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Central Committee Meetings are at 10:00 am on the 2nd Sunday of the odd numbered months of the year

Central Committee Meetings for 2026:

Jan 17-18
 March 14-15
 May 16-17
 July 11-12
 Sept 19-20
 Nov 14-15

ONLY current membership Central Committee Representatives can conduct business during scheduled Central Committee Meetings.
 Please be sure your membership is current.

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Saturday Committees

Membership 12:00 pm
 Legislative 1:00 pm
 PAC Rally 2:00 pm
 FEW Seminar 3:00 pm
 Motorcycle Awareness 4:00 pm
 Open Officers Meeting 5:00 pm

Letter from the Vice Chairman...

I want to thank everyone for their support these past 2 yrs as Vice Chairman. Cabinet positions are never easy and you can never please everyone. All we can do is try our best to move things into the right direction.

I also wated to thank DC, Duchess and Amy for all they have done over many years!
 Congratulations to our new 2026 -2027 cabinet I know you'll do us all proud.

Fitz

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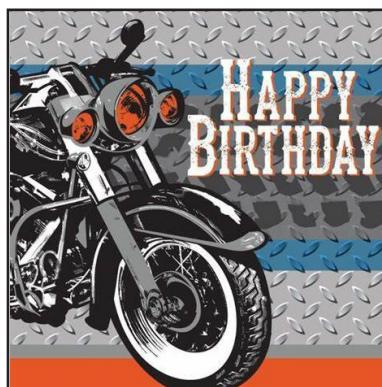
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New Life Members

Curtis Jones Local 7
Michael Hulen Local 13
Susan Boies Local 28



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Local 1 – Lee’s Summit (March 1980)

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1pm - Location Varies

Contact: Rebel 816-850-4511 or Dragon 816-547-4906

Facebook: FORR Local 1

Hey all!

Well, it looks like the weather is taking a turn, so be careful out there. The leaves can be slippery.

Here at local 1, we have been doing well. Had a great time at the Ferguson's at their Fall Party. Excellent turnout. Always good food and good company. The skies even dried up long enough for Bob to take all of us out on a couple of hayrides! Just finished up with the Local 14 Kickstand Memorial Pool Tournament, and as always it was a good time – some real good costumes too!

Coming up soon in January will be the District 4 Crockpot Cookoff. Always an excellent time!

I know there is something that I have forgotten to write, but I forgot! This has been one of the most difficult issues I have had in years.... Nuff said!

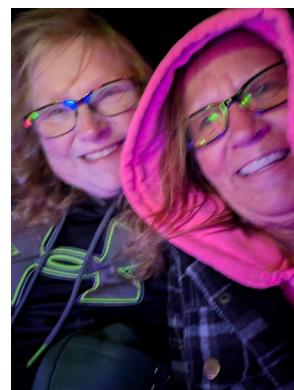
Have a good holiday and stay safe whatever you do.

So, as I always say, have a good one, then have another!

See ya,

Michelle 'Rebel' O'Connor #7157

Annual Fall Gathering at Local 1's Bob & Theresa Fergusons outside Holden. Fun was had by all!

**Local 3 - Truman Lake (March 2013)**

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1:30pm

Call for 'new' Location

Contact: President John Bowen 417-321-4090

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Secretary Marcia Rogers 417-309-1669

Treasurer Walter Quick 816-223-0918

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Facebook: FORR® Local 3

Local 5 - South Kansas City (June 1981)

Meetings: 3rd Saturday @ 4pm

VFW Post 1829 at 5904 Crystal in KCMO. (816-921-2222)

Contact: President Kieth Cronin 816-377-0645

VP Duane Copowycz 816-217-1812

Facebook: Freedom of Road Riders, Inc. Local 5 South KC

Hello to all, hope you're enjoying our Indian summer and are out riding/driving down a quiet road. Really nothing to report as we did not have an October meeting.

Just returned from the Toy Run. Good company and good pizza. Weather was perfect. A huge thank you to Dana Stouder who knitted over 80 hats. The teachers were so excited as they serve over 100 students. A big pat on the back to those who participated.

Hope everyone has a peaceful Thanksgiving. I'm certainly counting my blessings this year.

Thank you for your time,

Rebecca.

Local 6 - St. Joseph (March 1982)

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 12:30pm

VFW Post #1668 at 821 N. 4th Street, St. Joseph, MO 64501

Contact: Newsletter: Editor Christine Bell

queenbwitch@hotmail.com 913-645-1570

On October 19th, we had our monthly meeting where 20 members were present. Our next meetings will be on November 16th and December 21st.

