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Phone 1-800-309-RIDE *(7433)* or E-mail: go@forr.net

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To renew your membership
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Help with sanctioning an event
Or to ask a question she will be happy to assist you.

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

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Central Committee Meeting #172
July 13, 2008

Freedom of Road Riders®, Inc. Central Committee Meeting was held on Sunday, July 13, 2008 at the Truman Hotel Jefferson City, MO. Cabinet officers present were Chairman Mark Chapman, Vice-Chairman Greg "Halfbreed" Mullanix, Corporate Secretary Kathy Garver, Treasurer/Membership Secretary Dallas Chapman, Webmaster Steve "Tanker" King; Product Line Managers Keith and Shirley Cronin, Safety Coordinator Doug Clawson

. Chairman Chapman called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. by reading the Preamble to the By-laws of the organization. The assembled Central Committee Representatives observed a moment of silence for lost brothers and sisters. Chairman Chapman led the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

The following Central Committee Representatives answered the roll call read by the Corporate Secretary:

Location	Local #		Membership	Votes	CC Representative
Lee's Summit	Local	01	68	1 Vote	Tim O'Connor
Eastern Jackson County	Local	02	44	1 Vote	Linda Parish
Tri County	Local	03	34	1 Vote	John Carman
South Kansas City	Local	05	64	1 Vote	James Enloe
St. Joseph	Local	06	88	1 Vote	Nick Swope
Lebanon	Local	07	59	1 Vote	Charlie Pilcher
Chillicothe	Local	08	205	3 Votes	Layne Shady
Hannibal	Local	09	45	1 Vote	***ABSENT***
Jefferson City	Local	10	154	2 Votes	Ani Martin
Joplin	Local	11	42	1 Vote	Larry Hale
Glasgow	Local	12	90	1 Vote	David Kateman
Mexico	Local	13	124	2 Votes	***ABSENT***
Independence	Local	14	24	1 Vote *	***ABSENT with excuse***
Branson	Local	15	257	3 Votes	Dennis Oxford
Cape Girardeau	Local	16	68	1 Vote	Martin King
Springfield	Local	18	24	1 Vote	Jim Scheele
Kirksville	Local	19	281	3 Votes	Susie King
Dexter	Local	20	31	1 Vote	***ABSENT***
Eldon	Local	21	17	1 Vote *	***ABSENT***
St. Peters	Local	25	66	1 Vote	Tony Shepherd
Maryville	Local	26	68	1 Vote	Jeannie Montgomery
Sac-Osage	Local	27	12	1 Vote	***ABSENT***
Waynesville	Local	28	360	4 Votes	Tim Minarik
North Kansas City	Local	29	112	2 Vote	Ann Dodson
Nixa	Local	30	80	1 Vote	Larry Dotson
Rolla	Local	31	40	1 Vote	Brian Swift
Bootheel	Local	32	54	1 Vote	Don Mussie
Highway 50 West	Local	33	110	2 Votes	JR DeGraffenreid
Poplar Bluff	Local	34	28	1 Vote	***ABSENT***
Golden Valley	Local	35	58	1 Vote	Bob Hawkins
Bethany	Local	40	27	1 Vote	Mike Sims
Cameron Crossroads	Local	41	31	1 Vote	Steve Gallus
Franklin County	Local	42	72	1 Vote *	***ABSENT***
California	Local	44	8	0 Vote	David Miller
Greater K.C.	Local	46	21	1 Vote	Dennis Stevenson
Members at Large	Local	00	60	0 Vote	
	Total		2926	July 1, 2008	
Corporate Sponsors			11	0 Vote	

*Votes suspended by order of Central Committee January 11, 1998, until financial records are complete with the Treasurer.
**Votes suspended by order of Central Committee November 2001, until insurance/event records are complete with the Insurance/ Events Coordinator.
#Votes suspended due to noncompliance of reconciling Motorcycle Project obligations.

Motion by Local 1 to approve the minutes from the May meeting as printed, 2nd Local 33, motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Corporate Secretary – Nothing to report.

Agenda set aside so that Levi Mitchell from Sarah Steelman's campaign for Governor could address the Central Committee. Sarah was unable to attend personally due to a very busy campaign schedule. Mr. Mitchell addressed the Central Committee regarding Sarah Steelman's qualifications and ideas as a candidate for governor of Missouri. Ms. Steelman thanked FORR for its endorse-

ment of her as a candidate for Missouri's Governor. Sarah stands for family, workers and making Missouri a better place to live. She is currently serving as Missouri's State Treasurer. Campaign website: www.sarahsteelman.com. Yard signs, bumper stickers and other information distributed. Ann Dodson reported Sarah Steelman is having Kitchen Roundtable meetings across the state. Check website for dates and times for these meetings.

Treasurer – General Fund beginning balance $27,251.86, ending balance $22,424.45; PAC beginning balance $ 47,935.07, ending balance $44,005.14, Rider Education beginning balance $28,692.47, ending balance $31,584.88, Homecoming Fund beginning balance $7,481.79, ending balance $8,021.79. Dallas reported it is time to renew the trademark of FORR. She received a letter the week after our last meeting from the attorney that handled this for us initially. It is going to cost us $750.00 to renew this. She has told the attorney to go ahead and proceed with renewing our trademark. This renewal is required once every 10 years. Motion by Local 6 that we go ahead and continue this trademark at FORR's expense, 2nd Local 35, motion carries by voice vote unanimously. Discussion regarding where donations are in relation to what we budgeted. Treasurer Chapman reported that donations are substantially down so far this year.

Treasurer Chapman advised the Central Committee that she has served as the Central Committee Treasurer since 1998 and that this will be her last term as treasurer. If you know of anyone that would be interested in running for the position and would like to learn about the treasurer's position please contact Dallas. Must have been a local or special events treasurer for one year to be eligible for this position.

Membership Secretary – May processed 192 memberships, 84 new members, 209 renewals with 7 life members; June processed 139 memberships, 119 new members, 230 renewals with 7 life members. Total membership as of July 1, 2008 - 2,926. This is a decrease of 36 from the last report. Please submit new and renewal membership applications in a timely manner. Also on renewal forms if there is no change in the members information (such as address, phone number etc) please write no change on the 101 form so that it will speed up membership processing. Also local checking accounts are required to have two signatures on their account. Please make sure checks contain two signatures. When signing up members at an event ask the new member what local they want to belong to, don't arbitrarily sign them up for your local and make sure that these memberships are sent in as soon as possible. Local putting on the event gets to retain $5.00 from the membership.

Rider Education – Beginning riders course have had 11 classes held with 127 students taking the course and 122 students passing; 6 ERC classes have been scheduled, four classes cancelled. 12 students have taken and passed the ERC course. In September the Saturday before the CC meeting there will be a class held in Jefferson City. You need to pre-register for the classes ahead of time. If you want to pay by credit card you can do so through Dallas. Cost for ERC is $75. Rider coach training has taken place. There were 13 people signed up for the course, 7 showed up to take the class, 2 dropped out after the class started, at the end five passed the class with two FORR members passing. Doug and Paula Fowler from Local 19 are now certified rider coaches. We are still looking for instructors. This is a very demanding course and program. He is looking forward to teaching his first class. The State Highway Patrol has new motorcycles that have now been placed in service throughout the state

Doug would like to step down as Rider Education Coordinator after this term. If anyone is interested in taking over the rider education coordinator position please contact Doug.

Vice Chairman - Engineer of Freedom award presented to Bob Neal of Local 29.

Bob Hawkins, Local 35 made a motion Phil Spieser receive the Engineer of Freedom Award. Phil was a very active life member of FORR who passed away recently. Bob indicated they were in the process of submitting his nomination but because of Phil's untimely death it was not submitted, 2nd Local 29, motion carries by voice vote unanimously. Engineer of Freedom Award presented to Phil Spieser.

Legislative – Legislative Coordinator Mullanix reported that on the legislative side the donations have been up and this has really helped us accomplish what we need to get done. All locals and members thanked for their contributions towards our legislative activities.

We have faced a substantial opponent in Chuck Graham over at the capitol. As a result of this conflict we are looking at possibly doing things that are substantially outside of the box. We have not gotten all of the details worked out yet, but we may be coming back in the very near future and asking for a substantial amount of money. If we are going to go this route and be prepared to play this game to win it is going require substantially more money than what we have put out in the past. More details will be forthcoming as they become available.

We are still going to put up billboards or something to educate the general voting population about what Mr. Graham has done during his tenure in office. We probably will not be successful in getting him out of office but at the very least we hopefully will cost him money and votes. We must remember that every action has a reaction and hopefully what we do will have a positive reaction regarding Mr. Graham. One idea: You drink, you drive, you lose, except if you are Chuck Graham.

Discussion regarding the bill signed by Governor Blunt which removes the cap on campaign donations. It takes effect August 28th, 2008. It will not have an effect in this year's primary election but will effect the general election. Breed said he anticipates the court will step back in and reinstate the campaign limits since the original limits were set by a vote of the people.

District 4, primarily by the efforts of Local 29 held a fundraiser for Sarah Steelman yesterday. If you have a fundraiser for a candidate where you are charging an admission fee you need to have insurance on the event. Mark reported that he personally paid for the insurance for this event.

There are a lot of heated races across the state and several that we really need to watch

On the House of Representative's side we need to watch the races in Districts 3, 8, 17, 33, 38, 47, 94, 113, 121. The following districts we have no information regarding the position of any of the candidates: District 7, 12, 20, 25, 28, 43, 44, 61, 88, 93. Anyone who finds out any information regarding the position of the candidates for any of these districts please report this information back to Halfbreed.

In the Senate side there are some stiff races involving good supporters. District 17, Luann Ridgeway is facing stiff opposition. We really need to support Luann. District 21, Bill Stouffer is facing stiff opposition. The democrats have targeted specific seats to get those incumbents out of office and are therefore putting a lot of money and support into these races. District 25, Rob Mayer, District 1 Jim Lempke. In District 31 we have a unique situation. There are five candidates for this seat and all of the candidates support our issues.

Locals thanked for their help in the various campaigns. Local 15 thanked for their help at the Republican convention in Branson. Local 18 will be providing an escort for Sarah Steelman to a debate in the Springfield area. Need to try to get our membership at the Kitchen Table talks of Sarah Steelman. Also need to help get spots set for these in other areas of the state. These will be held in individual homes across the state.

AMA – The AMA is back up and going on the motorcycle rights issues. Shelia Andrews has taken Terri Cooks place and is getting things back up and running legislatively for the AMA. There are a lot of meetings taking place in Washington DC right now. Many of these can directly affect Missouri. One of the recommendations that is coming out of these meetings to address the upward climb in deaths, since they have finally decided to recognize the increase in the number of motorcycles on the roadways, is to created a tiered approach to motorcycle training that builds on existing standards focused on risks, awareness, and avoidance and an understanding of the limits of motorcycles, encourages road planning for motorcycles and other issues effecting motorcyclists. There have been a lot of meetings between the states and the federal government concerning issues that effect motorcycles. NHTSA has started organizing committees to work on the infrastructure issues and how they affect motorcycles. The Organization for economic cooperation and development - international transportation forum on motorcycle safety was held in Norway, MRF, NATO were present. Their #1 recommendation was a call for training focusing on risk awareness and risk avoidance. NHTSA is also listening to the motorcycle advisory council and working with the state governments on motorcycle issues. Motorcycles have become part of the popular culture. There are recommendations to ban or disable all sport bikes, put rev limiters, speed limiters or ban them out right. Nick Swope reported that a while back in St Joe he saw a BMW scooter that had a full roll cage, seat belts, windshield and resembled a bubble. This bike was produced as the world bike back in the late 90's. In the State of Utah they have issued a mandate reorganizing how motorcycle licenses are handed out. If you test on a 9 cc bike you can ride that size bike, you can never go bigger than what you test on without retesting. They have found that this has a negative effect because people have gone out and borrowed a bigger bike, tried to test on the bigger bike and it has caused problems. This tiered licensing stuff is going to come at us from all directions.

