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Sincerely, Mark Chapman
Chairman, Freedom of Road Riders®,Inc.
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Financial *Report*

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On Financial Statements

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ERC *Experienced Class*
No Dates Set

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ERC *Experienced Class*
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Local News

Local 1 - Lee's Summit

Meetings: 3rd Sun. @ 3 p.m. (Location may vary please call!)
Contact: Rebel or Dragon at 816-850-4511, 816-729-7704, or Local1@FORR.net

Ho, Ho, Ho - to all members!

This year has literally 'flown' by. As I sit writing this it is 44 degrees outside.... Burrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr! Haven't heard from many of you about our meeting times and places??? Give me a call or come to the next meeting. We could sure use some input.

Nominations are in the works - guess we'll just have to wait to see who's gonna ***'step up'*** for next year. The story has been repeated by many - come hell or high water, local 1 will remain.... We will start thinking about 2008 events for our local. Discussed was doing the 'Garage Sale in Oak Grove again this year - it really proved to be quite profitable for the Local treasury!

Mark still has FORR Flags available along with other Local 1 product line, so contact him if your interested @ 816-690-4200.

Well I have to get to finishing the rest of this thing... so have a good one, then have another....

See ya, ***Michelle 'Rebel' O'Connor #7157***

Local 2 - Eastern Jackson County

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 2 p.m. MooChoo BBQ and Mexican Restaurant in Oak Grove, MO.
Contact: 816-228-2656

Hello Local #2. Had a great meeting today and for all that showed up had a lot of input. Got all the news of the upcoming meeting of what will be going on at the CC Meeting on Nov. 10. This is a good meeting to attend to find out what new Issues will be coming up in the future, if you are able to plan on attending this meeting

Also, Local #2 will need to discuss new officers for the upcoming year. We will be electing a New CC Rep., President, Treasurer, and Secretary so please plan on attending, your voice counts. Kathy cannot be our CC Rep. starting in Jan. because she has moved up in office and can not do both. We have a lot of member in Local #2 but the same 7 or 8 show up at these meetings and when something is put to vote by the ones who do show up a few get upset. So if you want things to change you need to come. It takes all of us to make this the Local you want it to be so STEP UP FOLKS! Hope to see some new faces at the next meeting. That is all for now, and hope you still can get some good riding in while the leaves are changing and the weather is still good. ***Linda Parrish***

Local 3 - Tri-County

Meetings: 2nd Tuesday @ 7 p.m. VFW Post 741, 200 Concourse Ave., Excelsior Springs, MO
Contact: John Carman 816-580-3424

Hello everyone! It is the end of the year already. It has been a great year. Thanks to all of our new members for joining this past year and to all of the renewals. We hope to see you again next year.

District 4 Toy Run - *see group shot on page 22*








Local News

Thank you to those of you who supported our toy run. Thanks to the Eagles Lodge # 3917 for everything they have done throughout this past year. You have been wonderful. Thanks to all of the 2007 officers on a job well done again and welcome to the 2008 officers, which we will vote and know who they are at our December meeting.

At our October meeting we call to order at 7:10 p.m. Wilbur made a motion and Pat 2nd to waive the reading of the minutes. The treasurer gave the local balance. The CC Rep. talked about the 2008 CC Cabinet. She mentioned that local 45 closed, sorry to hear that. The product line is on a hold for now. If you have any questions please contact Mark or Dallas, which is in charge until the honeymooners get back. The district rep talked about the September meeting. Locals 3, 40, & 41 voted and has agreed for the prices for next years rally. The park is already reserved. The sergeant of arms mentioned that we had 10 members and 1 guest signed in for the meeting. The product line turned in an order and got a few things back. She has some product line for sale if anyone is interested. The newsletter apologized for not getting an October newsletter done. The vice president talked about the reminder dates of events. He talked about the November calendars. He wish a Happy Birthday to the November birthdays, the president talked about us doing nominations in November and vote in December for the 2008 officers. We have 3 officers that would like to step down next year. Pat made a motion to adjourn and Steve walking in as the meeting got over, 2nd the motion to adjourn at 8:05 p.m.

On behalf of Local 3 we would like to wish a Happy Birthday to: Dean Carder 12/23, Marilyn McClure 12/23, and Dale Perrigo 12/27. MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR! HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE NEXT YEAR.
Cassie treasurer-newsletter@forr-local3.org or edmisten@sbcglobal.net

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Local 5 - South Kansas City

Meetings: 3rd Saturday @ 2 p.m. VFW Post 1829 at 5904 Crystal in KCMO.
Contact: 816-454-9470 or the VFW Post 816-921-2222

Hey Local 5! Hope everyone is enjoying our great Fall weather. Christmas is right around the corner. Please remember all of the soldiers over seas, and on our soil this holiday. Keep them all in your thoughts and prayers. Also remember John Young, local 5 member Taunya Cotterman's brother is being held and is needing our prayers along with the family. It was 1 year ago as of November that he was kidnapped. Lets pray for a safe return home for John.

If you missed the Halloween party you missed a fantastic time! Indy and Wildchild opened their home for the event and it was a blast. Great turnout and everyone had on costumes. The food rocked and we danced and partied til 1:30am. Dan Tarwater took 3rd in the costume contest. He was Oden. Cheryl Hanlon took 2nd as a very sexy corrections officer and yours truly took 1st as a pirate. Thanks Indy and Wildchild for all your hospitality.

David Allmon would like to throw out a thanks to whoever turned his knife into lost and found at Octoberfest. And to the folks who sent it back to him so promptly! It's nice to know that we have such good folks in this organization. Thanks again!

Well, Amy Allmon is officially a licensed rider! Hurrrraaayyyy! Love the fact that local 5 has female riders. Congrats to you! and be safe out there! Remember to keep an eye out for the deer. They are EVERYWHERE. Hope you all have a great and blessed holiday. ***Kim***

Local 6 - St. Joseph

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 12:30 p.m. LaPalmas Restaurant on North Bell Hwy. (next to K-Mart) in St. Joseph, Mo.
Contact: 816-617-6316 or 816-387-1095

Our Toy Run is the most successful event of the year. This year was no different. The weather was excellent, most of the membership turned out and the kids were happy to see us! Dan Harman aka Santa Claus passed out the gifts and the kids showed some of our new members around the home. We all had pizza, hot dogs and treats. Our thanks to McBride's Yamaha for letting us meet at their place for the start of the ride. November 4th was a good day for the bikers and the kids at Noyes Home. We also want to thank Jim C for putting on the hog roast and donating the money to the local. Darrell was also a big help! Everyone had a good time. We had live music, thanks to Chaps and good food. Thank you Nick and Willie for acting as cooks. Elections are coming up in December. Anyone interested in continuing the local please volunteer as a candidate. Dan and Nick are not running again. We need someone for every office. Anyone who has some new ideas for events please watch for the activities meeting in December.