On October 25th, we had 4 members who participated in the annual Halloween Parade in Atchison.

On November 2nd, we held our annual Toy Run for the Noyes Home, there were 40 bikes that rode in and between Local 6 and the other organizations who joined us there were 80 people who came out to help spread the Holiday Cheer. We were also joined by Santa and The Grinch! We were able to help Santa deliver toys and goodies to 29 children this year and were able to gift the Noyes Home \$515.00. Thank you to everyone who helped make this day so special for those children.

Don't forget Veteran's Day is on November 11th, there will be several parades around the area, please go out and support our Veterans.

December birthdays are Kathy Maxwell on the 14th, Russel Middleton on the 23rd, Nicole Webb on the 25th, and Russell Wohlford on the 25th.

Christine

**Local 7 – Lebanon (January 1983)**

Meetings: 1st Sunday @ 4pm

T'S Redneck Restaurant in Lebanon, MO.

Contact: Robert Young 417-426-5627

Well, yes, it is November and we have been busy in October we helped the Sound house with their October Fest.

We set up an info booth we had some interest in. Bryan and I did the info booth, Nita and Tammy helped sell 50/50 tickets for Sound house. Then on Halloween we set up at the Sound house and gave away candy to the kids. Our member Darreld brought a lot of decorations like 8-foot skeleton, some guy puking in the barrel, a tall clown and many other things including a kick ass sound system. We had a good time, and I think the kids enjoyed it. Thanks to all the members who helped with that.

Before I forget again when we did the scavenger hunt for Hughes meals on wheels program one of our other members, we will call her Patty took second place and also donated it back, thank you Patty. On **(Continued)**

November 2nd we had our toy run, it also turned out good, not as many riders as normal. We did however fill the back of a pickup with toys and back seat with can goods and donated \$400.00 dollars. So not too bad. Local 7 wishes to thank everyone that came out and supported us. Ok our valentine dance will be on Saturday February 14th 6:00 pm at the American Legion in Lebanon Mo. On Evergreen Road. At our meeting after the toy run, we nominated people for positions we will vote on at December's meeting. For those of you who want to go on the Buffalo toy run we will meet at King Cash savers on Sunday November 23 at 11:00 am.

That's all I have to say for now. RIDE SAFE

Sir Robert

Local 8 – Chillicothe (March 1986)

Meetings: (call for info - location varies)

Contact: 660-247-5713 or 660-973-3907

Facebook: FORR Local 8

Local 9 – Lake of the Ozarks (May 2024)

Meetings: 2nd Saturday of the month @ 6pm - location may vary

Contact: Christabel William 417-718-5946

Email: FORRlocal9@outlook.com

Facebook: FORR Local 9

Hello FORR family. Well, another month has passed. Spooky season has just ended. Local 9 did some trunk or treat events around the area and met some really nice people. Seeing all the kids in their costumes was, as always, so great. Our very own Marie Wiley dressed up as a headless horseman this year. She is giving her usual Hippo a rest and trying out a new one. Also need to add that members of local 9 participated in 2 different poker runs and made donations.

We will be doing nominations and voting soon for new officers. We only have 2 months left this year. Turkey Day and Christmas will be here before you know it. Hope everyone has a great holiday season. And as always if you're still riding... Stay safe out there. Not everyone watches out for us. Happy Holidays and Happy riding.

Christabel "Ducktape" Williams

Local 10 - Jefferson City (March 1987)

Meetings: 3rd Wednesday @ 6:30pm Third Base in Apache Flats (5515 business 50 west, Jefferson City, MO)

Contact: Pres. Kip Loveall 573-999-0005 - Secy. Julie Loveall 573-645-7106

Treas. Jo Romano 573-514-0889 - Safety. Gary Smith 573-424-4539

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Local 11 - Southwest Missouri (Feb 1984)**Meetings:** Normally the 4th Sun of the month @ 1pm.**See Facebook for possible changes.****Fraternal Order of Eagles****1321 S. Main, NW Door, Joplin MO 64801****Contacts: President, Mark Capps @ 417-439-5908****Vice President, Jake High @ 417-540-3620****Facebook: Freedom of Road Riders Local 11***At the Heart of Every Family***TRADITION***Is a
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Hello from the one and only Local 11!

