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PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES

Member Sanction/Revocation by-law proposal

We appreciate the time and effort that went in to the prior toxic member by-law proposal, however our membership felt there were still issues that needed to be addressed and would therefore like to make the following by-law proposal in place of the prior proposal addressing the removal/sanctioning of a member.

Current 2.6C

Suspension of membership in the organization by a 4/5 vote of the Central Committee. This may occur only if a member has received notice and has had an opportunity to be heard before the Central Committee, and is found in noncompliance with the rules and regulations set forth by the Central Committee, or has committed acts prejudicial to the purposes or welfare of FORR, Inc.

Proposed New 2.6C:

Revocation of Membership

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New additional sections

2.6D:

Sanctioning of Member

Determination of sanctions against a member in the organization shall be by a 4/5 vote of the Central Committee. This may occur only after the member has been given, either by direct delivery (hand to hand), or by certified mail return receipt requested, which shall also include a copy sent by regular mail, a written notice setting forth the allegations against the member and setting a date a minimum of thirty

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Sanctions against any member will be recommended and determined by the Central Committee and must pass by a 4/5 vote of the Central Committee. Sanctions shall be broken down based upon the severity of the act, their lasting effect on the organization, and whether the individual acted in a malicious and intentional manner towards the organization, or out of ignorance to the rules and regulations set forth by the organization.

These sanctions shall be at the discretion of the Central Committee, but may include, permanent revocation of the individual's membership in FORR as set forth in section 2.6C above; requirement that the member attend training; permanent or temporary removal from official office or position, if the individual holds such a position and this position is the cause of said issue, or probation for a period of time to be determined by the Central Committee to serve as a warning.

2.6E:

A member may be subject to membership revocation for serious acts deemed detrimental or prejudicial to the future, purposes or welfare of FORR, Inc. or other members within the organization, without the Central Committee being first required to sanction or consider sanctioning of the member, under those circumstances where it is deemed necessary to protect the best interests of the organization, its future and its membership.

Reasons behind this proposal: Revocation or sanctions against a member is a serious charge and it is something that should not be taken lightly. We believe it is important to adequately outline the steps that should be taken by the Central Committee officers and the Central Committee to notify a member whenever their actions are detrimental to the welfare of the entire organization and charges are brought against the member. We also realize there are times when a members actions are serious but not quite to the level that would warrant revocation of a membership. In those instances there needs to be policies set forth which would allow the Central Committee to issue sanctions against the member in lieu of revocation. This does not currently exist under our current by-laws. However, we also understand there are times when an individuals actions are so severe and potentially damaging to the organization as a whole that it is appropriate for revocation of membership proceedings to take place and believe that in those situations the Central Committee should be allowed to proceed with appropriate revocation proceedings without first being required to undergo sanctioning proceedings. We believe the above proposal more clearly sets forth the needs of the organization in these situations.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Members of Freedom of Road Riders,

Now is time that we as the back bone of this organization must step up. If you have been paying attention our PAC fund is dangerously low on funds.

YOU as a local member need to stand up at your next local meeting and encourage you local to meet their state commitment, donate what your local can afford, or even go as far as holding an event to make money to give to the PAC fund.

Is your local sitting on a large sum of money in your local treasury? Make a motion to give to the PAC fund so we can get the biker friendly people elected to make our job as an independent lobbyist a lot easier to get the motorcycle legislation through to the governor's desk or stop legislation that could hurt the whole community of motorcyclist.

Now is not the time for your local to hold an event for a charity, now it is time to tighten up your boot straps and get to raising money for the PREMIER motorcyclist rights organization in this great state of Missouri.

Keep your stick on the ice

Adam K. Brown Sr.

#4280

Defending your right to ride since 1988

NOTES FROM KATHERINE

Greetings! I hope this finds you well, enjoying the summer events and weather; I hope you have been riding and enjoying your right to ride. Do not ever assume this will always be the case.

Please make the effort in supporting your organization, whether it be through your legislative discipline, increasing membership, and/or financially. I would hope the members will gather regardless of opinion & support the organization's efforts to survive.

I am, personally, looking forward to September's CC meeting to hear of the suggested issues FORR will be pushing forward with in protecting our civil liberties. I guess on that note I am, personally, hoping Locals are actually discussing an agenda for Missouri's next Legislative agenda; a polite reminder pre-filing starts the beginning of December of this calendar year.

What else? Initiative petition. Yes. There is a petition that has met State standards for circulation, and the official ballot title for said initiative petition reads: "Shall Missouri law to be amended to prohibit motorcycle drivers from having a passenger on his or her motorcycle until the driver is 21 years old and require such drivers to successfully complete a motorcycle rider safety class, unless the driver was born in 1984 or earlier and has maintained a motorcycle license for at least the two previous years" One-time costs to state governmental entities could be at least \$3,700 with the total potential annual costs being unknown, but probably limited. Local governmental entities expect no potential costs. Possible increased revenue to state and local entities is unknown. The petition, which would amend Sec. 302 of the Missouri Revised Statutes, was submitted by Tammy O'Meara of 3500 N. Village Drive suite 140 St. Joseph, MO 64506. Before any statutory changes can be brought before Missouri voters in the November 2014 election, signatures must be obtained from registered voters equal to 5% (five) of the total vote cast in the 2012 governor's election from the six of the eight (6/8) state's congressional districts. Signatures on behalf of all initiative petitions for the 2014 ballot are due to the Secretary of State's (SOS) office by no later than 5 pm on 24May14. Before circulating petitions, state law

requires that groups must first have the form of their petition approved by the SOS and the attorney general. The SOS then prepares a summary statement of no more than 100 words and the state auditor prepares a fiscal impact statement, both of which are subject to the approval of the attorney general. When both statements are approved, they become the official ballot title. (or at least this was the gist that I picked up from that Commissioner guy that came and talked with us about us filing a petition for the helmet issue).

A stray, unthought-of five minutes may contain the event of a life, and this all-important moment — who can tell when it will be upon us?

I only wish the very best for you. Believe with all of your heart that you will do what you were made to do; everyone has a fair turn to be as great as he/she pleases.

Respectfully submitted by Katherine Fox—
legislative@forr.net

Kathy has been tied up with her garden, cattle, and a little thing called the Mid Missouri Motorcycle Rally so she will not have a FORR history article this month.

SEPTEMBER 2013 CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Truman Hotel

Mid-Missouri Motorcycle Rally

Saturday, September 7, 2013, 12 noon

Legislative Meeting

Saturday, September 7, 2013, 2 pm

FEW Seminar Meeting

Saturday, September 7, 2013, 3 pm

Meeting of the Minds 2014

Saturday, September 7, 2013, 4 pm

Officers Meeting

Saturday, September 7, 2013, 5 pm

Central Committee Meeting

Sunday, September 8, 2013 10:00 am



Central Committee Meeting #202

July 14, 2013

Freedom of Road Riders®, Inc. Central Committee Meeting was held on Sunday, July 14, 2013 at the Truman Hotel and Conference Center, Jefferson City, MO. Cabinet officers present were Chairman, Martin King, Corporate Secretary, Kathy Garver, Treasurer Steve Comeau, Legislative Coordinator Katherine Fox, Motorcycle Awareness Coordinator Deanna Rhodes, Product Line Manager Shelly Payne.

Chairman King called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. and read the Preamble to the By-Laws of the organization. The assembled Central Committee Representatives observed a moment of silence for lost brothers and sisters. Veteran Roy Brown 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	Members	Vote	CC Rep
West Central Mo	Local 01	59	1 Vote*	Melany McDermid
Truman Lake	Local 03	51	1 Vote	Cheryl Singleton
South Kansas City	Local 05	54	1 Vote	Steve Hanzek
St. Joseph	Local 06	126	2 Votes*	Nick Swope
Lebanon	Local 07	51	1 Vote*	Charles Pilcher
Chillicothe	Local 08	114	2 Votes	Lane Shady
Jefferson City	Local 10	156	2 Votes*	Marla Wallace
Southwest Missouri	Local 11	34	1 Vote	Kaime Johnson
Glasgow	Local 12	63	1 Vote	John Stouffer
Mexico	Local 13	78	1 Vote	Raymond Palmer
Independence	Local 14	66	1 Vote	Joe Widmer
Branson	Local 15	269	3 Votes	Duane Harrison
Cape Girardeau	Local 16	74	1 Vote	Melanie Coy
Kirksville	Local 19	124	2 Votes	Doug Yearns
Dexter	Local 20	55	1 Vote	ABSENT
Eldon	Local 21	22	1 Vote	Donnie Lambeth
Lincoln County	Local 23	20	1 Vote	ABSENT
St. Louis	Local 24	140	2 Votes	Bill Duncan
St. Peters	Local 25	66	1 Vote	Mark Roloff
Maryville	Local 26	79	1 Vote	Roy Brown
Sac-Osage	Local 27	96	1 Vote	Bill Thornhill
Waynesville	Local 28	207	3 Votes*	Steve Sagi
North Kansas City	Local 29	71	1 Votes*	Ursula DeMoss
Springfield/Nixa	Local 30	67	1 Vote	Danne Roberts
Rolla	Local 31	24	1 Vote	Debbie John
Highway 50 West	Local 33	109	2 Votes*	Roy Hoard
Golden Valley	Local 35	48	1 Vote*	Bob Hawkins
Cameron Crossroads	Local 41	28	1 Vote	Steve Gallus
Franklin County	Local 42	113	2 Votes	Tex Garner
South Platte County	Local 47	28	1 Vote	Ronda Felts
Members at Large	Local 00	51	0 Vote	
Total		2,543		July 1, 2013
Corporate Sponsors		11	0 Vote	

- Vote suspended for financial reports

Roll call of all locals.

Approval of minutes – Motion by Local 24 to approve minutes as printed, 2nd Local 42, motion carries by voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

PAC donation advertisement – Coordinator Fox has been very busy with legislative duties and has not had a chance to look into this so Chairman King asked Local 16 Melanie Coy to check into what the NRA does regarding on line PAC donations. Melanie presented a brief overview of her findings. It's possible for us to do this, but we need to determine if the cost is worth it.

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We appreciate the time and effort that went in to the prior toxic member by-law proposal, however our membership felt there were still issues that needed to be addressed and would therefore like to make the following by-law proposal in place of the prior proposal addressing the removal/sanctioning of a member.