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I want to thank everyone for helping to make this year a nice, friendly year and I want to thank you, Dan Harman. for doing such a good job as Vice President. I also want to thank everyone who expressed concern for my health and want them to know that I am doing much better now. I have decided not to run for office next year. I'm sure that whoever fills this position will do an excellent job. Thanks again, ***Nick***

Local 7 - Lebanon

Meetings: 1st Sunday @ 4 p.m. Shoney's Contact: 417-286-3845

Well I'll try again to get a letter in the Freedom Press. I didn't realize it would be so difficult. Since the last two letters weren't printed I guess this will be what Local #7 did this summer letter. We got together to fix up the Local's pavilion at Buckhorn, we all appreciated one of our younger members Kelsey for doing most of the painting. As usual the Local had members besides working donated supplies for the repairs like wiring and electrical boxes for the pavilion. Besides working we also did some riding these past couple of months. Rides like the March of Dimes, Hogs for Dogs, Marshfield Foster Children benefit, Military Police Regimental ride, Bikes Blues and BBQ, Bolivar Toy run, Licking Toy run, and Local 28 Toy run, these are the rides I remember. Some of our members on these rides were Jerry, Eric and Karen, Ron and Anita, Don, Myself and the Queen also a couple new members Mark Oestreich and Steve Rogers. Now for something more recent like today as I write this we had the Lebanon Toy Run, a perfect November day. This is the ride I like the most every year because this is the only time I catch up with old friends. At the toy run we had a 50-50 drawing and good old Charlie bought 3 tickets and gave 1 to Jim Mizer and it's not hard to figure out who became the winner. Congrats to Jim. With some of his winning Jim became a member of Local #7. I was glad to see Beaver and Charlie got there bikes up and running, now anybody that didn't see it Don has a new bike, yes I'm talking Don Brown. Now Don has only had his other bike 40 years so this is news. Now when we were leaving the toy run I heard Charlie say to Don remember this as he was kick starting his pan-head. After about 10 kicks the memories came back to Don, I could see the smile on his face as he hit the starter button on his new ride. All I can say to Don is Ride Mother Ride.



Local 8 Chillicothe - *Salvation Army Toy Run*

Local 8 members gather with a pickup load of food and toys for the Salvation Army of Chillicothe. Local 8 would like to thank everyone that helped coordinate the toy run this year and to locals across the state who participated to assist their communities.

Local News

Local 8 - Chillicothe

Meetings: 1st Sunday @ Noon. Carry-in Diner, 1 p.m. *(call for info)* Contact: 660-646-7296

Greetings Local 8!! Happy Thanksgiving... I hope you're all ready to relax and enjoy the holiday season!! I want to take this moment to thank everyone for your support and dedication to the local this year. As a local we've had to face some pretty hard moments but we pulled through it and still stayed strong! That's due to the strong support and brother and sisterhood within our local. We rally together like a family and that's what makes a difference!

Also thank you to everyone who came out for our Annual Toy Run. It was a beautiful day and a nice turn out!

This time of the year always brings changes to the local. Starting with our officer nominations in November. This year's nominees are:

President: Bob Ely
Vice President: Carl McBee, Layne Shady
Secretary: Glenda Ely
Treasurer: Kathi Lake
Membership: Glenda Ely, Misty Shady
CC Rep and Alt: Lisa Becton, Layne Shady (Alt), Bob Reasoner (Alt)
Legislative: Gordon Becton, Layne Shady
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Product Line: Misty Shady
Historian: Misty Shady, Jeanette McBee
Safety Instructor: Carl Hanes
Safety Co-Coordinator: Ed Johnston
Road Captains (2): Dennis Moss, Layne Shady
Mapper: Dennis Moss, Layne Shady
Webmaster: Glenda Ely, Gordon Becton
Srgt Arms (2): Dennis Moss, Gary Bears.

Nominations remain open until the December meeting! Our December meeting and officer elections will be held on December 2, 2007 at Longshots with a noon dinner, 1 meeting time. On December 1st we will be hosting our annual appreciation dinner and honor our 20 year members! This will be at the Chula community center. Watch the website, your email, and your mailbox for more details. The local will supply the meat; you just need to bring a covered dish!

Gordon and I are working on finding a new program to use to post our pictures on-line. As soon as we find one that works will we will get them posted. If you have any questions or concerns please let me know.

I hope to see you all at our December meeting. This is OUR local and everyone's opinion on who runs it matters. Sometimes 1 vote can make a difference. If you think you would make a good officer and you don't want to nominate yourself call or email me and I'll nominate you. Everyone has the right to run for an office if they are interested.

If you are not receiving emails from me and would like to, please email me at gely603@hotmail.com and be sure I have your email address.

Until Next time Keep Smilin ***~ Glenda ~***

Local 9 - Hannibal

Meetings: 1st Tuesday @ 7p.m. Elks Lodge, 411 Broadway, in Hannibal, Mo.
Contact: 217-222-5782 or 704 Ashely Ave., Quincy, IL. 62301

Hello from Local 9. This has been a busy Fall for all of us. We have had several rides in the community for several different causes. There was the 10th Annual Johnny Watt Shiloh Christmas Run that many members participated in. There were 125 bikes and 4 corvettes that participated from the community. We also had several participate in a ride for the Hannibal Meals on Wheels with them having a great turn out. Then the Toy Run for Trustee Cycles of Moberly. They reported that they had 185 bikes for their event. The Hannibal BOSS motorcycle group had a Halloween Run.

At the November 6th Meeting we held nominations for officers for the next year. Everyone is encouraged to attend the December 4th meeting to elect officers for 2008.

We will be having a Christmas Party at our regular meeting on December 4th at the Elks Lodge. We hope to see all members and have a great celebration. Please call Tony Galluzzio at (573) 822-2210 for time and details.