MRF – Halfbreed announced at the last meeting that FORR would pay to send two people to Meeting of the Minds. He received two applications. Therefore Kathy Garver and JR DeGraffenreid will be attending MOTM as representatives of FORR.

Working on 2009 legislative budget. If anyone has anything they would like to see included in the 2009 budget or changes to the budget please submit these ideas to Halfbreed.

We are still working on the Comparative Fault bill. Luann Ridgeway will be our sponsor in the senate if she is re-elected. Bryan Pratt will be our House sponsor and we will be pushing him to work a little harder on this issue next year. Sandra Aust is the candidate running against Luann Ridgeway. Suggestion that on the Chuck Graham issue that we also submit letters to the editor in the local Columbia newspaper regarding this issue. Halfbreed reported that these are already being worked on. If you want to submit a letter to the editor please send it to: Open Column, Columbia Daily Tribune, PO Box 798 Columbia, MO 65205, e-mail editor@tribmail.com.

Give A Way Project: August 15th is the deadline for returning tickets that are completed prior to Homecoming. Please remember you can not use the US mail to return these tickets. Use FedEx, UPS or other carrier except for the US Mail. Please do not require them to be signed for as there is no one at home to accept the deliveries during the day. If you wait until the event to bring the tickets you will be required to help get them checked in. Donations are sincerely down this year. Since this board and Darell and Susan are not eligible to participate in the give a way project Mark did a swap with Leggs from Abate of Illinois on their give a way project tickets. If anyone wants one of their tickets see Mark.

Product Line: They have received another hat order. Still have watches and just a few tire signs. Thanked locals that reconciled their accounts over the past two months. Request for two pocket button up shirt. Local 11 has the yard signs at $5.00 each. The agreement with Local 11 was the Central Committee would pay $4.00 each for the yard signs to the locals and the local has made that cost a part of their contribution to FORR so this did not result in a cash outlay by the organization. Local 11 thanked for this substantial contribution to FORR. Locals reminded that they can bring local product to the CC meeting.

Webmaster: There is now a spot on the front page of the website about how you heard about FORR. Tanker reported that on the local page the following websites are not working, locals 10, 14, 27. There are quite a few locals with active and working websites. If you think your local has a website that is not on the webpage please have the local webmaster contact Tanker.

Local 30 has a new member, Michael Smith who has contacted Tanker and the state officers about website information. Tanker asked that a thank you be extended to him for his information. Dragon passed along a thank you from Michelle regarding the stoppage of the junk emails to her.

FEW Seminar: No one has pre-registered for the conference yet. Please send in your pre-registry to Dallas. Remember it saves you money by pre-registering. Plus if you don't pre-register we can't guarantee you will get dinner. We have received items for the MOTM and Mid South MILE baskets. Thank you local 40. If you have local honey farms, local product etc we really could use these items for the baskets for both of these events. Please send items with your CC rep in September as we will be leaving for MOTM shortly after that. Working on a comedian for the event. If anyone knows of a good comedian please contact JR. Shuttle has been set up to take you between the hotel and site. Requested that Michelle include a full page ad one more time between now and the end of pre-registration. Slider Gilmore will be here to put on the accident scene management program. He is working with us on transportation situation.

Mid South MILE Registration forms on the table. Each district in the State can send in a $100.00 donation to the seminar and then that district can send as many people as they want to the seminar. If you want to participate in the banquet there will be an additional charge for that. Mark volunteered to make the basket for this event.

Newsletter: Editor O'Connor not present. No issues addressed regarding the newsletter. Dallas stated that if you have a member who reports they are not receiving their newsletter, check the local roster that is send to the local membership secretary to make sure their address is correct. If it is correct, send the member to their local post office to report this non-delivery as sometimes our newsletters end up staying at the post office. Also ask if the member checked the box to not receive the newsletter if so and they now want to receive a newsletter please contact the state membership secretary.

Copies of some of the magazines that we advertised in were made available to the CC representatives to take back to their local.

Meeting adjourned for lunch. Meeting called back to order at 1:00 p.m. by Vice Chairman, Greg Mullanix. Chairman Mark Chapman and Treasurer Dallas Chapman were out of the room for the following discussion concerning the office manager position.

Old Business:
Office manager position. Two applicants were selected by the committee that met on Saturday for presentation to the Central Committee, Dallas Chapman and Sharon Trueblood. Discussion held concerning the two candidates and how the selection process was held. Susie King spoke about Sharon Trueblood and her involvement at the local level. By roll call vote of the Central Committee, Sharon Trueblood was selected as the office manager.

Homecoming – Work schedule is on the table. If your local or you have not signed up for a workshift please get signed up. After today an email will be sent out asking for volunteers. If positions have still not been filled then a lottery will be held to fill shifts. Things are progressing well as far as planning. Local 6 is the only local that has stepped up to volunteer to help do field events. Is there any other local that is willing to step up to help with field events. No one volunteered but any help would be appreciated. Local 28 will be handling the poker run. Field events will probably be able to use the equipment for field events from the Mid America Freedom Rally. Homecoming meeting on August 9th at 10:00 a.m. at the Shrine Club or at the site itself. Following this meeting we will go look at a couple of possible campsites near the lake area to consider as future sites for Homecoming after this year. Plus there have been some changes to the Shrine park since last year so we need to look at those changes plus decide how we are going to set up the intercom system to be effective. T-shirts have not been ordered yet. We are talking with several different printers on the t-shirts. Still need general merchandise vendors. Leather vendor spots are filled. After August 15th the vendor price goes up. Water tank is on site. The gentleman who ran the tank at MAFR has volunteered to bring his tractor and handle the water tank to keep down the dust. We will pay for fuel. Charlie has a tank that will hold 50 gallons of gas and thinks he can get the tank for diesel but will have to check on that. At MAFR we used approximately 60 gallons of gas and 30 gallons of diesel. He will bring gas tank and will check on diesel tank and report to Mark.

New Business:
No new business

Connections:
AMA No report
MRF Randy Atkison, Asst State Rep presented a report concerning the activities of the MRF and across the nation. South Carolina passed their red light bill. This is very similar to the bill that Missouri has considered. Florida passed a bill recently that takes effect on July 1st requiring all new and renewal motorcycles to take and pass a rider education program before they can earn the M endorsement on their license. An MRF representative recently had the opportunity to sit down with the US Dept of Transportation chairman, Mary Peters regarding the 2010 funds and how those funds should be used. She has sent a letter out to all of the state governors asking them to take a look at motorcycle safety and awareness within their state. We have heard about a lot of carrots being held out but now we need to be worried about the big stick that is being held behind their back. This is why it is so important to be a member of the MRF and/or AMA
District Chairmen – No report
ABATE for Missouri – No report.

Motion by Local 5 to adjourn the meeting, 2nd Local 1.

Freedom OF Road Riders, Inc.
Central Committee Meeting #173
September 14, 2008 - 10:00 a.m.

Truman Hotel & Conference Center
1510 Jefferson Street
Jefferson City, Missouri

Agenda

I. Call to Order

- a. Preamble
- b. Moment of Silence
- c. Pledge of Allegiance
- d. Put cell phones on vibrate
- e. Roll Call of Locals
- f. Approval of Minutes

II. Department Reports

- a. Corporate Secretary
- b. Treasurer
- c. Membership Secretary
- d. Vice-Chairman
  - i. Engineer of Freedom Award
  - ii. Legislative
    - a. Sub Committees
    - b. Assistant/Successor
    - c. AMA
    - d. MRF
- e. Rider Education
- f. Product Line
- g. Newsletter
- h. Webmaster
- i. 2008 Give a Way Project
- j. Chairman
  - i. Homecoming
  - ii. F.E.W. Seminar
  - iii. Mid-South MILE

III. Old Business

IV. New Business

V. Connections

- a. District Chairmen
- b. ABATE for Missouri

Legislative Meeting
Saturday September 13, 2008 1:00 p.m.

Homecoming Committee Meeting
Saturday September 13, 2008 3:00 p.m.

Officers Meeting
Saturday September 13, 2008 5:00 p.m.

Central Committee Meeting
Sunday September 14, 2008 10:00 a.m.

Central Committee Representatives are asked to make sure their membership is current before the meeting begins. Contact your Local Secretary to be sure. Only current members are allowed to conduct business during scheduled Central Committee Meetings.

If your Central Committee Representative is unable to attend please call 800-448-3677

Central Committee Meetings are Smoke – Free

Please remember to send auction items for the Meeting of the Minds and Mid-South MILE Baskets with your Central Committee Representative

Don't forget to pre-register for the FEW Seminar on November 8th, 2008

Freedom Of Road Riders®, Inc. District 4

The 27th (sort of Annual)

Octoberfest 2008



October 3rd, 4th, & 5th

Gates open 4 p.m. Friday

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under 18 must be accompanied by parent or legal guardian
$40 Adult adm. + 1 year membership to FORR® (save $5)
$15 Ages 5 to 15
$10 Under 5
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Schedule of events

FRIDAY
Flat Track Races
Live Music by "The Breeze"

SATURDAY
Bike Show
Dirt Drags
Field Events
Lawnmower Races
Live music by:
"Voodoo Kitchen"
Mrs. Octoberfest Contest
Mr. Buns Contest

Tent & RV Camping ($25 for electric hookup), Food, Ice, and Alcohol on site

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Local 1 - Lee's Summit

Meetings: 3rd Sun. @ 2 p.m. Meeting location varies - call for Info
Contact: President - Larry 816-690-8822 or Rebel 816-850-4511 or Local1@FORR.net

Hello Freedom Fighters! All is well with Local 1. We have been having a better turn out at meetings lately - maybe due to the fact that there has been FREE food at the past two meetings. July's meeting was held at Mark & Dallas Chapmans in Bates City. Once Business was handled we finished up with some dogs and burgers on the grill with assorted sides. Thanks to Mark & Dallas to their hospitality! We all decided that this 'traveling meeting' thing was working well so we scheduled the next meeting to be in Holden at our place. Where will we be going next!!!

On a very sad note... We lost another brother: Phil Speiser - Local 35 passed away on July 11, 2008. Local 35 arranged a Memorial get together for Phil on August 2nd at the Tebo Creek Lodge Bar & Grill. Hope those of you that knew Phil attended. A big GET WELL to Pat Pollard. She had a bad fall and is recovering well. Best wishes to you on a speedy recovery!

OCTOBERFEST is just around the corner so get ready for this one! It will be held at the I-70 Speedway in Odessa, MO. It's always a GREAT time "Rain or Shine". Come on out!

Get ready for the overnighter this month! For more info contact Tracey Gore.

Hope all of you are staying cooooool. This weeks temps topped out at 99° - with the heat index of 115°! So keep in the shade and drink plenty of water - and no the water in the beer doesn't count!

Anyway - have a good one, then have another! See Ya, ***Rebel #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

Local 3 - Tri-County

Meetings: 2nd Tuesday @ 7 p.m. VFW Post 741, 200 Concourse Ave., Excelsior Springs, MO
Contact: Dour Edmisten 816-516-5869

Hello Local 3

Sorry I missed the last news letter, I was out of town and it just slipped my mind.

Congratulations to John and Marilee for the renewal of their wedding vows. It was a beautiful ceremony. There were not too many dry eyes in the house.