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Proposed New 2.6C:Revocation of Membership

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New additional sections

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Reasons behind this proposal: Revocation or sanctions against a member is a serious charge and it is something that should not be taken lightly. We believe it is important to adequately outline the steps that should be taken by the Central Committee officers and the Central Committee to notify a member whenever their actions are detrimental to the welfare of the entire organization and charges are brought against the member. We also realize there are times when a members actions are serious but not quite to the level that would warrant revocation of a membership. In those instances there needs to be policies set forth which would allow the Central Committee to issue sanctions against the member in lieu of revocation. This does not currently exist under our current by-laws. However, we also understand there are times when an individuals actions are so severe and potentially damaging to the organization as a whole that it is appropriate for revocation of membership proceedings to take place and believe that in those situations the Central Committee should be allowed to proceed with appropriate revocation proceedings without first being required to undergo sanctioning proceedings. We believe the above proposal more clearly sets forth the needs of the organization in these situations.

Motion by Local 35 to print, 2nd 42 Local Motion carries by voice vote.

By-law proposal Membership Dues

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Discussion held concerning this proposal. Motion by Local 27 that the proposal be changed to reflect that of that \$25.00, \$5.00 shall be credited to each local towards their state financial obligation for supporter pins up to the \$1,500 cap, 2nd Local 16, motion carries by voice vote unanimously. The following by-law proposal as amended by the Central Committee was considered:

Proposed 2.2A Membership dues shall be \$25.00 annually which amount shall be retained by the Central Committee treasury. Of that \$25.00, \$5.00 shall be credited to the local towards their state financial obligation for supporter pins up to the \$1,500.00 cap.

Chairman King clarified that Locals currently are not required to submit any donations to the state treasury, but to receive their annual supporter pins a local needs to remit \$15 per member. Motion by Local 27 to print the proposal as amended, 2nd Local 41, motion carries by voice vote unanimously.

By law/policy and procedure proposal – local financial obligation

New addition to Article 7

7.3

In order to adequately provide for the necessary funds to run FORR, Inc. all locals shall at a minimum contribute \$15.00 per local member to the Central Committee treasury per year. The number of local members for this calculation shall be determined as of November 1st of each year.

7.3A If a local fails to meet its minimum financial obligation to the state in any given year, the local will be classified as a stressed local and as a result will be given the aid required by the by-laws for any stressed local. The time required to meet the minimum obligation shall be at the end of the calendar year.

Additionally, that local will automatically be placed on financial probation until the obligation is met. The state treasurer shall notify the local in writing of this action at the January CC meeting or if not represented at the meeting, mailed to the current address of the local President.

7.3B If a local is placed on financial probation for failure to meet its minimum obligation to the Central Committee treasury, that local will not be authorized to hold any charity event sanctioned by FORR as long as it remains on financial probation.

7.3C If the local is not financially able to meet its minimum obligation to the state in any given year, the local shall petition the CC floor to address the reasons why they are unable to meet the minimum obligation. Guidance on successful business practices shall be given to that local by the CC floor.

7.3D If a local is not financially able to meet its minimum obligation for 2 consecutive years, the Central Committee floor shall require the local to appear at the next available Central Committee meeting to determine if the local shall be closed in accordance with the by-laws.

7.3E If the local is financially able to meet its minimum obligation in any given year and fails to do so, the state treasurer shall be given authority by the Central Committee floor to require that local to make full payment of its obligation. If the local fails in this requirement, said local shall be closed in accordance with the by-laws at the next available Central Committee meeting.

Policy and Procedure Change

___If the Central Committee approves the above by-law change then the following Policy and Procedure Change needs to take place.

Delete the following paragraph under Local Business on page 12.

In order to get supporter pins a Local must donate \$15/member with a maximum of \$1,500 per Local.

Reason for this request: It is vitally important for the state organization to be adequately funded so that it can accomplish the tasks at hand. Locals have a financial obligation to support the state organization yet there are some locals who are financially able to do so but for reasons unknown to this body fail or refuse to support the parent organization. As a result of this failure the parent organization is placed in financial difficulty or is forced to make cuts to member benefits while other locals do stand up and support the state organization. We believe it is unfair to those locals that do step up to the plate to allow other locals to slide. Therefore we believe it is fair and just to require all locals to at least meet their minimum donation of \$15.00 per member. Local 33 recognizes the need to adequately fund the state treasury and the need for us to take a proactive step before we absolutely have to do something drastic. This by-law would apply to each and every local in the state. Motion to table by Local 24, 2nd Local 6, first vote by voice vote, too close to call, Roll Call vote, locals 5, 12, 13, 15, 19, 24, 25, 26, and 42 voted yes; locals 3, 8, 11, 14, 16, 21, 27, 30, 31, 41 and 47 voted no, matter tabled by vote of 14 yes 12 no.

Prior toxic member proposal that was tabled from the last CC meeting. Motion by Local 14 to pull this from the table, 2nd Local 24. Discussion on this issue. Motion by Local 27 to table this matter, 2nd Local 11, motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

Policy and Procedure Proposal:

The General Office employee of FORR, Inc and their spouse shall be allowed free admittance into all FORR statewide events, all FORR district events and all FORR local events.

The reason for this proposal is the undeniable fact that the FORR Inc. General Office employee is woefully underpaid for the scope, the volume and the quality of work that is required to take care of the day to day business of FORR Inc. It would also benefit the employee and the organization for the members to be able to meet and interact with the person who is such a vital part of FORR. It is a meager offering of "Thank You" that this proposal is presented. Discussion held regarding this proposal. Motion by Local 30, 2nd Local 26 that we adopt this proposal as presented, motion fails by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

Some of you may have heard rumors that we are not going to be at the Truman Hotel after this CC meeting. Our General Office manager has been actively working on this situation and for right now our CC meetings will remain at the Truman until the end of this year. We are currently working on a contract proposal for 2014 but right now there is nothing final to report.

Local 27 stated we only have \$4,000 in our PAC fund but there is \$12,000 in the Freedom Park Fund. Local 27 is of the opinion that FORR cannot afford to own property right now because even if we could come up with the down payment we don't have sufficient money to maintain or build on this property. Motion by Local 27 that Local 27's contribution to the Freedom Park account be transferred to the PAC account, 2nd Local 24. Clarification that this would be a straight donation and will count towards local 27's financial obligation for this year. Motion to call question Local 24, 2nd Local 27, motion carries by voice vote. Roll call vote on original motion, locals 3, 5, 8, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 19, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27, 30, 21, 41, 42 and 47 voted yes; local 12 voted no, motion carries.

Local 30 addressed the Central Committee regarding a new member who recently moved here from Oklahoma and has some friends in that state who want to know if we will establish a local out of state. Chairman King believes this issue has been addressed in the past and general consensus at that time was we would only allow locals in the state of Missouri. They can be members of the organization but we need to limit our locals to only being in the State of Missouri. Suggest that they join a Missouri local, maybe Local 11 since it is close to Oklahoma and support the organization in that manner. There is nothing in the by-laws that says we will or will not have a local out of state. Maybe this is something we need to consider doing.

Local 16 has located a printer that will do 100 tri-folds for \$10.00. They will make these available for sale to any locals that are interested.

Agenda set aside so that our guest speakers Legislative consultants, Brent Hemphill and his wife, Deanna could address the Central Committee. Mr. Hemphill addressed the Central Committee regarding his legislative consultant activities. He is a rider and supports our helmet modification issue but also recognizes that with the current landscape in Jefferson City this is going to be an uphill struggle. He also acknowledged that we work on a lot of other issues and that we do a wonderful job of representing Missouri's motorcyclists at the capitol. Mr. Hemphill encouraged us to please, whether we hire him or not, to stay involved in the legislative fight.

In May we voted to pursue a give a way project for 2014 MOTM. We will be giving away a Taurus Circuit Judge rifle. Chairman King has the tickets and the prize but he does not hear from Robert Reif since June 24th who volunteered to handle this project. Since we need to get moving on this project the 2014 MOTM committee moved and approved the removal Robert Reif as the coordinator for this project. Melanie Coy and Katherine Fox volunteered to help with the project. Only CC reps and local Presidents will be allowed to check out tickets. Locals will be responsible for the tickets.

TREASURER – Steve Comeau – Financial Report: General Fund beginning balance \$14,844.90, ending balance \$6,151.23. Rider Ed beginning \$21,400.42 ending balance \$21,656.50; PAC beginning \$2,631.85 ending \$4,394.79. MMMR \$7,584.16 ending \$9,227.14; Give a way \$9,705.43 ending \$9,318.07. Freedom Park \$12,770.05. For the most part most local treasurers are doing a good job of properly submitting the reports. Some however are not submitting the necessary attachments. All financial reports must contain the local monthly financial report using the required format, local monthly ledger report using the required format; original monthly bank statement, original copies of checks, original receipts for expenses reported on ledger and financial report. Effective this month if a local sends in the wrong paperwork the report will be returned to the local with a letter that the report is incorrect, to please correct where necessary and return the corrected report. Also please staple everything together. Treasurer Comeau will contact the local treasurer in any situation where there is a problem via email. If he is unable to contact the treasurer he will contact the local officers. 101 forms only need to be made out for checks that are being paid to FORR state treasury.

Donations – Local 29 \$1200 for annual contribution PAC; Local 15 \$500 PAC; Local 26 \$150 General Fund; Local 3 \$381 PAC.

VICE CHAIRMAN – Chairman King covered the Vice-Chair report as Skyler was unable to attend the meeting due to work obligations.

Engineer of Freedom – We have a very good file of submissions for the Engineer of Freedom so if you have sent in a submission please do not get discouraged because we have had a lot of good people to consider. However, if you have someone you feel is deserving please nominate them. Engineer of Freedom award presented to Roy "Cowboy" Hoard.

Mid Missouri Motorcycle Rally – Committee Chairman JR DeGraffenreid

Day pass discount coupons distributed to CC reps – buy one adult day pass get child pass for ½ price. New day tripper flyer distributed. These were designed to attract local people who will come just for a day. Local newspaper has offer to help us by running free ads with purchase of ads. Local community is really getting on board. Our contact at the State Fair Grounds is retiring at the end of this year and has introduced us to the gentleman that

will be taking over his position. Still seeking sponsors for the event. We were looking into building our own Christmas Tree for the drags. The biggest cost will be the relays which are about \$75 each. We would need about \$300 to build this. We really need this for the drags on Sunday. Event will be Labor Day weekend. Hope to see everyone there and we will definitely have a good time.

FEW Seminar – Melanie Coy, Committee Co-Chair.

