you never fail to make every event extra special. A possibility for the July meeting was at the Bollinger Mill in Burfordville MO on July 19 just before a charity run we plan to attend. This idea came about because each Local was to provide professional photographs of motorcycles in places of special interest from around the state. These were to be featured in a calendar to be sold during the 2014 Meeting of the Minds in Kansas City September 25-28. Unfortunately we had to submit the photos at July CC and this blew the idea for a photo op right out the window. You'll need to contact Whitey or Danny for information on time and location of the July meeting.

In the matter of professional photos for the calendar, our deepest gratitude goes to Rook Photography for taking the time to get exactly the right shot and making L16's entry one of the very best!

We wish everyone a super 4th of July. Just a reminder, holidays don't always bring out the responsible adult in people on the road. Stay alert, be safe and most of all arrive home with a smile on your face!!!!

Melanie

LOCAL 19-KIRKSVILLE

Meetings: First Saturday @ 6 pm

Meeting Location Varies Contact: 660-988-1708

Hi everyone;

Have had major issues getting newsletter info to Dallas. Hope I have the kinks worked out, apologies! The FORR Local 19 May meeting was held at the Rotary Park 5/3/14. Fifteen members attended. Fred Schwaner won the \$25.00 door prize. At this time, no further safety courses are scheduled. Classes will be available after reapproval of site area is achieved.

Be sure to come to the meeting in June. There are 3 proposed bylaw changes. Please see the May issue of the Freedom Press for further details. Our CC rep Doug Yearns will attend the CC Meeting in Jefferson City 7/2014 with the Locals decisions.

Thoughts and prayers go out to Halfbreed and his family. Hope your recovery goes well. Local 19 donated \$100.00 towards a wheelchair. Motorcycle Awareness should be every day!!!

The third Annual Charitan River Rally is coming up 7/25/14 hope to see a good turn-out. The State Line Rally will be 9/12/14 tickets are available and more information will be available soon.

The next meeting will be held at Klon and Sheri Smith's before this letter is received so check the website or Facebook.

Ride safe, Nancy



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LOCAL 20 - DEXTER

Meetings: Last Sunday @ 1 p.m.

Eagles Club on Hwy 25

Contact: Mona Morgan 573-718-0428



Hello FORR Family

This riding season has really started off on the wrong foot. Summer has not officially started and already there have been many accidents it is as if as soon as you get on the bike a huge target is placed on you. It is extremely important for all of us to become involved and in the next legislative session we get with our Representatives

and Senators to let them know in a diplomatic manner that we want something done to protect ALL of the motorcyclists on the highways.

Welcome to our new members Matt and Amanda Reynolds happy birthday and anniversary to those that has or will be celebrating one last month and this month. It is great to see everyone at the meetings I really appreciate the support that the local has given me and continues to give me. I would like to thank Pam Hurst for the great job she did as secretary and was sad to learn that she had to give up her position due to circumstances beyond her control. If there is anyone that would like to take this position please let me know at the next meeting in the mean time I will be filling this position along with the others that I currently hold.

I want to let the membership know that anyone is welcome to attend the CC meetings this question came up after one of our local meetings. I have a room reserved in Jefferson City and there are two double beds so if you don't mind sharing a room that will help with part of the expense of attending. It is a great experience to attend the CC it gives a better perspective on how the organization runs and operates. All of the cabinet members are willing to answer any questions and they like to see members from the local take an interest in what is going on around us.

Until Next Time...... Keep it Between the Lines Mona (Motor Mouth) Morgan L20

Local 21 - Eldon

Meetings: 3rd Saturday @ 1 p.m. Contact: Dan @ 573-898-2291

Hey Local 21,

Wazzup? Hope you enjoyed the rally, saw most of you there but there were a few of you who couldn't make it and you were sorely missed.

We wanted to let ya'll know that the next meetings on June 21 and July 19th at 1:00 at Whittles in Eldon will be important ones that we hope you all can make, as we have some PLANNIN' to do and we need the input of all you loyal Local 21ers!

As is the Local 21 tradition for meetings such as this, yer first drink is on us! (These 2 meetings only). By the way they hate it when we do that and I'll tell ya why at the meeting.

But ifin we didn't irritate people just a little bit then we wouldn't be Local 21 now would we!

Hope to see you at the meeting and remember:

Squirrels can be slippery under certain conditions.

Dan

LOCAL 23 - LINCOLN COUNTY

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 11 a.m.

Main Street Cafe, 145 Main St, Old Monroe, MO 63369

Contact: 636-665-5004

Local 24 - St. Louis

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday @ 7 p.m.

VFW #3944, 10815 Midland Blvd, St. Louis, MO 63114

Contact: Ken Lewis (314) 546-1624



Hello sports fans!!!!

How 24 and other locals across the state?

The assembly at Jefferson town ended on a sour note.

Please remember who was for us and who was opposed us when you go vote, let your say-so be heard by ballots to those who are opposed to us, out of the career at the domed structure.

Was your elected person supported the FORR proposals send them a note of thanks. A small show of thank you goes along way when next year comes around.

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, be careful out there! No matter what your mode of transport be, scooter, car, or any other form

of transport. Many of your brothers and female partners on 2 wheels have been crashed, hurt and slaughtered by those with no thought as to what events are near

Have you gotten you stubs for the gun safe please see any local member and get you some.

Welcome to all the new members who have chosen to enroll for 24. Come to a local assembly on the 3rd Tuesday at 1900 VFW 3944 and check out how 24 plans to take over the world.

We have local support tops from the 4-13-14 event on hand at a lower dollar amount, see local product person to get yours.

Local had a good turnout at the FREEDOM RALLY, all who attended traveled there and back safely.

Any query about what the local has scheduled to do contact local leader G.G. 314-546-1624

Make plans now to attend the MMMR on Labor Day weekend at the state trade event grounds 47.6 km east of Warrensburg

See you at the local 24 assembly

Do an act of thoughtfulness for someone - Alfred Pennyworth

As Trunk Monkey requested No "I s" were used to type July newsletter



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Local 25 - St. Peters

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1 p.m.