We have noticed several motorcycle accidents in the local news lately, a few involving deer. Please be cautious and ride safe. Happy Holidays to all from FORR Local 9 of Hannibal.

Respectfully Submitted by ***Karla K. Jefferson***



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Local 10 - Jefferson City

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 3 p.m. Pizza Hut near Super Gerbes. Hwy 50 E. at Eastland Dr. Contact: 573-635-7964

Local 11 - Southwest Missouri

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1 p.m. Moose Lodge #905, 5056 Douglas Fir Road. Joplin, Mo.
Contact: 417-781-1784 OR www.FORR11.org

Hi ya all from Southwest Missouri, Well here we are, the closing of another year, Overall I think this has been a good year for the local, we have been more active than in the past, started off with a bike show on April 14th... That was snowed in. But managed to pull it off anyway, for the weather we had a great turnout. Wasn't exactly what I expected but thanks to some dedicated riders out there, we had a great time...and did what we wanted to do. Great events happen around this area, choppers 4 children, cowskins twice in one year, BACA rally, Hawgs 4 Dawgs, L18 leather and Lace (always looking forward to that). Lots of poker runs, fun runs, and the good old fashion who knows where we might end up rides. March of Dimes, (once again L11 is top rider organization) Sorry Moose better luck next year. Appreciation party (scavenger hunt included.) St. Patty's party, Thanksgiving Party. Doing something yet for Christmas party.

Our local wouldn't be the same without our members, special thanks to Mike Edmonson, our Vice, Kinda old school but says what he thinks, thanks Mike, thanks to Les Sanders who despite a Major car accident and a extremely close brush with death held on to the purpose of the local, went as far as recruiting from ICU and the back of the Ambulance, We love ya , Pa. thanks to all the new officers who have done a great job in the past year, looking forward to another great year working with ya. Ride safe, remember those close to ya, and lets all make this next year even better. Thanks again,
Mark "Sparky" Capps L11 Southwest Mo - Chairman

Local 12 - Glasgow

Meetings: 4th Thursday @ 7:30 p.m. Fishbeak Saloon on Main in Glasgow, Mo.
Contact: 660-784-2231 or Smokey Strodtman - Rt. 1, Box 52, Gilliam, Mo. 65330 -
smokeystrodtman@hotmail.com

IMPORTANT NOTICE- THE LOCAL 12 CHRISTMAS PARTY WILL BE HELD FRIDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 30TH AT THE ARROW ROCK STATION. CALL THE STATION AT 660-837-3310 AT LEAST TWO DAYS BEFORE 11/30 TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS (AND THEY ARE NECESSARY). DO NOT CALL BARRY AND SUSAN OR ME!

The choices for the main course will be K.C. strip steak, pork chop, or grilled shrimp. You can ask about pricing at the time of your call and also the time for cocktail hour and dinner time. YOU MUST LET THE STATION KNOW WHICH MAIN COURSE YOU WILL HAVE AT THE TIME OF YOUR RESERVATION. If you've eaten at the Station in years past, you know their food is excellent. Come out and start celebrating the Christmas season with all your local 12 friends.

The October meeting was called to order by Bert at 7:37. The previous month's minutes were read and approved. The treasury report showed a balance of $3,338.70. Randy had no vice-president's report.

In the C.C. report, Dave reminded us about the F.E.W. seminar in Jefferson City. He pointed out that the C.C. minutes are always published in the Freedom Press and that the bylaws were in the November edition. There will be voting on a few bylaw changes at the January, 2008 meeting.

In his legislative report, John informed us that our old helmet law nemesis, Sen. Chuck Graham of Columbia, had been arrested for leaving the scene of an accident and had refused a breathalyzer test, which means he's in deep doo-doo at this time. It couldn't have happened to a nicer fellow.

Since there had been no incentive drawing at the September meeting due to Smokey and Gloria not being there, it was held at this meeting and Steve Tolivar's name was drawn. Since he wasn't there, the pot rolled over to the next drawing.

Under old business, it was voted on and passed to have another Christmas Party at the Arrow Rock Station on November 30th with a choice of K.C. strip, pork chop, or grilled shrimp for the entrée. Members wishing to attend should call the station at least two days in advance and inform them of their meal choice.

There was a discussion of pay for the C.C. rep and it was decided to raise it to $25 from the previous amount of $20. Dave has not been paid this year and waived any payments to be made to him for 2007.

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Under new business, there was a discussion of the bike show and events at Steve McQueen Days in Slater next year. An open container waiver was discussed. It was brought up that we should find out if Slater is providing the insurance and we also need to get information on our trophies.

Jim Taylor said that the possibility of a burn-out pit had been discussed and there was a lot of positive reaction among the members to this, provided insurance and waivers can be worked out. There was a discussion on the need for additional committee members, although none were appointed at this time.

Rich was there to tell the members present that he appreciated the contribution made to his family by local 12 last July.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13. Dave Kateman won the incentive drawing of $60.

If you have any information you would like in the newsletter, call me at 660-784-2231 or e-mail at smokeystrodtman@hotmail.com. Until next month.... Be free, ***Smokey***

Local 13 - Mexico

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 2 p.m. @ the Moose Lodge in Mexico, Mo. Contact: 573-581-7152 or 573-581-7677

Local 14 - Independence

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 2 p.m. VFW Post 3976 on Kentucky Rd. in Sugar Creek, Mo.
Contact: Joe Widmer 816-252-7322

Local 15 - Branson

Meetings: 3rd Monday @ 7 p.m. Quality Inn @ 3269 Shepherd Hills Expressway in Branson, Mo.
Contact: 417-334-0775

Hello to all. Hope you have all been able to get out there and ride your little hearts out.

We had a good turnout at the Trash and Treasure and a great meal at the Forsyth VFW. For those of you who missed this meal, I am so sorry for you and many thanks to the VFW for cooking for us. After picking up trash we were all tired though getting to collect many wonderful treasures. We even had a couple of newer members come and join us. It is always nice to see new members coming out and participating. At the last Business Meeting it was agreed that we will now be having our Business Meetings at Jesters (Old Beverly's) in Hollister. The new E-mail address for the local is Bransonforr15@aol.com. Our local received a letter from the City of Forsyth Parks thanking us for always leaving the park so clean when one of our functions is over.