The seminar is going to be very different this year. It will be all about the membership. Feel that the membership has been sorely under represented. We want to educate you so you fully know what you are a part of. Starting in August there will be a full report on the event in the Freedom Press. Committee Co-Chair Susan Lockhart Local 25; Secretary Anna Kabler Local 15. This event will be done by the membership for the membership. This is a united membership and we will honor that at this seminar. Women of this organization will be recognized and honored for their contributions to FORR. Each local asked to nominate one woman from your local to be recognized during the opening ceremony. Several members will be presenting a seminar on running an effective meeting. This will be done as a structured roundtable so attendees can ask questions. There will be games. We are going to break the cliques so everyone gets out of their element and meets some new people. Going to do our best to provide lunch so everyone stays united. There will be no break out sessions, everyone will stay together throughout the day. Each local asked to submit approximately 5 photos of local events. These don't have to be current photos, they can be from a while back. Would also like for locals to submit a photo which reflects their local number. Be creative with these. Wayne Weirson's 3 R's will be presented in conjunction with a local safety program coordinator. Membership beginnings – how did you get where you are, how do you balance family, work, FORR. We have some amazing old timers in this organization. Terry Lee Cook will be presenting the final seminar. He will be selecting what he will talk about. Terry will be the only one standing alone at this event but if you've ever heard him speak it won't be a problem. Event will take place at the American Legion in Jefferson City on January 11th, 2014 starting at 9:00 a.m. Need give a way items for door prizes. Local 27 issued a challenge to the membership to bring in non-members and individuals that don't know anything about us. The local that brings in the most non-riders or 1st time FEW Seminar attendees will receive an award. Also need auction items both live and silent. Locals also encouraged to compile a CD of pictures and tell your story. Pre-registration is \$15.00 or \$20.00 at the door or after middle part of December. If you don't pre-register we can't guarantee meal. This includes seminar and banquet. Lunch and some of the games will be on you. Flyer is being worked on. Bottom line is this event is going to be fun.

RIDER EDUCATION – Doug Clawson was unable to attend the meeting today as he is teaching a rider education class. MAC Coordinator Deanna Rhodes presented the safety report for Doug. 12 BRC classes have been scheduled, 10 completed. 111 students took the class with 100 passing. 2 ERC's scheduled, both cancelled due to no signups. Bikes for sale: 2001 Honda Rebel \$1500; 1998 Suzuki DR200 no title \$1250. Resubmitting paperwork in trike classes for Jeff City site. Hopefully this will be approved shortly.

MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS – Deanna Rhodes We did not receive as many items this year from MODOT as we received in the past because there are a lot of other entities who are also distributing these items. FORR however did receive 50% of the available items. They are also putting signage up on gas pumps. Locals encouraged to come up with their own awareness items. This shows MODOT that we are helping ourselves as well as using their items. Question regarding who is coming up with the ideas for the awareness items. One of the things they came up with is a visor hanger. This is a bad idea because it blocks vision. Deanna is having trouble with email so if you need to reach her calling is best. Local 33 is heading up the booth at the state fair and they will be needing help on this project. Still getting statistics out. 68% of motorcycle accidents are related to single vehicle accidents and rider error. Lets ride safe. Don't ride impaired. We are also responsible for our own safety. If you know someone that hasn't been on a bike for a while lets encourage them to take a BRC before they start riding again.

LEGISLATIVE – Katherine Fox Peanut Gallery thanked for taking the time to come to the CC meeting. These members took the time out of their day to be involved in this organization.

Bills that actually passed and will become law on August 28th. May has been designated as Motorcycle Awareness and You month. This means next year it will be an automatic awareness month. Katherine highly encouraged locals to continue to do rallies to support motorcycle awareness. There has been some confusion on the roadblock pattern bill based upon vehicle type. SB73 this was the original bill number for this issue. This was passed and vetoed by the governor. However the language of this issue was also included in SB282. This bill was signed by Governor Nixon. The specific language is 1. Notwithstanding any provision of the law to the contrary, no law enforcement agency may establish a roadside checkpoint or road block pattern based upon a particular vehicle type, including the establishment of motorcycle-only checkpoints.

2. Notwithstanding subsection 1 of this section, a law enforcement agency may establish a roadside checkpoint pattern that only stops and checks commercial motor vehicles, as defined in section 301.010.

3 The provisions of this section shall not be construed to restrict any other type of checkpoint or road block which is lawful and is established and operated in accordance with the provisions of the United States Constitution and the Constitution of Missouri. The language contained in this bill is actually a lot cleaner than what was originally introduced. Modulating brake lights bill also passed. We were supporting 7 issues, 4 actually got passed.

Our failure to yield the right of way bill is not just a motorcycle issue, it's a public issue. This bill passed unanimously through the Senate chamber but then it just seemed to die. We are not sure why.

Katherine reported she is taking a hiatus or break from any state or local appointed position. This does not mean that she will not be active or will not help out anyone willing to step up to the plate but she needs some time for herself.

We have been contacted by Ryan Rowden with the Missouri petroleum council regarding the blended gasoline, E15, E10, etc concerns. He has addressed concerns regarding some regulations that are being proposed regarding E15 fuel. This individual wants to meet with us and possibly provide some support to FORR to help us on this blended fuel issue. This issue about a lot more than just motorcycling, it affects just about every type of motor that is used.

AMA – No report

MRF – JR DeGraffenreid – Congressman Sensenbrenner has introduced a federal bill to prohibit funding for motorcycle only checkpoints. HR1861 has nine original co-sponsors but needs many more. Please call your Congressman/woman and ask for their support of HR1861. This bill prohibits the Department of Transportation from providing funds to state and local authorities for motorcycle only checkpoints. It also contains language to requiring DOT to focus motorcycle safety efforts on crash prevention not federal helmet mandates. This is really huge because if you are not aware of it the State of Georgia took a \$100,000 grant from the feds a year and a half ago to conduct motorcycle only checkpoints just prior to a very large motorcycle rally. Please contact your federal Congressman and ask for their support of HR1861.

Regarding E15 – there is a group that has reared its head – Renewal Fuels Association. On June 18th of this year they released a fact sheet for motorcycle owners answering questions about E-15 and motorcycle engines. This fact sheet makes it clear that E15 is illegal to use in a motorcycle engine but E10 is approved for use in these vehicles. They are working to make sure that consumers know exactly what type of fuel they are using and what it should be used in. This is basically a group funded by the EPA to try to squelch your fears about these blended fuels. Florida has gotten proactive on this issue. Ethanol is no longer required to be included in any gasoline sold in the State of Florida as of July 1st. Florida was importing a lot of corn

to make the ethanol so it wasn't cheap for them to produce, however in the Midwest corn is plentiful. Please be aware of what is contained in the fuel that you purchase. Also watch out for those situations where there is a single pump for all grades because you really don't have any idea what fuel you are receiving. Many stations have one pump but offer anything from regular unleaded to E85. Support those stations that are providing no ethanol fuel and let them know you appreciate their decision to carry this fuel.

PRODUCT LINE – Shelly and Kevin. An updated price list was distributed to all CC reps. Clarified local price vs retail price. Local price is the price a local will pay so they can make a small profit from the sale of state product items. New products presented: neoprene covers for I-pads (\$15), nooks and other small readers (\$12). Thanked locals that have helped Kevin and Shelly attend local events. Coordinator Payne asked if we want to do calendars again next year. It seem like they are kind of losing their luster. We made our money back but didn't make a profit on them this year. It's also been a struggle to get photographs submitted. Discussed whether these are actually going into places where they help promote FORR; whether we would be better doing them with cool motorcycle pics instead of local pics to make them more attractive to the general public; the possibility of doing a pocket type calendar that is more awareness oriented; maybe a pocket calendar that incorporates a membership app, information about FORR, tri-fold info as well as the calendar; a big wall calendar with pictures along the side. Coordinator Payne said it will take a month or so to come up with an idea, costs, etc. She reminded everyone that by looking into this we cannot come back in September and decide that we want to do the big calendar because there will not be time to get one out in a timely manner. She will research the small sticky type calendar and a pocket calendar. CC reps take this back to your local and be prepared to vote on this issue at the next CC meeting.

Local 24 has in Memory of Georgia Haley patches available.

WEBMASTER – Tex Garner – Concern addressed from the floor concerning the difficulty in the transition between the old webmaster and the new webmaster. If anyone has any expertise in this area could you please volunteer to help Tex as he is still learning how to do this job. Webmaster Garner reported he is in a transitional period right now. He has had two phone calls with Mike and during the second call everything was transferred from Mike's name to Tex's. However he has not had time to actually sit down and work with him about learning the webmaster's job. Mike is still basically handling everything and Tex has not pushed him about the training period because Mike has made it clear he is very busy.

NEWSLETTER – There have been a couple of issues with the newsletter in the last couple of months. April issue is trickling in to the membership. July issue has a few hiccups with missing and duplicate pages. If you only want to receive one Freedom Press at your household you should submit a written request to the general office asking to only receive one copy.

SECRETARY – Kathy Garver – Membership Report May total life members processed 16, new members 45, renewals 153. June life members 6, new members 49, renewals 168. Total membership as of July 1st 2,543, decrease of 46 members since last report. Secretary Garver reminded everyone that local accounts are required to have two signatures and to place make sure both people have signed when checks are submitted. Memberships need to be submitted to the General Office and local financial reports need to be submitted to the State Treasurer. It's also very important to timely remit memberships so new members get their membership packet as soon as possible. Most are doing a great job of doing this so keep it up.

CHAIRMAN:

Mid South MILE – Jim Scheele who is our representative on the Committee was not able to attend. Roy Hoard said there is really nothing to significant to report. Next meeting August 11th in Joplin. District 4 asked where they can obtain a registration form to send in their District donation of \$100 so their members can get registered for the event. Roy will check into this and said there is a new webmaster who is working on the website. The event will be in Oklahoma City at the Biltmore Hotel, October 18-20. If your local or district pays \$100 they can send as many people as they want to the seminar but will need to pay for the banquet.

General Office – No problems with the general office were addressed. Office Manager Chapman is doing a great job for the organization and has really taken a lot of load off the other officers. The officers did perform the employee review as required by our policies and Office Manager Chapman will be retained in this position as our employee.

2014 MOTM The event will be in Kansas City. FORR will be the hosting organization for this event and will need a lot of money to host the event. We will also need workers to help during the event. It will be the 30th anniversary of Meeting of the Minds of this event that started here in Missouri. Katherine is chair of the committee hosting this event. We are still working out the details and are waiting to hear back from the MRF on some issues, but they are busy right now working on this year's event. The members of the MRF board are volunteers as well so we need to remember they have jobs and families too. Several individuals have stepped up to help with this event. Good plan for an event theme. We have a fundraiser going on right now to help us pay for the costs. Last year's fundraiser brought in not quite \$5,000, we estimate we will need about \$13-15,000 to host the event. This year's fundraiser will be a give a way project for a Taurus Circuit Judge rifle. The gun has been purchased for less than the \$600 budget. Tickets have been obtained. They are not as big or as heavy as last year but they cost us less money than last year. There will be a flyer in the Freedom Press about the project. This will be given away at the 2014 FEW Seminar so we have a few months to distribute them. Reminder these tickets cannot be returned by the US Mail. You must use a private carrier like UPS, Fed Ex, etc. or bring the tickets to the CC in person. We committed to doing this event so we need to come up with the money needed to host this conference. In the past we have encouraged locals to contribute to the event.