Not much else has been going on this month. We did have a few different faces at the last meeting, please keep coming and bring some friends. If we want to have events next year we need to get the participation at the meetings up. Remember please try to join in and participant in the other local's events to help support them. Until next time ride safe. ***Shari***

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

Hello Local five, I hope everyone is enjoying this great weather. Plenty of riding to be had. I try to ride to work every day it

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doesn't rain. I drive all over from Platte City to Raymore daily as a parts driver and I can tell you friends I have seen some of the most stupid people ever behind the wheels. Be aware of these fools. They aren't aware of us. One cool thing I do see is all the MO DOT signs reminding people of our presence. And to think we all know the lady who got that rolling!!!! Pretty cool.

We want to thank all of our sponsors again for a great Bike Show.

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Great job everyone.

Hopefully everyone has delivered their certificates of appreciation. All the certificates I have passed out were loved by the sponsors and they told us to come back next year.

Deanna would like to know if anyone has a NHTSA National Highway Transportation Safety Administration contact or might know how to find a contact to help her quest to go national with the digital signs. Please give her a ring 816-353-4763

Our condolences go out to Shirley and Kieth and family in the loss of Shirley's father George Howell. He passed August 3rd at 87 years old. Til we meet again, keep it in the wind. ***Kim***

Local 6 - St. Joseph

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 12:30 p.m. American Legion Post 359, 4826 Frederick, in St. Joseph, Mo.
Contact: 816-617-6316 or 816-387-1095

Howdy Folks, Casey and Shena Speer were married. The groom wore a black suit and the best man and groomsman wore black shirts, blue ties and black pants. The bride wore a white gown and the bridesmaids wore black gowns with straps over the shoulder. It was a very nice ceremony. Shena had a hard time getting the ring on Casey's finger. A few laughs when she finally got it on his hand. The reception was at Callison Hall. There was music and food. A good time was had by all. About 60 people attended the reception. Shena got Casey good with the cake. The champagne went well, they didn't spill a drop. They honeymooned in Minneapolis MN.

Ron and Joyce Canfield attended the 30th National Sidecar Rally in Duluth MN in June. It was a wet trip with a soggy campground and very cool weather. There were around 180 people from as far away as Florida and PA. Next year they will be headed to Lake Tahoe, CA.

Nick Swope Jr recently attended the Jerry Springer Show. We haven't heard any details yet but I am sure he had a good time.

We had several members and friends attend the Maysville 2nd Annual Old Fashioned Community Picnic on Sunday July 13. Those attending were Dan Harmon, Jim Cross, Darrell Coy, Gene Boeh, Heather Cross, Scott Clark, Dottie Poland, Bud Rials, Shena Speer, Harry and Glenda Kline and Ray and Brenda Swartz. We were the first group behind the historic fire truck in the parade. This was in honor of the WWII Vets. They had an abundance of delicious food, a couple of concerts, fishing contests for everyone from 6 to 95. Fireworks followed the concerts. There were about 300 people there and definitely something to plan on for next year.

The Breakfast Poker Run was July 19. We had four winners, Jessie Trump won first place of $100 cash, Second Place was Jim Cross and Third place was Jim Ernat. The Legion donated two dinners to the worst hand and it was won by Bob Herring. At the same time this was going on Local 6 helped put on a car and bike wash at Jackson Cycle. The folks who

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worked were Galen and Mrs. J, Jim Cross, Dan Harmon, and Harry Kline. Money from the washing went to the Lafayette High School Flag Corp for flags and uniforms. The Lafayette HS girls had a great time and many sunburns.

Melvin Silvey had an accident. The motorcycle ended up on top of him and he suffered some bad burns. He was in the hospital but is home now.

Larry Martin (Uncle Larry) was involved in a very serious motorcycle accident this week. He is still in the hospital in intensive care and is recovering.

Sept 13 will be a Bikini Bike and Car Wash and Ride in Bike Show at Jackson Cycle on S 59 Highway.

Sept 28th we are having a Poker Run and Family Run. Flyers will be in the mail shortly.

Happy Trails, til we meet again, Ride safe ***Dan***

Local 7 - Lebanon

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

Greetings all, Looks like the rain has tapered but on that same note the temperature has soared. Many days in the triple digits... July started off good for Local 7. Jerry, Randy, Angie, Guy, Kevin, Samantha, and the Queen and I went for a ride before the meeting. It was such a nice day for a ride that we were a little late getting back for the meeting. At the July meeting we learned that the USO ride made $1400 and Charlie needs to stay away from concrete saws. Charlie mentioned that everyone was welcome to come to the Freedom Rally meeting the next weekend so Robert Y, Charlie, Don, Guy and myself met at Dons around 10:30 planning to attend the meeting; little did we know however that the meeting was starting at 10:30. Hey that didn't stop us, we arrived a little late but better late than never. Local 7 received two awards from the M.R.F. and one of our own (Robert Y) received the Turkey Butt award. Wow who knew...The next day Guy road on a poker run at the Lake of the Ozarks and said it was a good ride. On the 17th of July, Mark, myself and the Queen headed for Little Sturgis. We met up with some members of Local 28 to enjoy doing what bikers do best. It was a good time. We had another great ride before the August meeting. Don, Beaver, Justine, Guy, Randy, Angie, and their son took about a hundred mile ride in what felt like 150+ degrees. Well maybe it wasn't quite 150 degrees but it was at the least 100. With heat rising up from the pavement it felt as if the rubber was melting from the bottom of my boots. Great ride anywho... At the August meeting we voted to send the state $600. We then voted to send Robert E. $100 and to wish him the very best. We would not be able to contribute to these worthy causes had it not been for all of the work Local 7 members participated in during the Freedom Rally. Good job all.

Local 8 - Chillicothe

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

GREETINGS LOCAL 8!! I hope as you read this newsletter you're kicked back some place cool drinking a nice cold beverage!

We haven't had a lot go in the past few months in the local. We're all winding down after Spring Fling and gearing up for the toy fund.

I want to welcome our new members: **Clyde Chapman, Denise Chapman, Jimmie Chapman, Bob Dimmett, Kenny Duckworth, Vickie Duckworth, Cary Grant, Kelly Hanes, Larry Hanes, Kenny King, Jenny Koenig, Gibb Selmon, Garrett Simpson, Mark Smith, Debra St. Clair, Bonnie Thomas, and Ray Thomas!!** I also want to thank those who renewed: **Susan Abeln, Richard Abeln, Gordon Becton, Lisa Becton, Earl Bitzenburg, Dennis Cole, Jim Corzette, Daniel Critten, Bill Cullen, Cendy Hambrick, Donnie Hambrick, Stephen Hunter, Tony Kirkendoll, Kathi Lake, John LaRue, Dale Lisby, Nolan Miller, Rodney Moore, Shandi Moore, Dennis Moss, Russell Moss, Lila Petre, Blackie Reed, Ed Roberson, Aaron Robinson, John Samm, Albert Sawyer, Thomas James, Knut Siebecke, Greg Simerman, Lisa Simerman, Joe Spiers, Jay Stevens, Allen Teeter, Julie Thomas, Terry Tipton, Darrell Underwood, Jerry Wilson, Georgia Winters, Larry Heisey, Laieloni Knouse, Rick Knouse, Tony Livingston, Layne Shady, David Critten, & Janan Rowland!!** Thanks to all of you for your continued support!!

We have some upcoming events you'll want to mark on your calendars.

- **August 29 – Sept 1 Homecoming in Buckhorn.** Go on down and enjoy the party, support the state and have a

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wonderful time!

• **September 12 –14 State Line Rally in Keosauqua IA.** Get your advanced tickets now for $25 and save yourself $5. I have some, Fergy has some, and he left some up at Ramjets (AA Muffler in Chillicothe).

• **Sept 7 Local 8's September meeting** was going to be located at Simpson Park, due to the Chautauqua in Chillicothe, we've moved the location of that meeting to the city park in Hamilton. We will have a noon carry in dinner and 1 pm meeting.

• **October 11 Annual Garage Sale** The ladies of the local have picked this day to host their annual garage sale. All proceeds from this sale will go to the local for the Toy Fund. If you have items for the garage sale and you want to bring them to Chillicothe prior to the sale, contact me. I have plenty of room in my garage for them.

• **November 2 Toy Run.** Time and location will be announced at a later date.

Layne asked me to let everyone know that every Sunday, even meeting days, he is planning a ride. Be at Chillicothe Hy Vee at 10 am. If you have any questions or suggestions you can contact him.

If you have any other questions of comments please feel free to contact me. As I've said before, if you are NOT getting regular emails from me and you have email - please email me at gely603@hotmail.com and let me know. If you are not getting meeting reminders in the mail and we have an email account for you then I am sending them to you in your email to save the local postage. If you would rather I sent them in the mail, be sure to let me know!

School is about to start and the teens and school buses will be out again in full force. Keep your eyes on the other drivers and be safe!

Until next time ~ Keep Smilin ~ ***Glenda***

P.S. Some of you may not have heard, Gordon & Lisa Becton will be moving out of the area to pursue other chapters of their lives. They have been wonderful supporters of FORR and are part of the heart of our local. They will be greatly missed and impossible to ever replace, but I think I speak for everyone in the local when I tell them we wish them the BEST OF LUCK with the new adventure, keep in touch and you will always be welcome back home with open arms!! Thank for you from the bottom of our hearts for the love and dedication you've put into our local the past 9 years!

Local 9 - Hannibal

Meetings: 1st Tuesday @ 7p.m. Elks Lodge, 411 Broadway, in Hannibal, Mo.
Contact: Raymond Nicosia 573-221-3417 or Joyce McArthur 573-231-5540

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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. Redings Mill Inn, 102 Broadlawn Blvd. Redings Mill, Mo.
Contact: 417-525-4998 OR www.FORR11.org

Howdy All from SWMO, I know I have been slacking a little with the newsletter, as you can see we have a new meeting location, we are going back to Redings Mill Inn, Our meetings were held there a few years ago until the fire on top floor. They closed the mill for a while, now its back open and under new ownership, Motorcycle Friendly too. Its a great place I think everyone should go check it out and bring themselves to a meeting. We are planning an appreciation party for all the members soon, Cowskins Fall Rally is right here as well, Toy runs are around the corner, maple leaf parade will be soon, and before you know it the temperature will drop 50 degrees and people will be complaining of the cold. Well such is life in Missouri.

Our bike show has a new date of May 16th 2009 seems the local is tired of dealing with cold weather and snow. So we are going to give a later spring date a try. Location is not confirmed as of yet. I will try to keep everyone updated as the event progresses. Elections of local officers are coming up at the November meeting, I have said this before and once again, If you don't like the way things are going with the local, now is your chance to make a difference. Everyone has a voice in the local. And everyone can be an officer. If you think you can do a better job, feel free to step up. The local doesn't mind a little variety.

We are still planning to do 2 toy runs for this area, one on November 1st (Joplin) and one on November 2nd (Carthage). Both to benefit Salvation Army, the Salvation Army has been good to us, donating tables and chairs for use at our bike show and this is one way we thank them for their help and what they do for the community. I say being active in community events help us be known to general public, and I do believe its working, being in maple leaf parade in Carthage every year is exciting. We are in the biggest parade in the 4 state area and to hear the applauds from the crowd lets us know that people are aware of our organization and what we do, we also pass out a lot of tri-folds and have increased the membership a little following a parade like that. We also have fun doing it.

So if anyone gets a chance, come check out Carthage Maple Leaf parade October 18th in Carthage Mo. its an event I am sure you will enjoy.

Til next time, ride safe and enjoy the rest of the season.