I hope all has been well with everyone since my last entry. Nobody reached out to me to answer any of my questions however my local was more than happy to discuss their thoughts and beliefs towards our comradery issue. I will get back to that shortly. On another note. We just had our Halloween bash and the food drive for a local shelter. Although we had an amazing time and we did well for our community I couldn't help but notice the lack of other members of F.O.R.R. It would have been amazing to have others there and support a great cause. We arrived at the shelter and found that they had called the news for us and wanted to let everyone know how they appreciate what we do. I believe this year made it 9 years. a tradition that makes you feel good knowing someone is going to get fed because you made the choice to show up.

Local 11 will have our meeting on November 23rd. We will have a new editor, so this is my last post. As for the comradery issue in my own thoughts I believe it's one person waiting on another to reach out instead of taking the initiative to reach out and keep communication going whether it's someone who has been in for a long time or a new member not knowing where they fit in.

As always stay safe and stay informed. **Harley "PEGG" Bockoven****Local 12 - Glasgow (April 1994)****Meetings:** 3rd Sunday @ 3:00 pm Location varies.**Tami Adcock 660-631-5314 Susan McDaniel 660-631-6024****Upcoming meetings: Johnnie and Laura's Nov 16 545 Briarwood, St Marshall Bud's Cafe Dec 13 Lafayette St Marshall Christmas Party Todd and Brenda's Jan 18 115 Harold St, Slater Johnnie and Laura's Feb 15 545 Briarwood, Marshall****Facebook Freedom of Road Riders Local 12**

Hey everyone: Our last meeting was held at Johnnie and Laura's with 19 members present. There were several topics of conversation... including our Christmas party. The Christmas party will be held at Bud's Cafe just off the Marshall square. It will kick off with happy hour at 5 o'clock. There will be a voluntary gift exchange. If you would like to participate, bring a gift valued from \$20 to \$25. Hope to see you there Dec13.

The city of Marshall's Christmas parade is Dec 6. We would love to see a good turnout for that and hope for great riding weather.

Four Local 12 members took a Fall ride through Arkansas since our last letter. Jim, Todd, Chuck and Jay had a good ride. It's always great to hear about members getting out on the road. Let's hope we can all find a few warm days to get out there. Till Next Time, **Patti B**

Local 13 - Mexico (January 1987)**Meetings:** 3rd Sunday @1pm**For Meeting info or Membership****Call: President Steve "DUTCH" Dailing @ 573-933-0044****Vice Pres. Sara Allen @sballen2438@gmail.com****Facebook: Freedom of Road Riders® Local 13**

Local 14 - Lexington (November 1984)

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 2pm VFW Post 4052
 3109 Franklin Ave, Lexington, MO 64067
 Contact: Donna Hilburn 816-665-7243
 Facebook: FORR® Local 14

Hello brothers and sisters!! Well fall is here.

Pool tournament and Toy Run were fun as always. Thank you all for your support.

Here are some updates and such.

Christmas party Dec 6th... flyer is out. There will be live band. The menu is awesome, and the auction items are incredible. Reminder that our Dec meeting is open and close. Always make sure to get out there and support our sister locals.

Our meeting 3rd Sunday each month at VFW Hall in Lexington. We are going to try to help the Hall out and support their all you eat breakfast which is \$10 or \$12 per person also hoping this will help our local as well.

Just a reminder some members are missing renewing their memberships, please look at your membership card and renew when it's time. Please give Tammy a call to renew or you can go online and renew. It's very simple

Steph "Puff" Foulks

Local 15 - Branson / Tri-Lakes (May 1991)

Meetings: 3rd Monday @ 7pm
 Call for info Contact: Cyndi Barker 417-294-7340
 Facebook: FORR Local #15

With a busy summer behind us we still have events coming up.

After both Toy Runs completed we always feel good when we can give back to the community. We had 49 Motorcycles at the Stone County Run as weather held out for us that day. We still have Taney County Toy Run to go.

New Years Day Ride 2026 - We meet at Veterans Museum on Hwy 76 Country Blvd. Branson Mo. KSU 1PM- We ride from that location to a close destination as it will be cold that day. Everyone is welcome to ride with us that day.

We welcome NEW Members and NEW ideas at all meetings.