Local 8 CC Rep Layne Shady has an idea for another give a way project which would run immediately following this project in January. He will present the information on this new project at the September meeting for approval.

Amy Allmon will be coordinator of the hospitality room. She is looking for western themed items as the theme for this seminar is western cowtown. She is specifically looking for the picture of the scantily clad saloon woman behind the bar.

CONNECTIONS

Local 41 bike show next Saturday.

Local 24 has In Memory of Georgia Haley patches

Keosauqua End of Summer Rally flyers on table

Local 16 has tri-folds 100 for \$10.00.

Local 33 has pink awareness bumper stickers for \$2.00 each.

Local 27 has motorcycle awareness bracelets that glow in the dark for \$2.00 each.

Motion to adjourn meeting Local 8, 2nd Local 35, motion carries by voice vote.

LOCAL 1 - WEST CENTRAL MISSOURI**Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 2 p.m.****VFW Post 5765, 9642 Old Hwy 40, Odessa 64076****Contact: Melany 816-633-7710 or Linda 797-9849**

Melany is tied up getting kids ready to start school so I'm just dropping you a quick note.

We would like to see you at our next local meeting - we are in the process of trying to organize a Local 1 fundraiser.

Hope to see you at the Mid Missouri Motorcycle Rally and wishing you a good Labor Day holiday.

Dallas

LOCAL 3 - TRUMAN LAKE**Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1:30 p.m.****VFW Post 4197, Rt Tt, Osceola, MO****Contact: President: Dean Singleton 417-808-0286 or****Vice-President: Myron Duskin 417-309-0423**

Greetings Local 3,

Hope you got out and enjoyed the cool weekend of the 27th and 28th. Several Local 3 members took part in the 2nd annual Cedar County Schools poker run. What a nice day to ride and to be with friends.

The next day we were off early in the morning to attend Local 33's poker run. Wow, what a good ride and time with other FORR Locals. We were among the 130 plus bikes from all across the state. We hear there were members from nine different locals participating. From KC to St. Louis members came to support Local 33's ride. We're proud to have been part of a good day with friends. Looking forward to more of the same. Speaking of friends, welcome to new member Robert Latta IV, and continued well wishes for the complete recovery of L3 member Jim Price and FORR members Olin and Yancey.

The first weekend of August was a washout, but we have other rides planned and the weather will change. Hopefully we have had good weather for the Mid-Missouri Rally and it was a success. We hoped to have seen a great turnout for this one, after all this is our main fundraiser and our support is crucial.

Ride safe and enjoy the time at hand.

Dean #29076

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**

Greetings,

Local 5 is taking donations for "Give Away" tickets for a Mossberg 12 gauge Long & Short Barrels with wood stock and pistol grip (also referred to as a 500 model, I think) for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Please contact any Local 5 member and we will get you some tickets. The drawing will be held on October 5 at Octoberfest and you do not have to be present to win. Lots of stuff happening around the State, check your calendar of events and plan to support other Local events. I personally am budget challenged for the summer but will do my best.

SPONSORS NEEDED: Octoberfest is not far off and we need sponsors for the District 4 event. Please contact local businesses for their support. If you need forms for Octoberfest contact me or Ursula, we can e-mail them. There is a challenge from Ursula, the Local that brings in the most sponsors will get 2 O'fest passes to give away or what have you. Wish Happy Birthday to Susan Harris-Rohde and Diana Gillespie on September 10, Becky Hansen September 14 and Kim Tarwater (not officially a member) September 28.

BIG Announcement!!! Steve "Geezer" Hanzek and Rebecca Sutton tied the knot in Harrison, Arkansas on July 30, 2013. Everyone be sure

to express your good wishes.

If you would like to meet our local go to: forrlocal5@shutterfly.com. It includes a calendar or coming events and photos of members and events. Steve Fifer is our webmaster and you can send him photos and event dates by e-mailing him: Sbfifer1@yahoo.com.

If you have any info to include or suggestions for the newsletter just drop me a line aallmon@kc.rr.com or 816-536-1647.

Abide!

LOCAL 6 - ST. JOSEPH**Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 12:30 p.m.****Amnesia, 207 St Joe Ave****Dan Harmon 816-387-1095**

Hope you all are having a great riding season. I've been so busy I don't have much to report but I can't wait to see everyone at the Mid-Missouri Motorcycle Rally at the State Fairground in Sedalia, MO, on Labor Day weekend, August 30th thru Sept. 1st.

Let's welcome a new member Tom Walton and a returning member Kenny Vertin for the month of July.

I had to miss the last get-together ride so I'm not sure what went on with a lot of our members. The July meeting had some great information brought back from the central committee meeting by Nick Swope. Make sure to read the reports in this newsletter to catch up on what's been going on in our capital and even in our motorcycle rights organization. Tom Etherton won a financial incentive and donated it to our local. Big thanks to him. A late Birthday Wish to Mike "Chapps" Sigrist. Hope he had a blast and didn't feel too bad the next day. He's not as young as he once was!! I heard Kenny and Connie Burks survived Hurricane Flossie on Maui without too much grief and it didn't ruin the wedding of their son. Congrats to him and his new bride.

Here are the dates of some things going on that I have been notified of. There are always things added at our meetings (another reason to come listen in).

August 30th – September 1st – FORR Mid-Missouri Motorcycle Rally, Sedalia

September 15th – Local 6 Meeting

September 29th – Local 6 Family Day Poker Run and Picnic at Krug Park

October 5th – Hogtober Fest

October 20th – Local 6 Meeting

November 3rd – Toy Run

December 7th – Local 6 Christmas Party

Contact me if you want something in the newsletter. Keep the rubber on the road.

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LOCAL 7 - LEBANON

Meetings: 1st Sunday @ 4 p.m.
Ollie's, 12940 Hwy 64, Lebanon, MO 65536
Contact: Robert 417-426-5627

Greetings Local 7

Well it seems summer has finally made it to the Ozarks. The weather has been warm & dry. Great riding weather. Beaver, Don, Robert, Nita, Guy, Lee, and I took a ride before our July meeting. We had a good turn-out for our meeting with even an old member, "Bob" showing up to renew his membership. Bob's been overseas and is now back in the states. Guy, Watermelon Ron, Anita, Beaver and I rode to the Grease, Gears & Grooves Rat Rod show in St. Louis. Don would have gone but he thought he'd rather tour Alaska. Without Don there were no surprises when we found a restaurant to eat at. We did have a surprise when we got back to Lebanon. On the ride to St. Louis we had a little rain and on the way back it looked bad all the way but we stayed dry for the most part, about 10 miles out it started raining just a little. Harley shop was having their bike night so we rode there. No one but a couple employees were there. A storm had gone thru Lebanon just before we got there. Trees blew over and it rained quite heavy. Beaver & I went on a poker run in Marshfield to benefit a firefighter who'd lost his life in the line of duty. From what I hear 500 bikes showed up for this ride. Last I'm sorry to have to say Bruce Hogan passed away. Several members attended the funeral in Hartville. In my 30 yrs as a member of FORR I met a lot of good people and some stood out more than others with their great personalities and crazy ways. Bruce was one of those people that stood out, and by the turn out at his funeral he'd made quite an impression on a lot of people. Ride on Bruce...you'll not be forgotten.

LOCAL 8 - CHILlicothe

Meetings: 1st Sunday @ Noon. Carry-in Dinner, 1 p.m.
(call for info - location varies)
Contact: 660-646-4197 or 660-646-8905

Greetings from Local 8:

Our local has enjoyed has our ride in meetings. We have been to Chillicothe, Brookfield, Carrollton and the September meeting will be at Crowder State Park on the 8th. Watch emails and face book for details. Its amazing how good hot dogs taste when shared with friends. I had the thrill of watching my grandson, son, and husband ride to the meeting. We are now a five member family.

Matt had to step down as Road Captain. Mike Evans volunteered to take over. He has some ideas for rides so watch face book and emails. Remember, rides are a great way to get people interested in FORR. So if a ride is scheduled pass the word to friends.

We are getting geared up for Mid MO Rally. We are in charge of the field events and the dirt drags. Contact Layne or myself if you are

attending. The more people that help the easier on everyone. We don't have gate, parking or security so we can party when our work is done. Hope everyone will pitch in.

Carl had another BRC class. Four or five graduates. These classes are great. Carl has conducted these classes even when his health wasn't at its best. This is dedication.

As I sign off I am looking forward to riding in Indian Summer. It is my favorite time of the year. The ride to State Line Rally will be great.

Ride Safe
 Foxy Gma

LOCAL 10 - JEFFERSON CITY

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday @ 6:30 p.m.
Twin Bridges Bar & Grill, 3 Miles South of Jefferson
City on Hwy 54 & Junction CC
Contact: Dale Thomas 573-694-0074 or
Denise Taylor 573-353-4127

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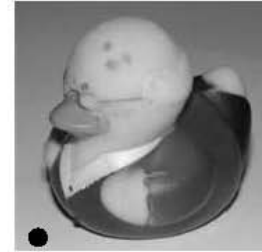
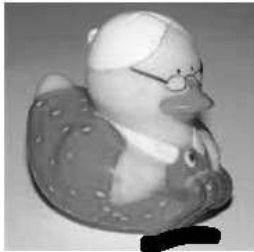
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Freedom of Road Riders has been through dramatic changes in recent years. We've had highs and lows and also seen the passing of many we've stood shoulder to shoulder with in this ongoing fight for freedom. But how did we get here and who makes this premier motorcycle rights organization the power house it is today?

The premise of the 2014 FEW Seminar is being built around not only our roots but also our foundation which is the membership itself. This will be an opportunity for the membership to renew their spirit of brother and sisterhood while sharing what it means to be a legislative advocate and the power this group has when united in a common goal.

The 2014 FEW will be entirely about the membership and presented by the membership. We will honor the women of this organization by opening the event with recognition of the quiet power behind the Locals. We invite each Local to consider those who are always ready to insure the success of Local events or embody a certain quality that sets them apart in getting the job done. It may be someone who is an example of a responsible rider or even your best cook but take a moment and consider that person that best represents the women riders in your Local. This ceremony will be run by a woman who leads by example and has shared her love of motorcycling with many in FORR, Helen Wesson life member L10.

Our beginnings, how did we get here and who were the individuals with the insight to see a need and had the passion to get FORR to the place where it is now more than 2500 members strong? They're affectionately called Greybeards and they've been the driving force behind FORR for longer than some have even known FORR existed.