Mark "Sparky" Capps
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LOCAL 12 - GLASGOW

Meetings: 4th Thursday @ 7:30 p.m. Meeting place varies - please call for info.
Contact: 660-784-2231 or Smokey Strodtman - Rt. 1, Box 52, Gilliam, Mo. 65330 - smokeystrodtman@hotmail.com

IMPORTANT NOTICE: THE AUGUST MEETING WILL NOT BE HELD AT HOGS AND HEIFERS IN FAYETTE AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED. IT WILL BE HELD AT THE K-BAR TAVERN, 127 N. ELM ST., IN EMMA. *Camping will be available, as will breakfast at the K-Bar on Friday morning. Emma is located 4 miles west of Sweet Springs, just south of I-70 at exit 62. I've heard this is a really friendly place with lots of good folks as regulars.*

The July 24th meeting was called to order at 7:33 by Bert with 33 members and 5 guests present. The minutes were read and approved. Gary's treasurer's report showed a balance of $4,124.95. The total profit from the Firecracker Classic was $2,085.75, which was very good considering the weather conditions. We signed up 43 new members and got 12 renewals. There were almost 300 people that came through the gate.

Bert reported that the majority of the crowd came Friday night. He welcomed the new members to the local and thanked everyone that helped out at the Firecracker. He gave a special thanks to Jeff and Pam for getting so many new sponsors and Robin for working so many long hours at the gate.

Dave gave his C.C. report and in the interest of saving space I'll refer you to the C.C. minutes in this newsletter with a few points of interest included here. Local 12 has 90 members (this was before the Firecracker Classic) and there are 2,926 members statewide. As many of you know, Senator Chuck Graham has been a thorn in the side of F.O.R.R. for years in regards to the helmet law. Last fall he was involved in an accident in Jefferson City and refused a breathalyzer test, yet has magically retained his driver's license. F.O.R.R. is buying billboard space with the following message: "DRINK AND DRIVE AND YOU LOSE UNLESS YOU'RE CHUCK GRAHAM."

John reported that not much was happening in Jefferson City and we need to concentrate on defeating Chuck Graham. The 13 Grand giveaway tickets MUST be in by the August meeting or the individual holding them will be responsible for paying for them and John has a list of who has them.

Under old business, we decided to have the August meeting at the K-Bar in Emma.

Under new business a motion was passed to donate $200 to Josh Clemens, who was ***(Continued on page 18)***

A Warning

to FORR Brothers and Sisters

Most of us have never been "thrown out" of an organization, but seven members of Local 8 were recently "ejected" from a "club" operating in our area. Their mission is noble – protection of children who suffer at the hands of adult abuse. The mission was appealing, but the demands of this "club" proved to be such that we could not meet them, and as a result we were ejected.

What did they demand? 100% commitment to their "club." All members are expected to participate in all of the scheduled activities – it does not matter if there are family or job commitments – you must give 100%. And, they wanted to recruit for their cause and solicit support at Spring Fling.

When we look around our communities we notice that anyone riding a motorcycle that wants to be involved in an organization is already involved. Therefore, the same people will be active in other community organizations – doers are doers! So, it wasn't any surprise that the seven of us – all active Local 8 members – became active in working to protect the children in our community through this "club."

The people in power in their "club" did not approve of our association with FORR. We were reprimanded for allowing FORR members to ride with us on a mandatory ride – it just happened to be April 26 – FORR District 2 Proclamation Ride day. But the final straw was when we were told that a mandatory ride was scheduled for Friday, June 13 – that just happened to be the opening night of Local 8s annual Spring Fling – where all seven of us were scheduled to work! They expected us to make a choice – 100% commitment – or nothing – and we chose to work our shifts at Spring Fling – they got nothing.

Be warned, they will demand that anyone who becomes a member of this "biker club" will be asked to turn your back on your brothers and sisters in FORR – they demand 100% – or nothing. We offered them a helping hand for the benefit of the children involved. They bit it.

So we will give them nothing – 100% of nothing.

Bob Reasoner, FORR Member # 7233
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In Memory of
Phil Speiser

We lost another brother:

Phil Speiser - Local 35
Suddenly passed away on July 11, 2008 at the age of 64.

This dear man is one that, to those that knew him, looked up to him and admired him.

Phil will be sorely missed by all of those that have been a part of his life.

Say a BIG hello to Alice for us, and always keep your sunny side up!



***(A BIG thank you to Linda Hawkins for the wonderful picture of Phil that was submitted for this article.)**

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involved in a serious accident the night before the Firecracker. There was a discussion on having another poker run and field meet and a motion was passed to have it on Saturday, Oct. 11th. A starting point was briefly discussed and Gail was appointed chairman. We voted to donate $75 to Tony for expenses involved with using his tractor at the Firecracker Classic. A motion was passed to donate $200 to B.L. McDonnell, who hit a deer on the way to the Firecracker Classic and was badly injured. B.L. is an original FORR member who has done a lot to start many new locals in the state. A motion was passed to donate $400 to the Glasgow Chief of Police to buy software that he needs for accident reporting. The Glasgow Police Dep't. has always been very cooperative with us and will give us credit in the newspaper.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56. Ryan McCarthy's name was drawn for the incentive drawing but he was not present so it was rolled over until the August meeting. Folks, there is $194 in this pot and someone is going to win it eventually, but you have to show up at the meeting!

After the meeting, Gary informed us that the owner of the liquor store along Front St. (next to the river) in Glasgow had bad-mouthed the bikers who attended the Firecracker Classic and said that the barbecue contest folks were better people. This is just something to keep in mind the next time you need a 12-pack or some Jack.

Upcoming events:

8/28- local 12 meeting, K-Bar tavern, Emma
8/29-9/1- Homecoming Party, Buckhorn
9/13- local 33 fall poker run 660-909-3848
9/14- C.C. meeting, Jefferson City
9/25- local 12 meeting, watch this space
10/3-5- dist. 4 Octoberfest, I-70 speedway, Odessa
10/11- local 12 poker run and field meet, watch this space for starting point

If you have any news you would like reported, call me at 660-784-2231 or e-mail at smokeystrodtman@hotmail.com or see me at the meeting. Until next month.... be free, ***Smokey***

Local 13 - Mexico

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 2 p.m. @ the Moose Lodge in Mexico, Mo. Contact: 573-685-2369 or 573-581-7677

Summer is almost over...hope you have been ridin' as much as you can! We had a wonderful time on the Fun Run on July 19th that was planned out by Mike Davis & Karen Wills. All proceeds from the run went to the Sonny Barker Scholarship fund. Winnie, Trisha, and Travis Barker wanted me to be sure and thank Freedom of Road Riders and all who rode in the scholarship run. It was very hot that day and they really appreciate all who endured the heat. They specially thank Beth and I for contributing our winnings back to the scholarship fund and also Heath and Chris for cooking.

The Wonder Run is on August 23rd and will end at Lake Lenoir. Sign in is at the Mexico Moose Lodge, 205 S. Elmwood Dr., from 11:30 – 12:30. Last rider needs to be in by 5:30, auction begins at 6:00 with proceeds going towards our Toy Run, and live music by Olin Wiser from 8:00 – 12:00. Sober chauffeurs, camping, soda, ice, dinner/sandwich plates and concession stand will be available. Anyone that can help with gathering auction items, please contact Scott.

Upcoming events:

August 23rd – Wonder Run

September 13th – 2nd Annual Fallen Members Poker Run & Bike Show at Nick's Bar & Grill in Mexico. Nick's is on the southwest side of the square and sign in is

Local 13 - Mexico Missouri Sonny Barker Memorial Scholarship



Freedom of Road Riders Local 13 Sonny Barker Memorial Scholarship was presented by Mrs. Sonny (Winnie) Barker to Richard Burton of Centralia in May 2008.

Thanks to Nick Longo and Pat Hanley for all their work to organize this scholarship and raise the money to make it possible.

Pictured left to right: Winnie Barker, Pat Hanley, Richard Burton, Nick Longo, Scott Fennewald.

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from 11:30-12:30.

November 1st - Toy Run
December 13th - Christmas Party

Please call Scott Fennewald at 573-473-8017, Roger Gaston at 573-685-2369 if any questions about the Local or events, or for membership information contact Sue Gaston or Scott. Ride Safe! ***Stephanie***

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. Downing Station, Hollister, MO
Contact: 417-334-0775

Here we are at the end of the "dog days" of summer, which means it has been so hot all a person wants to do is lie in the shade. But the days will begin to cool off soon. The kids are back in school. We start the Legislative process again with high hopes for this year but also with the knowledge that because of our vigilance no new laws have taken away any more motorcycle rider rights.

Local 15 is geared up for our Annual Fall Bike Show and Swap Meet September 21st. All you bike builders and project people come on down because this is an "old parts" swap meet! For the price of your $5.00 entry fee you can shop for new and old treasures; put your bike in the bike show; and spread out a tarp and sell those miscellaneous items and old parts that you've accumulated.

The location has been changed, as there is still flooding on Bull Shoals Lake and Shadowrock Park in Forsyth is still closed. We will be on higher ground at Historic Rockaway Beach thanks to the G.G.M.C. donating land to the local Chamber of Commerce. We thank both organizations for the opportunity to continue to have this annual event, which is a major fund-raiser for Local 15. There will be a big tent for the bike show so no matter what the weather, this event will happen. Get in there and clean those garages and closets – so we can have a great event. There is no such thing as too many bikes to look at or too many old parts and biker stuff. Buy new stuff with the money you made from the old stuff.

(Local 15 Members – volunteers are necessary, bikes for a bike show are necessary, and sellers are necessary – see you there!)

Here are the scheduled upcoming happenings –

Aug 29 to Sept 1 Homecoming. This is great campout with fun for all. Bring new friends maybe they will join our organization. Thanks to all the Local 15 members that signed up to as volunteers to help – your Local is proud of you.

Sept 5th BS meeting has been moved from the 1st Tuesday to Friday because of Homecoming. 7:00 pm at Midnight Rose with cookout and a Band – come on down!!

Sept 15 Regular Business meeting in Downtown Hollister on Downing Street

Sept 21 Annual Bike Show and Swap meet (see the flyer) on Hwy 160 Rockaway Beach

Sept 24 to 28 Bikes, Blues, & Bar BQ in Fayetteville, AR. This is becoming a HUGE Event. Local 15 will have a pavilion tent set up at Greenland Campground south of Fayetteville for a gathering place and all FORR members are welcome to join in. There is an exit at Greenland on Hwy 71 south. Greenland Campground also provides entertain ment and has venders.

Savor the ride and ride safe!

This months quote "Four wheels move your body, Two wheels move your soul!"

later...chasing sunsets.....

Rose Atchley

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Local 16 - Cape Girardeau

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

Hello again it is that time of the month when I will try to fill you in on all of the things that are going on in Local 16. I hope that everyone had a safe trip to Sturgis and that it was a trip to remember.

If the newsletter gets to you in the mail in time, try not to forget the FORR Homecoming that will be at Buckhorn again this year. It will be on Labor Day Weekend, Aug. 29th to the 31st. It has been a good time in the past years. If you can work a shift it would be appreciated and you will get a shirt for helping. The local will also get $25 per person that will be applied to our yearly contribution to state.

If it gets to you really early there is the 4th Annual Michael's Poker Chip Run and Bike Show on Aug. 23rd. Sign in starts at 10 am to 12 noon. After the Run and Bike Show we will have a short Local 16 meeting.