December 8th – Our local Christmas Party at the Midnight Rose in Branson West. We were informed at the Trash Pickup that they have gotten a block of rooms in one of the local motels for those of you who will want to stay over. Contact the Midnight Rose and they can give you further information about that. There will also be a shuttle between the two. There will be a silent auction and don't forget your gag gifts. The admission will be $5.00 each and the local will pay the remainder of the balance for everyone so make sure and come join in. Remember, anyone who wants to send me pictures or any other information to put in the newsletter send it to me at: wilddixie@hotmail.com or call me at 417-546-4398. Ride safe my brothers and sisters and keep it on the road. ***Your Local Dixie Chick***

Local 16 - Cape Girardeau

Meetings: (Call for meeting info) Contact: Whitey 573-768-2524 or Doug 573-547-1265

The Louie Memorial Run turned out to be one of the best in several years. The weather was in the 80's and sunny. There



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was a good turnout of riders that showed for the run. After it was all finished we listened to live music at the Bayou till late in the evening.

I just rolled in this evening from the Local 16 Toy Run that was held at Cape Girardeau. The parade of bikes traveled all around the city of Cape while being escorted by the city police dept. I didn't get a count of how many showed but while riding along from the rear of it all, it looked to be about 50 to 60 bikes. Lots of people along the route pulled over to watch us go by. The Eagles were happy with all the toys and food items that were collected for the needy families. Afterwards we held our monthly meeting to discuss upcoming business. It was decided that we would hold our local election of officers for the coming year at the January meeting. We also signed up 4 new members and had 3 people renew.

This weekend we have been getting the barrels set out around the area to collect more toys, food, and other items for our 2nd Annual Community Toy Drive. We will continue collecting until about Dec. 14th.

Be sure to pencil in the Christmas Dance and Dec. meeting. It will happen on Dec. 1st at the Perryville Elks. It is located on the Highway 51 bypass about 2 to 3 miles east of I-55. The band 'Gypsy Orphan' will be playing the music for the night. The dance will be held from 9 pm till 1 am. We will start our monthly meeting at 7:30. Also that evening we will be giving away a Henry Golden Boy 22 rifle with octagon barrel. It would be a nice gift to give or receive for Christmas.

Soon we will be getting a new calendar of events for the beginning part of 2008 in your mailbox. If you don't receive one get in touch with me and we will get one mailed out to you.

Be careful out on the roads this winter season if you get out to ride. The salt and sand that is spread on the roads for the snow and ice make for some very slippery surfaces after it all melts. Ride safe and Happy Thanksgiving. Dudely

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Local 18 - Springfield

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday @ 7:00 p.m. Los Portales. 1036 W. Sunshine. Contact: 417-863-9577 or 417-443-9002

What is the definition of a hypocrite?

1. A person who pretends to have virtues, moral or religious beliefs, principles, etc., that he or she does not actually possess, esp. a person whose actions belie stated beliefs.

2. A person who feigns some desirable or publicly approved attitude, esp. one whose private life, opinions, or statements belie his or her public statements. Can you say Senator Chuck Graham.

This is the Senator that kept the helmet bill from the floor of the Senate with his threat to filibuster. He said he was just looking out for our safety and protecting us from injury. Who is he protecting when he drives drunk and runs into people?

What we need protection from is Senator Chuck Graham. Not much going on as far as riding goes. Hope everyone made it out to help the kids with the Toy Runs. It looks like there is one every weekend in our area with Springfield being the last one on December 2nd. Branson had a good turn out on a beautiful fall day; I hope all the other Toy Runs are that lucky with the weather. I met a Lady a couple of weeks ago with more balls than me and I'm a guy. I had been trying to get brave enough to follow Richard Quigley 's example and just go without a helmet, take the tickets and fight them in court but I always found some excuse to put the helmet on. I attended another MRO's state meeting and meet this Lady that rides without a helmet, she had ridden from St. Louis to Springfield without a helmet and stated that she never rides with a helmet on, she carries one to put on if she gets stopped but she doesn't ride with it on.

Guess what? I've finally started to ride without a helmet (unless I've been drinking) and so far in the 1st week I've racked up 450 helmet free miles and I don't think anyone has even given me a second glance. Tune in next month to see how I'm doing. So far if I were to pay the $25 ticket, that would only work out to a little more than 5 cents a FREE mile. ***ZZ***

Local 19 -Kirksville

Meetings: 1st Saturday @ 6:30p.m. Days Inn Contact: Pres., Ron 660-627-5221 or Secy./Treas., Sally 660-665-2083

Local 20 - Dexter

Meetings: Last Sunday @ 1 p.m. Eagle's Club on Hwy 25. Contact: 573-293-4754

Hey everybody, checking in with latest from Local 20, we had a GREAT meeting this month, the turnout was impressive,

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the best I've seen in awhile. Nominations went well, we accepted the cast of officers as is with one new change. Rob Reif is continuing as our President, for which we are very thankful, he does a great job. David Gasser is also returning as Vice President, he is learning his job well, you go, David! Mindy Reif is returning as Treasurer, and the only change is that yours truly, Sherri Whitehead, is taking over as secretary, Mindy will no longer have to fill both positions. David Gasser is filling in as the CC rep at the November meeting. We haven't had anyone to go for awhile. Darryl Swinger brought up that we as a local need to participate more in the legislative process, such as letters and phone calls. We can't get anything done if our representatives at the state capitol don't know what we want, please take time to write or call! We passed a new by-law change, on by-law #6, please contact Rob or myself (Sherlou74@yahoo.com) for further information. There was also the addition of a ride after the meeting, only 4 bikes went on a ride to Lake Wappapello for dinner and drinks.

So far, the weather has been great, as I'm sure you'll all agree. There will be a ride after the next meeting also, (weather permitting), bring your bikes and ideas of where you'd like to ride to the November meeting. We'll be organizing the bike show committee and we need help from more members, last year we were pitifully short-handed. Our November renewals are Pam Hurst and Phillip Jarrell, welcome back.

November birthdays are Mindy Reif and Darrel Ray, nobody's telling ages, lol! Hope to see more of you at the November meeting, honestly, we have fun, too! See you then, until next month, ***Scary Sherri*** signing off!

Local 21 - Eldon

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1 p.m. American Legion Post below Bagnell Dam. Contact: Lane at 573-392-5636

Local 23 - Potosi

Contact: Danny Rulo, Jr.