American Legion Post 313, 200 Main St., Olde Town at 4-way stop in St. Peters, Mo. Contact: 636-299-3268



Hello all,

Thank you to all who came out to our "Bear Run" We would also like to thank Chariots of Fire and all those who donated items for our giveaways.

Our upcoming events are.....

Saturday July 19th Local 25 Save The TaTa's Ride.. Starting

and ending at Tattooed Lady Bar & Grill
Sunday July 27th Christmas in July Ride (Chariots of Fire
Customs / Tattooed Lady Bar & Grill / Iron Cross Liquors)
August 16th ABATE / FORR Rodeo

Susan's Safety minute

It's the same old song and dance... people don't hit you because they see you... They hit you because they still don't see us !!! Make your presence known... Wave, bob and weave, flash your lights, take off your shirt, make sure they see you.

A huge thank you to Becky Rose for stepping up and becoming the new Chairperson of the 2014 Rodeo Committee and Marlyn Donaldson for becoming the new 2014 Rodeo Committee Treasurer.

We would like to encourage our members to contact Local 33 president Bo Smith (660) 441-0625 about volunteering at the Fair booth this August 7-17. This is our way to reach non riders about motorcycle awareness.

Take a look at our web page at forr.net and the Freedom Press for other locals events to attend. Lastly we would encourage all our members to attend MMMR. This is our big state event and everyone who can be there should.

As always remember... Leather UP... and Rubber Down Rascal

Local 26 - Maryville

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday @ 7 p.m. (Call for info location varies)

Contact: 660-582-4599

Another month is upon us and with it comes the wish for blue skies and clear roads. Hopefully with the occasional curve and a bit of shade from trees. It appears that winter has finally left us and we've moved straight into summer. Hopefully, our attendance will go up.

The last few rides haven't been too bad. We're managing to get consistent 20's and hope to see that increase once it stops raining every other Eat & Ride. We need the rain, but it would be nice if it didn't seem to pick Tuesdays for it to occur.

The Eat & Ride committee met at the end of May to plan out our riding schedule for the rest of the year. We've added a few new places and dropped some of the old ones. We've even added a couple of Saturday events that should be a good trip and have interesting destinations. For details, attend the next meeting and the Eat & Rides for your copy of the current ride schedule.

Deer are starting to be an issue, so be aware. Especially around sundown and dawn. They are an issue at other times, but they tend to move in greater numbers within a couple hours of those times. School is also out, so be watchful for inattentive drivers going to the lakes, parks, and cities.

It's also a good time to check your tire pressures and change your oil if you haven't already. The weather is prime for riding and you want to spend as much time as you can in the wind and not dealing with mechanical issues.

Non-FORR events coming up: Camp Quality Fun Run June 8th, Ride to Work Day June 16th, Indianola Bike Night, June 20th and July 18th, Pickering Lion's Poker Run June 22nd, MO HOG Rally June 27-29, Mustang Memorial Ride-Century Run July 12th, Brad Peeve Memorial

Run July 19th, Freedom Rock Tour July 26th (not all of them, but several), and the Across the Border Raid Rally July 31-Aug. 2nd.

Safe Journeys,

Harold

LOCAL 27 - SAC-OSAGE

Meetings: 2nd Wednesday @ 6 p.m.

El' Rodeo, 306 E Jackson St, Bolivar, MO 65613

Contact:: Pres. Olin Meadors 417-399-1374; Vice-Pres.

Leland Seymour 636-497-2814

Greetings to all.... First and foremost we want to send out our deepest sympathies to Carol and the in-tire Harrison family. Crash was an inspiration to so many in this organization and the legislative arena as a whole and he will be missed by all. We would like to thank those who have helped us here at Local-27 with our awareness events to date . We had a great turnout at the Lucas oil speedway business expo with several from Local-15 Branson making the trip up north to help out and it was greatly appreciated. We signed up new members and talked to tons of people from all over the state about FORR and what we stand for. We would also like to thank those Locals that have contributed to our funding for the Springfield fair, we are sure that this will be a great learning event for the public about our struggles with legislation. We hope to be able to make the public more aware of motorcycles on the road ways and help them to watch out for us. We had our second annual Mothers day family cookout and let me tell you it was a blast.. We had so many in attendance I lost count, and the food was excellent, thanks Cowboy...We have been getting more and more into promoting awareness and it is largely because of one L-27 member, Deanna Seymour, what an asset to not only our Local but to this entire organization... She has really stepped up our game and knows how to think outside the box and I want to say a great big thank you to her... Well I guess that's about it for now so until next time, keep the shiny side up and enjoy the ride, Dawg



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LOCAL 28 - WAYNESVILLE

Meetings: 1st Friday @ 7 p.m.

Pulaski Shriners Club.

Contact: President Larry Wheeler 573-586-7291, Vice President Steve Lincoln 573-337-9417, Shrine Club 573-774-545

To the Wever Family of Kimberling City: "Although no words can really help to ease the loss you bear, just know that you are very close in thought and prayer." The members of the Local 28 FORR would like to extend to the Wever family their prayers and deepest sympathies during this time for the loss that they suffered during the rally weekend. I would like to take a moment to thank all of the people who helped at the rally this year by working a shift, organizing events, donating their time and energy, etc... Everyone who helped to bring about this event deserves a big thank you!! Despite the tragic loss of two fellow riders, I think the rally was awesome this year. Not too hot, not too much rain, not too cool, etc.... The bands were good and the company was awesome. Keep up the good work everyone!

The USO ride is coming up on the 21st of June. I hope to see everyone out there. If you cannot make the ride, come join everyone at the square in downtown Waynesville in the afternoon to show your support for the local and for the USO. Larry will be setting up our tent. Stop by and say hello or sit a while and help spread the word about what the FORR stands for.

Remember that the Buckhorn Blast is coming up on July 5th. Larry is looking for volunteers to help set up the poker run sites and get donations. If you are interested in helping out, please get with him and let him know. A few people have stepped up, but it would be nice to have a few more helping out. Come on out to the shrine park with your family and enjoy the day. There will be a poker run, food, games, etc...