Kimberly

L14 Kickstand Memorial Pool Tournament**Local 16 - SEMO (December 1984)**

Meetings: 7pm, 4th Friday of the month at The West End Tavern in Frohna
 Contact: Whitey 573-768-2524 or George 573-270-7494
 E-mail: forrlocal16@gmail.com
 Facebook: FORR Local 16

A big, although belated (November 10th), 'Happy Birthday' goes out to the US Marines! - Kicking ass & taking names for 250 years!

The Toy Run went fairly well, with about 30 participants and a nice leisurely ride. **(Continued)**

Thanks again to the Cape Eagles for all that they do to accommodate us year after year. So much for being optimistic about having The Treetop Bar for a meeting venue – they have closed their doors! We will, however, be looking for another possible meeting place within the next couple of days of this writing so stay tuned & needless to say, call ahead before heading to the next one.

By this time, the preparations for the Christmas Dance at the Perryville VFW are set on autopilot with things getting started at 7pm this year & winding down around 11pm – or so. You can walk in the door with NO COVER CHARGE and listen to The Sammy Hagel Band, get in on at least a couple of gun giveaways, door prizes, live auction items, etc., etc., so on & so forth. And of course, we will take part in the evening to appreciate and honor all of our veterans, and we will present one with a US flag that was flown over the Veterans Memorial in Perryville.

At this time, we do not have definite dates for either of the Broomstick Pool Tournaments, but they are always within a couple of weeks of when they usually are in February & March.

With respect to all,

Martin Lee King of Pocahontas



Local 18 – Springfield (January 2007)

Meetings: 3rd Sunday of the month – 5:00pm

The Foxhole American Legion, 2350 N Clifton Ave., Springfield, MO 65807

Contact: President - Kevin "Sixty-Eight" Kopp 239-600-2829

V.P. - Terry Lee Cook 573-754-2723

Secretary- Amy *Miami* Leslie (417)861-0769

Local 20 – Dexter (September 1985)

Meetings: Last Saturday @ 2pm

The Tin Can 24 N. Locust St., Dexter, MO

Contact: Robert Reif Jr 573-421-4780 / rrreifjr@bpsnetworks.com

Facebook: Freedom of Road Riders Local 20 Dexter

Local 24 - St. Louis (October 1986 / Closed 2006 - reinstated January 2009)

Meetings: 2nd Tuesday @ 6:30

Sports Cafe, 3579 Pennridge Rd., Bridgeton, MO 63044.

Contact: Kerri Lewis 314-546-1624 or myself at 314-769-7810



Local 25 - St. Charles County (November 1986)**Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ Noon - St. Charles Music House****Contact: President Justin Nelson 636-288-4411****Facebook: Freedom of Road Riders Local 25**

Hello, I know it has been a while since you heard from me, but we are still here and doing our best to keep going. Let us start by informing everyone that after the first of the year (January, for those who want specifics) our local meetings will change from the 3rd Sunday to the 2nd Sunday of the month. This is due to the C.C. meetings being changed to the 3rd weekend of the month. Since some of our officers like to go to the C.C. meetings, we thought it would be a good idea to change our meeting instead of having poor attendance.



We had nominations at the last meeting and will take more and have our elections at the next meeting November 23rd. Also let me announce the last 3 incentive names that were drawn: August was Steve Blunt, September was Tina Smith, and last month was John Hartman. Had you been at the meeting, you would have won, but you weren't and so therefore the pot keeps growing. It is up to \$80.00 as of the last meeting. Come to a meeting and maybe you could be the winner, or if not, it will keep growing.

I want to say THANK YOU!!!! to all of our members who keep renewing their memberships, I don't say that enough. Without all of you we would not be able to keep going. I also want to WELCOME Mary Farley as our newest member!!!!

We had our Leaves in the Breeze poker run yesterday. The temps were cold but at least the rain, or most of it, eluded us. We had 15 sign ins, and about 7 or 8 bikes. Thanks to all who came out. The winning hand was won by Marty Marko with 2 pairs, 2nd place was Dave Smith also with 2 pairs s (Marty's 2nd pair beat Daves), and worse hand was Scooter Shelton with only 1 face card. All the winners donated their winnings back to the cause. I want to SAY THANKS to all the people who worked at the stops and a SPECIAL THANKS to the establishments who hosted us!!!! Redbirds Sports Bar, T & D Tavern, Cori's Twin Gables, Cliff and Ellas, and last but not least Rails Bar and Grill.

We need to get more butts in seats at our meetings. If you have any suggestions for how we can accomplish that, please feel free to call me 636-384-6940 or any of our other officers, or show up at the next meeting and present your ideas!!