Local 25 - St. Peters

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1 p.m. American Legion Post 313 at 200 Main St., Olde Town at 4-way stop in St. Peters, Mo. Contact: 636-299-1032







Local 26 - Maryville

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday @ 7p.m. *(Call for info location varies)* Contact: 660-582-4599

Toys for Tots run was very successful on Sunday Nov. 4th, with almost 40 people attended. Besides food donated, we raised $145 for the food pantry, besides the $150 worth of groceries that was matched by HyVee. Also $140 was donated to Toys for Tots, besides toys brought by fellow motorcyclists. The meeting and lunch were across the street at Carsons, where we got to watch the Chiefs/Packers game. The pictures were taken on the west side of the courthouse with the new

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downtown renovations.

JAN 5th 2008-- HOLIDAY GET Together--The Bistro, Hwy H, Nodaway County Social hour starts at 6pm. Meal starts at 7pm. Election of officers after meal. Dance afterwards. Local 26 members must respond by 12/31/2007 and have membership paid as of 11/30/2007 for FREE entry. After 12/31/2007 cost will be $20 per person. Nonmembers are $20 per person and $25 per person after 12/31/2007.

FEB 19 2008--Meeting Carry-in Dinner at Movie Magic, 216 W 3rd St, Maryville MO Bring 2 dishes, your family, your friends, potluck at its best. Also be on the lookout for any new destinations for our 2008 Eat N Rides. Bring info to this meeting.

March 18 2008--Meeting Carry-in Dinner at Movie Magic, 216 W 3rd St. Maryville, MO Bring 2 Dishes, Your Family, your friends, potluck at its best. Enjoy your rides, be careful and have fun riding! As always you can reach me at Kathsmagic@hotmail.com, I also have IM on at work and the cell phone is 660-582-1742. ***Kathy***

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LOCAL 27 - SAC-OSAGE

Meetings: 1st Sunday @ 1 p.m. Trail Inn Tavern, 185 NW E Hwy. Roscoe, Mo. Contact: VP Ray Burns 417-646-2811 or Secy/Treas. Bobbi Mayer 417-646-8962

Our First Annual Fall Poker Run was a huge success! We had a great turnout, including some members of Locals 28, 33 and 35. Thank you all for your support! What a beautiful ride it was. The first place winner was Bill Roberts, with second place going to Phil Spencer. Linda Brownlee won the drawing and several folks won some nice door prizes. It was really great to meet and get to know each other and we are looking forward to a spring ride with all of you. I know I speak for our entire local when I say ***"thanks Ray and Darla".***



They worked tirelessly on this run and deserve a giant round of applause, at the very least. Great example setting, you two!

Officer elections are complete. New president, Ty Cashell will take over in January while the rest of the board remains as is. We will have a Christmas dinner immediately following the December meeting, so anyone that can make it, please feel free to come by. Call if you need directions.

We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season! Ride 'em while you still can!!

Bobbi



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Local 28 - Waynesville

Meetings: 1st Friday @ 7 p.m. Pulaski Shriners Club.
Contact: 573-774-5454 or 573-337-0088

Man, it's November already, where did the year go. One minute you are waiting for warm riding weather, next your hanging Christmas lights.

Well, October was a real busy month, with our Halloween Bash becoming a great success. We had a good work group this year. The Haunted house scared everyone to death, screams were galore. The pavilions were also the best the have been in awhile. And the haunted woods and hay ride was just spooktacular. All in all the Bash brought in close to $2700 for the shrine children's hospital, and hopefully we can get Wal-Mart to match us again.

We kicked November off with a nice toy run, and my garage is already full from all the donations coming in for our adopted family.

If you get this in time, Saturday 24 November we will be out in front of Wal-Mart with Santa and the Grinch collecting for all the Christmas Angels toy drive.

On the first weekend of December, we will be in the Waynesville Parade, so clean up the rides, and get out your long johns.

Then on the second weekend we drop off all collected toys and food items, and on the 15th we bring Christmas to our adopted family. This year the family is a heartbreaker. It is a grandmother with 3 little grandchildren. Their parents apparently dumped them off on her, and she left St Louis to get the kids away from drugs and all. They have nothing, so this will mean a lot to them.

Well, with the Holidays upon us, it is time to relax a little and reflect back on the year. We lost a few of our dear brothers and sisters, who gave us some wonderful memories. We saw how the local came together to take care of other members when their houses burned down. A few of us have had a bad health year, but we all came through, and through it all, the local was there as a family. The rallies were great this year, good parties with plenty of stories. Soon, we will be celebrating the new year, and toasting the old. All in all, I think it was a good year for local 28. We are now the largest local in FORR, and that didn't just happen, it took years of hard work from dedicated members to make that happen, because this did not happen over night, the seed for Local 28 got planted a long time ago, and those that stuck by it helped it grow more each year. But now that we are the largest, our work has just begun. We can not let up, we can not sit back, because all of that hard work will be for naught. Trust me, ask former members of Local 4 what happened. Or what almost happened to local 10. If you don't stay with it, then sooner or later we will also fade.

Remember, your main goal every year, sign up at least one new member. And please, be involved. If everyone would just do a little, nobody would ever have to do a lot. Local 28 is a very good local, and you should be proud of what you have accomplished, and FORR is a good cause. Let's all work to make a difference.

December meeting will be our officer elections, make sure you are there to cast your vote. You also have one more chance to get in some nominations Until next month, Keep it vertical, ***Taz***

Local 29 - North Kansas City

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1 p.m. at VFW Post 4050, 1419 Swift.
Contact: Jim Duyck 816-454-6574 or Don Jackson 816-452-3019 or Website: www.forrlocal29.com

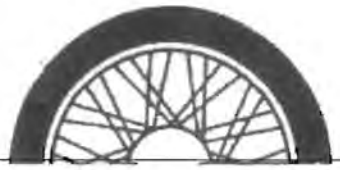
A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

PAST: Local 29 has a current membership roster of 118, with 8 new members (Amy Demboski, Justin Felts, Kathryn Fraley, Robert Gardner, Terry Hazlett, Gordon Hoeschel, Robert Sever, and Harold Shriver). There were 2 guests (Alex DeFord & Gimp), and 24 members at the October Business Meeting. Thank you all for attending! MEETING HILIGHTS: Nominations for Local 29's offices will be accepted during the November 18th Meeting. Current Nominees are as follows:

President – Jim "The Judge" Duyck	Events Coordinator – Brent DeFord
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A membership incentive of $10 would have went to Kevin Lenny had he been present to win (November's incentive will be $20). Dutch Hayes won the attendance incentive of $25. NeQuelle Wolfgeher was the L29 member selected to step in Ann "Short Stuff" Dodson's Representative shoes for the November CC Meeting. Ken "Rescue" DeMoss was awarded the Golden Mower Award, and our very own Bob "Honest Bob" Neal was awarded the District 4 Misfit Award during Octoberfest. The Mid-South MILE was attended by Local 29 members Ann "Short Stuff" Dodson, Jim "The Judge" Duyck, Ken & Nancy DeMoss, Russell & Ronda Felts and had a great time. District 4's Toy Run to Synergy House was attended by Local 29 members Jim "The Judge" Duyck, Ken & Nancy DeMoss, Don & Sharon Jackson, Gina Robinson, Brent DeFord, Deloris and Gary "Animal" Paterson, and NeQuelle Wolfgeher.

PRESENT: December Membership Expiration Reminders go out to Nancy Martin, Laurel "LA" Ross, and NeQuelle Wolfgeher. If you have already submitted you renewal, Super! If not...Step on it! I'd like to acknowledge all the December Birthday bikers and bikerettes, too, including (but not limited to) Del High (11th), Gary "Animal" Patterson (17th), and John Owen (23rd) ...Happy Birthday!

FUTURE: The month is pretty bare, hmm....I wonder why. We have two events to attend to this month. On Sunday, December 16th Local 29 will have their final business meeting of the year. There will be a potluck Christmas dinner and the highlight of the meeting is Award Presentations and 2008 Officer Elections. Please try to be there to help establish the foundation of next year's Local. Then, on December 18th we will be celebrating Taco Tuesday at El Guapo Mexican Restaurant, located at 7659 Southeast Highway 33 in Holt, Missouri. We will meet at El Guapo for dinner at 7:00pm. Hope to see you there!

NEWSLETTER QUESTIONS & SUGGESTIONS: Call me, NeQuelle Wolfgeher, at 816.645.4274, e-mail me at newsletter@forrlocal29.com, or see me in person at our Local 29 meetings & happenings! "Talk to ya" next month,

NeQuelle

Local 30 - Nixa

Meetings: 1st Tuesday @ 7:30 p.m. at Cadillac Jack's (was Longhorn Grill), located on South Main in Nixa, Mo.
Contact: for more info contact Pops at moore1031@global.net

Local 31 - Rolla

Meetings: 2nd Tuesday @ 7 p.m. Alex's Pizza. 122 W. 8th Rolla, Mo.
Contact: Brian Swift 573-263-1216 or Debra John 573-762-3808

Hi All, be sure to mark your calendars. Dec.11th meeting will be at Hickory Pit Bar-B-Que Hwy. 72 & Rolla St. (formerly Johnny's Smoke Stak) at 7:00p.m. This is also our Christmas Party! Just a reminder it's time for elections.

Meeting Of The Minds Seminar

Cedar Rapids, Iowa



There was a fair turnout from Freedom Of Road Riders members at this years event.











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Oct. 20th some riders from our Local & some brothers from Local 7 joined 38 other riders from this area for an enjoyable & beautiful ride on Licking's annual Toy run. If you've ever been through Alley Springs & Eminence in the Fall, you know what I mean. What a sight! And the Bar-B-Que afterwards was a plus too.

Do you hear that? Listen!!! Oh, maybe that's just the ringing in my ears from all the screaming at the Halloween Bash at Buckhorn. Great job!!! Kids of all ages had a great time. Thanks to all who helped. We've had a great summer. We've all met new friends & visited with the old ones, but the months have flown by like the signs on the side of the road.

Yes, another year is almost gone & we've all enjoyed the great rides. Some rides were a little wet but, always great company & after all we're tough aren't we? Hope everyone gets to be with family & friends for the holidays. Dont' forget our Christmas party Dec. 11th. We are making plans to either adopt a family for Christmas or donate to help fill a truck at Denny Ford. I will let you know later what we decided. Be sure to join us at our Jan. meeting we will be putting together our '08 calendar of events. Bring lots of ideas. Hope to see you guys at the next meeting. HAPPY HOLIDAYS! Till next time, Keep your head toward the sky! See Ya, ***"Kickstand"***

Local 32 - Bootheel

Meetings: 1st Sunday @ 2 p.m. The Vikings I, 1104 Independence Ave., Kennett, Mo. Contact: 573-695-1785

Local 33 - Hwy. 50 West

Meetings: 3rd Sunday Noon @ AM Vets on Hwy. 50 West. Knob Noster.
For newsletter imput Contact: Jay at 660-563-4360 or lsh43ejh@Charter.net

Fall is fully upon us now. By the time you receive your Freedom Press; the Mid-South M.I.L.E. meeting, The Garage Sale to Support the Adopt-A-Family Fund, the annual "Toy Run", the November CC meeting and "F.E.W. seminar in Jeff city will all have come and gone.

At the November meeting, the election of Officers for the local will occur. So come to the meeting hear what new information has come back from the seminars and the State. And support the new officers of your local. Thus setting this Local off towards another exciting New Year.

Winners of the October Membership Incentive & Susan B. Anthony Awards were; Anita Bradley would have won the Incentive award had she been present & Craig Scroggins won the Susan B. Anthony award.

Reminders; November 17th – Freedom Rally meeting, 1p.m. at Lutz's Pizza in Tipton
November 18th – Local meeting, Noon at AmVets.
December 9th – Local meeting, Noon at AmVets.
December 15th – Shopping & wrapping of Adopt-A-Family Gifts
December 16th – Adopt-A-Family

I wish to thank the members of Local 33 for enduring this year of my ramblings and twisting of the English language as your newsletter editor. It has been a pleasure. Fight the Good Fight; Do not repeat the mistakes of the past. This is your fellow member, ***Jay*** signing off.

Local 34 - Poplar Bluff

Meetings: 3rd Sun. @ 2 p.m. W Club on Hwy W in Poplar Bluff Contact: 573-785-5701 *(Day)* or 573-998-2237 *(Night)*

Local 35 - Golden Valley

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 3 p.m. Tebo Lodge & Bar on PP Hwy in Leesville, Mo.
Contact: Bob 660-694-3589 or Travis 660-492-0910

Merry Christmas to everyone; by the time this hits your mail box, Deer season will have come and gone.