A challenge was also issued by L27 in the form of a dare to gain non-riders within the inner working of FORR. This committee takes that challenge and issue an additional challenge to the membership. An award will go to the Local bringing the most first time attendees to a FEW Seminar whether they be riders or non-riders.

There will be door prizes and games throughout the day. In addition to fun, games and sharing of our brother and sisterhood, we have a couple of surprises, the auctions and of course the banquet. All in all, as these plans unfold and grow our membership will know they are part of something big. We look forward to sharing this day with all of you!

Susan Lockhart L25 and Melanie Coy L16 co-chairs, Anna Kabler, L15 secretary

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LOCAL 11 - SOUTHWEST MISSOURI**Meetings: 4th Sunday @ 3 p.m.****Carthage VFW, 16759 Inca Rd in Carthage****Contact: 417-793-4899**

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LOCAL 12 - GLASGOW**Meetings: First Sunday @ 3:00 p.m.****Meeting place varies, call 660-631-7324 or email sstrodman@yahoo.com for more information****September Local 12 News- Special Firecracker Classic Report**

On Friday, July 6th and Saturday, July 7th local 12, Glasgow held their annual Firecracker Classic bike show, poker run, field meet, and party. The big story this year was the heat or should I say HEAT!! I had one member report to me that he had seen a thermometer register 110 degrees on the poker run. We brought in a lot of fans and water hoses to try to help cool the crowd down but it was still the hottest rally we've ever had on record for the Firecracker. We had no heat stroke casualties as both of our food and beverage vendors had plenty of bottled water, soda, and beer on hand.

Friday night featured the Full Moon Band and they put on their usual good show. They had brought another band to open for them who hadn't charged us anything but unfortunately, they were a rap band and did not go over well at all with the crowd. We will be sure to listen to any future bands before they are invited. The best part of any party is meeting up with old friends and making new friends. I saw several people I hadn't seen for years including Jeff Kinder, a member from the early days of local 12. It had probably been 12-14 years since I had seen him. Our long distance member, Johnny Gant, made the long trek up from O'Fallon, just as he does every year. It's always good to see Johnny and his slick looking Triumph.

Saturday morning started off with the bike show and we had some beautiful iron on display. Here are a list of the winners. Metric class- Lisa Guese; Antique- Skeeter Harper; Sportster- James Frock; Full Custom- Steve Bates; Mild Custom- Jules Alviar; Stock- Gerry B.; Cycle with trailer- our own Guzzi Godfather, Barry McDaniel; Touring- Jeff Lockard (and welcome back to local 12, Jeff); Trikes- Joyce Hibbard with her beautiful Gold Wing; Ratt- Mike Adcock; and best of show- Boz Lanning with his stunning Evo Dresser. Congratulations to the winners and thanks to all who participated.

The poker run was the next event on the schedule and we had a decent turnout considering the broiling heat. I didn't get the name of the winner but he (or she) got a decent pot and we made a nice chunk of change on the run. Back in camp, there was a lot of visiting with old and new friends and good time partying. My good friends B.L. and Linda McDonnell came up from Linn and I spent most of the afternoon having a good time with them. And thanks a bunch to you, B.L., for taking over my 6-8 pm shift at the gate when I had to go home to check on Gloria.

Next up were the field games and there was some intense competition. The ball toss was won by Lyndal and Donna. Squiggly and Julie took first place in the wienie bite and also in the cone race. Pork Chop rode his chopper to first in the board race. And finally, after an epic battle, Boz managed to win the slow race over Squiggly. Congratulations to all the winners and thank you to all the competitors for putting on a great show for an appreciative crowd.

The sun was setting as our Saturday night band, Lines of Atrophy, began laying down some good tunes. They really rocked out and the most common description I heard was that they were a kickass band. Again it was old and new friends shooting the bull combined with good partying; always a fun mix for everyone involved. One thing that was lacking this year was our fireworks display. That's because the city of Glasgow had instituted a fireworks ban about a week before due to the

hot dry conditions and the danger of unintended fires.

Sunday morning the campers awoke to a summer shower that managed to bring some relief from the heat. It always sucks packing up a wet tent but I don't think anyone minded quite as much because the rain got rid of the 105 degree heat.

There are always many thank you's that need to be said after an event of this magnitude. First off, we'd like to once again thank the City of Glasgow and the Glasgow Police Dep't, for their cooperation that helped make the event a success. Thanks, too, to the street dep't.

for cleaning the sand off the road leading into the park. A HUGE thank you goes out to all our sponsors for covering the costs of putting on the event. Thanks also to our vendors, especially Beckett's for handling the beverages and the Il Palms Restaurant for supplying the food. Let me tell you, you haven't lived until you've had one of Poodle's pulled pork sandwiches along with some of Poodle's petals. And a special thank you goes out to all our attendees, you are the ones that truly make it happen.

And last but certainly not least, thanks to all the members that also made it all happen. Boz and Jude, thanks for working a shift at the gate, Derek, thanks again for providing a great job on security as well as getting us a bunch of panels from Mo. Agri-Service for the beer garden. John and Joyce, you two always do a magnificent job with the bike show and this year was no different. Thanks to Pork Chop for getting the state trailer and tent as well as working his butt off the whole weekend. Tami, you always do a wonderful job as events coordinator and we salute you. Thanks to everyone else who helped set up and clean up after the event. Finally, thanks to Socko and Laura, Sherri, and Susan and Barry for finding so many sponsors, which put us in the black before we opened the gate. Susan, you did a great job with that 50/50 pot, too.

Firecracker Classic 2012 is in the books and we now look ahead to FCC 2013. We'll begin planning for it pretty soon and we will probably have some new surprises to make it even more fun. Keep the rubber side down, have fun, and may you always....

Be free,

Smokey

LOCAL 13 - MEXICO**Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 3 p.m.****Lakeview Park****Contact: 573-881-7410 or 573-642-2345**

Hello brothers & sisters!

First and foremost... we want to thank everyone for coming to the Wonder-Run. Our kids in the community benefit the most; as this run is a large part of the funding for the annual Toy-Run. Also a big shout out of gratitude to all those who stepped up with the auction donations and trophy sponsorships! Thank you all! A special thanks to Treetop & crew, we appreciate your brotherhood, support, and the fact you dropped other plans to be there, for the kids!

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Next stop, Sedalia, Mid America Motorcycle Rally!

Our Local was recognized with a Chairman Choice Award presented at the C.C. meeting in Warsaw. At our last meeting it was motioned and passed to present the award to Raymond Palmer, for going above and beyond what was asked of him at the Freedom Rally. We are glad he enjoyed his family, and vacation, but we sure are glad to have him back! We are also in consideration for the Freedom Rally Committee, we need to get together to make this happen. New members get involved, it's a great way to meet new people and support our Local, our community, our organization!

Well wishes to Smokey and Gloria, our friends from Local 12, may her health continue to improve. Our thoughts and prayers are with you both.

We welcome 2 new members to the family, Terry & Kim Archer! I'm sure they will be proactive members, and GR8 assets to our family, and the organization!

FORR-EVER
Dee Herdeg

LOCAL 14 - INDEPENDENCE

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 2 p.m.

VFW Post 3976 on Kentucky Rd. in Sugar Creek, Mo.

Contact: Ron Keesee 816-898-4302

Carol is tied up in the garden right now. Hopefully she will be sharing her bounty with the rest of us.

LOCAL 15 - BRANSON

Meetings: 3rd Monday @ 7 p.m.

Location Varies - Call for info

Contact: 417-334-0775

Hey everyone,

Everyone survived Hootentown. I know at least 1 person who doesn't remember the weekend, But he was told that he had a great time. I have seen pictures and in all of them he has a huge smile on his face. Of course he always has a huge smile on his face!

Anyway, I heard the bands were awesome. Everyone danced all night long. Bill Lloyd had a great 40th Birthday celebration! We had a record number in attendance, over 400! Thank you Local 30 for teaming up with us again! Everyone worked & played hard! This years Hootentown Rally was definitely a success!!!! I can't wait until next year.

Next on our list of really cool things to do is The Mid-Mo. Motorcycle Rally in Sedalia! For our Local, we really need you guys to step up and sign up for work shifts. I know we all want to go to events and drink our asses off and not have to be responsible all weekend. But helping your Local out for an hour or two shouldn't be too much to ask. I want to encourage everyone in Local 15 to come and play (unless you have to work like me :(but give a little of your weekend time it's fun for all!

Sept. 18th thru 22nd we are heading to Fayetteville's Bikes, Blues and BBQ Rally. I have never been, either have a few friends in our Local. So we are very excited to go this year!!!! I heard the party at Greenland Campground is AMAZING and THE PLACE TO BE! So make sure you have the weekend off and plan to meet us all there.

Our Local is having our Annual Swap Meet and Bike show. Yeah!!!! I love this one. It will be at Shadow Rock Park on Sept. 29th. We always

have a kickin party at the Campground the night before the Swap meet complete with a BBQ, music and bonfire. The party is usually heavily attended and hopefully everyone that plays that night will work the next day at the Swap Meet. I know you are all proud of your bikes so make sure to shine it up and put it in our Bike Show. This is also the chance you have to check your garage and yard and throw all the bike parts you don't need aside and sell them while you wait for the Bike show to start. Or walk around and look for that really cool bike part that you need or just can't do without! This is the Swap Meet and Bike show that you have been waiting all year for!

We have started a really cool activity lately. It is our monthly dinner ride. We meet up at a designated place and ride together to a favorite restaurant. Last month we rode to Wacky Jacks in Highlandville. Those of us that went had a wonderful supper, but the company was the best part. Most of us went to a new joint called "Gators" it is a newly remodeled bar in Kimberling City. It was cool, they let us play in the garage. I guess that's where they thought the best place to put us Bikers was. Oh well, we still had fun.

Aug. 24th Our Dinner Ride will be to Flat Creek. We're meeting up at the Midnight Rose @ 6 pm. That does mean kick stands up at 6, not get there at 6. Just wanted to be clear in that.

Our BS is at Tequila's Restaurant Sept. 6th, that's the one in Branson

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LOCAL 16 - CAPE GIRARDEAU**Meetings: (Call for meeting info)****Contact: Whitey 573-768-2524 or Lisa 573-450-9901****Email - forrlocal16@gmail.com**

Wow....where did summer go? Those of us in SEMO got to trade some hot miserable days in the tropics for some amazingly mild temperatures and rain, lots of rain.

By the time you read this the Bayou Run will have come and gone. As always we send our deepest thanks and much love to Bill and Linda for going out of their

way to insure this venue is the finest.

The Mid-Missouri Motorcycle Rally is upon us and as always the front lines of Local 16 will be stepping up to do their part and then some. For anyone not aware of the dates, this will be Freedom of Road Riders biggest PAC fundraiser beginning on August 30 and running through September 1 in Sedalia at the State Fair Grounds.