The next Local 28 FORR meeting on July 11th is going to be held

outside behind the shrine club. The president and vice president decided to shake things up a bit. So, when you show up for the meeting, look for everyone in the back. Hopefully the weather is good and the evening is cool. If not, then the beer (or beverage of your choice) will just feel that much cooler going down!!

Notes from this month's meeting:

Once again, the newsletter needs to go to press before the meeting is held. (I feel like I am cheating when this happens.) For a complete listing of the minutes, visit the Facebook page.

If you want to reduce duplicate issues of the newsletter being sent to your home address, an email or letter needs to be sent to Dallas instructing her to do so. Dallas has also told me that we can create a form letter and consolidate names for removal of duplicate issues. If you are interested, please let me know and I will take care of this. You can find this information in the newsletter or contact one of the officers for more information.

- If you have not received an email or a card indicating that your membership is due for renewal, please contact Bill Calhoun at membership@local28forr.com.
- If your birthday or anniversary has not been announced at the local meetings, and you would like it to be, please contact Bill Calhoun at the meetings or send him an email at membership@local28forr.com.

Check out the Local 28 FORR web site at http://www.local28forr.com or stop by and visit us on Face Book at https://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Local-28-Freedom-Of-Road-Riders/119989188055150

Upcoming Events:

5 July 2014 Buckhorn Blast (Poker Run)

11 July 2014 FORR Meeting

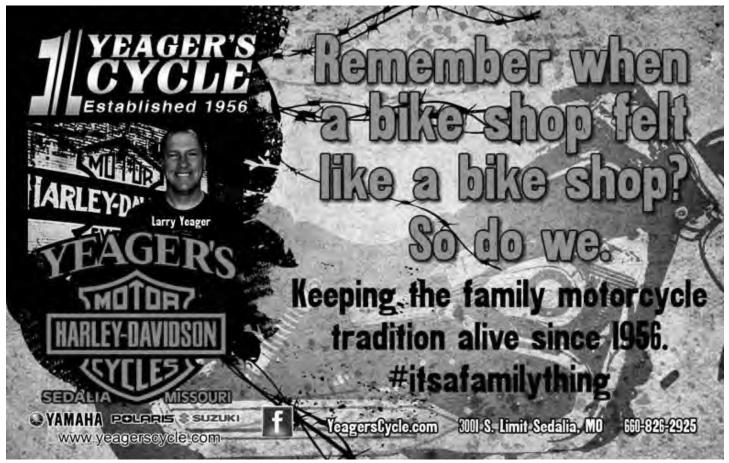
1 August 2014 FORR Meeting

27 August - 1 September 2014 Mid Missouri Motorcycle Rally

5 September 2014 FORR Meeting

3 October 2014 FORR Meeting

25 October 2014 Halloween Bash



7 November 2014 FORR Meeting 29 November 2014 Walmart Toy Ride 5 December 2014 FORR Meeting 1 January 2015 Polar Bear Run

Local 29 - North Kansas City

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1 p.m.

Alamo Restaurant, 5010 NE Parvin Rd, KCMO Contact: Paul McCormack 816-505-0526 or

Bob Neal 816-809-7184 Facebook: FORR Local 29

May was a very busy month for Local 29. The second weekend in May was the L-29 Buckhorn work weekend. Five L-29 members and two past members enjoyed a weekend of camping and work. The major accomplishment was new guttering on the back. Hopefully now water will run to the drain pipe and not drip onto us. Several other minor things were accomplished. We were left a large pile of wood from the Interfuse people who use our pavilion during that event. The wood lasted us through the three weekends we were there, and we still have lots left.

The next weekend was the MAFR prep weekend. Six L-29 members and two past members participated in the site preparation for the rally. It was not all work and no play. We enjoyed evenings around the campfire telling tall tales and sipping the beverage of our choice.

Then we had the Mid-America Freedom Rally. Local 29 had a total of eighteen members, past members, and friends camp with us and/or work shifts. We also enjoyed the company of Brothers Word MC, who as usual camped with us. The weather was great and the turnout was slightly above last years. I will give you the exact numbers when we get them. Local 29 covered all of their shifts without problems except for one. That shift was scheduled to be covered but the person overslept. Usually if a local does not show up for a shift, which frequently happens, the local will be notified that someone needs to cover the shift. This shift was a cleanup shift and we were not notified that the shift had gone uncovered or we would have covered it. Our person showed up late and was told the cleanup was done. Other than that slight hiccup our participation in the rally was flawless. There were a couple of light showers, but other than that the weather was almost perfect for a bike rally. There were plenty of vendors including a new food vendor that served some excellent food, and an ice cream vendor who got lots of business from Local 29 members. In addition to the food vendors Local 29 had a taco feast Saturday night and a rib feast Sunday night.

You should receive this newsletter a couple of weeks before July 4th. Local 29 always has a good turnout for the Buckhorn Blast on the Saturday near Independence Day. There will be camping, food, fireworks, and brotherhood around the campfire. Come join us!

Honest Bob

LOCAL 30 - SPRINGFIELD/NIXA

Meetings: 3rd Thursday @ 7 p.m. Logan's Roadhouse, Battlefield Rd Contact: Mark 417-887-2923

Local 31 - Rolla

Meetings: Last Friday @ 7:00 p.m. Location varies - call for info Contacts: Debra John 573-647-0129 or

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Sabrena Shivers 573-201-1385

LOCAL 33 - HWY. 50 WEST

Meetings: 3rd Sunday, 1:00 p.m.

AM Vets on Hwy. 50, Just East of Knob Noster.

President - Bo Smith 660-441-0625

Well riding season is in full swing and with that comes lots of summer bike vacations, poker runs, rallies and all the other stuff that we try to fit into the warm weather months. Unfortunately with those months also come a lot of bike accidents. Some of those are caused by operator error (entering a corner too fast), some are caused by mechanical failure and some by people simply not paying attention. Some of the mechanical failure's could have been avoided if you would just spend a few minute checking over the bike thoroughly before taking off for the ride or spending the money to replace that worn tire or broken part. I'm sure we've all seen the buddy that really needs a new rear tire but keeps telling you "yeah I know I'll get around to replacing that one of these days". Now down to the paying attention. We've all heard about the car drivers making left turns in front of us or crossing the center line. But sometimes these accidents could be avoided if the motorcycle operator had been paying closer attention to the warning signs. Keep an eye out. Watch for the subtle warning signs from other operators around you. Be aware. And most of all ride safe.