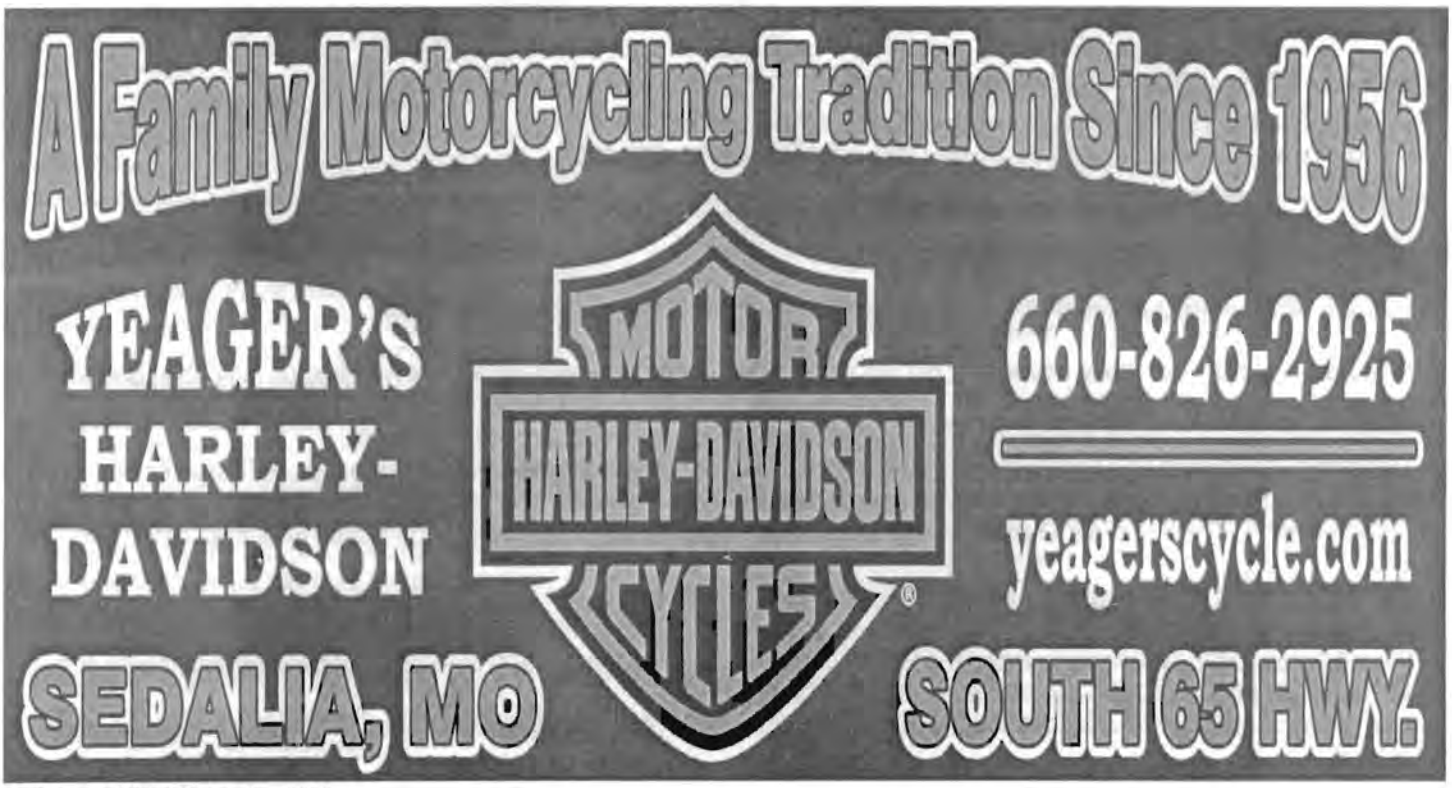
Sept. 20th will be the next Local Meeting at Bill on the Hill (Allen) in Altenburg, MO. Meeting starts at 2pm. Call for directions.The Louie Oswald Memorial Poker Run will be a benefit for Bobby Joe. It will be held on Oct. 4th. The starting spot will be at Pete's as it has always been, 1 mile south of Perryville on Hwy. 61. Sign in is from 12 to 1 pm. Still working on the ending spot and the Jimmy Lee Band is going to play again for us. They are the band that rocked at the April Fools Dance.

The Local also decided that this year we will be giving away a Henry Golden Boy 17 HMR. It has been ordered and I will get the tickets printed up soon. It will be given away at the Christmas Dance and Community Toy Drive. Stay tuned in because I think the date will be different from what was sent out on the calendar.

We will start getting the barrels out into the businesses around the beginning of November. Thanks also to Steve and Linda for taking care of some of the extra toys that we collected. They will be going to the Shriners and they will pass them out.That is all that I can think of this evening.

Hope that you all have many safe travels and see you down the road.

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

Local 19 -Kirksville

Meetings: 1st Saturday @ 6:30p.m. Shrine Club
Contact: President, Chuck Parks 660-766-2374 or Secy./Treas., Sally 660-665-2083

First and foremost let me apologize to all about not getting a newsletter in last time. I had a medical issue I had to take care of and didn't get the newsletter in, on time. Rest assured all is well now. Our son was born on July 21st at 11:23 p.m. Him and I are doing well.

Welcome our new members: Christina Teter, Lacy Young, Veronica Purdy, Kirk Robinson, Matthew Schuman, Annie Corbin, Sharon Hartman, Christine McIntyre, Christina Peak, Sandra Anchor, Nicholas Oliver and Bailey Montgomery.

The Sally Rally went well. Thanks to all those who helped put the party on.

A big congrats to Paula Fowler. She passed her instructors course and is now certified to teach safety courses. Congrats Paula. Well that's all for now. Ride safe. ***Kelly.***

Local 20 - Dexter

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

Local 21 - Eldon

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1 p.m. American Legion Post below Bagnell Dam. 573-365-5118
Contact: Lane at 573-392-5636

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

Hi to new and old! For those of you that did not grace us with your presence at our last meeting on July 15 in Bethany, this is your punishment....the minutes!

26 Members present and 4 guests. Pres. Kathy Rice called the meeting to order @ 8:00 p.m.

Treasurer Resignation and appointment of new Treas.: Members agreed to accept the resignation of Treasurer Don Wyne. Members voted for Bob Phillips as the new Treasurer. No objections, the vote was unanimous for electing Bob Phillips. Treasurer Report: The treasurer's report was given by Pres. Kathy Rice and approved. The State Treasurers report was also given.

Secretary Report: The Secretary's report was read and approved.

CC meeting report: Jeanine Montgomery reported on the CC meeting her and Ed attended on July 13, in Jefferson City.

New Business: Rob Wilson announced the Bedford Rally is to be held Aug. 15-17 and asked for volunteers to help with it. Kathy reported that Local 26 raised a total of $325 for Camp Quality.

Bike Show: Sandy Jones stated that donation letters for the Bike Show were sent out late and asked for donations from members.

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Pres. Rice reported that plaques were ordered for the Bike Show and asked for a vote that we offer a free entry fee for the Bike Show for any participants that signed up as new FORR members. It was voted on and approved.

Pres. Rice asked if we would like to give Keosaugua ticket discounts to members that work a shift at the Rally. Linda P. motioned that a limited number (up to 26) of persons get half price tickets if they work a shift at the Keosaugua, Iowa "End of Summer Rally." Jay Steeby seconded it, it was approved. Advance tickets are $25 and $30 at the gate. Advance tickets are available at Pitzenbergers (Mike's Cycles).

Pres. Rice announced she is wanting to construct a "time line" organizational chart for FORR annual events. She asked for help with it from members that have knowledge of our events.

The need to start planning for the Christmas Party was mentioned.

Linda Pizenberger won the door prize.

Meeting was adjourned @ 8:25p.m.

Now for the rest of the stories....Welcome new members!! Bruce Jackson, Duane White, Paul Palmer, Ron McCrary, and Ron Darnell. Thanks also to Roy, Sandy, and Mike for recruiting them. As always, thanks to all the renewal members too! We need you to show the newbies the best places to eat and protect them from Paul's interrogations. J

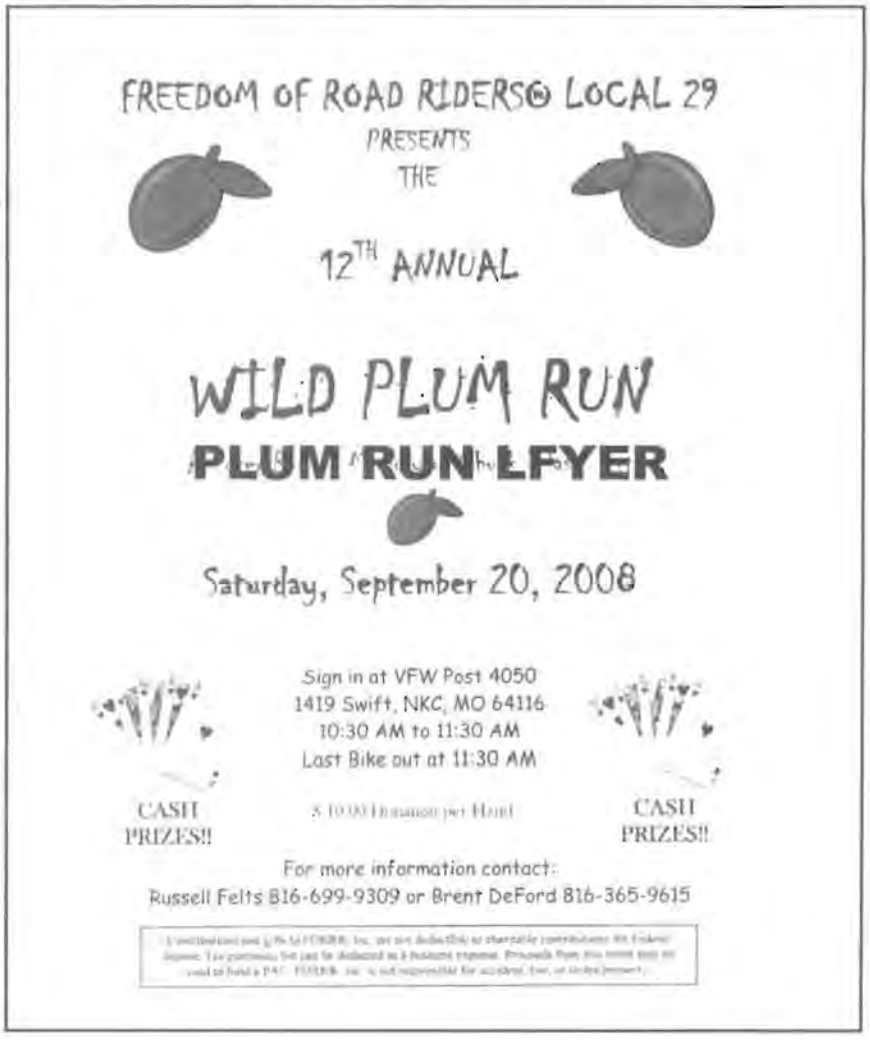
Thank you Don for your help as Treasurer. Your new work hours put a hardship on this position and we understand your need to resign. We appreciate your efforts.

Our ride in Bike show was July 19th and thanks to Linda, Sandy, Roy and Jay it was a success. The following are the results: Scooter—Gary Carmichael, Harley Shovel—Big Bird, Harley Twin Cam Stock Softail—1st Paul Jones, 2nd Linda Pitzenberger, Harley Twin Cam Stock Dyna—Sandy Jones, Harley Twin Cam modified Dyna—1st Randy Schank, 2nd John Maxwell, Harley Evo stock—Rick Frampton, Harley Evo Modified—Dustin Law, Harley Sporster Rubber Mount—1st Dustin Hanig, 2nd Connie Denbow, Harley Evo Modified Sportster—Ronnie Denbow, Harley Touring Dresser—1st Pat Null, 2nd Don Wyne, 3rd Walt Smith, Trike—Roy Brown, Asian Touring Dresser—1st Milt Sovereign, 2nd John Rader, Asian Cruiser—1st Mark Keho, 2nd Ken Scott, Asian Cruiser Modified—1st Adam Riley, 2nd Kathy Rice, Asian Cruiser Below 1000—Cory Ashbaugh, Sportbike—1st Andy Macias, 2nd Shaun Bodle, Custom—Larry Wickersham, Antique—Sid Prader, Side Car—Gary Maxwell, Rat—Bob Jackson, BEST OF SHOW: RANDY SCHANK.
Congratulations to everyone and thanks for entering.