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Congratulations to Bob Hawkins, L-35 as the recipient of the "Engineer of Freedom" Award



The first ever F. E. W. Seminar will be history. Maybe even Thanksgiving will be past. Everyone will be looking forward to Christmas and the New Year. Not the members of FORR. We will be watching Congress and the pre-filing of our Bills. Yes, it will soon be time to start planning our trips to Jefferson City, to once again fight for our freedom in 2008. Ladies and gentlemen, lets make this the year that we win. Just a few of our membership can not make it happen. I don't remember the count that made a trip to Jeff City last year, but it wasn't even TEN percent of our membership. Do you realize what an impression we would make, if every member made 2 trips to the Hill? One, sometime in January through March, then everyone in April for the MAY ride. What a site that would be to see 3000 people on the hill with one thing on their mind. To get our FREEDOM BACK. WOW, was that ever a dream or what.

OK Local 35, I'll get off my soap box and will proceed with Local business. Coming up the 3rd Sunday in December will be our Local Christmas Dinner and election of officers. So be sure to mark your calendar for December 16th and make the meeting. Come very Hungry and your hand in the air, volunteering to hold a office in the local.

Another great idea, is to bring someone with you as a new member. We have quite a few members renewing in December. Ladies and Gentlemen, you need to get your money in to Linda H. as soon as possible. Sheri Boese, Linda Browning, Lyle Browning, Jackie Jones, Larry Jones, Michael Lewis, Charles Olsen, Dean Osman, Linda Hawkins & Bob Hawkins. November renewal, was Bill Kronk.

A final reminder to the October renewals. If you haven't renewed, this will be your last Freedom Press that you will receive. So Daniel Burgess, David Gamet, Lanie Gamet, Shelia Morlan & George Turley, we will be looking for your checks.

Just because it's December doesn't mean you can't ride.

Bob H



^ January 2007/December 2007



Local News

Local 40 - Bethany

Meetings: 1st Sunday @ 3 p.m. (*Location varies)* Contact: 660-425-8340 Mike or Mary Sims

Hey Local 40, thanks to David Landes for joining Local 40. Hogfest started out a little soggy, but by the time the music started it turned out to be a nice evening. Everyone had a good time, but next time Robert Smith should take the steps to get off the stage. It was quite a drop and I didn't laugh to long. Poker Run winners were High Hand Ryan Bell and Low Hand was Kellie Anthony. Bike Show winners were American First Wanda Weingot Second Joyce Russell Foreign First Connie Snow Second Mary Sims, Most Unique Dick Hoover, Best Paint and Best of Show was Dusty Ellis. Thanks everyone who helped out.

At our October meeting a motion was made and seconded for Mary to pay the bills for Hogfest. It was talked about changing our name from Bethany to maybe North Missouri. We need to decide what direction we want to go with the Local. We need to do something! We also talked about having a Christmas supper with the CMA and Local 41. It will be somewhere so you can bring the whole family and we are going to try to have entertainment. Officers need to be elected also. If you want to know more come to a meeting.

Hope you Deer Hunters got that big one you always seem to just talk about and don't eat to much Turkey. Plan to attend the Christmas supper for info call me at 425-8340. Remember The good Lord didn't create anything without a purpose, but mosquitoes come close.

I just turned 53 Oct. 26th and getting older so now when I fall down I wonder what else I can do while I'm down there. Wisdom often comes with age, but I'm finding out age comes alone. Until! ***STEMS***

Local 41 - Cameron Crossroads

Meetings: 2nd Thursday @ 7:00 p.m. Breadeax Pizza in Cameron, Mo.
***(Meeting Place varies, call for information)* Contact: Steve @ 816-449-5037**

Hello everyone, by the time you read this you should have had your turkey dinner, Hope all had a festive Thanksgiving, and are getting prepared for the Holiday season! We are back to having our meetings the 2nd Thursday, at Breadeaux Pizza in Cameron at 7pm. That will make it easy to remember at least for now. If we have bad weather then we will email and call to reschedule the meetings. If you are questioning it please give us a call.

Well guys this is going to be short but sweet! Welcome new members John Shafer from Stewartsville & Lauraine Garten from Brookfield.. We look forward to getting to know you both! Welcome to local # 41!

Happy Holidays to everyone!! Until next time ride safe & Free, ***Angie***
home number 816-449-2707 - Shop 816-449-5037 - Cell 816-724-0098 - sagallus2@yahoo.com

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Local 42 - Franklin County

Meetings: Last Wed. @ 6:30 p.m. Roadhouse 100 in Gray Summit, Mo. Contact: Pres. Bill Lynn 636-451-2171

Happy Holidays! We had our October meeting on October 24, 2007. The meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m. The attendance prize was won by Al Viehmann. The patch design in memory of Sandra "Grandma Sam" Sneed was presented at the meeting. The design consists of a purple rose with blue feathers on a green background. An order has been placed; we will let you know when patches become available. Officer nominations for 2008 were made.

The Toy Run Collection at Washington Wal-Mart was a huge success. The weather was great, many thanks to those who gave up a beautiful day from riding to help make Christmas a little brighter for the kids.

We had a beautiful day for the actual Toy Run on Sunday, November 4th. Santa led the way with approximately 56 bikes and 4 vehicles behind to deliver the money collected and truck load of toys. The Division of Family Services extended their many thanks to us all. We surpassed last year donation.

Our Annual Christmas Party is scheduled for December 8th at the Pacific Eagles Meeting Room from 7 pm until 12 am. Please bring a covered dish and whatever you want to drink.

Announcement: I would like to extend congratulations to Perry & Barbara Sneed – they got married on Saturday, November 3 with a small gathering at his home.