We had an opportunity to attend an out of state function in Illinois recently and while sitting at a gas station made some interesting observations. Of the many motorcyclists that passed the gas station I would say about it was about a 60% mix of non-helmet vs helmeted riders. That's about what I would have expected but that's not what I found interesting. Of those approximately 40% that chose to wear a helmet about half of them were not wearing any other appropriate riding apparel (i.e. long pants, boots, gloves). In fact many were in shorts, some in sandals or flip flops. I found this interesting as I would have expected to have seen more of the helmetless riders not wearing appropriate riding apparel but in fact at that intersection it was just the opposite. Just thought I'd share that observation for what it's worth.

The local has a lot of events and activities coming up over the next couple of months. For those of you that got to make our Got Lost Run I hope you all had a great time, didn't get too lost and for the ladies on the ride if you had a breakdown that there was a store near by to get manicure supplies.

July 27th will be our \$1,000 Poker Run. Sign in noon to 1 pm at Am Vets just off 50 Highway in Knob Noster, Missouri.

July 20th local meeting, Am Vets, 1 pm (meetings are 3rd Sunday of the month)

Cowboy Roy is working hard gathering sponsors for the Mid Missouri Motorcycle Rally, Labor Day weekend in Sedalia, Missouri. If you know of any business or individual that might be interested in sponsoring the state rally get with Roy for more info.

FORR lost a long time friend and life member recently and I'd like to send out our heartfelt condolences to all the family, brothers, sisters and friends of Kim "Crash" Harrison. Many of us will cherish our fond



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memories of Crash, the Dr. Tarr and Professor Feather articles for the Freedom Press but most of all his ability to make us laugh even when things weren't always going right.

Well that's all I've got for now. Have a great and safe summer, see you all down the road and as Crash liked to put it "Eat Bugs".

<u>Local 35 - Golden Valley</u>

Meetings: 4th Sunday @ 2 p.m.

VFW, 510 W Allen St, Clinton, MO 64735

Contact: Pat Green 660-885-6383

It is good that we can get a bit of riding in between rains.

We had to use our rain date for our poker run in May, but turned out to be a very nice and warm day for it. The winners that day were #1 Chris Froebe of local 33, #2 Michael Baker and #3 Bill James of local 33.

The Freedom Rally was fun like always. Had a couple of little rains, but in all the weather was just right. Our local had about 20 members there.

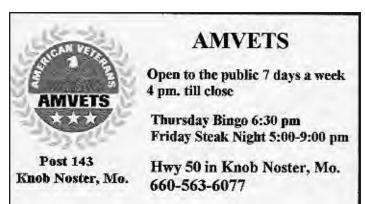
June 7th we are riding or driving, depending on the weather, to the Veterans Home in Warrensburg. The money from our poker run was going to them. With the money we got things they need and phone cards so they can call family and friends. More needs to be done for our Veterans, because it seems like the government doesn't want to do their part.

May the road angels watch over you no matter how you travel. Linda Browning

Local 41 - Cameron Crossroads

Meetings: 1st Thursday @ 7:00 p.m. - Call for location Contact: Steve Gallus 816-449-5037 or 2707 or Mike Sims 660-425-8340

LOCAL 41 BIKE SHOW is JULY 19 at McCORKLE PARK IN CAMERON. Sign in 10:00--12:00. Come help us make this biggest turn out yet. Not for sure what the entertainment is, but we usually have someone willing to make a fool out of their self. Its a good way to see a lot of nice bikes and mingle with a lot of fabulous people. There will be a prize for the ugliest person there and you suckers don't stand a change for I have won it 4 years in a row, but please come to our BIKE SHOW and just try to win my prize from me. As you know we had our BLACKTOP RALLY May 30th or maybe you didn't know because you didn't show up. It was a good time for the bunch that showed up. Bob won the POKER RUN with 4 aces and a jack of hearts. I think it was rigged and he got my hand by mistake. Roy cleaned up in the Olympic bike games. In the slow race he could make his bike seem like it was just setting still. Never seen anything like it. He won the wiener bit and the plank run. I bet he never put his foot down one time, man he was in it to win it. Way to go Roy Brown. I'm going to keep working at it so I can beat you next year. Someone came dressed like the Energizer Bunny. It was pretty



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Zacahry Blixt, Chillicothe MO, was one of five students to complete the Basic Riders Course in Trenton.

Happy 16th Birthday Zachary!! comical until the police came and arrested him. They charged him with Battery. It is being talked about moving Rally to Memorial Day weekend. Would like to know what the members think. If you aren't going to show up your opinion probably won't matter. So come to the meeting and see what you're missing. JULY MEETING in WEATHERBY COMMUNITY CENTER. SAME DATE SAME TIME EVERY MONTH. You have plenty of advance notice to mark your calendar for The Mid Missouri Motorcycle Rally AKA(HOMECOMING). Second Year at the State Fair Grounds in Sedalia. Labor Day weekend. No storms this year just one hell of a good time. Just put new tire on my bike so now its time to go start wearing it out. Hope to see you someplace this year.

Almost forgot, \$300.00 door prize went to Jay. PEACE and LOVE STEMS

Local 42 - Franklin County

Meetings: Last Sunday @ 3:00 p.m.

Pacific Eagle Small Meeting Room in Pacific, MO Contact: President - Kenny Williams 314-221-7164

Hello Everyone,

It saddens me to start this news letter off with the news that we lost two long time members over the Memorial Day weekend. Dan and Maudie Nordin were killed on Hwy 44 in a car accident please keep their family and friends in your thoughts and prayers. Rest in Peace Dan and Maudie.

Help me in welcoming 3 new members...Jennifer Ross, Dan Engeman and Kathy Engeman. Welcome!!!!