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The Eat n Ride to Pinatas Mexican in Savannah was rained out. Eat n Rides coming up are: Aug.19th Meeting at the Club in Mound City, Sept.2nd at the Rib Crib in St. Joseph, Sept. 9th at China 1 in Savannah, Sept 16th Meeting at the Bistro on Hwy H, Sept. 23 at Dolly's in Braddyville, and Sept 30 at the Iron Horse in Stanberry. Hope to see everyone, "the more the merrier"...and louder!!

Other rides and events:



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HOMECOMING 2008: Aug. 29-Sept. 1, Buckhorn, MO END OF THE SUMMER RALLY, KEOSAUGUA, IA: Sept. 12,13,14. Get your tickets at Pizenbergers and get signed up to work!! Indianola Iowa Bike night is Sept. 19th.

We have a member that is campaigning for a local office. Good Luck to Lewis Rice who is running for Treasurer! Good Luck also to Ben Espey who is running for re-election for Nodaway County Sheriff. WOW! Guess I made up for last months missing write up. Now for some "Food for Thought". A Group of Americans, retired teachers, recently went to France on a tour. Robert Whiting, an elderly gentleman of 83, arrived in Paris by plane. At French Customs, he took a few minutes to locate his passport in his carry on.

"You have been to France before, monsieur?" the customs officer asked sarcastically. Mr. Whiting admitted that he had been to France previously. "Then you should know enough to have your passport ready." The American said, "The last time I was here, I didn't have to show it." "Impossible. Americans always have to show your passports on arrival in France!" The American senior gave the Frenchman a long hard look. Then he quietly explained. "Well, when I came ashore at Omaha Beach on D-Day in 1944, I couldn't find a Frenchman to show it to. "God Bless America and a BIG thank-you to all the veterans who have served our Country!! Be safe and Live to Ride!! ***Jeanine***

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

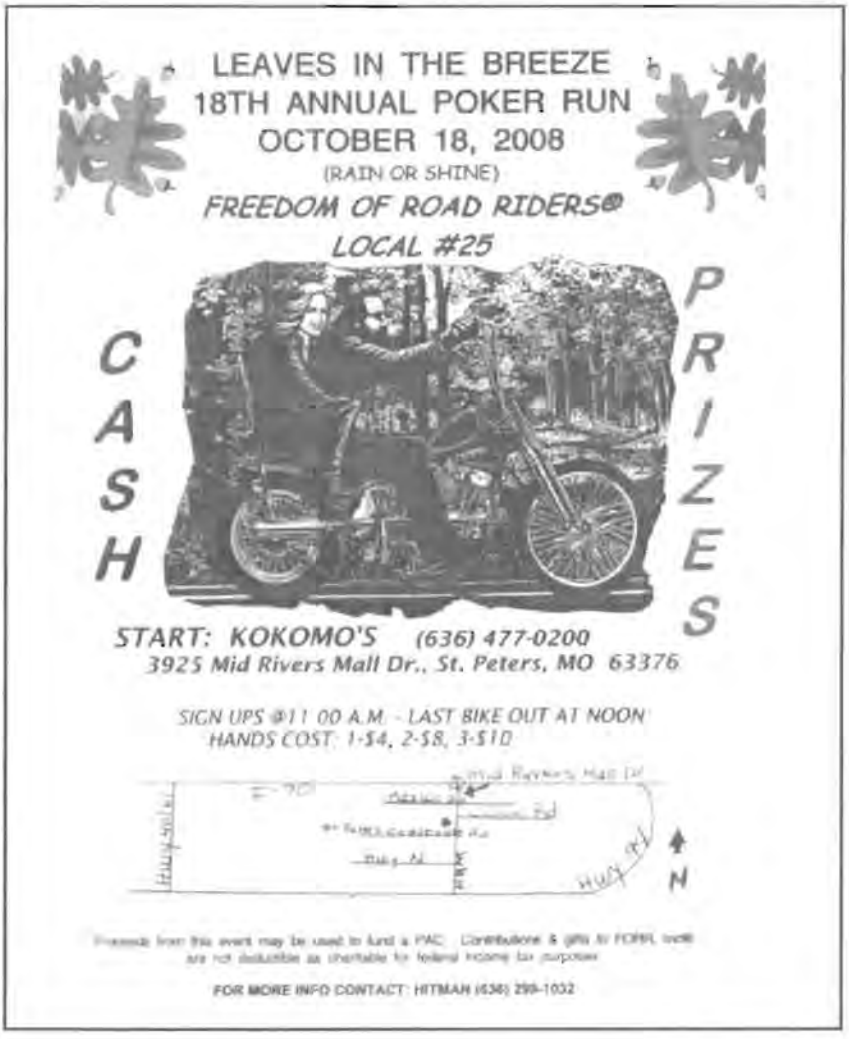
We've suffered great tragedy and we're trying to get back on our feet. Please keep Ray & Darla Burns and their family in your prayers, as well as Perry & Julie Witt.

We are helping on a community fundraising event set for Saturday August 23rd. Many of you have heard of Kara Kopetsky, I am sure. Kara vanished on May 4th 2007 from Belton High School, and hasn't been heard from since. Kara's grandfather, Jerry Moore is a resident in our area. There will be a fish fry on 8/23 at 4 p.m. to help raise money for the reward fund to find Kara. This event will be held at Trail Inn Tavern, 185 NW Highway E in Roscoe, Missouri. For directions and more information, call Bobbi at 417-646-8962. Please join us in supporting Kara's family and please pray for Kara.

Local 28 - Waynesville

Meetings: 1st Friday @ 7 p.m. Pulaski Shriners Club. Contact: 573-528-6409 or 573-774-3596

Local 28 has grown in membership again we are at approximately 364 members with many new members joining. We had a goal this year for each member to bring in one new member and we have until the end of the year to fulfill that goal. If you know a past member who let their card expire, try to get that person to renew. We welcome all who want to be a part of Local 28.



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The weather has been unbearable this summer with the constant rain in June and July and then with the 100-degree heat in early August. It's a good reminder to make sure we do proper maintenance on our bikes checking the oil and fluids as well as making sure the tires are inflated properly. Also watch out for animals, the armadillos are really bad this time of year.

The Annual Halloween Bash will be October 25, but there is much work to be done ahead of time. Watch for e-mails and sign up sheets for workers and committees concerning the Bash. It is a great way to have fun scaring the tar out of kids and to raise money and support the Shriner's Children's Hospital. If anyone is interested in Lucky 13 raffle tickets be sure to see Tim and either check out a book to sell or buy tickets. The winner will be announced at Homecoming and will receive $13,000 to be used at any motorcycle dealership in the country. Ride safe and see you next month. ***Connie***

Upcoming Events: **August 29-September 1 – Homecoming** **September 27 – Fall Poker Run**
October 25 – Halloween Bash **November 1 – Toy Run**

LOCAL 29 - NORTH KANSAS CITY

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1 p.m. at VFW Post 4050, 1419 Swift. Contact: Jim Duyck 816-454-6574 or Brent DeFord 816-3659615 or Website: www.forrlocal29.com

NATIONAL POW-MIA RECOGNITION (9/19)

PAST: Welcome all new members! There were 31 members and 6 guests (Elizabeth & Joker Garrison, and Brandy, Jason, Brandon, and Thomas Witthar) in attendance at the July 20th Business Meeting. Thank you all for attending! MEETING HILIGHTS: FORR has a new office manager, Sharon Snieder of Kirksville. $165 was raised at the Sarah Steelman Fundraising Picnic; Josh, a representative for Steelman, was very informative and everyone seemed to be having a good time (even with the rain). Our very own Bob Neal was one of the Freedom of Engineer Award recipients at the July CC Meeting. Brent DeFord and Ken DeMoss were the Local's choice, with Ken being the selected nominee for District 4 Misfit Award; Final decision will be announced at Octoberfest. Nancy DeMoss resigned from her position as Historian due to work conflicts; Nancy Martin agreed to fill the position for the remainder of the term. Nancy Martin is creating a Memory Book of all our Lost Brothers and Sisters. July's Membership Incentive of $30 would have been awarded to Vinetta Garnett had she been present to win (August's incentive will be $40). Steve Stamper won the Attendance Incentive of $35. Congratulations Steve! Ann Dodson would like to thank everyone who has donated items for the Basket for Mid-South M.I.L.E. And let me end by mentioning the other Freedom of Engineer Award recipient, a past Local 29 member, Phil Spieser. Phil passed away recently and will be greatly missed. His brother, Beryl, had these

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words to say to the membership, "If you ever start feeling dizzy, etc., pull over and stop (like Phil did); be considerate of others...don't take anyone with you..." Phil, Sheila, and the rest of the Spieser family...our thoughts are with you.

PRESENT: September Membership Expiration Reminders are going out to Sissy Archer, Larry Baker, Brad Bolton, Ronda Felts, Kevin Linney, Dawn Luce, Matt McCord, Amanda Moore, Lisa Raber, Gary Reeves, Daryl Rogers, Paul Stephenson, and Steve Williams. If you have already submitted you're renewal, Marvelous! If not... Do it! I'd like to acknowledge all the September Birthday bikers and bikerettes, too, including (but not limited to) John Newberry (9/15), Sheila Neal (9/18), and Don Jackson (9/19)...Happy Birthday! If you would like your birthday announced in the Freedom Press please e-mail or call me with your birthdate.

FUTURE: September begins with the end of Homecoming at Buckhorn. The 20th is when we have our Annual Wild Plum Run, in honor of Chuck "Flash" Utter. Profit raised from the Poker Run will be donated to FORR Rider's Education/Safety. L29's Business Meeting for September is scheduled for the 21st (Bob & Sheila Neal are providing lunch). Local 29's monthly Dinner Run is riding to Frankie D's in Kansas City, Kansas on the 23rd. The month ends with several members making their way to the 24th Annual Meeting of the Minds in Denver, Colorado (9/25-9/28); Ronda Felts will have her trip paid for by Local 29.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH: It is never too late to be what you might have been.

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, where the Rides Rule and the Riders Reign!
"Talk to ya" next month, ***NeQuelle***

Local 30 - Nixa

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday @ 7 p.m.
(Locations varies - call for more info)
Contact: Pops at
moore1031@sbcglobal.net
or call 417-881-2795

Local 31 - Rolla

Meetings: Last Tuesday @ 7 p.m. Phelps Co. Choppers 210 E 6th Street Rolla, MO
Contact: Brian Swift 573-263-1216 or Debra Johns 573-762-3803

Hi to all my biker friends, lots & lots of riding going on now with all of the bike activities. When you get this report I will most likely be at the Homecoming or just left out of there.

Hope mother nature is kind to all of us this year. This is a great opportunity to meet up with some of our old friends we only get to see maybe once or twice a year. Hope you are fortunate enough to get to attend.

Just a reminder.....Sep. 21

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Local 15 Swapmeet/Bikeshow (Forsyth) This can be a beautiful ride thru our hills! Sep. 27 Bike Show (Houston, Mo.) 9:30 a.m. Bring a new toy for entrance fee or to vote. Winner (Peoples Choice) is $500.00. 417-962-3815

Remember always be on the lookout for the unexpected. We recently had a black bear run out in front of an automobile down our way. This is something else to watch out for & a little harder to see at night.