Local News

Mark these events on your calendars:
Saturday, December 9 – Local 42 Christmas Party & Saturday, March 29th – Annual Leather & Lace Dance
It was asked at the last meeting to change the meeting date. Please let us know what day of the week and time you think would be more appropriate for all members. You can send email to either Bill Lynn at wwlmrl@sbcglobal.net or Alma Halbert at halberta@peoplepc.com. We look forward to hearing from you. Hope to see you at our next meeting – 6:30 p.m. at Roadhouse 100 in Gray Summit, MO. November meeting is November 28, 2007. Ride safe, ***Alma***



Local 42 Franklin County Toy Run



Local 44 - California

Meetings: 1st Sunday @ 2 p.m. @ Dairy Queen, Hwy 50 in California, Mo.
Contact: Karl 573-796-0245 or David 573-642-1002

Local 46 - Greater Kansas City

Meetings: 1st Sunday @ 5 p.m. Fun House Pizza and Pub 13002 E. Hwy. 40 in Indep., Mo. Contact: 816-358-2593

ANYONE INTERESTED IN THE FUTURE OF THIS LOCAL, NEEDS TO ATTEND THE DECEMBER 2, 2007 MEETING. THERE ARE MANY ITEMS ON THE AGENDA THAT NEED OUR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION!! A makeup meeting has to be scheduled for the October meeting. If you have any intention of making the additional meeting you need to be there or call Deb at 816-868-9369. We may combine the makeup meeting with a holiday party for the local. December is election month and there are no new nominations for any of the offices. Discussion will be heard about moving the meetings' site and dates to something more convenient for those that actually show up.

There are 25 members in this local, but only 5-6 show up on a regular basis. Those same 5-6 people are holding all the offices with some holding 3 and 4 a piece. It would be nice if some of the other members would step up and support the local as an officer or even as a member. Our biggest problem is getting our members to show up. The 6 officers that we have are stretched to the limit. **OUR MOST IMPORTANT TOPIC AT THE DECEMBER MEETING WILL BE WHETHER TO FOLD THE LOCAL OR KEEP IT UP AND RUNNING.**

Discussion on the CC floor resulted in our Local being labeled as "stressed." Yes we are stressed. **STRESSED OUT!!!** We are doing the best we can with what we have to work with. This has been a tough year for all our officers. Our PRESIDENT is back in school and working full time (WAY TO GO KEVIN, GOOD LUCK!), our VICE PRESIDENT-SECRETARY-NEWSLETTER had surgery and lost her job and trying to get back on her feet, our TREASURER-DISTRICT-LEGISLATIVE has had two surgeries this year, and our CC REP is still dealing with injuries from his wreck and recently had surgery. Two other officers had their land bought up unexpectedly and found themselves looking for a new place to live in a short period of time. Yet, with all this going on in our personal lives, the local has more than paid our state donation, held all but one meeting, held our annual bike show and participated in District events. We are well aware that members of other locals would LOVE to see us fold, and are quick to judge our local. We are doing everything we can to keep from folding and continue to support Freedom of Road Riders. It would've been nice to see ANY of the state officers or CC Reps, so quick to label us, at our event to show their support as well, but we didn't. This year we held our annual bike show in conjunction with the All KC MC SC Picnic in September and had 29 Bikes entered and 200+ at the picnic. Thank you to all the members of other locals who showed up to support us. Looking forward to a better 2008! ***Deb 816-868-9369***

Connections

FORR District 4

Hey all you Freedom Lovers.

We are still looking for the owner of a lost set of key's that were found at Octoberfest '07. If you lost them or know someone who lost them call Dragon at 816-850-4511. We did get the lost knife back to it's owner.

There were only two teams for the Tug of War this year. FORR Missouri against ABATE of Kansas, FORR came out the winner.

In the field events, congratulation go to Lizzy & Christina for 1st place and Steve and Melissa for 2nd place in the potato in the Hay stack.

Rolling Darts 1st place were Joker and Christina and 2nd place was Dale and Karen.

The Weenie Bite 1st place winners were Joker and Christina and 2nd place was Steve and Melissa.

For the slow race, 1st place went to Kurt and 2nd place went to Dale. Thank you to all that participated.



District 4 Toy Run ***donations made to The Sunshine Center in Independence, MO***

I made a point to put the names of the Bike Show winners in a place where I wouldn't loose them.... Well, I lost them! So Congratulations to the winners of the bike show.

We had three classes run in the Dirt Drags.

ATV 250 & under 1st place Mary and Joker took 2nd. 1001 cc & up 1st place went to Kurt Young and 2nd place was taken by Corvette Al.

In the open class 1st place went to Doyle and 2nd place went to Tim.

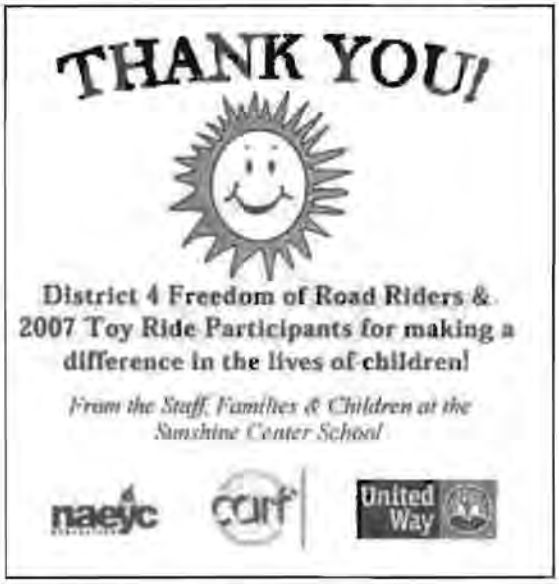
This years Toy Run was small but a success anyway. The Sunshine Center was very appreciative of the collection of toys and baby food and supplies. Thank you all that took the time to participate.

District 4 would like to wish everyone a very joyful and safe holiday.

Keep Pushin' On

Tim 'Dragon'O'Connor

District 4 Chairman



AMA Report

AMA NAMES TRIUMPH AS 2008 VMD MARQUE OF THE YEAR

The American Motorcyclist Association has named Triumph, one of the most historic and popular names in motorcycling, as the 2008 AMA Vintage Motorcycle Days Marque of the Year.





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2 **L-27 Sac-Osage**
Christmas Dinner
2 P.M.
417-646-8962

8 **L-14 Independence**
Annual Christmas
Party & Auction
816-252-7322

16 **L-33 Hwy. 50 West**
Adopt-A-Family
660-826-3517

JANUARY 2008

5 **L-26 Maryville**
New Year Party
660-582-4599

6 **FORR, Inc.**
Central Committee
Meeting - 10AM
816-690-4200

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Thanks, ***Rebel***



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