If you didn't go to Buckhorn for the Mid American Freedom Rally Memorial Day weekend you missed one heck of a good time!

July 13th is our 15th Annual School Supply Poker Run, sign up at Bourbeuse Valley Harley Davidson from 10:30 am to 11:30 am.

Come out and help us help local kids in the area get ready for school. July 27th is our monthly meeting at 3:00 pm at the Pacific Eagles.

Thank you to every one who came out and helped with our school supply collections.

August Calendar of Events:

August 10th- Trashbash (The old Tri-County truck stop) 10 am August 31st- Monthly Meeting (Pacific Eagles) 3 pm

See you soon,

Paula

LOCAL 47 - SOUTHERN PLATTE

COUNTY

Meetings: 3rd Saturday, 11:00 am

Dirk's Bar & Grill, 8132 NW Prairie View Rd, KCMO

64151 (also known as Platte Woods area)

Contact: Russell 816-699-9309 or Jack 816-591-2497

Here I go again.....

The Main Purpose of this organization is to guard the rights of ALL motorcyclist. To keep them informed of laws that will help or hinder them as motorcyclists; To promote safety, rider education,, brotherhood and freedom for ALL motorcyclists.

We ALL read this before our meetings but do we really look at the words. Take a minute and really look at the words it doesn't say a lot of what has been going on. That's all I'm stating so I don't step on toes.

We had an awesome meeting like always.

So sad we lost another brother Crash. Our deepest sympathy for Carol. Also Sherrie for the loss of her mother.

John Reinert we missed you at the meeting. Had a hard time filling your chair. LOL.

There is an Awareness Event going on in Joplin Missouri July 24-Aug. 2 2014.

Local 47 is a trophy sponsor for Octoberfest!!!!!!

Jack Garrison Welp you get big ole kudos for taking donations for so

many dang tickets for that big ole I guess gun safe you big ole teddy bear you..... LOL

Local 47 is planning a trip to STURGIS... get a hold of Mr. Russell Felts for more information.

I had all the information about Meeting of the Minds and Mid South Mile and Octoberfest in last month's newsletter so I'll wait a month and put it in again.

Remember to love not to hate..

Nancy aka skittles

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DISTRICT 1

Meetings: 2nd Thursday

Check with your local rep for location

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Ask Our Lawyer

by Rod Taylor - ABATE Legal Services

MOTORCYCLE RUN RULES ILLINOIS, OHIO, INDIANA, MISSOURI

Q. Is it legal in Illinois for outriders (with reflective vests) to stop traffic at intersections with or without local law enforcements permission during a motorcycle run? Jon 'Pilgrim' Kersey, VP Eastern II. ABATE chapter.

A. Most states have statutes similar to the ones in Illinois. Section 11-1416 of Illinois Vehicle Code (625 ILCS 5/11-1416) (from Ch. 95 $\frac{1}{2}$, par. 11-1416) reads:

Sec. 11-1416. Obstructing person in highways. No person shall wilfully and unnecessarily hinder, obstruct or delay, or wilfully and unnecessarily attempt to delay, hinder or obstruct any other person in lawfully driving or traveling along or upon any highway within this State or offer for barter or sale merchandise on said highway so as to interfere with the effective movement of traffic.

(Source: P.A. 80-911.)

The "outriders" could be charged with violating this statute as well as a "local ordinance".

The key word in §11-1416 is "unnecessarily." Although the "outriders" might argue that it was necessary for them to obstruct traffic, I doubt if a judge would make such a finding. After all, the group could have accommodated local traffic if it had chosen to do so.

For some intersections the law is not clear. If the ride was on a through street with no stop or yield signs or traffic signals and if traffic on intersecting streets were required to yield to traffic on the through street, then it would seem that the outriders did not obstruct traffic. If this is what happened, then they did not stop vehicles. Rather, they were protecting through traffic from illegal and dangerous interruption by vehicles that were required by law to stop. But even this situation is less than clear.

If the ride was running red lights or stop signs, then they should be glad no one was arrested for such violations. And if there are collisions, they probably will get sued.

The rule of thumb is that only persons with police powers are authorized to control traffic movement. These persons would include all police officers and most laws allow flagmen to control traffic at construction sites. Also, it may be necessary (note the key word discussed above) for individuals to guide traffic during emergencies when police are not available. Other than these very few exceptions, individuals who interfere with traffic are in violation of §11-1416. NOTE - GEORGE TINKHAM PROVIDED THE LEGAL RESEARCH ON THIS ONE - A GOOD SOURCE AS HE IS A FORMER LAWYER FOR IDOT.

DEATH AT A FUNERAL

Q. My friend was killed while escorting a funeral procession when a vehicle that was not part of the procession cut in between the vehicles of the procession. Unfortunately, while trying to drive through the procession, that vehicle cut into the path of my friend's escort vehicle. What is the law concerning funeral processions and rights of way? ABATE MEMBER.

A. Indiana, Illinois and Ohio all have strict regulations giving funeral processions the right-of-way. And most states have laws granting a funeral procession the-right-of way. These laws prohibit any vehicle from driving between the vehicles of the funeral procession, except when a police officer authorizes or the vehicle is an emergency vehicle with a siren. Typically, state law forbids vehicles which are not part of the funeral procession from joining in for the purpose of securing the right-of-way rights granted by statute. Other requirements include the obligation of participating vehicles in the procession to follow the preceding vehicle as closely as is practical and safe, as well as requiring that headlights and taillights be illuminated. Additionally, those vehicles may display flashing amber lights. The lead and last vehicle may display the vehicle's hazard warning lights while in the procession.

Off hand, funeral processions are the only vehicle group I know that have automatic right-of-way when passing through intersections (whether controlled or not) without a parade permit. Motorcycle clubs and ABATE chapters clearly do not have such authority.

TEN THINGS TO THINK ABOUT IF YOU OR YOURS IS ARRESTED Information for clients of ABATE Legal Services

What do you do when the men and women in blue show up? What are your rights and what should happen? We get many inquiries from parents, neighbors and concerned friends about their rights and what to expect. The following tips should help.