So till next time guys & gals, this is ***"Kickstand"*** saying "Ride Safe!"

Local 32 - Bootheel

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

Greetings Brothers and Sisters, summer is drawing to and end, and it has been a good one for Local 32. We have attended most of the events sponsored by other groups in our area, and they in turn have supported us. Having, and riding, a motorcycle is in part it's own reward. Mine is parked in front of my car and I may not ride it every day, but I look at it every time I get in the car and just seeing the bike makes me smile. But in addition to the bike and the riding there is an important additional factor to the full enjoyment of having a motorcycle and that is the other people that are involved. Most people like to be around people that share the same interests, and since we are all interested in motorcycles that makes coming to the meetings and going to the events interesting and fun.

I know the primary purpose of FORR is to uphold our rights, but all politics can make for a dull organization. We at Local 32 believe in the goals of FORR, but we have a hell of a lot of fun expressing our beliefs! See you at the next meeting. ***ACE***

Local 33 - Hwy. 50 West

Meetings: 3rd Sunday Noon @ AM Vets on Hwy. 50 West. Knob Noster. Contact: President - Dennis Guy 660-909-3848. For newsletter input Contact: John Cohen at j_cohen@charter.net

The July meeting took place on the 20th at 12:06 p.m. There were 27 members and 5 guests present.

It was reported that thanks goes out to all who attended the celebration of life for Jerry Horton who passed on June 22nd .The family appreciated the support of the large number of bikes in the parking lot.

The Freedom Rally went off great this year. A record attendance took place. Local 33 only missed one work shift. Randy Farris and Alan Miller were elected as primary positions for the rally along with Terry and Rob as alternates.

The Got lost poker run took place for the first time in the history of it by being held in Missouri. A member had a flat tire and spend considerably time and money getting it fixed and back on the road.

The cool evening poker run took place and a great time was had by all. The route was great. The winners were 1st Dirt Cohen, 2nd Chris Williams, 3rd Terry Osban and 4th Ben Brown.

The fall poker run will take place on September the 13th. Sign in is between 12 noon and 1:00 p.m. It will start at Moo Choo Barbeque in Oak Grove and end at AM VETS in Knob Noster.

One of our members who's name is Crystal had her newborn, Olivia with her at the meeting. Olivia is now the newest and youngest member of our local.

We have many bike show T-shirts left if anyone is interested in purchasing. The price is $10 each.

The incentive drawing would have been won by Mary Glidewell if she had been present. The George Washington drawing was won by Alan Miller. Hope you all went out and voted. If not, then do not complain if someone you wanted to win did not. Your one vote could have made all the difference. ***John (Dirt) Cohen***

Local 34 - Poplar Bluff

Meetings: 3rd Wednesday @ 6 p.m. Leathers By Fish 1413 Walnut St. Doniphan, MO
Contact: 573-996-2229 *(Day)* or 573-85-2406 *(Night)* e-mail: *leatherbyfish@windstream.net*

Greetings all, Hope your summer has been filled with lots of riding?

We faithful few of Local 34 are still plugging along best we know how. We finally managed to pull off a meeting!!! We

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actually had 14 people show up, and signed up 3 new members. Welcome aboard Anthony, Frank and Wendell !! Sure glad to have some new blood injected into this tired old local. Nothing of any note on our social calendar.

I am helping to promote a new rally. This is put on by a group of Veterans for the benefit of the Veterens home in Cape Girardeau. In the past two years they have raised $52000 with just two poker runs. This year they are also staging a four day rally Sept. 4-7. All proceeds to go to the Veterens. This is a very worthy cause. I hope a bunch of y'all come out for the fun. You can contact me for further info. I'll be happy to email you a copy of the flyer with directions and general info. Please support this one, it's for our fighting men and women. Regardless of your stand on the situation, we wouldn't be the "land of the free, without the brave who fight for us". If we don't see you at the meetings, maybe we'll see you on the road, or at one of the local rallies. Enjoy the summer riding weather! ***Duck-K***

leathersbyfish@windstream.net - 573-996-2229 days or 573-857-2406 eves

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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

I really don't know where to start this month's report, as it has been crazy in our area. First off, Local 27 Vice President lost his 22 year old son. Then on July 11th we lost Phil Speiser of Local 35. Then was informed that Sam King from Local 33 was in the hospital's ICU in KC, and on the 20th, Local 33 had a member go down in an accident, of failure to Yield by the car. Last I was notified that my best friend from school had died on Aug 2nd. Dam, things have got to get better.

Most of this article will be devoted to Phillip Speiser. Phil had come by my office that morning to tell me he was meeting a lady friend for coffee and would meet me there later. I arrived just as Irene was leaving and I had my breakfast as he finished his. While we were bull shitting with the bunch we have coffee with every morning, Phil got the call that his bike was ready. That afternoon, Phil dropped by with a huge smile, as he rode up. Hell, he had even put a new tire on it. He told Linda and I, he was going to go for a long ride, then head for Chilhowee for dinner. Then he was going to ride some more and he would see us Friday. I received the call at the meeting I was attending that , Phil had passed on. As everyone will agree, Phil showed us the correct way to leave this planet. Stop your motorcycle, put the kickstand down, then lay your head on the tank and say Good by. No trashed motorcycle and a pretty face in the casket. Only Phil.

As Phil left this planet on Friday and the Funeral was Monday, a lot of people could not make the services in KC. As Linda and I were thinking of a surprise 65th birthday for Phil, we turned in to his Memorial for to celebrate his life with his family. We had a great turn out with friends dropping in all afternoon. Don't forget about Homecoming this month. Yes this month as Labor Day, this year is the earliest it can be in September. Local 35 will have its pavilion wired and ready to go by then. Lets hope the other people realize that it is our pavilion and don't try to take it over as they did at the Freedom Rally. Maybe a lot of people don't realize, but the pavilions at Buckhorn are built and paid for by the locals that have their identification on them. We will gladly share, but it would be nice if they would leave us enough room to camp by our pavilion.

Till next month ride safe and hopefully some day FREE That smelly, non bathing , fat greasy biker. As referred to by a State Representative and MODOT Mr. Rahm.

Bob Hawkins

Local 40 - Bethany

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

Hellooooooo Local 40! At our last meeting the president, cc rep, district chairman, and newsletter editor were the only ones to show up at the meeting. We voted to have a big party after the meeting. It was one hell of a party. Rex and I rode down to Cameron's bike show. We both came home with a trophy and Rex won the grand prize. Our next meeting will be August 26th at Dos Mexican restaurant at 6:00 if anybody cares. Hope everybody that went on vacation had a good time. Bethany fair is coming up so be sure to wear your helmets and don't eat any brownies.

STEMS



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Local 41 - Cameron Crossroads

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

Hello, hope all is making it through our heat wave, by the time you read this it may be all over! Thanks to everyone who helped at the Bike show, if you worked or brought your bike in it was Appreciated!! Big Thanks to Mike Sims and Rex Lacy from Local # 40, they helped work the event! We do appreciate it very much! A BIG Thanks to our sponsors Kings Barber in Cameron was a trophy sponsor. Main Event Sponsors Vivco in Maysville, Mv Auto in Weatherby, McCorkell's in Cameron. We also had several places donate door prizes Car Quest, Maysville, also had Several Others! Thanks to everyone of you! We would not be able to have this with out your help! Please support our sponsors and while your there tell them Thank you!! Our winners are as follows: (Drum Roll Please)

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Best of Show Joe Fouquet, Best of Paint Tom Wenzel,
Peoples choice Randy Shank

Congrats to you all!

If anyone is planning on going to Homecoming let our VP, Steve Gallus know, so we can sign up to work a shift. Steve and Mike Sims have been talking about going, I kinda think Rex will be going. Anyway give him a call. The more people the shorter the shift.

Ok we have went back to our meetings on Thursday nights at 7pm at Breadeaux Pizza. We will have fun runs on the weekends, then we can seperate fun and business. Hope to see you there! Later Ride safe and free, ***Angie***

Local 42 - Franklin County

Meetings: Last Sunday @ 11:30 a.m. Roadhouse 100 in Gray Summit, Mo.

Contact: President - Bill Lynn 636-451-2171

Hi – Local 42. Our July meeting was held on July 27, 2008 and was called to order at 11:45 am. There were only 11 members present so the meeting was short. Bike tickets or money needs to be turned in to Bill Lynn now. Attendance prize was won by Dan Whitt. We had an excellent turnout for our School Supply Poker Run that was held on July 13th. The money collected was presented to Paulette Hensley, Coordinator of the Back to School event held by the Jefferson-Franklin Community Action. The Back to School Distribution was held on Friday, July 25 at East Central College – what an experience. If you have a chance to volunteer next year, please do. We helped to provide school supplies to over 324 children in the Franklin County area.

Changes to August and September meeting dates: August meeting will be held on August 24th. September meeting will be held on September 21st. Congratulations to Keifer York for recently becoming our first life-time member.

Grandma Sam patches are now ready and can be purchased for $5.00 each. ** ***Note to consider:*** Officer nominations

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will be here before you know it. Please consider taking on an officer position. We have several who have voiced that this will be their last year.

Make sure to mark your calendar with these 2008 upcoming events.

Annual Hartbauer/McBride Poker Run - Sunday, August 24th – registration begins at 9:00 am at Doc' s Harley Davidson

Bike Show & Rib Cook-Off – Sunday, September 28th at the Pacific Eagles.

FORR Statewide Toy Run – Sunday, November 2nd. Details to come later.

Next meeting will be on Sunday, August 24th at 11:30 am at the Roadhouse 100; hope to see you there.

Pictures to the right are from School Supply Poker Run.

Take care and ride safe,

Alma





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 @ 4 p.m. Percy's Bar and Grill 7500 Oldham Rd. Contact: 816-358-2593

IMPORTANT MEETING CHANGE: UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, THE LOCATIONS OF THE MONTHLY LOCAL MEETINGS WILL NO LONGER BE HELD AT PERCY'S ON OLDHAM RD.

PLEASE CONTACT VP/SECY DEB at 816-868-9369 or TREAS TINA at 816-289-6408 FOR MEETING LOCATIONS. THE DAY AND TIME WILL REMAIN THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH AT 4:00 PM. THE SEPTEMBER MEETING WILL BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 21st, 2008 AT 1:00 pm at the CITY PARK in KCK.

Hope this submission finds everyone in good health and enjoying safe riding!!

I'd like to take a minute to welcome our newest members: Eli, Rick, and Jerry who all signed up at our poker run. Welcome to the local guys! Rodney and Rick, hope you all are up and runnin' again in good health really soon.

The all KC MC SC Annual Picnic is coming up in September. It will be September 21, 2008. This year the picnic is being held in Kansas City, Kansas at the city park. City Park is very easily accessible from I-70 and Park Drive. It is also the same day as Bikers for Babies that his held at the speedway, so if you go to that, try to stop by the picnic afterward. It will go until 7:00PM. As of now we have a live blues band lined up (DC Bellamy and Americas most wanted) in addition to the DJ. As usual there will be the FORR L46 sponsored FREE bike show, games, and excellent food. As always everyone is welcome, but leave your attitudes at home! Watch for the flier in the September Freedom Press.

Octoberfest sounds like it will be really great this year at the I-70 speedway. I am looking forward to seeing the new site.

Hope everyone continues to ride safe and stay healthy!!

Any questions, feel free to contact Tina or myself anytime.