Mid America Freedom Rally update- All of the bands, entertainment and sound have been booked to the next rally. The lineup is: Friday evening we are starting with Bag Lady Sue to be followed by No Sleep Bandits. Saturday is Naughty Nurse and Poison Overdose. Sunday is Out of the Ashes and Motley Crucial. We hope that you all enjoy the entertainment that we have booked for this year and hope to see you all at the Rally!!!!

That is about all I have for now. Until next time, remember it is the journey, Not the destination.

Later, **Emily**

Local 26 - Maryville (February 1990)**Meetings: 1st Tuesday @ 6pm****Breaktime @ 1517 E. 1st St., Maryville, MO****Contact: Kathy Rice 660-582-1742****Facebook: Local 26 Freedom of Road Rider**

Right:

*Article written by: Local 26 Kathryn Rice for the Nodaway News Leader.
Photo taken by: Linda Parker*



**Motorcyclists are still on highways, streets
Greg Parker and "Skel" are telling people to
"Watch for Motorcycles, Arrive Alive."**

"Skel" on his three-wheeler is hoping no one out and about on our city and town streets and highways becomes a statistic during this fall riding season.

Skel is visiting the Parkers for the second year and plans to pull shenanigans for "Skel raisin' hell."

Local 28 - Waynesville (March 1990)

Meetings: 1st Friday @ 7pm Pulaski Shriners Club.

Contact: President: Jon Pool - (574) 855-4550 - V President - Larry Hudspeth - (573) 433-0805 - Larry.Hudspeth.ride@gmail.com - Secretary- Vivian Hudspeth -Safety Officer-Laura Pool - (573) 528-9686 jlanpool@usa.com

Treasurer- Mayra Preble

CC Rep/Freedom Press Reporter - Merel "Hatman" Johnson (573) 528-0920 johnsonmd2@rocketmail.com
Shrine Club - 573-774-5454 - Faceboook - Local 28 Freedom of Road Riders

Hello Motorcycle Lovers

Welcome to this year's rendition of Local 28 Freedom Press announcements and history lesson for December. Well, I am somewhat happy that someone stepped up during nominations and basically volunteered to be our local's President, Jon Pool. His second term. It appears to be one position that no one wants. Yes, I am calling the kettle black but under my current physical condition along with scheduled treatments I would not be able to fulfil the job very well and 28 needs someone to be strong leader. I can and will remain the CC Rep but there may be another member to take on the Press Reporter. Other volunteers were Larry and Vivian Hudspeth, Mayra Preble, Marta Bruno and finally Laura Pool Safety. A big thank you too all.

November 11th, Veteran's Day Parade in St Robert. I hope to see everyone there, if not in the parade at least standing by to get all that great leftover Halloween candy. If you don't want the Tootsie Rolls. Save them for me. I will be there somewhere close along with other riders from the American Legion, CMA, CVMA, Veterans, and other groups. It will be a grand time to remember thanking, celebrating and being thankful for service men and women who volunteered and are still servicing. WE MUST NEVER FORGET THOSE WHO GAVE ALL. I salute them one and all.

Hey, if you are reading this, come for visit the first Friday of each month. You can capture our flag, get in on a good time and maybe drink a beer or two, responsibly. I sit at my computer remembering: 1. Ride safely watching out for drivers, other riders and creatures. Damn deer took out my wife's car (totaled it) and one has a sore ass where I got it with the truck. (minor blemish) 2. Here comes the History lesson. I'll make it short.

Historical Fact: The longest distance for riding a motorcycle was 2,019.4 miles in a 24-hour period. The record was set by an American and that American was L. Russell Vaughn. L. Russell "Rusty" Vaughn was for the Continental Tire Test Track on August 10, 2011. The location was Uvalde, Texas, USA, and Vaughn did use his own Harley-Davidson FLHTK Electra Glide Limited 2010 bike. He completed 238 laps on the test track and won himself a place in the Guinness Book of World Records. "Only a biker knows why a dog sticks his head out of a car window." — Anonymous

Keep the Wind and Sun to your back, both Wheels on the Ground and God as your Co-pilot. God Bless Everyone

Merel "Hat Man" Johnson, Freedom Press Reporter Local 28.