- 1. When am I arrested?
- You are arrested (or considered under arrest) when officers deprive you of your freedom of movement in order to have you answer for an alleged crime.
 - 2. They want to question me what are my rights?
- Just like in those TV shows, you have the right to remain silent. If you don't keep silent, anything you say can be used in court against you. If you start answering questions, you can stop at any time. You have the right to speak with your lawyer and have them with you during questioning.
- 3. The cops won't let me go, but they haven't arrested me. Can they do that?
- An officer can detain you in order to get identification and an explanation of your presence at a particular time. You can be subject to a limited patdown search to ensure that you have no weapons, if the officer believes you are armed. You have the right not to answer the questions, but if you refuse to give any identification, the officer may have grounds to arrest you. Once this temporary detention is over, the officer must either arrest you or let you proceed on your way.
 - 4. They want to arrest me, but don't have a warrant.

Officers can make an arrest without a warrant if they see the offense being committed. They can also make an arrest if they have information that the suspect committed a felony and is about to escape.

- 5. The police hurt me. Can they get away with that?
- On officer is entitled to use reasonable force. These terms are relative, so the amount of force they can use depends on the situation.
 - 6. They want to search my house. Do I have to let them?
- Officers may conduct a limited search without a warrant. If you are in your home, they may seize contraband, stolen property, or evidence of a crime in plain sight. They can check the residence for accomplices. If you are in your car, they can search for weapons that could be used against them. They may not conduct a broader search without a warrant, unless they reasonably believe that the vehicle/motorcycle has evidence of crime or contraband.
- 7. I've been arrested. Now what?
- You are going to be taken to the detention facility, where you will be able to talk to an attorney. They should also tell you the charge being alleged. You can be required to participate in a lineup, give a handwriting sample, give a blood or urine sample, or perform certain other tasks
 - 8. I want out and they won't let you do what you want in jail!
- Bail may or may not be set for your case, depending on the seriousness of the charge. If the charge is relatively minor, you may be released on your own recognizance. You can also petition the court to reduce the amount of bail set.
 - 9. I need a lawyer?
- If you don't have a lawyer, you can call your state or county bar association for a referral to criminal lawyers. If you can't afford to hire an attorney, tell the judge, who will ask you questions to determine if you qualify for a public defender.
 - 10. My kid just called from jail. What rights to do they have?
- Children have the same substantive rights as adults. In addition, they have the right to have a parent with them when being questioned. Also, the procedures in juvenile court are generally closed to the public.

Ride Safe & Free,

Rod Taylor ABATE Legal Services



Local 41 Cameron Crossroads Classic Ride-In Motorcycle Show Saturday-July 19th

(Rain Date Sunday-July 20, 2014)

McCorkle Park, Downtown, Cameron, MO

10am to noon Registration (\$5.00 Entry Fee)

1 pm to 2 pm Judging

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"ENGINEER OF FREEDOM" AWARD

How many FORR® members do you know the really exemplify the spirit of freedom? The member who has belonged for so many years, no one can keep track. The member who, when the call went out for a work session or a shift at an event, has always been there. The member, who has held every office in a Local and has been in one or the other as long as anyone can remember or the member who has jumped in there and helped to spark a Local to success, seemingly overnight. We all know these members, we see them every time there's a Local or CC meeting, or we go to an event and it's their smiling face that greets us and signs us in. And now there's a way to recognize those special members who have made up the heart and soul of Freedom of Road Riders®, the "Engineer of Freedom" Award.

- Q. Who may receive the "Engineer of Freedom" award?
- A. Any member in good standing of Freedom of Road Riders®.
- Q. How can a member be nominated for the "Engineer of Freedom" award?

A. Any member or Local may nominate a member for this award. Simply write a letter to the Central Committee Cabinet of FORR® outlining the contributions of the nominee to the cause of freedom and mail it or e-mail to the FORR Corporate Secretary, Cheryl Singleton, 5985 SE 1401 Rd, Weaubleau MO 65774-92058 or secretary@forr.net

- Q. How are nominees selected as an "Engineer of Freedom"?
- A. The FORR® CC Cabinet will review the nominations prior to each Central Committee meeting. Only the contributions of the nominee will be considered; the name will not be divulged to any officer besides the Corporate Secretary. The recipient(s) will be announced at the CC meeting following their selection. Nominations for those who are not selected will be reviewed again at the next meeting.
- Q. What does the recipient get for being selected as an "Engineer of Freedom"?

A. Recipients will receive a red, white and blue "Engineer of Freedom" patch (which will be one of the rarest patches around FORR®) and their names will be listed on the roll of "Engineers" maintained by the Central Committee and published in the Freedom Press.

Engineers will serve FORR® by passing on an example of the dedication that has led FORR® to the triumphs of the last 30 years. We owe it to those members (you know who they are!) who have helped to make this the biggest and best motorcyclist rights organization in Missouri, and one of the most successful in the nation. So, think about the special people that YOU know, and let's start nominating those "Engineers" who have helped to drive this Freedom Train.

FREEDOM OF ROAD RIDERS® MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT INCENTIVE

(January 1st - December 31st each year)

The following incentive system was established May 15, 1994:

When you have recruited 10 new members you receive A special FORR® ball cap

Five (5) more new members (15 total) earns you: A 1 yr membership renewal & supporter patch
Ten (10) more new members (25 total) earns you: 1 free admission to the annual FEW Seminar

Twenty-five (25) more new members (50 total) earns you: 1 more free admission to the annual FEW Seminar & motel room paid

For a total of 100 new members recruited you earn: A leather jack or gift certificate for \$250.00

A new member is someone that has never been a member of FORR® or an individual that has been out of FORR® for at least one (1) year.

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NTSB Chair Steps Down

Deborah Hersman announced that she would be vacating her role as chairwoman of the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB). Hersman has commanded the board since 2009 and has been a board member since 2004. Hersman was also considered as a replacement for secretary of transportation Ray LaHood

when her retired.

The NTSB was created as an independent federal agency in 1967; it has investigated more than 132,000 accidents and made more than 13,500 safety recommendations. The NTSB is recognized internationally as a preeminent accident investigation organization. Hersman serves as the chief executive of the agency, which has 400+ employees and an annual budget of more than \$100 million.