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Letter to the editor

As I write this, it is the eve before election day and I wonder. Will it do any good, to take my time tomorrow, to go and vote in this non-democracy State? Let me tell you why I'm stating this. We have worked our ass off year after year to help and get the right people elected to office. Four years ago the now standing Governor, came to us to help get him elected. I feel we were beneficial in his win. I know we gave him more money then any other politician, we have ever backed. Even after the election we gave money to help to pay for this and that. The first year he was in office, he told us he didn't help us because he had his priorities. OK, I could except that, because he said he would be behind us the rest of the way. Right, what the hell did he do? Did he ask the people in his party to help us to stop the, NO Breath TEST taking Senator from Columbia? NO NO NO . This old Freedom Fighter's thoughts are: They will all stand there and tell us that we have their full support, knowing that the, No Breath testing Senator is there to stop us. Then all we hear is, we would have voted for you if it had come up to a vote. Where and the hell were they this past year when Senator Ridgeway was pleading for the Senate to just let it come to a vote? Myself, I'm to the point when we need to say, Mr./Ms politician, you produce, then you get our money. I don't know of any other job that gets paid before they do their job. Do any of you?

We have accomplished several things on the Hill, but most of these have really been things that should have been passed without us pounding on their doors and giving them all of our money. I believe our first Bill that passed, was to help establish the riders course and safety center. Second, was the changing of the penalty for not wearing a helmet, from a maximum of $1000. and 3 points on your license, to a $25. fine, no court cost and no points. Third was the $5. to go to the safety course on tickets. Fourth, getting one of our members on the safety program committee. Fifth was passing of clutches law 2 years ago. But when you stop and think about it, it should have been a no brainier that this law was needed. WE should not have had to beg and plead with congress to get this Bill passed.

Yes, we have almost always been able to get the helmet modification bill through the House, but only once through the Senate. If you are not familiar with the difference between the two its very simple. The Senate is so bound up in ancient traditions, that they can't get anything done. In the Senate, all it takes is one person being purchased by our opposition, to put a stop to our bill. I have heard it over and over. When our Bill passes the House, the media says don't worry, the Senate has more sense than the House. What they don't tell the general public is, ONE Senator is all the opposition has to have, to kill the Bill. The Senate will not break tradition and shut him up. It would be great, if there was only one Senator elected, that had enough guts to stand up for what is right and break their stupid tradition and move the Senate into at least the 20th century, let alone the 21st.

From that Fat Greasy biker or am I that smelly biker that hasn't bathed in two weeks. So stated by a house member this year and MODOT Mr. Rahm in 2005.

Bob Hawkins; Membership # 5960

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FORR District 1

Hey district 1, We will not have a meeting until December 5th at Cameron at 7:30. At this time we will elect new officers and start making plans for district rally. Hopefully we will still have 5 locals to help out. It's not looking good for a couple of us. Only time will tell. Hope to see you at Homecoming. ***Stems***

FORR Firecracker Classic Report

Special event report: local 12 Firecracker Classic field meet, poker run, and party

Back in 1984 a group of Central Committee officers put together a new type of run, a poker run with six different starting points with a different game at each stop and a $500 cash prize. The run would end in Glasgow, a beautiful old river town right on the banks of the mighty Missouri. The main purpose of the run was to introduce new groups of riders to FORR and it was a big hit. In succeeding years FORR would branch out to new areas of the state, giving us additional clout in the state Capitol. The name of this event was the Firecracker Classic. In the years ahead it would go through several phases and for a while was a big fundraiser for the safety program. Then for a few years it went away.

A few years ago local 12 of Glasgow needed a new theme for their annual fundraiser and they resurrected the Firecracker Classic, turning it into a three day party with a poker run, field meet, and bands on Friday and Saturday night. It again was a hit with the only problem being an occasional tantrum from Mother Nature. As local 12 geared up for 2008 there were several concerns. The river had flooded Stump Island earlier in the year and we were in the middle of one of the wettest years on record. As the weekend neared the forecast did not look good.

As setup proceeded on the Thursday before the event, the first bike came through the gate. The members worked throughout a sweltering humid day and by that evening had everything ready to go. Then the first tragedy of the weekend struck. While riding home from Glasgow, local 12 member Josh Clemens lost control of his bike on a curve and struck the ditch, breaking both of his legs. Several members rushed to his aid. As the ambulance left the scene we all secretly hoped this wasn't an omen for the weekend to come.

Friday again dawned hot and humid and as the day went on riders began to arrive from all over the state. Several vendors were set up and they perused their wares and quenched their thirsts in the beer garden. Many exchanged biker stories and reminisced about trips and events past. The mood was suddenly somber as word came that B.L. McDonnell, long time FORR member and great friend to many of us in local 12, had hit a deer on hwy. AA. Local 12 members hurried to the scene where they found B.L. being loaded into an ambulance. We would later find out that he had broken a collarbone, shoulder, five ribs, and bruised a lung.

As day darkened into night, our Friday night band, Highway 11, set up and began playing some great rock and roll. The shelterhouse floor was covered with dancers rocking out to the great tunes. The beer garden was doing a great business and good times abounded for everyone present. The band played till nearly 1:45 to an appreciative crowd. Several of us ended up in the beer garden drinking a final round, happy for the great crowd but concerned for our brothers, Josh and B.L.

Saturday dawned bright and early with many bikers heading uptown to get some breakfast. While there, they saw an ominous picture on the weather channel as heavy storms were headed our way from Kansas. Riders began arriving around 9 and set up

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NOW **we are in 2008 and have only received donations from three locals. I will not say whom because one of the Locals I can't remember.**
I am soooooooooooooo sorry about my CRS.

Ann Dodson
Product Line Manager
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CC rep Local 29

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their tents in the camping areas around Stump Island. There was a good mix of bikes with Harleys, Metric bikes, Triumphs, Moto Guzzis, a BMW, and even a Volkswagon trike riding in. Signup started for the bike show and poker run. One of the highlights of the morning was when Gloria drove in and visited with many of us for a couple of hours. It was great to see her out and about after her near death experience only three months earlier.

The bike show began with a lot of fine iron present in several different categories. The crowd walked amongst the gleaming machines, discussing their favorites. I must apologize here in that I didn't get the winner's list from John but we thank everyone who participated for helping us put on such a fine show. One nice thing about this show was that there wasn't a trailer queen in the bunch, all bikes were ridden in.

Riders began gathering for the parade uptown just as the first drops of rain began to fall. The Glasgow Police department must be commended in allowing this to be a helmets optional parade and many riders enjoyed the feeling of wind in their hair. By the time the parade returned and the poker run began the rain was falling in earnest and everyone sought shelter under the main tent or in the beer garden. They were entertained by tunes from our DJ service, Mo. River Music. Mike the DJ would later do a fine job in announcing our field events.

The riders from the poker run returned and the winners were announced. Lyndal had the top hand and very generously donated his winnings back to the local treasury. Mike Arms came in second. The rain had finally subsided and the field events began. The first one was a new event that proved very popular with the crowd, the panty pin-up. The passengers were required to clothespin some panties on a clothesline while the rider balanced the machine at slow speeds. Sizes ranged from demure to HUGE. The winners were Travis and Elisha, with Jeff and Tanya coming in second.

Next up was the cone race and Bert and Jessica were the winners with Travis and Elisha coming in second. The third event was the ball toss and Bert and Jessica again prevailed with Travis and Elisha finishing second. The Keg Roll was won by Travis, followed by Boz. An excellent slow race contest was won by Boz, with Bert finishing second. Last was the ever popular weinie bite. Travis and Elisha finished first and Tim and Tanya were second. All received some very good looking plaques.

As the field meet ended, our Saturday night band, Whiskey Tango, was setting up. I think Tim put it best when he said "This band kicks ass!" By the third song the floor was covered with dancers and they boogied the night away to some of the best rock and roll I've ever heard at any biker party. At 9:30 the band paused for our fireworks display. The crowd oohed and aahed at some spectacular displays; I later heard some townspeople comment that it was much better than the city fireworks from a week earlier. Whiskey Tango played on into the wee hours to an enthusiastic crowd. If anyone is interested in checking out this band, they can be found online at www.whiskey-tango.com.

Sunday morning the Christian Motorcyclist Association had a worship service as the members of local 12 cleaned up and restored the park to its' pre-party state. Local 12 would like to express their highest gratitude to all the members who helped out with the party. We also want to send a huge thank you out to all the attendees, for without them there would be no event. Thanks also to all of our sponsors who helped make the party possible, especially Cooper Logging and Korte Towing. We also appreciate our vendors and hope they did a good business over the weekend. Finally, a big thanks goes out to the city of Glasgow and the Glasgow Police department for their help and cooperation.

We had nearly 300 hardy partiers come through the gate, resulting in a profit of $2,085. 75. Perhaps more importantly, we signed up 43 new members (nearly doubling our membership) and got 12 renewals. Once again we proved that Mother Nature may rain on our parade, but She can't stop it. Good riding, good times, and good friends: isn't that what biking is all about?

be free, Smokey

AMA Report *August 2008*

The Women's Motocross Association recently announced that Jessica Patterson has been nominated for a 2008 ESPY award. The official press release is below:

Bend, Ore. (July 3, 2008) - The Women's Motocross Association's multi-time National Champion Jessica Patterson, of Tallahassee, Florida has been nominated for a 2008 ESPY award. With the support of the motocross community Patterson hopes to bring home this prestigious award.

The ESPYS, Excellence in Sports Performance, is the premier sports awards event, put on by ESPN, which honors individual and team athletic achievements and other sports-related performances each year.

Sports Icons nominated for a 2008 ESPY include: Tiger Woods, Tom Brady, Kobe Bryant, and Danica Patrick - household names and amazing company for WMA motocrosser, Patterson.

Patterson has been nominated for Best Female Action Sport Athlete for her performance in the 2007 AMA/WMA Women's Motocross national Championship presented by Kawasaki. The 25-year-old racer dominated the Championship winning an impressive 10 out of 12 motos and the title. She even suffered a painful hand injury in the first moto of the Thunder Valley National, but road through the pain in the second moto to salvage points.

Other nominations in the category include: Snowboarder Gretchen Bleiler, Surfer Stephanie Gilmore, and Snowboarder Lindsey Jacobellis.

"I'm incredibly honored and excited to be nominated for an ESPY Award," said Jessica Patterson. "I'm really looking forward to be being at the awards show at the Nokia Theatre L.A. Live in Los Angeles on July 1th. And hoping to represent women's motocross by winning it."

The 2008 ESPYS will be hosted by Justin Timberlake and air Sunday, July 20th at 9 PM ET on ESPN. Celebrities such as Lance Armstrong, David Beckham, Ashanti, Zac Efron and Samuel L. Jackson will be presenters at the event. The winner of each ESPY category is decided by fan votes, to do so visit www.espys.tv. Voting continues through July 12th and motocross fans are encouraged to vote for Jessica Patterson and support the sport we all love.

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Rockaway Beach, MO)
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27 **L-28 Waynesville**
MC Awareness
Poker Run
573-774-3596

OCTOBER

3-5 **District 4 KC Area**
"Octoberfest"
I-70 Speedway-Odessa, MO.
816-850-4511

11 **L-33 Hwy. 50 West**
Annual Poker Run
660-909-3848

18 **L-25 St. Peters**
Leaves in the Breeze
Poker Run
636-299-1032

25 **L-28 Waynesville**
Halloween Bash
573-774-3596

NOVEMBER

1-2 **FORR, Inc.**
State Wide Toy Run
(800) 448-FORR

8 **FORR, Inc.**
FEW Seminar
(800) 448-FORR

DECEMBER

11 **L-33 Hwy. 50 West**
Adopt-A-Family Dinner
660-909-3848

6 **L-14 Independence**
Christmas Benefit
Auction
816-252-7322

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