Local 29 - Kansas City North (February 1988)

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 2pm (Location Varies) The Hiway House, 4071 N. Prather Rd. KCMO 64116

Contact: Nancy Martin 816-309-2566 or Randy Adkison 816-217-8794 - Facebook: FORR Local 29

Hello everyone. We didn't have much of an October meeting due to low attendance. I would, however, like to announce that we have a new Treasurer. Tracy Pritchard. Thank you for stepping up. We hope that everyone had a great Halloween and Thanksgiving. Cold weather is upon us. If you have elderly neighbors, check in on them, make sure they have everything they need and are able to stay warm.

I was driving along one day and saw a man using a leaf blower to blow his yard leaves out into the street. Please watch out for that kind of stuff. That's all for now. Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

See ya when I see ya, *Shelly Bryan*

Local 31 - Central Missouri (December 1990)

Meetings: 2nd Monday of each month @ 7:00pm Check Facebook for meeting location.

You may also get ahold of Mike Thompson @ L31pres@gmail.com Or call Charlie Dowell 573-201-4913

Facebook: Local 31 Central MO

Local 31 has been active these last couple of months. Between the Rat Run, toy drives, our own Firecracker on 2 wheels leading a Cancer Ride and all the Thanksgiving meals making us all stuffed turkeys. Wishing everyone a Happy Holiday Season!! Meeting days are the 2nd Thursday of the month. Locations vary. Contact Mike Thompson for details. *Angel*

Local 33 - Hwy. 50 West (March 1999)

Meetings: 3rd Sunday of every month @ 11:30am Location: The End Zone @ 3129 W Broadway Blvd, Sedalia, MO

President: Roy Hoard 660-527-3395 - Facebook: Freedom of Road Riders Local 33

Hello Motorcycle Riding Buddies, we are now writing this submission for December 2025.

The weather this year has been unusual to say the least. I hope everyone has gotten in a lot of wind *(Continued)*

in your faces this year, this is such great therapy. Take advantage of the weather for riding when you can.

I want to start off by inviting Local 33 Members to come to meetings and have some fun again!!! It is our time again. The Fun Run we had in October was so much Fun and honoring our Fallen Members from our Local and taking them on the ride with us was wonderful! Let's enjoy our Local again!

Christmas time is this month, and we will Adopt a Family in some way to make someone's Christmas with their Family better...Local 33 giving a hand up.

Happy Birthday to all Local 33 December Birthdays!!!

Wishing Everyone a Very Merry Christmas.

Before you go riding, check your bike...tires, brakes, shocks, lights, signals and riding partner. Stay Warm if you venture out on a ride. Here's hoping 2026 is a Spectacular New Year for Local 33 with lots of Fun and Adventures with many Local 33 Members. 2026 is Local 33's Come Back to Fun Year!

As always, Ride a lot, Be safe and Enjoy the wind in your face. **Karen "Susie Q" Ryan - News Editor**

Local 35 - Golden Valley (July 1996)

Meetings: 4th Sunday @ 2pm Eagles, 723 N. 3rd St., Clinton, MO

Contact: Pres. David Nelson 660-492-7493 - Facebook: Freedom of Road Riders ® Local 35

Hello everyone! I know this is the December issue of The Freedom Press, but I forgot to wish all of you a Happy Thanksgiving in last month's letter! So Happy Thanksgiving everyone!

I hope each of you had a great day with friends and family and enjoyed a delicious meal! Surely you have gotten through all the leftovers by now! May be a good idea to toss it in the trash if you haven't! Now before I forget I want to wish y'all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year's! Still can't believe we are in December! Where the heck did the year go!

We covered a lot in our last Local meeting and had a good turnout. If you were not able to make it to the meeting, we have tentatively scheduled our Local 35 Christmas Party and also will combine our November and December meetings. As of right now we are waiting to hear back from Eagles Lodge to see if the dates we want will work for them.

Local 35 Christmas party will be December 6th at the Eagles Lodge in Clinton and set up will start at 3pm. Watch for a list of what food everyone will be bringing on our Facebook page. Asking everyone that wants to participate in the Christmas gift exchange game, to bring a unisex gift that is a minimum of \$20.00. Hoping for a great turnout! Will be a fun time and be some really tasty food!

December 12th at 7pm, Friday evening we will have our November/December Local 35 meeting. We will also be holding our elections for the 2026 officers. Meeting will be held at the Eagles Lodge in Clinton.

Watch our Local 35 private Facebook page for any additional info!