With fall around the corner we will be turning our attention once more to the upcoming Louie Oswald Memorial Run. This annual event will be October 12 with sign ups beginning at 11:00 at Pete's, 1 mile south of Perryville on Highway 61. The ceremony at the grave site will be at noon and from that point it's anyone's guess....just know you'll have a very good time!

Our next meeting will be at Club Neal aka Danny and Karen's house at 7:00 pm. As always you'll want to call for directions because directions are never going to be one of my strong points.

Happy Labor Day, Happy September and Happy Riding!
Mel

LOCAL 19 - KIRKSVILLE**Meetings: First Saturday @ 6 pm****Golden Eagle Hospitality Room****Contact: 660-988-1708**

Greetings Local-19

On Aug-3 the meeting was held at the home of Terry & Cheri Smith with a carry-in dinner. We would like to thank the Smiths for hosting; it was a good dinner and bonfire.

The Mid-Missouri Motorcycle Rally in Sedalia will be Aug-30 - Sept-1 on Saturday the Christen motorcycle association will hold service at 12:00 noon.

Aug-24 there will be a ride to Freedom Rock meet at 9:00 at the north Ayerco in Kirksville.

The final safety class of the season will be Aug-31 - Sept-1 for more information contact Sharon Trueblood.

We would like to welcome new member Debby Yearsns.

South Gifford held its second annual bike rally. There was a good

turnout and a lot of fun, we would like to congratulate them and wish them continued success.

The annual auction and dance has been set for Jan-18 the details are still in the works but it is sure to be a good time.

The next meeting will be held Sept-7 at the Budweiser Hospitality Room at 6:00 pm.

Till next time ride safe
"IKE"

LOCAL 20 - DEXTER**Meetings: Last Sunday @ 1 p.m.****Eagles Club on Hwy 25****Contact: Robert Reif 573-421-7480**

Hello FORR Family

Just As the cold did not want to turn loose of us now the heat is doing the same I hope all have been able to stay moderately cool during this summer. Happy birthday and anniversaries to all that have had them in the past month and to the folks that renewed thank you and welcome to the new members.

Well there isn't a whole lot to discuss in our end of the state unfortunately it has been a slow summer for us at Local 20 but hope to see some changes in that situation soon. There is still plenty of riding time left. It has been great to keep up with everyone on Face Book and see what has been happening with each Local wish I could have been at some of their events it looks like it would have been a great time.

I am looking forward to seeing some good ideas turn into GREAT ideas so let's get those suggestions ready by our next meeting and see what we can do in getting a forward motion back in Local 20.

Until Next time.....Keep it between the lines
Mona (Motor Mouth) Morgan - L20

LOCAL 21 - ELDON**Meetings: 3rd Saturday @ 1 p.m.****Contact: Dan @ 573-898-2291**

We are just enjoying the nice riding weather.

LOCAL 23 - LINCOLN COUNTY**Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 11 a.m.****Main Street Cafe, 145 Main St, Old Monroe, MO 63369****Contact: 636-665-5004**

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LOCAL 24 - ST. LOUIS**Meetings: 3rd Tuesday @ 7 p.m.****VFW #3944, 10815 Midland Blvd, St. Louis, MO 63114****Contact: Bill "Treetop" Duncan 314-744-1092**

Come visit the wild side!

LOCAL 25 - ST. PETERS**Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1 p.m.****American Legion Post 313, 200 Main St., Olde Town at****4-way stop in St. Peters, Mo. Contact: 636-299-3268**

Hello All,

We would like to give a "HUGE" THANK YOU to all who helped out with our 6th Annual FORR/ABATE Rodeo. Without your help we could never pull this event off each year.

Our next meeting will be September 15th ... Make sure to mark your calendar and be there in order to get all of the dates for upcoming events and catch up on the newest legislation reports out of Jeff City.

Ride Safe and as always remember..... Leather UP & Rubber DOWN !!!

Rascal

LOCAL 26 - MARYVILLE**Meetings: 3rd Tuesday @ 7 p.m.****(Call for info location varies)****Contact: 660-582-4599**

Greetings from Local 26

Weather has been outstanding for the Eat&Rides. We even had a decent turnout for the last meeting. We've had lows in the 60's and highs in the 80's for most of July and the beginning of August; perfect riding

weather for the members. Quite a bit of rain on the weekends put a damper (I know, bad pun, but I couldn't help it) on some of the weekend outings, so I don't have a lot to report.

However, we gambled on the weather folks not lying to us and went on our annual ride to the Freedom Rock anyway. It was cloudy when we left, but we managed to avoid any rain and ended up on the other side of the front and had cooler temps for the entire ride up and all but the last 10 miles back. Of course, one of my favorite parts of the ride was that we only saw a few deer each way and they were comfortably off the roadside. I've attached a pic of the 11 of us that mad the drive north. Hopefully it attached correctly. After looking at the monument to veterans that it is and reading the history and backstory at the site, we made the trek back to the nearby town of Greenfield, IA, for an excellent lunch. Ride to eat, eat to ride. The return trip was made via side roads that made it all the more enjoyable. There I nothing like traveling on a bike down a country road on a clear sunny day. You can smell the flowers in bloom, the fresh cut hay, and see the hawks and other birds out enjoying the day almost as much as you.

The summer solstice has passed and the days are beginning to shorten. It's time to make sure your headlights are adjusted properly and if the bulbs have been in there a while, think about changing them. A lot of people don't realize that those H3/H4 bulbs will dim over time and will last quite a while before the go out. If your headlight bulbs are over 3 years old, think about replacing them. The money spent will be worth the increased visibility.

Remember to keep hydrated when riding. The wind will dry you out just like the heat. Now that it is cooling down, hopefully, you still need to stay vigilant. Dehydration slows your reaction times and back to school time runs right into active animal time.

New drivers and animals are a hazard that may not be seasonal but does have an increase this time of year.

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I could have wrote about the recent legislative session, or bemoaned the status of the long standing helmet law debate, but instead, on behalf of all of local 27, I want to thank the Neuro-Trauma Crew at Cox South in Springfield MO, and every emergency responder who helped our family this past month.

Three of our family were involved in bike vs. deer incident recently while on a group ride. The quick actions of their fellow riders followed by the actions of well trained rescue personnel truly saved our friends lives. Olin Meadors was transported to Cox South where he spent time before coming home to recoup from broken ribs, a broken hand, and a walloping bump on the head. Yancey Saunders received stitches and then was released home. Olin's passenger Kelly Snyder had severe road rash and was treated at a burn unit in Springfield.

Just goes to show you that years and miles on your arse mean nothing to Bambi,... He will jump right up and give you a death smooch when you least expect it. All of our friends are well on their way to making a full recovery and we'll be seeing them all back on 2 wheels soon, but it must be said,..... after years of fighting, and thousands upon thousands of dollars spent to repeal a helmet law, while claiming to promote motorcycle safety, and hanging up 100's of share the road signs,... Bambi made a cute movie, but he cant read,.... and I'm sure glad my friends were ALL wearing their lids that day.

Heads up, wheels down and balls out my friends -Jack



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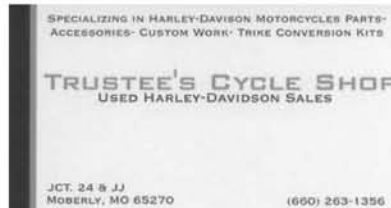


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LOCAL 28 - WAYNESVILLE**Meetings: 1st Friday @ 7 p.m.****Pulaski Shriners Club.****Contact: President Mike Moeller 573-528-1528, Vice President Larry Wheeler 573-586-7291, Shrine Club 573-774-5454**

What is the Freedom of Road Riders (FORR)? The official answer is that it is an organization whose purpose is to guard the rights of all motorcyclists; to keep them informed of laws that will help or hinder them as motorcyclists; to promote safety, rider education, brotherhood, and freedom for all motorcyclists. What is the FORR to you? To me, it is a group of people that share a common interest, and have similar goals.

What are the meetings to you? To me, they provide an opportunity to sit down and converse with people who share some of the same interests. When I walk into a meeting, I see family, friends, and potential family members and friends. It is a chance to laugh over a beer, talk about riding, and maybe learn something new.

What are the events to you? Are they just something else that you have to attend and fit into your busy schedule? To me, they are all learning experiences. Even picking up trash!! Whether going on a ride, picking up trash, or participating in a parade or fund-raiser, I have learned something.

So, back to my original question – what is the FORR to you? I hope that, we as a Local, have informed every one of the laws that have been discussed or passed. I hope that it is an organization that has promoted motorcycle safety. I hope that the Local has promoted rider education for you. I hope that the Local has promoted brotherhood for you. And last, but not least, I would hope that we have promoted freedom for all motorcyclists.

If the Local has not done all of this for you, then maybe you should ask if you have done everything that you could for your Local and for your FORR! Have you volunteered for an event, have you participated in a fun run, have you promoted rider safety or education, or even said hello to a new member? Try it out and make our Local great!!

Now, I will get off of my soap box and ask if everyone is having a great summer? Hopefully, the rain and storms that we have been getting have not deterred anyone from riding. Even with the water, the temperatures have been wonderful to ride in! It makes me smile to see and hear so many bikes out and about since the last time I wrote this article. And I have been smiling a lot!! To all of those that went to Sturgis, I hope that you did not encounter any bad weather, enjoyed the ride and your companions, and had a GREAT time!!

Notes from this month's meeting:
Here are the notes from this month's meeting. For a complete listing of the minutes, please visit the web site at www.local28forr.com.

- The FORR will be sponsoring a bike show in Kansas City. Steve has raffle tickets to help raise money for the sponsorship. The drawing will be held at the FEW seminar. Please see him if you are interested in purchasing any of the raffle tickets.

- The only legislation that was discussed at the last CC meeting was a bill to make motorcycle check points illegal, but this is at the federal level.

- Steve asked everyone to review this month's issue of the newsletter as there were some changes presented to the by-laws that he felt you may be interested in reviewing.

- Sue Miller and Vicki volunteered to be the primary POCs for next year's Freedom Rally committee. Tommy and Suzi Shaw volunteered to be the alternates. Thank you everyone for stepping up and participating!!

- The Buckhorn Blast was a huge success. The passport run was great, with a total of 37 riders participating. Even the ones that got caught in the rain had a great time! Thank you to all who worked the event and all who showed for a good time!!

- The Mid Missouri Motorcycle Rally (Homecoming) will be held in Sedalia August 30th through September 2nd. If you need additional information about prices, location, events, etc... talk to one of the members of the board or visit the web site.

- Due to health reasons, Taz will be unable to participate in any rides for a while. If you are interested in taking the lead to set up any fun runs, please get with Taz and he can help you with the coordination.