She was the board member behind the two-day motorcycle safety symposium conducted in October 2007, which led to the issuing of calls for mandatory helmet laws. She did, however, make good on a promise to the Motorcycle Riders Foundation to personally take the Basic Rider Course. She passed the class, but never got her license.

Hersman was first appointed as a Board Member by President Bush in 2004 and was reappointed to two additional five-year terms by President Obama in 2009 and 2013. President Obama appointed her Chairman in 2009, 2011 and 2013 with unanimous Senate confirmation votes.

Hersman is not going far though. In her new role, the 43-year-old will be heading the National Safety Council. The safety council, a non-profit organization headquartered in suburban Chicago, describes its mission as "to save lives by preventing injuries and deaths at work, in homes and communities, and on the roads."

There is no word on the replacement chairperson of the NTSB.

Feds to include motorcycles in intelligent transportation systems research

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) informed the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) recently that they do in fact intend to include motorcycles in the research they will be doing about vehicle-to-vehicle (V2V) communication technology.

V2V technology, in theory, allows for individual vehicles to communicate with each other on the road. The conversation would let the individual vehicles inform other vehicles as to how fast it is moving, where it is moving to, and how far away it is from other vehicles. The theory goes on to assume that using this technology will reduce crashes and therefore injury and loss of life.

The technology works something like this: if a vehicle is approaching another vehicle at a greater rate of speed and a collision is imminent, the vehicle can brake itself to slow down and avoid the collision. Or if a distracted driver is bearing into your vehicle's space, it will automatically employ evasive actions such as hard braking or swerving.

"Vehicle-to-vehicle technology represents the next generation of auto safety improvements, building on the life-saving achievements we've already seen with safety belts and air bags," said U.S. Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx. "By helping drivers avoid crashes, this technology will play a key role in improving the way people get where they need to go while ensuring that the U.S. remains the leader in the global automotive industry."

When NHTSA announced that it was going to begin taking steps to enable V2V communications technology for light vehicles, the MRF was concerned that motorcycles would be negatively affected by not being included in the discussion. It was revealed to the MRF that the initial research will focus on passenger cars, but motorcycles will be included eventually.

NHTSA plans on equipping motorcycles with V2V technology so that the vehicle can transmit signals to other vehicles on the road to provide a warning of potential vehicle collision and avoid it.

Technology changes to motorcycles are certainly beginning to rise.

Liquid-cooled, fuel-injected, touch screen equipped Harley Davidsons are just the first wave. What comes next is anyone's guess. Some of it is certain to be helpful, like GPS, but taking full control of a motorcycle away from the motorcyclist is one of the worst possible ideas in the universe – taking any controls away from the rider is not acceptable. The MRF will work to make sure that never happens.

Obama Calls for Helmet Laws

This week President Obama released his ideal version of a transportation bill. The proposal has a specific provision that would allow the federal government to push a mandatory helmet law, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) reports

Buried in the 350 page document is language that would amend current United States code, which provides the motorcycle safety money that would allow "the Secretary [of transportation] or the Secretary's designee [to] engage in activities with States and State legislators to consider proposals related to motorcycle helmet use laws."

This provision is unacceptable to the MRF. Labeled as "Support Activity" in the draft legislation, it's a thinly, veiled stab at a mandatory national helmet law. The wording allows the Obama administration to claim that this is not a push for mandatory helmet laws due to how vague the language is. However, the Department of Transportation has never stated or even suggested allowing for rider choice when it comes to motorcycle helmets. Their official stated stance is that mandatory helmet laws are the silver bullet when it comes to motorcycle safety.

The draft is titled "Generating Renewal, Opportunity, and Work with Accelerated Mobility, Efficiency, and Rebuilding of Infrastructure and Communities throughout America," or GROW AMERICA Act. You can read the whole document here:

http://www.dot.gov/sites/dot.gov/files/docs/DOT_surface_reauth-FINAL.pdf

The draft legislation also has incentive grants for graduated auto licensing.

The MRF urges you to contact your Representative in the House and both of your Senators. You can reach the United States Capitol switchboard at (202) 224-3121. In addition, the MRF asks that you contact the White House directly and let them know you are not pleased with the helmet use provisions of President Obama's GROW AMERICA Act. You can reach the White House several different ways from this website:http://www.whitehouse.gov/contact.

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation urges you to join your fellow freedom fighters in Washington on May 15th to lobby Congress and help stop this legislation. Please register for the event on the MRF website. If you have any questions about attending this most important day for motorcyclists, please call the MRF Washington D.C. office.

The MRF is committed to preserving your freedoms in every possible way.

IRS to scrap a proposed rule on 501(c) 4 groups

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) reports that the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has said it will abandon the current proposed rule that would impact the non-profit, social welfare groups, like the MRF. The tax agency had proposed limiting "political activity" of the nonprofits 60 days before any election. The IRS never described exactly what "political activity" would entail. Some fears were that even simple meetings with Members of Congress and their staffs would be banned under the rule. The rule could have crippled what the MRF does on a daily basis.

The MRF opposed the rule and submitted comments to the agency. The IRS mentioned that they had received an enormous amount of public comment from both conservative and liberal organizations, all against the proposed rule.

The IRS is going to be writing a new set of proposals that will start over at square one.

Connections



Tell NHTSA that Districted Driving is Deadly Driving!

The perils of distracted driving take a front seat during May, which is designated as national

Motorcycle Awareness Month.

The initiative, supported by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, encourages drivers to watch for motorcycles and understand that motorcycle riders enjoy the same rights and privileges as operators of other vehicles.

Send a tweet to the NHTSA that motorcyclists are part of the solution in making the roads safer for all users. Encourage safe driving practices and ask all motorists to stay alert and aware of their environment.

The slogans are everywhere, on billboards and bumper stickers, badges and T-shirts: "Watch out for motorcycles." "Look twice, save a life." "Share the road."

But not all motorists heed the warnings. And, with the warmer temperatures spilling across most of the country in May, the roads are filling with riders.