We have a few members that have birthdays in December, and we want to wish each of them a very Happy Birthday! Kelly Schnepp-Schneider, Sam Nussbaum, Steve Burrow, Ron "Tiny" Parks and Michael Crowder. Hope y'all had a great day! Danny, Cindy, Linda, Carl, and April caught Local 14's flag at the Kickstand's Memorial Pool Tournament and Halloween Costume contest! Good job y'all! Costume's looked great!

That's all I have! Stay safe and happy holidays! Ride Hard, Ride Safe, Ride Free, **Rod**



Local 41 - Cameron Crossroads (January 2002)

Meetings: 1st Thursday @ 7pm Dino's Diner

Contact: Steve Gallus 816-449-0876 or Mike Sims 660-425-8340

Facebook: FORR@ Local 41

Greetings from the Crossroads

Hope everyone has enjoyed the nice weather but I am ready for a freeze to get rid of allergies. I'm sure I'm not alone with these miseries.

Halloween is behind us with Thanksgiving just ahead with Christmas right behind. I look forward to holidays as a reason to be with family. As families grow it gets difficult to work around everyone's schedule. Be kind to each other and remember the reason for the season.

I know so many members have enjoyed the extended warm weather. Be safe. The deer are thick this year. Slow down and be alert. If you think you are going to hit a deer, aim for the back end

as they don't back up. If you swerve to miss you will probably have more damage than if you had hit it.

Not much going on with the local. Our meetings are still on first Thur. Eat at 6 meeting at 7. We will continue to meet at Dinos. Steve will notify us of any change.

Happy Thanksgiving

Foxy Gama

MRF REPORT

2025 Awards & Elections

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) is proud to share the 2025 MRF Award recipients recognized at the recent 41st Annual Meeting Of The Minds in Shreveport, LA. Each of these awards recognizes efforts made in support of the MRF and motorcyclists' rights over many years.

Major Awards:

John "Farmer" Eggers Award: **Chris Beckhans**
 Lifetime Achievement Award: **Jim Barr**
 Founders Award: **Hessian Spike**
 President's Cup: **Cara & Kevin Teague**
 President's Cup: **Cathy Dial**
 Thomas Paine Award: **Stephen "Pops" Wiehe**
 Aftermarket Award: **Penny Osiecki**
 MRFPAC Award: **Dave Dwyer**
 MRF Hall of Fame Induction: **Gary "Pappy" Boward**

Membership Awards:

Deb Butitta Award: **Art Ryan**
 Top State Team: **Texas**
 Membership Growth Flag Capture:
ABATE of Washington
 Top New Member Recruiter: **Cathy Dial**
 Top Renew Member Recruiter:
Dennis "Cleaver" Yeager

Additionally, there were four members re-elected to the MRF Board of Directors:

Vice President: **Jay Jackson**
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 Director of Communications: **Seven**



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Hey all you Freedom Lovers,

First I want to send out a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year wish to all of you from all of us at District 4. Hope you get to spend some quality time with your families and remember the reason for the season. You might even get this before Thanksgiving so try not to eat too much and enjoy the holiday.

Speaking of eating too much the next District 4 event is the Crockpot Cookoff on January 17th 2026. To be eligible to win one of Shelly's fantastic awards your dish MUST be presented in a crockpot. 1st and 2nd place will be given out for Best Dish, Best Desert, and Best Presentation. There are always some great giveaway prizes and some fun games to play. Don't forget Local 14's Christmas Party and Auction on December 6th.

I never did get a chance to get a list together of all the winners from Ofest, I guess you just had to be there. I do know that Rebel won the high hand on the Friday Night Campfire Poker run and I won the low hand, I was almost afraid to announce that, didn't want anyone to think it was rigged. We definitely need more participation next year and more attendance for the event. Please let us know what we can do to get more people in the gate.

I didn't make the Harley Rhoades Memorial Toy Run this year but from the pictures I saw it looked like a pretty good haul for the Sunshine Center. That is the first one I have missed in a very long time and I don't want to make a habit of that.

I finally sold both of the trailers that we no longer needed for \$150 each to the same buyer so we added \$300 to the Ofest account.

Rebel had a BIG OOPs this month with the newsletter computer, so I'm going to make this short, give your loved ones a BIG Holiday Hug and we will talk next year !!

Never Give Up and Thank You for Giving a Shit

Tim "Dragon" O'Connor
 District 4 Secretary
 Member# 7156



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17 / District 4 - Crockpot Cookoff

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