- If you want to reduce duplicate issues of the newsletter being sent to your home address, an email or letter needs to be sent to Dallas instructing her to do so. You can find this information in the newsletter or contact one of the officers for more information.

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

Upcoming Events:

30 August – 2 September 2013 Mid Missouri Motorcycle Rally (Homecoming) Sedalia
6 September 2013 Local 28 FORR meeting / Officer Nominations
7 September 2013 Roadside cleanup and Fun Run
4 October 2013 Local 28 FORR meeting
5 October 2013 Pop's Ride
19 October 2013 Waynesville Street Fest booth setup
19 October 2013 Pre-build for the Halloween Bash
26 October 2013 Halloween Bash
1 November 2013 Local 28 FORR meeting /Elections
2 November 2013 Local 28 Toy Run
11 November 2013 Veteran's Day Parade
30 November 2013 Wal-Mart Toy Collection
1 December 2013 Waynesville Christmas Parade
1 December 2013 Local 28 Chili Cook Off after the parade
6 December 2013 Local 28 FORR meeting
7 December 2013 Toy drop off
7 December 2013 Local 28 Holiday party
31 December 2013 New Year's Eve party




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LOCAL 29 - NORTH KANSAS CITY**Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1 p.m.****American Legion Post 61, 5125 N Bellaire, KCMO****Contact: Steve Williams 816-509-1209 or****Bob Neal 816-809-7184****Facebook: FORR Local 29**

Our July meeting was well attended with seventeen members present. We feasted on Sheila's slum goulash, Donna's slaw, and Little Debi's snacks while enjoying the meeting. We received a report from our MAFR Reps, Steve and Janet. It appears we were one of the few Locals to cover all their shifts at the rally. We received a very generous check for our part of the profits. In other news we picked our Misfit nominee for District FORR Octoberfest. Among the qualified candidates we had one outstanding one. Ursula DeMoss has been nominated as our candidate. Ursula has been very active in Local 29 and in District FORR and would make an outstanding Misfit award winner. Our membership incentive was won for the third month in a row. Chuck Ballew won \$10 this month and he generously donated it back to the Local. Our attendance incentive was \$40 with a \$20 split to the winner. This was won by Donna Duyck. She used the winnings to renew the FORR membership of her and Jim's son.

The weekend of July 26, 27, and 28th several members of Local 29 and two canines went on a weekend trip to Indian Cave State Park in Nebraska. The weather was perfect for riding and for camping. Days were sunny and in the 70's. Nights were clear and in the lower 50's, perfect for sleeping. Friday we set up camp and then dined on slum goulash and salad. We then sat around the campfire and told tall tales. On Saturday morning after a breakfast of biscuits and gravy we toured the Old Town of St. Deroin where we were purchasers of pioneer made lye soap, candles, and brooms. At least one member of our party tried riding the one she bought, but Sheila couldn't get it off the ground. Jim and Janet relived their childhood by riding a merry go round until they could barely stand up. We then toured Halfbreed Cemetery and the visitor's center. Afterwards we returned to camp for sandwiches and naps. Saturday afternoon we visited Indian Cave. That evening we roasted hotdogs and marshmallows over an open fire and then went to the amphitheater where we watched an excellent, if dated, nature movie. Sunday morning we broke camp and headed toward home. We stopped at the Whisky Run Creek Vineyard and Winery in Brownville, where we left behind many dollars. We also toured Main Street in Brownville and saw an excellent rustic museum there. After lunch at the Black Iron Grill in Rock Port we headed home from an enjoyable and relaxing weekend.

Our Facebook page: "FORR Local 29" is loaded with pictures from this trip and with information about upcoming events. We have eliminated our web site and we now use Facebook to keep our members and friends informed. Search "FORR Local 29" on Facebook and click on join. We would love to have you.

As I finish writing this I am packing for my 18th trip to Sturgis, where I will be able to ride free in South Dakota. I hope to see many of you there. Honest Bob

LOCAL 30 - SPRINGFIELD/NIXA**Meetings: 3rd Thursday @ 7 p.m.****Logan's Roadhouse, Battlefield Rd****Contact: Mark 417-887-2923**

The news reporter comes on the television and despite our many group efforts to get the word out; somehow it appears that the four wheeled vehicles of the roads are not paying attention to us. A report on the radio told about a man, sixty-something years old who recently died in a motorcycle crash. Another, a young woman thrown from her bike when the car behind her failed to maintain a safe distance between the two. We pause, and for a moment our stomachs may twist, wondering if it's one of our fellow bikers. And despite all of our efforts to get the word out...we hear another report.

The awareness rides, luminescent colored T-shirts, flashing road advisory signs that are warning others to look twice, don't stop the increasing death tolls. Now more than ever, safe, defensive driving is a necessity for motorcyclists.

The number of motorcycle fatalities increased about 9% in 2012, and fatalities over all will have increased 14 of the last 15 years. In January 2013, the Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA) asked each state to provide motorcyclist fatality counts. All 50 states supplied data, along with their views on why fatalities increased. Five recurring issues presented themselves.

Weather. Across the lowest 48 states, spring 2012 recorded the warmest average temperature on record. The warm weather undoubtedly increased motorcycle travel, crashed, and fatalities. Missouri blamed "extremely mild weather in late winter and early spring".

The economy. With the economy improving, the nation has more discretionary income. Missouri reported "the economic recovery may have contributed to more motorcyclists purchasing and riding motorcycles".

Gas Prices. A no brainer. As gas prices rise, people are more apt to ride their fuel efficient motorcycles.

Motorcycle registrations. National data support a strong relationship between motorcycle registrations and motorcycle fatalities. Between the years of 1990 to 2008, registrations and fatalities trended closely, and in 2010 and 2011, registrations and fatalities increased by almost the exact amounts.

There were several states that specifically suggested that motorcycle safety training programs play a role in decreasing or limiting motorcyclist fatalities. I am a living testament to the role these programs play in crashed. Shortly after taking the FORR course, I was riding with friends, underestimated a curve and ran myself straight into the ditch. It was due to the course that I was able to accelerate and keep myself from serious injury.

In addition to the 5 issues the GHSA listed, I'm adding rider responsibility. While there is no single answer to keeping ourselves safe, several things have shown effective according to GHSA statistics: Helmet use, reducing alcohol impairment while riding, reduce speeding, and provide training courses and proper licenses. Of course our efforts to inform the public of their part in our safety should remain a top priority.

Ironically that I started this column last week, questioned the need for the information, and put my writing on hold. On Saturday I watched as a street bike sped down Battlefield Road on his rear tire for nearly a full block then weave off and on the shoulder in the middle of Saturday afternoon traffic. I'm convicted. While these issues may seem elementary, the real life evidence shows that all the risks we face can't be projected onto our four wheeled friends. We can and must ride responsibly.

Ride safe, ride happy,
Christine S.

LOCAL 31 - ROLLA**Meetings: Last Friday @ 7:00 p.m.****Location varies - call for info****Contacts: Debra John 573-647-0129 or****Sabrena Shivers 573-201-1385**

We would like to see you show up at one of our meetings.



LOCAL 33 - HWY. 50 WEST**Meetings: 3rd Sunday, 1:00 p.m.****AM Vets on Hwy. 50, Just East of Knob Noster.****President - Bo Smith 660-441-0625**

What's up you all?

August will be a busy month. By the time you get this L-33 and other locals will have educated 100's maybe 1000's of fair goers about a Missouri motorcycle rights organization, Freedom of Road Riders. Passed out info, signed up new members, eat a few corn dogs.

Then the Mid Missouri Motorcycle Rally at the fair grounds. L-33 has a good felling about rally. It's going to be GREAT. You got to have the first one to find out what worked and what didn't to make future one's even better. See you there! You had better be there instead of hearing later what a good time it was.

When you can't change the direction of the wind, change the position of the sail.

Sept. 7 Back to School Poker Run

Safe Travels

Cowboy Roy



Well, Ol Granny's been at it again. We had our \$1,000.00 Poker Run, which was a great success, thanks to the 100+ riders and Locals 14, 29, 35 and what other locals that attended in support of our run, which I didn't recognize. Thank you one and all.

But Granny being her normal self was out stealing people's drinks again and was pretty soused when she swiped a drink from a gentleman from Local 14 of whom she didn't know. After she snatched his drink and gulped it down in one swig, he started crying. Granny said, Please don't cry, I hate it when a man cries. The guy said he was sorry for crying. but today was the worst day of his life. I got fired yesterday, I came out of work and my car was stolen, I left my wallet in the taxi I took home, I caught my wife with another man, my 14 year old daughter announces she is pregnant, my son has contracted some horrible socially transmitted disease and my frickin dog attacked me. I was just sitting here trying to build up enough courage to end it all, watching the poison dissolve in my drink, when you came and snatched it and drank it down. But enough about me! How's your day going? The last we saw of Granny she was on a dead run (no pun intended) to Warrensburg Medical Center.

LOCAL 35 - GOLDEN VALLEY**Meetings: 4th Saturday @ 3 p.m.****TT Hwy Campground****14655 Hwy TT, Warsaw, MO 65355****Contact: Pat Green 660-885-6870**

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If you don't agree with this report,
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LOCAL 42 - FRANKLIN COUNTY**Meetings: Last Sunday @ 3:00 p.m.****Pacific Eagle Small Meeting Room in Pacific, MO****Contact: President - Kenny Williams 314-221-7164**

The last Sunday of the month we had our Local meeting. The V.P. John is back in the hospital and we wish him a safe speedy recovery. Pres. Kenny wishes to thank all of those that supported us on The School Supply Poker Run. It was a success. In July we have 8 new members... Welcome to Toby C., Jonathan C., Michelle H., Rachael J., David L., Tom P., Bob R., Steven W. Congratulations for joining and supporting our great organization. At the meeting we worked on the By-Law proposals and discussed our Bike show coming up in September.. I handed out our homework assignments that the State gave us. I discussed the F.E.W Seminar that will be in Jeff City at the American Legion Post and some of the details that will be released at a later date and I have to say they have been working hard on it. It even involves your's truly... We will need a lot of prizes and the goal is to get as many non members that we can to attend and learn. There is a give-away drawing for a really nice rifle. I attended the Legislative and covered the C.C. meeting for Keifer cause we are alternates.. Brought that report back to the meeting and sometimes I feel like I have hogged the meeting up. It's hard to break down several hours down to twenty or thirty minutes but I figured out if you bring the hard copy back to the meeting you can make the difference up by posting on our Local face book page and for the ones that are digitally deprived, I just sit down and have a cheeseburger with em and tell em what's going on.. Also if you have something to say and would like to submit an article to the Freedom Press, you can send it through me or send it direct to the General Office. That's about all I have for now cause we are busy working on our Local's assignments.