Let NHTSA know that Distracted Driving is Deadly Driving. Tweet them now using our easy-to-use tools made available at the AMAAction Center. Follow the "Tweet NHTSA" link, enter your information into the form at the bottom of the page and click the "submit" button. You will be prompted to allow our advocacy software permission to work with your Twitter account.

Let's make the roads and highways safer for all users — including motorcyclists — to take the "distracted" out of driving.

What happens when ethanol blended fuel mixes with water?

A study involving several state environmental agencies and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency sought the answer to that question after a compliance inspector with the Petroleum Program in the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality noticed "odd corrosion reactions in some of the sumps" for the underground fuel tanks (Wilson, et al., 2011). Virginia's DEQ "speculated that acetic acid bacteria (Acetobacter) were producing acetic acid in the sumps. The EPA "speculated that ethanol vapor that originated from the motor fuel was finding its way into water in the sumps, which would provide a source of food for the acetic acid bacteria." (Wilson, et al., 2011).

The study found that sump pumps containing water allowed the acetic acid bacteria to degrade the ethanol to acetic acid. The acetic acid would then cause corrosion of the copper tubing and valves of the pumps (See Figure 1) (Wilson, et al., 2011). Conversely, "If moisture was not available, there would be no opportunity for bacteria to degrade the ethanol to acetic acid" (Wilson, et al., 2011).

This troubling study raises even more concern about ethanol in fuel, now that the EPA has publicly acknowledged that ethanol blends can damage internal combustion engines not designed for its use by increasing exhaust temperatures and indirectly causing component failures.

According to the EPA, "[e]thanol impacts motor vehicles in two primary ways. First ... ethanol enleans the [air/fuel] ratio (increases the proportion of oxygen relative to hydrocarbons) which can lead to increased exhaust gas temperatures and potentially increase incremental deterioration of emission control hardware and performance over time, possibly causing catalyst failure. Second, ethanol can cause materials compatibility issues, which may lead to other component failures.

"In motorcycles and nonroad products [using E15 and higher ethanol blends], EPA raised engine-failure concerns from overheating."

This study and EPA's acknowledgement demonstrate that fuels containing high levels of ethanol can damage, not only engines, but also fueling station infrastructure.

The American Motorcyclist Association opposes E15 fuel (15 percent ethanol by volume) because inadvertent misfueling can cause engine and fuel system failure to the estimated 22 million motorcycles and all-

terrain vehicles currently in use and can void manufacturers' warranties.

The EPA needs to stick to its proposal to roll back the requirement for wider distribution and use of E15 under its Renewable Fuel Standard. However, even the EPA rollback is only a short-term fix. For a longer-term solution, we need Congress to address the RFS legislatively.

The AMA supports H.R. 1462. This bill would reduce the total RFS by 79 percent in 2014 and reduce the RFS by other significant percentages each year until 2022, when the total RFS is reduced by 42 percent. That is, the bill adjusts the mandate to 21 billion gallons in 2022, rather than 36 billion gallons.

Moreover, H.R. 1462 rescinds the EPA's E15 waivers and caps the amount of ethanol content in gasoline at E10.

The AMA supports this common sense solution to make sure that motorcyclists have access to safe fuels.

Protect your ride from E15: Let the president know of your concern

The American Motorcyclist Association is concerned that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency may reverse its earlier proposal to reduce the total amount of ethanol required in transportation fuel nationwide in 2014.

Why?

Because the EPA is hearing from well-funded pro-ethanol groups and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, urging the agency to reverse its decision to lower the ethanol mandates in our fuels.

The president -- acting as a referee because the various federal agencies have differing opinions -- will make the final decision to lower or not to lower the ethanol levels in the mandate.

Tell President Barack Obama that you support the EPA's initial proposal to reduce the total amount of ethanol required in transportation fuel nationwide in 2014! You can send a prewritten email to President Obama immediately by clicking the "Take Action" link.

The AMA supports this proposal because it could slow or even stop the further introduction of E15 into the marketplace. The AMA opposes E15 – a fuel containing as much as 15 percent ethanol – because, according to the EPA's tests, it can cause engine and fuel system damage to your motorcycle or all-terrain vehicle and void your manufacturer's warranty. The EPA heard from more than 10,200 motorcyclists during the official comment period! Now we need to let the president know that the EPA should stick to its proposal to lower ethanol mandates, which are known as the Renewable Fuel Standard.

Help us counter the pro-ethanol groups with more messages from motorcyclists.

You can tell President Obama to stick to the EPA's initial proposal to help protect the 22 million motorcycles and ATVs in America – and the riders who depend on their safe operation –from inadvertent misfueling. The president is expected to make a final decision soon! Act today to ensure your voice is heard!

For the latest information on the AMA's efforts to protect your access to safe fuels, go to http://www.americanmotorcyclist.com/rights/amafuelforthought.aspx.

Now more than ever, it is crucial that you and your riding friends become members of the AMA to help protect our riding freedoms. More members mean more clout against the opponents of motorcycling and ATV riding. That support will help fight for your rights — on the road, trail, racetrack, and in the halls of government. If you are a motorcycle rider, join the AMA at AmericanMotorcyclist.com/membership/join

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- 5 <u>Local 28 Waynesville</u> Buckhorn Blast / Passport Run 573-586-7291
- 11-12 Local 12 Glasgow Firecracker Classic 573-819-1250
 - 11-13 Local 15 Branson & Local 30 Nixa-Springfield Hootentown Motorcycle Rally 573-739-3592
- 12 Local 10 Jefferson City Christmas in July 573-694-0074
 - 13 <u>Local 42 Franklin County</u> School Supply Poker Run 314-221-7164
 - 19 <u>Local 41 Cameron Crossroads</u> Cameron Crossroads MC Show 816-449-2478
- 27 Local 33 50 Hwy West \$1,000 Poker Run 660-441-0625

AUGUST

- 9 Local 28 Waynesville Memorial Ride 573-336-7291
- 16 Local 25 St Peters 7th Annual Motorcycle Rode 636-274-9145
 - 29-31 Central Committee 2014 Mid-Missouri Motorcycle Rally 800-309-7433

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