Ride safe and be sure to TCLOCK. L&R. talk later, Tex

LOCAL 47 - SOUTHERN PLATTE COUNTY**Meetings: Will be posted on the FORR Local 47****Facebook page****Contact: Russell 816-699-9309 or Jack 816-591-2497**

Dale Perrigo, Dave Voigts, Ronda & Russell Felts, Sharon Ko & Bill Rothery, and Travis & LaDonna Lawson rode to Local 33's \$1,000 poker run where they met up with members of Local 24. Congratulations to Justin Felts and Cressa Ford who got married on Aug. 3rd. Local 47 will be having a Glock 19 package Give Away. Flyers available on Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/100791843447368/>) or contact any Local 47 member for tickets, as well as Russell Felts for more information at 816-699-9309. Mark your calendars for the District 4 Octoberfest Rally at Oak Grove's Thunder Valley Sand Drags Oct. 4th & 5th. We would like to welcome Sharon Ko and Bill Rothery to Local 47 as new members this month.

We would also like to welcome Toni Curtis, AKA Charmin, who joined last month and we are showcasing this month. Toni is the older twin, with another sister and brother, as well as a mother of two beautiful daughters who have given her two grandsons and two granddaughters. Toni has been a Volunteer Coordinator at NKC Hospital for the past ten years. She also enjoys music, photography, drawing, flea markets, and garage sales. Next time you are looking for a great night out on or off the bike with FORR brothers and sisters don't forget to

look for her band's schedule The Selle Brothers Band and Toni Rae. We are so excited for Toni to join us.

Have a safe and fun August, one and off the bike.

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DISTRICT 1**Meetings: 1st Wednesday****Check with your local rep for location****DISTRICT 4****Meetings: 2nd Tuesday @ 7:00 pm****Bates City BBQ, 313 Market St, Bates City, MO 64011****Contact: 816-550-9591 or 816-536-8147**

Dear FORR District 4 members:

It's with somewhat of a heavy heart that I am herewith giving you notice that I will NOT accept any nominations for the position of ACTIVITY CHAIR, nor can anyone volunteer me for the next term. (2014-2016) The past few months have been a difficult time for me as I deliberated the direction of my life. Whether it would be best served staying, or removing myself from this position. My decision is to dedicate my time and energy towards my husband, my home and family. Getting older is not easy and I slowly realize that there are things I can no longer accomplish, due to age and health. Lots of happenings in my life, and I feel the need to concentrate more on personal issues.

It certainly has been an interesting 2 years and it is my sincere hope that SOMEONE will step up to assume this position. It is not to early to voice your interest and I will be happy to help train my replacement -- or do anything else you feel will help make a transition smoother.

If not for the support to our Organization and Central Committee, we as a District would not exist.

With this being said, I hope that the Locals within District 4 will continue to partake in FORR's mission, which is to PROTECT and GUARD the rights of all motorcyclist.

Thanks so much. My experience has been rewarding and productive, and I wish only the best for you -- and for the organization.

Respectfully submitted

Ursula (Mysterious)DeMoss

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This is to let you know that I will not running for another term as District 4 Treasurer. If somebody would like to start getting their feet wet then get with me and shadow me at Octoberfest.

Dallas

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SPONSORS NEEDED: Octoberfest is in need of sponsors for the District 4 event. Please contact local businesses for their support. If you need forms for Octoberfest sponsors and vendors contact me or Ursula, we can e-mail them. There is a challenge from Ursula, the District 4 Local that brings in the most sponsors will get 2 O'fest passes to give away or what have you.

Rebecca Sutton, our Kid's party planner, up and got married July 30, 2013 in Harrison, Arkansas to our own Steve "Geezer" Hanzek.

Local 5 is taking donations for "Give Away" tickets for a Mossberg 12 gage Long & Short Barrels with wood stock and pistol grip (also referred to as a 500 model, I think) for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Please contact any Local 5 member and we will get you some tickets. The drawing will be held on October 5 at Octoberfest and you do not have to be present to win.

Veto session in Jefferson City is coming please keep your eyes & open for news. Also, keep in mind the 2013 Meeting of the Minds is September 26-29 in Columbus, Ohio. If you want to ride along I will be going, get in touch maybe we can carpool. Also, Mid-South Mile is coming up in October in Oklahoma City. Great place to meet new and old friends and gather a lot of great information. Any member in District 4 can attend the sessions since the district pays the group price you just got to pay for the banquet and your hotel room.

Abide!

Amy "Sunshine" Allmon

Connections



Congress Takes a Break, You Should Take Advantage.

The United States Congress is taking its traditional August recess. In keeping with a very old school tradition, Congress will be vacating D.C. for the longest, hottest month. Back in the day, before modern

air conditioning, Congress would leave D.C. for the month because it was too miserable, DC being a literally, a swamp. When the idea for a national capitol came about, no State wanted to use valuable farmland so Virginia and Maryland kindly donated the cesspool that was the headwaters of the Potomac River. The land was donated because it was deemed worthless. The August break was well deserved because the Members of Congress rarely traveled home during session. Most opted to stay in D.C. boarding houses rather than take the long stagecoach ride to their home state.

Currently, the recess begins August 5th and runs through September 6th. Most of the Members of the House of Representatives and the Senate will be spending significant time in their home state offices. The MRF encourages you to schedule a brief meeting or go to a town hall and meet with your federal elected officials. There are many important issues that need your time and attention.

The most important issue is the Motorcycle Only Roadside Checkpoint elimination bill. HR 1861 is a bill before the US House of Representatives. This bill would end the future funding of any motorcycle only roadside checkpoints from the Federal government. It is crucial that we obtain a large number of cosponsors on this legislation to move this bill forward. Please set aside some time to meet with your Federal elected officials this August. Should you need any help setting up meetings or for more information do not hesitate to contact the MRF at 202-546-0983 or Jeff@MRF.org

You can find out who your representative is by using this link <http://www.house.gov/representatives/find/>

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Connections



How much do motorcycle-only checkpoints cost you, the taxpayer?

For the past two years, the cost to federal taxpayers to fund motorcycle-only checkpoints in just three states is well over \$500,000!

Specifically, the fiscal 2012 and 2013 state highway safety plans indicate that New York and the District of Columbia have earmarked federal grants for MOCs.

New York budgeted \$490,000 in the past two years alone! Even more troubling, the state used motorcycle safety funds from Section 402 of Title 23. Funds from this section should promote strategies to prevent motorcycle crashes from occurring and not be used to arbitrarily pull over riders and randomly subjecting them to roadside inspections.

And this is just for two years. New York stated in its highway safety plans that it has conducted MOCs “officially” since fiscal year 2009, but fails to mention its costs for fiscal years 2009-11.

Additionally, the District of Columbia stated in its highway safety plans that it conducts two motorcycle-only checkpoints each year and uses federal grants to fund a \$25,000 enforcement budget to help pay for it.

You may also remember that Georgia was the only state to receive a federal grant in the amount of \$70,000 from a National Highway Traffic Safety Administration program to create MOCs. The grant was used to conduct one or more roadside MOCs, including one by the Georgia State Patrol on I-95 on March 9, 2011 to single out motorcyclists on their way to Bike Week at Daytona Beach.

Help us get additional cosponsors for H.R. 1861, the Stop Motorcycle Checkpoint Funding Act. The bill, introduced by U.S. Rep. Jim Sensenbrenner (R-Wis.), will protect motorcyclists’ rights and promote crash prevention as the most effective use of taxpayer money to save motorcyclists’ lives. It will also prohibit federal funds being used by states to conduct MOCs.

Act now by using our alert for H.R. 1861 to send a prewritten message to send to your representative!

To view the AMA’s efforts to end motorcycle-only checkpoints, go to <http://www.americanmotorcyclist.com/rights/motorcycleonlycheckpoints.aspx>. Please join the AMA to help us end motorcycle-only checkpoints. More members means more clout against our opponents, and your support will help the AMA fight for your rights – on the road, trail, racetrack, and in the halls of government. To join, go to AmericanMotorcyclist.com/membership/join. You—the motorcyclist— can count on the AMA to guard your freedoms while you enjoy the ride.

“ENGINEER OF FREEDOM” AWARD

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

Q. Who may receive the “Engineer of Freedom” award?

A. Any member in good standing of Freedom of Road Riders®.

Q. How can a member be nominated for the “Engineer of Freedom” award?

A. Any member or Local may nominate a member for this award. Simply write a letter to the Central Committee Cabinet of FORR® outlining the contributions of the nominee to the cause of freedom and mail it or e-mail to the FORR Corporate Secretary, Kathy Garver, PO Box 308, Oak Grove, MO 64075-0308 or secretary@forr.net

Q. How are nominees selected as an “Engineer of Freedom”?

A. The FORR® CC Cabinet will review the nominations prior to each Central Committee meeting. Only the contributions of the nominee will be considered; the name will not be divulged to any officer besides the Corporate Secretary. The recipient(s) will be announced at the CC meeting following their selection. Nominations for those who are not selected will be reviewed again at the next meeting.

Q. What does the recipient get for being selected as an “Engineer of Freedom”?

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

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



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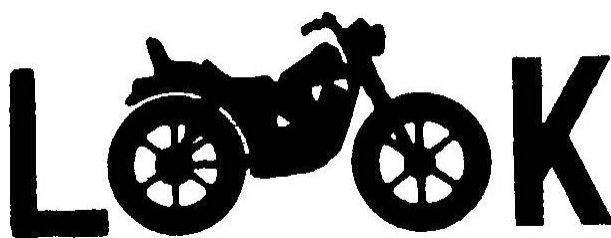
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SEPTEMBER

- 7 Local 33 Hwy 50 West Back to School Poker Run
660-441-0625
- 14 Local 29 North Kansas City Plum Run 816-509-1209
- 22 Local 35 Golden Valley Fall Poker Run 660-885-6870
- 22 Local 42 Franklin County Bike Show 314-221-7164
- 29 Local 15 Branson Tri Lakes Motorcycle Show & Swap Meet
417-334-0775
- 29 Local 6 St Joseph Family Day Poker Run 816-646-9976

OCTOBER

- 4-6 District 4 Octoberfest 816-550-9591

- 6 Local 15 Branson Stone County Toy Run 417-334-0775

- 13 Local 33 Hwy 50 West Adopt-A-Family Poker Run
660-441-0625

- 26 Local 28 Waynesville Halloween Bash 573-528-1528

NOVEMBER

- 2-3 Central Committee Statewide Toy Run 800-309-7433

- 3 Local 15 Branson Branson Toy Run 417-334-0775

- 30 Local 28 Waynesville Santa's Coming 573-528-1528

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